



August 2025 Newsletter

Green status – We continue to receive positive complimentary remarks, from all visiting clubs, about how well our green is looking and how well it plays. This resulted in IBC hosting the County Ladies Double rink semi-finals last weekend. For those that came to watch the games, we were given an exhibition on how to play bowls from the 32 ladies that took part including 2 English internationals, both under the age of 25!!! There is hope for all of us...!!!! It is with great pleasure that I can announce that, Kay our treasurer, was successful in our application for a grant towards a new “electric” mower for our club. Further news on the purchase of this state of the art machine will be provided once it arrives, suffice it to say that we will be the first club in the County to have a “green” mower!!!!

Social Events – Our next social evening will be a skittles evening on Friday 26th September starting at 7pm. If you are interested in playing please add your name(s) to the list on the club noticeboard or let me know. Cost for playing will be £10 per head which will include a hot supper provided by the Long’s (Richard & Lynne). In October, 17th to be precise, we will be holding a **Gardener’s Question Time**, to be given by the head gardener, Neil Cooke, from Hanbury Hall. If you would like to attend this evening, then the cost of the ticket’s will be £5 each which must be pre-paid before the event. We would also request that if you have a question that you would like to ask Neil, then these should be emailed to Liz Scott (elizcscott@gmail.com) by 10th October. Further events leading up to the end of the year will be advertised on the club noticeboard or will be announced in the next newsletter.

IBC results – Unfortunately, the Vale team have had a few results which went against us and are currently in the lower half of the league. The Interberga side are also not having the rub of the green and remain second from bottom. We have now played 26 friendly matches, winning 12, losing 12, 1 drawn and 1 abandoned. We still have 13 friendly games left for this season, so please get your names down on the nomination sheets if you would like to play, especially any of our newer members, the only way to improve is to play!!!

100 Club – the 100 Club winners for July were Paul Lavalette & Adam Weir (again!!!!)

Finals weekend – The finals weekend is due to be played on Saturday & Sunday – 6th & 7th September, timings will be provided once we know who is in which final. Please come and support your fellow bowlers and see some very competitive action. On Sunday afternoon of 7th, we will be holding the Havas trophy competition which is open to ALL members, irrespective of experience and standard, so please put your name on the nomination sheet, displayed on the club noticeboard.

AGM – This year’s AGM will take place on Tuesday 14th October, starting at 7pm. Each year the committee roles are up for re-election, so if you are interested in joining the IBC committee, then please add your name to the list when it appears on the club noticeboard on 14th September. Non-committee roles – fixtures secretary, competition secretary, social secretary & pavilion manager – are appointed by the committee. If you would like to know more about these roles, please contact me.

Community Day – The Club will be holding a Community Day on Saturday 20th September, when we will be inviting the villagers of Inkberrow to have a go at “Bowls” and “Short-Mat”. We will be asking current members who live in Inkberrow to bring along a neighbour or friend and join in the fun.