



Newsletter 2/23

	Club Fixtures/Events	
Feb 1 st	Short Mat – North Leigh	Away
Feb 7 th	Short Mat – Witney Town – “Woolies”	Away
Feb 15 th	Short Mat – Charlbury	Away
Feb 21 st	Short Mat – Witney Town – “Canaries”	Home
Feb 23 rd	Horticulture Club	2pm – 5pm

OSMBA Evening League

West Oxon Div 1

Results For Season 2022-23

	Fixtures				Shots			Pts
	Play	W	D	L	For	Aga	Diff	
North Leigh 'Millers'	15	14	0	1	533	272	261	109
Witney Town 'Canaries'	15	12	0	3	566	328	238	95
Witney Mills 'The Weavers'	15	11	0	4	479	331	148	88
Charlbury 'Oaks'	15	10	0	5	410	370	40	75
Burford 'Lions'	14	9	0	5	427	358	69	69
Witney Mills 'The Millers'	14	8	0	6	398	370	28	67
Charlbury 'Willows'	14	9	0	5	417	385	32	65
Hanborough 'Harriers'	15	8	0	7	431	430	1	60
Witney Town 'Red Kites'	15	6	1	8	400	415	-15	52
Hanborough 'Heron's'	15	3	0	12	376	488	-112	29
Witney Town 'Rams'	15	3	0	12	344	504	-160	27
Witney Town 'Woolies'	15	2	1	12	321	551	-230	26
Charlbury 'Cedars'	15	0	0	15	271	571	-300	6

Playing some of the top teams has not helped our points total column but hopefully we can finish in the top four which will be quite an achievement.

Friday Triples after 27th Jan

League as of 27/01/23								
Team	Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	For	Against	Diff	Points
B	11	9	1	1	229	147	82	19
E	10	6	4	0	156	153	3	12
C	11	4	6	1	150	176	-26	9
A	10	3	7	0	137	176	-39	6
D	10	3	7	0	145	165	-20	6

Team A	Team B	Team C	Team D	Team E
Jack L Pauline Allan T Ed T	John H Ted W Dougie SteveG	Bob P TrevW Marc DavidH	Pat W SteveW Tim S Stan L	Doreen Jeff B Nigel Tracey

Art Classes Booking Clubhouse

An approach was made to the club last November as a possible venue for an Art Class group to hold regular teaching classes. Following a couple of meetings, we are very pleased that they wish to proceed and have booked the clubhouse for a series of 14-week sessions on Wednesdays 9am-5pm starting April 12th, 2023; then September 6th, 2023; January 10th, 2024; May 1st, 2024; September 4th, 2024. This will require the clubhouse being opened and the window shutters lifted down in the morning and close up at 5pm. If anyone can offer to help with this task it would be greatly appreciated and hopefully a rota can be produced, just let me know if you can help. During the winter season the indoor mats only need to be rolled up and placed at the end of the clubhouse.

With regard the shutters this may not be a manual operation soon – watch this space! Should you or if you know of anyone who may be interested in these art classes then I'm sure Chally would be only too pleased to hear from you.

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Car Park Drainage

The public car park had become quite a concern with regard the amount of standing water left after any significant rainfall, especially at “our end”; with fears that a cold spell would make the area dangerous under foot. Burford Town Council offered to provide a topping stone, but it was felt that the poor drainage needed investigating as there was a suspicion that the car park has been built over previous tarmac surface tennis courts. The club offered to provide the labour to trench out and investigate the poor drainage and to infill the trenches and top dress the area. The Town Council were more than happy to accept this offer and provided funding for the machine hire and gravel. Work was undertaken on 20th January, and we have received a very complementary email from the Town Council thanking the club for the time and effort in repairing the car park.

Indoor Rink End Scoreboards

We have purchased two, remote controlled, Indoor Rink End Scoreboards funded from the Race Night held last December; please ensure they are turned off and unplugged from mains after use. Removing the standing scoreboards has created a little more room at the end of the mats.

2023 Fixtures

The fixtures for 2023 are nearly completed with just the Oxfordshire Men’s League to be finalised and if you would like to glance at the fixtures, they can be seen on the fixtures calendar on the club website. Scroll down on the Website homepage to find the link to the Fixtures Calendar then use the right arrow at the month to move through the year month by month. Click on the match to get details of time, place and dress code for that match. Unfortunately, Google does not transfer event detail colours across to the website calendar, so all events appear as the same colour. The Oxfordshire Mixed League matches are denoted by **, Oxfordshire Men’s League will only be on Thursday evenings, so the remainder are either club competitions or friendlies.

With regard the Oxfordshire Men’s League, provisional fixtures are Thursday evenings starting 11th May and running until 10th August with the occasional bye week. Please look and book your diary to see if you can be available for these Thursday evenings, once the fixtures are finalised, I am sure Steve Gould will be looking to check who is available. There may be some League Cup elimination knock-out games at the end of April/ start of May. Teams in League 4 are Burford, Banbury Chestnuts, Banbury Central B, Bloxham, Witney Town B, Carterton B.

The first club competition is the Tony Trevelyan on April 22nd with a 1pm start and probably about a 6pm finish, please try and make yourself available as this, and other club competitions, as they are a way of meeting club members in a fun afternoon of bowls. Club competition rules can be found on the club website under the competitions index on the homepage; follow this link

https://www.burfordtownbowlsclub.co.uk/images/files/COMPETITION_RULES_23.pdf

OBA Unification

OBA Unification was passed with a result of 28 clubs in favour and 2 against. A meeting of the Bowls Oxfordshire Executive Committee was to be held as soon as practical in January to prioritise the next steps to be taken with the proposal.

County Competitions 2023

Those who have entered any of the County competitions (National and Domestic) may like to look on the OBA Website to see the draw and when you are playing.

These can be found at :-

<https://bowlsoxfordshire.co.uk/index.php/national-championships-draws>

<https://bowlsoxfordshire.co.uk/index.php/domestic-competitions-draws>

First drawn player is the home player and is responsible for arranging date, time, venue and rink at venue with opponent plus providing a marker if singles game; please book the rink in the diary if at Burford.

Jeff Bizzell