

# CROFTERS' CHRONICLE

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## OPENING DAY 15<sup>TH</sup> APRIL

Looking forward to the start of the new season, the club is open from 15<sup>th</sup> April.

Play may be possible, depending on the weather, but you will be able to pay your subs, sign up for the Hinckly and District triples league and mark your availability for the first games of the season.

Our Presentation of trophies evening starts at 7.00pm and promises to be a full evening of entertainment.

### *Forthcoming events*

*1<sup>st</sup> April – Quiz night*

*8<sup>th</sup> April – Dominoes night*

*15<sup>th</sup> April – Opening day*

*15<sup>th</sup> April – Presentation night*

*20<sup>th</sup> April – Blaby Home*

*22<sup>nd</sup> April- Kirby Muxloe Home*

*24<sup>th</sup> April – HD triples league*

## KINGSCROFT BOWLS CLUB NEWSLETTER.

Welcome to the first edition of what I hope to be a regular newsletter throughout the season. I intend to keep members up to date with match results, competitions, County and National events that affect our members. Some of the information in this newsletter may have been circulated via email, but not everyone has an email account so a printed version should reach a wider audience.

I hope you find this informative and entertaining. I will also accept news, gossip or any other news worthy story that you think would be of interest to others.

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## GREEN KEEPER'S REPORT

The team that look after the green have been busy throughout the winter to ensure that the green is in the best possible condition for us from the start of the season. The green does look in excellent condition, but work continues on a daily basis. It has recently been scarified and mechanically brushed and it was hoped to reseed the green depending on the weather.

There is still a need for help with mowing throughout the season. If anyone can contribute one morning a week to assist, please speak to Joe Dawson or John York. Full training will be given on use of equipment.

If we want to continue bowling on one of the best greens in the County, then it is vital that the team working on the green is expanded. Don't be shy – please come forward to assist.

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## Whites or Greys?

The Thursday and Saturday matchday Captains have requested a change from playing in whites to playing in greys. The request has come in response to other teams now playing in greys. It will be up to the captains to decide the dress code for each match, in discussion with the opposing captain. This change only affects the midweek and weekend friendlies.

## Hinckley & District

### Triples league rule change.

At the AGM of the HDTL, a change in the format of the Monday night triples league was agreed.

Instead of having 2 trial ends and then 18 ends, there will be no trial ends, straight off and score one on the first two ends. 18 ends in total.

## May diary -County Competitions

Mens Fours: 15<sup>th</sup>,19<sup>th</sup>,23<sup>rd</sup>,26<sup>th</sup> May

Open fours: 23<sup>rd</sup>,26<sup>th</sup> May

Ladies senior fours: 18<sup>th</sup>, 22 May

Mens 60+ pairs: play by 26<sup>th</sup> May

Good luck to all County entrants in 2023

## Dominoes

The winter series of dominoes evenings is coming to a close on the 8<sup>th</sup> April. These evenings have been held once a month throughout the winter and have been well attended.

I am sure that everyone would like to thank Neil Bedder for organising these fun nights.

## May 26<sup>th</sup> – 29<sup>th</sup> - Big Bowls Weekend

There is a National Bowls promotional weekend taking place over this bank holiday weekend and Kingscroft will be taking part. This will be the perfect opportunity for people to come and try bowls and the feedback from those clubs taking part last year was very positive, with new members recruited.

More details will follow nearer the time, but any volunteers to help over the weekend will be greatly appreciated. Make a note in your diaries.

I am sure that everyone is looking forward to playing outdoors again. Some of you will have had an indoor winter season and there are National Indoor Championships taking place at the moment which some of our members are taking part in. More news on that in the next edition. We have new members to welcome to Kingscroft, Tom Renshaw, Simon Church, Kevin Liffen and Roy Shakespeare, who has rejoined after a few years absence. Keith and Sarah Pole have joined as Social members. Brian Crouch and James Malone will not be renewing their membership this season.

Whatever your standard of bowling, enjoy the coming season. Kingscroft had a successful 2022 and good luck to all the captains of all the various teams – you all do an amazing job of picking teams and organising matches. Let us wish for an even better 2023!