



South Wales Bowls and Recreation Centre

NEWSLETTER August 2025

Summer Leagues 2025 - Mid Season Update (Friday 25th July)

We have passed the midway point in the seasons fixture list with approximately seven fixtures to be played in each of the leagues. A couple of fixtures remain outstanding from previous weeks, so will the teams concerned kindly re-arrange these asap. Alternatively if you are scheduled to play the same opponents later in the season, you can play that game for "double points" and whatever the score is the same score will be entered for both games. Any questions please ask.

Monday AM Triples Mike Davies' team have a commanding seven point lead with Cynthia Whyman and Phil Trump competing for second spot. Mike has only suffered one defeat in 14 games - that being by a single point (13-12) to Cynthia in Round 7.

Monday Evening Improvers League This league had to be re-scheduled twice owing to teams dropping out after some of the fixtures had already been played. The league restarted on 19th May and Glyn Evans' team hold a six point advantage over Lionel Dotchon's side. Glyn, like Mike Davies' morning side, have suffered only a single defeat from ten games.

Tuesday AM Triples Mike Davies' team tops this league as well, but only by two points from Jan Millard with Jackie Rule a close third. The two leaders play each other on the 19th August in what could prove to be the title decider.

Thursday AM Triples The irrepressible Mike Davies is in pursuit of a "hat-trick" as he also tops the Thursday morning table. But The Scorpions are only two points adrift. The top two play each other in the penultimate game of the season on 11th September. Tickets are on sale behind the bar on the morning of the showdown!!!

Friday AM Triples Another titanic battle at the top of this league. The Scorpions hold a two point advantage over Jean "The Queen" Rogers' team, although Jean has a game in hand. The top two face each other on 29th August - tickets already sold out for this clash!!

Friday PM - Australian Pairs This particular format of the game of bowls is proving to be increasingly popular here at Sully and we already have sixteen teams entered for this year's Winter League. The Scorpions - Rutland/Evered - have a commanding six point lead over second placed Trish Smart/Phil Trump with 15 of the 23 scheduled games completed.

I would like to thank all the teams and players who entered the various summer leagues. This period of the year results in income to the club dropping severely but enough of you have made a massive effort to ensure that the club/rink remains open for twelve months of the year.

Final reminder that entry sheets for the Winter Leagues are on the club notice board. In order to allow time to set the fixture lists, these will be taken down the first week in September. If you are unable to get to the club you can contact me on 07943051409 and I will place your team name on the relevant sheets. Prior to the season commencing, I will attempt to contact - all those who have entered their names to confirm that they will still be taking part. A list of the leagues can be found on the club site under "Leagues - Winter Season 2025-26".

Greg

New Website sullyindoorbowls.com

Our new website is now up and running and over the next couple of weeks we will be entering the third and final stage of the building process.

Step 1 was the initial setup, obtaining a Domain name and web hosting, and creating the initial pages.

Step 2 was the propagation of the site so that it was picked up by all search engines.

Step 3 is streamlining the number of pages to make visiting the site easier and more informative and setting up page parameters so that pages are properly displayed on both PC/Tablet screens and mobile phone displays. Because mobile displays are considerably smaller, pages displayed on PC screens are condensed for mobiles and some data may be moved around and out of position. So basically, we have to build two websites one for PC/Tablets and the other for mobiles. By restructuring pages we can make this transition from PC to mobiles a lot easier. Stage 3 will be completed by the end of August, well in time for the start of the Winter Leagues, I can then hand it over to the Trustees to maintain. We will also be closing down the sullyibc.com website, which is very difficult to update, but this **will not** affect **BOWLR**.

You will be able to access Bowlr direct from the new site to book rinks, check league positions, competitions and a lot more using your membership login details. Admins will login as normal. To get you used to using the site, we will be holding another **competition** for you to win a £30 voucher to use at Extra End, our bar and Restaurant service.

Congratulations to Susan Bailey who won our first competition. The new competition will run from 1st August 2025 to 30th September 2025 and all you have to do is visit relevant pages on the new website to collect several answers, complete the brief form and submit it. The winner will be drawn from the correct answers received at the end of the competition.

We would like to thank our main sponsors for the 2025/2026 season:-



Visit www.sullyindoorbowls.com and check it out



Club Shirts & Jackets

Get ready for the winter Season!

Order YOUR Club Shirt with the SWBRC logo and YOUR preferred name printed on it

Sizes S,M,L,XL,XXL



£20

Order sheets in reception and behind the bar

Club Soft Shell

**Jackets with
Logo and YOUR
name**

**Excellent
Quality**



£30

Charity Donation Items For Sale



These hand turned wooden table lamps, have been made by Mike, our resident wooden bowl maker. 😊

If anybody would like one, he is selling them for £10 each and the proceeds will be donated to Diabetes UK charity in memory of my daughter Helen.

If interested, please let me know. Jackie



THE VALLI BOYS



Saturday 6th September

£18 including a meal

Tickets go on sale

9am Monday 4th August

Maximum 10 tickets per person

First come - First served!

We will continue to provide the very best in entertainment from top UK Tribute acts to the very popular singers, groups and entertainment

6th September 2025 - well Worth waiting for . . . THE VALLI BOYS

4th October 2025 - Firm Butlins favourite Ed Jones as ELTON JOHN

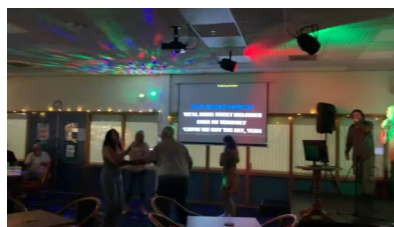
1st November 2025 - the much wanted return of the very talented LEE GILBERT

6th December 2025 - 'Mistletoe and Tom' the brilliant Dean Jones as TOM JONES

KARAOKE NIGHT

After a very enjoyable first Karaoke Night there will be another opportunity to show off your musical prowess.

**Come along and join us on
Saturday 30th August 7pm**





EXTRA END



Cake and Coffee Mornings

Every Wednesday 9.30 till 11.30am it's

"Cake and Coffee Morning"

£4.50 including a coffee fill-up... and a chat of course!



Happy Hour

Happy Hour is Monday to Thursday from 4pm to 7pm

15% discount on all alcoholic drinks

With a further 10% discount for members

Afternoon Tea at the Extra End on 16th July

A group of volunteers from Sully Library enjoyed afternoon tea at the club this afternoon. It was a really good quality tea with plenty of variety and lots to eat and a great price as well.

We all thoroughly enjoyed it and went home with doggy bags too! Many thanks to everyone Involved in making it a lovely and welcoming afternoon. Nicky Parry



FISH FRIDAY



Every Friday 12noon to 2.30pm and
5pm to 7.30pm

Other Meals are available



Starters

SUNDAY LUNCH

Served Noon till 3pm

Pre-booking advisable

02920 530999



Chicken/Pork/Beef/Lamb Roast Dinner
Salmon & Ratatouille or Vegan option



Desserts





300 CLUB WINNERS

June 2025

1st Prize	£200	13	Barbara Johnson
2nd Prize	£100	17	John Cauldwell
3rd Prize	£ 60	104	Hugh Levick-Jones
4th Prize	£ 50	28	Dave Curtis
5th Prize	£ 40	40	Gerry White
6th Prize	£ 30	148	Tricia Smart

Membership of the 300 Club is now closed for 2025.

THANK YOU

I would like to thank members and the trustees for all the cards, messages and flowers sent to me over the past few weeks.

It has been a difficult time coming to terms with the loss of my precious daughter Helen. But my 'bowling family' have helped me carry on, thanks to all the hugs, kisses and kind words.

Many thanks to everybody who showed me such love. Jackie

BOWLING TIPS

Touchers

A bowl which, in its original course on the green, touches the jack is called a 'Toucher'.

A toucher remains a live bowl even though it passes into the ditch, provided it comes to rest in that part of the ditch within the boundaries of the rink.

If the jack should be driven into the ditch by a "toucher" and comes to rest there, no subsequent bowl in the end being played can become a "toucher".

A "toucher" shall be clearly marked with a chalk mark by a member of the player's side. If a bowl is not so marked before the succeeding bowl comes to rest it ceases to be a "toucher".

Care should be taken to remove "toucher" marks from the bowls before the playing of the succeeding end. Should a bowl be played with such marks not removed the marks shall be removed immediately when the bowl comes to rest, except if such bowl has become a "toucher" at the end of play.

VOLUNTEERS SPOTLIGHT

This month's volunteers recognition is for a few more of the Bingo Team.

Joe and Maria arrive early and prepare the Extra End bar area for all our loyal bingo players. Joe can be seen making a number of journeys as he transports his chair laden trolley, from the storage area into the Extra End. Maria helps to arrange the chairs and tables.



Liz assists Sylvia in the checking of the wining bingo books, and she also steps in as caller whenever Brian is away.

Thank you Liz, Joe and Maria for all your assistance on Thursday afternoons.

Trustees Update

The carpet is due to be stretched on Tuesday 23rd September. The new contract will ensure that the carpet is stretched twice a year.

We are continuing with our efforts to improve the Extra End facilities, increase storage, improved ventilation etc. apologies for any inconvenience caused. We hope to complete these works by the end of August, before the start of the winter bowling programme. Once again, the winter bowling programme will be expertly formatted, and managed by Greg.

On that note, thanks to Keith (Head of Coaching), we will be restarting our coaching programme to include revised 'New to Bowling' sessions. The attraction of new members, bowling, social or Pétanque, remains a key goal for the Trustees.

Bristol Indoor Bowling Friendly - Sunday 28th September

The coach taking bowlers to Bristol for the above game has a number of spare seats.

The cost of a seat on the coach, to include a breakfast roll in the Extra End at 9am, is £10 to be paid on your membership card.

So if you fancy coming along as a spectator, or want to go on a shopping spree you, are welcome to join us for the trip.

To enable the organisers to finalise all arrangements, and ordering of your free breakfast bap, please add your name to the list as soon as possible.

To add your name, please contact:-

Greg Lamerton - 07943051409

Shaun Gray - 07827325047

Bowls for Sale or Wanted

FOR SALE

Drakes Pride 4H
Reasonable condition plus carrier,
measuring tape and pick up tool

£65

Steve Clarke
07922 193438

FOR SALE

Taylor Vector Vs
Size 0

Good condition

£35

Contact Jackie
07910687022

FOR SALE

Set of 2 Lazer Size 00
Set of 2 Drakes Pride Size 2
Set of 2 Cotswolds Size 3

Contact Steve Clarke 01446 407344

FOR SALE

Henselite Size 5

£35

Good condition

Alan Hamilton 07584 072156

FOR SALE

Henselite Ladies' Bowling Shoes
Size 5

£20

Tina Johnson 07594486764



WANTED

Drakes Pride d-Tec
Size 0000H

Heidi Bleach - 07515643513

WANTED

Drakes Pride
Professional
Size 0H

Contact Maria 07756092732

