

BOWLS SURREY NEWSLETTER

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Hello again. Well, we are another month closer to our Outdoor Season and the work carries on. I've seen a few greens and they are starting to look good. Fingers crossed the weather warms a little and the grass keeping growing. I'm starting to look forward to seeing you all out and about. Charlotte

The Affiliation System will be opening on 1st Feb and closing on 29th Feb. If you want to enter any competitions or play in any Club entry comps then you must be affiliated. If you haven't already let your club secretary know which competitions you want to enter then please contact them asap as once the system closes no more competition entries can be made.

Association of Surrey Bowls Coaches is getting ready to hold its annual Marking Course. This is scheduled to take place on the mornings of 27th, 28th April and 4th and 5th May at Donyngs I.B.C. Enquiries and applications can be made to Wendy Dunne via surreybowlscoaches@yahoo.com and more info can be found on our website at <https://www.surreybowlscoaches.org.uk/courses/>

ENGLISH BOWLS
COACHING
SOCIETY will be running a Level 1 course at King George Field I.B.C on 2nd, 3rd, 10th and 17th March from 10am-12 noon. All candidates must attend all four sessions. Contact JOHN NEAL 07909 961538 nealjohn@btinternet.com

Please go to the website under "OFFICERS" if you have a problem / query and contact your respective area representative.

The County matches have started to be published, please go online and apply for matches to support your Presidents.

A reminder to any ladies that have 'points' carried over from the old badge system ... this is your final year to use those points. Good Luck

2024 is the last year of the 50p IT levy. BS would like to thank all of you for this contribution and hope that you look at and are using the Website.

Please keep an eye on your inboxes if you play in any competitions that are run by BE. They are sending out a questionnaire via the County that will require some thought and some (quick) replies

Umpires Corner

Last Months Question

A player is taken ill during a 'Side' match and there is no reserve. What happens?

39.2.2 If, 30 minutes after the scheduled start time for a game, or sooner if the Controlling Body decides, one player is absent from one or more teams in a side, the game must continue but:

39.2.2.1 the number of bowls played by each defaulting team **must** be made up by the lead and second, both playing three bowls singly and in turn; I am paraphrasing the relevant laws but basically if an eligible reserve cannot be found and the players do not have their bowls then the game must be conceded.

Next Months Question comes from an email I just received: I watched the World Bowls at Potters on television like many others and was a bit surprised that certain rules were being ignored. I understand that players once they deliver their bowl, if following their bowl, they must be behind the head before their bowl comes to rest. Why were the players ignoring this?