

Newsletter No 118
Dated 13/04/2016

Hi All

Just a quick one if you follow the link it will take you to a blog of the presentation night, put together by our DJ Neil Stock of Express Fm if you get a couple of minutes check it out.

<https://www.mixcloud.com/expressfm/over-the-white-line-13042016/>

Cheers
Karl

Newsletter No 117

Dated 03/04/2016

Hi All,

Sorry first off I must apologize I miscounted we have fifty three teams not fifty two so there will be four divisions of eight (one to Four) and three of seven (five to seven).

The divisions have been worked out and are now on the website. There are some new teams, these are:

- The Seahorse these guys have joined us from the Wednesday league.
- The Mayfair Pocket Rockets who are a group of snooker players who have come over from the dark side.
- The Hill Park Memorial Working Men's Club have returned with a new team after being absent for what seems an age.
- The Jolly Miller have also returned after not playing last summer.
- WPM has brought in a second team.
- The New Inn has brought in a second team.
- The Foresters are joining us for what is their first summer season.
- The Vine who have returned with a new team.
- GPA have a new team GPA Chalk is Cheap (don't ask I didn't).

David has also taken on HEDCA playing now as the GPA Elite and the Middlecroft A playing as the GPA Masters. On that point other teams have changed names and in some cases venues so please check before travelling.

Next up are the rule amendments discussed at the Captains Meeting held at the Searle's Club on the 24th of March. These rules will come into force from the start of the Summer Season 14/04/2016.

League Rules:

1. This concerns rule 1. All teams may now include as many Interleague players as they want in their team. They can still only have two county players the only change here is that it does not include county youth players. We will be monitoring this for the summer to see how it goes.
2. This concerns rules 5, 18 and 30. All matches that can't be played for whatever reason must be forfeited including Cup and Plate matches. In the first round of the Cup/Plate (the Spilt) if you don't show you will be eliminated from both and take no further part in the knockouts.
3. This is a new rule. All Singles and Doubles matches must be played on or before the date published. These matches cannot be rearranged after the published date for that round. Tony and I will attempt to do the draw the weekend following the date published. If a new date for the match can't be reached the Team/Player wanting to rearrange must forfeit and the opposing player will win by default.
4. This isn't a rule as such but from now on the singles and doubles quarters and semis will be best of five frames and the final of the singles will be best of seven frames (the final of the doubles will remain at five frames due to time restrictions). Due to time restrictions and lack of suitably sized venues we will be having two finals nights. The first will have the Semis and Finals of the Doubles and Singles and the second will be the Finals of the Cup and Plate and the presentation of ALL trophies.

5. The new season starts on the 14th of April with the Cup and Plate split round. As usual, the Winners go into the Cup competition and the Runners-up go into the Plate competition. As mentioned earlier, if you fail to show up for the draw (in the hope of just playing in the Plate think again) you will be eliminated from both competitions.

You may have already noticed but the new website is up and running so a big thank you to Robert who has excelled himself with this site. The website address is still the same:- thealternatethursdaypool.co.uk There are still things that need up dating and probably little tweaks that may have to happen if you think of anything we need to add or adjust please let us know.

Finally don't forget this Thursday is the Finals and Presentation night being held at the Hill Park Memorial Working Men's Club doors open at 19.00 matches start at 20.00. In addition we will be running a speed ball competition and Raffling off a £200.00 Peradon Saturn $\frac{3}{4}$ pool cue with runners up prizes of various bottles of spirits.

Thanks for listening
Karl

Newsletter No 116

Dated 29/03/2016

Hi All,

Well times up the book is closed, the league has 52 teams for the 2016 Summer Season. There will be 3 divisions of 8 (1-3) and four divisions of 7 (4-7). Could any team that have not yet paid please contact me to arrange payment or meet me in the Solent Social Club on Thursday the 31st, I'll be there from 18.00. If any team still owes for deposits or doubles again could you bring it along on Thursday.

Thanks

Karl

Newsletter No 115

Dated 22/03/2016

Hi All,

This is the last chance for teams to join for the Summer Season. If there are any more teams out there thinking of joining please email or text me. We have up to five places to fill. We will be closing the book at midnight on Monday the 28th Sorry but any teams contacting us after then will not be entered. The cost of joining is £55.00 per team plus £20.00 deposit and £3.00 per pair if anyone wants to join in the doubles competitions.

Thanks

Karl

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Newsletter No 114

Dated 20/03/2016

Hi All,

Calling all Winners and Runners Up from the last Winter Season 2014/2015.

First thanks to the teams that have returned their trophies but there are still a lot out there like the one in the picture (see Steve's Post on facebook) they are the one's with the numbered balls on top

- The Village Home: - Division 2 Winners
- HEDCA: - Division 3 Winners (I got the Plate and the Summer cup)
- Locksheath SSC: - Division 4 Runners Up
- The Cuckoo Pint: - Division 5 Winners
- The White Hart B: - Division 5 Runners Up
- The Eagle: - Division 6 Winners
- The Hoeford B: - Division 6 Runners Up
- The White Hart A: - Cup Winners

So if you can contact me as soon as possible as I need to get these trophies engraved ready for finals night

Thanks

Karl

Newsletter No 113

Dated 19/03/2016

Hi All,

Just to remind all of you the sign-on is Monday the 21st of March at the Coach House on Fareham road between 19.00 and 20.00. You will need to bring we you.

1. Your sign-on sheet
2. Your sign-on sheet for any doubles (there are no singles in the summer)
3. Your entry fees £55.00 for the Summer Season
4. Your team Deposit £20.00 (as discussed at the last Captains Meeting see rule 29)
5. Your entry fees for the doubles @ £3.00 per pair
6. Any fines owed (we will contact teams that have been fined for no-shows)

The Captains meeting will be held at the Searle's Club on the 24th of March between 1900 and 20.00 followed by the Summer Cup final which is to be held at the Queens Head.

See you there!

Karl

Newsletter No112

Dated 14/03/2016

Hi All,

Due to bad timing, missed opportunities and bloody mindedness we will not be holding finals night on the 2nd of April. Instead we will be holding it on Thursday the 7th at a venue we have used before and whose team is returning to the league for the Summer Season. The finals and presentation night will be held at the Hill Park Memorial Working Men's Club. Doors open at 19.00 with Cup and Plate matches starting at 20.00

Due to the size of the league now and all the finals we have to play we have taken the decision to hold a separate finals night for the singles and doubles, the presentation of trophies will still take place on the 7th of April at the HPMWMC. This has also been put in place in case of conflict with player/s playing in more than one final. The finals of the singles and doubles will take place at the White Horse on Friday the 1st.

A couple of things that have come up over the last few weeks and will need to be discussed at the Captains Meeting.

1. No Shows; the fines don't seem to be working even the fact we kicked out two teams for not turning up more than three times. So if anybody has any better ideas please tell us what it is and how to implement it.
2. What do we do about teams that failed to show this season do we vote on letting them back in and if we let them back in what sort of fines we impose
3. County and Interleague players; it's been bandied around about changing this rule in divisions one and two only. Basically, after ten seasons and five years the teams in the top flight divisions are probably the best in the area and players in these teams can play as well as any County or Interleague players. So the idea is, in divisions one and two only; teams can have as many Interleague players although they will still be restricted to two County Players. They will still play our standard rules – NOT World Rules.
4. Pubs closing down or going full food and getting rid of their pool table. Have you any ideas what we can do to help teams that lose their venues?

On the other side of the coin if there are any pubs or clubs out there that want to field a team for the upcoming summer season starting on the 14/04/2016 with the sign-on night being the 26/03/2016. If you are a pub or club we can help with posters to advertise for players. Teams should consist of at least 6 players but we find that 8 or more works best with holidays and the like. We play every Thursday nights with matches starting at 21.00 with 9 frames being played (6 singles and 3 doubles). For more information and the rules we play please check the rest of the website.

The sign-on night will be held at the Coach House on Monday the 21st of March instead of the 26th due to Easter. The cost of entering a team for this Summer Season is £55.00; this can be paid by the venue or the team. There will be an additional charge of £1.50 each so £3.00 per pair for the doubles payable at the same time. Finally, as discussed at the last Captains Meeting there will be a £20.00 deposit payable by all teams to cover fines for no-shows. Those of you that have incurred fines this season will need to pay these at the sign-on night.

So dates to remember

21/03/16:- Summer Season sign on this has been brought forward so as not to clash with Easter

weekend. Between 19.00 and 20.00 at the Coach House.

24/03/16:- Captains Meeting between 19.00 and 20.00 at a venue to be confirmed

24/03/16:- 2015 Summer Cup Final to be held at the Queens Head "Kick off at 21.00"

31/03/16:- Winter Cup and Plate Semi Finals to be held at various locations

01/04/16:- Singles and Doubles Finals to be held at the White Horse

07/04/16:- Winter Cup and Plate Finals and Presentation Evening to be held at the Hill Park Memorial
WMC

14/04/16:- Start of the 2016 Summer Season beginning with the Cup and Plate Split

03/09/16:- 2016 Summer Season Finals and Presentation Night at the Coach House

Thanks

Karl
