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PALM READER

The Palmerston Indoor Bowling Club Magazine

ANNIVERSARY DAY



Thirty six bowlers and five guests celebrated the tenth anniversary day with a match between the President and the Vice president. An enjoyable game provided a victory for the President over the 18 ends. The President invited as her guest Cllr. Barry Lipscombe - a trustee of the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Air Ambulance in order to present him with an interim cheque for £350.. as part of her ongoing Charity for the year.

A raffle held during the meal raised a further £50.00 which will form the foundation for the second half of the fund raising for this charity. A successful afternoon to mark the tenth year of the Club's existence.

Roy Mudd

Capt. of the Day

Happy Christmas

I just want to wish you all a very happy Christmas and the best of good wishes for a very happy, healthy and successful New Year.

It doesn't seem possible that the first half of my year as your President has passed. I am really enjoying the honour and thank you all most sincerely for the support you have shown me. Friendship is a wonderful thing and where more can it be found than in bowls!!

My best wishes to you all.

Jean

President

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Notes from the JMC

Despite an update being included in the Palm Reader to remind members of their responsibility to take care of the carpet, fresh chewing gum was found on the carpet. Committee members to please be vigilant and remind any members that chewing gum is not allowed on the premises.

Fees requested from HIBA for 2009-10 for club male members at £80 plus £2.40 for each male member

Fees requested from HWIBA for 2009-10 for lady members at £1 for each female member.

Fees requested from EIBA for 2009-10 for club and members at £100 plus £2.30 for all members



Figures have now been completed up to the end of October and the Committee were informed that the club's finances show a healthy balance and appear to be in the same as this time last year. Also delighted to report that once all subscriptions have been received the club will be able to pay off the loan completely. The overdraft facilities could then be utilised only if required. A vote of thanks was expressed to the whole financial team.

The temperature on the rinks has been maintained but if there are any fluctuations, members to please advise A. Miller.

Members are advised that games in Mixed Leagues should always contain players of both men and ladies.

The amount of plastic cups being used has increased substantially, and members are asked to just use one at a time. Also the plastic holders for hot drinks are disappearing. Would members please note these are not disposable and should be replaced for re-use.

An appreciation of thanks was expressed to R. Packman, who gave an excellent talk on wood carvings. This event raised £72.30 for the President's charity - the Air Ambulance

A tower system has been purchased which will enable replacement of lights etc. to be done more easily. A sideways stretch of the bowls carpet will take place in early January.

Christmas coffee morning

The Christmas coffee morning on the 28th November, on one of the dry days, was a very successful event raising over **£600** for club funds.

Many thanks to all the stall holders who put a lot of work into their stalls, Richard and crew for the catering and members who gave their support on the day.

Just a reminder that the Christmas draw that was postponed from the 28th Nov and will now take place on Saturday the **12th December**. Don't forget you can still put your names on the draw sheets to have a chance of winning the **£100** first prize, **£50** second prize and the other goodies that are on display on the prizes table. Please support the draw as the profits all go back into the club for your benefit.

Thank you



When you've finished with your drink
Take your cups from off the rink
Take away your dirty glasses,
Show you are not untidy a****s.

And wait until the rink is clear
Don't crowd it though your time is near
Give the players a chance to leave
In comfort, not crowded and aggrieved



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The Nativity Play

Maureen Walters

Nana, Grandad come and see'
I'm a shepherd - look at me'
I'm in the school play,
the Christmas time one.
It's about Jesus's birthday
and it's really good fun.



We dress up as animals, people and kings,
we sing carols and do funny things.
The angels have wings and tinsel on their heads
and toy lambs on ribbons, by the shepherds are led.
The kings wear long clothes, made from curtains and things,
they've travelled a long way, their presents to bring.

It's all for baby Jesus, for his birthday you see,
and Christmas is his party and it's for you and me.
Well, teacher said that's what it is,
I'm not really sure cos I'm only a kid.

Mary and Joseph have come a long way,
to be counted by the man and their taxes to pay.
They had nowhere to stay and it got very late,
so into a stable they went to sleep and wait,
and soon a dear baby boy was born.
The new family snuggled down to sleep in the warm,
And all the animals who lived in the stable,
Lowered their heads, well as much as they were able.
The kings had followed a very bright star,
It showed where the babe was and they had come
from afar

The shepherds came to see, they knew he was special
for you and me.

For to them the angel came and said
"Go find the baby and go not in dread,
the child has come from the Father above,
to show the world peace and God's true love".

This happened a very long time ago,
But still we remember and at Christmastime show,
our love for each other, or that's what we should.
Nana, Grandad! Please come and see my play -
I promise I'll be good.

Dress standards

Just a quick reminder that the club standard dress for leagues / drives / roll ups is

Women

White blouse or tee shirt with collar, grey trousers or skirt and if required light blue waistcoat / cardigan (can be obtained from club) with authorised shoes.

Men

White shirt or Tee shirt with collar, grey trousers and if required white short or long sleeved jumper or cardigan with authorised shoes.

Team coloured tops are permitted in the leagues.

Thank you

Marje would like to thank all those who are bringing odd wool in. It is for Mr Garvin's wife who, along with her friends, knits for charities. Also thanks for all those pearl buttons donated several months ago.

BRAS

Ladies.....If you have any old bras, new or used (laundered) would you please bring them to the club. These will be despatched to the Hampshire and IOW Air Ambulance who are sending them to Africa to 'support' a very worthy cause

WATER TAPS

Having used the toilets, and washed your hands, will you please ensure that you SWITCH OFF THE WATER TAPS TO THE BASINS.

A number of occasions have come to our notice where the taps have been left running. Should this happen late at night, just before lock-up then we would have a large waste of water overnight and the subsequent bill.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.

DITCH MARKERS (RED/BLUE/WHITE)

These ditch markers are often being broken accidentally by players stepping on the edge of them, driving them lower into the ditch, and then treading on them to snap them in half. When the ditch markers are not in use for indicating a bowl that is a 'toucher' in the ditch, or indicating a jack in the ditch could we ask you to stick the markers on the BACK WALL OF THE DITCH just below the level of the rink number. This should prevent players getting their feet on them when they are close to or in the ditch, and thus preventing breakages. In this position the marker(s) still cannot be seen by a bowler delivering a bowl from the mat.

Thank you.
The Management

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Answers to crossword 9

LIGHTER SIDE

How many chimneys does Santa go down? Stacks!



Father Christmas' sledge broke down on Christmas Eve. He flagged down a passing motorist and asked, 'Can you help me fix my sledge?'

'Sorry,' the motorist replied. 'I'm not a mechanic - I'm a chiroprapist.'
'In that case' said Father Christmas, 'can you give me a toe?'

Crossword 10 from Peter Griffiths

- 2 Abort union evenly for naming this carnivore.
- 3 The last of round the bend.
- 4 On the way back, I think not.
- 5 Wealthy or highly flavoured.
- 6 Oddly this terrene contains a large plant.
- 7 She's here, but not in the east.
- 8 Secret in your mind this shelter.
- 9 Lots of coins go into this mix up
- 12 Go back in the middle of the files to find this biblical figure.
- 15 Does this cat sit under the roof?
- 16 It's wrong to go to the centre of the sierras.
- 17 A duel even to get into this team.
- 18 Entering this clue like this will bewilder.
- 21 Initially pay at the door.....sounds fishy
- 24 Slip on this.
- 25 The cost of feed without old pence.
- 26 These are often left in the cold.
- 27 Sounds like this fruit doesn't like moving
- 28 Look through this even if it sounds as if it hurts.
- 29 You often need to take this outside (slang)
- 31 Fashionable opening
- 33 Is this part to of the question?



- 1 Beginning of the end with a mixed up baby for a Holy rain (sometimes)
- 4 The direction is in neither one way nor the other.
- 9 The fifth in the scale? Sounds like it.
- 10 There's always a rage in Ireland
- 11 And rule is scattered in this Sussex town.
- 13 Race around for this tree.
- 14 Change a hotel if you hate it
- 15 Advantage can be money or in kind
- 18 You need a fine bet to make a profit.
- 19 Initially the Order of the Rats, maybe not!
- 20 Ancient person in catchment area S A
- 22 Surge, but not south to entreat.
- 23 Colloquially Australia.
- 24 Raise a flag for this position.
- 27 The kind of money more likely to make a hole in your pocket.
- 29 A Scottish sect ?
- 30 This kind of joke sounds painful.
- 32 A lion without a start of life can be charged.
- 33 A short farewell?
- 34 Colloquially having a look at the daddy of these birds.
- 35 A mine in the SE for this nasty behaviour.



Patient: "doctor I keep stealing things when I go Christmas shopping. Can you give me something for it!"

Doctor: "Try this medicine...and if it doesn't work come back and bring me a new video camera".

Father Christmas to elf: I thought I asked you to go out there and clear the snow!

Elf: I'm on my way, Father Christmas.

Father Christmas: But you only have one welly on!

Elf: That's all right! There's only one foot of snow!

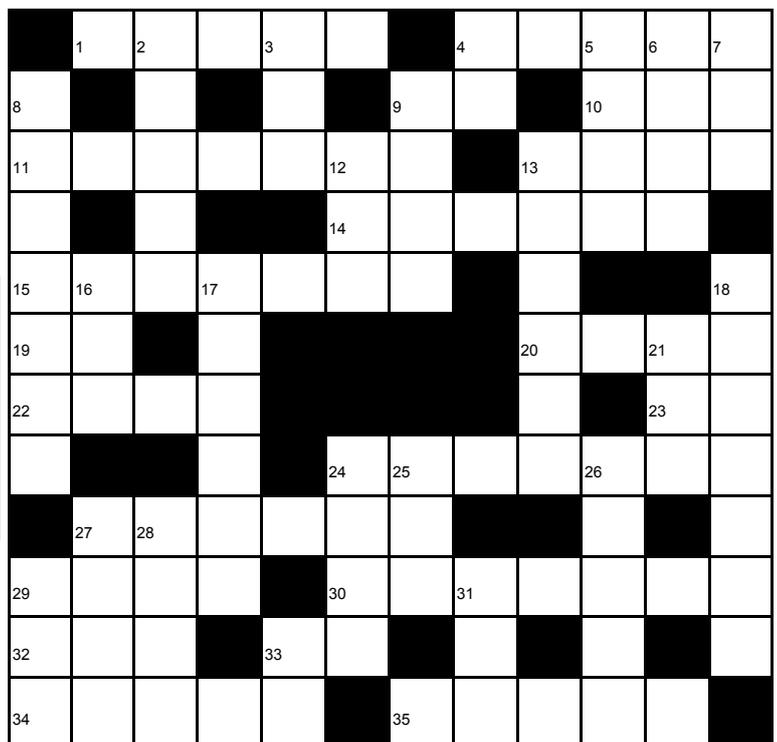
What did the bald man say when he got a comb for Christmas ?

Thanks, I'll never part with it !



A Christmas thought:

STRESSED is just DESSERTS spelled backward.



Articles, comments, letters are always welcome and can be put in my pigeon hole or sent by email to b.hayles@ntlworld.com