



Buckinghamshire Bowls Association Newsletter

February 2018

First Executive Meeting of 2018

The first meeting of the new BBA Executive Committee took place on Thursday 25th January.

The new Divisional Representatives were welcomed to the meeting – they are the first port of call for any matters you would like raised at the meetings.

Their contact details are:

Division 1 – Steve Goff	bba.stevegoff@gmail.com
Division 2 – Trevor Room	trevor.room@btopenworld.com
Division 3 – Linda Richards	linda@himpex.co.uk
Division 4 – Jessie Clark	jamyandjohnclark@btinternet.com

Draft minutes of the meeting will be sent to all club secretaries direct, but will not be available on the website.

BBA EGM

Advance notice that the BBA EGM meeting will be held at Aylesbury Town BC on Saturday 7th April at 10am. All BBA delegates should make a note of the date and endeavour to attend. Documentation will be sent nearer the time.

Calling all Lady Tourists..

The Ladies Tour will be to Bournemouth from 9th September for 5 nights. The chosen hotel is Best Western's Royale Hotel, which has its own spa and two swimming pools – lovely venue!

The cost will be similar to last year's at around £370 sharing a twin room and the price includes coach travel, rink fees and dinner, bed and breakfast.

Please register your interest with Terri Keen at terrikeen@hotmail.com or by phoning her on 01494 771983, **before Monday 12th February.**

Ladies Coffee Morning

Another date for the diary is the next Ladies Coffee morning, to be held on Monday 9th April at 10.30am at Foxhills IBC. All are welcome.

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Bowls England News

GDPR

Following the discussion at the Secretaries meeting in December, clubs have come back with a number of queries about how this should be approached at club level.

The current information from BE is as follows:

We have been seeking guidance from bodies such as Sport England and the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) with regard to the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), but at the moment there is very little to go on specific to sport hence our own delay in being able to publish something relevant to clubs/counties and ourselves. We are in regular contact with the ICO to try and provide answers to various queries that we are receiving from our member clubs.

Clubs may need to register with the ICO under GDPR but the criteria is still being considered. Details may be found at: <https://iconewsblog.org.uk/2017/10/05/ico-fee-and-registration-changes-next-year/>

Clubs may conduct an online self-assessment at: <https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/register/self-assessment/>

As you are aware we did present guidance to County Associations at our Counties Meeting in November 2017. At this stage, our key understanding is that the GDPR states that Personal Data can be held, without the need for consent, if it is adequate/relevant/non-excessive. This means that as long as a Club, or County Association, reasonably considers the storage of Personal Data (such as a telephone number, e-mail address or home address) to be relevant and non-excessive, they can continue to hold it.

Under the GDPR, an organisation can lawfully process data only if at least one of the following conditions are met:

- *The data subject has given their consent;*
- *If the processing is necessary for the performance of a contract;*
- *For compliance with a legal obligation;*
- *If the processing is necessary to protect the vital interests of the data subject;*
- *Public interest purposes;*
- *If there is a legitimate interest pursued by the data holder or a third party.*

I would therefore suggest that, should a club wish to 'publish' the telephone number of a club member, they should obtain 'consent' for this purpose – this must be 'opt in' rather the current 'opt out'.

As/when we are in position to issue specific guidance we will of course circulate.

2018 Spring "PLAY BOWLS" Package window now open.

The Bowls Development Alliance [BDA] is delighted to announce that the 2018 Spring Play Bowls Package application window has now opened. The window will remain open until 5pm, Friday 30th March 2018.

In addition to postal applications, clubs can also apply online using the following link:

<http://playbowls.org/clubs/online-play-bowls-package-application-form>

For more details about BDA package funding visit <http://playbowls.org/clubs/play-bowls-package-funding>