

KENT INVICTA TRIPLES LEAGUE

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 4 September 2025

Held at Prince Arthur Road IBC

Mick Day (Prince Arthur) brought the meeting to order and introduced the KITL chair Joan Moffat.

Chair's Report: Good evening, ladies and gentlemen. Thank you all for coming this evening.

Welcome to this AGM and Presentation Evening which is the first AGM after our first full season of bowling in the Kent Invicta Triples League and of course, the very first Presentation Evening.

As you can see, we have some splendid Trophies to award to the winning club of each league. (Trophies donated by MEMS Power Generation)

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Prince Arthur for hosting this AGM and also for accommodating our regular committee meetings. Thank you.

We have had a very successful 2024/2025 season with 7 clubs competing in the three leagues, Ladies, Men's and the Mixed league.

Unfortunately, it was disappointing to find that many ladies from the various clubs did not want to play 2 home and 2 away matches in their league during the winter months as they did not like driving in the dark. This has now been accommodated and the ladies league has been reduced to 1 home and 1 away match.

But on the positive side, for the coming season 25/26 we are introducing a new Ladies league which will take the format of 9 players playing sets of 4, 3 and 2.

We are also introducing a Top Club competition to be run monthly with different clubs hosting the event each month.



Along with two additional matches with KCIBA AND KCLIBA our next season will be full and diverse.

Dave Bartlett, our Results Officer, will tell you more about the leagues, table and results in his report.

Margaret Slipper will now give you the Secretary's Report.

Secretary's Report: - The correspondence we received this year was the following:

We received an application form from Deangate asking to join KITL Mixed League for season 25/26 in February 2026. Although this was pasted the closing date it was agreed by the committee to allow them to join and hopefully, they may join more leagues in future seasons.

We had several meetings over the year with some constructive debates from all representatives and we are looking forward to our second year.

Chair: Thank you, Margaret. Sylvia Sweeting will now give you, her report.

Treasurer's Report: - We currently have a balance of £1551.71 in our Lloyds Bank Account. This is after the withdrawal of £240 prize money which is being paid out tonight.

Due to an oversight the Top Club League had not been arranged. This is now in hand and invoices have been sent out for payment of the Annual League Fee of £20. As these payments have not been received yet they are not included in the Bank Balance.

I have already notified the committee that I will be standing down as Treasurer at the end of this AGM, I will remain in the post until a replacement comes forward. Don't all rush.

Chair: Thank you, Sylvia. And last but not least our Results Officer Report from David Bartlett.

Result Officer's Report: - Firstly, I would like to say it has been a privilege in helping to set up this new League and successfully running it with my colleagues here.

Here is my report on the past seasons' statistics:

In total, 103 out of the 104 matches were played, which was amazing, meaning that there was just one unplayed Mixed League fixture where our rules had to come into effect, in which the affected team were awarded 10 points. However, at a later committee meeting we reviewed this rule and amended it to:

'In future, if a match is not played, then 12 points be awarded to the affected club and 4 points will be deducted from the defaulting club'

Hopefully we will not have to invoke this ruling in the future.



The Men's League – Dartford Stone Lodge won the league by 9 points, with Thanet coming 2nd.

The Mixed League – Thanet won that league by 15 points with Oyster coming 2nd.

The Ladies League – Prince Arthur won the league by 4 points over Swale. Although early on White Oak Ladies decided they would be unable to complete all of their fixtures and only played one round of fixtures whereas the other clubs completed two rounds. Hopefully we have addressed this for the forthcoming seas, all teams still played each other an equal number of times.

So, as you can see the positions, and therefore the prizes will be awarded to five different clubs, which is nice.

The upcoming Leagues will continue to be contested with the same teams as last season, with the added exception that we now welcome Deangate Ridge into our Mixed League and hopefully they might consider the other leagues in future seasons, along with any other clubs that might wish to join in the fun. This along with the new ladies League, means there will be a total of 124 fixtures to be played.

As I mentioned just now the Ladies League has been amended for the forthcoming year and has been split into two leagues. The normal Triples League will continue to be played by all five club of 6 triples, (Oyster, Prince Arthur, Sevenoaks, Swale and White Oak), whereas the new second league named Ladies 432, will consist of just 9 Ladies, from the same five clubs playing in three formats – one rink, one triple and one pair (i.e. 4-3-2). The regular triples league will be playing for 16 points per match and the new 432 will be playing for 8 points per match. There are new score sheet on the website, which brings me nicely onto part two of my report – the website.

I have managed to maintain this website on my own since the league's inception, (along with Oyster's new website I must add). So, I wish to take a personal moment and go on record and thank my lovely, understanding wife Sandie, who generally only sees me at times peering over the top of my laptop. Anyway, that's what retirement is all about, isn't it?

I digress. On the website I have kept all of last season's results and tables for your viewing pleasure and comparisons and they can be located underneath (keep scrolling) this season's tables and master score sheet respectively. The updated League Rules are on the website respectively. The updated League Rules are on

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the website as are all the team selection and results sheets that you'll need under Admin, including the forms for the new Ladies 432.

Could I ask all clubs to ensure that their own personnel details are correct – i.e. your Captains, Representatives, Fixture Secretaries etc. as our website should be the go to



place for this kind of information, as we don't have any fancy little booklets to distribute amongst you!

Under News, you will find, unsurprisingly, new news that we need to bring to your attention during the season.

If anyone has any questions about the website, or wishes to see any changes or inclusions please ask now (or after school)

Finally, is there anyone here or whom you know could shadow me and learn how to run the KITL website, as my back-up?

I am now happy to share my baby with you. It feels a bit concerning that I am the only one who can access and input data into it. I'm no technical geek, I learnt everything I do myself and to be honest anyone with a little bit of tech savvy could do it too.

Thank you all for listening.

Chair: Thank you, Dave,

As ever the etiquette and social aspect of the game of bowls will remain an important part within the KIT league. Although the new 4-3-2 league is going to be just tea and biscuits after the game the majority of the other matches will still be followed by the traditional meal and social gathering.

The Constitution and Rules are available on our web site and a copy should be displayed in your individual clubs.

Thank you again for attending and for making this our first year of fixtures a success.

There are no notices for discussion so that concludes this meeting.

We will have a short break now for an 'open forum' before the presentation of the Trophies.

Meeting closed at 7.40pm