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| City of Bath Pétanque ClubNewsletter No 42 July 2018**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_****Note from the Chair** - Chris McGinnIt is with great sadness, that I have to report the death of Ken Barnes. We were aware that Ken was seriously ill, but one always had hope, of recovery.I am sure the Club as a whole, sends its deep sympathy, to his wife, Carol.Ken was a very good Petanque player and on his day could beat anybody. I recall one of his finest moments, when he won the Cork Open, with Clive Burge, in 2016.Above all, Ken was a very likeable individual, the perfect gentleman and always had a ready smile for us all. It is a tragedy that his life was taken away from him, after he had only recently retired and begun to enjoy the fruits of a lot of hard work, over the years. His memory will linger long in our thoughts.The funeral is on July 5th at 10am at Haycombe Crematorium. Ken said as long as you’re comfortable please wear something colourful. I would like to think, that we as Members, will give him a good send off. I am confident the Club will attend in good numbers and remember him, with affection. **Executive Committee**The next meeting is on the 31st July. If you wish an item to be raised please contact anne@bathboules.co.uk and she will add it to the agenda.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**Information on Playing Events 2018****Melees**The next singles melee will be on the 21st July at LSC - Registration 9.45 am start at 10.00 am. Entry fee £3 winner receives £20. There will be no doubles melee in June as the date clashes with our Mixed Doubles Championship.**Competitive Doubles League**The second quarter session of our new competitive Doubles League, started on the 1st April all the latest results can be found at [www.petanquebath.co.uk](http://www.petanquebath.co.uk/).**Club Championships** –The date for the remaining event is Saturday 7th July for the Mixed Doubles9.30 am registration with Clive de Silva, free admission, entry forms at [BOULE UK | Petanque BATH](http://www.petanquebath.co.uk/) in the tournament section. **Bath Summer Open**This year’s Summer Open will be on the 5th August. Entry forms can be obtained from cary@bathboules.co.ukDon’t forget if you wish to donate a raffle prize please pass it over to Chris McGinn before the 5th. |

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| **Player Information** Congratulations to Geoff Wyatt for winning our Singles Championship last month.**Thursday Night League**At roughly the mid-point in the season our best placed teams are:Division 1: Team Alexandra Park (5th)Division 2: Pulteney (2nd)Division 3: No Half Measures (1st)Division 4: Allez Pallies (2nd)Don’t forget that we encourage our own teams to wear club shirts, caps etc on the night. These can of course be purchased at John Moore Sports on Argyle Street. Prices are as follows:Ladies polo shirt £22.50Men’s polo shirt £24.00Unisex Sweatshirt £20.00 Cap £8.50**Brunel League**The club has three teams entered this year with the Codfathers and City of Bath currently top of the 1st and 2nd divisions respectively. Fixtures and results can be found at [www.brunelpetanque.co.uk](http://www.brunelpetanque.co.uk) **Volunteers Needed**We are forming a Maintenance Team to spend one hour per month maintaining the top pistes. On a monthly basis we will either spread some more 10mm stone across the eight pistes or dig out/refill/compact a few drainage holes. So if you think you can help contact David Knight at david@bathboules.co.ukWe will start in August and pick a date/time that suits the team.We also still need volunteers to open up the club and set out teas and coffees on Saturday mornings. If we could get a couple more volunteers then the commitment would be once a month. If you can help please contact mary@bathboules.co.uk.**Social**The winner of our annual sweet pea competition was Clive Burge.Thelma and Francis are holding a joint birthday party after the melee at LSC on 4 August. Please bring your own picnic/food but note that all drinks are to be purchased at the bar.r terrains in Larkhall.Following a buffet lunch for 54 visitors, players from the Poona Badminton Club, L’Autre Chemin pétanque club, Bath Badminton Club, members of both twinning committees and CoBPC members (24 players in all) took part in a mêlée organised by Mike and Sally Woodward. The Mayors of Alkmaar and Bath opened the competition with 3 ends of pétanque which ended in victory for Piet Bruinooge, the Mayor of Alkmaar. **Facebook & Twitter**New postings are continually being made on the club page. You do not have to have a Facebook account - just click on the link.<http://www.facebook.com/bathboules> \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**Weekly times of play****Larkhall Sports Club**  Saturday 10.00 am - 12.00 pmTuesday 10.00 am - 12.00 pm**Queen’s Square** Wednesday 11.00 am - 1.00 pm**Dates for your Diary****7th July –** Club Mixed Doubles Championship, LSC, Registration 9.30 am.\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Editor - David Knight   david@bathboules.co.uk Note there will be no Newsletter in August due to holiday commitments. |

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