

A Month in Pétanque

What's on at Huddersfield Pétanque Club and in the local area in May 2022



AGM Report

All went well. AGM took just over 20 minutes, Pete and Margaret Cowley were elected to the committee, Subs stayed the same. No proposals were submitted for discussion and we chose Prostate Cancer as our charity for 2022. Subs are now due. Our preferred method is by online payment to Huddersfield Pétanque Club account at Santander 090129-24464147 with your name as reference.

Our Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday sessions at 1pm continue as usual. There are 5 special events for members in April in the boxes below. They are all free to members.

Sunday 1st May 1300	Monthly Club Mêlée (5 of 6). No entry fee. No cash prizes. 3 rounds where we keep scores for 6 months and after 6 events we have a winner for the season. Rules in the clubhouse. Sue & Nigel are the May organisers.
Saturday 14th May 1300	Ladies Day when we open up to any women's groups. No Men allowed.
Sunday 15th May 1300	Race Day at the terrain. Ladies to wear hats or fascinators and men to wear a hat, a tie or a bow tie. Bringing your own fizz is optional. Rosette for 1st 2nd and 3rd. We will also do a raffle to kick start our charity fundraising.
Friday 20th May	Our squad meets up in the Pullman Hotel for a dinner. On Saturday we play a match against Pétanque Club de Bruges in Bordeaux of 3 triples, 4 pairs and 6 singles. On Sunday we play in a social mêlée. Full report next issue.
Thursday 26th May 1300	Club Pairs competition. 3 round snake. No entry fee. No cash prizes. Just a chance to be called a club champion. Play with your preferred partner or take pot luck on the day.

Late arrivals

HPC doesn't have many rules but sometimes things need to be formally stated so everyone is aware of how we organise our club sessions. Most HPC sessions start at 1300. If you haven't signed in by 1300 you won't be in the draw for partners. Fuller version on our website under Information Hub.

Players who arrive after the games have been drawn may be allowed to join in play depending on the circumstances but there is no guarantee.

a) if it is a social play session late arrivals can join existing games at the next end so pairs may change to triples. Committee members will do this usually to games where they are playing. If there are no places available late arrivals will have to wait until the second round (or practise on a spare lane).

b) if it is a competition then late arrivals will have to wait for the second round. If it is a mêlée they will have no score recorded for the first round. If it is another format they will record a score of 7-13 and can join in the second round but the full entry fee if there is one will be payable.

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Want to play for Yorkshire?

Every year the region holds a competition for teams who will represent Yorkshire in regional games. In 2022 it's at Heckmondwike on 22nd and 29th May. If you want to play talk to a committee member to find out more. It's a round robin event where every team plays every other team so it takes 2 days. Good to watch even if you don't play. There are normally 12 teams of triples who qualify for Yorkshire.

An extra donation to Beau's appeal

Lightcliffe Pétanque club in Calderdale had a collection for the appeal in March and paid in £101 in April. Events around the region in April. Well done Lightcliffe and Thank you.

Events around the region



Sunday 01	Wigginton Pairs
Sunday 08	Yorkshire Triples at Hollicarrs
Sunday 15	Molescroft Beverley Pairs

Ask a committee member for more information if you're interested. An event labelled Yorkshire is run by the region to find the regional champions some of whom who go forward to a national event. An event just labelled a club is organised by the club. These tend to have top players and are not for beginners.

Pennine Invitation Pairs

Here's advance notice of a competition in June. It's a 3 rounds pairs competition with a low entry fee of £5 per team but 5 prizes ranging from £10 up to £50. It's on Sunday June 26th at 1pm. It's restricted to players from Kirklees & Calderdale.

There'll also be a raffle in aid of the sponsor which is Age UK. Poster and entry forms in the clubhouse. It's our first pay up front event & we expect it to fill up rapidly.



See the flyer and sign up at <https://huddersfieldpetanque.files.wordpress.com/2022/04/pen-inv-pairs.pdf>

Stockton Fox m  l  e

This summer this club runs midweek m  l  es on 18/5, 15/6, 20/7, 17/8 and 21/9. These are all day events with 5 rounds and tend to be social players having a relaxed day at Stockton on the Forest. The club would like to take a group of players to one or more of these events. See lists on noticeboard. A lot depends on the weather and having enough drivers to share their car but sign up if you're interested. It's £4 and cash prizes.

Next issue 25th May.