

A Month in Pétanque



All the news and what's on at HPC and in the local area in December 2022

Our Tuesday, Thursday and Sunday sessions at 1pm continue with timed games. There are 3 special events in December in the boxes below. They are all free to members except where stated.

Sunday 4th December 1300	Monthly Club Mêlée Final (6 of 6). 3 rounds Played out over the last 6 months. The winners trophy will be presented after today's match. Jane and Claire will be organising.
Sunday 18th December 1300	Mulled wines. (Alcoholic and non alcoholic) provided by the club. Members to bring the mince pies please.
Tues 20th December 1300	Club raffle draw. Tickets are on sale throughout December. Christmas attire eg Xmas jumpers, Hats and deely boppers encouraged but optional

Events around the region



Sunday Dec 4th 09:45	Yorkshire Petanque Winter Pairs competition at Wetherby
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Trafford Petanque

On Sunday 11th December, Trafford Pétanque will host the last event of 2022 with the Jingle Boules Doubles. An open event, all players of all levels are welcome. Entry is £10 per team. (Check their website)

Yorkshire Petanque Winter Pairs competition at Huddersfield (Nov 20th)

An interesting day. For the first 4 rounds most things went well but because of some slow play in the first round there was a knock on effect and as sunset approached the rain started to fall with some teams finished and sheltering in the clubhouse but some still playing the 4th round. Fortunately this didn't affect the top 4 positions and teams who still had a game to play but didn't want to play in the heavy rain and darkness, decided to go home and get warm and dry.

Best HPC result was Robin & Rita who won all their 4 games and won 4th prize. Roy, Brendan & Nell won 2 games. The raffle raised over £50 and finally thank you to all the many helpers who made it a good day.

Membership hits 90

2022 Draws to a close,

We have welcomed many new players to our club. We now have 90 members with many playing regularly

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enjoying the friendly company of our established members and quickly becoming proficient players some of whom are entering the challenging world of external competitions under the guidance of some of our more experienced players.

Club Captain

Fred Tidball has taken up the post of Club Captain. He is keen to attract new players to be involved and writes:-

“Just to let people know that next year it is hoped that more of our players will consider joining the team/ teams who will be playing in competitions against other clubs. Whether you are a player of long standing or someone recently joined, I hope you you will give the matter consideration and talk to me further. Regards to you all Fred “

Fred has just partnered one of our new members Barbara in the latest round of the Yorkshire Petanque Winter pairs competition and whilst its fair to say they did not trouble the eventual winners, Barbara certainly enjoyed the day and gained a great deal of competition experience to take to her next challenge.

Thank you.

As they step down from their role, the club would like to recognise and thank Sue, Maureen, Marie, Sandie and Jane for their important contribution to the fundraising and social events they have organised over the recent years.

Prostate Cancer Uk Charity event. (27th Nov)



A great afternoon of Petanque saw 14 teams compete in our annual charity event. The format of a 3 round snake was considered a fitting format for an exciting and close fought competition.

The winners (pictured above) were:

1st place Ian Charles & Robin Schofield, with runners up

2nd place Yvonne & Ian Christie

3rd place Reg & Fred.

A big thank you to everyone involved we managed to raise a very creditable £83.00 on the day.

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WhatsApp group

We are continuing to grow our WhatsApp group for instant communication with members. It currently has 47 active members. Any member can join.

Reminder

At this stage it is worth a gentle reminder that as our club grows in number more volunteers are needed at every session to help with smooth running of the club.

Tasks such as setting the scoreboards and circles out on the terrains, setting the clock for timed games, assisting with the team draw and ensuring that the tea urn is at the right level and switched on correctly are just some of the responsibilities we should all be sharing.

New Accreditations

It was announced last week by Regional Coach Dag Nygaard that club members Paul and Brendan have passed the test to become Club Coaches with flying colours. Congratulations and well done to both. At the time of writing we are awaiting further details which should be published on our web site.

Next MiP

Due to the holidays, the next edition of AMIP will be out a little later than usual. The first event for January will be Sunday Jan 8th. With the first round of the monthly club melee and of course a toast to the new year.

We Wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy new year.



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