

# Annunciation Snooker Club



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NEWSLETTER (No.3) NEW ID SCHEME TO BE INTRODUCED IN THE COMING WEEKS SPRING 2018

## Coming soon - Photo ID explained

Committee asks all members to spare a few minutes...

**A**t the January 2018 Committee meeting there was unanimous agreement that as from now the club should introduce photo ID for all members. This decision was not taken lightly. With 90+ members at any given time, it has proved difficult to put names to faces.

In the light of a few incidents over the last eighteen months, the vote was taken to proceed and over the coming weeks we hope members will give their full

co-operation to the Committee members entrusted to take the photos. At the end of the day it's just another selfie!

**Your personal information held on our secure database:**

**Name, Address, Phone number, email address and photo.** That's it. Your photo will be stored on our secure database and all members can rest assured that along with your photo, none of your personal details will be shared with any third party.

### Members & Guests - how it works

Members are permitted to bring guests to the Club. All guests (a maximum of 3) are required to pay a £1 fee per guest, per visit to the club.



**It is the accompanying member's responsibility to ensure their guests pay the fee or fees into the cashbox situated next to the table meter.**



Some guests have been neglecting to pay the required fee. If this practice continues, the Club may have to bar the member and guests responsible, and could result in membership being revoked.

The club tries to operate on a basis of trust. If this trust is abused the Club will not hesitate to take action.

### Your photo in under 3 minutes

**1** Sit in front of our PC screen.



**2** Let the machine do the work. One click.



**3** Your photo downloads to PC. That's it. You're done.



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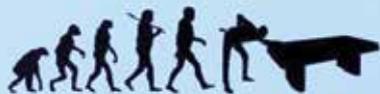
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## Committee Meeting January 2018

*The Committee meets on a fairly regular basis to discuss any business relating to the club. This involves club wellbeing, finance, income and outgoings, security, and any concerns raised by ordinary members or individual Committee members. All Committee members represent the club on a voluntary basis.*

*At the meeting in January it was agreed that the club would implement a new Photo ID scheme (see front page) to ensure we can put names to faces and drag the club into the 21st century.*

BRIGHTON HOVE & DISTRICT  
BILLIARDS & SNOOKER LEAGUE

## ANNUNCIATION BILLIARDS & SNOOKER TEAMS 2017/18

**BILLIARDS A**

Richard Barrett, Steve Burchett  
Barry Martin, Don Penalver,  
Geoff Randall

**SNOOKER A**

Les Berry, Lewis Copping,  
Greg Foat, Peter Maurice,  
Mike Palmer, Tony Shipley

**SNOOKER B**

Richard Barrett, Scott Lawson,  
Jamie Matthews, Don Penalver,  
Trevor Pickard, Geoff Randall,

Danny Wong

**SNOOKER C**

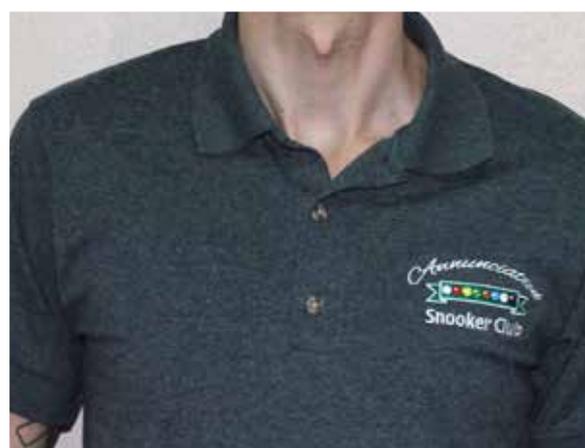
Gediminis Alexandravisius,  
Steve Burchett, Ian Dunhill,  
Darren Hearn, Tom Lane,  
Toby Prince-Ilse, Tom Trafford

## Snooker & billiards team polo shirts now on sale at the club

Look snazzy at all times, on or off the table, with the very latest polo shirt sporting the Annunciation Club crest. These shirts come in a variety of sizes and colours and are modestly priced at £10.

In the photo above Darren is wearing a Charcoal Grey polo.

They also come in Green, Black, Light Grey, Navy, Orange, Purple, Hot Pink, White and Maroon. If you'd like to buy one, contact Darren Hearn on 07884 077877 or [darrenhearn76@gmail.com](mailto:darrenhearn76@gmail.com)



**Sizes: S M L XL XXL**

### How to check available tables before making your journey to the club

- ✓ First grab the **iVMS-4500 app** from the **app store** or **google play store**
- ✓ Open the app and go to the devices section
- ✓ Add a new device
- ✓ Set register mode to **IP/Domain Address**  
**141.105.212.229**
- ✓ Port **8000**
- ✓ User **Guest**
- ✓ Password **Guest123**
- ✓ Save You're done

## Monday and Wednesday league nights

Home matches played by our club teams in the Brighton Hove & District Billiards & Snooker League are on the following evenings:

**7pm Mondays: Snooker**

**7pm Wednesdays: Billiards**

The league season runs from September to May.

During this time, table priority is given to the teams representing the club. If tables are available on these nights, members may still use them.

However, be aware that there are points at stake in these matches, so please observe table etiquette at all times.

## Where the money goes

The Committee is determined to remain open and transparent on all matters relating to the running of the club for the benefit of members. All monies generated from membership, meters and refreshments are ploughed straight back into the club in an effort to keep the place going and to always push to enhance the playing experience. Whether that's new cloth on the tables (December 2017), or the recent purchase of a ball cleaning gizmo. Plus CCTV, free Wi-Fi and a forthcoming website. But first the club has to cover monthly rent to the church, pay for electric and year-round heating, along with other costs involved in keeping any place clean and hygienic and fully functioning. Don, the Secretary, does all the cleaning singlehandedly and on a purely voluntary basis. He deserves a bit of help, and here it is (below)



### New, improved ball cleaning!

This is certainly a step forward as the balls have been looking decidedly well-used recently and there aren't too many ballwashers out there these days. This machine cleans 3 sets of balls in under 10 minutes. Without it, it's a tedious, time consuming job.

## Noise outside the club is still a problem

### Noise from members outside the club remains a major concern

★ Last year we had several complaints from residents. Please leave the club quickly and quietly at all times, day or night.

### ★ Smoking/vaping

While not wishing to further discriminate

against smokers, we cannot allow vaping in the club. If you smoke or vape outside the club please bear in mind our immediate neighbours and keep your conversations low-key.

★ If complaints continue and were to reach the local council, this could seriously threaten the future of this unique snooker club.

★ Running a club in a residential area demands a balance between keeping our members happy and our neighbours onside.

★ Any behaviour that threatens this delicate balance will not be tolerated. Each member has a responsibility to treat the club with the utmost respect.

HISTORICAL SNOOKER PLAYERS OF THE PAST No.147 King Louis XV (France)

## King of France plays King of England in hastily arranged snooker final to mark end of Seven Years War (1781)



• ARTISTS IMPRESSION OF KING LOUIS XV OF FRANCE ON HIS MERRY WAY TO THE TITLE IN 1781

### King Louis XV of France: Career highlights

Suppression of the Jesuits (1764). He and his allies in the government began planning for an invasion of England, and his government looked for new ways to challenge the English (1769).

It was decided the King of France would play the King of England in a hastily arranged snooker match to decide the outcome of the Seven Years' War (1781). A smug,

hungry, thrusting Louis XV beat England's plodding old King George II at the Versailles Palace 18-17 in a topsy-turvey game. After the epic match, there were numerous aristocratic snacks left over from the pre-match banquet, (namely Twiglets, Scotch Oat Cakes and Cheesey Wotsits). A dozen baskets of these unopened nibbles were distributed amongst the thousands of poor sleeping rough outside the Palace.

The most famous remark attributed to Louis XV is "Après nous, le deluge" ("After us, the deluge"). It is commonly explained as a prediction of the French Revolution to come.

However, French snooker still has some way to go to reclaim those dizzy heights and to this very day, Louis XV remains the only French bloke ever to win a major snooker title. ANON.