

SNOOKER TABLE – BOOKING SYSTEM / ETIQUETTE

It is pleasing to see that so many new snooker players – not just in the annual competition but also on a casual basis. As a result there has been some confusion about table availability which hopefully this note will clarify!

There are members who can play their matches during the day and competitors are encouraged to play as many games as possible in that time-span. Other members, however, may find it more difficult to fit in their fixtures during the day and will only be able to play early in the evening and at the weekend.

In an attempt to avoid potential clashes it will be possible to pre-book table times for league matches and social games by contacting the bar staff who will keep a record of the bookings, and there is a booking form on the notice board in the snooker room for the same purpose, obviously it would help if bookings are made well in advance of the date required. This procedure is particularly important for games commencing after 4-30 pm to allow working members an opportunity to play their games during the week. Every attempt should be made to complete all matches within 90 minutes which will enable other members have an opportunity to use the table.

Preference will be given to games of any nature booked in advance, but if no bookings have been made league matches will take preference. Hopefully, however, these clashes will not occur frequently and there will still be scope for all members to play snooker at their desired time. We must be aware that the table is provided for members' general use and try to ensure that everyone has a chance to use the table.

In the past, when the table was used on a regular basis after golf, the general rule was to play in pairs when more than two wished to play, and once you had finished the frame it was normal to let the other players use the table. This seems reasonable and is suggested for the future. POOL etiquette