

## TIMELINE

**1990** - During the summer of 1990, at Players Athletic BC, there had been a simmering discontent between the club members and the associate members. Matters had come to a head and the associate members felt the only way to resolve the issue was to leave Players and form a new club.

An inaugural meeting was held on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> August 1990 at Nottingham Indoor Bowls Centre. The purpose of the meeting was to assess the viability of forming a new Bowls Club for the 1991 season and to determine the level of support to be able to join the Tuesday EBA 4x4 League. Prospective members had looked at a council green on Birchover Park, Bilborough. With no other suitable venues, this green became home for the 1991 season.

There was only one suggestion of name and so "Cavaliers Bowls Club" was formed. An application form was submitted to the EBA County Association and accepted at their October Council Meeting and Cavaliers BC became members of Division 5 of the Notts EBA 4x4 Midweek League.

The first Annual General Meeting was held on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October 1990 at Nottingham Indoor Bowls Centre. The following Officers were elected :

President Gordon Baird; Secretary Frank Wallis; Treasurer David Thomas; Captain Robert Dickens; Vice-Captain Philip Dickens and three Committee members Richard Wooll, Ron Cupit and Derek Briggs.

**1991** - At the end of the 1991 season, a committee meeting was held to discuss whether Cavaliers BC should remain at Birchover Park for the 1992 season. The staff of Continental Landscapes had been unhelpful and uncooperative over the past season. The only alternative was Southglade Park, Bestwood. It was subsequently agreed that Cavaliers BC would move to Southglade Park for the 1992 season.

At the 1991 Annual General Meeting, a proposal to form a Ladies Section of the Cavaliers Bowls Club was approved with a view to entering an EA Mixed League for the 1993 season.

**1993** - The Ladies team was accepted by EWBA and an application was accepted by the EBA to enable a mixed team to play in Division 7 of the EBA Mixed League. Men's and mixed matches were all played at Southglade Park.

**1994** - The membership had been unhappy playing at Southglade Park in 1993. Enquiries were made at several greens But most were either used by other clubs or just not available. Eventually it was agreed that we would play at Bilborough Park, adjacent to Harvey Hadden stadium. At an Extraordinary General Meeting held later in the year, the membership voted in favour of a move to EBA Headquarters in the Park for the 1994. At this time, ladies were not allowed to play on the Headquarters green and it was agreed that Mixed League matches be played at Bilborough Park.

**1995** - The EBA County Association had given permission for Ladies to play on the Headquarters green so Men's and Mixed home matches would all be played on the Headquarters green. A team had been entered into the Hucknall 4x2 league to make more matches available for members who did not play competitions.

**1998** - Winners of Division 1 of the Midweek 4x4 league for the first time.

**2000** - At the 1999 Annual General Meeting, it was agreed that the club move from Headquarters to use the Civil Service green, an excellent green which had been made available by the disbanding of the Civil Service club.

**2002** - The opening of ROKO Leisure with a distinct lack of facilities for the bowls club.

**2006** - **Winners of the National Two Rink Club Championship**

**2013** - **Winners of the National Top Club Championship**

**2016** - At an Extraordinary General Meeting in May 2016, the club approved a move from ROKO to the UNSSC green within the grounds of Nottingham University.

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