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NORTHFIELD BRIDGE CLUB

HOSTING

A list is posted on the notice board as to when members are required to take their turn as Host. Should you need to arrange a swap with someone, well in advance if possible, please ensure that the list is updated and that you inform Jackie Marsh, who is our 'Host' co-ordinator in order that she can update the website. It is your responsibility to arrange a swap, not that of the Committee.

The duties involved with hosting are as follows.

1 You must turn up by 6.45 pm on the date you are hosting in order to pair up un-partnered players. Whether or not you wish your regular partner to attend is a matter for you to decide, but in many cases the host is not required.

2 If there are an uneven number of players present when you are hosting, you stand down for that evening. If two players arrive without a partner, they play with each other – neither can insist on playing with the host. If they do not wish to play with the other, then they go home. You are allowed to play in a threesome if all three are in agreement.

3 It is the host's duty to collect the milk from the bar, help set up the catering area and ensure the urns are switched on. If you stay to play, we also ask you to help clear up the catering supplies at the end of the night.

The host system is a valuable asset to the club on Thursday evenings and encourages new members and un-partnered players to attend. The schedule is drawn up using available data, which may need to be altered if circumstances change. As a thank you, the host has a "free" evening, and if they do not play that evening, they have a free evening next time they play. If you are not needed as host and don't have a partner yourself, you are welcome to help out in the Learn and Play (for free) and still have a free club night next visit.

There is no host on competition evenings, for the AGM and Christmas Party – please refer to the Host list for details.