



# HAMPTON BOWLING CLUB

**NEWSLETTER**

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**DECEMBER 2014**



I have very good news for this last newsletter of the year. George Brown our past Club Captain, Chairman and President has donated £1000 to the club. George is a life member of HBC but is still active in Kingsbridge, Devon where he lives and still plays bowls. Many thanks George for your kind and generous donation. As another year draws to an end and I look back and think we were very lucky to have had the good summer weather this year. The club competitions produced some very interesting results. New names have come out as champions, some from new members who have recently joined the club. My congratulations to all the winners and keep up the good bowling. We said goodbye to two of our fellow bowlers, Eddie Clark and Jeff Jones passed away this year, they were staunch supporters and well liked in the club. They will be missed.

## **ANNUAL DINNER**

Another successful Annual Dinner despite some small complaints. I must thank all those that helped with the selling of raffle tickets and the donation of prizes. I am extremely thankful to Viv Pugh, from Jeff Jones family, for selling out the remaining raffle tickets at the dinner and for doing the draw for the prizes. They are welcome back again for the next annual dinner and all our events. My thanks to Pat Busby our new lady President and Chris Nelhams for carrying out the Presentation and Master of Ceremonies. Also, we were privileged to have Ross Silver as a Professional Toast Master, who looked resplendent in his RED Coat, he also won 2 trophies in the comps. This year, as a thank you for the support from all the members, the club partly subsidised the Annual Dinner. All the photos taken at the dinner will be available at the start of the season in the album. Copies can be ordered at a small cost with profits to go to club funds, 15p for a 6" x 4" print, 25p for a 7" x 5" print and £1-50 for a 12" x 8" print. The electronic version is FREE, and they will be on the website in due course. E-mail me at: [algiealexander@btinternet.com](mailto:algiealexander@btinternet.com) if you want any digital photos sent to you directly.

## **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

The AGM was held on 5 December and a new committee was elected, as shown in the list at the end of this newsletter. We have a fairly healthy bank balance and we are in good credit. This of course is due to our fundraising. Many thanks to all those that helped during the season. Any members who were not at the AGM can request a copy of the accounts by sending a stamped self addressed envelope to me. Our committee is unchanged; but we are seeking a Ladies Captain to replace Shirley Alabaster in 2016. Bias penalties and donations have been paid to our charity The British Legion, Poppy Appeal. It was agreed that Security CCTV will be installed at the club house to deter vandals from misuse of the premises and obtain evidence for the police for prosecution. A Social Membership status was voted in at the AGM for those members who do not bowl but wish to belong to the club and take part in all social events and attend as spectators. The fees will be reduced to £12.50 for the season. Details will be explained in the revised constitution which will be given to every member that joins the club next season. An 18% refund on season ticket was voted to go to club funds.

## **RACE NIGHT**

The Race Night was a muted success with only about thirty members attending. However, we raised a good amount of money for the club funds through the races and raffles. Thanks to Sue and Alan who ran the tote for the races. Also, thanks to all those that helped to set out chairs and tables and the race course. Thank you for the donations to the raffle prizes and those that helped with the tea and biscuits.

## **CLUB LUNCH**

This year there will be a Club Lunch on 30 January 2015 at 1:30 for 2:00PM at the The Goat, 47 Upper Halliford Road, Shepperton, MiddX. TW17 8RX. Please telephone Jean Deacon on 020 8979 6509 if you wish to reserve your place. The cost for meals will be from the Diamond Club menu. Please bring your Diamond Club card or you can join on the day. Drinks are excluded and gratuities are at your discretion.

## **BOWLS HELPER WANTED**

Jackie Venus is looking for a bowls helper for the Blind Bowls National Championship at Leamington Spa for 20 to 26 June 2015. There will be a poster on the Notice Board to explain the requirements and duties of a helper. You can call Jackie on 020 8894 1694 if you wish to help.

**MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP WINNER**



◀ Paul Williams  
Men's Club  
Champion

**LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP WINNER**



Shirley Alabaster  
Ladies' Club  
Champion ▶

**MEN'S HUTTON CUP WINNER**



◀ Bill Rush  
Hutton Cup Winner

**LADIES' TWO WOODS WINNER**



Christine Pusey  
Ladies 2 Woods  
Winner ▶

**CRAIG CUP WINNER**



◀ Chris Nelhams  
Craig Cup Winner

**JOYCE BROWN CUP**



Doreen Finucane  
Joyce Brown Cup  
Winner ▶

**MEN'S PAIRS WINNERS**



◀ Colin Hipkin &  
Ross Silver  
Men's Pairs Winners

**LILIAN CUP WINNERS**



Christine Pusey & Ross Silver  
Lillian Cup, Mixed Pairs  
Winners ▶

**EDDIE CLARK CUP**



◀ Richard Duke  
Eddie Clark Cup  
Winner

**EDNA TICKELL TROPHY**



Sharon Johnson  
Edna Tickell Cup  
Winner ▶

**NEIL DENNY CUP WINNER**



◀ Margaret Evans  
Neil Denny Cup  
Winner

**CLUB MEMBER OF THE YEAR**



Shirley Alabaster  
Club Member of  
the Year ▶

## LADIES V GENTS CUP



◀ Kevin Keown receiving  
The Alan Johnson Cup,  
Ladies v Gents,  
the Gents won.

The Hampton Bowling  
Club Trophies ▶

## THE TROPHIES



## GRAND RAFFLE MASTER



◀ Viv Pugh  
With a Tribute to  
Jeff Jones

Algy Alexander, Pat Busby  
& Chris Nelhams ▶

## THE DREAM TEAM!



## **ANY QUERIES/PROBLEMS ETC. YOUR NEW COMMITTEE for 2015 IS AS FOLLOWS:**

PRESIDENT	PAT BUSBY	020 8384 4858
CHAIRMAN	CHRIS NELHAMS	020 8890 7495
SECRETARY	ALGERNON ALEXANDER	020 8941 0005
TREASURER	MAUREEN KEOWN	020 8894 1019
CAPTAIN (MEN)	KEVIN KEOWN	020 8894 1019
VICE CAPTAIN (MEN)	BILL RUSH	020 8894 7062
CAPTAIN (LADIES)	SHIRLEY ALABASTER	020 8572 4057
VICE CAPTAIN (LADIES)	WILL BE APPOINTED AS REQUIRED	
FIXTURES/COMPS. SEC.	PAT BUSBY	020 8384 4858
FUNDRAISING SECRETARY	SYLVIA GRAVILLE	020 8979 3668
CATERING SECRETARY	MURIEL ALEXANDER	020 8941 0005
DELEGATES	KEVIN KEOWN (RICH & BARNES)	020 8894 1019
AUDITORS	JEAN DEACON & JEAN DUDLEY	

**MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL.**

