

HAMPTON BOWLING CLUB

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NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2023

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sat 16 th September	-----	14:30 Ladies v Gents (Home)
Sun 17 th September	-----	South Middlesex Finals (Staines)
Sun 24 th September	-----	14:30 Oatlands Park (Home)
Sat 30 th September	-----	14:30 Final Roll Up (Home)
Fri 27 th October	-----	18:30 for 19:00 Annual Dinner (Fulwell Golf Club)

A complete list of dates/fixtures can be found on the Club Website

<http://www.hamptonbowlingclub.co.uk/MatchDiary.html>

Updates will be posted there.

Annual Dinner

The Club's Annual Dinner, prizegiving and grand raffle will be held on **Friday, 27 October 2023** at **Fulwell Golf Club**, Wellington Rd, Hampton Hill TW12 1JY, with arrival at 18:30 for a 19:00 start.

All members and their partners are invited to attend what has always been a thoroughly enjoyable evening. The price per head is £35 payable to the Treasurer in cash or by cheque made out to "Hampton Bowling Club".

Menu choices will be notified before the end of September.

All Saints Church

Through Ray Barrett's connections with All Saints Church in Hampton, a session on the afternoon of August 30th was organised for parishioners to try their hands at bowling.

It was a lovely afternoon, fun and laughter packed. Everyone enjoyed themselves, aided by the Club's helpers – Richard Duke, David Willis, Jules Palmer, Margaret Evans and Katharine Wallace. Not forgetting Patricia Cavanagh and Elaine Bampton, who organised the teas.

Perhaps this could become a yearly event.

Several of the visitors showed great potential and enthusiasm, shaping as possible new recruits for next season!



Left to Right: Honey, David, Katharine, Andrew, Rev Donna Williams and Jules.



President's Day

President's Day on Bank Holiday Monday 28th August was thoroughly enjoyed by all who participated, both as players and spectators. The match itself resulted in a resounding victory for the Chairman, Richard Duke's side against the Captain, Kevin Keown's side! The score was 108 shots to 51 shots, with the Chairman's team winning on 4 rinks and the Captain's team on 1 rink.

Following the action on the green, everyone enjoyed the excellent catering provided by Patricia Cavanagh and her team.



Club Finals Days

Finals were played over 4 days in sweltering tropical sunshine, as witnessed by an abundance of parasols, sun cream, portable fans/atomisers, hats, cooling scarves, and cold drinks bottles.



There were a pleasing number of spectators, who were rewarded with several exciting matches. Look out for a special Newsletter Finals supplement which will provide more details as well as photographs of players and spectators.

Here is a list of the winners -

Mixed Triples	Pauline Rush, David Willis, Elaine Hall
Alexander Cup	Cliff Laking
Men's 3 Woods	Kevin Keown
Ladies' 3 Woods	Pauline Rush
Men's 2 Woods	Kevin Keown
Ladies' Championship	Pauline Rush
Men's Championship	Roy Fullicks
Ladies' Pairs	Pauline Rush, Katharine Wallace
Men's Pairs	Roy Fullicks, Mick Kelsall
Mixed Pairs	Pauline Rush, Roy Fullicks
75 Points	Richard Hermitage
Ladies' 2 Woods	Katharine Wallace

Thanks are due to the markers who endured the 30°C+ temperatures over the four days and to Patricia Cavanagh and her team for the delicious catering they provided.

Quiz Night

There was a great turnout of HBC members at the Hampton Social Club Quiz Night. The proceeds from the evening amounted to a record £312! Our Chairman, Richard Duke, has written to the quiz organisers thanking them for their support and generosity.

South Middlesex Mixed Triples

So near and yet so far!

Hampton's challenge for the League title evaporated in the penultimate away match against Staines, which was lost 8-2 on a difficult green. This left Hampton 11 points behind Fordbridge Park, who completed their programme with a thumping 9-1 defeat of Stanwell.

With a maximum of 10 points available for Hampton's last match at home against Bishop Duppas, the title was agonisingly just out of reach by a single point. Nevertheless, a sterling performance produced a 10-0 whitewash, leaving Hampton's players rueing missed opportunities to secure that vital extra point from earlier fixtures.

Here are the final standings (barring one outstanding match).

2023		SOUTH MIDDLESEX B.A. MIXED LEAGUE													
As at Sep 7															
Team	Matches Played	W	L	D	Match Win Points	Rinks Won	Rinks Lost	Rinks Drawn	Rink Win Points	Default Points	TOTAL POINTS	Shots For	Shots Against	Diff	
Fordbridge Park	12	8	4	0	16	31	15	2	64	0	80	843	675	168	
Hampton	12	9	3	0	18	29	16	3	61	0	79	855	651	204	
Staines	12	7	5	0	14	27	19	2	56	0	70	809	721	88	
Bishop Duppas	11	5	6	0	10	18	21	1	37	6	53	625	672	-47	
Ashford	12	5	7	0	10	20	25	3	36	0	53	746	777	-31	
Sunbury	11	2	9	0	4	15	27	2	32	0	36	543	784	-241	
Stanwell	12	5	7	0	10	12	29	3	27	-4	33	552	693	-141	
	82	41	41	0	82	152	152	16	313	2	404	4973	4973	0	

Nomination of Officers for 2024

As the 2023 season draws to a close, it is time to consider whom you would like to nominate for Committee positions in 2024. A sheet is posted in the Clubhouse, where you can enter nominations and seconders. Alternatively, please send candidates' names to the Secretary.

Coaching

DO YOU WANT TO IMPROVE YOUR DELIVERY ACTION?

DO YOU WANT TO KNOW WHAT THE LEAD, SECOND, THIRD and SKIP SHOULD BE DOING IN A TEAM GAME?
READING THE HEAD

DO YOU WANT TO LEARN THE CORRECT BOWLS ETIQUETTE?

Coaching sessions are available individually or in small groups.

Join a session by contacting Richard Duke on 07809350396 or ricduke@gmail.com

Committee for 2023:

President	Chris Squires	020 8979 3700
Chair	Richard Duke	07809 350396
Secretary	Cliff Laking	07802 907661
Treasurer	Maureen Keown	07960 988409
Club Captain	Kevin Keown	07578 159841
Vice-Captain (Ladies)	Pat Cavanagh	07588 355500
Catering Sec.	Pat Cavanagh	07588 355500
Vice-Captain (Men)	Bill Rush	07484 353269
Fixtures Sec.	David Willis	07765 256540
Internal Competitions Sec.	Katharine Wallace	07748 633734
Middlesex & Richmond/Barnes Delegate	Kevin Keown	07578 159841

If you have any proposals or suggestions for the running of your Club please contact any committee member or put a note into the box used for the green fees.

If you see any errors in the newsletter, or if you have any material to include in future issues, then please let me know.

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