



HAMPTON BOWLING CLUB



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NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2024

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Sun 1st September	-----	Richmond & Barnes Finals @ Putney Town
Tue 3rd September	-----	14:30 Staines (home)
Thu 5th September	-----	14:30 Bishop Duppas (home)
Fri 6th September	-----	10:00 Pre-Finals Day
Sat 7th / Sun 8th September	-----	10:00 Finals Days
Sat 14th September	-----	14:30 Ladies vs Gents
Sun 15th September	-----	South Middlesex Finals @ Bishop Duppas
Sat 21st September	-----	14:30 Walton-on-Thames (home)
Sun 22nd September	-----	14:30 Oatlands Park (home)
Mon 30th September	-----	14:00 Final Roll up
Friday 8th November	-----	12:00 for 13:00 Annual Club Lunch and Prize giving

A complete list of dates/fixtures can be found on the Club's Web site -
<http://www.hamptonbowlingclub.co.uk/MatchDiary.html>

Internal Competitions Finals

The Club's Finals days are rapidly approaching, being held at Carlisle Park over the weekend of 7th/8th September, with a preliminary session on the preceding Friday afternoon, when the Mixed Triples will be played.

Here is a list of the finalists match-ups.

Men's Championship

Richard Duke vs Martin Wilson

Ladies' Championship

Pauline Rush vs Katharine Wallace

Men's Pairs

Richard Duke/Martin Wilson vs Jaap Hamel/Bill Rush

Ladies' Pairs

Maureen Keown/Marie Kelsall vs Katharine Wallace/Sue Coats

Men's 2 Woods

Kevin Keown vs Richard Duke

Ladies' 2 Woods

Jules Palmer vs Katharine Wallace

Men's 3 Woods
Roy Fullicks vs Martin Wilson

Ladies 3 Woods
Katharine Wallace vs Jules Palmer or Pauline Rush

75 Points
Dave Bevan vs Richard Duke

Alexander Cup
Dave Bevan vs Jules Palmer

Aussie Pairs
Dave Bevan/Maureen Keown vs Kevin Keown/Martin Wilson

Mixed Pairs
Jules Palmer/Richard Duke vs Maureen Keown/Roy Fullicks

Mixed Triples

Richard Duke/Hugh Howell/Jules Palmer vs Roy Fullicks/Marie Kelsall/Katharine Wallace

Spectators are encouraged to come and watch some exciting bowling over the weekend. Their presence always adds to the atmosphere.

Lunch will be available on both Saturday and Sunday for a single charge of £5, which covers both days. To help plan quantities, please indicate if you intend to purchase the lunch provided on the Finals Catering sign-up sheet, which is posted on the noticeboard near the kitchen area in the clubhouse.

If you are willing to volunteer, there is also a sign-up sheet for markers where the Competitions draw sheets have been displayed.

SML Mixed League Update

In a very close match on 21st August at Radnor Gardens, Strawberry Hill ended Hampton's unbeaten run. They shared the triples two each, but a narrow total shots advantage of 68-66 gave Strawberry Hill the extra match points.

On Saturday 24th, the home tie against Stanwell was reduced to three triples. HBC swept the board on all rinks with a shots aggregate score of 65-39, banking the maximum 10 points available. *This result pushed Hampton up the table to claim top place in the league!*

The following day, Hampton played their away match against Sunbury - a closely contested tie from which Hampton secured 6 points. The four rinks were split two apiece, but Hampton edged the total shots by 69-58. That result boosted Hampton's league points tally to 86, distancing themselves by 11 from the chasing clubs, with the cushion of a game or two in hand. Only three more matches to go!

2024 SOUTH MIDDLESEX B.A. MIXED LEAGUE


28-Aug-24

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
Hampton	11	9	1	1	19	33	10	1	67	0	86	874	570	304
Strawberry Hill	12	7	5	0	14	30	17	1	61	0	75	829	725	104
Staines	13	6	7	0	12	29	22	1	59	0	71	831	757	74
Fordbridge Park	13	7	6	0	14	27	24	1	55	0	69	897	807	90
Ashford	14	4	10	0	8	24	31	1	49	0	57	839	993	-154
Sunbury	12	6	6	0	12	18	29	1	37	0	49	760	857	-97
Bishop Duppas	11	7	4	0	14	18	21	1	37	-4	47	685	647	38
Stanwell	14	3	10	1	7	13	38	1	27	6	40	689	1048	-359
	100	49	49	2	100	192	192	8	392	2	494	6404	6404	0

Bluewood Trophy

The annual triangular tournament between Fordbridge Park, Hampton and Sunbury, took place in ideal conditions on Saturday 7th August. Sunbury fielded a strong team and managed to retain the title they won last year. Hampton finished as creditable runners-up.

External Competitions Success

 A number of the Club's members have reached the finals of South Middlesex competitions. Best wishes for success in their matches to Dave Bevan (75 Points), Richard Duke (Gillette Cup), Kevin and Maureen Keown, Chris Pusey and Bill Rush (John Gardner Fours Trophy).

President's Day

18 players graced the green for the President's Day match between two teams selected to represent the Club Captain, Kevin Keown and Club Chairman, Richard Duke. In Kevin's absence because of family commitments, Bill Rush, the Vice Captain, deputised and his team took the honours, winning all three triples played.

Who says Vice doesn't pay...?

As usual, the catering after the matches were completed was superb. Barry Barthorpe's baking skills deserve special mention. Watch out "The Great British Bake Off"!

Patricia Cavanagh presides over another superb spread for hungry bowlers and guests



Quiz Night

There was an excellent turnout from HBC members at the Hampton Social Club quiz on Friday 30th August. Everyone who attended thoroughly enjoyed themselves, and in the process raised a whopping **£402** for our club funds! Thank you all for your generous support.



Monday Night League

On Wednesday(!) 28th August, Hampton Red produced an improved performance in their away match against Staines, running out winners by 20-10.

It was pleasing to see that the Staines green is on the mend and all the hard work to overcome their disastrous leather-jacket infestation is paying off.

Annual Lunch and Prizes Presentation



In response to requests from several members, the Club's annual dinner from previous years has been switched to a lunch. The venue, Fulwell Golf Club (Wellington Road, Hampton Hill, TW12 1JY) is unchanged.

The date is Friday 8th November arriving from noon, to sit down at 1pm. Donations of prizes for the raffle are encouraged. More details will follow soon.

Alexander Cup

The Club's roving reporter caught a dramatic early round match in this competition. In unfriendly weather Dave Bevan was matched against Graeme Waldmeyer. Fortunes seemed to fluctuate in sympathy with the amount of rain falling. Dave built up a healthy 12-2 lead, but as playing conditions deteriorated Graeme threw long jacks when he held the mat. Combining this strategy with excellent play he clawed his way back to 15-15. Perhaps unfortunately for Graeme, the rain disappeared just as Dave was finding his usual consistency again. Ultimately, the result hinged on the outcome of just a couple of ends, on one of which Dave, with his final wood, converted a losing position in the head to 1 shot up. The final score was 21-18 in his favour.



Hampton BC WINS SM Mixed League

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In the home return match against second placed Strawberry Hill, Hampton avenged their away loss with a convincing win. Rinks were won by 3-1 and the aggregate shots by 86-65. The 8-2 league points score makes

Hampton the 2024 season's South Middlesex Mixed Triples League champions! With two games still to play Hampton's total of 94 points cannot be overhauled by any other club.

After missing out by such a tiny margin in 2023, this year's achievement has been thoroughly merited.

Hearty congratulations to everyone who has represented HBC in this league during the season.

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Staines	13	6	7	0	12	29	22	1	59	0	71	831	757
Fordbridge Park	13	7	6	0	14	27	24	1	55	0	69	897	807
Ashford	14	4	10	0	8	24	31	1	49	0	57	839	993
Bishop Duppas	12	8	4	0	16	21	22	1	43	-4	55	754	707
Sunbury	13	6	7	0	12	19	32	1	39	0	51	820	926
Stanwell	14	3	10	1	7	13	38	1	27	6	40	689	1048
	104	51	51	2	104	200	200	8	408	2	514	6684	6684

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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.

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