

HESKETH ARMS BOWLING CLUB

AUTUMN 2014

Welcome to the Autumn Newsletter of the *Hesketh Arms Bowling Club*. The Club has enjoyed another successful season, with membership reaching record levels. A full programme of club competitions and round robins was completed and the Officers and Committee would like to thank all the members for their continued support.

LV LEAGUE

In the Premier Division of the Southport LV League, the Eagles had a good season, winning 13 out of their 22 games to finish in 6th place.

Congratulations to Kevin Leddy, who won the team merit award with an excellent 17 wins.

<u>Premier Division</u>	<u>Pts</u>
1. Mere Brow	272
2. Banks S.S.	263
3. SNSC 'A'	228
4. Zetland 'B'	224
5. Fleetwood Hesk. 'C'	209
6. <i>Hesketh Eagles</i>	<i>208</i>
7. Formby S & S	184
8. Ainsdale 'A'	166
9. London Tigers	163
10. Scarisbrick BC 'A'	155
11. Scarisbrick BC 'C'	125
12. London Lions	99

Eagles Merit Winner :
Kevin Leddy - 17 wins

In the 2nd Division the Falcons, under new captain Ray Sutton, finished in 5th place, winning 13 out of their 22 games, whilst the Harriers ended the season in 10th position.

<u>Second Division</u>	<u>Pts</u>
1. Zetland 'D'	272
2. Fleetwood Hesk. 'A'	258
3. Victoria Park	232
4. Sandbrook Park	228
5. <i>Hesketh Falcons</i>	<i>217</i>
6. SNSC 'B'	207
7. Ainsdale 'B'	189
8. Crowlands	183
9. Fleetwood Hesk. 'B'	182
10. <i>Hesketh Harriers</i>	<i>164</i>
11. Scarisbrick BC 'Z'	104
12. Zetland 'A'	95

Falcons Merit Winner :
Dave Caunce - 18 wins

Harriers Merit Winner :
Jim Finnimore - 15 wins

BURSCOUGH LEAGUE

Our team in the Burscough League, the Ospreys, continued under the captaincy of Kevin Leddy.

Although the team struggled for wins and eventually finished in 11th place, the Ospreys continue to offer less experienced players an opportunity of regular league bowling and new recruits are always welcome.

Congratulations to Mark Rowlinson on winning the team merit with 11 wins.

<u>2nd DIVISION</u>	<u>Pts</u>
1. Holmeswood 'A'	189
2. Fleetwood Hesketh	177
3. Zetland 'B'	138
4. Burscough RBL 'B'	132
5. Botanic Gardens 'B'	121
6. Hoole Village Hall 'A'	118
7. Holmeswood 'B'	112
8. Longton VM 'B'	107
9. Tarleton	101
10. Hoole Village Hall 'B'	92
11. <i>Hesketh Ospreys</i>	<i>68</i>

Ospreys Merit Winner :
Mark Rowlinson : 11 wins

SOUTHPORT PARKS LEAGUE

In only their second year of competing in the Southport Parks League, the Kites enjoyed an excellent season, finishing in 2nd place, just three points behind champions Crossens 'B'. They won 19 games out of the 22 played and finished an incredible 52 points ahead of the team in 3rd position.

Congratulations to captain Brian Mycock and all his team but a special mention has to be made of the Kites' merit winner Jim Finnimore, who had a superb season, winning 20 games out of a possible 22 to win the divisional merit award. Well done Jim on an outstanding achievement.

2nd Division**Pts**

1. Crossens 'B'	200
2. Hesketh Kites	197
3. Victoria Park 'B'	145
4. Scarisbrick BC 'C'	142
5. Ainsdale 'B'	141
6. Scarisbrick NSC 'B'	141
7. Ainsdale 'D'	138
8. Hesketh Bank 'B'	126
9. Botanic 'E'	125
10. Formby Holy Trinity 'B'	113
11. Botanic 'C'	84
12. Sandbrook Park 'B'	76

**Kites Merit Winner :
Jim Finnimore, 20 wins**

SOUTHPORT AND DISTRICT MEN'S VETERANS LEAGUE

Our team in the The Southport and District Men's Veterans League, the Merlins, continued to compete in the 3rd Division under the captaincy of George Hitchmough and enjoyed an improved season. Having finished 9th in 2013, the team won half their games to finish in a creditable 5th position, only 8 points short of a promotion place.

Congratulations to Brian Sutton who, in only his second season of league bowling, had an impressive record of 18 wins out of 20 games played to claim the Merlins team merit award.

3rd Division**Pts**

1. The Northern	153
2. Fleetwood Hesketh 'B'	146
3. Botanic 'B'	141
4. Ainsdale 'B'	140
5. Hesketh Merlins	138
6. Victoria Park 'B'	119
7. Scarisbrick B.C. 'B'	110
8. Scarisbrick NSC 'B'	109
9. Freshfield 'B'	105
10. Our Lady's 'B'	96
11. Hoole Village Hall 'B'	92

**Merlins Merit Winner :-
Brian Sutton, 18 wins**

TUESDAY ROUND ROBINS

Many thanks to Jim Finnimore, who continued to run the popular Round Robins every Tuesday morning throughout the season, which ran for 27 weeks and attracted an average attendance in excess of 17 players. In addition to providing regular social bowling for our members, including several who are new to the game, these events raised well over £300.00 for Club funds.

SOCIAL EVENTS

Many thanks to all those members who attended the Awards Evening recently and to the Chairman and Committee of the Churchtown Conservative Club for the use of their excellent facilities.

*Our next event will be a fundraising social evening at the Conservative Club on **Saturday 22nd November**, with entertainment by local singer **Ken Waters**, starting at 7.30pm. Tickets are available, priced £5.00, which will include a pie and pea supper and dessert. Please contact Chris Harding (07761733024), George Hitchmough (07977500131) or Mike Milne (07752352065) to reserve your tickets. All proceeds will go towards the further development of our bowling club.*