

# ***HESKETH ARMS BOWLING CLUB***

## ***sUMMER 2015***

### **INTRODUCTION**

With the 2015 season now approaching its conclusion, the time has come to reflect on some of our members' successes and look forward to future events. This newsletter contains information about our teams' performances in the Aughton League and the results from all the Club's internal handicaps. We are also pleased to include details of our Awards and Social Evening – please get your tickets early as this has proved to be very popular in recent years.

### **AUGHTON LEAGUE**

The Club again had two men's teams competing in this Wednesday afternoon league and having retained their 1<sup>st</sup> Division status for 2015, the Hesketh Kestrels were again playing in the very competitive top flight. Unfortunately, having lost a couple of strong players and with problems caused by lack of availability, the team struggled and ultimately finished in 10<sup>th</sup> position. It is hoped that the Kestrels will be able to bounce back in 2016 under the continued leadership of Richard Rawcliffe.

In the 3<sup>rd</sup> Division, the Hawks had another good season and again threatened to make a challenge for promotion. In the end, however, they had to settle for 4th place, winning 10 games out of 18 played.

Congratulations to the team merit winners for our Wednesday afternoon teams. Jim Finnimore took the Kestrels' merit award with 12 wins and for the Hawks, captain George Hitchmough again claimed the honours with 9 wins.

### **1<sup>st</sup> Division**

1. Crowlands	173
2. Zetland	142
3. Mere Brow 'A'	132
4. Formby S & S	124
5. Hurlston Hall	113
6. Burscough CC Vets	108
7. Freshfield	93
8. Mere Brow 'B'	91
9. Burscough RBL	70
<b>10. Hesketh Kestrels</b>	<b>65</b>

**Merit Winner : Jim Finnimore, 12 wins**

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Division**

1. Northern Club	129
2. Crossens	126
3. Ormskirk Park	114
<b>4. Hesketh Hawks</b>	<b>113</b>
5. Kensington House	100
6. Aughton Institute 'B'	87
7. Cockbeck Vets	85
8. Tin Tab Seniors	70
9. Scarisbrick BC 'B'	56

**Merit Winner : George Hitchmough, 9 wins**

### **AWARDS AND SOCIAL EVENING**

*To be held at*

**Churchtown Conservative Club**

**Saturday 17th October 2015  
starting at 7.30pm prompt**

**Bingo, Quiz, Raffles  
Refreshments**

**Tickets only £ 5.00**

**All monies raised will go to club funds.**

**Tickets available from Team Captains**

### **MAGHULL LEAGUE**

*The Club is hoping to enter a team or teams into the Maghull and District Bowling League for the 2016 season. This is a league for mixed teams and games takes place on Monday evenings.*

*For more information about this league, please check the informative league website at :-*

[www.cgleague.co.uk/maghull](http://www.cgleague.co.uk/maghull)

*Anyone interested in playing in this league should notify George Hitchmough, Chris Harding or Mike Milne as soon as possible so that arrangements can be put in place.*

## **CLUB COMPETITIONS**

The Club was again able to complete a full programme of competitions during the 2015 season. These were again well-supported and proved to be very enjoyable afternoons.

The successful competitors were :-

	Winner(s)	Runner(s)-Up
<b>Rose Bowl</b>	<b>Fergal Wright</b>	<b>Sue Andersen</b>
<b>Spring Pairs</b>	<b>Mike Dunlop &amp; Connie Southern</b>	<b>Margaret Langley &amp; Ray Sutton</b>
<b>Spring Pairs Consolation</b>	<b>Alan Bond &amp; Pat Jones</b>	
<b>Coronation Cup</b>	<b>Mike Dunlop</b>	<b>John Unsworth</b>
<b>Diamond Jubilee Plate</b>	<b>Jim Finnimore</b>	
<b>Vice-Presidents Trophy</b>	<b>Jason Chapman &amp; Fergal Wright</b>	<b>Alan Bond &amp; Margaret Langley</b>
<b>Vice-President's Plate</b>	<b>Jim Halsall &amp; Irene Nowell</b>	
<b>President's Cup</b>	<b>Sue Andersen</b>	<b>Jim Halsall</b>
<b>President's Day Plate</b>	<b>Tony Wakefield</b>	
<b>Chairman's Shield</b>	<b>Sue Davies &amp; Jim Halsall</b>	<b>Rita Stanley &amp; John Unsworth</b>
<b>Chairman's Plate</b>	<b>Mike Burrill &amp; John Hughes</b>	
<b>Championship Cup</b>	<b>Jim Finnimore</b>	<b>Brian Sutton</b>
<b>Championship Plate</b>	<b>Judith Farrell</b>	

### **PRESIDENT'S DAY**

*In July, the Club's third President's Day was hosted by Ray and Frances Sutton and was well-attended, with 34 players competing for the President's Cup.*

*The main competition was won by Sue Andersen, with a 21-14 win against Jim Halsall in the final. A consolation event was also held and this was won by Tony Wakefield.*

*The sale of refreshments and a raffle raised £138.00 towards club funds. Many thanks to Ray and Frances for another successful and enjoyable day.*

### **ROUND ROBINS**

The Tuesday morning Round Robins, organised by Jim Finnimore, proved so popular that additional sessions were introduced on Fridays.

These events, which start at 10.00am, are an ideal introduction to the game and a great opportunity to meet other members of the club. In addition, they bring in useful extra revenue to the club, so far amounting to well over £300.00 in 2015.

Many thanks to Jim for all his efforts on the club's behalf.

### **CHURCHTOWN CONSERVATIVE CLUB**

The Bowling Club again played host to the Churchtown Conservative Club and its members when they competed for The B.J.P.O'Malley President's Trophy. The eventual winners were Mike Milne and James Martin, who defeated Chris Harding and Alan Lloyd 21-13 in the final.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

It is pleasing to report that the Club continues to grow, with membership reaching record numbers once again. At the time of writing, we have **165** members, which is made of the following :-

**Full Members – 66**  
**Social Members – 96**  
**Junior Members – 3**