

HESKETH ARMS BOWLING CLUB

spring 2012

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thank you to all those members who attended the Annual General Meeting, held recently at the Churchtown Conservative Club. We would like to thank the Steward and Committee of the Conservative Club for the use of their facilities. At the meeting, John Duckworth stood down after five years as Vice-Chairman due to family and work commitments. The Chairman expressed his thanks to John for all he has done for the Club during this time.

SUBSCRIPTIONS

The Annual General Meeting set the following subscription rates for the 2012 season :-

Full Membership - £30.00
Social Membership - £15.00

Full Membership applies to those members playing for one of more of the league teams and includes the payment of league fees and cost of fixture books/cards.

Social Membership is available to members who wish to play on a casual basis.

Early payment of subscriptions would be appreciated. Please forward to :-

Mike Milne
20 Coudray Road
Southport
PR9 9NL

Deadline for payment – 31st May

OPENING OF GREEN

The Green will be open for use from Saturday 24th March

A Round Robin will be held on Sunday, 1st April, starting at 2.00pm to officially mark the start of the season.

The Treasurer will be at the Green on this Sunday afternoon for those members who wish to pay their subscriptions.

RACE NIGHT SPONSORS

The Committee would like to thank the following businesses for their help in supporting the Club's Race Night in February:-

Auberge Brasserie, Seabank Road, Southport
Birchall Blackburn Solicitors, Churchtown
Chez Moi, Lord Street, Southport
The Hesketh Arms, Churchtown
Kfit Bathrooms – www.kfitbathrooms.co.uk
NFU Mutual, Southport (01704 512810)

Please support these local businesses

AUGHTON MEN'S SENIOR CITIZENS' LEAGUE

The Club is delighted to have had a second team accepted into this Wednesday afternoon league for the 2012 season.

The first games for our teams are :-

Hesketh Hawks (Captain - Norman Parry)
4th April - Home v. Kensington House 'B'

Hesketh Kestrels (Captain-Richard Rawcliffe)
4th April – Away v. Scarisbrick BC

BURSCOUGH LEAGUE

Our Burscough League team, the Hesketh Ospreys, start the 2012 season at home to Burscough RBL 'B' on Friday 20th April, 6.30pm start.

This is followed by an away game against Longton VM 'B' on Friday 27th April.

New players for this team would be welcome. For further information contact Kevin Ladd, (07525500109)

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY *CLUB COMPETITIONS 2012*

As in recent seasons, the Club is organising a full programme of club competitions in 2012. There will again be six competitions, made up of four singles and two doubles events. For the two doubles competitions, pairings will be drawn at random and members are asked to invite guests and friends from other clubs to take part.

All the competitions, apart from the President's Cup, will start at 1.00pm, with the draw being made at 12.45pm.

<u><i>DATE</i></u>	<u><i>COMPETITION</i></u>
<i>Sunday 15th April</i>	<i>Rose Bowl</i>
<i>Sunday 20th May</i>	<i>Spring Pairs (Partners to be drawn)</i>
<i>Sunday 17th June</i>	<i>President's Cup (start time to be confirmed)</i>
<i>Sunday 1st July</i>	<i>Coronation Cup</i>
<i>Sunday 22nd July</i>	<i>Chairman's Shield (Pairs – partners to be drawn)</i>
<i>Sunday 12th August</i>	<i>Championship Cup</i>

SOUTHPORT LV LEAGUE

The Club is again fielding three teams in the Southport LV League in 2012 :-

Eagles – Premier Division
(Captain – Chris Harding)

Falcons – 1st Division
(Captain – Bob Staveley)

Harriers – 2nd Division
(Captain – John Stennett)

As we have a team in each of the three divisions of this league, there is a team to suit all levels of ability and experience.

If any of our newer members would like to register with one of these teams, please contact Mike Milne (07752352065) for further details.

VICE-PRESIDENTS

Following the recent Annual General Meeting, we are pleased to inform members of the election of two Honorary Vice-Presidents, **Bernard O'Malley and Richard Butterworth**.

Bernard O'Malley and Nationwide Produce have provided a great deal of financial support over the last five years, paying for the essential green maintenance work, purchasing a new mowing machine and enabling us to replace the old fence. For this, the Club is very grateful.

Richard Butterworth is the Landlord of the Hesketh Arms Pub and is a good friend and supporter of the Club.

TEA AND COFFEE

Due to increasing costs, the Committee has decided to increase the charge for a cup of tea or coffee to 30p.

Please place any payments for tea or coffee in the tin provided.