

HUNGERFORD CLUB NEWSLETTER

October 2022



Welcome

Welcome to the October 2022 newsletter. This is a slightly slimmer edition this time as the temperatures drop.

We have the latest news from the Steward, Debbie Hutchins. The date for this year's AGM has been set so please mark your diaries. This is followed by updates from the Bowls and Indoor Sports sections. Finally there's a report on the maintenance work in progress and planned.

Dates for your diary

[Ladies Who Lunch](#) on 13th Oct 2022 1:00:pm, at Hungerford Club - club house

[Dinner and Prize Giving – Bowls section](#) on 29th Oct 2022 6:30:pm, at Hungerford Club - club house

[AGM – 2022](#) on 24th Nov 2022 7:00:pm, at Hungerford Club - club house



We keep a list of forthcoming events on the website at <https://www.hungerford-club.co.uk/>

News from The Steward

We move to Autumn opening times

Form the 8th October 2022 the opening hours of the club bar are as follows.

	Opening hours
Monday	1pm to 11pm
Tuesday	1pm to 11pm
Wednesday	12noon to 10pm
Thursday	1pm to 10pm
Friday	12noon to 11pm
Saturday	12noon to 5pm
Sunday	12noon to 5pm

Ladies who Lunch

The next gathering of the Ladies who Lunch will be on Thursday, 13th October 2022 starting at 1pm for about 2 hours, or as long as you like! Cost is £7.00

Drop in and have a chin wag and a drink with Debbie. She servers the best coffee in town! If you are coming on your own call Debbie on 01488 682357 and she'll look out for you.

Food

We would love to see you at the club for something to eat. There are made to order sandwiches available everyday.

Friday Night

There is a Friday Night supper club. Please see the below for the next two weeks.

Sunday Roasts

Why not enjoy a Sunday roast down at the club? Vegetarian options are available – please book in advance.

Please call into the club to put your name down on the sheet by the bar. Not going into the club in the next few days? Then phone on 01488 682357 or use the WhatsApp group (see below).

All Sunday lunches are £12.00 and deserts are £4.50.

Friday, 7 th October	Beef massaman and rice served with a Naan bread - £9.00
Sunday, 9 th October	Roast Leg of lamb, roast Potatoes and seasonal vegetables. - £12.00
Friday, 14 th October	Hame, egg and chips. - £9.00
Sunday 16 th October	Roast chicken, roast potatoes and seasonal vegetables. - £12.00

WhatsApp

By the way, did you know that there is now a Hungerford Club WhatsApp group? Ask Debbie to add you to the group. You will then get all the announcements about upcoming events, lunches and quizzes on your mobile 'phone. Then you can reserve your place for any of the meals with a simple message to Debbie using the group chat.

Group bookings

The club is a popular venue for groups to get together. If you'd like to host a group meeting, a party or other gathering please phone the club to make your booking. Food can be provided.

New Years Eve Party – it's happening!

So far about thirty six people have put their name down for the New Years Eve Party.

There will be a DJ and dancing and there will be a fancy dress competition earlier in the evening. Food will be available and the bar will remain open until after Big Ben has sounded in the New year.

This is very much a family event and there are still places available. It would be wise to put your name(s) down soon to avoid disappointment because there is a limit on numbers.

AGM – 2022

At the October meeting the committee confirmed that the Annual General Meeting (AGM) for The Hungerford Club will be held on **Thursday, 24th November 2022 at 8pm in The Snooker Room, The Hungerford Club.**

The confirmed agenda, nomination papers, accounts and the minutes of last year's AGM will be provided by 31st October 2022.

Any full member who wishes to move a resolution at the AGM. should give notice to the Secretary, in writing, 28 days before the date of the AGM. The agreed wording of the notice will be posted on the noticeboard with 7 days.

Any member who wishes to apply for an amendment to any resolution posted shall do so within 14 days of the notice being displayed.

Bowls Section

September has proved to be a very pleasant month on the Green.

At the beginning of the month we departed on our four day Bowls Tour of Dorset. Before we went we were all looking at the dire weather forecast and wondering whether we would be able to play at all. As it happens we were able to play on each of the 4 afternoons in sunshine. There then followed a thunderstorm in the evening. How lucky we were! We played at 4 different Clubs and managed to win 3 matches which was very satisfactory. We received a very warm welcome each time and the Tour was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

During the weekend of 10/11 September we played the finals of our Club Competitions. Once again we were very fortunate with the weather and all went very well.

The 2 friendly fixtures this month were against Andover and Pewsey which resulted in a substantial win for Hungerford on both occasions.

We also played a match against Berkshire VP's, a team from all over Berkshire. It was great to see all six rinks in use. Unfortunately Hungerford lost this game but we all enjoyed a good meal and company in the club afterwards.

On Wednesday we held our Charity Day Match. I am delighted to say that our members managed to raise £400 for the Chilton Foliat Riding for the Disabled and when this is put onto the Good Exchange this will be doubled up to £800. A magnificent effort by everyone.

Particular thanks to the family of our President Vic Lardner who supplied us with a wonderful array of homemade cakes to enjoy with our half time cup of tea. Also to the businesses in the town who so generously donated prizes for our raffle.

Our final game of the season is at Malmesbury when we will all be tested on an artificial green.

The Green will be closed from Tuesday 4th October, the Contractors will be coming on Wednesday to scarify the green and begin the winter work as we ‘put the Green to bed.’

Our Dinner and Prize Giving will be held in the Club on Saturday 29th October so do check the menu in the Club and make your choices.

Jennifer Bartter

Indoor Sports

Darts

The Club is a member of the **Lambourn and Hungerford Darts League**. For details speak with Gary or Debbie.

Hot news! We are in the Finals!! The club team won their recent match 5-1 to secure their place.

Snooker Knockout Tournament

The tournament starts on Saturday, 10th October. At 7:30pm we will see the first eight players at the tables, playing the best of three frames. If you would like to watch you are very welcome but please come before 7:15pm at the latest and be in your place before play commences.

The second eight will start play at 7:30 on Monday, 17th October and again the best of three frames will decide the winners.

You can keep track of progress, i.e. who has progressed and who has been knocked out, from the tournament results sheet on the bar noticeboard. The date of the quarter finals will be posted on the noticeboard.

Snooker Room

May we remind members that children under fourteen are not allowed in the Snooker Room. Children over fourteen are allowed in the Snooker Room when accompanied by their responsible adult.

Please Note: **Food is not allowed in the Snooker Room. Drinks must not be rested on the tables.**

Club Maintenance

Trees

As reported last month the work on the trees is due to start on 10th October. For obvious safety reasons there will be restrictions to access of the tennis courts and the garden area behind the Fisherman's Hut.

Male & Female Toilets - Mould Issues.

We are aware of problems with unlagged pipes behind the low level panelling causing condensation and subsequent mould issues at low level. At present Club funds are not sufficient to attend to this problem due to other major projects being under taken. We will address this issue in the near future.

Roof

Members will be well aware of the moss growing on the main roof of the club. We have had a report prepared on the state of the roof. The main structure appears to be sound by there are problems with the tiles.

Not so obvious is the condition of the flat roof over the bar and cellar behind, though the leaks last winter give a clue. As we reported in June, the flat roof covering is fifteen years old and is close to the end of it's life.

We have asked contractors for estimates to renew both rooves and we are please to have received two quotes.

Electricity

The cost of electricity has risen for all of us. The recent government price cap for domestic consumption does not apply to the club. Eon supply the electricity for the club and we await information on tariffs for business customers. In the meantime, since we have to renew the roof we are looking at the possibility of installing integrated solar panels. Doing so will reduce the number of tiles we need for the roof and provide some reduction in our electricity bills. Watch this space!