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Message from the Chairman

Dear Members,

A lot has happened since our last newsletter. The AGM has been and gone and for the first time in a number of years we had more nominees than vacancies for the Club Committee.

It was encouraging to see so many individuals eager to represent members by wanting to join the Committee. It was also good to see the democratic process in action. The results were, as I'm sure you know, that Sally Zavos was re-elected. John Huckle our previous Treasurer and Kenny Keen a long standing helper and supporter of the Club were also duly elected. Kenny was also elected as the Club's new Vice Chairman.

It was also good to see that our Social & Games Committee continues to be chaired by Graham Barnes. As I've said before without his personal dedication and relentless commitment to the Club's social calendar, year on year, it would not be as rich and eclectic as it is.

Sadly two members have recently resigned from the Committee due to outside commitments. This leaves us once again with vacancies so please, if you feel you could support the Club in anyway, come and join us as a co-opted member of the Club Committee.

I'm pleased to report that the outside decoration has now been completed. We have also just finished the refurbishment of the men's toilet facilities and it is hoped that we will be able to re-decorate the women's toilet facility very shortly.

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Club Matters

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Following substantial discussion regarding the validity of having a Suggestion Book in this day and age, the Committee agreed that the Suggestion Book be withdrawn forthwith. Suggestion Slips and envelopes will be provided behind the bar for Members in future.

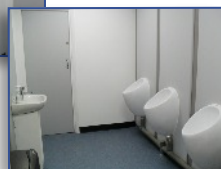
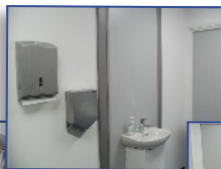
Future newsletters will now be sent by email only; this is due to the increasing costs of both printing and postage. We will be printing a small number internally for members who do not have email facilities and these will be available behind the bar.

Our Manager and his amazing team continue to make the Club the special place it is for all of us to enjoy. I hope you agree with me it's that personal touch you get from Graham and his team that makes the Club feel as welcoming as it is.

It's a privilege to be your Chairman for another year. So on behalf of the Committee and myself, I would like to thank you all for your continued support in helping us make this Club, one of Wimbledon's most special places to be.

Mike Robbins
Chairman

Recent Renovations



Club Committee for 2013-14

Mike Robbins (Chairman)
Paul Anthony*
Peter (Kosh) Kosciolk
Sally Zavos
Ann Leighton

Kenny Keen (Vice Chairman)*
Graham Barnes *
Anne Taulbut
John Huckle
Teresa Jenkins

* S&G Committee - Chairman Graham Barnes

Social Events



A big thank-you goes to William from Spirited Wines in the Ridgway for presenting another **'Cheese and Wine Tasting'** event. This was held in the Hall on Saturday 1st June and was attended by 51 people. With this event the wines were paired with French cheeses supplied and presented by Amelie from the Fromagerie Beillevaire.

The annual **'Brighton Day Trip'** took place this year on Sunday 23rd June. Numbers were down this year with only 21 people but a good time was had by those who went. Social and Games are considering changing the day to a Saturday next year. Please let us know what you think.

On Saturday 20th July it was **'Seafood Night'** held in the bar. There was a 'full house' again this year for this popular event with over 40 people enjoying a selection of fine seafood.




It was **'Music in the Bar'** on Sunday 11th August with the return of singer guitarist Steve Simpson treating us to an enjoyable evening of music accompanied on bass by Nigel Portman-Smith.

Coming Events

'Spanish Tapas Night' in the Bar on Saturday 14th September. Come and enjoy a selection of tapas with a glass of sangria. Tickets are now on sale at £8 available from the Bar.

Other Items

 The Club has now added the three BT Sport channels to the existing Sky Sports package for greater coverage of major sporting events.

The guest ale, which is available at the weekends, is becoming increasingly popular. If you have a particular favourite you would like to see please let Graham Martin know. Thanks goes to James behind the bar for producing the blackboard every week.



Social Calendar



2013 Coming Events

Saturday 14th September - Food / Drink Night in the Bar

Fri 27th - Mon 30th Sept - Weekend Away

Thursday 3rd October - Jazz Afternoon in the Bar

Saturday 19th October - Annual Dance

Sunday 24th November - Club Dinner

Thursday 12th December - Christmas Concert

Tuesday 31st December - New Year's Eve Celebrations

Keep an eye on the notice boards or website for details

Quiz Night - Third Thursday of the Month

Darts Night - 1st and 3rd Monday of the Month

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