



Bantham & Ongar Bowls Club

NEWSLETTER

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Newsletter

The closing date for submissions to our next issue is 4th May 2012

Please visit our website for our latest news, photos and to see our on-line calendar for fixture and event details on WWW.Banthamandongar.org.uk



PS. We're also on facebook



Open Day

28th April 2012

11:00 – 16:00

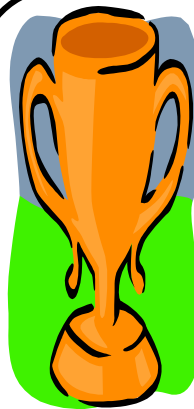
Thanks to those who have volunteered and those displaying posters. We'd still like members to turn up on the day – if only for a drink or a roll up. We want to create a lively and friendly atmosphere.

The Pre-season meeting was held on 25th March.

Thanks to the many members that gave up their Sunday afternoon to attend. Most items that came up are mentioned elsewhere in this edition. The treasurer reported that the club phone was now virtually redundant but remained an expensive item in our outgoings. It was agreed to end our landline contract and replace with a pay-as-you-go mobile phone for use in emergencies. The mobile phone is kindly being donated by Mike and Sheila Nash.

Welcome to New Members!

The committee and members extend a warm welcome to **Ann Mulkay**. Who has recently joined as a full playing member. Best wishes Ann for an enjoyable first season with the club.



MEMBERS' COMPETITIONS 2012 – All entry forms have been returned and we have drawn the pairs and the ties for the first rounds. These are displayed on the boards in the changing room lobbies. Please note that the first round must be completed by 1st July and it is the challenger's responsibility to arrange the match. The challenger is the player's name appearing above on the list. Good luck to all competitors, please try to complete your games as early as you can before the round deadline.

Francis Czuba

REGULAR CLUB EVENTS



- Cribbage Club every Thursday morning 10.00
- Music and movement every Friday morning at 10.00
- Whist Drives - Friday evenings – see notices in club

Outside competitions

Invitations to competitions and galas held by other local and regional bowls clubs are starting to be received. If you're interested please check the club notice boards

CLUB NIGHT

Club night is held every Thursday this year. Come along from 6.15pm for 6.30 start. The bar is open. Remember new members are particularly welcome – if you know someone who might be interested in joining the club then this is the best time to bring them along let them give it a try

EMAIL

I'm glad to say I'm still getting email addresses to add to our club records. To help, simply send an email with your name in it and 'Email Address' in the subject line to Banthamandongar@gmail.com

Who does look after those little **flower beds around the green**? The answer is we, the members, do. Each bed is cared for by a single or pair of members. We're just not sure who is looking after what. We have members interested in taking on plots, so could you let us know if you have a plot or want to give one up. **Please contact Joan Cooper with your details.**



LEAGUES

If you have any interest in playing in a league please contact the organiser directly, for the record and to say thanks they are:

Pat Kitson :	Ernstzen Plate
Jackie Brown:	Harlow Ladies Triples
Ralph Cooper & Hazel Issitt :	Harlow Senior Citizens
Gary Mitchell:	Brentwood & District

THANK YOU

A big thank you to the sixteen stalwarts who turned up on Saturday 14th to clean the ditches, clear the patio of weeds, to clean and wash the kitchen cupboards, crockery and fridge. Sweeping and tidying up around the green surrounds etc.

Job well done. !

Joan C.

Quiz Night!

Well done to all the lucky winners and thanks to all who came along and supported the evening. We raised £ 308. Pat yourselves on the back, we really need the money. As usual thanks to Sheila Nash, Dave & Rita Stacey for making sure it was such a success. .

FAMILY FUN DAY

Following a request from Bowls England to support Family Week in August the club have decided to make 18th August 2012 our Family Fun Day. This replaces our Fun day booked for September. Sheila Nash is organising the day and wants ideas. There'll be more about this in the next issue

MONTHLY DRAW

Message from the Hon Treasurer.....

- Application forms for the Club's monthly draw are now available from the Hon Treasurer.
- The purchase price is £12 per share (one pound per month) and the new draw commences in June 2012.
- Members can purchase more than one £12 share.
- The monthly draws are made under the supervision of your Committee

Please support the club & make your Treasurer a happy man.

