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LADIES LEAGUE

Buckden 2 v HBC Maroon 5

Great win away to Buckden. One rink was up all the way until 20th end and eventually lost by one shot. But three points keeps us still at the top of the league. **LYNNE**

Houghton & Wyton 5 v Hemingford White 0

Even though we lost our game on Monday we have retained our position of third place in Division 2 of the Ladies League at the end of our season! This is a great achievement as throughout the season half the team have been unavailable at times due to injuries/ill health. **JACKY** From the team: our thanks are extended to Jacky & Philomena for their leadership this season.

EXTERNAL COMPETITIONS

TONY ALLCOCK – well done to our team who got so close to going to the National Finals. Another hard, close game losing by just 5 shots.

**FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS
FOR SUE REYNOLDS**
Thursday 13 August 1.15pm
Huntingdon Crematorium
Reception at The Pavilion

HAYWARD LEAGUE

HBC Kites 0 v Buckden 7

Shoulda been a win on rink 3 if, on one end, we hadn't taken the jack from our holding 4 into 1 against, and on another end, taking the jack again from our holding 2 into 2 against.

Woulda been a win on rink 2 if the Buckden skip wasn't able to turn nearly every end into a shot or 2 for them.

Coulda been a win on rink 4 in an evenly fought game with the Kites leading until the end and get pipped by 1 shot. **CAROL**

Somersham B 5 v HBC Buzzards 2

The Buzzards secured a 5 v 2 win at Somersham with a strong team display. Despite leading early on and being level at 10 ends, Somersham turned up the heat on Fran, Richard and Phil L, scoring 11 in the last 4 ends to come away with a win. The rink of Gary, Tom and Sarah suffered a couple of incredulous wicks from the Somersham skip but held their nerve to win 7 of the last 9 ends gaining a win with a 13-point points difference. Shout out of the evening goes to Phil and Eamonn. Returning from Ireland only 2 hours before the start, they joined Andy T to comprehensively win their rink by 14 points, which included losing 8 over the last 3 ends! Another excellent team performance, crunch game against St Ives coming up next! **SARAH**

KITES AND BUZZARDS NEXT MATCHES – 18TH AUGUST

BARKER BOWL 2026

This was another fantastic HBC day, and it has been so good receiving compliments and thanks from the external teams – “a brilliant day” “please pass on my thanks and appreciation, we really enjoyed the day”.

An event like this only happens because of all the hard work behind the scenes.

Sincerest thanks to all those who gave of their time to make the day such a success.



WHO IS THIS?

Well done to Julie for being the first to identify Kathy.



**CAPTION
COMPETITION**
Prize for best entry



OVER 60s LEAGUE HBC A REST WEEK

HBC B 0 v St. Neots Blue 7

Wow. Considering they were “under strength” they had too much for us right across the board. Personally, on our rink we were still in the match at 10-7, but we just could not convert any of the opportunities into meaningful scores... hence to no one's surprise, our 7 total came as 7 singles!! As a team, hats off to their skip Tom who was the difference whilst Graham and Neville had the unerring capacity to get one out of 3 on the Jack, cancelling out any of the good work by DS and DB. From what I could see Tony, Helen and Neil were well in it until the 15th end giving away a 4 followed by a 5... say no more. Finally, Bruce, Norman & Dave M were well in contention but just could not convert chances to points. Good effort everybody but not our day. **STEWART**

HBC C REST WEEK

HBC D 2 v Fenstanton Blue 5

Hemingford D played Fenstanton Blue. A friendly team who very much enjoyed the idea of playing straight through and having a drink on the balcony afterwards. We gained another 2 points unfortunately we just missed out on another rink, and they played all their top players on the third rink and we unfortunately lost badly. The result was Hemingford 2 and Fenstanton Blue 5 with 35 shots to 58. We are 2nd in Division 5 and 4 points ahead of 3rd place. Onwards and Upwards. **GLYNN**

How many HBC members can you name?



One of the beautiful things about lawn bowls is that many players discover it later in life, and almost everyone says the same thing at some point: “I wish I had started sooner”. Not because they would have won more trophies, but because the sport teaches lessons that reach far beyond the green. Patience when things don't go your way. Respect for your opponents. The value of friendship over rivalry. That consistency often beats raw talent and that some of life's best conversations happen after the final bowl has been delivered.

Maybe lawn bowls doesn't just change how we play, maybe it quietly changes how we live.

MEN'S LEAGUE

HBC A 5 v Needingworth 2

HBC C 4 v HBC B 3

Hemingford B played against Hemingford C this week in a well fought match with the C team coming out on top with a 4-3 win. Stewart, Mick, Tom & Chris lost their match 21-7, the home team, Hem C won the last eight ends giving them a comfortable victory. Bruce, David, Eamonn & Andy drew their match 21-21; the match was swinging from team to team with the C team grabbing a point on the last end to draw the match. Dave, Gary, Tim & Phil won their match 15-18 in a close match. A big thank you to Dave & Julie Bignell for after match buffet and congratulations to the C team on their victory. **DAVE S**

Sorry to miss the B v C clash; I was a little indisposed!

