

Dear Members

This is YOUR club so please feel free to attend the AGM if you are interested in what's going on.

All Members are welcome to attend the Annual General Meeting which will be held at Imber Court on Thursday 27th January at 6.00pm. Please read the attachment for more information. If possible, please could you let us know by email if you intend to attend!

Did you know that 'Auld Lang Syne' was written by Robert Burns? It's Haggis, Neeps and Tatties in my household to celebrate his birthday on 25th January!

*Should auld acquaintance be forgot
And never brought to mind?
Should auld acquaintance be forgot
And the days of auld lang syne?*

POOL CLOSURE - Half term - Apologies but the Swimming Pool will be closed at the beginning of school half term on Monday 14th, 15th and 16th February for essential maintenance. It will reopen on Thursday 17th February. The next swimming crash course will be during the Easter holidays. Attached is a term-time timetable which some of you may find useful. Our website is also a good resource for pool information - **SWIMMING POOL** We are trying to improve our communication between you, our Members, and the pool and so have now resorted to the pool having their own mobile phone. If no one answers when you ring, this will generally be because the staff are all busy either teaching or lifeguarding but please do leave a message and one of our lovely pool staff will get back to you - **07508 455 649**.

GYM NEWS - We hope you have had a chance to use the new Fitt Cubes or Kettle Bells. Regular gym users will notice that there are more new pieces of equipment this week – two cross trainers ... Enjoy!?

QUIZ NIGHT - Friday 28th January at 7.00pm - Okay, so you gave your brains a rest over the festive season - time to sharpen up again ... Quiz Nights are back! Your starter for 10 is Friday 28th January. £1 entrance fee (payable on the night). Arrive from 7.00pm for 7.30pm start on the Ground Floor of the Club. Come on your own to join a team or bring family, friends, or some work colleagues (up to 8 people)! Sorry, but we are currently unable to provide a food option for this event, so do feel free to bring in pizzas from the Dough Shack van. Table booking through our website will be online later today (so

that we have a rough idea how many people to expect) or phone the office **0208 398 1267**. One of the questions is bound to be ... Who wrote Auld Lang Syne? ... 🙄

If you can't make the 28th how about organising a team for the next quiz which will be **Friday 25th February**.

PADEL COURTS - Regular users of the club will notice that part of the Sports Field is being dug up. This is going to be the site of new Padel Courts. Before you ask ... 'Padel' is a mix between Tennis and Squash. It's usually played in doubles on an enclosed court surrounded by walls of glass and metallic mesh. The court is one third of the size of a tennis court. The ball can bounce off any wall but can only hit the turf once before being returned - (I had to look it up!). We will be sending out information regarding timings and usage as soon as we have confirmation.

TOUCH RUGBY - Monday nights at 7.15pm for a 7.30pm start. You don't need any rugby skills just a love for running around and having a laugh! All sessions are free for Silver and Gold Members and are only £3 for Bronze Members. Minimum age is 14 and you are welcome to bring your friends for a great way to get some exercise without going to the gym! **TOUCH RUGBY**

SPEEDING - PLEASE can you reduce your speed whilst driving in the club grounds - particularly around the back area. We have children, adults and animals to look out for!

OLD PHOTO'S - If you have any old photographs of the club or grounds with or without people/animals in them please consider adding a copy of them to our collection. You can scan and send by email or bring them into the club for scanning. If you are at all interested in the history of the club, please do click the link - interesting to see men's hockey being played right in front of the clubhouse where our 'garden' is now. **CLUB HISTORY**

IN OTHER NEWS ...

We respectfully remind Members that you should not consume your own food or drinks on the premises, inside or out - thank you!

Please don't forget to carry your Membership Card whenever you use the club. Don't forget ... No Card - No Discount!

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