



NESLC

Newcastle Estate Sports & Leisure Club
March Newsletter No 1 2020

Welcome to the latest issue of the NESLC Newsletter. This issue includes a variety of excellent special offers for members, details of proposed constitutional changes and notice of our AGM.

I hope you enjoy the Newsletter and I would be interested to hear your thoughts on it which should be sent by e-mail to George.Green9@blueyonder.co.uk.

George Green

Editor

If you wish to join NESLC please ring Steve Harris, NESLC Gym Manager on 07790 085104. If you are unsure about whether you are a member:-

You are an NESLC Member if:

Benton Park View (BPV) - you are in HASSRA or RCSL unless you are a HASSRA member in the local office club CMG (Room BP5302 only).

Tyneview Park (TVP) - you are in HASSRA unless you are a member in the local office clubs (Newcastle Pension Centre, NCIB/FES), or an RCSL North member who has opted to retain your NESLC membership.

Durham House (DH) - you are in HASSRA or an RCSL North member who has opted to retain your NESLC membership.

Waterview Park (WVP) - you are an RCSL North Member who has opted to retain your NESLC membership.

If you are a HASSRA member in a local office club at any of the above locations you can choose to join NESLC for an additional £8 per year.

If you are an RCSL North member at TVP, WVP or DH and have not opted to retain your NESLC membership you can join NESLC for an additional £8 per year.

If you are unsure that you have retained your NESLC membership please contact:- Alan Borrowdale (alan.borrowdale@dwp.gov.uk) for confirmation for DWP members and Lynsey Wilkinson (linsey.wilkinson@hmrc.gov.uk) for confirmation for RCSL members.

How do I access the NESLC Website?

RCSL Members Those who work in HMRC can access the NESLC website via the Internal Intranet site. Valuation Office staff should follow the instructions below for HASSRA members.

HASSRA Members (those who work in DWP) via the HASSRA North East Region NESLC Website which can be accessed as follows: Open HASSRA main page on the internet; Go to the regional North East Page; Scroll down and in the right hand column click on the **clubs** link to open page for NESLC.

<https://www.hassrashop.org.uk/north-east-clubs>

NESLC is now on the internet!

Due to a change within the HASSRA platform our NESLC pages are now available to view on the internet. You do not have to be a HASSRA member to view the pages and you can view them from anywhere. All our offers and trips are here:

Keep checking regularly for frequent updates

NEWCASTLE ESTATES SPORT & LEISURE CLUB AGM

Help us celebrate another fantastic year at our AGM from 4pm on

**FRIDAY MARCH 6TH 2020
AT THE INNISFREE SOCIAL CLUB
LONGBENTON
4pm prompt start**

We couldn't do it without our members, so come along for a fun filled night of celebration, prizes, buffet and more!!!!

What are you waiting for?

You must be a member to attend so register your place now via email to:

Alan.Borrowdale@dwp.gov.uk

NESLC PROPOSED CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGES

Background

When NESLC was formed in 2005, membership was dependent on being a member of the sponsoring organisations Sports Club or by joining NESLC as an Associate member. The sponsoring organisations sports clubs were HASSRA for DWP and RCSL for HMRC.

Over the years there have been changes in the way that HASSRA and RCSL administer membership of their organisations which impacts on an individual's membership of NESLC and which requires amendments to the NESLC constitution to reflect those changes.

In addition there are now more government organisations on the Newcastle Estate in addition to those when NESLC was formed.

The NESLC constitution can only be amended at the NESLC AGM or at a special general meeting and any proposed changes come into force the following year. This means that NESLC are constantly playing catch up to reflect the changing occupancy of the Newcastle Estate and membership structures of HASSRA and RCSL.

The following proposal is to repeal the current version of Rule 4 of the NESLC constitution and replace it with a generic Rule to cover membership.

The NESLC Policy document will then reflect the detail of how the different membership of the sponsoring organisations sports clubs on the Newcastle Estate will be dealt with for membership purposes of NESLC and allow changes to take place in real time.

Proposed Amendment

RULE 4 – MEMBERSHIP

4.1 Full Members

- 4.1.1 An individual member of staff who is eligible to join the sponsoring organisations Sport Club by virtue of working on the Newcastle Estate shall not join NESLC directly and can only become a full member of NESLC by joining the respective organisations sports club.
- 4.1.2 A retired member of staff who worked on the Newcastle Estate at the time of retirement and who continues to remain a member of the sponsoring sports club in retirement retain full membership if they have nominated NESLC as their preferred club in retirement.
- 4.1.3 Membership of NESLC is dependent on the relevant sponsoring organisations sports club paying the appropriate disbursement fee to NESLC.

4.2 Associate Members

- 4.2.1 Associate members shall be able to join NESLC at the Management Committee’s discretion.
- 4.2.2 There will be various types of of Associate membership available as set out in the NESLC Policy Document.
- 4.2.3 Associate members of the club shall adhere to the policies of the club as determined by the NESLC Policy document.
- 4.2.4 Associate Membership of NESLC shall continue until such time and on such conditions as set out in the NESLC Policy document.
- 4.2.5 Associate Members shall not be allowed to vote or hold an office position of the club or any section, without the permission of the Management Committee.
- 4.2.6 Associate membership fees will be those payable in accordance with the NESLC Policy document.

4.3 Duration of Membership

- 4.3.1 Membership of NESLC shall be deemed to commence, end and where appropriate, be suspended or revoked, as determined by the individual members’s actual membership of their supporting organisations sports club.
- 4.3.2 The duration of Associate membership of NESLC shall be determined by the rules of the Management Committee and following payment of all required fees or subscriptions.

Current Constitution

Rule 4 – MEMBERSHIP

4.1 Full Membership

- 4.1.1 Individual members of staff who work on the Newcastle Estate and who are a member of HASSRA/RCSL automatically become full members of NESLC where HASSRA/RCSL pay the appropriate disbursement fee to NESLC.

An individual member of staff who is entitled to join HASSRA/RCSL by virtue of working on the Newcastle Estate shall not join NESLC directly and can become a full member of NESLC by joining HASSRA/RCSL.

- 4.1.2 A retired member of staff who worked on the Newcastle Estate at the time of retirement and who continues to remain a member of HASSRA/RCSL will have all rights of a full member subject to HASSRA/RCSL paying the appropriate disbursement to NESLC. Where NESLC do not receive a disbursement from HASSRA/RCSL, a retired member will need to also join NESLC as a “Type C” associate to retain NESLC membership.

4.1.3 Any individual retaining HASSRA membership by virtue of entitlement to join and becoming a HASSRA National Associate Member, shall also have all the rights of a full member subject to that individual notifying the NESLC Secretary that they wish to be affiliated to NESLC at the time of submitting their HASSRA National Associate Membership application and subject to HASSRA paying the appropriate disbursement to NESLC.

Where NESLC do not receive a disbursement from HASSRA, the HASSRA National Associate Member will need to join NESLC as a "Type C" associate to retain NESLC membership.

4.2 Associate Membership

4.2.1 Associate members shall be able to join NESLC at the Management Committee's discretion. Associate membership shall continue until such times and on such conditions as the Management Committee may decide.

4.2.2 In addition, both HASSRA and RCSL may permit associate membership consistent with their respective rules and constitutions and these members shall also be associate members of the Newcastle Estate Sports and Leisure.

4.2.3 Each section of the club shall not have more than 33% associate membership as a percentage of the total membership of that section.

4.2.4 Associate members of the club shall adhere to the policies of the club as determined by the NESLC Management Committee. In addition, they shall not be allowed to vote or hold the office of President, Vice President, Chairman, Secretary, Assistant Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, Captain or Vice Captain of the club or any section, without the permission of the Management Committee.

4.2.5 Where an associate member is a HASSRA or RCSL member working in a location other than on the Newcastle Estate, he will not count against the 33% quota mentioned in para 4.2.2 above.

4.3 Duration of Membership

4.3.1 Membership of NESLC shall be deemed to commence, end, and where appropriate, be suspended/revoked, as determined by the individual members actual membership of either HASSRA or RCSL.

4.3.2 The duration of Associate membership of the NESLC shall be determined by the rules of the Management Committee and following payment of all required fees of subscriptions.

NESLC Membership Cards

In order to take part in NESLC offers and trips you will be required to have a membership card. The cards are free to members of HASSRA and RCSL at Benton Park View, Tyne View Park and Durham House with some exceptions. See page 1 for advice on NESLC membership.

In order to receive your membership card please send an email to: Alan.Borrowdale@dwp.gov.uk with your name, email address and location. You will then be notified of where and when to pick up your card.

NESLC MEMBERS - WE NEED YOU TO JOIN US

Volunteer with us, any help you can give, large or small. For further information contact alan.borrowdale@dwp.gov.uk

Feel you're missing out?

Do you want NESLC updates direct to your inbox

Email Alan.Borrowdale@dwp.gov.uk with the subject 'Updates' to receive your offers as they are released

NESLC Announcement

TYNEVIEW PARK GYM

NESLC, HASSRA TVP Reps and TVP Estates have been in extensive communications over the past year regarding the renovations of the TVP Gym and the viability of the gym's future.

Following a site wide communication to TVP staff, NESLC gathered numbers on those in favour of the gym facilities re-opening. NESLC have reviewed these figures along with the costings involved and unfortunately, we are sad to announce that the decision has been made by the NESLC Committee and Officers to not go ahead with the re-opening of the gym facilities.

Unfortunately, the costs involved to purchase the new equipment needed for the gym to re-open are out of budget and not sustainable with the interested membership figures.

If you were a member of TVP Gym between 10/01/2018 up to the gym closure on 10/01/2019 you may be entitled to a refund. Please contact NESLCTVPGym@gmail.com

NESLC will continue to work with HASSRA Reps on TVP to make the most of the renovated space. If you have any ideas, please speak to your local HASSRA Rep.

HASSRA membership is now available to all staff at Benton Park View regardless of employer.

Come along to see the stand at the Amble Inn on Wednesday March 25th for more details or contact Alan.Borrowdale@dwp.gov.uk

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR SPECIAL OFFERS AND EVENTS ORGANISED BY NESLC
All attendees must adhere to the Civil Service/Organisational Code of Conduct (see reverse of booking form). Bookings made at members price cannot be sold on to non-members. Any member found doing so may be suspended from membership and the balance will be due to bring the amount payable up to the guest price.

The Drifters Girl

Newcastle Theatre Royal

Thursday 10 September 2020

Making its world premiere here at Newcastle Theatre Royal prior to its much anticipated transfer to London's West End, discover the remarkable story of The Drifters, one of the world's greatest vocal groups, and the truth about the woman who made them.

Beverley Knight stars as Faye Treadwell, the legendary manager of The Drifters, who, alongside her husband, fought for three decades to turn Atlantic Records' hottest vocal group into a global phenomenon.

With an unbelievable soundtrack of some of the most iconic songs in history including Save the Last Dance for Me, Under the Boardwalk, Kissin' in the Back Row of the Movies, Stand by Me, Come on Over to My Place and Saturday Night at the Movies.

Recommended PG. Contains Flashing Lights

Seats are in the stalls, rows L & M

Cost:

NESLC Members: £25

Guests: £45

Please complete 2 COPIES OF the booking form on the NESLC website (see page 1 for access advice) and return them with your cheque to Theresa Parvin, CAS 11, Room BP1201, Benton Park View.

Any questions, by email only, do not contact the organiser by phone.

PLEASE EMAIL THE ORGANISER AT THE TIME OF SENDING YOUR BOOKING FORM theresa.parvin@hmrc.gov.uk The organiser will email you to confirm receipt of your booking form. Please email her if you do not hear from her within 2 weeks of sending your application.

CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BOOKING FORM – Monday 1 June or sooner if sold out

The Book of Mormon

Newcastle Theatre Royal

Thursday October 8th 2020 7.30pm

(PLEASE ensure you are familiar with content of the show before booking as may cause offence)

Outrageous musical comedy from the creators of South Park, Trey Parker and Matt Stone, and Bobby Lopez, co-writer of Avenue Q and Frozen, follows the misadventures of a mismatched pair of missionaries, sent on a mission to a place that's about as far from Salt Lake City as you can get.

Parental guidance due to strong language and adult themes

Seats are in the stalls, rows J, K and L

Cost:

NESLC Members: £34

Guests: £68

Please complete 2 copies of the booking form on the NESLC website (see page 1 for access advice) and return them with your cheques to Theresa Parvin, CAS 11, Room BP1201, Benton Park View. Any questions, by email only—to theresa.parvin@hmrc.gov.uk, do not contact the organiser by phone. PLEASE EMAIL THE ORGANISER AT THE TIME OF SENDING YOUR BOOKING FORM. The organiser will email you to confirm receipt of your booking form. Please email her if you do not hear from her within 2 weeks of sending your application.

CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BOOKING FORM IS FRIDAY

April 17th 2020 or sooner if sold out

SIX

Nominated for 5 Olivier Awards including Best New Musical, the sell-out West End smash hit SIX is the phenomenon everyone is losing

NEWCASTLE THEATRE ROYAL THURSDAY JUNE 25TH 2020

their head over!

From Tudor queens to pop princesses, the six wives of Henry VIII finally take to the mic to tell their tales, remixing five hundred years of historical heartbreak into a celebration of 21st century girl power.

Recommended age 10+, contains flashing lights

Seats are in the middle of the stalls, rows H & J

Cost:

NESLC Members £25

Guests: £38

Please complete 2 COPIES OF the booking form on the NESLC website (see page 1 for access advice) and return them with your cheque to Theresa Parvin, CAS 11, Room BP1201, Benton Park View. Any questions, by email only – theresa.parvin@hmrc.gov.uk, do not contact the organiser by phone. PLEASE EMAIL THE ORGANISER AT THE TIME OF SENDING YOUR BOOKING FORM. The organiser will email you to confirm receipt of your booking form. Please email her if you do not hear from her within 2 weeks of sending your application.

CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BOOKING FORM IS Mondasy March 30th 2020 or sooner if sold out.

River Cruise, Friday July 30th 2020

Setting sail from Newcastle Quayside, you and your friends will sail under the Millennium Bridge and out to the river mouth, where you can enjoy the sights and sounds out on-deck or head inside to the disco.

We will board the boat from 7.30 pm setting sail at 8pm for a 3 hr cruise, disco with great 80s music! Party continues after with free guest list entry to Eden (previously Tiger Tiger) before Midnight!

The special price for this deal is:

Members £7.00

Non Members: £13.50

The Closing date for bookings is June 19th 2020 and will be based on a first come first served basis

*****Numbers are limited*****

Please email jill.westgate@hmrc.gov.uk (link populates recipient box) to reserve your application form. Places will only be confirmed on receipt of your completed application form and payment which should be returned along with your cheque to Jill Westgate, Room BP3001/2, Benton Park View.

An evening at Mambo Wine and Dine, South Shields, on Wednesday March 25th at 6.30pm

Mambo wine and dine, not only has a fantastic restaurant, but also a cocktail lounge and offers a full range of Mediterranean cuisine.

We have been able to secure a fabulous 2 course deal which their delicious Mediterranean menu caters for lovers of cuisine from the continent, from hanging kebabs and seared salmon to authentic Italian pizza.

The special price for this meal is:

Members: £7.95

Non Members: £12.95

Closing date for bookings is 11 March 2020 and will be based on a first come first come basis

*** Numbers are limited ***

To apply – Please e-mail jill.westgate@hmrc.gov.uk (link populates recipient box) to receive your application form. Once completed, send a cheque in the post to: Jill Westgate, BP3 ground floor, Benton Park View.

Alternatively, if you would like to pay electronically send your fully completed application form via e-mail and advise you want to pay on line and instructions will be given.

Places will only be confirmed on receipt of your completed application form and payment

National Holidays Mystery Trip

Saturday 10 October to Sunday 11 October
Secret Hotel & Location

Coach travel with reserved seating
One night dinner, bed and breakfast at our select hotel
Free time in the Mystery Location

Members: £45
Guest Members: £75

To apply - Please Email ANGIE.J.BROWN@DWP.GOV.UK for an application form and state how many spaces are required. Once you have completed your booking form and made payment please forward form to Angie Brown with full details of guests and confirmation of payment. Places will be confirmed on receipt completed application form and payment.

[BACS details with be sent to you via email](#)

**CLOSING DATE FOR RECEIPT OF BOOKING FORM IS MARCH 31ST 2020 OR
SOONER OF SOLD OUT**

**How lucky do you feel? Are you going to be one
of our secret winners?**

NESLC are trialling a new fantastic offer where you get a £5
Gregg's Gift Cards for only £3!!!

But that's not all.....there are £10 gift cards hidden within,
so will you be one of the lucky members who gets a secret
surprise?????????

Gift cards are on sale now!

Contact [Graeme Mason](#) for an application form

Please note vouchers are limited to 4 per member per month

SKIN MANAGEMENT SOLUTIONS

Special Offer for NESLC members 10% off treatments for all employees

It's important to have time out for yourself to relax and recover from the stresses of everyday life. Experiencing a relaxing facial skin treatment or body massage can have a positive impact on your health and wellbeing.

Skin Management Solutions Salon treatments include:

Full body massage 1 hour £35 **Back massage** 30 minutes £20

End your working day with a massage to suit your needs, relaxation, energising or destress?

Stone Therapy 1 hour £40 **Stone Therapy to the back** 30 minutes £25

A luxurious massage treatment using heated stones to soothe, relax and de-stress. Just what is needed after a long day at work.

Environ Active Vitamin Facial 1 hour £50

Packed with nourishing, anti-ageing ingredients, the Active Vitamin Treatment will leave your skin looking radiant and dewy. Suitable for all skin types showing a measurable difference after just one session.

Environ Precision Facial 30 minutes £35

This time effective treatment targets specific areas of concern using unique skin care techniques that ensure effective results. This treatment is perfect for when your time is limited.

For more treatments and information please visit

www.skinmanagementsolutions.co.uk

The salon is a 2-minute walk from Tyneview Park at 31 Colliery Close, Benton, NE12 9TR

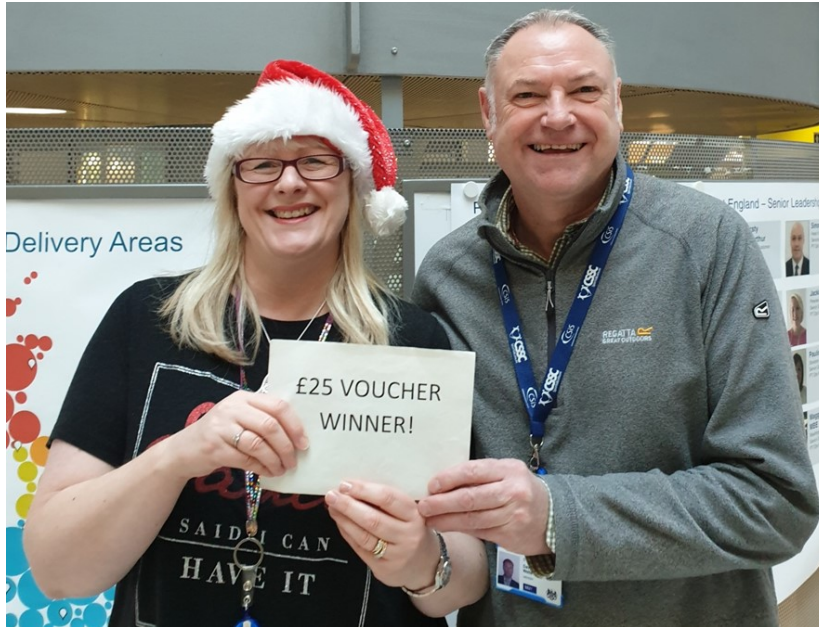
To book please call Caroline on 07790503379 and reference the NESLC offer.

Result of Christmas Treat competition in Newsletter No 4 of 2019:-

The winner of this competition is David Wells of Business Delivery in HMRC.

David's winning entry is GET XMAS DONE – no doubt this had Brexit connotations!

David won a £25 gift voucher and he is pictured below receiving it from Jill Gardner, NESLC Treasurer.



Would you like to win a £25 gift voucher?

All you have to do is correctly answer the questions below. Entries (1 per person) should be sent to myself – george.green9@blueyonder.co.uk

Please put QUIZ in the subject field and state your full name, room number, ext and the organisation you are a member of (HASSRA or RCSL) and your HASSRA Membership number or HMRC PI number.

The closing date for entries is Friday 20 March and the first correct entry in a random draw will be declared the winner.

All entrants must be a member of HASSRA or RCSL. If you are not a member of either please see page 1 for details of how to join.

George Green
Editor

NESLC NEWSLETTER NO 1 OF 2020 QUIZ QUESTIONS

They all share the same surname. Who are they?

1. A TV presenter who has appeared many times on the TV show Loose Women.
2. An American actress who made her film debut in 1999. She appeared in a musical comedy featuring puppets in 2011.
3. He sang a track in a Robin Hood film and collaborated with Sting and Rod Stewart on a single that topped the charts worldwide.

Would you like a game of Bowls?



Then here is your chance to join a great bowling club in your area.

The Health & Security Bowls Club are a section of NESLC and we play our home matches at Blue Flames Sports Club, Whitley Park, Whitley Road, Benton, NE12 9SF. We are looking for new recruits who are members of NESLC including retired members. You can be any age - male or female - to join our busy club. Don't worry if you haven't played before as we give free coaching and advice and we can offer the choice to play most days, afternoons and evenings of the week during the Summer.

You'll be pleasantly surprised how quickly you can get to grips with the basics of the sport. It's an excellent way of getting fresh air and exercise as well as participating in a great competitive sport that doesn't cost a fortune.

Our bowling green is nicely set in the grounds of the Blue Flames Sports Club in Benton where we have a good clubhouse and plenty of parking. It is only a short walk from Benton Metro.

We plan to open the bowling green in mid April 2020 (British weather permitting) but before then, why not get in touch to find out more. Or if you prefer, just visit the bowling green and ask any questions you might have. There is no obligation. For further details please contact:

George Green, 0750 321 7259 , email george.green9@blueyonder.co.uk

We look forward to meeting you.

The Bowls Section had a highly successful season winning a couple of leagues and finishing 2nd and 3rd in two of the county's most prestigious competitions. We were also successful in our annual challenge matches against Forest Hall and Rosyth.

Pictured below are George Green (President) and Dave Henderson (Vice President) with the trophies won.



NESLC TABLE TENNIS SECTION

I as Secretary/Treasurer would like to extend my best wishes to all current and prospective Section members for the New Year 2020.

Although as previously stated we were unable to commit enough players to take part in the Northumbria Winter League this season, we still hope that some of our newer members might feel able to take part in the Northumbria Summer League, which will commence in mid-May and continue until mid-August. Please let me know by mid-April if this the case.

Players from both RCSL and HASSRA will be needed in due course to take part in their respective table tennis competitions at the University of Warwick.

For further details, please contact your local representative. You do not need to be a Section member to take part (although it would be nice if you were), as long as you are a member of either RCSL or HASSRA, even if you happen to be retired.

The club practice nights have continued each Monday from 6pm in the Amble Inn during the winter season, except for Bank Holidays. Three tables are generally available if required, depending on attendance, but the hall must be cleared, equipment put away tidily, and all players signed out by 10pm prompt.

A small supply of bats for beginners can be provided, although it is advised that potential players should bring their own whenever possible. Match standard table tennis balls are supplied, and the annual subscription is only £10 to cover both summer and winter seasons. We are always actively looking for new members, both from the main site and outstations, and any prospective players can come along on three occasions before being asked to consider joining the Section and pay the annual subscription.

There are back catalogues from various table tennis companies in the equipment room box for those who wish to order any items of equipment or clothing themselves.

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