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Newsletter for CRC / Newlands Park

## Newlands Park

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### Annual General Meeting

The Club elected the following Principal Officers, who make up the Club's Executive Committee, at the recent AGM.

President - Keith Plain  
Chairman - Steve Ratcliffe  
Secretary - David Evans  
Treasurer - Dave Bloxsome

Elected members of the Management Committee are:

Membership Secretary – Ron Morris  
Fixtures Secretary – Mike Edwards  
Commercial/Sponsorship - Mal Place  
Rugby Manager – Jeff McMahon

Since the meeting Emma Edwards has been elected Chairman of the M&J Section and has accepted a position on the Executive Committee.

### Play Rugby for Cheltenham Tigers

Senior training started at Newlands Park on Tuesday 3rd July. We are pleased to announce that Head Coach, Liam Middleton has had his contract extended until the end of 2009 season. We overwhelmed St. Mary's OB in our first warm-up match on 22 August and narrowly beat Hertford, from league London 1, last week.

The Club will continue to use the prestigious Prince of Wales Stadium for all senior matches.

*All playing enquiries to Team Manager, Jeff McMahon, Tel:07722/019185*

### CRC/Newlands Park Commercial Team

Mal Place heads up the Commercial Team and he will be pleased to hear from anyone, who wishes to become a partner in our exciting new plans for Newlands Park. There are many corporate opportunities and he will be happy to share our Marketing Plan, with local businesses, to establish if there are reciprocal benefits to be gained.

*Mal can be contacted by email:  
mal place @hotmail.com*

### Newlands Park/Community Venue

Five meeting and social rooms (some with bars) are available for hiring by the local Community. Many will have seen the regular marquees at Newlands, which have been hired for wedding parties and social events.

CRC/Newlands have made a commitment to the Tewkesbury Borough Council for the venue to be available to the local community.

Our biggest event at Newlands so far this year has been the hosting of *Spirax Sarco plc*, for their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner when 1000 people attended.

*All enquiries to Tom Holland, Facilities Manager at Newlands Park: Tel 01242/672752*

### Newlands Park....Community Sports Venue

The following local football teams have their base at our venue and we are pleased to share our facilities with them.

Newton Heath FC Barometrics FC  
Outcasts FC Hatherley Rangers FC  
Stroud FC St.Marks U13's FC  
Gotherington Juniors FC  
Swindon Village Bowman Juniors

We are also pleased to offer our facilities to Berkhamstead School.

### Recent Social Events

**Rounders Festival** This event was a casualty of the *summer* weather and some teams cried off. However, many people wanted to participate and next year we are planning a Rounders League, starting in May/June.

**Riding for the Disabled Skittles Event.** We have established a link with this local charity, who are planning to have a number of events at Newlands Park. Rotary Club of Cheltenham took the spoils on the night.

*For further information on any of these items contact David Evans on 07970 713585*