

# LFSA Newsletter

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## Honor Oak Sports Ground Reopened.

It looks a little different now, gone are the grass pitches for cricket and rugby, the club house has been replaced and there's no sign of old Norman. In their place are flood lit Astro pitches for all ball sports, a futuristic club house bar for our meeting and a new host, John, who'll lend us a football so our youngsters can have a kick. Food and a drink will be offered and when the meeting is finished maybe the parents can take on the kids for a game!

**AGM**

**Friday**

**27<sup>th</sup>**

**September**

**5-8 pm**



## AGM : 27<sup>th</sup> Sept 2013 : Honor Oak Sports Ground

We are all being told we must get fitter and the best way to do that is to make it fun, a little laughter and a lot of play. So, bring along your running shoes and leave your self - doubts & inhibitions at home and take some deep breaths.

### For an All Ages, All Abilities Football Match.

Just 15 mins each way should be enough, extra time could be added in the case of a draw, if both teams are still able, or a penalty shoot-out by those still standing.! There's no prize as such, but I'm sure if I say anyone who scores wins a free drink at the bar afterwards, the budget should stand it as long as we don't have a descendent of Pele amongst us!

### Drive for New Committee Members, bring a Friend!

Have you thought of joining committee but you didn't know anyone going and so stopped yourself. Well, did you know we also need purposeful people from outside our residency who want to join us, which means you could bring along a friend. If getting together once a month to learn something new and perhaps do a little good whilst enjoying some good company, then we could be just the thing for you and your friend...!? Come along to our AGM, where it will be possible to sign up for committee, but meet everyone first before you make up your mind. Should you decide to join committee and find it not as convenient as you thought then you can change your mind. But beware, in my experience it can become addictive, but in a good way. So, hope to meet you there.. Jos



# AGM BARBEQUE & DRINK

It's a bring your own & 'Do It Yourself' style barbeque, but we have our Volunteer Chef, Leo. He'll be cooking Burgers & Sausages, Meaty & Veggie and have enough for everyone. We need help with salads, puddings or cakes and anything else you'd like Leo to cook!

Bring the family and your children's mates, especially if they play some Football. See you there from 5 pm.



What a difference the sunshine makes.  
Have you photos of summer to share?



Send in your pictures to our 3D Gallery. [Jos@lfsa.org.uk](mailto:Jos@lfsa.org.uk)

# Bedroom Tax leads to need for Tenants to take in a Lodger.

With the many changes affecting the benefits system we're starting to witness some of the ill effects. The spare-room deduction from housing benefit is causing a growing problem as people struggle to find the extra money. The latest idea to combat this problem is to rent out your spare room to a Lodger. You will still need permission from your landlord who will have your lodger vetted, but government directives are set to make it easier and attractive to some. It's not something we normally encourage, but in these volatile times perhaps it will be the better of two evils for someone. Enclosed are instructions on how to go about this, but please think long and hard before you do, make it your last resort. Talk to Barrie to see if you have exhausted all other avenues or for guidance in the event it's the only way out. Giving up your personal space to find part of your rent is very costly. However, it is legal, unlike renting out your flat to someone. I mention this because there has been a recent change in the

law regarding illegal subletting of your home.

*A fine or 2 years imprisonment if a tenants*

*actions were dishonest, or a fine.*

So, take care, if you go for it do it the right way by following all the rules, and there are plenty of them.

Hopefully it will be a temporary fix

and you get back your space as soon as pos.!

I hope to see you at our AGM. Jos Editor



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