



CBC NEWS

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Dear member: Welcome to the latest edition of the CBC News.

All good things come to an end: Once again we are staring at the end of another bowling season. Saturday the 23rd is our last official day and as ever the season will end with a fun day on the green and a fantastic cabaret in the evening. Although the last day is never eagerly anticipated, the cabaret is always a firm favourite and this year is no exception. Hopefully there will be a great turnout for the traditional Secretary v Treasurer needle match starting at 2pm. If you wish to play please get there early. This year however, although the closing day is as scheduled, the green will remain open for a further week if you wish to finish of your mini league games or just fancy a wee roll up.

Bordering on perfection: It is indeed a shame that the season is now at an end given the wonderful display of flowers in our border area, set off to perfection by our neat and tidy hedge on the other side. We can only be grateful to Tam and Charlie for all the work they have done on our behalf.

Game on: Well, the end of the bowling season is not all bad news because it heralds the start of the Monday games nights. Last year we saw a good turnout of competitive members eager to do combat on the pool table and with darts and doms. Come along and join us for the games or just a pint and a blether. It is always a lively session and you also have the chance to raise some pennies for the Lady Captain's charity on the card table if you so wish. Our first session is on Monday the 25th Sept from 7 for 7.30pm – see you there.

Jet2 it boys: A record number of gents are currently counting the sleeps left before they jet off to sunnier climes for the biennial gents' tour. This time round they are heading off to Portugal – just for a change – and no doubt it will be another feast of fun for all participants. Enjoy yourselves guys.

Bar closure times: The end of the season means the end to the bar opening every night. Gentleman Jim has confirmed that the bar will once again close on Tue and Thur evenings with effect from Monday the 25th Sept. Unfortunately, in spite of the impressive range of beverages on offer, the trend of late has been one of declining patronage, particularly on Wed evenings. Although our bar is staffed by volunteers it is a bit much to ask someone to open up and sit for 4 hours without seeing a soul. **This year may see a reduction in the bar facilities if we do not see some customers, so the message is clear. If you wish to see our excellent facilities maintained, please make use of what we have on offer.**

Rhythm of my heart: Ladies' Captain Ann Douglas invites you all to a charity fundraising event for the British Heart Foundation. If you have an **Achy Breaky Heart** or a **Wooden Heart**, if you are on a **Sea of Heartbreak** or your **Heart Skips a Beat** and you simply want to **Make my Heart Fly**, why not come along and join us. Come on now gents, don't be a **Cold Cold Heart**, bring along **A Good-hearted Woman** and hopefully you will not have **Heartaches by the Number** or a **Jealous Heart**. **The Chancers** and **guests** will be on hand to take you through a few of the songs we enjoy that have heart in the title. **It's a Heartache** playing to an empty club so please come in, grab a pint and sing along. Cost for entry will be a modest £5 and there will be a wee bite to eat at the mid-point. Raffle prizes will be greatly appreciated and in recognition of the occasion, we ask that you wear something red. The social committee will cover the cost of the sound equipment so all funds raised will go to the Lady Captain's charity. The attendance list is now up in the bar area.

Hi-tech shoes: After years of faithful service the sole departed from my bowling shoes. The elastic band I used to repair it did not last long so there was nothing left for me to do but get an advance of my pocket money and go for a new pair. It was only when I got home and read the instructions on how to use them that I realized what a leap forward I had made in my bowling equipment. The shoes, made by Henselite, now have "magnelite technology" according to the label. Reading on with barely containable excitement I discover that magnetic fields are well known for their curative effect and each of my shoes have a rare-earth element called neodymium built in, forming a three dimensional magnetic field within the shoe. This, it claims, will enhance my comfort and improve my sporting performance. Well, let me tell you they are not kidding. On my very first game wearing this high-tech gear, I played a stormer. Needless to say my opposition did not know I was floating on neodymium and I didn't tell him, 'cause you're in it to win it. I still got gubbed of course, but by nowhere near as much as usual.

Welcome to new member: A very warm welcome to Alan Black who joined the CBC in August. The committee are also pleased to advise that we have another 4 outstanding applications for membership and interviews will be arranged shortly.

Significant birthdays: This month we congratulate Joan Buglass, Alan Craig, Neil Sutherland and Keith Walker who all celebrate a significant birthday this month. I also apologies to Stewart Mason for getting his name rong last time. Hopefully I have got it rite this time Stewart.

Any suggestions?

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Dates for the diary:

Closing night cabaret	Sat 23 rd Sept 7 for 7.30 pm –The Divas show with Leona Coric
Presentation of prizes	Sat 21 Oct 7 for 7.30pm
Rhythm of my heart	Sat 28 th Oct 7 for 7.30 pm – The Chancers plus guests.
Quiz	Sat 11 th Nov 7 for 7.30 pm – Kenny Orr
Murder mystery	Sat 25 th Nov 7 for 7.30 pm – Edinburgh Theatre Arts
Christmas cabaret	Sat 16 th Dec 7 for 7.30 pm – Diane Fields, Top class personality vocalis

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