



CBC NEWS

Dear Member

October / November 2019

Well, that's another season drawn to a close, although the weather was unkind to us to the end. The Ladies 'Closing Day' on Friday 27th was a complete washout, and the board games came out and some made use of the Bar until the Fish Suppers etc arrived for the traditional tea.

In contrast, the next day the sun shone, and some 40 odd Ladies and Gents enjoyed the final day of the season. That evening a full house was entertained by Red Hot Rhythm, a great duo who kept us entertained until night on midnight. I think they enjoyed the night as much as we did..

The following Friday, 42 Gents went on Tour to Southern Spain and while the men were away, the Ladies organised a Disco Night which judging by the videos I have seen was enjoyed by all who came.

I wouldn't normally mention much about the Tour as 'what goes on on tour, stays on tour'. However, a couple of anonymous stories might give you all a flavour of the tour, apart of course, from playing bowls. On the first morning a couple of members returning from a walk went up to their room on the 4th floor. The first guy tried his key card in the door, without success. His roommate then tried his card, turning it upside down, back to front etc but again no luck. So they went back down to Reception to sort it out, where the Receptionist looked at the cards and politely explained to the two gents that the reason the cards wouldn't work was because they were in the wrong hotel !!!!! (And that's before the bars opened). Another member who was in a single room used his card to open the door, popped his card into the slot to put the lights on before stepping out to bring his case in and, you've guessed it, the door shut behind him. So another trip to Reception.

On tour, we have a Court every other day where misdemeanours are brought by the Procurator Fiscal and if found guilty (which they always are) are fined by the Judge. The members involved in the stories above were among the first to be fined. Misdemeanours can be anything from wrong bias, being late or even being early and worse. At the end of the week the fines totalled 721 Euros and Tour Captain, Bill Cumming, nominated a local Charity, Its Good 2 Give to receive the money. It is a Charity close to my heart as it cares for young cancer patients at the Sick Kids.

Congratulations to all the winners who attended the Annual Presentation of Prizes last Saturday. Plenty of Port and Prosecco was to the fore to celebrate with the Winners and Runners up. A full list of all the Competition winners is at the back of this newsletter.

This coming **Saturday(9th November)** is Remembrance Weekend and in memory of these times and of those who gave so much for us to live the lives and freedoms we enjoy today, your very own Concert Party (The Chancers) will sing you though a range of songs from and about the two World Wars. Words for the songs will be provided for you to sing along if you wish. A sandwich supper will be provided and our well-stocked bar will be open for business. As ever, guests would be very welcome so if you have friends or neighbours who may wish to sing some old-time songs please bring them along. The ticket cost is £4 per head and starts at 7:30. There is still time to put your name on the list at the bar area (to confirm numbers for the buffet) or come along on the night.

On **Sunday 10th at 11am**, there will be a Remembrance Service at the Memorial facing the Library. Ian Sutherland will be laying a wreath on behalf of the Club. All are welcome.

Around the Green. Our new Green Contractor, Dicksons, have been busy since the end of the season. They have brought in some heavy duty equipment to 'deep scarify' the Green to get rid of the moss. The whole Green was also spiked to a depth of around 10" to improve aeration and drainage. Five ton of top dressing was then applied to the Green and brushed in to get rid of the bumps and hollows. A further two ton will be applied, probably in the Spring, once the 5 ton has settled. Work will done to correct some of the wooden edges.

A sample of soil around the heads at the entrance to the Green has been taken away for analysis as there were virtually no roots in the grass. It was quite impressive watching these guys and machinery in action.

Senior's Christmas Lunch. The Xmas lunch on Friday 20th Dec is fully subscribed but as the date approaches, there may be 1 or 2 call offs. If you are interested, contact Eric McBain. Raffle Prizes are welcome and payments (£20) can be made at the bar on any Monday night in November. Bar open at 12 noon.

On the Bar. You may recollect the email sent out towards the end of September looking for feedback on the reasons for an apparent decline in the use of bar facilities, both during the bowling season and at other times. This has an adverse effect on Club income and future investment in Club facilities. We were looking to form a sub group to look at it, with Club members of all ages and sections of the Club but so far this has not been possible. We are grateful to Angus McGarry, Kenny Orr, Arnie Yule and Mohindra Dhall for volunteering and if you wish to join them, contact David Sutherland. I have received suggestions from other members to have Social members, a Bar voucher scheme added to the annual fees, small receptions such as weddings, and to sell toasties and real coffee. Some of these ideas would involve expenditure first (buying equipment) or a change of Licence and others would have to be put to an Annual General Meeting. However, I am sure the sub-committee will look at the overall picture before making recommendations. In the meantime, you may find that the bar does not open until later on Saturday and Sunday afternoons. The Honesty bar in the Gents Locker room is always available. Did you know that any member can bring in 10 friends into the Club at any time the bar is open with no restrictions on the number of visits. This may partly resolve the Social Membership issue.

Constitution, Committee and Competitions sub-group have been meeting over the last few months and will be in a position to update everyone on all those issues at the Annual General Meeting in February.

Club Tops – It is the intention of the Club to order and pay for the new Club Tops in this financial year which ends on the 30th November. (No money due yet from the Members). As the tops will be registered with all the Bowling Associations, anyone representing the Club will have to wear the new top from next year. It will replace the present Tops as Club dress. Anyone who has still to order, please do so within the next week. Samples of sizes are available in the Gents & Ladies Changing Rooms and order forms are available at the bar.

More Winners

The final lottery draw was made on Closing Day and Val Mather was the lucky winner on the third draw. Les Brown was the winner of the Rugby World Cup sweep just pipping Laura Mackay after the last game.

Social Events

Saturday 9th November – The Chancers Remembrance Day Sing Along

Saturday 23rd November – Quiz Night – Question masters – Kenny Orr and Les Brown.

Saturday 21st December – Christmas Cabaret – the very funny Robbie Carron.

Congratulations:- go to Dougie Wilson, Jim Lynch, Liz McCue, Tom Black, Ken Cadogan and Ronnie McLaren who have significant birthdays during October and November.

Classified Ads:

Jean Meiklejohn's championship winning bowls, Taylor Aces, (blue size 4) are still on offer at £80.

Details of all the Competition winners follow this page.

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Competition Winners 2019

Gents

Competition	Winner(s)	Runner(s)-Up
Championship	C.H. Cassidy	D.A. Wilson
President's	G.F. Richardson	M. Hewitt
Vice-President's	J. Donoghue	R.A. Mather
Two-Bowl	M. Hewitt	J. Sutherland
Blackhall Rosebowl	B.J.D. Howe	W. Stoddart
Murdoch	G.F. Richardson	M. Hewitt
Kerr Medal	M. Dhall	N/A
Blyth Pairs	J. Connor, B. Callaghan (s)	M. Hewitt, C.H. Cassidy (s)
Davis Triples	R.M. Stevens, J. Sutherland, W.N. Cumming (s)	T.H. Mitchell, J. Connor, S.S. Mitchell (s)
Walker Fours	K. Moyes, R Bernard, A.J Lomax, D.S. Sutherland (s)	R Bryce, I Murdoch, W.N. Cumming, R. Page (s)
Sycamore Quaich	Shared (CKBC/CBC)	N/A

Ladies

Competition	Winner(s)	Runner(s)-Up
Championship	T.J. Blair	R.L. Rutherford
President's	F. Stevens	P. Clark
Two-Bowl	J. Meiklejohn	M.D. Thomson
Isobel Callaghan Rosebowl	C. Bentley	T.J. Blair
Sutherland Quaich	J.C. Mitchell	G. Christie
Points Day	D. Higgins	N/A
Two-Bowl Pairs	A.S. Douglas, M.D. Thomson (s)	P. Reid, P. Clark (s)
Nominated Pairs	M.V.S. Page, T.J. Blair (s)	G. Christie, C. Bentley (s)
Drawn Pairs	A.S. Douglas, J. Meiklejohn (s)	P. Reid, C. Bentley (s)
Clark Triples	D. Higgins, F. Stevens, E.D. Hay (s)	N/A
Clark Fours	P. Reid, J.C. Hildersley, P. Clark, T.J. Blair (s)	N/A
Invitation Charity Pairs	L.J. MacKay, M. Davidson	N/A
Portland Cup	Corstorphine B.C.	Kilmarnock B.C.

Ladies' Seniors

Competition	Winner(s)	Runner(s)-Up
Championship	J. Meiklejohn	J.L.N. McBain
Triples	J.L.N. McBain, G. Christie, J.C. Mitchell (s)	F. Stevens, V.A. Mather, M.D. Thomson (s)

Competition Winners 2019 (contd)

Gents' Seniors

Competition	Winner(s)	Runner(s)-Up
Championship	G.F. Richardson	W.N. Cumming
Handicap Singles	B. Callaghan	B.J.D. Howe
Two-Bowl Singles	B. Callaghan	R.L. Clark
Nominated Pairs	B. Callaghan, D.S. Sutherland (s)	J. Connor, J. Sutherland (s)
Balloted Pairs	D.B. McGuire, R.A. Mather (s)	A.D. MacKay, I.M. Ferrier (s)
Triples	T.A.C. Black, R.A. Mather, R.M. Stevens (s)	R.W. Savage, J. Haughian, J. Connor (s)
Hyland Rigg Cup	R.W. Savage, B.J.D. Howe (s)	K. Walker, I. Pickard (s)
Bob Horsham Cup	J.R. Lang, J.L. Brown, M.O. Forbes, R.M. Stevens (s)	N/A
Bob Bissett Cup	Corstorphine B.C.	Carricknowe B.C.

Mixed

Competition	Winner(s)	Runner(s)-Up
Club Pairs	F. Stevens, G.M. Birnie (s)	M. Dhall, W.N. Cumming (s)
Birnie Mixed Pairs	L.J. MacKay, A.D. MacKay (s)	J.C. Mitchell, A. R. Mather (s)
Invitation Pairs	K. Moyes, R. Grundison (s)	R.L. Clark, D. Armstrong (s)
Sanderson Triples	J. Connor, B. Callaghan, J. Burns (s)	M. Simmons, A.J. Lomax, J. Gunn (s)
Centenary Trophy	F. Stevens, N. Sutherland, M.V.S. Page, P. Clark (s)	N/A
Cathy Connet Trophy	P. Calder, V.A. Mather, J. Connor (s)	N/A
Millar Cup	P. Clark, R.L. Clark (s)	J.L.N. McBain, K.G. Orr (s)
Bowls & Barbeque	R.H. Brown	B. Callaghan
Carruth Trophy	Gents' Seniors	Ladies

External

Competition	Winner(s)	Runner(s)-Up
Rotary Pairs	B. Callaghan, J. Burns (s)	J.C. Mitchell, E. M. Aitken (s)
Bowls Scotland District Ladies' Singles	C. Bentley	
Bowls Scotland District Ladies' Senior Singles	C. Bentley	
Bowls Scotland District Ladies' Junior Singles	R.L. Rutherford	
Ladies' East of Scotland District Fours	F. Stevens, L.J. MacKay, M.J. Ferrier, C. Bentley (s)	
Ladies' Water of Leith Singles	T.J. Blair	
Ladies' Top Ten	Corstorphine B.C.	Carricknowe B.C.

Singles Leagues

Competition	Winner(s)	Runner(s)-Up
Division 1	D.S. Sutherland	N/A
Division 2	I Norton	N/A
Division 3	A Johnston	N/A
Division 4	A.A. McBride	N/A
Division 5	J.K.M. Wilson	N/A
Division 6	N/A	N/A