

Membership Success!

It is vitally important that we keep on trying to recruit new members to the Club. Inevitably we lose members each year and these must be replaced. There are currently too many bowling clubs throughout Scotland in trouble because of falling numbers. We must not join them! Therefore during the week commencing 7 May we held another membership drive. This took the form of an Drop in Week, whereby anyone who might be interested could come to the Club and try bowling. Thereafter they were taken into the Clubhouse and offered tea/coffee and scones. The details of the Club were explained and a subscription offer was set out. They can have five free coaching sessions, at the end of which they will be eligible for an annual subscription at half price. We organised an excellent team who welcomed our visitors. The event was well supported with 38 people signing up as new/prospective members. A big thank you is due to everyone who helped. We must now provide coaching for 32 people. We hope that most of these people will join the Club. This success puts the Club on a firm footing but this is an exercise that we must continue on a regular basis.

New President—This is a very special year when we welcome Pamela Smith, the first lady President of the unified Club. Pamela was born, schooled and trained in Edinburgh. Later she lived and taught in Shetland and Aberdeen, moving to Lundin Links in 2014, after she retired and joined our bowling club in order to make new friends and become part of the community. She is an admirably organised and enthusiastic lady and there is no doubt that she will be a terrific President who will be able to move the Club forward. Hopefully everyone will give Pamela the full support she deserves.



Sponsorship 2018—We are delighted that we will benefit from valuable sponsorship from Champion Homes during 2018. Already this has included financial assistance with promoting the Drop in Week.

Campion Homes are excited to announce that their new development, Bryony Meadow in Dairsie is due to launch very soon. This development will feature only 32 detached bungalows in this beautiful location only 7 miles from St Andrews. If you are thinking about a move get in touch and find out more. The Law View development in Leven is going very well and is well worth a visit. The show homes are stunning and will whet your appetite with what is on offer.

Finally our Laurel Bank development near Cupar is almost sold out so if this is of interest to you don't miss out!



Improvements

Over the last few months there have been a number of significant improvements made to the green and the Clubhouse. Importantly the edges of the green have been raised. A big job carried out by Colin Miller, ably assisted by Neil Ballingall and his team. The reformed edges have just had their first cut.

The roof of the Clubhouse, which has given trouble for years, has been overlaid to eliminate persistent rainwater penetration. This has not only ensured that we have a watertight roof but the amount of insulation has been significantly improved, which should reduce heat loss from the building.

An enhanced surface to the car parking area has been provided, that will considerably improve access to the Club.

Importantly a large number of our members turned out on 15 April to carry out vital maintenance work. This demonstrates the commitment of many members to the improvement of the Club.



2018 Forthcoming attractions

- Summer fete - 9 June - including "try bowls", sport competition, tombola, tea/coffee and a home baking, and a barbecue, a plant stall. Hand-bag silent auction. Donations required.
- A barbecue to tie in with the end of the coaching in June.
- Cocktails at the Green—24 June and 5 August,
- A quiz/karaoke night in July
- Heritage day - end of August/



Members' Forum

After the success of previous years, we will again be holding a Members' Forum after all the new members have joined, to give everyone a chance to say what they like about the Club and importantly what they do not like. Details later.

New coach for 2018

We are delighted to announce that Anne Wright will shortly be joining our team of qualified coaches. She will be an important addition to the team which not only coaches the Juniors on a Monday afternoon but also ensure that new members who require help can have a good start to bowling.

Coaching for the Disabled

For the second year coaching for disabled people was carried out last season. We will continue this during 2018. If you know anyone who might enjoy this please just ask them to come along on a Thursday afternoon for 4.00pm

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Friendly fixtures - 2018

After a considerable effort by our new Match Secretary, Maureen Band, we are pleased to have an exciting list of friendly games for 2018. Everyone is welcome to play regardless of how long they have been bowling. Lists will be posted in the Clubhouse, just enter your name.

April

Sat 21 Opening of the Green

May

Sat 5 Buckhaven (Gents) Home

Wed 9 St Andrews (Ladies) Away

Sat 12 Leven (Gents) Away

June

Wed 13 Duffus (Ladies) Away

Sat 16 Strathmiglo (mixed) Home

Tue 19 Kemback (Ladies) Home

Sat 23 Dovecot (Mixed) Home

Sat 30 Newport (Mixed) Home

July

Sat 7 Methilhill (Mixed) Home

Sat 14 Guardbridge (Mixed) Away

Thu 19 Largo (Mixed) Home

Sat 28 Freuchie (Mixed) Away

August

Thu 2 Dovecot (Ladies) Home

Sat 4 Newburgh (Mixed) Home

Thu 16 Largo (Mixed) Away

Sat 18 Buckhaven (Gents) Away

Wed 22 Kinburn (Ladies) Home

Thu 23 Kirkcaldy (mixed) Away

Sat 25 Ladybank (Mixed) Home

September

Sat 8 Whitehouse & Grange (Mixed) Away

Sat 15 Windygates (Mixed) Away

Sat 22 Kemback (Mixed) Home

Sat 29 Closing of the Green

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