



THE RINK - October 2022

The President speaks

Closing Day was a great success and the turnout was excellent. I think everyone enjoyed it and thanks have to go to various people who carried out all the work. To Katy and Douglas for organising the Game, Gary and Douglas for preparing the trophies for presentation, to the Ladies for all the background work for the meal etc and the Bar staff.

Work on the Green has started and appears to be going well. We have been assured that the Green should improve next year especially as we have invested in the enhanced Contract for the Green.

There are a number of Social events happening, most recently the Race Night and Gin/Wine/Choir night to kick off the start of the winter programme. Although neither were very well attended, they were enjoyable nights. I hope we can look forward to other social events and hopefully with higher attendance.

Although the Bowling season is over there are still other events in the Clubhouse both within the club and with external groups. Hopefully the proposed events for our members get off the ground, one of which is a Coffee/Tea morning held monthly on the first Saturday of the month 10.30-12 noon from November when Scones and Bacon Rolls will be available. These events are both a way of keeping in touch with the members but also to raise some small funds for the Club (many a mickle makes a muckle). We really should be using the Club facilities more during the closed season and if you have any suggestions please let us know.

As you will have seen from a recent email, we are seeking notes of interest to join our Committee - the successful running of our club depends on the goodwill and efforts of the Committee and the team of people who support them. Without such people, our Club would not be able to function and so I would ask everyone to consider the role they can play and contact the Club Secretary with notes of interest.

Unfortunately we lost one of our members, Sheila Hepburn this month and our condolences go to Andrew and Family. Thank you to all the members who attended the Funeral.

News

In addition to the updates in the report from our President:

- We published our winners last in Octobers Newsletter and over the next few weeks we hope to add a number of photos to our website (more information to follow)
- We anticipate requiring a Club Secretary, Bar Convenor and Green Convenor on our 2023/2024 Committee as well as general Committee members. Of course, all roles are up for re-election at the AGM however these are the roles where we do not have a candidate. As the President has outlined, it is vital that we fill these roles and notes of interest should be sent to the Club Secretary (email address at the foot of the newsletter).
- In addition to the events covered in the next section, we intend to open the bar for certain matches in the World Cup which starts on 20th November. We are also considering a "honesty bar" for times when we do not plan on opening the bar. More information will follow on our World Cup plans.

Upcoming Dates - October

- Wednesday 2nd November (14:00) - Book Club
- Thursday 3rd November (14:00) - Bridge Club (weekly)
- Saturday 5th November (10:30) - Coffee Morning (inc scones, rolls)
- Wednesday 16th November (14:00) - Beetle Drive
- Saturday 19th November (19:30) - Chinese Food and Music
- Wednesday 30th November (10.30) - Coffee Morning
- Saturday 3rd December (10:30) - Coffee morning (inc scones, rolls) *
- Wednesday 7th December (14:00) - Book Club
- Friday 9th December (12:30) - Gents Christmas Lunch
- Monday 12th December (12:30) - Club Christmas Lunch
- Saturday 31st December (8pm) - Hogmanay

* subject to how the first event goes

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