



THE RINK - September 2025

The President speaks

A busy August has flown by with many competitions reaching the latter stages. Well done to Jim Melles for winning the Gents Championship for the fourth time and George Cairns for his first Senior Championship success. It was also great to see our Ladies making progress through the EWBA Championships. Hopefully next season we can continue to have an impact in external events. Our green has also hosted a number of events (internal and external) which has been good to see and there has generally been a good buzz about the club. Best wishes to everyone still involved in our internal competitions.

I am pleased that we have launched our Whatsapp Broadcast Group and the early take-up has been encouraging. Major announcements will continue to be communicated by email to reach everyone and the WhatsApp Broadcast Group will provide some additional commentary/updates/reminders (not to mention some photos!). I am sure this will be a success and hope in time that even more of our members join the group (to do so simply email the Club with your mobile number).

It is hard to believe that the coming month will see an end to the playing season - that was quick! The bowling of course continues during September and there are plenty of opportunities to get out on the green before our Closing Day on 27th September. Plans are also well underway for a programme of off season activities which have been increasingly popular.

News

We are now firmly headed towards the end of the playing season – the nights are drawing in!

There will be several finals being played over the next few weeks and we will try to give you advance warning of these where we can.

The last formal coaching session will take place on Saturday 6th September. However, the green will remain open on a Saturday morning (and most other times) for casual play. Please do get in a bit of bowling before the end of the season.

There is a sign-up sheet in the Clubhouse for the Anderson Triples which is being played on the 21st of September. It's always a good day. Please sign up to play if you can.

On the afternoon of Saturday 13th September, we will be playing our Annual Ladies v Gents Top Ten. Just a fun event!! The bar will be open if you fancy coming along to cheer on the players.

Ladies' Closing Day is on Wednesday 24th September when we will play for the Vicky Ritchie Salver. The game will be followed by afternoon tea. There is no advance sign-up sheet – but please be at the Club if you wish to play **by 1.30pm** so that teams can be drawn.

The Club Closing Day is on Saturday 27th September, when we will play for the last silverware of the season. The sign-up sheet is now up in the Clubhouse. The game will be followed by a hot buffet, at a cost of £15 per person (subsidised by the Club). Sign up and pay by Monday 22nd September.

And so to the Close Season. The various Winter activities will be commencing shortly. So far, we can confirm the following start dates.

The Table Tennis will commence on Tuesday 30th September, the Bridge Club on Thursday 9th October and the Choir on Monday 13th October.

The first Monthly Club Coffee Morning (Bacon rolls and scones) will be on Saturday 4th October and the first of the Coffee mornings organized by the Ladies on Wednesday 30th October.

Sponsorship Update

Lindsay & Gilmour are our latest sponsors supporting us at Blackhall Bowling Club. We are delighted to welcome them on board.

Their pharmacy in Blackhall has been serving the community in the area for 25 years.

Today it is led by Stephen Deazley, who has been at the helm for the last 8 years. Stephen leads the team of Alison, Ally, Susan, Trisha, Amber, and trainee pharmacist, Mohammed.

Their aim is to provide high quality care to the community.

Stephen and his team are pleased to assist anyone with their healthcare needs.

The Company's advertisement at the end of this Newsletter includes their contact details.

Upcoming Dates –September

- Monday 1st Sept (14.00) – Ladies' Heather League v Corstorphine.
- Monday 1st Sept - Hat night – (weekly) – please check the Club noticeboard or Website for varying start times throughout the season – presently 18.00.
- Tuesday 2nd Sept- (13.45) – Gent's Seniors League Match v Trinity and Tanfield B.
- Tuesday 2nd September (14.00) – Ladies Friendly v Corstorphine.
- Wednesday 4th September (14.00) – Hat afternoon (weekly). Players, please sign in no later than 13.45.
- Thursday 4th and Friday 5th Sept (17.30) – Autumn Pairs

- Saturday 6th (10.00-12noon) – Coaching. This will be the last formal Coaching Session of the season– but the green will continue to be open for play on Saturday mornings. Please do feel free to come down for a roll up.
- Tuesday 9th September (14.00) Ladies Friendly v Maitland.
- Saturday 13th September (14.00) – Ladies v Gents Top Ten.
- Sunday 21st September (13.00) – Anderson Triples. Sign up Sheet in the Clubhouse.
- Wednesday 24th September (14.00) Ladies Closing Day - Playing for the Vicki Ritchie Salver
The game will be followed by a Bowler's(afternoon)tea. If you wish to play please be signed in no later than 13.30 to allow the rinks to be drawn. Dress code – Club or white shirts.

Saturday 27th September (14.00) – Club Closing Day - Playing for the MacRobert Thistle Cup.
Dress Code – Club or white shirts. The game will be followed by a hot buffet. Sign up sheet in the Clubhouse.

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