



RBC Centenary Year  
1922 – 2022

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## RBC NEWSLETTER (Winter 2022)

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Our Centenary Season ended on 24<sup>th</sup> September, having had a busy and enjoyable season. Throughout the season all members have been playing and helping the Bowling Club in many ways. Our social bowls on a Tuesday and Thursday afternoon has continued over the season, with our mixed rink games on a Monday night. The coaching has been available on Wednesday evenings also. The men have taken part in many trophy games as we decided to play in both Central and County games this year, which has put more pressure on members to play more games, however we have been lucky in having enough members to participate.

### Friendlies

RBC participated in 14 friendlies this year, all at home with this being our Centenary Year. All visiting Bowling Clubs kindly presented Centenary gifts to ourselves. Tom Findlay donated a gift cabinet and this now proudly is on view in our lounge, with Centenary gifts that were given on show. My thanks to all who played in these games this season, to those who attended to support and to the ladies who organised the catering for all these home games.



### New ventures during the season

We introduced more coaching classes during the season and with the help of Stuart Bell (Bowls Scotland) we held two blocks of coaching on a Tuesday night to our Veteran and Military group. Numbers weren't significant, however the same people came weekly to enjoy playing the game of bowls and a variety of stimulating games on the green. This was funded by Sports Active (Stirling) and we thank Allen Gibson for his help.

We also welcomed Scouts on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> May and Rainbows Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> June, for the first time. My thanks to Susan Campbell in organising the Rainbows and Graeme Campbell in assisting me with the Scouts.

## **Platinum Celebrations**

On Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> June we held an Afternoon Tea for senior citizens of the Riverside area, which was organised by ladies of the Over 60's group and the Riverside Community Council, the clubhouse was full and Riverside Primary School children entertained our visitors.

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> June we held in the afternoon an Open Afternoon for those who wanted to try the game of bowls. This was a great afternoon, with the green full of enthusiastic people. A ceilidh was held in the evening organised by Riverside Community Council.

## **Riverside Primary School visits**

With the help of Scott Kinross (Sports Active), we held two Friday morning events with Riverside Primary School. The first was on 20<sup>th</sup> May, when we welcomed two P5 classes, the following Friday we welcomed two P6 classes plus a Gaelic class in the afternoon. Our thanks go to all volunteers on these two days.

## **Social Events**

Due to the poor weather our Barbecue/Fun evening was cancelled on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> June and re-arranged for Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June, but the attendance was disappointing on the day. Our Race Night, held on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September was a great success and an event which we would hope to repeat next year.

## **Christmas/Kaoroke Night**

Our next event will be held on **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> December**, from 7pm, tickets are only £5.00 each. You can receive tickets from any committee member. Please come along and support the bowling club.

## **Winter Session afternoon**

We have just started, each Tuesday afternoon from 2pm a winter session. The bowling club purchased last winter an indoor carpet and this will be available to play, plus we have a pool table and a darts board in the lounge, only £2.00 each.

## **Clubhouse Lets**

The renovated Clubhouse can be rented for currently £15.00 per hour (the price to be reviewed in the early New Year, once we see the electricity costs). If you are interested in using the clubhouse, contact Jackie Whyte 01786 473336.

## **Webpage**

George Grant kindly continues to update our Webpage ([www.riversidebowling.club](http://www.riversidebowling.club)). Please take a browse. Season 2022 internal competition winners can be found on this page, and pictures from the past!

## **Friday Night in the Lounge**

Our lounge is open every Friday from 7pm during the winter. Come down and socialise, darts and pool table available.

## **AGM**

This will be held on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2023 in the Clubhouse at 2pm. All relevant paperwork will be distributed to playing members in early January.