



# Tynemouth Bowling Club



## Welcome to Our New Newsletter!

Following on from the Development Day the club wants to have better communication with our membership. Hopefully the Newsletter will go hand in hand with changes to the website [www.tynemouthbowls.club](http://www.tynemouthbowls.club) and a new Facebook site (to be established in 2022) as well as the regular use of WhatsApp groups, letters and emails to keep everyone in the club informed and updated. Do you have some news? Please let us know and we can share it.

### AGM 2021 Update

Lesley is warmly welcomed as our new President - the first women to hold the post of President in over 125 years! The new committee has a blend of experience and it is hoped we can address some of the critical issues that the club faces after the 2 years of Covid issues – namely membership levels and player development.

Lesley said “We would urge members to contact us with any ideas they have to make the club better”. The committee will try to be more contactable to assist with the process of communication. See below for contact details.

Several key discussions and decision were made at the AGM for 2022 which are summarised below:

It was agreed to progress club kit which will be worn by players in league matches from 2022 (see separate news story for agreed kit design).

All members will pay £45 fees and competitive bowlers will pay an extra fee of £10 to cover additional costs.

### Dave Richardson Nominated for National Award

Long standing member and club stalwart Dave Richardson has been nominated for a Bowls England Certificate of Merit Award. The club recognised Dave’s longstanding contribution not only to TBC, but also his work in organising leagues and competitions in the local bowls community in North Tyneside and decided to nominate him for the award. Dave said “I was very pleased to hear the news the club nominated me for a national award”. Dave will find out in the New Year if the panel of judges short list him to attend the award ceremony in February 2022 at Lemington Spa. For a full list of awards go to [www.bowlsengland.com](http://www.bowlsengland.com) for details.



From Left to right – Your Club Committee at the recent Development Day  
Spencer, Peter, Dave, Lesley, Richard, Stephen (Andy, not in the photo)

# Development Day

To progress the decision to wear a kit from 2022 the club held a “Development Day” meeting on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> November. Discussions took place initially around the kit and the design. The design to the right was voted as the preferred choice. Further work is in progress to source the kit.

The club committee has agreed to pay for a short sleeved top and a waterproof jacket for each member playing in any of the leagues. Stephen is asking all players to contact him regarding sizing, so an order can be placed early in the New Year. Additional kit and items including towels and mugs can also be purchased by our members.

Members were asked if they would like to get involved in sub-groups to help develop COACHING, SOCIAL or COMPETITIVE elements of the club. These sub-groups can then take their ideas to the club committee for approval to ensure the club is delivering what our membership wants – please look out for advertised dates for group meetings planned early in 2022.

And finally, the club is looking for volunteers to get involved in coaching and first aid at the club. These one-day courses will help those currently trained to provide much needed help to those in need. The club is keen to provide sustainability in the 5 year development plan, to be published in the New Year. If you want to get involved in any development at the club, please contact Stephen.



## Storm Arwen

The clubhouse sustained minor damage to the roof during the recent storm. The tin roof tiles and drain was put back in place the following day with the help of Richard and Stephen. A fence felled by the high winds has been reported to North Tyneside Council to repair.

The club would ask all members to keep an eye on the pavilion and get in contact with a committee member should they see anything that needs repaired over the winter if they are unable to attend to it themselves.

### Committee and our Contact Details

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