

## New Deer Bowling Club

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It was on a sunny Friday evening on the 21<sup>st</sup> August that David Anderson and I set off to Paisley to take part in the National Mixed Pairs Championship at Ralston Bowling Club on Saturday/ Sunday 22<sup>/23<sup>rd</sup></sup> August. By the time we had reached Paisley it was raining heavily and our thoughts turned to the next day, neither of us fancied wearing our waterproofs for our game.

On the Saturday morning we reported to Ralston Bowling Club at 9.00am where breakfast was provided for all the players. Our game started at 9.30am against Julie Sword and Christopher Stein to Methill in Fife. The sun had come out but the Bowling Green was wet and very slippery underfoot. Both David and I played well and we won 21 shots to 6.

After a lovely buffet lunch we played our second game. With the sun still shining, and even though we both played well, we went down 21 shots to 7 to the eventual winners of the whole weekend, Morag Jones and Ross Carlin of Muirhead and Birkhall in Dundee.

Although disappointed, we felt we had done New Deer Bowling Club proud for getting to the quarter finals of the National Competition.