



TACC Women's World Cup 2019 Bowls - September 1st, Aberlour

The inaugural TACC bowls competition took place at Aberlour Bowling Club on Sunday September 1st 2019 and raised a fantastic £1,120.

48 bowlers from around Moray area were drawn as pairs into one of the 24 teams that competed in the Women's World Cup (WWC) in France earlier in the year.

The format was similar to the WWC, with 6 groups of 4 in a round robin, and the top team from each group plus the two best runners up going into the ½ finals.

Each player had their personal country name tag and it soon became a country vs country competition.

The scheduling of matches was the same as the WWC with Scotland taking on England in their opening group match – this time no VAR and a creditable draw.

Players were encouraged to wear their kilts or tartan, and many did – not just the Scotland team players.

Huge thanks to TACC Ambassador Jlm Hart whose idea it was, and who put in a lot of work to make it happen.

Also huge thanks to officers and members of Aberlour Bowling Club – who facilitated the organisation and recruitment of the players. Most notably, Denny, Nancy, Robbie, Anne, Andy and Richard.

More thanks to TACC Ambassadors who travelled from Aberdeen and Inverness to help in so many ways – esp. Elaine, David and Stewart from Aberdeen and Jen and our Young Ambassador Harris from Inverness.

Catering was graciously provided by Aberlour's wonderful Dowans Hotel and prizes donated by Aberlour Distillery, Walkers Shortbread and Scotland Supporters Club.

Local businesses, Frank Ogg garage, Highlander Inn, newsagent S. Cattanch and many of the

members and bowlers supported with first class raffles and donations.
On behalf of TACC, many thanks to them all.
Probably no real surprise but Scotland didn't make it beyond the group stage, and thankfully the final between Cameroon and England didn't end up with one of them taking a hissy-fit, as had happened in France earlier in the year.
First class bowling, great spirit and enthusiasm, great friendships made, with the possibility of a renewed competition in 2020.
Ohwho won? Ambassador David Campbell, who also tended the bar on the day, had very kindly downloaded the national anthem of each of the teams who competed.
It was with great pleasure that the winners were announced as ENGLAND, to sounds of God Save The Queen playing!! Special touch David – well done.
Of course, the only REAL winners on the day are all the kids that TACC supports, as 100% of the funds raised is going to make some child's life a bit brighter.

Photographs of the action – many thanks to David Campbell at D.C. Images <u>D.C. Images - TACC Bowls</u>

Thanks to all who participated and contributed so much, so willingly and so well.



