



BRIDGEWATER BOWLING CLUB

June 2020 **GOOD NEWS**



Dear Member

We hope you are all well and still coping with this crazy world that we are living in. Well hopefully we have some good news for you.

1. The greens (which are looking really well) opened on Monday 18th May and a few people have been up to practice. Up until now Bridgewater chose only to let individuals or members of the same household practice. Since our last newsletter, the government have made further announcements and we have received updated information from British Crown Green Bowling Association which is on page 2 of this newsletter. We are now allowed up to 6 people at the club at any one time, and so we have decided to open up to members playing with a member of another household – however each player must have their own jack and mat, as equipment must not be shared, and of course social distancing must be maintained at all times. For those who would like to practice and don't have their own jack and mat, the club have 6 sets (jack/mat) that can be loaned out to members on a first come first served basis – you would then keep this for the rest of the season & return it once the restrictions are lifted. Please ring the secretary on 01948 662474 if you would like to borrow a set.

2. If you would like to practice, we have now implemented an 'online' booking system rather than you having to phone up. To get access to this in the next couple of days you will receive an invite to join via e-mail. It will come from a company called Skedda, so please check your junk mail just in case. Click on the link, create yourself a password, and you will then be able to see the calendar for both greens and you can book yourself a slot. You will receive a confirmation of the booking via e-mail. If you are booking for yourself and a family member or for yourself and a person from another household, please enter the name of the second person in the NOTES section. Any problems please contact Chris Sayers 07710 158154 or casayers@yahoo.com. Once you have registered you will also be able to access the booking system from the GREENS BOOKING section of the website. Of course, if you don't have an e-mail address then you can still ring the secretary who will make the booking for you. It is important that we all act responsibly and book before you go as we maybe asked by the government to provide track and trace data and should we be asked to do so, then we can provide it through the system.

3. Finally despite the bad times the club have been lucky enough to receive a COVID-19 grant from the government to help keep clubs like ours running. This will go towards the upkeep of the club and paying the bills whilst we must remain closed. The committee has decided that the insurance for bowling (which will cover you for practicing) should be funded through this, so with that in mind and the fact that there will be no leagues this year, there will be no membership fees due for 2020. For those that have already kindly paid their membership for this year, then the Treasurer will roll these fees over into the 2021 season for you.

We will of course review things as and when we become aware of changes as advised by the government and the British Crown Green Bowling Association.

Kind regards
Bridgewater Committee



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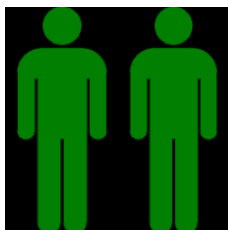
Phase 2

Green booking—only groups as below permitted on green at one time.

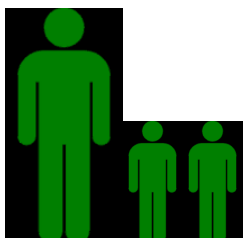
Maximum of 6 people at the club



Member books the green and plays alone, uses own equipment, woods, and jack. No jack just use woods.



2 Members book the green and play using own equipment and jacks. If playing together ensure you social distance and use own jack or play separately. (Only 2 on green)



Family Member books the green and plays with family. use own equipment, woods and jack. No jack just use woods.

If I don't have a jack or a mat, (the club communal equipment **MUST NOT** be used unless you have loaned a set for your own personal use).

- This does not preclude people from taking a timed slot
- Use anything as a target item ie. a ball of some sort, tennis ball, another bowl, virtually anything you can think of, as the target is just that in respect of practice
- If you don't have a ball, you don't have to roll it to set a mark, you can just walk over and place the target item
- Same with a mat, utilise anything flat that will not damage the green

As this current exercise is just to get people back on the greens, the play will not be competitive, and we obviously want to get as many people back involved.