



Information Pack 2025/26

If you are a new member – a warm welcome to Banbury Cross Indoor Bowls Club we hope that you will enjoy your time with us and we look forward to meeting you on the green. If you are renewing your membership then welcome back and we hope that you have had a great summer.

You can see that we are planning to have a full programme for the new season. We want to welcome new players into all of our activities. We also have Friendly matches with other clubs throughout the season and a good range of Club Competitions.

If you come to play in any activity twice a week or more then it is **cheaper** to pay the membership fee as the rink fees for members are less than the pay as you play fees. This also opens up the possibility of playing in any other activity of the club.

Woodgreen Leisure Centre will hold paper copies of the Membership Packs and they can be returned completed from Monday 15th September with the green opening on Monday 22nd September.

Leagues

The following leagues are planned to run through the season and we have capacity for more teams in all of the them. If you don't have others to form a team with then let us know on the attached Form of Interests and we will do our best to match you up with others. We also have spaces to play on Saturday mornings and Wednesday evenings (Diamond & Sapphire Leagues) where we only take individual entries as we seed and draw the teams.

Monday 10am Triples

Monday 2pm Australian Pairs

Tuesday 6.30pm Australian Pairs

Wednesday 10am Triples

Wednesday 6pm Sapphire League (alternate weeks)(Drawn Teams)

NEW*Wednesday 6pm Banbury Super League (alternate weeks)(Drawn Teams)

Thursday 7pm Triples

NEW*Friday 10am Australian Pairs

Saturday 10am Triples – Diamond League (Drawn teams)

**Entries must be in by Thursday 2nd October,
the leagues will start in the week of 14th October**

Roll-Ups

We have three roll ups each week open to members and non-members alike. They are known as Betty's Roll Ups and are on:

Tuesday at 1.30pm

Wednesday at 2.00pm

Friday at 2.00pm

You should arrive at least 15mins before each session and after buying your ticket at Reception you should give your session receipt to the organiser of the day in the Bowls Hall (usually seated at the table as you enter down the steps). You will be randomly placed in a team. This is intended for all bowlers so don't worry if you have only just started, you will find support and encouragement amongst those you play with. This is also a good way to meet other club members.

On Tuesday mornings 10.00 – 12.00, when there are no schools bowling, there will also be a '**Bowls for Fun**' session with different games and challenges each time.

Competitions

We run a programme of Club Competitions each year. The categories are :

Ladies Singles	Men's Singles	Open Singles – Over 60's
Ladies Singles – Never won	Men's Singles – Never Won	Mixed Pairs
Ladies Pairs	Men's Pairs	Mixed Triples
Ladies Triples	Men's Triples	Mixed Fours

The competitions won't start straight away so there is plenty of time to get practising. You will be informed after the start of the season how to enter the competitions.

Friendly matches with other clubs

We play a good range of other Indoor Bowls Clubs through the season. These are open to Members only and are both home and away. We try to make sure that all those who sign up will get a chance during the season. We especially welcome new players in these matches because they give you a chance to develop your game and gain confidence, as well as gaining the experience of playing at other clubs.

Charity Matches

We play 3 charity matches each season, one at the beginning of the season, one at Christmas and one at the end of the season. All bowlers, Members and Non-Members are welcome to sign-up and take part. Last year we raised £1,000 through these games which we were able to donate to Katherine House Hospice and Banbury Young Homeless Project.

Club Dress

We want to ensure that our sport is accessible for all and so we try to be as flexible as we can be about dress. All footwear must be clean, worn only indoors, and be as smooth soled as possible. In leagues, friendly matches and competitions we ask all players to wear navy blue trousers, skirts or shorts and a Club shirt. Our club colours and logo have been updated and so Club shirts are preferred for friendly matches and competitions but otherwise a plain white sports shirt without any logo is acceptable. Club shirts can be ordered online using this link and a £10.00 rebate on the purchase of your first new club shirt can be claimed from our treasurer. The link for orders is:
https://www.banburycrossibc.co.uk/new_club_kit

Coaching

We have three Club Coaches and they are all ready and willing to work with any of our members whether new to bowling or wanting to work on aspects of their game to improve.

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Dawn Hewitt	dawnieh66@gmail.com	07552 666396
Trevor Brown	trevorh.brown@btinternet.com	07989 304701

Banbury Youth Bowls Academy

The Youth Academy meets each Tuesday from 3.30pm to 5.00pm and new players (School Year 5 and above) are always welcome. Our website holds more information and our youth players have the chance to play in youth galas with other clubs, friendly matches, competitions as well as playing against those in the academy. Our website holds a link to the Youth Academy Registration Form.

How to become a member and register for the season

There are 2 steps to complete your registration to bowl with us this year.

1. Complete our online Membership Form [using this link](#)
2. Download the Woodgreen Registration Form from our website or [use this link](#) and return it completed together with your payment to Woodgreen Leisure Centre Reception Desk from Monday 15th September.

Thank you and we look forward to an enjoyable season with you all.

Banbury Cross Indoor Bowls Club Committee