

Bowls England and the Government have issued advice that you can play lawn bowls where facilities have reopened, but you can only take part in these activities by yourself, or with members of your household or with one person outside of your household, as long as you are able to maintain social distancing.

Using this advice, it has been decided to re-open the greens at Banister Park for outdoor bowling only from Monday 01 June. The decision to open was taken because the Club could meet all requirements from Bowls England and the Government. It was also felt that the opening would give a physical and a mental health benefit to members.

Arrangements are therefore being made to make available to full and outdoor members only three rinks on each of our outside greens every day from 12 noon at the following 90 minute session times: 12noon to 1.30pm; 2.00pm to 3.30pm; 4.00pm to 5.30pm and 6.00pm to 7.30pm. Please note the 30 minutes changeover period between each session to allow members to clear away and clean the mat and jack used with the anti-bacterial spray provided. Members must leave promptly after this to allow the members playing in the next session to set up and start their game.

To book a rink we ask you to telephone Carole Warmington on 07919 994381 between 11.00am and 2.00pm until such time as we introduce a new online booking system. Play will be restricted to two members per rink and in accordance with Bowls England, Covid 19, Supplementary Guidance for Lawn Bowls Clubs, Issued on the 14th May 2020 – please read the attached. **Social distancing rules must be strictly adhered to; you must remain at least two metres apart from other bowlers (who are not part of your household) at all times.**

Restricted access to lockers will be permitted on your first visit however we ask that you take home your bowls, shoes etc. for subsequent visits to minimise access to the clubhouse which has to remain closed during this time.

The following applies:

- Only 2 members per rink. Only one player should handle the mat during the session.
- Two jacks (one at each end) should be used and this should be set by one player only throughout the session.
- Only Full or Outdoor paid up members are permitted to Bowl.
- No booking no play and no visitors.
- The Greenkeeper will make sure the equipment is available daily, allocating greens, checking whose is on the greens and clearing away at the end of the day.
- The outside toilets will be available, entrance doors to them will be left open. Please continue to wash your hands regularly.
- Hand sanitisers will be available on all 6 rinks.
- Please feel free to bring your own drinks but all personal rubbish must be taken home.
- No indoor bowling is permitted until further notice.

Play safe ...stay safe!

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