

BRIXHAM BOWLING CLUB

ANNUAL REPORT 2023

Brixham Bowling Club was founded in 1913 and was registered with the Charity Commission as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation in December 2021. Consequently, this is our second annual report for the Commission and the Financial Summary of the audited accounts for the year ending 30th September 2023 are attached.

As stated in our governing document the primary object of the Club is the promotion of community participation in healthy recreation for the benefit of the inhabitants of Torbay and the South Devon area by the provision of facilities for playing bowls. The Club shall be affiliated to Bowls England & Bowls Devon. It shall adopt and conform to Bowls England Rules & Regulations and the current Laws of the Sport of Bowls. The Club is committed to promoting a safe environment in which children and vulnerable adults can enjoy taking part in games of bowls.

We organised a very successful 'try it' day at the beginning of the new season when people of all ages were encouraged to come along and have a go at the sport with the aid and encouragement of more experienced players. A large and varied group of people enjoyed the event, 23 of whom (13 men and 10 ladies) joined us as novice members over the following few weeks.

We provide support to people who wish to become members, particularly those who have never played the game before. For those new to the sport, we offer a reduced subscription and free coaching. All new members are encouraged to take part in friendly games both between our own members and against local and touring sides. During the 2023 season, in addition to our weekly Club evenings, we organised 19 friendly matches, and 27 of our members took part in a five-day tour in the Hereford area. We were also able to run a full complement of internal club competitions.

As their confidence, and skill increases, all members can participate in league matches of varying degrees of skill level and competitiveness. During 2023 we entered teams in the Riviera Mixed Triples League (organised specifically for developing players), the Men's Over '55s' League (two teams), the Men's Mid Devon League and the Ladies South Devon League (two Teams). One of our teams won the Over '55s' League Championship for the third time in six years and our Ladies 'A' team were promoted into the 1st Division of the Ladies South Devon League.

We had a significant increase in members taking part in competitive bowling at County level and four of our men were successful in achieving their County Badges.

At the end of the season, we had 103 playing members, an increase of 10% on the previous season, and we look forward to an excellent season in 2024.

BRIXHAM BOWLING CLUB ACCOUNTS - FINANCIAL ANALYSIS 2022-23

2021-22	RECEIPTS	2022-23	2021-22	PAYMENTS	2022-23
	Opening Balance	£43,149.13		BOWLING GREEN UPKEEP	
£6,903	MEMBER SUBSCRIPTIONS	£7,847.60		Avon / DGM Contract & Materials	£7,751.15
			£7,765	Machinery Costs, Water & Materials	£629.61
	GREEN FEES				£8,380.76
	Club Members	£1,159.03		BOWLING COSTS	
	Club Night	£517.75		Affiliation Fees etc.	£1,098.50
	Visitors	£1,153.00		Equipment & Stationary	£135.97
	Competition Fees	£329.20	£1,369	Trophy & Honours Board Costs	£675.99
£3,193		£3,158.98			£1,910.46
				SITE COSTS	
£378	CATERING	£347.77		Utilities & Services	£2,216.88
				Insurance	£638.88
£831	RAFFLES	£920.37		Grounds Maintenance	£55.16
			£2,511	Rent & Rates	£287.00
£4,005	BAR	£3,456.17			£3,197.92
				REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	
	DONATIONS			Mower Repair & Maintenance	£939.20
	Sale of Plants	£132.00		Dishwasher Repairs	£700.81
	Bowls Tour 2023 - Fines	£122.45		Toilet Repairs	£336.20
	Sale of surplus clothing etc.	£50.00		Trenchboard Repairs	£163.08
	Sundry Donation	£168.50		Sundry Materials & Repairs	£75.88
		£472.95	£3,433	Systems Maintenance	£455.49
					£2,670.66
	SOCIAL ACTIVITIES			SOCIAL ACTIVITIES	
	Presentation Lunch 2022	£198.58		Presentation Lunch 2023	£116.00
	Christmas Coffee Morning	£265.01		Drinks for Friendly matches	£197.47
				Coronation Cup Expenses	£31.65
		£463.59			£345.12
	SALE OF GOODS			PURCHASES	
	Club Shirts	£338.00		Picnic Table	£339.99
	Club Pens	£50.00		Fan Heaters x2	£74.98
	Lapel Badges	£42.00		Sundry Purchases	£122.17
	Bowls Stickers	£26.40			
		£456.40			£537.14
	OTHER INCOME			OTHER COSTS	
	Pavilion Hire	£550.00		Office Costs	£194.74
	Torbay Lottery	£405.00		Training	£208.20
	Sponsorship	£250.00		Advertising	£230.58
	Interest	£84.35		Honoraria	£30.00
		£1,289.35			£663.52
	CAPTAINS CHARITY DAY	£941.88		IMPROVEMENTS	
				Pavilion door replacement	£1,709.74
				Infrared heaters	£943.74
				Hand wash sink provision	£610.00
				Bar window Installation	£416.00
				Racking for bowls	£90.20
					£3,769.68
				Closing Balance	£41,028.93
	TOTAL	£62,504.19		TOTAL	£62,504.19

Location	Type	No	Opening Balance	Closing Balance
Bank A/c	Community Account	50242179	£39,087.91	£20,550.18
Bank A/c	Centenary Reserve	60654876	£5,102.47	£20,186.82
Cash	General		£216.35	£299.73
Cash	Bar Account		£180.00	£180.00
	Cash Before Adjustments		£44,586.73	£41,216.73
	Subtract Creditors		£1,707.60	£407.80
	Add Debtors		£270.00	£220.00
	Cash Carried Forward		£43,149.13	£41,028.93
Assets	Shirts		£960.00	£815.66
Assets	Bar Stock		£481.04	£477.79
Assets	Ties, Badges, etc		£340.32	£452.61
	Total Assets		£44,930.49	£42,774.99

Annual Income £19,355.06
Annual Expenditure £21,475.26
Annual Surplus -£2,120.20

Operating Cost / Playing Member £172

Dr D Taylor
Hon Treasurer
10th October 2023

R Gibb
Auditor

24/10/23

"The above accounts have been prepared from the Books and Records of the Club supplied to me by the Treasurer, and, in my opinion from the information available and supplied to me, represent a true and accurate record".