

BRIXHAM BOWLING CLUB ANNUAL REPORT 2025

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 fourth annual report for the Commission and the Financial Summary of the audited accounts for the year ending 30th September 2025 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, 17 of whom 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 2025 season, in addition to our weekly Club evenings, we organised 18 friendly matches, and 35 of our members took part in a five-day tour to Portsmouth.

We have also enjoyed another successful season of internal club competitions. There were four mixed one day club tournaments, three ladies one day competitions, five competitions for men and five competitions for ladies, with one mixed singles. In total there were 167 entries in those ten competitions playing for 35 trophies.

As their confidence, and skill increases, all members can participate in league matches of varying degrees of skill level and competitiveness. During 2025 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 increased the number of teams in the Ladies South Devon League to three.

Each year the Men's and Ladies Captains sponsor a charity and this year over £1300 was raised for the Torbay RNLI.

At the end of the season, we had 97 playing members, with a further 15 Associate members, and we look forward to an excellent season in 2026.

BRIXHAM BOWLING CLUB ACCOUNTS - FINANCIAL ANALYSIS 2024-25

20223-24	RECEIPTS	2024-25	20223-24	PAYMENTS	2024-25
	Opening Balance	£41,193.75		BOWLING GREEN UPKEEP	
£7,825	MEMBER SUBSCRIPTIONS	£8,020.00		DGM Contract & Materials	£11,546.54
			£7,300	Machinery Costs, Water & Materials	£949.36
	GREEN FEES				£12,495.90
	Club Members	£2,036.20		BOWLING COSTS	
	Visitors	£1,473.00		Affiliation Fees etc.	£1,355.80
	Club Night	£1,265.50		Trophy & Honours Board Costs	£675.01
	Competition Fees	£283.65		Stationery & Printing	£204.98
£5,372		£5,058.35	£1,840	Bowls Stickers	£12.26
					£2,248.05
£362	CATERING	£900.43		SITE COSTS	
				Utilities & Services	£1,739.35
£887	RAFFLES	£956.39		Grounds Maintenance	£951.90
				Insurance	£689.55
£3,755	BAR	£4,367.66	£3,185	Rent & Rates	£366.30
					£3,747.10
				REPAIRS & MAINTENANCE	
				Intruder Alarm Mod & Service	£708.42
				Mowers Repair & Servicing	£599.79
				Kitchen Rewiring	£280.00
				Sundry Materials & Repairs	£48.18
			£2,405		£1,636.39
	SOCIAL ACTIVITIES			SOCIAL ACTIVITIES	
	Presentation Lunch 2024	£1,984.70		Presentation Lunch 2024	£1,738.95
	Ladies Pre-Season Lunch	£815.50		Ladies Pre Season Lunch	£816.00
	Christmas Coffee Morning	£339.50			
	Quiz Nights (x3)	£487.25			
	Presentation Lunch 2025	£1,363.90			
		£4,990.85			£2,554.95
	DONATIONS			PURCHASES	
	Donation for corner access steps	£486.00		Club Shirts	£441.58
	Ken Higgins Funeral Donations	£270.00		Bowling Mats (12)	£191.88
	Sale of surplus clothing etc.	£107.00		Club Lapel Badges (1000)	£175.00
	Sundry Donations	£35.00		Kitchen Equipment	£117.31
		£898.00		Bowling Jacks (6)	£113.94
				External Poster Display Board	£84.12
				Sundry Purchases	£99.68
					£1,223.51
	OTHER INCOME			OTHER COSTS	
	Torbay Lottery	£548.50		Advertising	£268.58
	Advertising	£152.00		Training - Coaching Level 1	£150.00
	Grants - Bowls Devon Try It Day	£100.00		Printing & Postage	£32.25
	Sponsorship: R Champion	£100.00		Honoraria - Auditor	£30.00
	Interest	£382.24		Legal Fees - Land Registry	£45.00
		£1,282.74		Sundries	£70.27
			£506		£596.10
	CAPTAINS CHARITY	£691.61		IMPROVEMENTS	
				Replacement of Edge boards	£667.41
				Corner Access Steps	£970.20
				Disabled Access Project	£42.95
					£1,680.56
				Closing Balance	£42,177.22
	TOTAL	£68,359.78		TOTAL	£68,359.78

Location	Type	No	Opening Balance	Closing Balance
Bank A/c	Community Account	50242179	£11,979.82	£10,871.70
Bank A/c	Bar Card Reader Account	10227633	£3,006.14	£4,564.29
Bank A/c	Reserve Account	60654876	£25,547.78	£25,905.21
Cash	General		£270.04	£136.02
Cash	Bar Account		£180.00	£180.00
	Cash Before Adjustments		£40,983.78	£41,657.22
	Subtract Creditors		£415.78	£0.00
	Add Debtors		£625.75	£520.00
	Cash Carried Forward		£41,193.75	£42,177.22
Assets	Shirts		£812.00	£1,148.00
Assets	Bar Stock		£667.54	£951.60
Assets	Ties, Badges, etc		£192.00	£405.00
	Total Assets		£42,865.29	£44,681.82

Annual Income £33,149.00
Annual Expenditure £32,854.00
Annual Surplus £295.00

Operating Cost / Playing Member £246

Dr D Taylor

Hon Treasurer
25th October 2025

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