



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	01 10 2022	To	30 09 2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name Thatcham Bowling Club

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any) 1199062

Charity's principal address Memorial Playing Fields, Bath Road

Thatcham

Berkshire

Postcode RG17 3AG

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	M Blizzard	Chairperson		
2	P Warne	Secretary		
3	D Parsonson	Treasurer		
4	J Wood			
5	D Davies			
6	S Wood			
7	G Bloor			
8	T Mortimer			
9	R Harris			
10	R New			
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Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Constitution
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	CIO
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Club Officers are "ex-officio" trustees.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

The club members at the AGM voted to create a new officer role, Safeguarding Officer, and R Terrett was elected to the position. This important role should ensure oversight of the management of relationships with any junior members and vulnerable adults. This function will be required of all clubs by the governing body, Bowls England, from 2025.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The promotion of community participation in healthy recreation for the benefit of the community of Thatcham and surrounding areas by the provision of facilities for learning, coaching and playing the sport of lawn bowls.

The club organises and publicises at least one "open day" each year to attract new players from the local community. It also attends various local community events with the same purpose. The club is open to all with no restrictions on access to membership.

The club participates in 2 Men's and 1 Ladies' leagues for keen, competitive players and a programme of "friendly" matches, club tournaments and competitions to meet the needs of all members, from the competitive to the more social players.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The club successfully managed to recruit sufficient new members to replace those who, inevitably move away or "retire" from the sport. Our membership remained almost at the same level as the previous year. We finally completed protracted negotiations with our landlord, Thatcham Memorial Foundation, of a new 20 year lease of our clubhouse and green. This has placed a massively increased financial burden on the club which we have addressed by hosting 3rd party events in our clubhouse and significantly increasing membership fees. We were pleased to note that we lost no playing members as a result of this increase.

In order to meet the instructions of the Charity Commission the management of the clubhouse licensed bar was outsourced passed to a separate limited company, THATBCB Ltd. We were pleased to receive donations from this company equivalent to the total of its annual profits. On the field of play the club enjoyed a successful season. Our men's team in the Kennet League and the Kennet LV (over 55s) League both won their regional leagues and the county finals. Our Senior Fours team won the county final and went on to play in the Bowls England National Finals at Leamington Spa.

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Recent financial pressures have prevented the build-up of significant reserves. This remains an issue for the trustees.

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F

Other optional information

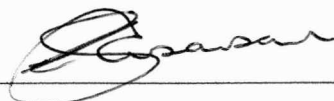
Section G

Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Peter Richard Warne

Derek John Parsonson

Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Secretary

Treasurer

Date

20th March 2024

THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB

Income and Expenditure Account - Period 1st October 2022 To 30th September 2023

<u>2021/2022</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>2022/2023</u>	<u>2021/2022</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>	<u>2022/2023</u>
£		£	£		£
8,305.00	Subscriptions	10,805.00	10.00	Rent	2,250.00
579.40	Vice Presidents & Donations	1,703.15	1,709.58	Insurances	2,021.67
0.00	Thatbcb Donations *	6,000.00	1,322.91	Water Rates	752.37
580.00	Green Fees	505.00	669.46	Catering Costs	1,166.90
7,465.84	Bar Profit *	0.00	6,078.43	Green - Contractors	6,317.55
1,240.38	Catering Receipts	965.60	1,496.19	- Equipment Maintenance	271.97
763.23	Raffles - Profit	456.71	0.00	- Labour	0.00
40.00	Fund Raising - Spiders	123.00	3,089.63	Electricity	7,358.42
150.00	- Bonus Ball	0.00	1,700.82	Pavilion - Cleaning/Maint/Decoration	1,527.47
565.52	- Events	1,106.26	139.36	- Fire Equipment Maintenance	75.00
415.05	- Ebay/Table Sales	533.37	549.05	Competition Entries - County	539.95
36.00	- Wrong Bias	104.00	278.00	Competition Entries - League/Other	187.00
0.00	- Advertising	0.00	765.50	County Affiliation Fees & Levy	939.50
563.50	Competition Entries - Club	500.50	450.00	Trophies/Engraving	0.00
535.35	Competition Entries - County	515.70	541.08	Telephone	581.52
10.18	Shirts,Jackets,Badges,etc Profit	12.11	0.00	Postage	0.00
2.00	Telephone Calls	3.00	0.00	Stationery	0.00
450.00	2022 Prize Money 2023	455.00	180.00	Club Certificate	180.00
0.00	Sundry Income	0.00	75.00	Audit Fee	100.00
123.00	Room Hire	758.00	180.00	Advertising	180.00
	Excess of Expenditure over		159.24	TV Licence	159.00
0.00	Income for the year	1,125.88	127.55	MPLC Licence	131.37
			156.00	Club Pens	0.00
			1,380.20	New Equipment	0.00
			0.00	New LED Lights	261.60
			0.00	New Mats	156.00
			0.00	New Deep Fat Frier	39.99
			0.00	New Pyrex Roaster	27.00
			25.00	Donations	25.00
			69.00	Sundries	423.00
				Excess of Income over	
			672.45	Expenditure for the year	0.00
<u>21,824.45</u>		<u>25,672.28</u>	<u>21,824.45</u>		<u>25,672.28</u>

* Note: Bar managed by THATBCB Ltd from 2022/23.

THATCHAM BOWLING CLUB

Balance Sheet as at 30th September 2023

ASSETS

Stock of Badges, Shirts, Jackets etc	1,292.66	
Insurance Prepaid	381.53	
Sundry Prepayments/Receipts	<u>264.00</u>	1,938.19
Cash at Bank - Club Account	###	
Cash in Hand	<u>175.00</u>	<u>###</u>
		<u>###</u>

LIABILITIES

Sundry Creditors		3,682.05
		<u>£ ###</u>

REPRESENTED BY :

Balance as at 30.9.2022	###
Add Excess of Expenditure over Income for the Year	(1,125.88)
	<u>£ ###</u>