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Ash Bowling Club News



EDITION 16

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



GET INVOLVED!

Our AGM will take place on Monday 16th Feb @ 7pm.

Please do come along, it's a great way to stay informed and hear about what's planned for the next year.

Just a few gentle reminders of events coming up:

We have a new weekly Community Catch Up from 10-12 every Monday morning, and all residents of Ash are welcome. We offer free tea/coffee and biscuits. This is a great opportunity for us to increase our reach into our community and showcase what we have to offer in the warmth of the clubhouse with a coffee. Do come along and support us!

Quiz - Saturday 14th March. More details to follow. Put your name down at the club or contact Roy on secretary.ashbowlsclub@gmail.com to book your place.



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Indoor Short Mat

Don't forget, Short Mat is available all year round. If you haven't tried Short Mat and would like to do so, look on the Short Mat Notice Board for more info.

It's a great way to keep bowling and stay connected to other members from our club.

The only extra to pay for the organised sessions is 50p tea money per week (for however many sessions you play).



Both short mats are now down so full members are free to come and play when they wish.
Organised games are held:

Monday 2-4
Wednesday 2-4
Thursday 7-9
Saturday 10-12



The competitions for the Ladies & Men's Singles and Pairs are well under way with some excellent games already played. There's sure to be more to come!

Growing our membership

Our Club Our Future



www.ashbowlsclub.org.uk
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Promote our Club website and Facebook to your family/friends.

Find us at (just click on the links below):

www.ashbowlsclub.org.uk



Have a browse of the website and give us your feedback. Events, fixtures and other information are all included for your benefit.

We can only grow the membership of our club by extending our reach into the community through word of mouth and social media advertising.

Have you seen the signs?



In order to increase interest, awareness and to promote the club within the village, we have purchased some striking signage. These signs are now on The Street (with thanks to The Jack Foat Trust for their agreement), at the Club and will soon be fixed at the bypass entrances to the village (both ends).

We also now have a banner on display at the Club advertising our Community Coffee Mornings - every Monday from 10-12.

Hopefully these will be great ways to continue to help promote our club and increase our footprint within the village.

All the signage, and the goods necessary to run the coffee mornings (including our utility costs) have been met from our Dover District Council Grant - so no cost to us at all!

BINGO



Another great night of fun at BINGO!
A staggering £628 raised on the night, so a very big
THANK YOU to all those who came to support this event.

It's events such as these that keep the Club on top of all the costs associated with the general running and upkeep and allows us to invest in new equipment and facilities for everyone's benefit.



Can you spare a little extra time to dedicate to helping our Club?

In order to keep the Club progressing well and within the required frameworks, we need some new volunteers to step into the following roles:

[Safeguarding Officer](#)
(on-line training provided)

[Coach](#)
(on-line and practical training)

Further details can be requested from any Executive Committee Member.

We are very grateful to those who have stepped down from these positions recently - Phyl Castle & Garry Huse - Coaching, and Sarah Stephenson - Safeguarding.



Thank you for all your contributions.



There is a new Regulation 9 - Misconduct Procedure launched by Bowls England on 1st December 2025. It changes the processes for dealing with complaints. Complaint forms are available from the information stand or from our website.

You can find further details on the Bowls England Website:

https://www.bowlsengland.com/wp-content/uploads/2025/11/Regulation-9_01.12.2025.pdf



If you are donating Raffle prizes, can you please be mindful of any 'use by dates' if they are consumable and also check the packaging to ensure the prizes are suitable.

Last one out?

Please do check that the water boiler has been switched off, all lights (especially the toilets) are off and the heating has also been dialled down to zero.

It helps us keep our utility costs well under control.



The Executive Committee are here for you....

If you have any ideas, comments or feedback you'd like to give, then we would love to hear from you.

You can drop a note into the suggestions box or email secretary.ashbowlsclub@gmail.com

THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT