



NORTHERN BOWLS ASSOCIATION

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About the NBA

The NBA is based at Delancey Park St Sampsons's and has probably the best views of any bowls club. We welcome bowlers of all ages and standard and we are a friendly but competitive club and are always seeking new bowlers to participate in our leagues.

Over the season, normally from May to September, we run pairs, triples and fours leagues and knockout tournaments cover all the league formats and singles. For more information or to visit the club either turn-up when we are playing or contact the Club Captain for more details.

The NBA is a member club of Bowls Guernsey (www.bowlsguernsey.gg).

LATEST NEWS

Condition of the green

The start of the season has been delayed due to a leatherjacket infestation of the green. *Leatherjackets are the larvae of the European Crane Fly or Daddy Long Legs as they are commonly known. The larvae cause damage to lawns by feeding on the roots of grass plants. Adult crane flies hatch from pupae in late July and August and lay their eggs in the ground within 24 hours of hatching.* We are working with the States of Guernsey to fix the issue as soon as possible and will let you know when the green is available.

Jersey Tour in May

Unfortunately, we have had to cancel the tour due to the current travel restrictions relating to the coronavirus outbreak.

We are hoping to reschedule for the autumn and Angie is working with the Hotel and Condor to enable us to use the deposits for a future trip. We will provide an update to everyone when we have more details and would always welcome more members and guests who would like to come with us.



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Captains Update

I know this year will be a late starter but when we get playing, I look forward to seeing everyone at the club and hopefully we can win some trophies from the other clubs!

Until then keep well, Regards Paul

Presidents Report

Hi Members.

It looks like we will not be bowling until at least June at the earliest due to the state of the green. When dry the green has to be scarified, sanded and re-sown. Then the grass has to mature. Weather permitting. Unfortunately, we still have to pay the Annual rent. We are pursuing an Insurance claim and an appeal to the Sports Commission.

Now a Big ask.....Please give consideration to NOT asking for a refund of your fees, I realise you would be within your rights to ask, and you will not be thought less of if you do.

Finally STAY HEALTHY.

Regards, Trevor.

Fund Raising Initiatives

Obviously in the current climate it is difficult to have fund raising gatherings and the majority of venues we could use are now closed. However, we can add in Football card style lotteries, potential quiz / horse racing nights and meat draws etc. once things have returned to normal.

If you have any suggestions for potential fund-raising initiatives especially if they are virtual please can you drop Paul Wakeham a line with your ideas. Remember every little bit helps!

Membership and Fixtures

Currently it is difficult for us to plan the fixtures for the club as we do not know when the season will start. As soon as a start date is agreed we will circulate to all members a timetable and details of draws for all competitions. Many thanks for your understanding and patience. Emma

Communications and Data Protection

We would like to send future newsletters and correspondence via email as it helps protect the NBA funds. We would be grateful if all members could supply an email address to the Club Secretary so they can be added to our database of contacts. We can confirm these email addresses will only be used for club correspondence and your details will be removed from our database either on request or two years after you cease membership of the club.

Club Newsletter

We plan to produce this newsletter on a regular basis so if you have any ideas, suggestions, comments or items you would like included please let Andrew Bull know – especially if you would like to advertise to help the clubs fundraising!