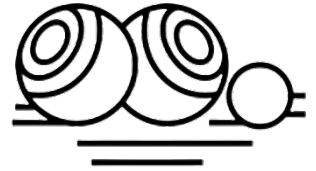




The Roll Up

November 2025



Welcome to the latest edition of the Norfolk BC newsletter.

Club News

In just 6 weeks since the start of the season we are already into the full flow of national, county and club competitions and league matches.

Our club's national teams have played several early round fixtures, mostly coming out on top, with the remaining events kicking off within the next month. Match reports and upcoming games are shared on the website and club Facebook page. Individual members have made good progress in their nationals and again bookings are visible on Bowlr if you want to come along and support.

On the county scene both our ladies league teams have got off to a good start, and the three men's teams are clearly looking at the long game. Updated league tables are posted to the club noticeboards, but both the men's and now also the ladies league tables are available on the county website www.nciba.org.uk

Congratulations to Bex Willgress, Ellie Johnson, Wayne Willgress, Aaron Johnson & James Segolo who have been selected to trial for the various England International teams at the end of November, we wish them all the very best of luck.

Turning to domestic club matters there will be a club mixed match on **Tuesday 2nd December** against a Norfolk County friendly team, including a meal further details will shortly be available on the noticeboard.



The club Christmas Lunch is being held on Friday 12th December.

Last few tickets remaining so don't delay if you want to attend and purchase your tickets from the bar.

Menu details are available at the club or on the website.

There is the Xmas Draw at 25p per square, see the board in the indoor lounge.

Also as part of our normal Christmas activities the ladies have organised a raffle, £1 per ticket available at the club, with the first prize a Christmas Hamper, 2nd prize a bottle of Champagne and 3rd prize a bottle of Baileys.



Christmas Lunch
Friday 12th December
1pm for a 1:30pm start

Tickets available from the bar, open to members and their family/friends



200 CLUB

November 2025 Winners

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| £50 | John Colcombe |
| £20 | C Christopher |
| £10 | Pippa Chapman |

If you wish to join the 200 Club, please contact the club

Other news



Domestic League Match Information - During October a change has been made to Bowlr which allows us to add notes to domestic league games such as the original date from where a game has been rearranged, or where a rink move has been made to accommodate a national or county game.

This information is displayed on the website, booking monitor by the office and the TV in the hallway. As a reminder when arriving for a match please check the TV in the hallway to see if your game has been moved from the original rink booked.

Postponed League games - there are now an increasing number of domestic league matches which have been postponed and whilst the club will look to help in rescheduling these it would be appreciated if the team captains involved would make arrangements between themselves to agree a new date and advise the league steward or league secretary so that Bowlr may be updated.



Merger of indoor committees - As agreed at the Ladies and Men's Indoor AGMs work has been progressing on merging the two existing committees into one single governing body for the indoors.

After a series of meetings we have now agreed a structure and details will be shared via the website and noticeboards shortly when it is ratified by management.

Club Handbook – it has been decided with the move towards online and to minimise costs we will create a handbook which can be shared via the website, issued as part of our new member joining pack and printed on demand. The document will include details of club rules, contact points and other useful club information which can be easily updated, watch this space for more details.



New members

Welcome to our new members Tracey & Mervyn King, Stuart Varvel, Toby Sinden & Melvyn Shields.

Dates for your diary (please see noticeboard for more details)

| November | |
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| Thu 6 th | U30 Double Rink v Gallow |
| Sun 9 th | Top Club v Acle Marsh Harriers |
| | Closing date for entries to Club Matchplay Singles |
| Thu 13 th | Victoria Club 10.00 – 12.00 |
| Fri 14 th | Mason Trophy (Home/Away) – A Team v Gallow A, B Team v Gallow B |
| Sat 15 th | Denny Cup v Gallow / Yetton Plate v Gallow |
| Sun 16 th | Egham Trophy v Gallow |
| Sun 23 rd | U30 Double Rink (*) |
| Tue 25 th | O60 Double Rink v County Arts |
| Thu 27 th | Vivienne v Acle |

| December | |
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| Tue 2 nd | Club Friendly with meal – Norfolk BC (mixed team) v Norfolk CIBA |
| Thu 4 th | Victoria Club 10.00 – 12.00 |
| Fri 5 th | Mason Trophy (*) |
| Sat 6 th | Denny Cup / Yetton Trophy (*) |
| Sun 7 th | Top Club (*) |
| Tue 9 th | O60 Double Rink(*) |
| Fri 12th | Christmas Lunch (LAST FEW TICKETS REMAINING) |
| Sun 14 th | Egham Trophy (*) |
| Wed 24 th to 1 st Jan | Club Closed Christmas & New Year (drive Monday 29 th) |
| Mon 29 th | Christmas Drive 2pm |

(*) - subject to earlier round result

Note: County Leagues Games for Ladies & Gents shown on Bowlr and website diary.

Bar Support - we are looking for a couple of volunteers to man the bar indoors and outdoor on an ad hoc basis for occasional games when the bar would not normally be open, typically weekends.

Anyone interested please contact Jackie Devitt on 07769 328765 in the first instance.



WE WANT TO
HEAR FROM YOU

If there is anything you would like to see included in future newsletters, or news items for the website or local press, please contact the club via

email: newsletter@norfolkbc.org.uk

or speak to Carole Slaughter, Helen Jamieson, Trevor Goddard or Chris Taylor.

Coaches corner - Our coaching team of Trevor, Jack and David are always available for new or experienced players who may need to brush up on their game.

After a month away focussing on the open day and new members this month they have turned their thoughts to the team member roles.

LEAD – The tone-setter!

- Lays the mat
- Delivers the jack
- Draws close with precision
- Switches hands like a pro
- No cowboy shots here—just classy draws!

SECOND – The support superstar!

- Draws into the head
- Backs up the lead
- Listens to the skip
- Brings energy and commitment!

THIRD – The vice-skip with vision!

- Reads the head like a book
- Plays all types of shots
- Advises the skip (when asked!)
- Draw, trail, drive—this player's got it all!

SKIP – The calm commander!

- Respected by the team
- Guides every bowl
- Draws under pressure
- Reads the head
- Plays all shots with purpose
- Communicates like a champ!



For our newer players the roles above refer to a fours team, but can just as equally apply to a triples where the roles of the lead and second merge, as do the second and third. In a pairs naturally the lead and second are merged as are the third and the skip, but this is then totally confused in Aussie Pairs where everyone swaps positions just to keep you on your feet.

The key thing to understand in any team is every role matters, every bowl counts. Whether you're a newbie or a seasoned pro, bowls is all about teamwork, trust, and a touch of flair!

To make sure you stay up to date with all the club news and activities make sure to check the club website

www.norfolkbc.org.uk

or join our Facebook page

<https://www.facebook.com/norfolkbowlingclubnorwich>

