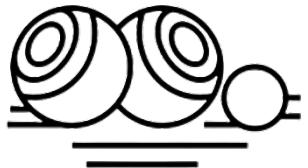




The Roll Up

January 2026



Welcome to the latest edition of the Norfolk BC newsletter.

Club News

Happy New Year to all our members!

As we enter the new year, the club still has strong representation in the national competitions at both the club and individual level, with our first national finals qualifier already having booked her place. Congratulations to Bex Willgress on reaching the finals of the Champions of Champions Singles to be played at the end of January at Dolphin IBC.

Please check the "Dates for your diary" later in the newsletter for details of the various club team competitions as support for all these games would be welcome and of course check Bowlr for details of any national matches being played at the club.

December saw the Men's County Finals for the club champions from 2024/25 as part of the transitional arrangements this season. The club were represented in all four finals, securing the pairs and triples titles whilst just missing out on the singles and an agonising single shot loss in the fours.

Singles runner up - James Segolo

Pairs Champions - Dan Seabourne & James Segolo

Triples Champions - Steve Johnson, Aaron Johnson & James Segolo

Fours runners up - Dan Seabourne, Bernie Perrett (sub), Diddy Smith & Dan Ramsbottom

This is a transition year for the county, and our club finalists will compete in the county playoffs between February and April to determine the 2025/26 County Champions. As a reminder the semi finals of the men's club Singles, Pairs, Triples and Fours **MUST** be played by 11th January with the winners progressing to the county playoffs.

IMPORTANT: The afternoon drive, Tuesday 6th January, is cancelled and the first afternoon drive of 2026 will be Tuesday 13th January.



The Club AGM will be held on Thursday 15th January in the indoor clubhouse commencing at 7pm, and copies of the agenda and various reports are now available in the lounge.

This is a very important AGM as we have significant decisions to make about the future of the club, management team positions which will become vacant in 2026, and the way forward.

We would ask for as many members as possible to come along to this meeting.

NBC Management Committee

200 CLUB

January 2026 Winners

£50	Ken Stevens
£20	Brian Howlett
£10	Tony Davis

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

Other news



Letter from Colin Knights - I would like to thank all the people involved with making the Christmas lunch excellent again. Many people in this club go unnoticed all year round and without good people like this we would have no club.

THANKS to you all, Colin

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.



PLUMBING & HEATING - we are pleased to advise members that Lindsay Wright is now supporting NBC with his plumbing Services.

Lindsay Wright 07757 020301

All Plumbing, Heating repairs and Servicing, with offer for members of Norfolk Bowling Club - NO CALL OUT CHARGE

County League C Team report - to date have played six games, 2 at Home and 4 Away. Dereham and County Arts at home, Gallow, Lowestoft Rail, Lynnsport and Dereham away with mixed results won 3, lost 3.

We are currently sitting mid table a position I suspect is about right for us, but who knows what the rest of the season holds?

Trevor Goddard (C Team Captain)



New members

Welcome to our new members Adrian Goodrum & David Earl.

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

January

Sat 3 rd	Yetton Plate v Falcon 10:30am
Sun 4 th	Top Club v Ipswich & District 10am
Tue 6 th	AFTERNOON DRIVE CANCELLED, first drive 2026 Tuesday 13th @2pm
Thu 8 th	Vivenne v Gallow 10am
Sat 10 th	World Bowls Championship @ Potters Start
Sun 11 th	Egham Trophy Ipswich & District 10am
Thu 15 th	Club AGM @ 7pm please make every effort to attend
Sun 18 th	Top Club (*)
Thu 22 nd	Vivenne (*) Victoria Club
Sun 25 th	Egham Trophy QF (*)
Mon 26 th	World Bowls Championship @ Potters End

February

Sun 1 st	Club Friendly Norfolk BC Ladies v Gents
Sat 14 th	Yetton Plate QF (*) Club Friendly Norfolk BC Ladies v Diss & District Ladies
Thu 19 th	Vivenne QF (*) Victoria Club
Sat 21 st	U30 Club Double Rink QF v Bromley @ Colchester Indoor
Thu 26 th	Norfolk County Fours playoffs to be hosted at club 6:30pm

(*) - subject to earlier round result

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

For Sale – a list of any bowls items for sale is now available on the club website, [please click here](#).

if you have an item you wish to appear on this list, please leave the item(s) details and your contact info at the bar for the attention of Carole Slaughter

Please do not put up additional notices



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.

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.

LAWN BOWL GLOSSARY

SHOT TYPES



Back Bowl
A strategic shot where the bowl is deliberately delivered to come to rest beyond the jack. This tactical shot provides insurance against the jack being driven backward, as it creates a favorable scoring position if the jack is moved toward the rear of the head.

Blocker
A tactical shot where a bowl is deliberately placed to obstruct a particular line to the jack or head. This shot is used to prevent opponents from accessing certain areas of the head or to protect favorable positions. A well-placed blocker forces opponents to play more difficult shots with narrower margins for error.

Running Shot
A controlled weight shot delivered with more force than a draw shot but less than a drive. It's played with at least ditch weight, typically to remove an opponent's bowl from the head. The shot requires adjusting the line (as increased pace reduces bias effect) and is delivered by taking a long step-out while pushing the bowl with arm muscles rather than using elevation for power.

Drive
A shot delivered with maximum force toward the target, also known as a "firing shot." This aggressive shot is aimed straight at the target with sufficient pace to minimize the effect of bias. It's typically used as a rescue shot when the head is unfavorable, with the aim of knocking the jack out of play, removing opponent's bowls, or killing the end. The drive is essentially a last line of defense rather than a routine shot.

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>

