

CAMBERLEY BOWLING CLUB

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COVID-19 Guidelines for Members - May 2021

General

The following guidelines have been developed by the Camberley Bowling Club committee to allow the club to open for play within the limits of the rules defined by the Government while the Covid-19 epidemic continues, and specifically following the Step 3 Return to Bowls guidelines provided by Bowls England issued on 10th May 2021, which all members should read in conjunction with these guidelines. Members are reminded that although most of us have had least one Covid-19 jab, many have had two and the Covid risk is much reduced, it still exists, so we should all continue to follow the rules.

1. If you are suffering from any Covid like symptoms, such as a continuous cough, a fever/high temperature (37.8C or greater), or a loss of, or change in, sense of smell, or taste, please do not come to the club.
2. The number of bowlers allowed on the green has now been increased to 48. As a result, it will no longer be necessary to pre-book rinks for roll-ups or for Club nights. Free rinks will be available for roll-ups on a first come, first served basis. It is recommended that members check the Rink Bookings on the club's website (<https://www.camberleybowlingclub.co.uk/covid-19-rink-bookings>) to determine the likely availability of rinks for roll-ups prior to making their way to the club.
3. The rink booking co-ordinators (on rota) will continue to take rink bookings for competitive matches using a simple spreadsheet, that will be posted daily (or as required) on the club website. Each week, the name of the that week's rink booking co-ordinator will be published together with their phone number and preferred hours to make bookings.
4. Players must use their own personal bowls on the green. The borrowing of club bowls is not permitted.
5. Any shared equipment used on the green must be disinfected by spraying disinfectant sanitiser (provided by the club) before play. Shared equipment includes the mats, the jacks, the 2 rink number markers, and 4 rink boundary markers. Pushers may also be used provided they are sanitised, and it is recommended that one player is nominated to use the pushers. On completion of play the shared equipment must be returned to the shed and disinfected in the same way. The shed should then be locked if no-one else is still playing. Players should take their own rubbish home.

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6. At all times members attending the club should use all reasonable endeavours to observe the social distancing rule (other than with people from their own household). The following specific guidelines will apply when playing with someone not in your own household:
 - i. The same player should place the jack, ideally using the foot, on every end played, i.e. only the leads touch the jack.
 - ii. There will be no use of chalk, but spray chalk may be used.
 - iii. Players should not touch the other player's bowls at any time.
 - iv. Bowls should be kicked back on completion of ends rather than being picked up. Pushers may be used but should be sanitized before and after use.

Clubhouse Access

Access to the clubhouse will remain limited until Covid restrictions are relaxed further. Face masks must be worn when entering the clubhouse.

1. The toilet and handwashing facilities will be accessible to members via the double doors nearest the changing rooms. However, the changing rooms will remain out of bounds and no changing facilities will be available inside the clubhouse. Players should come dressed ready to bowl, changing into bowling shoes on arrival using the outside seating. For matches outside shelters and seating will be available to provide cover and a place to change into bowling shoes.
2. Bar facilities will be available during normal bar opening times, but for table service only. Numbers seated at tables is limited to a maximum of six and there should be no interaction between tables. A one-way system will operate in the clubhouse. Players should enter the clubhouse using the main doors near the bar and exit using the double doors nearest to the tennis courts. Face masks must be worn in the clubhouse, except when seated at a table. See section on Use of Bar below for more information.

Car Parking

The club has organised a parking agreement at the New Apostolic Church in France Hill Drive. Parking is allowed Monday to Saturday from 9:30AM to 10:30AM, except for Wednesdays when parking is only allowed up to 6:00PM. No parking is allowed on Sundays. Please note the agreement requires the last person out of the car park to close and bolt the barrier as they leave. In addition, members and visitors must only use the car park when they are bowling or if they are attending the club on official club business.

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Use of Bar

Introduction

The bar will provide an indoor table service and will be operating a cashless payment system. Players are requested to pay by card. Players should avoid approaching the bar but should pass their drinks order to the bar staff and wait at their table for the drinks to be delivered.

A maximum of six players may sit at a table, so for rinks matches players will have to be seated in two sets of four. In view of this, twelve tables, each seating four players, have been arranged in the clubhouse. There are two tables per rink (so for Rink 1 the tables are labelled 1A and 1B). It is suggested the Leads and 2s sit together on tables {Rink No}A and the 3s and skips sit together on tables {Rink No}B. Social mixing between rinks should be avoided.

Match Days

On match days arrangements for accessing the bar facilities will be as follows:

1. At the start of the match, drink order slips will be handed out to each rink. Any player requiring a drink from the bar after the match should complete details of the drink they require. After the trial ends, these slips should be returned to the bar by the Camberley Number 2 players on each rink.
2. During the match, the bar staff will prepare the drinks for each rink and place them on trays, together with the order slip which will now detail the cost of the drinks. Where the drink comes in a bottle or a can, these items will be placed on the trays unopened. Bottle openers will be provided to allow players to open drinks at their tables.
3. At the end of the match the players should make their way to the tables designated for their rink, see Introduction section above for details.
4. Once all players are seated the bar staff will make their way to each table to collect the payments for the drinks.
5. If further drinks are required these should be ordered from the bar staff who will deliver them to the table. Please avoid approaching the bar where possible and ensure any queue for the bar conforms with social distancing rules.
6. When the players have left the clubhouse the bar staff will ensure the tables are sanitized ready for the next bar session.

The above guidelines will be reviewed regularly by the committee and are therefore subject to change.

Trevor Prentice, Hon. Secretary, Date: 25th May 2021

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