

**BOWLING MEMBER
WESTERHAM BOWLING CLUB**

I wish to apply for membership, I fully realise I must abide by the rules and constitution of the club and when considered proficient, make myself available to play in matches.

Name in full (block letters)

Address.....

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Post Code..... Telephone number (inc STD).....

Present Club (if applicable).....

Experience (if applicable).....

Introduced by..... A current club member
or by Web application which will require a meeting with the Secretary prior to acceptance.

Coaching is available if required YES / NO

Information.....The current membership fees are :-

Joining fee (Once only) £10

Annual Membership Men £62 Ladies £61 Juniors £5

If you are not returning this form through a club member would you
kindly post it to :-

Mr. A Attwood, 12 Church Road, Biggin Hill, Kent TN16 3LB.

Further information can be obtained by visiting the clubhouse or phoning 01732 867374

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OPEN LETTER TO ALL PROSPECTIVE MEMBERS

As a club we feel you should have the following information before you decide to enter into a commitment, which could cost you a small sum of money.

1. All male members are expected to take their turn behind the bar, indeed it is a condition of membership. This is not an onerous duty and you will have plenty of notice of when you will be on duty. Duties can be exchanged between members and you can expect to be on duty about 6 to 8 times a year.

2. Ladies are expected to assist with the catering for club matches, again not an onerous duty and again can be exchanged if the date is unsuitable. At present the duties occur either 3 or 4 times per playing season.

3. Your club fees are relatively small, probably the cheapest in the area however certain items of clothing are universally required to commence bowling whether indoor outdoor or short mat.

For men Grey trousers and a white top with collar.

For ladies Grey skirt/trousers and a white blouse style top.

For both men and ladies proper bowling shoes are essential to protect the grass/carpet from excessive wear. These shoes can only be obtained from a proper bowls supplier. Obviously we have a few used pairs so that a Prospective member can try the game but once committed ownership is a must.

4. BOWLS, the club has a limited used stock, which new/prospective players can use. A new set can cost up to £140 but a used set can be purchased from £40 to £60. These once purchased will drop very little in value and can usually be sold on with little or no depreciation. Please don't purchase any bowls until you have sufficient knowledge regarding the most suitable size, weight and bias that will suit you.

5. If you take to the game you will quickly become proficient enough to enter club matches and possibly join a league team. Club games are played in white trousers/skirts together with club ties for men and club flashes for ladies. Blazers are another requirement but again only in club matches. Used blazers are sometimes donated to the club for use by new members from old members no longer able to play, but polyester blazers are available quite cheaply and are more than suitable.

6. Headgear if required by you must be white.

We hope this information is useful but please ask if you require more or have other questions.

Our aim is to make you welcome and to enjoy our company whilst playing bowls.

The clubhouse is open all year but restricted during the winter months to Thursdays & Friday evenings. We hope you have many happy hours on the green and in our company in the clubhouse.