

May Days Beyond the well-known holidays, **May** hosts several unique and lesser-known observances that add fun and awareness to our lives.

Star Wars Day, celebrated on May the 4th (as in "May the Fourth be with you"), is a day for fans of the franchise to celebrate its impact on culture.

International Nurses Day is observed on May 12th, the anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birth, to honour the contributions of nurses worldwide.

World Turtle Day, celebrated on May 23rd, aims to raise awareness about turtle conservation and encourage human action to help them survive and thrive.









TDBC Newsletter The Opening of The Green



Keith James, President, Bowling the first Bowls to open The Green for the Summer season of 2025.



Diary Dates

Taunton Deane Bowling Club

Indoor activities during May 2025

Monday 5th May VE Day Celebrations 1.30pm
Wednesday 14th May Yeovil Friendly 2pm
Saturday 31st May Presentation Evening 7pm

May League dates:

Tuesday Triples 6th 13th 26th 27th May
Thursday Handicap Triples 8th 15th 22nd 29th May

Heather Ambrose - Fixture Secretary/Ladies Indoor Captain

Ladies Outdoor Bowls.

The ladies Somerset and West Somerset League (S &WSL) will be starting this month with games against Wellington (Tues 20th) and Crewkerne (Thurs 22nd). The availability sheets are up on the ladies boards so please sign up for these games as soon as possible. We're keen for all ladies to have the opportunity to play in these games, whether you're an experienced player or a newbie. Everyone who puts their name down to play in these games will be selected during the season. If you would like any more information please contact Ruth Jones 01823 289083/07814 448538 or Julia Lean 01823 270051/07578 684547



Presentation Evening



Tickets available during office hours



League Committee

Congratulations to all the Winning and Running up Teams.

Many thanks for all the Team Captains for putting in teams and all the team players for their commitment.

All the best for the Outdoor and Indoor Summer 25 Season.

The League Committee

LEAGUE	WINNER	RUNNER-UP
Monday AM Australian Pairs	Keith Williams	John Barnent
Monday PM Australian Pairs	Keith Williams	Helen Horton
Tuesday Triples	Nick Tucker	Peter Corcoran
Tuesday Men's 3 Wood Pairs	Bob Standing 'A'	Colin Day
Wednesday Australian Pairs	Bob Standing 'Red'	Kevin Burt
Thursday Handicap Triples	Tony Donaldson	Roy Varndell
Thursday Triples	Baz Bowls (Barrie Hurford)	Colin Day
Friday Yardstick Triples	John Barnent	Mike Westlake
Friday Men's Triples	Kevin Burt	Keith Williams
Indoor Umbrella	Kevin Burt	Adrian Davis
Open Singles Ladder League (Winter)	Paul Kelly	Alan Stone

Outdoor & Indoor League Matches - Rearrange Match Rules:-

It is the responsibility of both Team Organisers to inform the League Committee and Reception in any case of postponement or rescheduling.

Any queries regarding the published League Schedule must be directed to the League Committee.

Additional players may be registered at any time prior to playing.
The League Committee have a reserve list, if you are unable to find
players to make up a team for a game. They cannot, however, be
registered during the last four weeks of the League season.
Infringement of this rule will result in the offending Team forfeiting
the game.

4. Date Changes and Postponements

League games shall be played at a time and date as set out in the published League Schedule or as modified by official rescheduling. Games may be played before the scheduled date by mutual agreement of both Team Organisers.

- b If a Team Organiser is unable to field a Team the game should be postponed no later than 7.00pm on the day prior. It is the responsibility of the non-defaulting team, in consultation with their opponents, to re-arrange the game to be played within 21 days of the scheduled date. If this is not possible the League Committee will give a date for the game to be played and if either team cannot make that date then they will forfeit the game.
- Failure to play on this revised date will invoke a penalty of 2 points and 10 shots being awarded to the non-offending Team.
 - The League Committee will review unplayed games at the end of each month and contact the Team Captains.
 - Revised Dates and time of rearranged game must be advised to the League Committee, so Bowlr can be amended and the scoresheets.

5. Start and Finish of Club League Games

If there is a delay of 20 minutes the game is forfeited. Failure by any Team to turn up for a game without a reasonable excuse will result in the game being awarded to the non-offending Team. The non-offending Team will then be awarded 2 points and 10 shots. Whether the excuse is reasonable or not is a matter for the League Committee.

Any team that deliberately concedes a game before the 1 hour 55 minutes duration or any team deemed by the League Committee to be involved in manipulation of a result will be penalised with a 5 points and 10 shots deduction.

13. Conceded Games

Games cannot be conceded during the last four weeks of the league season if the outcome affects Promotion, Relegation, Winners or Runners-Up.

League Winners and Runners-Up shall not receive their award unless they have made every attempt to play all scheduled games.

The League Committee must be informed if a game is conceded by the Team who caused the fixture not to be played. The score card should also be clearly annotated to indicate which team conceded the fixture.

16. Abandoned Games

Where a game has to be abandoned due to circumstances beyond the control of the players then the game will be re-arranged. If, however, the Teams have completed 10 ends or played for 1 hour and 30 minutes or more, then the final score will be the score at the time the match was abandoned.

Thank you for your cooperation.

The League Committee



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Track Jacket - available soon

"Reach for the Stars, Inspire from the Heart"



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Trousers - available soon



"Defy the Odds, Ignite Success"

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Shorts - available soon



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OPEN FOURS TOURNAMENT Sunday 10th August 2025

Dear Fellow Bowler,

I am writing to invite you to our annual Open Fours Tournament being held this year on Sunday 10th August 2025. We very much hope that you will be able to join us on this occasion on a first come first served basis. The first games will commence promptly at 9.30 am or 10.30 am, **TEAMS WILL PLAY** 4 GAMES comprising of a maximum 1 hour or 10 ends. The prizes will be as follows:-

1st Place £100 2nd Place £80 3rd Place £60 4th Place £40

The entry fee is £40 per team (to be included with entry form) which includes tea or coffee on arrival, morning tea and biscuits, lunch and afternoon refreshments including some delicious homemade cakes. Non-playing visitors can be catered for at £5 per head to include all of the above. Please inform us if you or your team require any dietary requirement on the form below.

Please note entry fees are non-refundable if cancellation notice is given less than 48 hours prior to the tournament date.

If you would like a priority booking please return the form and either cash, cheque or you can now pay by BACS - Account number (51087383) sort code (60-21-01) Account name: Street

(Email address - neilkunc1984@gmail.com) by the 31st May with all other entries closing on 8th June 2025.

STREET BOWLING CLUB OPEN FOURS TOURNAMENT Sunday 10th August 2025

ENTRY FORM
Name (captain)
Address
Club Name
Contact Telephone Number
Email Address
Dietary Requirements
Please select the amount of each food offering you require
Cheese Ham
PLEASE TICK A BOX BELOW WITH YOUR PAYMENT OPTION, SO WE CAN CHECK IT HAS BEEN RECEIVED SUCESSFULLY. ALL OTHER PAYMENTS CAN BE SENT TO NEIL KUNC 3 CHURCHILL ROAD, WELLS, SOMERSET, BA5 3HZ
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VICTORIA PARK BOWLING CLUB (BRIDGWATER)

Organiser:

COLIN GAY - Tel. 01278 452000 (email: colin.mollie@btinternet.com)

SUNDAY 6TH JULY 2025

Triples to consist of 2 Gents + 1 Lady or 2 Ladies + 1 Gent

as usual the competition will be run in two groups but this year there will be prizes for both groups

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THE CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES IS 4th JUNE 2025. I must emphasise that entries will be on a first come - first served basis. Completed forms, with appropriate fees, should be returned to the address shown below. Entries may be

The entry fee is £30 per mixed triple, which includes Coffee/Tea and Biscuits on arrival and Lunch (main meal and dessert). (Guest lunch (which costs £5.00) includes Coffee/Tea and Biscuits on arrival).

Coffee/Tea and Cake will be available to purchase throughout the afternoon.

Come and enjoy Great Food, Good Company and a thoroughly enjoyable Competition.

Fees must be sent with the entry and should be in the form of a cheque made payable to Victoria Park B.C.

Bar facilities will be available from 12 noon.

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Please return by 4th Juno 2025 to: Colin Gay, 20 Aspon Court, Wembdon Road, Bridgwater TA6 7EN (Tel: 01278 452000)

Please note that playing schedules will be sent about the middle of June to successful applicants. Unsuccessful applicants will receive early replies.

For more information regarding the above information please contact Paul Frost 07479 379755



Various Competitions

SBA OPEN DAY

If you have not played County before and would like to have a go

Ladies President, Sue Tassell Senior Vice President, Val Welch And Junior Vice President, Lesley Paterson

Invite ladies to come and meet them on Friday 9th May
At Ashcombe Bowling Club @ 12.30

Come along and find out about playing for Somerset

Bring your own lunch, tea and coffee provided

Lunch will be followed by a game of bowls
Wear your own club shirt

RSVP: suetassell@gmail.com by Friday 2nd May

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Indoor Finals Day

















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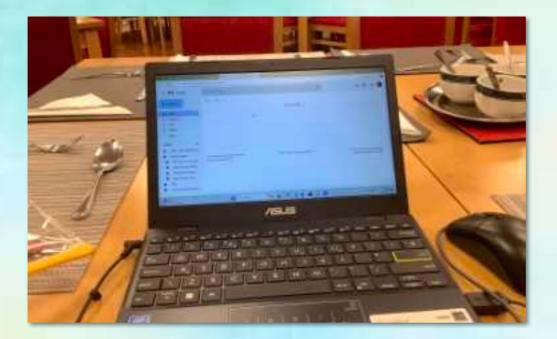






Indoor Finals Day















... and what happens when you leave the camera with your wife and take a short tea break ???



Safeguarding



I attended the **SASP Somerset Sports Welfare Forum** online on April 9th. This was training provided by Kevin Murphy from the NWG based in Derby and covering all forms of child exploitation. The aim of the session was to develop Safer Sports Environments.

The following is a few pointers from this training with the promise of more to follow as there are face to face sessions occurring on 23 April and 3rd June.

In order to improve the safety of the sports club every individual needs to become an Active Bystander, ie someone who sees something and is prepared to do something about it.

A bystander is a witness to a situation, who is not directly involved, is not the victim or the wrongdoer and who can make a decision to get involved or not, an active bystander is prepared to get involved, a passive bystander does nothing.

The perpetrator asks that you do nothing. The victim asks you to share the burden of pain, demands action, engagement and involvement.

The following quotes were used in actual cases

'non-intervention is the essence of complicity'

'Those who look the other way are guilty of a crime of omission and failure to act'

'The thing that hurt most was not what the perpetrator did but what the enabler did'

'The standard you walk by is the standard you set'

'silence is neutral - it's a choice and protects no one'

There are 4 stages of intervention

- 1) Notice the situation or event
- 2) Interpret it as a problem
- 3) Feel responsible for dealing with it
- 4) Possess the necessary skills to act

The key message about number 4 is that everyone needs some level of training to feel equipped to intervene. The suggestion being that the club should strive to set a goal to be an Active Bystander organisation so that any situation that makes anyone feel uncomfortable can be addressed immediately before it becomes 'acceptable' and more difficult to change.

There are some basic bystander interventions that anyone can use to diffuse a situation immediately.

You can interrupt and change the focus of the wrongdoer or show support for the victim, group pressure is usually very effective in this type of situation.

Research confirms that individual moral instincts to help change when in a group and non-intervention occurs because

It may be dangerous

Too many people around

Someone else will do it

It looks like everyone else thinks it's OK.

Next time 'The Pyramid of Harm'

Liz Dicks - Safeguarding Officer





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