

## The Ferndown Bowls Club Week 2026

<b>Monday – green opens at 09:30</b>		
<p>10:00 – 12:00</p> <p>Ladies Practice</p>	<p>Open to all lady members, no need to book, casual dress, (usual restriction of bowls shoes, no cargo pants) no additional charge</p> <p>Contact Sue Aplin, Sue Tovey or Vanda Taylor-Garland</p>	<p>Practising different bowling skills, and different positions/roles in a team. Looking at strategy and etiquette. Suitable for new and experienced members alike, highly recommended whether you play in the league or not.</p>
<p>17:00 – 19:00</p>	<p>Informal Monday roll-up, no need to book, smart casual with usual exclusions.</p> <p>Contact Richard Clarke</p>	<p>An informal roll-up, an opportunity to play different formats of the game, for example Aussie Rules, Football League. Suitable for all members, newcomers and experienced members alike.</p>
<b>Tuesday – green opens 13:00</b>		
<p>10:30 – 13:00 (approx.)</p> <p>Percy Baker League</p> <p>Men Over 60</p>	<p>Men over 60, join by selection</p> <p>Dress code club shirts and greys</p> <p>To express interest contact Richard Garland</p>	<p>Suitable for players ready to play against other clubs.</p> <p>Games home and away.</p> <p>These games are also played on some Wednesdays or Thursdays, see fixture book for specific dates.</p>
<p>18:00</p> <p>TT League</p> <p>Tuesday evening triples</p>	<p>Join by selection</p> <p>Dress code club shirts and greys</p> <p>To express interest contact John Rumball</p>	<p>Suitable for more experienced players playing against other clubs.</p> <p>Games home and away, see fixture book for specific dates.</p>
<b>Wednesday – green opens at 09:30</b>		

<p>10.30 Edna Paisley</p>	<p>Ladies over 60, by selection Contact Sue Aplin, Sue Tovey</p>	<p>Suitable for lady members who are looking to advance their playing experience by competing in a league against other clubs.</p> <p>Games played home and away.</p>
<p>17:00/18:00 – 19:00/20:00 (times change through the season, check fixture book)</p> <p>Wednesday Club Triples</p>	<p>Club internal league</p> <p>A level of commitment is expected to be available to play some but not all Wednesday evenings.</p> <p>To express interest contact Ian Tovey</p>	<p>A league for all club members. For the first 2 or 3 weeks of the season this is an informal roll up with no need to book. Members wishing to join thereafter are put into teams who play in a competitive and fun league for the rest of the season.</p> <p>Suitable for all club members, newer members will be in teams of more experienced players. This is an opportunity to learn more details around the rules and etiquette without the pressure of playing against other clubs.</p>
<p><b>Thursday – green opens 13:00</b></p>		
<p>14:00</p> <p>B&amp;DWBA Triples (Ladies' League)</p>	<p>By selection committee on merit.</p> <p>A level of commitment is required to be available for most but not all games.</p> <p>Dress code club shirts and whites.</p> <p>To express an interest contact Sue Aplin or Sue Tovey</p>	<p>Suitable for lady members who are looking to advance their playing experience by competing in a league against other clubs. Three teams are fielded, games are home and away.</p> <p>Games are played home and away, see fixture book for details of specific dates. Players are required to be available for most, but not all games. 3 teams have different levels of experience.</p>
<p><b>Friday – green opens 10:30</b></p>		

10:30 Friday Roll-Up	Open to all members. Dress code white shirt and greys. Contact Alan Davies.	An informal roll-up against other club members. Teams are announced midweek for all wishing to take part.  Suitable for all club members. This is an opportunity for members new to bowls to play against more experienced players, and to learn more details around the rules and etiquette without the pressure of playing against other clubs.
14:00 – 16:00 Try bowls and coaching	Dress code smart casual. Cost to non-members £15 for three sessions. Free of charge for members	Try Bowls sessions held for non-members to try their hand at bowls under the tuition of our coaches before joining.  Coaching sessions are also held for all members and new people joining after completing three Try Bowls sessions are encouraged to continue attending these.
<b>Saturday – green opens at 13:00 (league games only are played from 10:00)</b>		
10:00 – 13:00 B&D (mixed) Saturday Triples	By selection to play in one of 4 teams fielded by FBC. Dress code club shirts and whites. To express interest contact Ian Tovey	Suitable for members of all levels wishing to compete against other clubs, including members new to the game who are keen to progress and improve their game.  Games are played home and away, see fixture book for specific dates.
14:00 Saturday Premier	By selection only. Dress code club shirts and whites. Contact Dave Singleton	Experienced / aspiring players only.  Games are played home and away, see fixture book for specific dates.

<b>Sunday – green opens 10:00</b>		
10:30 - 12:00	Coaching Smart casual  Contact Doug Rosson	Coaching for all levels

**At all times when the green is open, members may use available (non-booked) rinks for roll-ups (informal friendlies) or practice. Check the blackboard in the club house for which rinks are in use each day.**

The above table shows all the regularly organised contests and roll-ups, there are also club singles and pairs competitions that are run through the season. The draw for these takes place in early May and competitors arrange their own early rounds with the finals all taking place over the August Bank Holiday weekend. Two competitions are for novices, and new members are encouraged to enter as many competitions as they would like, not just limit themselves to the novices' contests. When arranging their games, players should book a rink by noting their name on the diary sheets in the club house. On the day, the greenkeeper will allocate their rink by writing it on the blackboard.

There are further one-day events that take place, The Meers Cup, President's Day (last man standing), and Ladies V Gentlemen. All of these are suitable for all club members and played in a very informal and fun atmosphere. Newer members are encouraged to take part and get to know people they may not yet have met.

Dorset County Competitions are open to all members and details are displayed on the board. It is worth noting that entrants from other clubs can include some very experienced players.

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