

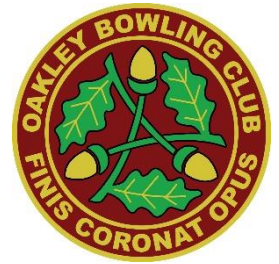


An Inspired Facility
part of

Places People Play



Bowls England / Drake's Pride
CLUB OF THE YEAR 2013



Join Oakley Bowling Club for the Social Activities – not just the Bowling

Whilst Oakley Bowling Club is very enthusiastic about its bowling activities, the Social side is also a very important factor. This helps you to make new friends, keep in touch with old friends, and enables Club members to meet in a social environment that may or may not involve playing bowls.

Things that you can join in:

Social Events There is an annual programme of social events arranged by the Social Committee that incorporate both social functions and fund-raising functions. For Summer 2024 the events planned are:

20 April	Cheese and Wine Evening with Live Entertainment
4 May	TV Show Quiz Night
4 June	Trip to Manor Gardens
22 June	50/60/70s Disco/Karaoke
25 July	Newbury Races
25 Aug	Summer BBQ and Live Entertainment
18 Sept	Candlelit Bowls and Fish and Chip Supper
21 Sept	End of Season 60/70s Live Entertainment

The Autumn programme is being worked on but often includes Quiz Nights, Skittle Nights, a trip to a Christmas Market and a Christmas Lunch.

New Members' Evening We expect to hold an evening for new members with a short game of bowls followed by a drink and some nibbles in the bar. The evening is to help you to get to know members of the Committee and mentors (and for them to get to know you).

Short Mat During the winter months, the Club offers Short Mat bowls in the Malshanger Clubhouse on Monday and Thursday afternoons. These are friendly sessions although rivalries do exist! The sessions are fun, friendly and help people stay together and improve elements of their play. There is often a coach present who can assist if needed.

Charity During the outdoor season, on Monday afternoons, there is a casual bowling afternoon which is open to all members, especially new and inexperienced bowlers; you will find it a good introduction to the Club and it will help you find your way around and to get to know other members. A nominal charge is made and all profits from these days are donated to 'St Michael's Hospice' annually. Over the past 5 years an average of over £600 has been raised per annum. An average of £400 is also raised for the Hospice on the Club Tour (see below)

Club Tour Each year the Club goes on Tour. The destination is the choice of the President and so varies from year to year. In 2022 we went to Cyprus and in 2023 to Eastbourne. The tours are always fun and always different. As noted above, money is also raised for charity through Black Marks for misdemeanours and other means. This year we shall be going to Bournemouth for a 4 night tour departing 9th September.

Club Dinner Each year in February, the Club hold its annual presentation dinner. Trophies are presented and the dinner is usually attended by both the Men's and Ladies' County Presidents. This is a good social evening celebrating successes and again brings members together over the winter period.

For more Information Please contact:
General Secretary: Spencer Kerley 01256 780418 or Ladies Secretary: Diane Yarrall on 01256 781465