

# BareFoot Bowls

## Terms & Conditions

*Thank you for booking your BareFoot Bowls Function at Bramble Bay Bowls Club.*

### **BAREFOOT BOWLS PRICING:**

- \$8 per person
- BareFoot Packages available (See Manager for details)
- Children Under 10yrs, FREE.

### **TIME ON THE 'GREEN':**

- Your Booked Time is PLAY TIME with a 2-hour allocated time slot.
- Please arrive 10 minutes prior to your Allocated Play Time.  
(Play times subject to change, can be extended at the discretion of management)

### **EQUIPMENT:**

- All players are supplied with Bowls & Equipment.
- Score cards can be arranged, please ask Manager.
- Children Under 10 are supplied with specialty kids bowls.

### **WEATHER:**

- Our Greens are uncovered, Rain will halt or cancel play.

### **WHAT TO WEAR:**

- BareFeet, Socks or Flat Soled Shoes.
- Hat and or Sunscreen.
- Comfortable Clothing.

### **CLUB RULES:**

- Shoes **MUST** be worn inside Club.
- **NO** Hats inside Club.
- Minors **MUST** be supervised at all times.
- **NO** Glass on Greens.
- Smoking in designated areas **ONLY**.
- **NO** Dropping or Throwing Bowls.
- **NO** Running or Jumping on Greens.
- Our Number 1 Rule is, **HAVE FUN!**

### **COVID COMPLIANCE:**

- Please adhere to all relevant Covid Restrictions. See Staff for details.



## *Lawn Bowls is the game that takes a second to learn, but a lifetime to master.*

A precision sport in which the aim is to roll bowls (slightly radially asymmetrical balls) closest to a smaller white/yellow ball (the 'jack' or 'kitty').

The sport is played indoors and outdoors on grass or artificial surfaces known as a 'green' which is divided into parallel playing strips known as 'rinks'.

In competition, one opponent flips a coin to see who commences a segment of the competition (known as an 'end'), by laying the mat and rolling the jack to the other end of the green to serve as a target.

Once it has come to rest, the jack is aligned to the centre of the rink and players take turns to roll their bowls from the mat towards the jack and thereby build up the 'head' (the cluster of bowls around the jack).

Bowls may curve outside the boundary of the rink but must come to rest within the boundary to remain in play.

Bowls falling into the 'ditch' (at the end of the green) are dead and removed from play – with the exception of when one has made a connection with the jack (known as a 'toucher').

Touchers are marked with chalk and remain alive in play even if they fall into the ditch.

Similarly, if the jack falls into the ditch, it too remains alive.

The exception to this is when the jack finishes beyond the side boundary, resulting in a 'dead end' which is either replayed or replaced on a designated spot – depending on the rules of the competition.

Once each competitor has delivered all bowls (two, three or four depending on the competition), the distance from the jack to the closest bowl(s) is determined, and points (called 'shots') are awarded for each competitor's bowl, which is closer than the opponent's closest bowl to the jack.

For example, where a competitor has three bowls closer to the jack than their opponent's, they are awarded three shots.

The exercise is then repeated for the next end, across a designated number of ends.

**Rink:** area in which play takes place, usually a flat, grassed area, bounded by boundary pegs

**Centre line:** the line down the centre of the rink

**Jack:** small white ball, rolled out along the centreline, the idea is to get bowls as close as possible to it

**Bowls:** the balls used by the player, up to four each, weighted on one side causing it to curve as it rolls

**Mat:** placed on the centre line, players stand on it to bowl

*The player who has their bowl or bowls closest to the jack wins*

*Points are awarded according to the number of bowls closest*

*Players judge the distance and number by eye*

*If in dispute, a measuring tape is employed*

*If still in dispute, an umpire called in to resolve.*