

West End Bowls Club

Short Mat Bowls

Introduction

The West End Bowls Club continues its tradition of offering short mat bowls as a key part of its winter indoor activities.

Membership and Participation

The Short Mat section welcomes both seasoned bowlers and new members. Throughout the season, weekly sessions will be held in the club's main hall on Tuesday evenings, Thursday and Friday Mornings (currently full) attracting an average attendance of 12–16 players per session. Notably, the club saw an increase in participation last season and we have recruited more players through the summer to play league and cup fixtures. We hope to offer a Wednesday evening roll up too. The Roll Up Fee of £3 per session helps cover heating and lighting costs etc and includes refreshments.

Fixtures and Competitions

A full programme of external competitions will be delivered over the winter months....
SHAB League Division 1, Surrey Triples Mondays at Wey Valley, Friendly League Mondays at Wey Valley, Woking League Wednesdays at Wey Valley and SHAB Knockout (2 Teams).

The club also participates in the odd friendly fixture against neighbouring clubs Knaphill and Woodham these provided valuable experience and foster good relations with other local bowls communities.

2025 -26 SHAB Fixtures

Mon 3rd Nov - Sandhurst away
Tues 25th Nov - Merrow away
Thurs 4th Dec - Lions home
Thurs 11th Dec - Dragons home
Thurs 8th Jan - Albury home
Thur 15th Jan - Sandhurst home
Tues 20th Jan - Fleet Utd away
Fri 30th Jan- Lions away
Thur 19th Feb - Merrow home
Tues 24th Feb- Dragons away
Fri 27th Feb- Albury away
Thus 26th Mar - Fleet Utd home.

Coaching and Development

We don't have an official coach as such but we strive with more experienced bowlers to introduce and develop new bowlers and enhance the skills of more experienced bowlers by running drills on Tuesdays prior to rolling up.

Social Events

No social activities planned

Looking Ahead

We look forward in 2025-26 to build upon this success and welcoming even more members to the short mat.

Still looking for a new Short Mat Co-ordinator to step up at next AGM to build upon our successes and bring new ideas insights to Short Mat Section if interested please speak to Simon or another Committee Member.