



New Milton Bowling Club

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This year will be a momentous one for New Milton Bowling Club.

The members will be celebrating 100 years as a bowling club and there are many special events arranged for the season.

The first of these will be an especially important day as Bowls England will be sending a team to play us. This team will include many high-profile bowlers who play for clubs all over the country.

Bowls England are the highest authority in the bowling community and we would like to ensure that we leave them with a lasting impression of our club and hope the members support the day and create a great atmosphere.

Many local dignitaries will be invited to the event together with all of our sponsors. The game will take place on Wednesday 3rd July starting at 2pm.

Next, we will be having two Gala Day's.

The first of these will take place on Wednesday 24th July starting at 2pm. This will be against a team from clubs who play in the New Forest Leagues.

The second will be on Wednesday 14th August starting at 2pm against a team from clubs who play in the Bournemouth & District Leagues.

Invitations have been sent to all of the clubs within these leagues and we have a full complement of teams who will be taking part.

Selection for the above 3 games will be carried out by Maureen Clark and Tony Prince.

Lists will be put on the Anniversary notice board asking for volunteers to help with the events, erecting the gazebo, parking stewards, chairs around the green for spectators.

There will also be a special Presidents Members Day this year.

Maureen Clark hopes to make it a real fun day with a bowling competition and many other activities including cake making and a raffle. This will be a day for the members to enjoy so we hope it will have your full support.

The day has been arranged for Sunday 15th September 10.30am start.

Details of these events will be in our website, circulated via email and put on the 2024 Anniversary notice board well before the day of the event.



We will have new bowls stickers commemorating the Centenary and Bill Wallace will be handing them out on the opening day.

Tony Prince will unveil our new flag with Centenary 1924 –2024 replacing the existing one.

We have obtained a Special Centenary Bowls England shirt to be framed and placed in a prominent location within the club house.

The names of the players on both Bowls England and New Milton teams will be printed on a plaque and fixed inside the frame.

A signed team shirt from the England Indoor Bowls Team will also be framed and a place found on the wall.

There will be new banners placed around the ground commemorating our anniversary.

Every member Full/Associate/Social and Temporary Non- Playing will be entitled to a centenary pen and badge.

Distribution will start on the opening day; team captains will be asked to distribute them to their teams during the season.

Anyone who hasn't got a pen or badge can approach Maureen Clark and Terry James as they will keep a supply.



A brochure describing the history of New Milton Bowling Club for the last 100 years is also going to be printed.

An article will be put on the home page of the B&D website.

New Milton will be on Face book this year (details to follow)

As you can see there is much to look forward to and we hope everyone enjoys a great season and 2024 will be remembered as a wonderful year.

