

Shipdham Bowls Club 2021

Due to COVID last year's bowling season was as envisaged a strange one, once Bowls England gave us via government guidelines the chance to bowl, we did.

As all league games were cancelled for the whole season, we contacted several clubs to see if they wanted to play any friendlies, understandably they were reluctant.

So, the only way we could have any exercise was to have adhoc roll ups twice a week, observing social distancing rules and disinfecting all playing equipment before and after use, the changing rooms were closed and the toilets were open but for emergency use only and were disinfected after every use.

By having these evenings, we managed to 1) expand our membership 2) create some income to keep club in existence, several clubs in Norfolk have folded due to the crisis. We would like to thank the Parish council for the grant they gave us which eased our financial burden.

Obviously, this season is planned to go ahead but we are unable to announce when we can start, we are again awaiting instructions from the government and Bowls England. However, I am hopeful that we can continue and thrive, as being the only outdoor sport in Shipdham it's important to keep the club going, again if anyone is interested in having a try at bowling, we are as always, a friendly club welcome all ages and skills.