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Bowls Development Alliance Official Press Release

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Play Bowls Packages available to BCGBA clubs

The Bowls Development Alliance (BDA) and the British Crown Green Bowling Association (BCGBA) are delighted to announce that BDA's Play Bowls Package scheme is now available to BCGBA affiliated clubs.

The Play Bowls Package scheme allows clubs to apply for funding up to £250 to help with recruitment in the form of an Open Day and 4 follow up Play Bowls 4 Fun sessions. The full funding of £250 is awarded upon the successful recruitment of 7 or above new members aged 55+ or aged 16+ with an impairment.

The window for applications for BCGBA clubs is open from 1st March 2020 and will close at 5pm on Tuesday 31st March 2020. There is a limited number of packages available to BCGBA clubs.

Marc Bircumshaw BCGBA's Chief Executive said *"BCGBA are delighted to accept the offer of working with the BDA on this project as part of our ongoing discussions. This is a great opportunity for some of our clubs to get involved with Play Bowls package. There are limited places available and interested club are encouraged to put in an application as soon as possible. Lee Smith our Development officer will lead this initiative for BCGBA."*

Chris Parkin the BDA's Business Operations Manager said *"We are delighted to be able to offer clubs from BCGBA the opportunity to apply for our hugely successful Play Bowls Package scheme. In addition to the funding available successful clubs will receive a pack with posters and ideas for the events which form part of the Play Bowls Package. We have been working with the BCGBA for a number of months to be able to offer this exciting opportunity to clubs and in conjunction with the BCGBA have tailored our club pack for the crown green game"*

To view the terms and conditions and to download the application form please visit www.bcgba.org.uk (Forms) or online on the BDA website <http://playbowls.org/clubs/online-play-bowls-package-application-form>

For more information on the scheme please call Kara in the BDA office on 01664 777001, please note Kara's working hours are Tuesday to Friday, 10am to 2pm or email packages@playbowls.org

For the avoidance of doubt when on the BDA website the terms and conditions for BCGBA clubs are marked BCGBA Play Bowls Package Terms and Conditions.



Play Bowls Package Terms and Conditions – February 2020

All clubs are asked to read the following information and agree to the terms and conditions before applying for a package:

1. All clubs applying for funding must hold a current affiliation with the **British Crown Green Bowling Association**.
2. **All packages awarded must be completed within 6 months from the date of the award letter, including returning all the relevant paperwork in order to unlock payment.**
3. Each event should have a current **“Coach Bowls”** member in attendance and they should countersign the **“Play Bowls Package Attendance Monitoring Form”** before it is returned to the BDA.
4. All sections of the application form **must** be completed before your application can be processed.
5. Applications will only be accepted between 1st and 31st March 2020. All applications must be received at the BDA offices by 5pm on the 31st March 2020.
6. Payment will be made by cheque, payable to the applying club name upon the receipt of all the completed **Play Bowls Package Attendance Monitoring Form** which **must** be signed by a serving club official and the **“Coach Bowls”** registered coach that attended the event(s).
7. **Any application made for retrospective funding will not be considered.**
8. All monies **must** be used for the recruitment and retention of new bowlers as per the package agreement.
9. To obtain the full funding amount of £250 clubs **must** return a minimum number of 7 new members aged 55 and over and/or anyone aged 16 and over with a health condition. Any declaration below the **minimum** will result in payment being amended pro-rata as per the table below.

No of Members	1	2	3	4	5	6	7+
Payment Amount	£35	£70	£105	£140	£175	£210	£250

10. If an event is cancelled, then the BDA needs to be notified by telephone (01664 777001) within 48 hours. (Please leave a voicemail message if no one is available to speak to you)
11. In the event of any changes to the dates of events, the BDA **must** be notified within 14 days of the changes and provide reasons for the changes e.g. weather.
12. A **Play Bowls Day** shall be followed within 14 days by the first of four **Play Bowls 4 Fun** sessions (sessions 5 and 6 of the Play Bowls 4 Fun guidance notes are optional).
13. **The Play Bowls Package Attendance Monitoring Form should be returned completed within 30 days from the date of the last Play Bowls 4 Fun session.**
14. Any person that is listed on the **Play Bowls Package Attendance Monitoring Form** which has not signed the form will not be counted towards minimum number of new members as in 10 above.
15. **Applications must be received at least 14 days prior to the first package event in order to allow time for the application to checked, processed and approved.**

Notes:

The BDA check all criteria is met before making an award. They reserve the right to not award a package if the criteria have not been met.

The BDA reserve the right to amend the terms and conditions as they deem necessary.

Terminology:

“Coach Bowls” qualified coach – A coach that has successfully completed and passed a Coach Bowls Level 1 or 2 qualification.

“Coach Bowls” registered coach – Any coach that currently holds a bowls coaching certificate from any other body that joins the Coach Bowls membership scheme.



Play Bowls Package Application Form

Please complete all sections of the form in BLOCK CAPITALS

Please return signed completed forms to:

BDA, Pera Business Park, Nottingham Road, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire, LE13 0PB

Name of Club:			
Address of Club (inc postcode):			
NGB Affiliated to:	British Crown Green Bowling Association		
Club Web Address / Twitter handle:			
Name of Person Applying:			
Position in Club:			
Address (inc postcode):			
Email Address:			
Contact Numbers:	Home:	Mob:	
Coach Bowls Coach Name & Membership Number:		CB:	

Current Club Membership Data:	Members Aged	U18	18-39	40-54	55-64	65-74	75+	Total number of members with a Health Condition	
	Male								
	Female								

Event:	Play Bowls Day	Play Bowls 4 Fun #1	Play Bowls 4 Fun #2	Play Bowls 4 Fun #3	Play Bowls 4 Fun #4
Date					

To support your application, please supply further details of how you would use the funds to support recruitment activities:

I _____ (Insert Name) on behalf of my club _____ wish to apply for a Play Bowls Package as outlined on this form. I can confirm that I have read the terms and conditions of the Play Bowls Package and both I and the club fully agree to them.

.....Signed Date:

I _____ (Insert Name) a Coach Bowls Coach confirm that I agreed to be present at all of the events that the club have specified above.

.....Signed Date:

Applications must be received at least 14 days prior to the Open Day in order to allow time for the application to checked, processed and approved.

