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DROPPING OF BOWLS POLICY

All our members are aware how we, as a bowling community, appreciate having a new synthetic green and the pride we have playing on such a good surface. The cost of replacing such a major asset is a significant burden not only on the Club's finances but every club member.

It is the personal responsibility of every bowler using our green to do everything possible to ensure the surface is not damaged and the green continues to run truly. This is particularly important in respect to synthetic greens as it is not possible to repair indentations in the green caused by repetitive dropping of bowls at either end of the rink, short of taking up the whole surface and relaying it.

Any bowler who hears the sound of his/her bowl land after delivery, would realise they may have a problem with their technique and it is fair to assume the louder the sound, the more significant the problem.

The Board of Directors are committed to both ensuring the longevity of the synthetic green and assisting our members to enjoy their bowling however a balance needs to be reached and maintained.

The Board have decided that effective immediately, the Bowls Coordinator will regularly and randomly undertake observations of bowls being delivered by members. Should it be the case that a member is having a problem with the delivery technique, the member will receive a confidential letter from the Club requesting that he or she contact the Bowls Coordinator and arrange to meet and discuss with him ways in which their delivery technique might be improved to overcome the problem in the spirit of helping the bowler improve his/her game.

It is hoped this will result in a happy resolution to the problem as the only other alternative is for the player to choose between either using a "drop mat" or converting to an approved bowling arm.

Board of Directors Cardiff Bowling Club

11 October 2021