

Guidelines for Use of 'Fleet Social Bowling' WhatsApp Group

This Group has been set up at the start of the 2026 season. All bowling members have been invited to join, and around 75% of members have joined. This makes it a large group and therefore some “norms” are necessary, so that Group messages are generally useful and interesting to Group members and the amount of traffic does not become overwhelming, at which point messages may be overlooked.

Note that the formal channel for essential information for all members remains emails, which are distributed by Maggie Marsh as Secretary.

Valid subject matter:

- Club match arrangements and results
- District and county results, at club and player levels
- Information on bowls social functions
- Membership information
- Requests for markers for singles matches, and affirmative (but not negative) replies. (Note however that some members form sub-groups where they mark for each other).
- Offers for sale of club kit, bowls or related equipment

To be avoided:

- Off-topic items generally
- Jokes
- Holiday pictures and messages
- Competition arrangements (eg Pairs matches), for which contact should be made with the players involved.
- Any item which is not potentially of interest to every member of the club.

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