# New website on Bowls Net

## Why are we changing the website?

Members should already be familiar with <u>Bowls Net</u>, which is used to manage all of the leagues, team fixtures and results etc.

Bowls Net also provides a facility for clubs to have a set of web-pages within the Bowls Net website, at almost no cost to us. We have been setting up this facility and testing to ensure that it provides everything we have today on the separate website. We can now confirm that this is the case. By moving to Bowls Net we avoid the non-insignificant annual running costs for the external website while also integrating with Bowls Net more closely, thus supporting this valuable resource.

#### What is the new website address?

https://bowlsnet.uk/DenbyDaleBC

## How do I get to the new website?

- 1. You can access the new website either by clicking on the link above or by copying the address into your web browser.
- 2. Searching for "Denby Dale Bowling Club" will eventually direct users to the new website, though it may take a few weeks for search engines to find the new pages.
- 3. The old website will have redirect links to send users to the new web site, until the old site is closed mid-May.
- 4. If you are already in Bowls Net you can simply click on the top, then select Denby Dale BC.

### When will the old website stop working?

We have chosen not to renew the current contract with IONOS which expires on the 18<sup>th</sup> May 2024. At that point the old website will not work. Please switch to using the new website as soon as you can.

#### What does the new website look like?

The first thing Bowls Net will do will be to display any club notices. These appear in a floating window which must be closed before you can do anything else. This helps us to bring to your attention anything important. An example of the Notices window is shown here.

Once the notices are closed Bowls Net will display the list of leagues in which Denby Dale teams participate.

Notices

Denby Dale Bowling Club

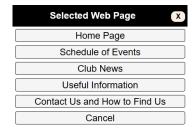
Click on the Web Page button above left to see a list of club pages.

Please see the NEWS page for announcements.

Comments and requests for content should be emailed to ddbcwebsite@gmail.com

Notice at the top left is a **Web page** button which gives you access to the club pages.

- Home page introduction and welcome to the club
- Schedule of Events provides the routine green schedule along with a list of special events
- Club News announcements will be added to this page over time with the most recent at the top
- Useful Information links to any documents or web pages which members may find useful
- Contact Us and How to Find Us contact details and map



### Do I need to do anything?

No, except delete any saved Bookmarks or Favourites you have for Denby Dale BC existing site, and bookmark the new site. How to do this is beyond this document as there are so many different web browsers in use on so many different platforms, but if you get stuck please email the address below.

## Can I provide feedback on the new website?

Please email ddbcwebsite@gmail.com

Thank you.