A Sport for Everyone!

The BTBA is the official National Governing Body of the sport of tenpin bowling in England.

Safeguarding the integrity of the sport and overseeing the regulations and playing conditions on the lanes are just one part of our business. More importantly, we provide the foundations of a sport for life within a community of bowlers from England and all around the world.

Yes, bowling is the biggest sport of all and one which you will never tire of.

Everyone can bowl!

Your Score Counts!

Aged 5 to 85?  Good - the BTBA provides opportunities to bowlers from across the country to bowl in organised leagues and tournaments. From the most junior (barely able to walk) to the most senior (barely able to walk) there is a tournament for everyone, and yes, we do mean everyone because bowling is a truly inclusive sport.

A taste of what we offer:

* fun tournaments with prizes, awards and high score certificates
* opportunity to wear the county or national shirt on the biggest stages of all
* access to world class coaching
* regular newsletter featuring your proudest bowling exploits
* funding opportunities and sponsorship
* grant schemes to support local bowling clubs
* safeguarding and DBS compliance
* close links with the bowling industry

About 40 pence a week!

Annual online membership fee from just £21 or £15 for juniors.

Breaking News!

The BTBA has just announced a ground-breaking partnership with MFA.

BTBA members bowling in sanctioned leagues at MFA bowls will benefit from a

3 year price freeze in lineage rates which, together with other commercial benefits, can exceed the cost of annual membership. Additional benefits include discounts for practice bowling and for food/drinks. Look out for the launch of the new MFA League Cup, a National Tournament for all sanctioned leagues hosted and sponsored by MFA which will offer exciting playing formats and significant prize money.

Look here! Additional information concerning the BTBA and its activities can be found at [www.btba.org.uk](http://www.btba.org.uk)

 ***BTBA - MEMBERSHIP SERVICES & BENEFITS***

The BTBA is the official National Governing Body (NGB) in England and, as such, ensures the continued recognition of tenpin bowling as a sport, as opposed to an unregulated leisure activity.  In return for an annual online membership fee from just £21 (£15 for juniors), the BTBA provides a wide range of member services and benefits:

1\*\* Provides a wide range of structured tournaments for all ages of bowlers, juniors, YAC (young adults), adults and seniors. Recognition of high score achievements and shirt badges, particularly coveted by the juniors, are provided free of charge.

2\*\* Opportunities for bowlers to represent their County and their Country.

3\*\* Access to the excellent new BTBA coaching program in partnership with the ETBF.

4\*\* Ensures that Officials and Coaches involved in junior bowling are DBS checked.

5\*\* Maintains a programme of inspection and certification of lanes to identify any problems that need to be rectified.

6\*\* Provides an ever-expanding website and also produces "Inside Line", a monthly online newsletter containing the latest bowling stories and developments from around the Country.

7\*\* Provides a route of complaint for members if they feel that there has been foul play or financial irregularities. Most leagues require help, support and sometimes arbitration from BTBA Head Office at some time, even the friendliest of leagues! Unsanctioned leagues must thrash out disagreements among themselves, often resulting in inequitable and unfair decisions.

8\*\* League prize funds are insured in sanctioned leagues.

9\*\* Forging closer ties with the TBPA (Tenpin Bowling Proprietors Association) with a view of improving what is offered to bowlers in sanctioned leagues.

10\*\* Access to local government and other funding (particularly for juniors and those with disabilities) as the NGB has status with Sport England.

11\*\* Opportunities for Grant funding to Local Associations to help them develop bowling within their area which is designed to increases general membership and strengthen sanctioned leagues.

12\*\* Provision of accident insurance in the unlikely event of a major injury being occurred to members whilst bowling. (Contact Head Office for details)

13\*\* The services of a Child Protection Officer is made available through contact with BTBA’s Head Office for all incidents relating to the security and well-being of junior bowlers

14\*\* We now provide 2 separate BTBA Tours, Adults and Seniors both are aimed at bowlers of all abilities allowing them to participate in Tournaments across the country with a chance to compete in the BTBA Masters at the end of the year.

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