

BOWLING NEWS

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IT'S ALL HAPPENING!

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DAGENHAM APR 20th

including

1980 SEBA MASTERS

AREA CHAMPIONSHIPS

DAGENHAM MAY 3-4-9-10

8-16-17.

MIXED

DOUBLES

CLIFTONVILLE

20th SEPT



A Coach's View

CAN WOMEN BOWL WELL ?

Recently, over a period of about a week, I was told by one of the G.B. Ladies, and then by a young teenage girl just beginning her bowling career, that men would always be better bowlers than women; they meant ' at comparative levels ' of course: There is little likelihood of the two ever having met and the coincidence of the comments is fairly indicative of how widespread and universal the idea is. Anyway it prompted me to ask myself whether I really believed that such a concept was necessarily true:

There are differences between male and female physiques, and it would be foolish to ignore these; but there are also quite substantial differences of physique between individuals within a gender, and many characteristics are not specific to either sex: The most commonly proffered example of the differences, among bowlers anyway, is the arm, particularly the elbow and forearm; but it is far from unusual to find a " female arm " on a male, and vice-versa.

I believe that there are two obvious reasons for women not achieving or exceeding the male bowlers performance:

- (1) The girls preparedness to believe themselves to be not as good as the men, and
- (2) Instruction techniques.

Once an 'Idea ' has gained sufficient ground we are inclined to forget it is only an ' Idea ' and treat it as the truth. Thus the ladies are still willing to compare their general physical characteristics unfavourable with those of the male bowler, and without any knowledge of bio-mechanics they assume the female to be less efficient bowling apparatus than the male. WHY ? BECAUSE THE MEN TOLD THEM IT WAS SO.

Instruction has been geared to the Right - handed Male Hook Bowler. Women being relegated to the category of a minority deviation such as Back Up Bowlers: There should be someone able to put together a programme of instruction specifically for women, for they often require that different techniques be employed in bowling a ball efficiently. For too long the ladies have been taught to imitate, as best they can, the male bowler, instead of becoming genuine female bowlers.

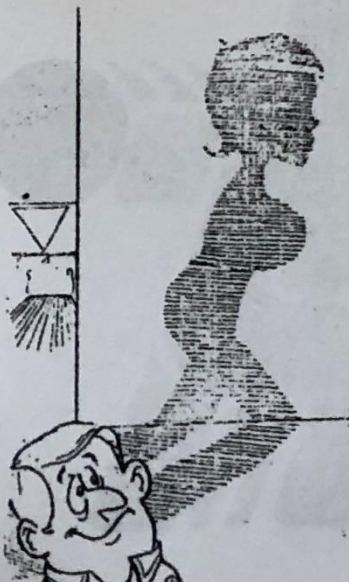
Are men naturally better bowlers than women ?

I do not know; but many of the girls bowl so well at intermediate levels that I believe they could be as good or better than men, if only they would allow themselves to be so. The girls very often ' look better ' on the approaches, with rhythm, timing, and power - yes - Power; many of them bowl much stronger than they look. I would ask them to remember this:

IT IS ALWAYS MORE DIFFICULT TO EXCELL
OR ACHIEVE SUCESS IF YOU HAVE STARTED
OUT WITH A READY MADE EXCUSE FOR
FAILURE.

The concept of male superiority
is just that, AN EXCUSE.
It is stunting your growth:
When that ' IDEA ' is no longer
relevant to female bowlers and
bowling, then you will realise your
FULL POTENTIAL.

BRIAN MOLINEAUX
B.T.B.A. COACH
BASILDON.



World Scoop!

The Editors of Bowling News have against all odds, and at enormous cost secured the services of Doktor Zaphod X Blitz Kreig. He is Professor Emeritus at Frankfurter University in Frozen Foods and Kegling. We reproduce for the first time in this country some of the advice he has offered around the world.

Dear Doktor, " I have often wondered what the X stands for ? " S.I.D

Dear S.I.D. " A strike, or Xenophobia. "

Dear Doktor. " My ball hurts, my thumb looks like raw hamburger - I keep dropping the ball. Can you help ? A.R.G.G.

Dear A.R.G.G. " (1) see a Doktor, (2) fit a comfortable handle.

(3) or, Yes! you could visit a pro shop and ask them to supply you with what you need instead of that you want; and ask an instructor to check your timing while you're at it.

Dear Doktor, " My ball keeps going in to the left hand gutter. I'm right handed, what can I do ? Dr. A.T.

Dear Dr A.T.

Panic, it's such fun, Check your steering and tyre pressure, or maybe your push-away puts the ball in front of you instead of just clear of the right hip line, try to maintain a pendulum swing along the direction you are aiming the ball, it may help. "



Dear Doktor, " is there life after death " ? G.O.D.

Dear G.O.D. " Yes, I died on lanes 13&14 on Monday night, but I'm here and raring to go. Or do not dwell on past errors or misfortunes, and don't plan for some misty unreal future. Do the best you can with the present frame, for you can only act in the here and now. "

Dear Doktor, Is it true that Bowling News pays £2 per letter published " ?

BRIAN LANGFORD.

Dear Bowling News, "There was no mention of any fees in our agreement, you will be hearing from my lawyer. "
Doktor Zaphod X Blitz Kreig.

Dear Brian Langford, "That's another fine mess you've gotten me in to."
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Editor Bowling News.



The Failure Club has lived up to expectations, it has attracted hardly any applications for membership. We are not surprised because we the Editors of Bowling News never 'Ear' when you do well, so why did we expect any thing different with your failures. Remember failure is not to succeed; or is it ?

YOUR EARLY

Janet Morrison of International fame has revealed that she had entered a tournament some time ago: Sterchley I think - well it was somewhere north of the Thames: She arrived at the venue only to discover she was terribly alone; almost like yours truly six months after the last issue with nothing to write: Oh dear she thought, perhaps it's the wrong week: Attempting to beat a discreet retreat - Yes - you guessed - another failure - Jan was spotted by an acquaintance - how embarrassing - " Hello Jan, the tournament is next week ... come up for some practise !!! " Well, the Cad, what a thing to say to a lady.

BOWLED OVER.

Mac McCartney was leaving home to attend Bexleyheath Bowl to assist the Sting in their efforts to defeat five other nice bowling persons one Thursday night. He was carrying his bowling ball in a mutton cloth, you know knotted at the bottom to prevent it from falling right through, I mention this in case you did not know, and it helps to fill this page. Back to the story -- There were some, or a few young boys playing in the garden, their ages and names are not known. Sight of a ball is irresistable to all potential Kevin Keegans. One of the lads bent down and headed this spherical object, and nearly knocked himself out. Mac picked the lad up, and the boy asked what he had in the cloth? Mac replied a BALL. Here we have an unknown Footballer who heads Bowling Balls, or a Bowler who uses his head.

ALMOST THERE

Vic Peacock of Bexleyheath fame, bowling in the Club League one Sunday night many moons ago, had one of those nights, only king size. His first game was well below average, in the second had six, seven, eight; nine ten eleven strikes in a row. Ball twelve, you could cut the silence;

Vic takes aim - pocket - Wham - Cheers, shouts, the six pin wobbles, spins, and stays standing. The applause died away to a respectful well done.

How could this be a failure? You ask in amazement!

Well he chose the second game to nearly bowl a perfect game, and could not do a thing in the third, and failed to score 600.

Another Bexleyheath bowler shares Vic's feelings, Phil Devey of the Olympic League, bowling for the Tigers managed 9 X 9 / 9 for a 278 and failed to roll 600. Let us not forget. Failure is not to succeed! Or is it?

HE IS HERE AGAIN

Alan Hutchins is at it again, he had another up and down series. His score is best buried - well to be truthfull I have lost my notes, and I like to type his name. ALAN HUTCHINS

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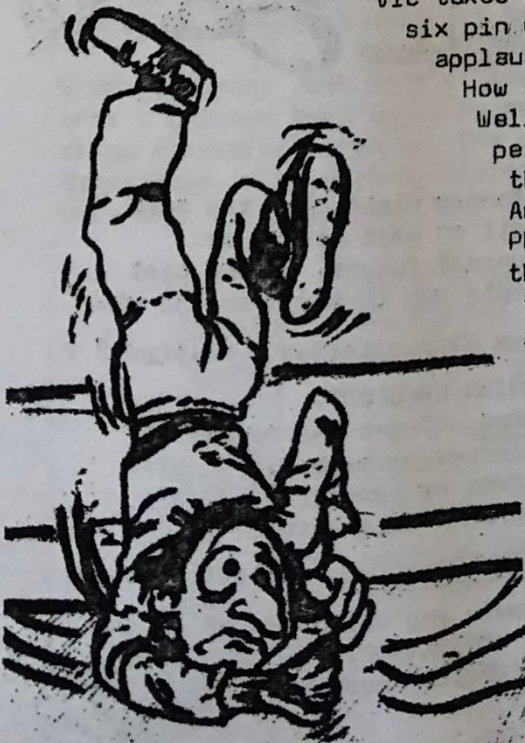
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Scene Around SEBA

G.B. HONOURS

Two young men have been selected to represent Great Britain against West Germany. MARK PRESLEY & JERRY MILLS. These young giants of Bowling have won their spurs against other young masters from all over the U.K. Their selection is surely a credit to the system from whence they came; the NAYBC. They undoubtedly have the talent and skill required to qualify, but let us not forget the organisers and instructors who are usually the parents who devote time, energy, and money to ensure that if the juniors have talent and skill they have every chance to succeed. Congratulations to you all. If the future of our sport is in any way dependent upon the youth, it would appear to be in good hands.

276 AT BEXLEYHEATH

Paul Lakey of Bexleyheath and Lewisham, with a 171 average, bowling in the Olympic League with Legs & Co scored 276, unfortunately he does not qualify for the Failure Club, because the Gods were with him for 99% of the time for 600 plus. Paul bowls what can only be described as a "Bender" found the lanes exactly to his liking, and made nine in a row. The Gods looked away before the tenth frame, and the machine broke down. Paul waited for what must have felt like a life time to rejoin the action. He stood on lane 26, bowled no less than half a board inside his line, his ball crossed the head pin to the Brooklyn, nine pins fell - the ten pin refused to move. Paul removed it for it's cheek; last ball; still excited, removed seven pins for a well deserved 276.

TRIPLICATE 600

Dawn Stanley average 149 in the Spartan Doubles Bexleyheath for Darenth Taverners, DT's for short, no doubt celebrated early in december with 202-202-202 - say no more - Well done - Well done - Well done.

RUBY ANNIVERSARY

We would all like to wish a belated Congratulations to Bill and Doris Ainger on the event of their Ruby Wedding Anniversary. All The Best.
NO NEWS IS NO NEWS!!!

For the past sixteen years two stalwarts of Tenpin Bowling have produced this publication as well as run around for the rest of us, promoting tournaments, and usually being at the beck and call of all and sundry: We are now witnessing the end of an ERA. The two Brians known as Bruin and Buzz during the past few years have reduced their bowling commitments, they have not retired completely Brian Langford is still Area Secretary as well as Manager of Bexleyheath. Brian Morrison is still an active member of the SEBA Council and manager of Dagenham: Not wishing to give the impression that i'm writing an Obituary, but their interests have changed for no one can last in to infinity: You may have noticed that the style of Bowling News has changed and become less frequent, not because the present Editor has not the interest, quite the contrary, but he is not able to devote as much time as Bruin and Buzz. To make this journal live again it requires REPORTERS: I have asked SEBA Council members in the past to assist, but to no avail. I now appeal to League Secretaries, it should not take up much of your time, and no one need be specifically appointed, please assist me to expand my coverage of our Area by submitting stories - current league leaders - high games - high series - any thing of interest. Credits in this issue go to Brian Molineaux Coaches View, World Scoop - G.B. Honours. The League Secretaries of the Olympic League, Spartan Doubles League Bexleyheath. The Failure Club, Jan Morrison, Vic Peacock, MAC McCartney, Please send your stories to Ted Shrimpton, 120 Dorchester Ave Bexley Kent. Consider this " A one man band can often amuse and delight the crowds, But to sound like an ' Orchestra ' he needs more players. "

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WHEN YOU BOWL. REMEMBER S.E.B.A. HAS NO OTHER MEANS OF INCOME.**
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Area

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FINAL 1980
STANDINGS

5 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	SCHLITZ ALL STARS	DAG	2984
		AQUILA	DAG	2914
		WALTON PRO SHOP	WAL	2914
		STANMORE VIDEO	WAL	2909
	1 GAME	SCHLITZ ALL STARS	DAG	1089
		AQUILA	DAG	1044
		STANMORE VIDEO	WAL	1029
4 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	BLACK PANTHERS	WAL	2441
		WALTON PRO SHOP	WAL	2356
		WALTON PRO SHOP	WAL	2279
	1 GAME	BLACK PANTHERS	WAL	885
	BULLETS	BAS	842	
	WALTON PRO SHOP	WAL	826	
3 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	ROAD RUNNERS	DAG	1843
		STING	BEX	1825
		SCHLITZ ALL STARS	DAG	1815
	1 GAME	ROAD RUNNERS	DAG	773
	SCHLITZ ALL STARS	DAG	684	
	AQUILA	DAG	675	
2 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	DAVE HOLDEN/ROBIN GARTON	WAL	1304
		BARRY MCGREGOR/CLIVE COLE	WAL	1269
		BRIAN NEWSON/ALAN CHAPMAN	BEX	1221
	1 GAME	BRIAN NEWSON/ALAN CHAPMAN	BEX	461
	CLIVE COLE/BARRY MCGREGOR	WAL	461	
	DAVE HOLDEN/ROBIN GARTON	WAL	461	
MIXED DOUBLES	3 GAMES	JANET & BUZZ MORRISON	BEX	1188
		PAM MALYAN/PETE BOYD	BEX	1148
	1 GAME	DENISE GREENHALF/ALAN KIRK	BEX	466
	PEGGY & STAN HAMMOND	BEX	449	
INDIVIDUAL MEN	3 GAMES	JOHN MILLS	WAL	738
		JOHN MILLS	WAL	732
		JOHN MILLS	WAL	712
		PAUL SCOTTOW	WAL	697
		MAC MCCARTNEY	BEX	691
	1 GAME	BARRY EMBERSON	DAG	279
		CHRIS WHITE	BEX	278
		PHIL DEVEY	BEX	278
		PAUL LAKEY	BEX	276
INDIVIDUAL LADIES	3 GAMES	JAN HODGE	BEX	650
		CELIA COLLINGS	SOU	611
	1 GAME	RUTH MOLINEAUX	BAS	255
	CELIA COLLINGS	SOU	251	
	JAN HODGE	BEX	247	
INDIVIDUAL JUNIORS	3 GAMES	TERRY MUNSON	BEX	652
		ROBERT HOBART	BAS	639
		MARK PRESLEY	BAS	619
		CHRISTINE LODGE	BEX	615
		MARK WARMAN	WHI	583
	1 GAME	MARK WARMAN	WHI	257
		TERRY MUNSON	BEX	248
	MARK PRESLEY	BAS	244	
	JANETT DAY	BAS	243	