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# BOWLING NEWS

South Eastern Bowling Association of the B.T.B.A.

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# WE ARE THE CHAMPIONS!



The Essex boys team did the county proud at the Airport Bowl on Saturday 13th November, they won the Junior Inter Counties Tournament 1982 from a total entry of 18 county teams. The tournament was a 5 person team event over 6 games, the highest scratch pinfall deciding the winner.

Essex started well, rolling a 909 game to take the lead, this lead however was short lived as strong rivals Middlesex rolled a high 970 second game to set the pace. Middlesex then led until the sixth and final game when Essex really put a team effort together rolling a very creditable 997 to finish worthy winners by 124 pins from Middlesex with London a further 266 pins behind in 3rd position.

The team representing Essex was: Mark Presley (Captain) (Bas), Mike Clack (Bas), Phil Wainwright (Dag), Tony Pavelin (Bas), Rob Hobart (Bas), John Shead (Bas), Chris Turner (Bas).

The team rolled an average of 181 for the tournament. I would like, on behalf of the junior team, to express thanks for donations received be it money or free transport and also the expert coaching provided by B. A. Molineaux, BTBIA.

#### Girls Division

Essex put up a creditable performance with the relatively inexperienced team of Tracy Thorogood (Sou), Teresa Burt (Dag) and Basildons Dawn Hunter, Ashley Trundle, Joanne and Janine Carter, finishing in sixth place.

The Essex girls had a composite entering average of 120 but managed to bowl a 144 average over the 24 games in the tournament.

Tracy bowled average plus 10 pins, Ashley average plus 23 and Teresa average plus 27, quite a remarkable performance. Well done girls.

# INTER COUNTY FINALS

Essex Men went to Acocks Green for the Inter County Finals with head held high and reasonably confident of their abilities. Their team was Mark Presley, Roy Myhill, Alan Weall, Alan Kersey, Mick Matthews and Ralph Hughes. Their Manager, Terry Saunders, was not to be disappointed.

Although they did not win the Inter-County finals, they came a very creditable second to Middlesex. Congratulations Alan Fawset, Chris Buck, Steve Hofford, Geoff Buck, Bernie Caterer & Geoff Liddiard the 1982 Inter County Champions.

With such a formidable team in the finals, I must say it gives me great pleasure to see some of the countries top bowlers wishing to represent their county. It can only do the Inter-County Championships a power of good.

The Ladies Champions were Durham M. Shaw, P. Scott, K. Taylor, G. Wandless & L. Culkin. Well done Ladies. See you all when we come up to Sunderland in March.

Congratulations to the winners, and special thanks to all participants and supports, who helped make the finals so successful.

#### **Inter County Championships** Final Results 1982

MEN							
County	Wins	Pinfall	Points	WOMEN			
Middlesex	7	7576	-14	Durham	6	6573	12
Essex	6	7448	12	Yorkshire	5	6533	10
Durham	5	7166	10	Herts	5	6423	10
Herts	4	7110	8	Dorset	5	6234	10
Wiltshire	4	7023	8	Middlesex	3	6626	6
Hampshire	3	7124	6	London	3	6524	6
Lancashire	3	6960	6	Staffs	3	6327	6
Oxon	0	6567	0	Surrey	2	6324	4
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## GET TO KNOW THE SPORT **TENPIN BOWLING**

Tenpin bowling is good for you and so easy to learn.

This is what you do:

## The automatic pinspotter sets up the pins ready for your first If you miss with your your score card. The automatic pinspotter then picks up them in exactly the same spot. Then roll your second

#### **How to Score**

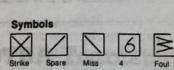
A game consists of 10 frames or boxes.

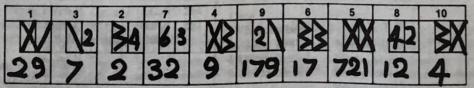
You bowl 2 balls in each box unless its a bonus box then you bowl 3.

If you bowl a strike you add on a bonus of the square root of the previous box.

If you bowl a spare you add on the amount scored in the seventh box (4th box if 3 players)

The score is totalled intra-progressively from box to box.





Running

#### EUROPA CUP

On paper the Ladies appear to have put out yet another team of some considerable experience, indeed they are favoured to win the event, whereas the Mens team looks relatively inexperienced internationally.

Friday, the first session, and the Ladies beat Germany, Finland and Denmark only to falter against Ireland. The Men too commence with a victory over Germany but then lose the next four games to Holland, San Marino, Norway and Ireland. The first day ends with the Ladies 4th and the Men way down in 14th place.

Saturday, in their first session the Men beat Yugoslavia but lose to Sweden and Italy, then win against Austria. 13th place now. On come the Ladies, winning against Austria and Holland, lose to Spain but win against the Swedes, only to lose to Norway, 3rd place, just two points behind the leaders Holland. Back with the Men, they lose to Finland before taking points from both Spain and Austria. Twelve games gone, three to go, points 10, place 10.

Sunday, only two games left for the Ladies, against Italy and Belgium, they lose both to crash out of the medals in 4th place with 12 points behind Holland (16), Finland (16) and Sweden (13).

The final three games for the Men then, Denmark—the British gain two points, Belgium and its two more, Cyprus makes it 6 points out of 6 for the British Men on the day. Medal positions were Sweden (28), France (22) and Austria (19), with the GB Men in 7th with 16 pts. Victory, it was not, but we may well have been watching the birth pains of a new Mens Team of considerable potential. Six men, each with a strong sense of responsibility, who became a TEAM. Proud to wear the GB Shirt, but Modest in their Attitude. Six men whose only concern was the Team with no concern for self.

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Men	Av	Hi
Colin Presland (Capt)	190.3	211
Steve Offord	186.8	211
Del Delaney	199.5	237
Nev Robinson	193.5	244
Trevor Birch	192.5	214
Ian Nicolle	201.8	267
Team av. 971.5/194.3	hi 1060	

Tournament Highs Ladies

Game 262 Gianna Murucchio, It. Av. 206.5 Wilma Jansen, Hol. Pins 2246 Yvonne Berndt, Swe.

#### Mens

Game 289 Adler Cappelli, It. Av. 217.2 Mats Karlsson, Swe. Pins 3258 Mats Karlsson, Swe.

### THEM BONES

A Booklet on Management problems published recently states that British Industry needs more bones.

It says there are five main bones in the make up of any board of directors, and not all of them useful.

There are the Wish Bones, members who go along with any idea, as long as somebody else car-

ries the can.

Jaw Bones, those who talk, but do little else.

Funny Bones, who provide the humour, eccentricities, or a knowledge of claret.

Knuckle Bones — Those who knock every thing any one else does, and the Back Bones — Those who actually get stuck in and work.

Centre

Various Hull

Sunderland

Streatham

Sunderland

Nottingham Sunderland Cliftonville

Sunderland

Sunderland Nottingham

Basildon

### **BTBA** Tournament Calendar

Date	Event
26 September —	
26 June 1983	Northern Scratch Tour
4 December	North of England Junior 4's
9-12 December	Leeds Permanent Building
	Society Doubles
11,12,19 December	Mecca Handicap Sixes
15/16 January	North of England Mixed Doubles
23 January	SERA Inter Centre Tournament
12-20 February	Majestic Trophies Handicap 5's
26/27 February	Ladies Singles Invitational Msts.
27 February	Club Championships
5 March	National P.S.V. Sixes
19/20 26/27 March	D T R A. National Championships
19-27 March	Boben Kitchens Classic Sixes

# COOL CORNER

Right, pay attention you lot. You make a voluntary donation (or not, as the case may be) for this, so you might as well stop shuffling your feet and scratching yourselves and mumbling. Just sit down and get some literary merit into yourselves.

Listen, I'm about to make Starting Revelations. Astonishing Exposes. All that stuff for which you part with perfectly good loct every week to the News of the World. (That sentence doesn't strike me as particularly good grammar, but it'll do). Your Area Sec. and your tame editor and your world famous, globe trotting, jet setting columnist, and several others too numerous to mention, have found the elixir of life. The key to eternal youth. Yes, honest. For from being the disipated, haggard, haemeroidic bunch of dyspeptic old has beens you may thing we are, we're all teenagers.

Don't start looking round for the man with the big net and the snug fitting canvas coat, just keep reading and I'll prove it. Take your finger out of the nine of that phone dial missus, or I'll bite it off. The finger, not the dial, what sort of animal do you take me for? Any way, proof of teenagership coming up. When I was sixteen the following things were in the news:—

1. Some looney shot the President of the USA. 2. Cliff Richard was releasing hit records. 3. So was Mick Jagger. 4. So was Dione Warwick. 5. So were the Beatles. 6. A highly placed politician was found to have been using his leisure time in a manner likely to cause a breach. 7. Some University educated wolly in a 'sensitive' job was giving away all our state secrets to the Russians. 8. Brand X lost. 9. Most housewives couldn't tell the difference. 10. (The clincher) I was rolling to an average of 135.

Ergo (whatever that means) I'm a teenager. So's Mr. Cudmore sir. So's old Rugface and a whole lot of other people who've been masquerading as adults. So watch out all you old kill joys us kids are on the march.

An impeccable source has informed me that Tolworth has lost BTBA sanction. An equally impeccable source has scoffed at the idea. Obviously one source must be wrong. Problem is how does the ordinary, everyday bowler know whom to believe?

The question is somewhat more than rhetorical for anyone with the slightest regard for their sport. I personally tend to believe the report from my informant who tells me that Tolworth have lost their sanction. My basis for belief relies upon personal scrutinity of various tournament entry forms. The latest entry from for a Tolworth tournament makes no reference to BTBA at all. However, the most disturbing aspect must be the lack of official news on the subject. We have a perfectly competent national ruling body. Why the heck doesn't that ruling body keep us in touch with what's happening in our sport?

I shall expand (no missus not 'til I explode like a balloon). To ensure it's healthy continuance, every sport needs a central organising body. That body should be responsible for one thing and one thing only. The healthy growth of the sport. Part of the responsibility must include the dissemination of information regarding the sport, regardless of whether that information is good or bad (and by the cringe, the withdrawal of sanction from a centre has got to be bad news for the sport when you consider the percentage of BTBA members which could be affected). Furthermore, the central organisation, as an elected body, have not just a mandate, but a responsibility to keep all bona fide members abreast of all developments in their sport. How many of you out there can speak with any confidence on the matter of Tolworth's sanction? I don't address myself solely to the few score bowlers who are sufficiently close to the heart of things to be privy to important decisions or know how to find out but also to the few thousand ordinary bowlers who pay the fiddler and are entitled to hear the tune, even if they don't call the damn thing.

Who has bothered letting me know about Tolworth's sanction situation? I'm a legitimate member of the central body. Why haven't I been told anything of this important issue. Why have I been selected to hear nothing at all about the matter? Yet again I've been excluded. It ain't fair. Now someone should get up and politely but pointedly tell me that I've only to consult such and such a source of, information to discover the answer to whatever question I might care to ask. I hope someone does. Because if they do,

I'll be able to let everyone else know where to look for the answers.

As a final word on the subject I would like to place on record the fact that I believe in the absolute necessity of a ruling body for any sport. That such ruling body should, during its tenure (however short), have complete control over all members and events. That having been elected, the ruling body should represent, to the best of its ability, the interests of its membership. That all members abide by its rules or be prepared to lose their membership. An finally that the ruling body make a habit of telling the membership what's going on.

Suddenly the British Telecom advert becomes clear. ("E.T. phone home"). I saw the film recently and can only say 'ya gotta see it'. It ain't the tear jerker all the critics make it out to be, it's just one cracking good film. The best bit for my money is where the little creature swigs down all the beer in the fridge while in telepathic communication with Elliot. I won't spoil it by going into detail, I'll just say if you don't wonna risk busting a gut laughing, give it a miss. I'd also like to hear George Patel's comments on how he'd go about drilling a finger tipper for the little manikin.

I once wrote an article for a mag. in which I was very critical of some rather sacred cows. I concluded by inviting comment from the readership. All those in agreement were to write on rose scented paper. Those disagreeing were to write on lavatory paper. The next month I had to go out and buy a writing pad. Two years later I had to go and buy a toilet roll.

So, another year draws to a close. Yet another list of intended accomplishments unfulfilled. The 300 game still waiting to be rolled. The 700 series ditto. Never mind, I ain't one to bear a grudge.

Seasons greetings to everyone who had a hand in our sport. Even the Gen. Secs. desk.

Stay cool.

#### Editor's comment:-

Your Area Association Secretary is the link between you and the BTBA. There is a notice displayed in each centre to advise you who he is. Arrange a seminar with other league officials — I am sure the Area Secretary will answer all your questions — let us remember, even though we have a central controlling body, it is only as good as its membership. If a tournament is not sanctioned, don't enter — follow the BTBA, you know it's right!



There we are Christmas again and I've noticed that not many people are full of YO HO HO, their more full of O'DEAR NO, and I don't know why — It's the time when you give to others what you hope they would give to you — I like money just in case you think I need a dictionary. One or two of your friends have nominated you for the Failure Club, but they have not sent 80p for your badge, so press 80p in my cold little hand and I will personally present you with the most sought after badge in the whole world.

This month's nominees for membership are horrific, Dicks Raiders have at last shown how 'good' they are; and I shall now leave you to judge for yourself.

On Friday 30th July, Dick's Raiders turned up as usual for their league match at 6.30 in the Friday 4s League at Bexleyheath. At 6.45 (roll off time) the opposition had failed to appear. "Four easy points here, lads", says acting skip Alan. (Capt Dick had unfortunately been dropped for this match.) "All we've got to do is beat our blind score." Off he trots to gather the relevant info. "Adds up to 585 per game", he smiles. Ray, Paul and John rub their hands in anticipation.

At this point anyone of a nervous or squeemish disposition had better turn to the YBC Page.

Alan and Ray both fail to beat their blind score, Paul beats his by 12 pins; all down to the anchor—John needs a spare in the 10th, leaves the 8-10 and the Raiders fail by 5 pins.

## FAILURE CLUB

"We can't bowl as bad as that again!" says Paul. Disaster! After two games they are 40 pins down! The third game starts a little better, and ends with them bettering their averages.

And so it turned out that they had drawn the match 2-2 with

themselves!

Wasn't that terrible ??? it brings tears to yet eyes don't it! Little Ern has nothing on me you know!

Stan Hammond has become a member for sparing the 7-10. Stan bowls for the D.T's in Bexleyheath's Olypmic League, he bunged it down the middle and hit the 1-5 pocket on the nose and got what it deserved. Yes the 7-10! His team the D.T's did what we all do, and marked down 8 surrounded by a circle and waited for him to hit one of the others. Stan continues on his way to become the only member of the Failure Club to have spared the 7-10 for membership. To his absolute astonishment his lovely wife Peggy had scored his efforts with a Miss or should I say error. Poor Stan had to turn to the Highwaymen as they had seen Stan's spare from the bar before Peggy would alter his score. Welcome to the Club the D.T's and Stan Hammond.

What has happened to Alan Hutchins recently ??? Come back Alan all is forgiven.

Mick Edwards, up to recently a member of the Sting, used his abilities to become a member by scoring 93! No I haven't left off the 1, and what's more just to prove he deserves his membership, he took the 4 pin out of the 3-4-6-.

I want to know what is in Steve White's Little Red Book.
Please excuse my voice but I've got a told in der dose.

Talking of Steve White — he once hit 8 strikes in one game only for 158, and more recently scored 555 with 17 nine taps, and only left one of them. Well I never, 80p please Steve.

&)( damn my cold, now my typewriter has caught it. It meant to type 709 and Failure Club Membership for Paul Scottow with a Bang. 9 in a row, 10th ball, 10th frame took 6 pins, left the 1-3-6-10 and cherried. What more can I say ???

Barry Downing, in his weekly jaunt in the Olympic League, found form by leaving the 4,3,7,10,6,5,3 in successive frames, he ruined his game with a strike, 7 split, then in the last frame left the 5 pin. The only pins he did not leave was the 1,2,8,9 for a full house. Better luck next time Barry. Where was 'E' when his team needed him on the 11/11/82.

Clive Swift has been nominated for 161-244-137. His sponsor suggests that his last game was disappointing? How can it be? He's become a Failure Club Member, what more could he want? By the way, Clive bowls for Contact in the Club League at Bexleyheath.

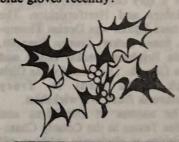
Here's a few members all from the Borg Warner League at Basildon. Kevin Mackenzie 119-113-232. Antony Prendergast 102-222-160. James Eames 214-123-129, and Tony Ellis 134-136-203. Well done lads hold your heads up high, your members of the most Famous Club in Bowling.

Alan Franklin in the Bexleyheath Tuesday night scratch league hit 157-157-158 Alan!

Badges cost 80p — just send a cheque or postal order made payable to me. My address is in the credits. Don't forget a strong SAE with orders.

Well fans, a very Happy Xmas, see you next year.

Question: Why has our esteemed editor ('Old Shagpile') been wearing blue gloves recently?



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