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AREA CHAMPIONSHIPS

PREVIOUS WINNERS

The last time The Area Championships were held at Southend in 1975 2,274 games were rolled and the prize fund yielded £600.00. Both were championship records. Other records were set, **Treetop** scored 2934 scratch and that score has yet to be beaten. **Colin Presland's** 693

scratch series, 1939 scratch all events still stands. In fact Colin's average for the tournament was 215.44. I always look forward to the Area Championships and I'm sure this year will be the BEST EVER. Magic Score will no doubt be a boon — and no doubt at times a problem if

someone presses the wrong button. Instruction leaflets will be available well before the event to team Captains with the Tournament schedule and upon request when accompanied with a S.A.E. to the Area Secretary.

MEET THE 1975 CHAMPIONS

Regular Singles	H/Cap	Colin Presland	SOU	732
Regular Singles	SCH	Colin Presland	SOU	693**
Regular Doubles	H/Cap	Keith Payne/Alan Samuels	SOU	1335
Regular Doubles	SCH	Keith Payne/Alan Samuels	SOU	1227
Regular Team	H/Cap	Alpha Omega	BEX	3172
Regular Team	SCH	Treetop	SOU	2934**
Regular All Events	H/Cap	Colin Presland	SOU	2029
Regular All Events	SCH	Colin Presland	SOU	1939**
Ladies Singles	H/Cap	Vera Roper	BEX	686
Ladies Singles	SCH	Vera Roper	BEX	590
Ladies Doubles	H/Cap	Vera Roper/Poppy Howis	BEX	1275
Ladies Doubles	SCH	Vera Roper/Poppy Howis	BEX	1097
Ladies Team	H/Cap	The Bunnies	SOU	2854
Ladies Team	SCH	Comos	BEX	2356
Ladies All Events	H/Cap	Jean Cummings	DAG	1875
Ladies All Events	SCH	Janet Morrison	BEX	1655

DEFENDING CHAMPIONS 1982

Regular Singles	H/Cap	Alan Anstice		699
Regular Singles	SCH	David Yoxall		597
Regular Doubles	H/Cap	Ken Barnard/Roy Fillier		1035
Regular Doubles	SCH	Ken Barnard/Roy Fillier		1171
Regular Team	H/Cap	Kingcraft Saints	DAG	3046
Regular Team	SCH	Aquila	DAG	2693
Regular All Events	H/Cap	Nick Peel		1945
Regular All Events	SCH	George Patel	DAG	1699
Ladies Singles	H/Cap	Connie Vaughan	BAS	650
Ladies Singles	SCH	Lyn Purcell	WHI	549
Ladies Doubles	H/Cap	Elaine Lodge/Christine Lodge	BEX	1238
Ladies Doubles	SCH	Elaine Lodge/Christine Lodge	BEX	1002
Ladies Regular Team	H/Cap	Trendsetters		2848
Ladies Regular Team	SCH	Trendsetters		2285
Ladies All Events	H/Cap	Christine Lodge	BEX	1856
Ladies All Events	H/Cap	Christine Lodge	BEX	1550

ALL TIME RECORD HOLDERS (except as shown ** above)

Regular Singles	H/Cap	Peter Draper	(1977 Dag)	BEX	734
Regular Doubles	H/Cap	Jeff Davis/Alan Kirk	(1981 Dag)	BEX	1373
Regular Doubles	SCH	Jeff Davis/Alan Kirk	(1981 Dag)	BEX	1269
Regular Team	H/Cap	Diamonds	(1977 Dag)	DAG	3195
Regular All Events	H/Cap	Rick May	(1979 Wal)	WAL	2038
Ladies Singles	H/Cap	Ann Finch	(1980 Bex)	WAL	716
Ladies Singles	SCH	Nell Bowen	(1968 Bex)	SOU	613
Ladies Doubles	H/Cap	Debbie Smith/Ann Cottee	(1981 Dag)	BEX	613
Ladies Doubles	SCH	Mary Betts/Joyce Morris	(1979 Wal)	WAL	1349
Ladies Team	H/Cap	Trendsetters	(1967 Bas)		1145
Ladies Team	SCH	Maids of Kent	(1972 Clif)	CLIF	3052
Ladies All Events	H/Cap	Ann Finch	(1967 Bas)	CLIF	2602
Ladies All Events	SCH	Sheila White	(1980 Bex)	WAL	2006
			(1981 Dag)	BEX	1745

INTER CENTRE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sunday the 30th January and Basildon was to play host to the SEBA Intercentre Championships. Four Centres had entered, Basildon, Bexleyheath, Dagenham and Cliftonville. Each Centre had chosen 18 bowlers to challenge the holders Bexleyheath for the right to keep the trophy until 1984.

First event was the Junior Fours, Bexleyheath and Basildon were drawn on lanes 1 and 2. It proved to be something special for the Bexleyheath Team, three personal best scores from **Clive Bentley** 189,203,205 for 597. **Elaine Lodge** not daring to smile each time she made a strike for fear that her form would disappear any minute scored 190,200,193 for 583. **Robert Petherick** appearing to take it all in his stride with 174,174,172 for his personal best 520. **Terry Munson** with a workman like 517. Their team games were 742-774-701 for 2217 and 10 points. Basildon was 2nd taking 6 points. **Tony Pavelin** was their top scorer 196-199-185 for 580. Third Dagenham and 5 points, **Dean Saunders** and a personal best 165,189,152 for 506 held them just in front of Cliftonville who opened their account with 4 points.

The ladies trios promised to be close with County bowlers representing each centre. Basildon were in the lead after two games, with Cliftonville only 10 pins down. Basildon's **Linda Payne, Marion Drury and Lil McNamara** hit a disastrous 425 last game and finished last. Cliftonville's trio, **Joyce Champan, Sylvia Colley and Kim Berwick** hit 510 for a 3 game total of 1504 and 10 points. Dagenham's trio last game 527 — 1469 was enough to keep Bexleyheath in 3rd place by 4 pins.

Jenny & Roy Myhill made a good start in the mixed doubles, **Roy** scoring 232, **Jenny** 189 for 421 set their Dagenham team on the right path for 10 points. They maintained their lead in the 2nd game. **Carol Wynn and Gary Steventon** was 36 pins down on the Dagenham pair, 355 was a good score but not enough to take 10 points away from **Roy and Jenny**.

The mens doubles also saw County Team Members representing their centre. **Terry Saunders** had to fair well after his son had bowled a personal best. **Terry**, more than ably assisted by **Pete Butcher** led from start to finish. **Terry** qualified for the Failure Club with 223,139,203 @ 565; Basildon's **Jes Morley and Kevin Males** were 2nd, with only 5 pins in front of Bexleyheath's **Alan Kirk and Dave Wain**. Last for 4 points **Mick Chapman and Steven Drury** from Cliftonville.

After four events the leader board read Dagenham 31, Bexleyheath and Cliftonville 24, Basildon 21 points.

3 events to go and all to play for. Next was the ladies singles, for Basildon **Sue Morden**, Bexleyheath **Janet Morrison**, Cliftonville **Anne Simmonds**, Dagenham **Mary Saban**. What more did we need. **Sue Morden** opened the proceedings with 177, only 1 pin in front of **Janet** and 12 pins up on **Ann** with **Mary** slightly out of touch from the leader. Second game and **Mary** found form with a 204 game, and was now only 11 pins adrift of **Sue**, with **Anne** only 3 pins behind **Mary**. The last game was a fight to the finish, **Janet** found trouble with one or was it several splits, and fell by the wayside. The other three players trying hard not to miss a pin, a double or turkey by anyone would settle the issue. **Sue Morden** finally stamped her authority on the proceedings with 179 last game for a 536 series and 10 points for Basildon. **Anne Simmonds** 171-514, second place and 6 points from Cliftonville. **Mary Saban** 3rd and 5 points from Dagenham. **Janet Morrison** last with 4 points for Bexleyheath.

The mens singles held the same promises as the ladies, a fight to the finish. **Laurie Walmsley** from Cliftonville provided the early action with 195-211, 406 after two games, well in front of Basildon's **Mick Ward**, Bexleyheath's **Steve Carnall**. Bringing up the rear **Billy Preston** from Dagenham. **Mick Ward** applied the pressure to **Laurie** by scoring 199 for a 560 series, but **Laurie**

had a 35 pin cushion after two games and **Mick's** challenge was fought of with 161 for a 567 series for Cliftonville's **Laurie Walmsley** and ten points. **Mick Ward** second, **Steve Carnall** 3rd, **Billy Preston** an unaccustomed 4th place. The leader board with only one event to go read Cliftonville and Dagenham 40 points, Basildon 37, Bexleyheath 33. The only team that could not win was Bexleyheath. Game one and Dagenham took the lead with 857, **Alan Kersey** scoring 219. Basildon three pins behind with 854. Cliftonville 19 pins behind the leaders. Second game and it was Basildon's turn to take the lead, although the scores were not high, the competition was tense. After two games the scores read Basildon 1680, Dagenham 1644, Bexleyheath 1593 and Cliftonville loosing their grip on the trophy 1566. The Basildon team were all set to lay their hands firmly on the cup and led by **Graham Warner** with 244 hit 958 for a 2638 series.

Congratulations to the Basildon Team of **Graham Warner, Bert Ballard, Keith Starbuck, Keith Pain, Ron Keeble** 10 points. The Juniors **Mark Presley, Tony Pavelin, Sharon Carter, Tracey Thorogood** 6 points. Mixed doubles **Ciss and Dennis Collings** 5 points. Mens Doubles **Jes Morley and Kevin Males** 6 points. Ladies singles **Sue Morden** 10 points. Mens singles 6 points. Last and not least Ladies Trios **Linda Payne, Marion Drury and Lil McNamara** 4 points. The Dagenham Team was second with 46 points, Cliftonville third 45 points. Bexleyheath 37 points well beaten, and all in the Failure Club except the Juniors.

On behalf of all the bowlers and officials at Basildon, I would like to thank the Basildon Management and staff for all their assistance, we had a good day.

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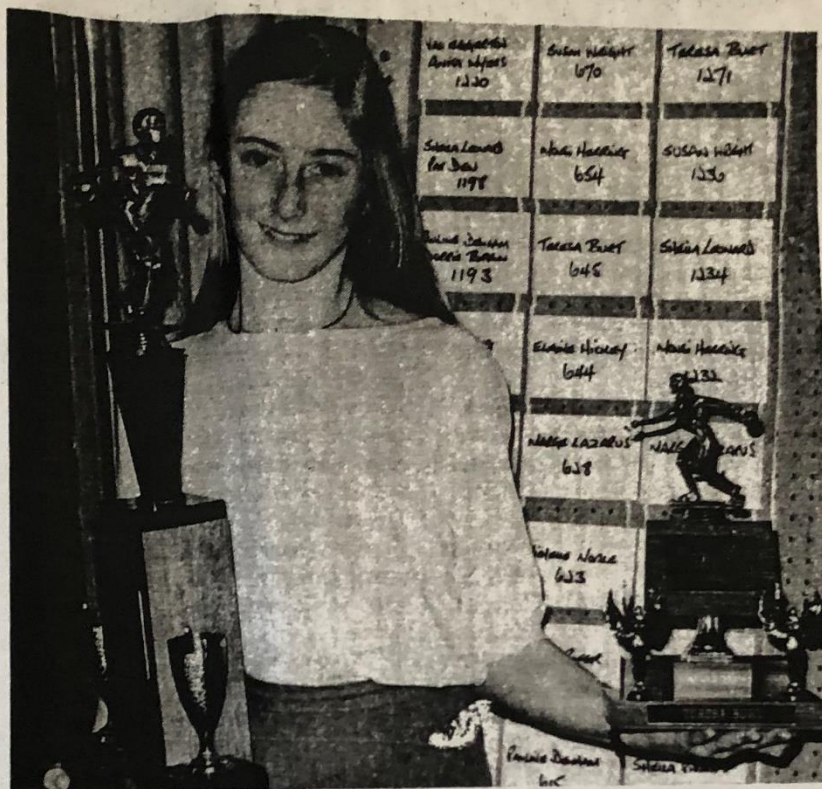
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NORMA BRIDGE & 'F.F.' ALL EVENTS TOURNAMENT

Buzz Morrison became the centre of attraction at Dagenham, when the WNC decided to revive the Norma Bridge Tournament, and about time too. The ladies had a very good idea and that was to have a two part tournament. Competitors had first to play 3 game singles and 3 game doubles on a handicap basis for a cash prize in both events. The total pinfall over the six games including handicap to determine the winner of the "F.F." All Events Trophy. The top 12 ladies with the highest scratch pinfall over the six games would then compete for the Norma Bridge Scratch Singles Trophy. Sue Burt then lent to Buzz to name the day. Buzz being the gentleman he is your on. So last December saw the revival of the Norma Bridge Scratch Singles and the Feminine Focus Championships.



The format proved to be extremely popular with all participants. Two young ladies from the N.A.Y.B.C. competed, **Teresa Burt** and **Elaine Lodge**; both played as skillfully as most experienced bowlers. So well in fact, that Teresa a 13 year old won the "F.F." All Events Trophy. Her score 1271 with handicap. Teresa waited seven hours before she was confirmed as the winner, she had played in the early squad, and led the event from start to finish. Well done Teresa. Ace bowler as well as Ace journalist. The result of the singles handicap 1st **Susan Wright** from Basildon 670, 2nd **Monsi Herring** Tolworth 654, 3rd **Teresa Burt** Dagenham 645, 4th **Elayne Hickey** Dagenham 644, 5th **Marge Lazurus** Dagenham 645, 6th **Michelle Noble** Poole 623, 7th **Lesley Potter** Tolworth 619.

Doubles Handicap:

1 Val Eggerton/Anita Myers DAG	1220
2 Sheila Leonard/Pat Dew AYL/STR	1198
3 Pauline Denham/Dorrie Brown WHI	1193
3 Monsi Herring/Sandy Sawyer TOL	1193
5 Pat Gordon/Chris Peacock DAG	1165

Norma Bridge Memorial Trophy.
(Scratch) Points system used.
(Six Games Played).

Dagenham's 3rd Annual "Yuletide Trios"

Seventy nine teams entered the tournament that ran on the Sunday before and the Sunday after the Christmas weekend and they came from as far afield as Liverpool, Birmingham, Yarmouth and Poole. High score from week 1 was put by **BT Bolwing Products** with **Colin Rackley** hitting 590 backed by **Peter Butcher** 552 and **Terry Saunders** 523 for a total with handicap of 1869. This stood until the last squad when Terry re-entered with a make-up team of **Mary Saban** and **Roy Myhill** and proceeded to hit a 593 backed by 575 and 555 respectively from his team mates for a handicap total of 1924! This creditable total looked like staying the course with

the Cavaliers coming near with **Roland Foxley** firing 603 and backed by **Dennis Walker** and **Nigel Holgate** 523 for a handicap total of 1898 but it was to be the Liverpool team of N.W.S. who were to find Dagenham's lanes to their liking and make the top prize of £300.00. **Ron Oldfield** lead the way with 636 followed by **Nev Robindon** 623 and **Rick Couldwell** 571. Their 1830 scratch total gave them 1962 with handicap. The N.W.S. team also took third placing with **Dave Taylor** on 637, **Alex Burke** 587 and **Ron Oldfield** this time totalling 549. Final ratified placings and prize monies were as follows:—

1. N.S.W. IV	Wallasey	1830	1962	£300.00
2. Sabanites	Dagenham	1723	1924	£160.00
3. N.W.S. I	Wallasey	1773	1908	£ 81.00
4. Cavaliers I	Bexleyheath	1703	1898	£ 45.00
5. BT Bowling Products	Dagenham	1665	1869	£ 35.00
6. M.F.K.	Dagenham	1583	1868	£ 20.00
P.H.X. I	N. Harrow	1691	1868	£ 20.00
8. Cavaliers II	Bexleyheath	1666	1867	£ 10.50
9. Apaches III	Stevenage	1646	1850	—
10. Kingcraft Saints	Dagenham	1623	1836	—

11th National Conference of the CCPR Council of Physical Recreation

On a particularly cold, wet rip-roaring Wednesday afternoon, the weather was matched inside by an equally rip-roaring Sir Denis Follows, C.B.E., B.A. (Honorary Treasurer, C.C.P.R.) snapping at the receding heels of the Minster for Sport, Neil MacFarlane, M.P. There are no punches pulled at this conference.

The C.C.P.R. is, so to speak, the voice of the leaders of every sporting and recreational activity from soccer to skiing, cricket to chess, tenpin bowling to table tennis. To its platform came delegates with little in common but the desire to gather a few more crumbs from the cake of knowledge.

We are all short of money!

But with many of us there is a more desperate need — the need for **Recognition**, for some sign that the rest of us care.

"What do we have to do to break down the carrier of media resistance?" wailed Volleyball, sobbed Lacrosse "don't forget us" chipped in Tenpin Bowling, "we are alive kicking . . . and doing very well thank you, despite the media". And Frank Bough (BBC Television) in the chair for that session, responded with immaculate misjudgement "You mean you want to get on television?"

Hang about, this guy would be happy enough to get one line into the Press!

Of the sharper stuff of the week there was nothing more compulsively interesting (nor less publicised) that the governing body of a sport must **Govern**, it must show strength and sincere conviction from handling top performers to administrative responsibility.

Touching on a more pleasant note, a special award was presented to David Hunn (Observer Sports Page). In accepting his award he said "I love cricket, soccer, rugby and athletics but what touches my heart is to go out to what other people in the press think are the most extra-ordinary events. (Yes, yes, D.H. has been to, at least three of our National Championships). He continued, "but I know they are the most marvellous occasions where every week people in their thousands show love and determination for their sport. David Hunn! you are, in the truest sense of the word, a champion of sport.

From the woman's angle — Women in sport was glanced upon briefly. Apparently we are very important to sponsors, in as much as — we choose the second car in the family, we buy the groceries, we influence our little boys (and girls!), we have great potential. As far as women in administration are concerned, it was commented that we have a firmer, fairer idea of management and are unbeatable as far as reliable work is concerned.

One of the first lectures given was by Dr. Clyde Williams of the University of Technology (Loughborough) on the subject of Sports Science and its application to the development of sport. Graphs and transparencies were shown to illustrate the process of Body Energy Crisis and the effect of diet in respect of this.

Without going into the fine details, a long report, briefly recommended that high carbohydrate meals, together with high protein will help to fuel the energy crisis suffered by high performance players, that consumption of glucose and the treatrical dramatics of gasping for water during an event, is purely psychological, anyone whose eating habits are correct should be able to run a 26 mile marathon without aid.

Bread, spuds and steak seem to be the order of the day before any gruelling participation — Help! what about my waistline — Ugh!

After three long days (9 a.m. — 6.30 p.m.) of intense and varied lectures, question and arguments with the occasional lunch pill pushed under the door, we emerged quite drained mentally (happy to take my A levels again anytime in preference) but the knowledge

gleaned must be an asset to our sport and to you, our bowlers. After all, without the participants there would be no need for a National Association.

At an independent symposium of "The Governing Body", its structure, finance and responsibilities" your General Secretary learned from the discussion leader, George Cubitt, M.B.E. (General Secretary of the Camping Club of Gt. Britain and Ireland) that the C.C.G.B.I. with 190,000 members have an annual subscription of £11.00 (100,000) together with £7.50 (associate members 90,000) for which they receive a quarterly magazine, a cash discount on a number of items and very little else. The C.C.G.B.I. is a company limited by guarantee, it has local associations and a council consisting of 6 officers and 12 elected members. We were very happy to inform the meeting that the B.T.B.A. is set up on an almost identical pattern and it was commented that the B.T.B.A. is recognised as one of the most progressive and efficient National Association in the sport world (Cheers!)

Yet in another lecture hall your other delegate wrestled with the problems of temperamental, high performance players, amateurism v. professionalism PLUS governing body coaching and awards programmes. All food for thought, the meeting was expertly chaired by Mrs. Mary Glen Haig C.B.E. (Vice President C.C.P.R.)

The next meeting will be on 23rd -25th November, 1983.

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My Visit to Southend Bowl

On 3rd January (New Year's Bank Holiday) I went down to Southend-on-Sea (to see what was left of the "lights"), in this resort, which I learnt is in a state of transitional metamorphosis. That is, the amusement arcades are on the way out and luxury flats and marinas are "in ways".

To my surprise (after losing some money in the fruit machines etc. along the promenade), I saw that there was a bowling centre, juttied out on a small pier, so I went in to investigate. Again to my surprise, I

saw that Southend has more than the average "alley". It has "magic score!". Who would have thought that a bowl out in the sticks would be so advanced? Hey ho! I thought, why don't they have it installed at my local centre? Oh well, I suppose that where I bowl they have a virtual monopoly, so they don't care a jot! A case of "Them Bones" (and in the bowling and mass communication industry too)! Paul Snell (Airport W.O.T.* Scribe)

*"Unofficial unpaid *World of Tenpin* Scribe".

Cool Corner TED SAYS:

Oh dear, now I'm writing editorials — In the last issue Joe Cool, alias Roy Mitchell stirred up a right hornet's nest. He had been discussing matters bowling with a fellow league member who happens to be a league bowler at Tolworth, hence his authoritarian view on the matter. You know how it goes, "I know! I bowl there!" I shall not attempt to justify Roy's assumptions, for it serves to prove that communications even between bowlers within a centre are inaccurate, and no doubt from the time the hearsay started, to the time it had arrived at Bexleyheath it had changed its shape and form many times, and who can resist "Did You Hear?" But who is prepared to put the record straight and stop the rumours, apparently no one. The rest of the article rested upon open Government, and the need for state of the sport, authoritative statements. What's happening, where, to whom and why. Now before any one gets off their bike, let's settle one thing, **TOLWORTH IS SANCTIONED.** Their Tournaments may not be, but their lanes are. So are the lanes at Manchester's Belle Vue after a five year gap. So What! I can hear you say. So What! Five years that's what. It's approximately five years since Belle Vue was last sanctioned, and that means some one has had a change of heart or some differences have been cast aside, and BTBA Sanction has been restored. I don't know why it's been five years since Belle Vue was last sanctioned and I don't suppose I ever will, but I hope the reasons

were substantial and not solely based upon personalities. For if the reasons were based upon personalities that is irresponsible.

As a result of Roy's article I received several letters, well two to be exact. Both condemning my judgement in publishing such "unconfirmed rubbish as fact", my answer is simple, I do not publish Cool Corner as fact! It is included as comment, observations, even assumptions. It is the view of the bowling scene as seen through the eyes of one man, and he's far removed from the politics of our sport, and from time to time comes into contact with a "Did You Hear". As indeed many of us do. Now I could have taken him aside to a quiet corner, and had a word or two in his shell like, advised him of the errors of his thoughts, but you can't talk confidentially to the whole world in a corner.

No doubt inmates of Tolworth felt that they were under attack. NOT SO, anyone who read further into Cool Corner would have realised that it was the Establishment that was being criticised, myself included as part of THE ESTABLISHMENT. COOL CORNER appears as part of my concern for OPEN POLITICS.

Question: Has there been an increase in unsanctioned tournaments?

Answer: Yes!

Question: Why?

Answer: 10p to the UK team.

In an attempt to make the UK Teams more self sufficient, the BTBA National Council decided to make a levy on tournaments of 10p per event, per person, so that UK team members may travel abroad without recourse to their own finances. There must be many aspiring Bowlers who would like to Bowl for the UK, but can't afford it. Unfortunately Tournament Managers did not like that decision.

The 10p has provided yet another excuse for not sanctioning Tournaments.

The usual excuse is, "It's only for the locals". What happens if one of the locals hits something big? or are local conditions so bad that's not likely.

It could be argued that the BTBA Council failed to consult with the proprietors before they took their decision, discourteous perhaps, but not out of order. Tournament Managers were not being asked to pay it for our members, only collect 10p and send it on to the BTBA. Did those responsible for closing Lewisham consult our members when they closed the bowl? Why should we? I can hear you say, I can't think of a better reason than that they had been paying money to participate in the sport they liked enough to put up with the conditions, the same goes for other centres up and down the country. Grotty would be polite in some cases. Yet we still pay to participate and suffer nearly all the time in silence for the fear of loosing what we have got. It's a good job we do not have a few more top class centres around the country so that bowlers could afford to be more choosy where they spend their money.

SEBA is lucky being blessed with seven centres, but we should not be complacent towards others, for there is always room for improvements, that's good management. We all must try harder. More Open Government, better bowling conditions, would be good for a start.

Now I've got that off my chest I can get off my Soap Box.

I suppose I can now expect letters, telephone calls from indignant bowlers from everywhere.

That article on page two of the last issue "Get to know the sport, Tenpin Bowling", was, of course, intended for amusement only and not to be taken seriously. Could it have been anything else?

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