BOWLING NEWS

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21st SEBA Championships Southend-on-Sea



Brian Langford
"Joe Bowler"

to: Brian Morrison

21st SEBA Area Championships

Held at Southend on 8th, 14th and 15th May

THE 21st SEBA Championships. Where do I begin? HOW!! do I describe the 21st SEBA Championships? It was very much like all our other Championships, friendly, exciting and eventful. I could continue with the superlatives, but the truth of the matter is, if your name is not on the prize list you will probably turn to the next page anyway! Please, please stay with us, and I shall tell of some of the little happenings during our time at Southend.

We had the Basildon Majorettes entertaining the competitors — twenty minutes of sheer delight that must be repeated next year.

Brian Langford until recently the Area Secretary opened the event by being "drawn" as JOE BOWLER. I felt quite emotional, for BRUIN had presided over so many of SEBA's Tournaments, who else should bowl the first ball at the 21st Championships? Brian's only question was "Where's me 'Fix It' badge?"

Now onto the heroes who are not necessarily amongst the winners. There's Billy Preston he continued in the doubles event despite the fact that his partner had gone walkies! I shan't say who Billy's partner was, for he was embarrassed enough at the time and now qualifies as the only "A Nonny Mouse" member of the Failure Club

Then there was Magic Score. It hypnotised almost all who had not seen it before, and I'm sure there were a few stiff necks the next day through staring at it's cursing flashers - or was it flashing cursors? Well anyway, John Booth and his staff proved to be the masters we hoped they would be. We had crash courses as we went, and 'CRASH' was the operative word in many senses, but we did get it right in the end. Magic Score proved to be a boon. It must be the way for the future, and would be better if it could handle three game handicaps. Have you' noticed that I haven't mentioned one single score? Don't panic! I shall, soon as

Squad 3, and the unmentionable happened. I was bowling — well all right, waving it about like a fairy wand — when there was a loud hissing sound. Now I knew that none of my fans had arrived, and a cloud of what looked like steam was spraying down between lanes 9 and 10. Having never set the lanes alight with spectacular strikes and

deadly accuracy, I deduced that all was not well, when I saw a member of Southend's staff dashing down to the back and carrying a cylinder of CO2 gas, I though "Oh no!", or thoughts to that effect. SSSSssss went the gas, and several times more. My playing partner Steve Churcher, our immediate opposition on lane 10, Alan Webster and Dave Anderton were studying the situation with as much concern as my good self. We had commenced bowling at 1.30 pm and finished at 5.30 pm due to a sweep motor that had to be changed after it had run a little hot

THREE MORE HEROES
Take a bow Steve Churcher, Alan
Webster and Dave Anderton for
dedication to bowling.
RAIN STOPPED PLAY

No I have not lost my marbles. This could easily have been the headline for this issue. Sunday the 15th May and Southend had a little thunderstorm. Well it was not that little. It came down in buckets and lots of them landed on the roof of Southend Bowl, and come in onto lanes 9 and 10. Well there we are then — "can't complain about dry lanes" was one comment. "Do you supply flotation collars?" was another. It took over one hour

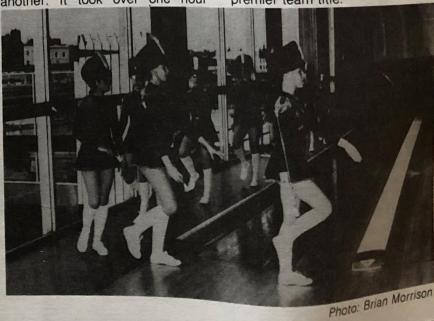
before we could use 9 and 10 again, thanks to sterling efforts of John Booth's staff. Just imagine Booth's thoughts as four damp patches crept down the wall above the machines. All that water, mixed with all that electricity — the mind boggles. A few more heroes for our list. Chris & Nick French and Robert & Karen Taylor. They completed their doubles match whilst the Masters was being played. Not easy.

There must be other heroes other than all those that help to make our — sorry, your — Championships the great event that it is.

All right, ALL RIGHT you win — it's score time.

Three Championship records were broken, Regular Handicap Doubles by Peter Smith and Colin Layton (Basildon), they added 12 pins to the previous record with 1385. Kerry Purcell (Whitstable), murdered the previous Regular Handicap All Events by 91 pins — he scored 2129. The Hushaways, alias Gill Gibb, Dot Edwards, Janet Morrison, Carol Leeds and Edith Challoner scored 2556 for the Ladies Scratch Title, add their handicap of 553 to 2556 it equals 3109 for the Handicap crown plus a new record

The Whitstable Raiders took off their disguises to reveal that they were Trevor Myhill, Philip May, Dave Bright, Brian and Steve Bentley — well done lads. The Regular Handicap Team Title is yours until next year. The Regular Team Scratch Title was won by the Travellers, Mark Presley, Alan Kersey, Rob Hobart, Derry McCarthy and John Coote, 2854 won the premier team title.



Regular Scratch Doubles Champions are Paul Scottow and Dave Holden. They averaged 201 with 1209.

Shall I mention Peter Smith and Colin Layton the Regular Handicap Champions? No, I don't think I will — it will go to their heads.

Alex Hoskins is the 21st SEBA Regular Handicap Singles Champion. Congratulations Alex. Our Championships is second only to the Nationals in longevity and importance.

Steve Carnell won the Regular Singles Scratch Championships with 639. Well done Steve. Hello Kate, didn't he do well?

Kerry Purcell scored 1877 to take the Scratch All Events, as well as breaking the Handicap All Events record.

The Hushaways won both the Ladies Team events. Vera Nugent and Anita Ashenden won both the Ladies Doubles Titles, 1087 scratch, 1336 with handicap was more than good enough. Pauline Denham is the 21st SEBA Ladies Handicap Champion. Congratulations Pauline, that is the third time you have won that title.

The Ladies Scratch Singles

Champion is Ruth Molineaux. Well done Ruth your first SEBA Singles Title. I am sure I sure I shall be adding your name to our roll of honour for many years to come.

Gill Gibb, no stranger to the SEBA honours list has made it again with the Ladies Handicap All Events Title.

Finally, and by no means least, the Ladies Scratch All Events Title goes to Jan Hodge — 1625. Well done Jan.

While we are with scores here are a few, the lowest and the highest.

Someone had put the evil eye on Roy (Joe Cool) Mitchell a 364 series that included a 99 game has earned him a place in the Failure Club, along with Nikke Ashdown and being a gentleman I shall not mention her score, but it was good enough to qualify for the most famous Club in bowling.

Dave Carter (Bexleyheath), three in a row, eight spare, eight in a row — 278. Keith Nott (Bexleyheath), 268. Dave Lofts (Dagenham), 267. Philip May (Whitstable), 257 followed by 149 — guess what he has qualified for? Yes, you clever little devils, the Failure Club. Roger

Evans, 252. Brian Green (Walton) 258. Colin Layton (Basildon), 255, 644 series. Derry McCarthy (Southend), 247. John Swann, 238. Bobby Mansfield (Dagenham), 236. Dave Wandless (Southend), 234. Roy Myhill, Steve Sutton, Paul Mayor, all 233. Anita Ashenden (Dagenham), 225. Barbara Biley, 223. Have you had enough scores yet? NO! Well here are some more from the doubles.

Brian Green and Adrian Elliott (Walton), 420. Paul Scottow and Dave Holden (Walton), 444. Keith and Gary Collings (Dagenham), 429. John Cudmore and Mark Bird (Bexleyheath), 427. Simon Brown and Bobby Mansfield (Dagenham), 404. Anita Ashenden and Vera Nugent (Dagenham), 413. Colin Layton and Peter Smith, 445. Roland Foxley and Roger Evans, 440. Barbara and Del Biley, 401. That's it, I've had enough of scores.

Well done, J.C.

Thank you John Booth and your staff for all your assistance. The member's thanks to all the volunteers, council members and others, we could not do it without you.

That's it, see you all next year at Cliftonville.

Results

REGULAR DIVISION		10. Julian Cope	677	5. Victor Lok	1757
Handicap Team		11. Alan Kirk	676	6. Dave Holden	1752
1. Whitstable Raiders	3156	12. Derry McCarthy	672	FEMALE DIVISION	
2. R & R Sports Trophies 'A'	3152	13. Sean Purcell	668	FEMALE DIVISION	
	3146	Colin Davis	668	Handicap Team	
3. Alpha Omega	3118	15. Keith Knott	667	1. Hushaways	3109
4. Roughnecks		16. Pete Murray	666	2. Restaurant Carlo	3083
5. Travellers	3117	17. John Woolsey		2. Hooladian Cano	3003
6. Kingcraft	3116	18. Mark Warman	665	Scratch Team	
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Scratch Team		Keith Hodge	659	1. Hushaways	2556
1. Travellers	2854	Victor Lok	659	Handicap Doubles	
2. Mecca Leisure	2798	21. Harry Bracher	656		
				Vera Nugent/Anita Ashenden	1336
Handicap Doubles		Scratch Singles		2. Carol Wynn/Anne Simmons	1263
Peter Smith/Colin Layton	1385	1. Steve Carnell	639	3. Connie Saunders/Mary Saban	1238
2. Andy Maynard/Victor Lok	1363	2. Paul Phillips	635	4. Sylvia Colley/Joyce Chapman	1237
3. Dave Wandless/Colin Hayward	1344	3. Dave Lofts	624		
4. Bill Shrimpton/Jack Denne	1329	4. Alan Kirk	620	Scratch Doubles	
5. Keith & Gary Collings	1323	5. Derry McCarthy	612	Vera Nugent/Anita Ashenden	1087
6. John Booth/Geoff Baldwin	1322	6. Keith Hodge	611	2. Carol Wynn/Anne Simmons	1085
7. Roy Percival/John Woolsey	1316	7. Kerry Purcell	601	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR	.000
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9. Dave Carter/John Brown	1301	Handicap All Events		Pauline Denham	689
10. David Yoxall/Keith Hodge	1297	1. Kerry Purcell	2120	2. Ruth Molineaux	665
11. Trevor Young/David Mitchell	1293	2. Dave Carter	2129	3. Sheila Phillips	661
12. Simon Brown/Bobby Mansfield	1287	3. Sean Purcell	2116	4. Gill Gibb	
13. Graham Franklin/Phil Warren	1286	4 Alex Handis	2053	5. Dorothy Archer	659
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Scratch Doubles		5. John Cudmore	1984	7. Susan Wright	649
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3. Simon Brown/Bobby Mansfield	1199	8. Keith Knott	1964	1. Ruth Molineaux	1 - 12 - 1
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2. Trevor Young	717	14. Nigel Holgate	1943	1. Gill Gibb	1881
3. David Carter	700	15. Gary Collings	1940	2. Susan Wright	1866
4. Dave Lofts	697			3. Vera Nugent	1865
5. Steve Carnell	693	Scratch All Events		Dorothy Archer	1846
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SEBA Masters

THE SEBA Masters again this year was to adopt the Bill Taylor Point System. Everyone you beat you are awarded five points. J. C. had found sufficient room in the schedule to invite 12 men and 12 women to compete over 4 games.

It is now time for all you score buffs to have a field day. Whoever wins each game would receive 55 points, 2nd would receive 50 points and so on down to the 11th place being awarded 5 and whoevers last nothing.

Ladies

Jan Hodge and Lyn Purcell were to dominate the Ladies event. Jan 191, 174, 186, 203. Lyn 189, 215, 178, 164. Add the BT points and after the third game the position was this, Lyn 732, Jan 691.

The only other bowler within striking distance was Ann Finch. She had a disastrous first game, followed by 226, that had won for her the 55 point first place bonus. Ann needed to repeat her second game performance if she was to catch Jan & Lyn. Ann scored 177 in her third game for third place plus 45 bonus points but it left her 51 pins down. Last game, and it could not have been better. The contest was being watched by a packed house. You could cut the atmosphere with a knife. Jan & Lyn were on lanes 5 & 6. Lyn stayed clean until the 6th frame when she missed a single pin, her score was 100. Jan opened the 2nd frame, after a strike in the first, but soon made up ground, 9 spare strike, up to the 6th frame. Another 9 spare, another 9 spare in the 7th and Jan was to lead Lyn by only 4 pins. Lyn opened the 8th frame and this was to seal her fate unless she could finish with 4 in a row from the 9th.

Oh the tension! Lyn struck out in the 9th. Meanwhile on the next lane Jan not sitting idly by letting Lyn steal the Masters. Jan found her line, and struck out in the 8th and the 9th frame. It was possible for Jan's score to read 184 in the 9th frame but 9 with her second ball in the 10th frame reduced this to 183. Back to lane 5 and Lyn could make 155 in the 9th. Nine with her first ball in the 10th reduced this to 145, and the match was over. Lyn spared, then hit another 9 for a total of 164. Jan spared her bonus after her strike in the 10th frame for 203 and the 1983 SEBA Ladies Masters Championships. Lyn only collected 15 BT points for 9th place.

Thank you Ladies for a splendid Championship.

Take a bow Jan Hodge, Lyn Purcell, Ann Finch, Joyce Chapman, Jan Cormack, Jenny Myhill, Sylvia Colly, Christine Lodge, Marion Drury, Ciss Collings, Shirley Molineaux, and Anne Simmons.

The Men

The Mens event included the 1983 National Champion Paul Philips. The 1982 SEBA All Events Champion George Patel and the 1982 SEBA Singles Champion Dave Yoxall, the defending SEBA Masters Champion Mark Presley, still a NAYBC member, 600 Club Champion Steve Carnell. Dave Holder and Robert Finch from Walton. Alan Kersey, John Coote, Peter Babot all members of the Travellers. The renowned and much loved Billy Preston. Last but not least team captain of Kent, member of the Coccacks, one the best left hands in the game, Keith Hodge.

What a pace they were to set, 48 games of which 15 were to be well over 200. Each player had to hit 200 plus to take maximum points. Anything else and you were nowhere. 212 by Peter Babot in the first game for an early lead. Mark Presley was only 10 pins behind, but the jolly old BT points made the difference 15.

Game two and 211 from John Coote ensured he received those valuable 55 points but this only lifted him to 4th place after 2 games. Alan Kersey 2nd with 208 plus 50 points kept him in 2nd place overall.

Early leader Peter Babot stayed in 1st place with 196 and 45 points.

Game three and Dave Holden smashed in a 235 game for the 55 points and moved up to 4th place. Paul Philips started slow, and 223 for an additional 50 points moved him up three places to 8th after three games. 215 from Dave Yoxall, add 45 BT points and he maintained 6th place. Steve Carnall scored 213 plus 40 to maintain 5th place. The leaders Pete Babot and Mark

Presley scored 212 for 30 points each. By doing so Pete stayed in first place.

Last game and Peter Babot was 27 pins up on Mark Presley, 46 pins up on Alan Kersey. Could the best well known face behind a Watneys Glass defeat the young NAYBC member? Could Youth and Virtue conquor all? Oh dear I'm getting a little carried away.

Whaddya mean I should be! Cheek!

Where was I? Oh yes — in the first place after three games, Peter Babot with 750; 2nd Mark Presley 723; 3rd Alan Kersey 706.

Mark set off at a brisk pace with 3 in a row. Peter 3 nine spares. Alan Kersey opened the 1st frame, then 8 spared the second, and struck out in the 3rd. No way to take the lead. Mark set 3 9 spares and started a turkey in the 7th, and his score in the 6th frame was 137.

Have you followed the plot so far?

Pete Babot's score in the 6th frame read 104, Mark was on his own. Three in a row from the 7th, 9 spare 9 and Mark had a score of 235. No one was anywhere near the "Lad" from Basildon & Southend. A very good example of NAYBC at Basildon nurtured by Brian Molineaux.

Mark Presley had successfully defended his SEBA Masters Championships.

Mark joins Jan Morrison as the only reigning SEBA Master to retain the title

Well done.

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The men from Kent played well, and were the only team to take points from Surrey. They had defeated London and Surrey, and game three was against Essex, the match was reasonably close. Tom Owen for Essex suffered for much of the game, but finished well with three in a row for 182. Roy Myhill 215, Mark Presley, Pete Babot and Dave Holden all in the 170s and 180s for a team score of 925. Kent had started well and were three pictures up by the 6th frame, but had lost that lead by the 8th. They finished well in the 10th frame with strikes from Roger Evans, Pat Duggan and Keith Hodge, but the doubles were not to come, and they went down to Essex by 27 pins. Kent took their revenge by defeating Middlesex and must have rated their chances against Sussex.

They started well with doubles from Alan Kirk and Keith Hodge. A series of taps caused a few problems, while K. Davey and Sussex team together with four in a row for 203. Kent had a few pins in hand going into the 10th frame, but could not find 10 with that vital first ball.

They lost by only 9 pins.

Essex meanwhile had taken their first three games - Sussex, Middlesex and Kent. Their 4th game was against London. Team Manager Terry Saunders decided to change his team and dropped Dave Holden and Mark Presley. He replaced them with Mick Matthews and Alan Wheal. Now it's not for me to say, but poor ole London had not won a game despite bowling well. London then hit 911 to take thier first and only points of the day. Essex hoped to recover their fortunes against Surrey, but 201 from

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In the ladies event Surrey went through the card with 10 points. No other team troubled them. They defeated London by 112 pins, the unfortunate Middlesex by 189 pins, with Kate Dean retiring hurt, and the Middlesex ladies soldiering on through the next three games with only four players. Kent ladies were thumped by 111 pins. Agneta Wahlby 201, Monsi Herring 205 doing the damage. Sussex were next to go down to Surrey by 135 pins, and finally Essex by 104 pins. Essex Ladies are 2nd with 8 points. Game one was against Middlesex, both teams stayed level until the 8th frame, when Middlesex lost touch. Chris Brown finished her row of taps with a double in the 8th frame, and Ciss Collings was caught on a beer frame. The Essex ladies had a six picture lead by the 8th frame, which they were not to lose.

Sussex provided stronger opposition, and Essex were trailing by 3 pictures after six frames. 9th frame and the teams were level. Essex continued to score well to win by 33 pins. Their third game was against London. Out went Ciss Collings and in came Ruth Molineaux and hit 200. Tina Thorogood going from strength to strength scored 204, but the game was not that easy. London were going well - Jan Hodge playing lead for London had scored 131 by the 6th frame and was looking powerful, and London led by two pictures. London hit trouble in the 7th frame, and Essex took the lead, and won by 45 pins. Game 4 and the two home teams were to meet. Kent were not to trouble Essex -Ruth Molineaux hit another 200, Chris Peacock 194 and Essex had won 8 points. Their last game was

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Well that's all until the next round at the Airport during August.

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Failure Club

HERE we go again with the best page in bowling, where you can read all those things that are not mentioned in mixed company.

I know it's no use advising the squeamish to turn to the YBC page, perhaps you should read WOT. It's safe for mass consumption.

RANDI STRIKES AGAIN

Following the demise of the firm's Sports & Social Club, the Sandwich branch have recently resurrected their Randi Club, the first event being a Tenpin Bowling Evening at Cliftonville Bowl.

A team competition had been organised, the best bowlers being grouped with the most inexperienced in order to maintain the competitive element. So it was the organiser David Humphrey (a 150/160 average bowler in the Harbour League at Whitstable) was teamed up with a couple of girls who had never bowled before. During the week preceding the event he had not been slow to provide as many helpful hints as possible to the novices.

The evening got off to a brilliant start when, due to pressure of work (that was his excuse) Dave was the last to arrive, fifteen minutes after the time they had been due to start bowling. Now picture the scene. Having settled the other teams on their lanes and arranged for the competition to commence, Dave was nominated to bowl the first ball for his team, it having been decided that bearing in mind all the verbal instruction that he had been giving over the previous days, he should lead by example. So D. H. steps up to his usual mark on the right hand side of the approach and roll a perfect ball (or so he said) over his usual spot on the right hand side of the lane and then stares in disbelief as the ball curls across the lane into the left hand gutter. Howls of laughter from behind!! For his second delivery, accepting that the lane conditions are different from those to which he is currently used, he takes up position on the left hand side of the approach and sends the ball across the lane from left to right. Great, super! Wait, what's this? Oh no . . . Yep, after going all the way from left to right, it then proceeds all the way from right to left and scores three. The laughter from behind, which abated to a mere titter, resumes with great vigour. So started the most fantastic game. After six frames his score was a massive 43. After a modest recovery, he finished with a total of 111, suffering the further indignity of being beaten by one of his team mates

The incident was further enhanced by the fact that bowling on adjacent lanes, in a Seaside League match, were the 'Buccaneers', a team with whom David bowled up until the end of last season. You can imagine the amount of goodnatured humour that was derived from their ex-team mate's demise. Dave is not nominating staff at Cliftonville Bowl for the standard of their lanes! (Why not Dave?) Just in case the above does not warrant Falue Club status, in a league match at Whitstable on April 19th, he rolled 222, 228, 147 for a 597 series. How's that for hedging his bets?

David you're in with honours.

For reference RANDI stands for Reeves & Neylan Diners Institute, before any of you lot dash off to join.

TYNE & WEAR SIXES. Don't panic it's not another tournament it concerns a young lady of some repute, that has come to my attention, and it stands to prove what lengths you out there go to, to become members. Singles — 190, 234, 234 = 658. Doubles — 173, 183, 173 = 529. Trios — 215, 187, 198 = 600. Team — 242, 208. Over these 11 games this Bowler was averaging 203, and membership of the F.C. was as far away as ever. Then the Gods that control Sods Law smiled, and our intrepid ace, who it had been said could not hit the gutter if she tried, scored "118". How wrong could they be? Now I do not know if our heroine decided to prove she could hit the gutter, or could not help thinking she had blown another chance for the ultimate in recognition, but there it was — 118 — for all to see. Oh the shame, we, and before anyone gets the wrong idea, I mean she had a restless night in case the world found out her guilty secret.



Well I have! I can now, at the risk to life and limb reveal the name of our latest member — Welcome to the Club — MEG SHAW.

Rick Caldwell has been nominated by a friend, and Alan Jones shall remain 'A Nonny Mouse'. (I like that) for not only scoring 107,101,257 for a 465 series, but for winning £4.00 for the high game. Disgraceful! But I like it.

Brian Williams on the 28/7/83 in the Olympic League wore his shorts for the first and possibly the last time to bowl. This was not the only thing that was short. The mind boggles!! His scores were a little short that night 110-109-129 for a 348 series. The 80p for a badge was collected by his team in a whip round, and no doubt Steve White the Team Captain had to use a shutgun. Wear your badge with pride Brian, but not on your shorts.

Joe Cool alias Roy Mitchell has nominated someone, and it's not the Gen Sec's Desk, it's Steven May. Steven a member of the Halstead League scored 94,175,240. He has a 143 average. To quote Roy "he could not even make 50. Wot's more he fouled up on his 100 = . All he needed was a spare, or 9 miss. What did this Wally do — he hit 5 leaving the 2,4,5,7,8 which he spared".

It seems cruel to say well done, when you have made an ass of