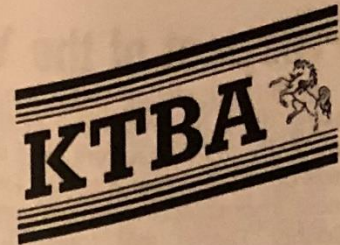




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KTBA New Year Honours

Bowling News is produced using typesetting and printing equipment owned by bowlers which they use to earn their living, and of course they must put their money earning jobs before our magazine. Because of this the last issue of *Bowling*

News was about four weeks later than planned in some cases the leagues would not have received them before the 7th December, the last date for returning the voting slip for our New Year Honours. I hope this was the reason for the poor

response and not that you couldn't care two hoots about it.

Well I've taken the bull by the horns and will publish who I consider deserve our New Year Honours.

Bowler of the Year

Two bowlers came to mind from which I make my choice. Mike Luckhurst from Cliftonville/Margate who this year bowled the first 700 + series at the New Margate centre, and 701 and a 279 game, he has bowled too many 600 + series to count, a recent 270 game at Cliftonville and holds 200 plus average at both centres. Mike I would make a

very close second, if that is possible with honours.

My choice of Kent Bowler of the Year would be the bowler who has captained the Men's County team for some years, to success in 1990 but alas only to 6th place in the finals this year. He set a new "House Record" of 721 series at Cliftonville in the Kent County Roll-

off (trials), he helped set a new team "House Record" at Bexleyheath with a personal series of 745, he is a perfect ambassador for our sport, my choice of KENT BOWLER OF THE YEAR is:

KEITH HODGE

League Officer of the Year

My thanks to all those league officers who have sent me stories and bits of information during the year, please keep them coming, and if you haven't contributed before, now is the time to start.

One League official sticks out in my mind for all his efforts in getting the results of his league published in his local press, our sport most certainly needs media coverage.

So my choice of League Officer

of the Year for getting his league reports and scores in his local press goes to the Secretary of the Blackpin League at Cliftonville:

DAVE BUCK

Personality of the Year

PASS — one thing our sport needs is a personality to promote our sport with the media. The BTBA has a new Assistant(?) General Secretary in John King, I would

hope he will become our personality of the year for next year for his efforts in not only making the BTBA more responsible and answerable to its members but promoting Ten-

pin Bowling as a sport and not just a pastime. We in the Kent Area Association wish John every success with his difficult job.

Failure of the Year

Only one choice — ME. How the hell did I ever get into the job as editor of *Bowling News*? There must be bowlers out there far more qualified than me queuing up to take over this unpaid job. Seriously, my sincere thanks to Alan Petherick and Maureen at Alset Design for

the typesetting and to Christine and George Savage at Hedgehog Press for the printing, without the multitude of help of these people *Bowling News* could not be produced to the superb standard it is today.

And last but not least my thanks

to my wife Kaye, for putting up with me, night after night sitting at the word processor putting together these stories and proof reading my efforts and putting them into some sort of sense.

JOHN CUDMORE

Prospect of the Year

A difficult choice, there are so many good junior bowlers at Bexleyheath (the only juniors I see outside of YBC tournaments). But I was most impressed by our two Junior County Teams that travelled to Leicester in September for the Intercounty Championships, although both Kent teams were on the young side and were competing against teams who seemed to be over six feet tall and just off their nineteenth birthday. Not to be outdone they all bowled to the best of their ability and in many cases produced personal best scores and most certainly did not disgrace the county of Kent.

For this my vote for Prospects of the Year would go to Kirsty Jennings, Dawn Lovett and Stephen Alexander from Whitstable, Jason Thompson and Amanda Ottaway from Cliftonville and Lynne Fullman, Lucy Cudmore, David Percival, Jeffrey White, Keith Willis and Michael Griffin from Bexleyheath.



● From left to right: Kirsty Jennings, Dawn Lovett, Lucy Cudmore, Lynne Fullman and Amanda Ottaway.



● From left to right: Stephen Alexander, Keith Willis, Jason Thompson, Michael Griffin, David Percival and Jeffrey White.

THE KENT JUNIOR COUNTY TEAMS

Editorial

What is SPORT?

What do we consider as SPORT?

Football, 22 men or women, running about kicking a ball, the object to score goals thus winning the game and points to win their league. As with rugby, cricket, basketball etc all these are seen as physical, exciting to watch and called SPORT. They are well covered by the media and are seen to hold their own World Cups etc.

Athletics, field and track events are all covered by the media, with all the hype that goes with the large international events, are considered SPORT. The outrage at sportsman who are found to use drugs to enhance their performance, brings disgrace to their SPORT.

But what about the other "SPORTS", there are many that do not entail 11 or more people running about with a ball. They are not considered as "SPORT" in as much as they are more a consumer product, only the people who are playing or are involved in some way attend the event so the numbers watching are

small and the coverage by the media almost nil. Thus people are not informed of these events and no interest is generated in the outside world for these sports. Most of the minority sports hold international events, world championships, etc. where medals are won, but also no media interest, no public interest and no recognition as a SPORT.

Our own SPORT of Tenpin Bowling, again the interest outside the circle of bowlers is small. Tenpin Bowling is considered by the media as a leisure activity, they do not realise or perhaps even want to realise that Tenpin Bowling is an internationally recognised SPORT which holds international championships which are gold medal events.

The interest in competitive bowling comes from bowling leagues on the same format as football, playing to win to gain points to win their league championship.

We have a national organisation, the B.T.B.A. under whose rules both adult and junior national and regional championships are held, we have the

World Tenpin Bowling Association who organise our international events including every four years our World Championships, but alas in this country very little, if any, media coverage of these events.

The USA and the Scandinavian Countries cover Tenpin Bowling better than we do, so bowling there is taken more seriously with more media interest to bring it to the notice of the public and more interest in bowling as a SPORT.

So what is SPORT, 22 men in shorts chasing a ball all over a field or two people engaged in competitive Tenpin Bowling?

Bowling Centre for Isle of Man

The Isle of Man will get its first modern Bowling Centre when the 18 lane centre opens in 1992. The building for the new centre will be built entirely from wood.

Pauline Smith 2nd in World Cup

Jon Juneau, from the U.S.A. defeated Sweden's Ulf Hamnas, 205-149 to win the 27th AMF Bowling World Cup held in Beijing, China from the 3rd to the 10th November. Asa Larsson, also from Sweden, just pipped England's Pauline Smith 190-184 to capture the women's title.

Ulf Hamnas, from Gothenburg, averaged nearly 210 to lead the 40 nation field through most of the week's bowling. He opened his title match with two strikes but immediately followed with three splits, Jon Juneau took the opportunity with four straight strikes to win the title going away.

Juneau qualified fifth for the step-ladder finals, trailing leader Hamnas by more than 500 pins after the semi-finals. However, after defeating former champion Paeng Nepomuceno of the Philippines, 182-163 in the opening match he went on to beat Taiwan's Chang-Ming Yang 232-196 and a 236-200 victory over Belgian Gery Verbruggen earned Juneau a shot at Hamnas for the title.

Asa Larsson dominated the women's section, leading her closest rival after the semi-finals by

295 pins. But Tolworth's Pauline Smith was to fall just 7 pins short of winning the title she won in New York ten years ago. Pauline who was in fifth place after the semi-finals and went on in the stepladder

finals to defeat Julie Gardner from the U.S.A. 201-168, Noriko Inauchi from Japan 190-170, Heidi Lind from Finland 212-184 but to fall to Larsson in the Championship match.

1991 AMF World Cup Results

Men

1. John Juneau US 855 (4 games)
2. Ulf Hamnas Sweden 149 (1 game)
3. Gery Verbruggen Belgium 200 (1 game)
4. Chang-Ming Yang Taiwan 196 (1 game)
5. Paeng Nepomuceno, Philippines, 163 (1 game).

Playoff Results

Juneau d. Nepomuceno 182-163

Juneau d. Yang 232-196

Juneau d. Verbruggen 236-200

and in the Championship game

Juneau d. Hamnas 205-149.

Top 16 Round Robin Match Play

1. U. Hamnas Sweden 8675
2. C. M. Yan, Taiwan 8598
3. G. Verbruggen Belgium 8420
4. P. Nepomuceno Philippines 8404
5. J. Juneau USA 8327
6. B. Numthuan Thailand 8232
7. Y. Augustin France 8215
8. J. Wong Singapore 8206
9. M. Ogishima Japan 8191
10. M. Janka Germany 8186
11. B. Woolley Canada 8059
12. M. Khalifa UAE 7956
13. Paul Magee Ireland 7950
14. M. Boneta Mexico 7895
15. J. Aimendro Puerto Rico 7873
16. M. Johnstone New Zealand 7841

Top 8 Round Robin Match Play

1. U. Hamnas Sweden 10523
2. G. Verbruggen Belgium 10262
3. C. M. Yang, Taiwan 10214
4. P. Nepomuceno Philippines 10004
5. J. Juneau USA 9976
6. B. Numthuan Thailand 9960
7. Y. Augustin France 9960
8. J. Wong Singapore 9805

Women

1. Asa Larsson Sweden 190 (1 game)
2. Pauline Smith England 787 (4 games)
3. Heidi Lind Finland 184 (1 game)
4. Noriko Inauchi, Japan 170 (1 game)
5. Julie Gardner USA 168 (1 game)

Playoff Results

Smith d. Gardner 201-168

Smith d. Inauchi 190-170

Smith d. Lind 212-184

and in the Championship match

Larsson d. Smith 190-184.

Top 16 Round Robin Match Play

1. A. Larsson Sweden 7185
2. N. Inauchi Japan 6962
3. H. Lind Finland 6818
4. K. Fotinia Greece 6759
5. J. Gardner USA 6750
6. G. Sandovi Mexico 6715
7. P. Smith England 6706
8. S. Scicluna Malta 6684
9. X. Li, China 6644
10. F. Pascoal Netherlands 6593
11. P. Kourtesis Australia 6567
12. D. Howald Switzerland 6376
13. A. Cerdana Philippines 7950
14. L. Chua Malaysia 6363
15. S. L. Lo Taiwan 6355
16. C. Kirschbaum Austria 6203

Top 8 Round Robin Match Play

1. A. Larsson Sweden 8885
2. H. Lind Finland 8590
3. N. Inauchi Japan 8563
4. J. Gardner USA 8527
5. P. Smith England 8497
6. S. Scicluna Malta 8370
7. G. Sandoval Mexico 8349
8. K. Fotinia Greece 8287

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"I hate deadlines!"

Bexleyheath YBC 'Coach and Four' Tournament

The Fifth Annual 'Coach and Four' Tournament was held over two Saturdays at Bexleyheath Bowl just before Christmas.

This Tournament for Five Person Teams where one BTBA Qualified Instructor bowls with Four Juniors has become so popular that each YBC was restricted to entering a maximum of 8 Teams. With 23 Youth Bowling Clubs participating there was a record entry for the Event of 146 Teams with the Centre being closed to the Public on the second week-end 9.00 am to 6.00 pm.

There was the need for rapid re-squadding on the first Saturday as the Mini-Coach from Portsmouth broke down early in its journey and several of their Juniors did not make the Tournament. One Pacer team had to be assembled and one Team had an illegal line-up for the Competition.

The Bexleyheath Coach, Neil Webb, has been the winning Coach for this Tournament for two of the first four years, and his Team set a fierce pace in the first Squad with a total of 2878, including handicap. In his Team, David Mills bowled his highest ever series of 572 and Neil had to pull out all the stops to beat him. The great attraction of this Tournament is for the Juniors to beat their Instructors and it is noticeable how hard the Coaches and Instructors try to avoid this indignity. This year a total of 74 Juniors succeeded, with handicap of course. We shall save all embarrassment by not publishing a list of Juniors who succeeded on a scratch basis.

Prizes were also awarded to Individuals scoring the highest scratch game in their Division, decided on Age and split between Boys and Girls. At the end of the first day, Neil Webb's Team were still in first place and there were several 'Bexleyheath' names in the Individual Scoreboard. As the Home team, Bexleyheath had bowled all their games on the first weekend.

Again it was gratifying to see the
FOUR

distances that bowlers had travelled to participate in this Tournament, the longest travellers this year being from Chesterfield in Derbyshire. Other long distance travellers came from Acocks Green, Birmingham, Bexhill, Bournemouth, Great Yarmouth, Hove, Kettering and Peterborough. There were also first appearances from the new YBC's of Beckton and Tottenham. The only other YBC represented from Kent was Cliftonville but we look forward to next year when we hope the emerging YBC's from Margate and Whitstable can join us.

Tombolas were organised on both Saturdays by the 'Ladies' to whom we are greatly indebted and a competition to guess the number of sweets in a jar. This was won by a Junior who came down by Coach and we doubt whether any of the the nearly 1000 sweets ever reached home.

On the second Saturday, the Competition hotted up with a close challenge by Crawley, lead by Graham Botting with a 613 series but still over 100 pins behind the early leaders. In fact the Competition for the eventual third place was extremely close, and mention must be made of those Teams who just missed out. In Fourth Place was a Lewisham Team captained by Chris Cunliffe who finished only 2 pins behind Crawley 1 and a further two pins behind were Acocks Green (Paul Watson). Only a further three pins adrift were Southend (David Coote).

The eventual winners of the Tournament did not emerge until the final squad when the Team from Streatham put together a record score of 2996, with Handicap, and not surprisingly the highest scratch score of the day with 2651. Two of the Juniors, Paul Lamb (589) and Robert Evans (596) beating their Coach, Graham Knight (540). Our heartiest congratulations go to Streatham for a well deserved win.

Negotiations are well advanced for next year's Tournament which is planned for Saturday's 28th November and 5th December 1992. With the continuing growth in Junior Bowling an even bigger entry is anticipated.

Results

Team Competition

1. Streatham 4	Graham Knight STR2996
Graham Knight	540
Paul Lamb	589
David Wilkinson	465
Lucien Jeffries	488
Robert Evans	569
2. Wonderful Webb's Whispering Wise Guys	Neil Webb BEX2878
Neil Webb	594
David Mills	572
David Percival	518
Grant Machin	472
Jeffrey White	458
3. Crawley 1	Graham Botting CRA2762
Graham Botting	613
Craig Delves	507
Ross Herbert	498
Paul Fraser	501
Brian Watkins	418

Individual High Game — Scratch

Name	Centre	Hi-Game
Instructors — Male		
Andy Going	SOU	246
Alan Kersey	ROM	238
Dave Steiner	TOL	237
Dave Attfield	SOU	237
Instructors — Female		
Ruth Molineaux	BIL	223
Marsha Godfrey	KAL	222
Lesley Pateman	BEX	193
Boys — 17/18 years		
Bradley Jerram	POR	234
Paul Evans	POR	222
Paul Evans	POR	217
Girls — 17/18 years		
Karen Slater	BOU	200
Cathy James	AIR	198
Symone Heelan	LEW	196
Boys — 15/16 years		
Elvin Cole	HAR	241
Paul Lamb	STR	238
Stuart Mansfield	ACO	228
Girls — 15/16 years		
Michelle Jarvis	TOL	216
Lucy Cudmore	BEX	213
Jeanette Beard	PET	212
Boys — 13/14 years		
Andrew Giles	LEW	214
Ben Hawkins	ACO	211
Dale Archer	PET	211
Girls — 13/14 years		
Rebecca Walton	PET	200
Karen Williams	TOL	197
Michelle King	CRA	194
Boys — 11/12 years		
Dean Lovett	ROM	180
Neil Williams	TOL	178
Joe Miller	TOL	173
Girls — 11/12 years		
Rebecca Giles	PET	182
Lynne Fullman	BEX	178
Louis Adamthwaite	TOL	169
Boys — 10 years and under		
Paul Fraser	CRA	186
Michael Loberman	HAR	162
Phys Parfitt	HAR	160
Girls — 10 years and under		
Julie Yates	ACO	176
Jo Castillo	KET	146
Lisa John	KAL	137



● The winning team in the Coach & Four tournament from Streatham with Graham Knight, Paul Lamb, David Wilkinson, Lucien Jeffries and Robert Evans.

National Record for Airport Bowl

Bowlers in the Airport Bowl's November Doubles found the lanes extremely friendly. Local bowler Dave Williams set the pace with an early 300 game and two other local bowlers, Mike Bergquist and Brian Williams, set a new national doubles record with their 1527 set. Mike Bergquist also set a new national high series in the process rolling an 813 to combine with the 714 bowled by Brian Williams. A middle game of 567 was to give them yet another UK record.

Selection by Rankings

Beginning in 1993, British national team bowlers will be selected through a ranking system based on performance in some 20 selected tournaments staged over 1992. This change in team selection was formulated and approved by a special "Think Tank" council formed in co-operation with the BTBA. The Think Tank will select the British national team in 1992 and move to the rankings system the following year. Although the BTBA will have input into the group and participate in its activities, the new national programme will be financially independent of the Association.

Kent Association A.G.M.

The Annual General Meeting of The Kent Area Association will take place at the Castlemere Hotel, Broadstairs on Saturday 8th February, 1992, assembling at 7.00 pm for a 7.15 pm start.

By the time you read this *Bowling News*, the secretaries of the all leagues that were sanctioned by the BTBA for their 1990/91 season will have received their invitation to this meeting together with their delegate registration and Council Member nomination forms.

To be eligible for nomination for election to the KTBA council you must meet the following requirements:—

(a) You must be member of the BTBA in good standing, and have paid all BTBA membership dues.

(b) Bowl in a league within the jurisdiction of the KTBA through which they must be registered with the BTBA.

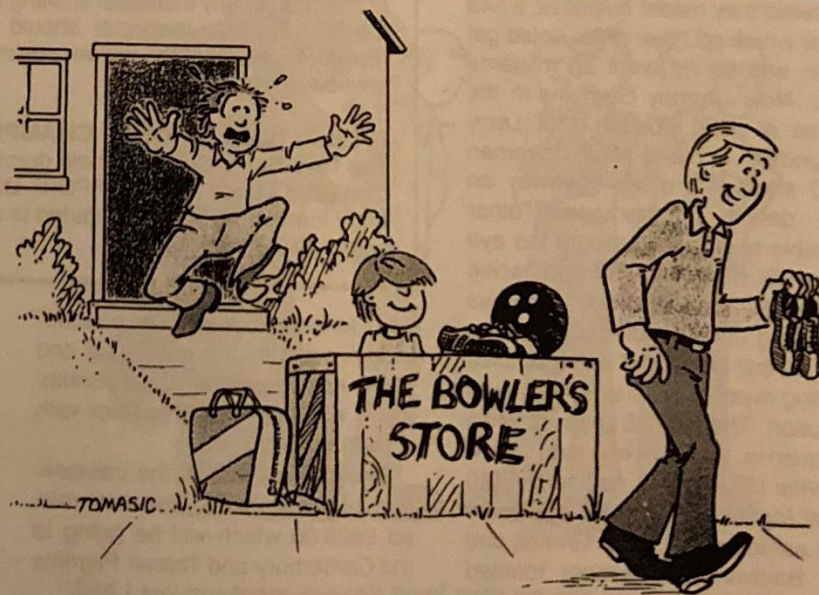
Of the current KTBA Council members the following must seek re-election at this AGM:

Keith Hodge	Roy Memmott
John Cudmore	Doreen Belsom
John Moore	Jerry Lodge
John Boulton	Larry Saunders
Neil Webb	George Savage
Ivan Amos	Gary Pring

A full report on the AGM will be published in the next issue of *Bowling News*.

More Data

The 1992 Australian Tenpin Bowling Congress membership application cards will have a slightly different look, according to the *Tenpin Strikeout*. The new cards will request information about a bowler's age and job title. Such data is being collected by the ATBC "to calculate more accurately relevant information essential in preparing a membership demographic summary used in attracting advertisers and sponsors to the sport." many businesses in Australia require such information before they will fund sporting events in order to determine where they can reach their desired markets most effectively.



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New House Record for Bexleyheath

The House Records at Bexleyheath cover both the old and new bowls, in fact they were all set in the old bowl.

The first new house record for the Bexleyheath Superbowl was set on Thursday 21st November when bowling in the Olympic League, Glaze-Rite bowled a five person team series of 3014 beating the old record by just 4 pins.

The individual series were, Sheila White 506, Paul Fletcher 566, John Amos 597, Chas Painter 600 and Keith Hodge 745.

Keith's 745 was made up of games of 234, 279, 232. The series included 16 consecutive strikes, finishing the second game with 10 in a row and starting the third with 6 strikes. That first perfect game at the Superbowl cannot be far away.

Joan Cole Memorial Trios Tournament

by John Boulton

Top Ten Bowl Cliftonville staged its annual Joan Cole Memorial Trios Tournament, the aim of which is to raise money for charity by sponsorship.

This year ten teams took part and straight away the defending champions of Clive Smith 184, Kevin Williams 175 and Dave Buck 190 showed they meant business, a 549 total which no other team could get near and so we went on to game two. Now Grumpy Gremlins in the guise of John Boulton 170, Larry Saunders 141 and Mick Chapman 210 started to make headway on the deficit, in this game other notable scores that caught the eye were Jill Baldwin's 198 and Jackie Ottaways 215. But still no team was catching the defending champions.

The last game had the Grumpies fading away despite a 204 by John Boulton. The CAPOS team of Mike Sequenza, Bob Avery and Dave Davies (582 series) posted a 1440 total for third place. The JCB team of Leslie Clarke, Joyce Grimes and Jill Baldwin (563 series) totalled SIX

B.T.B.A. Notice Board

NEW APPOINTMENT

The B.T.B.A. are delighted to announce that JOHN KING commenced his appointment as Assistant General Secretary on the 12th November 1991.

HEAD OFFICE

Miss Pat Shaw is no longer with the Association and Mrs Christine Cosgrove is now in charge of the League Sanctioning Department, with Angela Wallace dealing with Awards and assisting her. It is hoped that all members will appreciate the unprecedented delays currently experienced in obtaining membership cards is through no fault of the staff, but is solely the responsibility of the new computer which is taking time to become as effective as we had hoped. We are however assured by the "experts" that, given a little more time, the computerisation of membership will be of benefit to all concerned.

G. B. TEAM SELECTION

The individuals attending the "Think Tank", held in Stevenage at the end of September represented bowlers, manufacturers, proprietors and B.T.B.A. National Council Members as well as the Editor of World of Tenpin. A successful weekend was enjoyed by all participants discussing methods of selection for future British Teams and proposals were put to the National Council, with the result that B.T.B.A. TEAM BRITAIN was established with the following Officers, from whom further details may be obtained, via head office, if required:

Chairman — Mr. M. Pike
Secretary — Mr. M. Webster
Treasurer — Mrs. P. White

INSTRUCTORS COURSES

The following phase 1 Courses have been arranged and application forms are available from Head Office 114 Balfour Road, Ilford, Essex IG1 4JD. Telephone (24 hour answering service) 081-478 1745, Fax 081-514 3665)

DATE	VENUE
1st/2nd February 1992	GX Superbowl, Bexhill
21st/22nd March 1992	Wessex Bowl, Poole
11th/12th April 1992	Glasgow (location to be confirmed)

LANE INSPECTION

Plans are being made to hold a special weekend course covering lane inspection during Spring 1992 and a specialist in the field of lane dressing will be coming over from the United States to lecture, as part of the course. Any individual wishing to take the course and become a Certified B.T.B.A. Inspector should apply to Head Office and, immediately details of the venue, costing's etc. are to hand, they will be notified accordingly.

B.T.B.A. 1992 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1992 Nationals will be held during the weekends of 14th/15th and 21st/22nd March at the AIRPORT BOWL, Bath Road, Harlington and entry forms have been distributed to all Bowling Centres as well as last year's Team Captains.

1452 for second place. The honours though went to the defending and 1991 champions of Clive Smith, Kevin Williams and Dave Buck with a 1466 pinfall.

The serious side of the competition, the sponsorship, this year raised £608.00 which will be going to the Canterbury and Thanet Pilgrims

Hospices. The team who raised the most money was JAPASH (Jackie Ottaway, Pat Milham and Sheila Webster) who collected a splendid £111.50. Congratulations to all the bowlers who took part and did their bit, putting on a competition for dedicated bowlers like them is not a chore but an honour.