

# JUNIOR NATIONALS, NOTTINGHAM - PART 3

by Daniel Patey, aged 14

Some towns are colourful. They inspire and encourage the human mind to be imaginative in the way it thinks. Nottingham is not one of these towns. Las Vegas is, but Nottingham isn't. I was in Nottingham.

The Nottinghamshire County Council had introduced a one way system into their main town, a good idea. But judging by some of the actions of the locals, they either had not come to terms with this complicated system, or had just never heard of it. As a result, what we thought was going to be a relaxing twenty minutes journey through this old boring town turned out to be a hectic one hour equivalent.

The bowl looks, from the outside, like a 12 lane centre not a 48 lane giant. But once you get inside you are overwhelmed by the amount of space the bowl had. We sat on the coach visually examining the dirty but prominent signs the bowl possessed, namely "Bowl" and "Food", while Ron the coach driver went and enquired as to if the bowl owned any space for coaches to park. Apparently the bowl shared the neighbouring Ice Rink's facilities. As we filed off the coach, an air of excitement could be detected in our general chat.

Entering the bowl was a moment to remember, and talking to Paul Salter and Carl Barr after the tournament, it was the same phenomena for them too. The atmosphere, present along all 24 lanes of the lower level was incredible, even more so for an unknown, under grown eleven year old. What I came to realise was that I was not alone in this feeling. Even now memories flash before me of this moment: Jerry Lodge asking for BTBA cards and dishing out squad times and lane numbers; Auntie Kaye bringing up the rear of the party accompanied by an enormous holdall full of shirts (later it became twice as heavy due to sweat), and the illustrious Neil Webb, only been there five minutes, but already hamburger laden, and yelling encouragement in that easily recognisable tone.

After giving Jerry my card, I obtained a shirt from the overrun Kaye and made my way through the crowds to the leader board. When you see appellations like Paul Delany, Daniel Evans and Stuart Miller dominating your division (under 13) in each event, hitting 550's without breaking into too much of a sweat, it

make you wonder if these people are really human.

My lane, No. 1, was clear, so I went down to it and begun my pre bowl warm up routine; put shoes on, buff ball vigorously, exercise fingers, neck and legs. To be really honest, I did not have much of a chance in any event (singles, doubles, team, all events), bowling off of a 108 average, but I looked on it philosophically as valuable experience. The handshake with my Glenrothes YBC opponents and my doubles partner, Paul Salter not only signified the start of the doubles event, but also the start of my first major tournament.

As the computer switched us to match play, I could still hear Neil Webb's dulcet tones up on lane 48, about 5 minutes walk from where I was! Considering my average, hitting 118, 135, 146 for a 399 was a good encouraging start, even more so for my good natured companion and room mate, Paul Slater, who threw his first ever 400 series, a 402, as we amassed 801 for the doubles.

Time to grab a quick coke and some helpful advice from Dad before lugging my 12lb Columbia 300 down to lane 14 for the singles. 119, 122, 154 gave me 395, and sinking my teeth into a cheeseburger while listening to some encouraging praise from Dad, I felt as if I had achieved something.

I then looked forward to exploring our hotel that evening.

to be continued .....

# BEXLEYHEATH LADIES RE- TAIN THE "GOLDEN BALL"

By Doreen Lodge

Once again the Annual Tournament for the Housewives leagues has come round. May 19th was the date and as Bexleyheath Double TT's were the winners last year, it was our turn to host the Tournament.

Teams from Tolworth, Harrow and Lewisham participate with Bexleyheath. A total of 80 ladies completed either in the "A" or "B" Divisions or the Visitors Tournaments.

An excellent lunch was put on by the catering staff and we were well looked after by all the Bowl staff.

At the end of the day, we retained the "Golden Ball", the team being Doreen Lodge, Lesley Pateman and Peggy Hammond. The Tournament will be held at Bexleyheath again in 1993.

## Golden Ball Competition -

### "A" Teams

1	Bexleyheath Double TT's	3212
2	Lewisham	3176
3	Harrow Wednesday	3047

### "B" Teams

1	Harrow Wednesday	3231
2	Tolworth Thursday	2984
3	Bexleyheath Tuesday	2964

(Angie Thick, Jan Bartram, Vi Strewson)





# EAST KENT KNOCK OUT SHIELD

by Harry Phillips

The Semi Finals and Finals of the East Kent Knockout Shield took place at Hollywood Bowl, Margate on Sunday 10th May.

In the first Semi Final, Gary Steventon met Sally Fuller, and in a contest which produced some excellent bowling, Gary emerged as the winner by 34 pins.

Gary, bowling with a 8 handicap, started off with a 210 scratch game, Sallys reply of 150 gave her a lot of leeway to make up. Gary second game, a 224, put further pressure on his opponent who's reply was a 189. By now his form was unbeatable a third game of 227 was met with a 190 giving Gary a closed series of 661 to which Sally replied with a 529.

A change of lanes gave Sally a change of fortune for the Second Series. She opened with a 222 to Garys 155 which put her right back in the match. Back came Gary with a 188 to 162 to take some of the pressure off. A final thrust by Sally with a 188 was met by a 163 enabling Gary to pull through by 34 pins. Second series scores were Sally Fuller 572, Gary Steventon 506. The six game totals, including handicap, were Gary 1207 to Sallys 1173.

In the other Semi Final Rosemary Bentley met Simon Young. Simon bowling with 14 handicap against Rosemarys 21.

In the opening series Simon could only manage a 424 against Rosemarys 471. In fairness to Simon it has to be said that he was recovering from a painful rib injury, but he stuck manfully to his task and his next series totalled 495 to which Rosemary replied with a 435. With handicap adjustments Rosemary emerged winner by 27 pins.

This set up the Final between Gary and Rosemary and after 30 minutes rest battle commenced.

Gary continued his over whelming form of the previous round and turned in games of 191, 177, 198 for a 566 series to Rosemarys 171, 167, 139 and a 477 series.

In the second and final series Rosemary showed plenty of grit, and rolled a 560 series to Garys 570 to push him all the way but failed by just 21 pins to catch him.

In the Roll Off for 3rd and 4th places Sally Fuller beat Simon Young by 174 pins.

Averages on the 12 games bowled were:-

1st Gary Steventon	192
2nd Rosemary Bentley	162
3rd Sally Fuller	184
4th Simon Young	154

Gary Steventon received the Winners Shield which had been presented by Hollywood Bowl together with a winners cheque for £175.00

## KING OF THE HILL

from Bob Hayter

The 25th April saw the fourth running of the popular King of the Hill tournament at Dagenham. Another well run event by Bob Hayter and Will Clarke, this tournament is getting better and better. The lane conditions were fair but by no means easy and it took a good shot to make the strikes into doubles and turkeys. It was a case of sparing all the single pin leaves and then making a double. If you could do this then you could make the final. After all the five games had been bowled it took a score of 947, a 189.4 average, to make the step ladder final.

In the first match in the step ladder, Dave Kinsey, who had made the journey from Birmingham, played local bowler Frank Brown, runner up in this tournament last time. Frank maintained his form from the previous games and his 211 to Daves 159 saw him move up the rung.

In the next match, Frank came up against Roy Myhill and after a close start, Frank again emerged the winner with a 200 game to Roys 151.

Next up for Frank was Steve Carnall, another man in form, and after another close start, Franks 169 had to submit to Steve Carnalls 193.

And so to the final, where Steve Carnall was to meet top qualifier, Kevin Raison, who had patiently been stringing strikes together on the practice lanes. However with the change of lanes came a change of fortune and Kevin could never find the winning shot. Steve however was now running hot and his 215 to

Kevin 146 saw him take the title of King of the Hill.

There were five £50 pot games during the tournament, which were won by, Colin Bailey with 216, Steve Carnall with 228, Dave Kinsey with 235, Larry Handworker with the days high game of 237 and Kevin Raison with 233.

The final placing and prizes in the tournament were: 1st Steve Carnall £190, 2nd Kevin Raison £95, 3rd Frank Brown £65, 4th Roy Myhill £45, 5th Dave Kinsey £35, 6th Lee Lazarus £25 and 7th Alan Kersey £20.

Congratulations to all involved including the management of Dagenham for supplying the lineage at a very competitive rate, so making for a good tournament.

The next King of the Hill is on 1st August 1992 and places are on a first come first served basis.

On the 25th July 1992 is a new tournament, the Queen of the Hill. Same format as the men's event, it is open to lady bowlers with an average under 180. For more details on these tournaments contact Bob Hayter on 081 558 8711.

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## LONDON'S FAVOURITE

London is quickly becoming a favourite destination of European high roller, reports the newsletter of the World Bowlers Writers, due to the high scores piled up at London centres. Case in point: Paul Loberman and Dave Honney both hit their first 300s at a house tournament at Airport Bowl - on the same day. Local bowler, Dave Horrell averaged 238 to win the event.

Second example: Three days later in a scratch league, team scoring record were broken by "Team Quickline" which posted a 2780 series on the strength of Steve Bruce's 256-290-278/824.

Finally, during the 1992 JCP British Matchplay, held at Tolworth, AMF World Cup runner-up Steve Gomersall tallied 297/789, only to be beaten by U.S. serviceman Chuck Carroll, who rolled 793.



## WORLD OF TENPIN TAKE-OVER

We hear from Keith Hale, editor of "World of Tenpin", the national magazine of Tenpin Bowling, that as of the 1st August, "World of Tenpin" will be taken over by Blacker Communications, publishers of snookers Pot Black magazine.

World of Tenpin will progress to a monthly publication distributed to all good newsagents and bookshops by W H Smith and other leading wholesalers, providing some 40,000 copies throughout the United Kingdom as from the September issue.

Keith Hale will be remaining with World of Tenpin as managing editor and asks for your continued support. Their schedule will have the magazine in the shops about the 3rd of each month. Therefore to meet printers and wholesalers deadlines, the final copy date will be the first day of the month preceding publication, i.e. August 1st for the new September issue. Contributions received after that date will have either to be carried over for the next issue or destroyed.

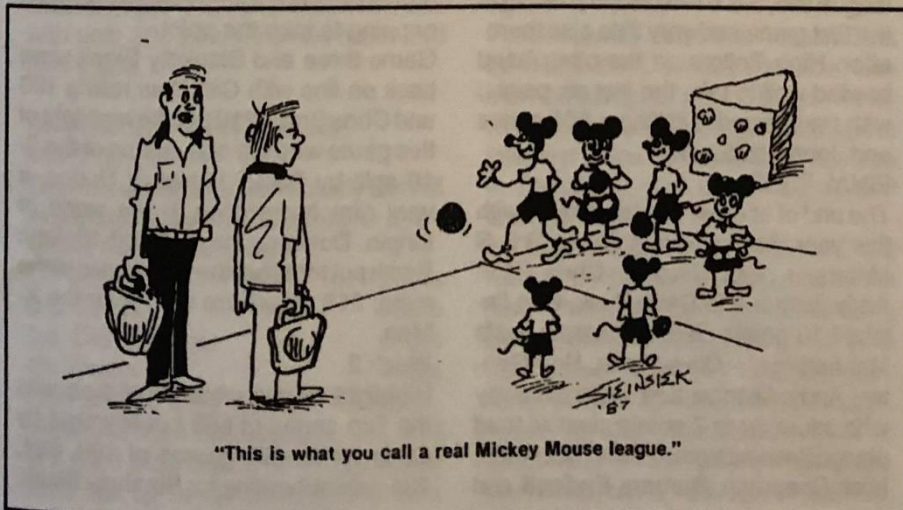
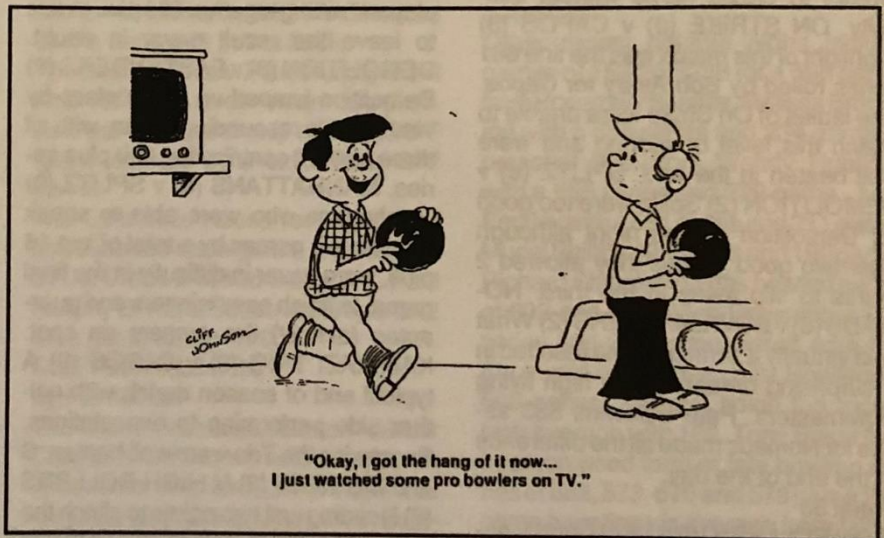
The magazine editorial will be under a slightly different format. Copy for the new magazine can be sent to World of Tenpin, 35 Cannon Street, Preston, Lancs PR1 3NS.

## USA HIGH SCORES FOR 1991-92 SEASON

Final American Bowling Congress 1990-91 season score leaders based upon scores approved by the ABC between 1st August 1990 and 31st July 1991.

INDIVIDUAL SERIES	
Wayne Poole	889
Mark Benavidez	889
TWO MAN GAME	
Pat Henry and Pat Healey	599
TWO MAN SERIES	
Arthur Temp II and David Knoblauch	1533
THREE MAN GAME	
Coors Light	853
THREE MAN SERIES	
Coors Light	2321
FOUR MAN GAME	
Last Place	1090
FOUR MAN SERIES	
Bad Boys	3035
FIVE MAN GAME	
Old Milwaukee	1361
FIVE MAN SERIES	
Holiday Lanes	3741

The highest LADIES series in the USA for 1990/91 that I have a record of is the 856 bowled by Kristy Whitcher. As of yet the Woman's International Bowling Congress have not issued their 1990-91 team score listings.





## AROUND THE CENTRES

### CLIFTONVILLE from Jackie Fenton BLACKPIN LEAGUE by Dave Buck

Week 32

**KAMIKAZI TRIO (4) v FOUR MUSKETEERS (4)** A close match here with the trio taking full advantage of their handicap to take 4 points. For the Musketeers, Graham Roff roller a 543 series and on his return after injury, Malcolm Fuller rolled 539. **HIGH ROLLERS (2) v EASTENDERS (6)** After a good first game the Rollers lost their way and allowed the Eastenders back into the match to take the last six points. Paul Crundell bowling for the rollers had a 577 series whilst John Barnes had 510 for Eastenders. **S & S MOTORS (6) v MANHATTANS (2)** Match of the day here as 1st place played 2nd. Manhattans set off like a train to easily take the first game. The second was in doubt right up until the final frame and the result went the way of the Motors. All to play for in the final game, but Manhattans lost their grip allowing the Motors to cruise home without difficulty. **ON STRIKE (0) v CAPOS (8)** Highlight of this match was the fine 661 series rolled by Bob Avery for Capos. The ladies of On Strike were unable to match this level of scoring and were well beaten in the end. **SPLITZ (6) v DEMOLITION (2)** Splitz were too good for Demolition on the night although after two good games they allowed 2 points to slip away in the third. **NOMADS (6) v BOWLMASTERS (2)** What was virtually a scratch game resulted in a surprising defeat for the high flying Bowmasters. Pete Baldwins 583 series for Nomads made all the difference at the end of the day.

Week 33

**HIGH ROLLERS (8) v SPLITZ (0)** Consistent scores from all three players gave High Rollers a convincing victory over Splitz. **KAMIKAZE TRIO (2) v ON STRIKE (6)** The ladies of On Strike showed improved form of late to trounce the Trio 6-2. Anne Seale and Lynn Baldwin did the damage with 510 and 502 series respectively. **THE NOMADS (6) v CAPOS (2)** The Nomads hit a purple patch with Pete Baldwin and John Smith recording series of 585 and 584 respectively to out point the Capos in the final result. **BOWLMASTERS (6) v FOUR MUSKETEERS (2)** A dour battle on lanes 5 and 6 with Bowmasters just taking the overall pinfall to secure the majority of the points. All six bowl-

ers scored consistently with Gary Steventon, bowling for the Bowmasters, being high man on a 576, whilst Malcolm Fuller rolled the high game of 234 for the Musketeers. **S & S MOTORS (4) v EASTENDERS (4)** League Champions elect, S & S Motors were given a stern test by the Eastenders and were fortunate in the end to come away with a share of the points. They now need just one point from the remaining 16 possible to become league champions. **MANHATTANS (2) v DEMOLITION (6)** Second place Manhattans lost ground in the title race with this 6-2 reversal. Demolition put together three consistent games and only lost the first by a mere 4 pins.

Week 34

**ON STRIKE (0) v BOWLMASTERS (8)** Apart from the very close first game Bowmasters proved too strong overall for On Strike. Boosted by a 603 series from Mick Chapman, they ran out easy winners. **NOMADS (8) v FOUR MUSKETEERS (0)** Having now taken 28 out of a possible 32 points, Nomads have left their challenge a trifle late over the past weeks. They coasted to an easy win over the Musketeers with all three players putting together 500 plus series to leave the result never in doubt. **DEMOLITION (8) v EASTENDERS (0)** Demolition jumped up to 5th place by virtue of this resounding victory with all three players contributing 500 plus series. **MANHATTANS (8) v SPLITZ (0)** Manhattans who were able to sneak the first two games by a total of just 16 pins, were never in difficulty in the final game, to finish easy winners and guarantee (almost) the runners up spot. **KAMIKAZI TRIO (0) v CAPOS (8)** A typical end of season match with neither side performing to expectations. Scorewise the Trio were well beaten. **S & S MOTORS (2) v HIGH ROLLERS (6)** Needing just two points to clinch the league title, S & S Motors did just that in the first game and very little else thereafter. High Rollers on the other hand bowled well to take the last six points, with Paul Crundell rolling a 605 series and John Boulton 578.

FINAL WEEK

The end of another season arrives with this year the honours going to S & S Motors, :- Baz Skelton, Chris Rice, Andy Jasper and Dave Buck, who finished 10 points clear of nearest rivals Manhattans, :- Clive Smith, Bob Gentry, Andy Allerton and Colin Ottaway who inturn were 7 points clear of third placed Bowmasters, :- Gary Steventon, Mick Chapman, Barbara Endicott and

Mike Luckhurst.

The "Wooden Spoonists" were the ladies of On Strike who turned up religiously week in week out, never moan or have "Airs & Graces" unlike some of their male counterparts. Its nice to know that they pick up £250.00 at least for themselves.

On the bowling front, special mention must be given to Mike Luckhurst for finishing the league on a 198 average over 99 games, I think it must be the highest average ever recorded at "Top Ten" over a winter season. He rolled 14 series of 600 plus during the season and his low series was 530.

Two of the newer names in bowling also acquitted themselves well during the league. Steve Milham improved his average from 156 to 174 between the 5th and 25th week, and Bob Gentry improved his average from 145 to 160 between the 6th week and the end of the season.

### BLACKPIN SUMMER DOUBLES

Week 1

The league commenced a short summer season on 28th May with an experimental scoring system designed to maintain the interest of all its members right up until the last week.

Game one saw Cliff Dew, bowling for Blankety Blank, start with a 243 game and assisted partner Chris Smiths 199 rack up a fine 422 scratch game.

Also, down on lanes 11 and 12 his other "Arf" Tracy, together with Roland Foxley put together a 394 scratch team game under the dubious team name of "Rollocks".

Game two and on lanes 1 and 2 a close battle was fought out between Cobras and Double Top, and even a 221 game from Gary Steventon of Cobras could not stop Double Top, Sally Fuller and Martin Howard taking the point. On lanes 5 and 6 The Dodos, David James and Bob Gentry caught Blankety Blank napping to take the point.

Game three and Blankety Blank were back on line with Cliff Dew rolling 190 and Chris Smith 212 but the highlight of this game was the conversion of the 7-10 split by David James of Dodos, a very rare occurrence in the world of tenpin. Down on lanes 9 and 10 John Smith put together the high series of the night, 613, to ensure victory for the X-Men.

Week 2

Highlight of this weeks matches was the fine series of 653 put together by Chris Smith with games of 198, 224, 231, whilst bowling for Blankety Blank.



Top spot however is held by X-Men, John Smith who followed last weeks 613 with a 602, and Darryl Oldfield. Two points behind are Blankety Blank who in turn have a 15 point lead over Double Chance for whom Tony Baker rolled a very nice 596.

Cobras and Punkah Wallahs both hit games of 400 plus but were way behind Blankety Blank whose second game was 419. Double Chance, Punkah Wallahs and X-Men all secured just over two points bonus in the scratch series section.

#### Week 3

Leading Light this week was Sally Fuller who rolled a 626 series for Double Top and was well supported by Partner Martin Howard with a 567 series. Their 3 point win plus nearly 4 points bonus lifted them to third place in the table behind Blankety Blank who scored just over three and a half points and the X-Men, who despite loosing the first two games bowled well enough to muster just under three and a half points. Punkah Wallahs kept up their challenge in 4th place with a solid four and a half points thanks to a 597 series from Kevin Miles. Fourth of July, a very independent team, scored well to pocket just over 5 points and dark horses Dodo's also managed 5 points.

#### Week 4

High Spot of this weeks fixtures was the 637 series for Roland Foxley bowling for his team "Rollocks". He was followed by Don Cook who did his Houdini act by rolling a 605 series with a 134 first game.

Another bowler who has really found a line is Bob Gentry who whilst bowling for the Dodos now has a personal best average of 173.

First and second places are still held by X-Men and Blankety Blank respectively whilst the Punkah Wallahs have moved up into third place. However, right down to tenth place the competition is close with only 200 pins between them and third place.

### ANIMAL SUMMER LEAGUE

from Phil Dawson

The Animal leagues has recently started its summer season and after just three weeks the positions are:

1st Jays	20 pts
2nd Zebras	18 pts
3rd Old Dragons	18 pts
4th Crabs	17 pts

High scores from the first weeks include 643 from Paul Murphy, 613 and 576 from Matt Slade, 570 from Steve Hatt, 559 by Darryl Oldfield, 558 from

Jill Baldwin, 547 from Clive Smith and 546 by John Smith.

### WAKEY WAKEY SUMMER LEAGUE

from Phil Dawson

June the 21st saw the start of this Sunday Morning league with wins for Two Live Crew over Spares, Hotshots over Metter & Sims, Star Trek over Sunday Traders and Yawners over Still in Bed.

High series of the week went to Steve Eastop with a 565 which included a 223 game. Other good series were posted by Mick Lewis with a 544 (213 game), Kevin Miles 539 and Mike Redhead 527.

### SEASIDE LEAGUE

Highlight of the league on the 24th April was another fine series rolled by Mike Luckhurst bowling for the Catfish team. Games of 253, 209 and 254 making a 716 series, his second 700 series in a month, unfortunately his team failed to take any points in their match.

### ANIMAL LEAGUE

Congratulations to the Terradogs ... Phil Dawson, Ian Ottaway and Nigel Pope the champions of the Animal League for the second year running. Runners up, Buffaloes finished just two and a half points behind with Beavers third a further 23 points back.

The last week saw Paul Murphy bowl nine strikes in a row before the pressure got to him and only managed a 7 spare followed by a strike for a 277 game.

The Cliftonville House record, for the three person team game, was broken by the Crabs with Mat Slade 211, Paul Murphy 277 and Shaun McGregor 212 for a game total of 700.

### CLIFTONVILLE YBC

by Pat Milham

The Kent Area Association Junior Championships were held this year at Whitstable. The Juniors were split into divisions depending upon their average.

For Cliftonville, in Division 1, Amy Cole bowled a 293. Division 3 saw Zoe Houston roll games of 181, 178 and 155 for a 514 series which was good enough to take first place. Amanda Ottaway, also in Division 3, had a 447 series and finished third.

In Division 4 Michael Chang and Chris Harris both bowled a 429 series which gave them joint 2nd place. Division 5 saw Andrew Reynold bowl well for a 458 series. Mark (C) Icke 442 and Kevin Milham 438 also bowled well.

Victory in the Team Event went to Cliftonville "B" with Jason Thompson, 181, Chris Harris, 159, Steve Hatt, 150,

and Amanda Ottaway, 146. Well done to all those Cliftonville Juniors who took part.

### MARGATE MONDAY TRIOS

from Rosemary Bentley

With just three weeks left to go in the league, HITS & MISSES are just holding onto top position with 104 points, but breathing down their necks are THE IN CROWD on 103, J & D 98.5 and DOLLY MIXTURES 96.5. So all to play for.

The Team High series of 1698 held by TOPHATS came close to being beaten by two teams, firstly, J & D had a good attempt, Jon Love 565, Martin Drinkwater 560 and Peter Valente 556 making a total of 1681. DOLLY MIXTURES rolled 1676 made up by 630 from Sandy Sawyer, 618 from Sally Fuller and 428 from Gill Cook.

The 630 series from Sandy was also a new ladies high series for the season, she was to follow this the next week with yet another plus 600 series, this time a 614. Both Sally Fuller and Sandy Sawyer are bowling very consistently holding averages of 175 and 174 respectively.

Other recent notable highs include games of 153/207/238 for a 598 series from Rosemary Bentley, Melissa Browning with a 555 series and 234 game. A personal best from Wendy Hubbard with a 555 series and 229 game, June Bentley with a 531 series and 211 game, Muriel Phillips 498 series and 192 game. Richard Shingleston has bowled series of 602 and 611, Allen Browning a 605 series and 253 game, which equalled the men's high game. Billy Howland a 600 series, and still holds the men's high average with 182. Tony Baker has been on good form of late bowling series of 582, 573, 570 and 578 plus a 242 game boosting his average from 166 to 170. Other good scores came from Roy Hubbard, 556 series and 240 game, Steve Bentley 557 series, Harry Phillips 567 series and Paul Monks with a 216 game.

Congratulations to Vince Shaw, bowling his first 200 game, and also to Kevin Perkins with a 210 game. Shane Wilson has bowled a personal best with 169/202/210 for a 581 series. Well done to you all.

### FRIDAY FOURS LEAGUE

by Harry Phillips

The Friday Fours league finished its season at the end of May with "Demolition" as league champions. The winning team comprised of Kevin Williams,