

# BOWLING NEWS

of the BT.B.A.



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## A CHRISTMAS WISH



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= PEACE & GOODWILL

OR HAPPINESS IS PIN SHAPED!!! (with no apologies to the Egg Marketing Board!)

The year 1966 has not been a good one for the sport of tenpin bowling, and some of the damage done, both to the B.T.B.A. and to the financial position of some proprietors, will take some years to repair. That it will be repaired there is no doubt. The new spirit existing with some area associations should be seen by the Dismal Jimmys - so should the new look centres at Ilkeston and Newzastle with their beautiful AMF Streamline 325 equipment and the plans for such towns as Debden, Hoddesdon and Lewisham. The next few months will see a period of consolidation and some change - but the sport of tenpin bowling will forge ahead despite the attempts of a few who concern themselves more with personalities than with the good of the sport. A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS TO EVERYONE ASSOCIATED WITH OUR GREAT SPORT AND MAY 1967 SEE THE LESSONS WELL LEARNED AND BE A PERIOD OF A NEW CO-OPERATION - FOR PROGRESS, PROSPERITY AND THE GOOD OF US ALL.





#### DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD SCHEME FOR TENPIN BOWLING

Our sport is now recognised by this World famous scheme and advance information has been received of the categories in which qualification can be obtained. Youngsters can enter for the Beginners section, the Intermediate or Advanced and full details of each syllabus will shortly appear on your B.T.B.A. notice boards. Contrary to the report in the Tenpin Pictorial the scheme is to be run in conjunction with the British Tenpin Bowling Association, which is, of course, the only recognised organisation for the sport in Great Britain. A list of qualified instructors can be obtained from B.T.B.A. Head Office.

#### NOT SUCH A LONG JUMP AFTER ALL!

ERNIE MILLAR'S five person team sponsored by RONNIE SCOTT'S JAZZ CLUB pondered for some time before deciding to make the jump from the handicap OLYMPIC LEAGUE at Bexleyheath to the tough METROPOLITAN CLASSIC scratch league.

Their fears as regards some of the formidable opposition, however, were unfounded as after five week's bowling they head the table ready to take on all comers. Other more retiring types take note - it often pays to have a go!

#### SEQUEL TO THAT 734 SERIES

The new ABC Bowling Controller, Mr. DOUGLAS EWIN, presented JACK MORTON with his new ball, bag and shoes at Bexleyheath in recognition of his fine series reported last month. "Now watch him go sick with a new ball", said some. Not Jack with a ball he had never used before he went straight out and rolled a 606 series!

#### QUESTION OF THE MONTH

Why is DOG BITE now known as BOG HOUND? Ask him if you dare!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

#### CAR STICKERS

Reading "WE'RE IN LEAGUE WITH THE B.T.B.A.", car stickers are now available for those with the courage of their convictions. Apply to the Area Secretary and they will be provided free of charge.

One of these stickers was recently reported as having been seen in the rear window of JOHN NEWMAN'S car at Wembley. Has he seen the light at long last?

#### SCORES THAT ARE NOT RECORDED ON PAGE 4!

We hear of an individual series of 662 and an all time 3 person team game record of 652 being bowled in the Bexleyheath BROADWAY LEAGUE. These scores do not appear in the Area listings, however, as so far no application for B.T.B.A. sanction has been received from this league. With such B.T.B.A. stalwarts as PETE COOK, ALF & JOYCE ROGERS rolling in the league we cannot imagine that it is not going to sanction for the season and await developments with interest.

### **'THE PICTORIAL'**

Does John Newman of Tenpin Pictorial really believe some of the bilge he he publishes as fact or is vainly trying to discredit the B.T.B.A? We must all agree that his newspaper is biased against the bowlers own association but his last three issues have gone overboard. A LIE A MONTH appears to be the policy.

It started with the LIE in September that the Kent Area B.T.B.A. had instigated the Berleyheath walkout. Our letter in protest was not published. The October issue contained the LIE that members of the B.T.B.A. had tried to sabotage the Rothmans Tournament. November continues with the LIE that the B.T.B.A. General Secretary had stated that the Tenpin Pictorial was going into liquidation with debts of £7,000. The December issue could well wish us all a Merry Easter if the trend continues but seriously - what was said at that meeting at Corby?

Investigation into the FACTS reveal that our General Secretary referred to a winding up order being made against Tenpin Publications Ltd for <u>several</u> thousand pounds. A vicious lie Mr Newman? Further investigation confirmed that a winding up order by plaintiffs Hill and Tyler Ltd was set down for hearing in the Royal Courts of Justice on 10th. October 1966 before Mr. Justice Plowman. No order was actually made, however, as the matter was settled by mutual consent. Not the type of publicity that you would want? We agree - and these facts would never have been mentioned by this publication but for your constant attacks against Morris Glazer, a man who has done more for the sport of tenpin bowling than any other single person in this country. It is a pity that you cannot print plain facts and promote all aspects of the sport without distortion and bias and also a pity that letters sent to you that oppose your personal views are 'not received' or blatantly suppressed.

Your paper is doing more to fan the flames of the dispute between the bowlers and the proprietors than any other single factor. Should tenpin further decline in Great Britain you, Mr Newman, could be considered as one of the main architects of the collapse.

State and state

Don't you realise that if bowling fails the Tenpin
Pictorial also fails? Wake up John Newman - check
your 'facts', publish the truth plain and unvarnished.
Who knows your circulation may even commence to rise
again. A Merry Christmas.



### AREA HI'S!

5 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	THE COMMITTEE	BEX	2731
	1 GAME	THE COMMITTEE THE COMMITTEE	BEX BEX	977 952
4 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	THE HELMSMEN THE TOPOJETS	WHIT BEX	2221 2189 -
	1 GAME	THE HELMSMEN THE TOPOJETS	WHIT BEX	810 770
3 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	NIGHTRIDERS THE COMMITTEE RED FLINTSTONE FLICKERS	BEX BEX BEX	1753 1707 1698
	1 GAME	NIGHTRIDERS AUDEOVID THE COMMITTEE RED	BEX CHAT BEX	643 623 612
2 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	No claim yet made		
The service with	1 GAME	No claim yet made		
MIXED DOUBLES	3 GAMES	RUFF AND REDDY THE VIADUCTS THE VERVICS	BEX BEX BEX	1108 1068 1064
	1 GAME	RUFF AND REDDY THE VERVICS THE MAGNETS	BEX BEX BEX	402 392 389
INDIVIDUAL MEN	3 GAMES	JACK MORTON ALF ROGERS	BEX BEX	734 655
	1 GAME	ALF ROGERS JOHN MITCHELL FRED SHRIMPTON	BEX CHAT BEX	288 276 275
INDIVIDUAL LADIES	3 GAMES	JANET MORRISON JANET MORRISON	BEX BEX	611 603
	1 GAME	JANET MORRISON JANET MORRISON NORMA BRIDGE	BEX BEX BEX	258 237 234
INDIVIDUAL JUNIORS	3 GAMES	No claim yet made		
	1 GAME	No claim yet made		

Congratulations to the NIGHTRIDERS who last season rolled the highest series and game for 3 person teams - they already head the listings for 1966/67. also to ALF ROGERS who has equaled the area single game record held by PAT DUGGAN. Opening with a spare Alf proceeded to string ten in a row, but could only muster an eight count with the last ball. Another near miss in this category was JOHN MITCHELL who had 9X in a row for a fine 276 and FRED SHRIMPTON who opened with a six bagger, spared a difficult 5 count and struck out for a 275. is making her presence felt in the listings and at the time of going to press is holding onto a fantistic 190 average over 24 games in the THURSDAY PETERSEN SINGLE

MAKE SURE YOUR SECRETARY INCLUDES YOUR SCORES FOR THIS MONTHLY LISTING.