

YORKSHIRE TAKE BOTH COUNTY TITLES

The final results are just out for the 1994 Inter County Championships held at AMF Bowl Nottingham on the 12/13th of November.

Both Men's and Ladies Titles going to Yorkshire.

MEN

	Won	Lost	Pins
Yorkshire	8	1	9506
Peterborough	7	2	9132
Berkshire	7	2	9973
Hampshire	5	4	8781
Lincolnshire	5	4	8716
Surrey	5	4	8578
Oxfordshire	3	6	8490
Mid Lothian	2	7	8155
Stirling	2	7	8111
Kent	1	8	8397

High Team Game		
Peterborough		1151
High Ind. Game		
Ron Oldfield		298
High Average		
Ron Oldfield		233

LADIES

Yorkshire	8	1	8489
Essex	7	2	8004
Durham	6	3	8120
Berkshire	6	3	7754
Hampshire	5	4	8066
Warwickshire	4	5	8001
Kent	4	5	7536
Lanarkshire	2	7	7417
Northants	2	7	7346
Fife	1	8	7207

High Team Game		
Yorkshire		1038
High Ind. Game		
Mandy Bryant		266
High Average		
Mandy Bryant		203

The teams representing Kent at the finals were:

Sheila White, Lesley Pope, Sue Trott, Jan Luckhurst, Lucy Cudmore and Angie Thick for the Ladies and Keith Hodge, Steve Carnall, Steve White, Mike Luckhurst, Chas Painter and John Amos for the Men.

I will not say much about their scoring, other than it was not their day, but at least we got both teams to the finals.

INTER COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS 2nd QUALIFYING ROUND

The second qualifying round of this years Inter County Championships took place on the first Sunday in September at Romford Bowl. Both our Ladies and Men's teams had high hopes going into the day that they would both qualify for the finals.

The men's team were John Amos, Alan Haley, Chas Painter, Steve Carnall, Clive Mitchell, Steve White and Mike Luckhurst.

Kent men had wins against Hertfordshire 998/909, Buckinghamshire 966/959, Middlesex 1048/1043 and Essex 1011/935, while the losses were against Suffolk 856/892, London 929/943, Norfolk 834/846, Sussex 866/877 and Surrey 866/961.

The eight points for the day and the 14 gained in the first qualifying round were enough to put Kent in second spot in the South East zone and a place in the finals.

The ladies team was Sheila White, Sue Trott, Angie Thick, Lesley Pope, Lucy Cudmore and Margaret Shrimpton.

They, like the men, managed four wins and five loses. The wins being against Suffolk 794/732, London 839/811, Buckinghamshire 857/820 and Middlesex 851/802. The loses being against Hertfordshire 769/800, Norfolk 839/911 Sussex 827/903, Essex 783/823 and Surrey 886/960.

This eight points gave our ladies a two round total of 20 points and fifth place in the table.

However, all was not over yet. With protests all around it took the Inter County Secretary and the BTBA some weeks to

finalise the table. Two of the counties that the Kent ladies had lost two had players disqualified and their scores removed from the results, thus giving our ladies four more points and second place and a chance at the finals.

Kents averages for the round were

Chas Painter	201.8 / 9 games
Mike Luckhurst	188.2 / 9 games
John Amos	184.5 / 9 games
Clive Mitchell	184.1 / 6 games
Steve White	180.8 / 6 games
Steve Carnall	171.7 / 4 games
Alan Haley	162.5 / 2 games
Team Average	938.4

Sheila White	180.8 / 9 games
Sue Trott	176.7 / 9 games
Angie Thick	161.8 / 4 games
Lesley Pope	157.5 / 9 games
Lucy Cudmore	156.6 / 8 games
Margaret Shrimpton	149.2 / 5 games
Team Average	825.0

CLIFTONVILLE HOUSE RECORD FOR ANDY ALLERTON

Bowling in the Premier Scratch Singles league on 5th October 1994 Andy Allerton put together games of 255, 253 and 255 for a new Cliftonville House Record Series of 763.

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1994 BRUNSWICK MEMORIAL WORLD OPEN HONOURS BOWLING LEGEND DICK WEBBER

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News Letter of the World Bowling Writers Association

Lake Forest, Ill. — Bowling legend Dick Weber, the only professional bowler to win at least one title in each of the five decades since the 1950's, has been named the 1994 Brunswick Memorial World Open Honouree.

Weber, 64, has been a dominant force in the sport since 1955 when he began his career as a member of the legendary "Budwisers" team that set the world record with a 3858 series on March 12th, 1958.

For that and many other team bowling feats — including four national team championships — The Budwisers were honoured at the 1989 Brunswick Memorial World Open.

A charter member of the Professional Bowlers Association, Weber served as its president in 1969-70 and has won 32 titles during his professional career

(26 PBA titles, six PBA Senior titles).

He was a four-time BPAA All-Star, a three-time Bowler of the Year, PBA Player of the Year in 1965 and holds PBA records for Consecutive Cashes (72, from 1960-64), Consecutive Top 5 Finish (5 in 1961) and Consecutive Top 24 Finishes (23 in 1963).

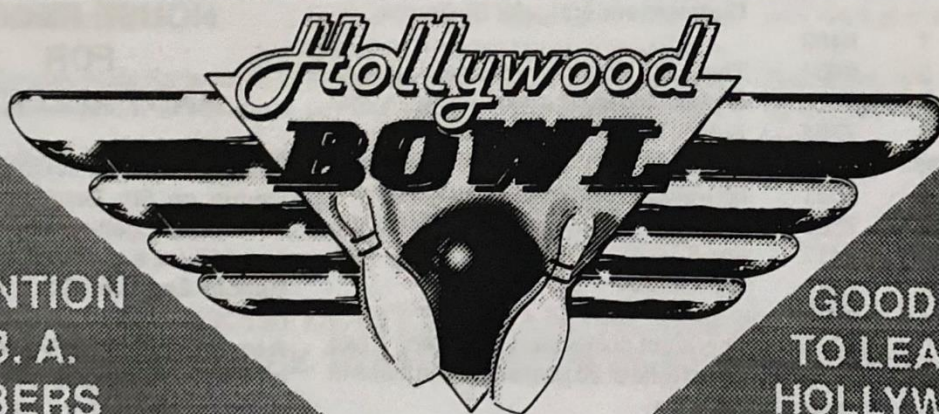
Weber's ABC record is equally impressive: he has one ABC Tournament title and 14 other finishes in the top 10. His lifetime average is over 200 and he has seven 1900 all events totals. In ABC Masters Competition, Weber has averaged almost 210 for over 400 games.

Past Brunswick Memorial World Open Honourees include:

1979	Hank Marino
1980	Tournament not held
1981	Andy Varipapa

1982	Marion Ladewig
1983	Frank Baker
1984	Joe Norris
1985	Ned Day
1986	Alberta Crowe
1987	Karl Goldhammer
1988	Arianne Cerdena & Kwon Jong-Yul
1989	The Budwisers
1990	Earl Anthony
1991	Eddie Elias & Milt Rutt
1992	Don Carter
1993	Mort Luby Jr. & Sam Weinstein

The 1994 Brunswick Memorial World Open was held November 3 - 9 at Brunswick Deer Park Lanes in Lake Zurich, Ill. Pro-Am squads was conducted all day on November 3rd, and tournament action started on November 4th at 9a.m.



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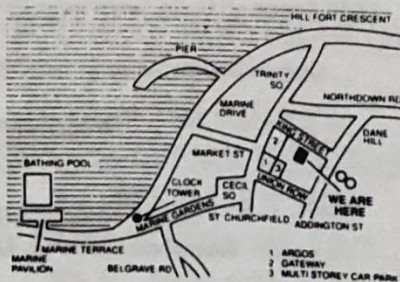
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BOWLING AND THE OLYMPICS

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Bowling failed to win Olympic medal status at the recent International Committee congress held in Paris, but Steve Jones, director of marketing and media for the Australian Tenpin Bowling Congress, warns against giving up all hope.

"Although Teakwonda and Triathlon were added as medal sports for the Sydney games in 2000, bowling still has a chance to get in," Jones offered. He added that the IOC again will review bids for inclusion after its next congress, to be held in Hungary in 1995, and after the 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanta.

It's still believed that the IOC will move to limit the total number of participants, coaches and officials at a Games site to approximately 15,000 which means that some of the more populous sports may be "on the bubble". If some sports are dropped, bowling may be able to slip in their places.

1995 AIB BANK IRISH OPEN

Nearly US\$20,000 in prize money will be at stake in the 7th annual AIB Bank Irish Open, to be staged at Dublin's Stillorgan Bowl, in Jan. 26-29 1995. The men's champion will pocket US\$4,000, the women's US\$1,200, in the pro-style format. Nearly 400 bowlers from 15 countries competed in the 1994 event, which was won by Britain's Geoff Buck and Pauline Smith.

END OF THE BOOM??

The Korean bowling boom has all but ended, according to Boo-Woong Choi, president of the Bowling Proprietors Association of Korea.

Choi, who was a featured speaker at International Day at the recent Bowling Proprietors Association of American convention, said that the total number of Korean bowlers has levelled off at about 5.5 million.

The growth in bowling lanes, which has averages more than 50 percent for the last five years has dropped to about 7 percent.

NEWS FROM AUSTRALIA

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Bradley Hatfield has become the youngest bowler ever to roll a 300 game in Australia. Hatfield, 13 years and 10 months used a teammate's ball during the Alice Springs City Championships at the Dust Bowl to record the perfect. Amazingly, the ball he used not only was borrowed, but it was two pounds heavier than his usual equipment - and drilled for the opposite hand (Hatfield is right-handed). Hatfield's feat eclipsed the four year old mark set by David Booker, who was 14 years and 4 days old when he bowled his first 300 game.

With decision time for the 2000 Olympic Games agenda drawing nigh, the air is rife with rumours as to which sports are in and which are out. The most recent rumour has golf, rugby and triathlon as the "sure" new sports for the Sydney Olympics. But John Burgess, the Australian TV quiz show host who is chairing the Australian Bowling Industry Effort Group, urges everyone to stay cool and continue to fight for bowling's chances. "Golf and Rugby are surprising, because there has been no groundswell of support at the grassroots here in Australia for these two sports," Burgess told Bowlers Journal International recently. "On the other hand, triathlon and taekwondo both have lobbied long and hard to win spots, and they probably have very good chances of being accepted. But we mustn't forget that tenpin bowling's chances, and everyone's chances, for that matter, depend greatly on which and how many sports are dropped from the 1996 Atlanta agenda, due to the projected restructuring of the Games program."

GREENHORN!

In English, "Greenhorn" means a person with no expertise; a real rookie. But that wasn't the case at the 24th European Corporate Championships in Dublin, when the Berlin "Greenhorn" team took the four man team title at Stillorgan Bowl.

The women's doubles was won by Terveysvirat of Finland. Thirty-six doubles and 112 four-person teams from 12 nations entered the 1994 event

RUSSIA GOES BOWLING

Tenpin bowling was greeted warmly in St. Petersburg this past July, when AMF Bowling Inc. set up two fully equipped lanes at the Goodwill Games Sports and Business Expo.

Among those St. Petersburg residents who waited in long line for five days for a chance to try their hands at tenpins was Mayor Anatoly Sobchak, who had to be coerced off the lanes to allow others a chance to bowl. "Addictive", the mayor was heard to mutter as he left AMF's pavilion.

In addition to the free open play, AMF staged a bowl-off between two members of the fledgling Russian Bowling Federation for the right to represent Russia at this year's AMF Bowling World Cup. The 12 game matchplay competition drew crowds of spectators to the lanes over two days and resulted in Yuri Sekirkin defeating Alexander Polukmin for the trip to Hermosillo Mexico this month.

EUROPEAN SENIOR BOWLERS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The 1995 ESB Championships will be hosted in Ireland from June 24th to 30th 1995 at both Stillorgan Bowl and Dundrum Bowl.

The Senior age classifications are as follows: Age 50 to 56; Age 57 to 66; Age 67+

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SENIOR TRIPLE CROWN CHAMPIONSHIPS

All Bowlers over the age of 50 who qualify as English by birth or parentage are invited to participate in a selection tournament to determine the representative squad for the inaugural Senior Triple Crown hosted by Wales in April 1995

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30th AMF BOWLING WORLD CUP

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The 30th AMF Bowling World Cup was held November 6-13 in one of the world's newest and most elegant centers, Bol Satelite, in Hermosillo, Mexico. The 32-lane center, an architectural gem set in the wealthiest area of this booming city of 700,000 cost \$5 million to build. It has all the latest equipment, a 13 foot curvilinear ceiling studded with theatre lights, and a puce-and teal colour scheme.

At least 60 nations are expected to send contestants to the 30th anniversary of the bowling world's most important annual singles event. Russia will join several other countries making their BWC debuts.

Fernando Gurierrez-Cohen, owner of the host center, is a construction contractor and former World Cup hopeful. He once captured the Sonora title in Mexican National qualifying event, but he did not advance to the finals. To prepare himself for this year's event, he witnesses the 1992 World Cup finals in Le Mans, France.

The 100+ contestants in the tournament will be housed in the modern Holiday Inn, about 15 minutes by chartered bus from the host center. Hermosillo, the capitol of Sonora state, is less than half-hour from Bahia de Kino, one of Mexico's tourist destinations. Tours to the beaches and fishing docks will be arranged for bowlers and visitors. The abundant social program will include a Mexican Night fiesta in the plaza of the state capital building.

3rd FIQ/WTBA WORLD YOUTH CHAMPION- SHIPS

The Australian girls' squad, along with Finns Pasi Pollanen and Jaana Puhakka, captured the spotlight at the third FIQ/WTBA World Youth Championships, conducted in Monterrey, Mexico August 6-13.

Out of five events, the Aussies took gold in three, two silvers and a bronze on their way to winning the Cojuangco Cup for overall team performance.

Only Puhakka interrupted the flow of gold to Down Under, winning the girl's singles before successfully defending her world youth Masters title against Australia's Kelly Warren and top-seeded Liz Johnson of the U.S. in the stepladder finals.

In addition to Puhakka, who also won a silver in the doubles, Finland was well represented on the winner's podium by Pollanen, who won the boy's singles and all-events and contributed to the gold medal effort in the team competition.

Pollanen, who paced the matchplay in the Masters event, lost his chance for a fourth gold medal when he fell to Taiwan's Chiang An-Shan in the stepladder championship match. Thanks primarily to Pollanen's heroics, the Finns won the Cojuangco Cup easily over the United States and Taiwan.

Finland's girls finished a distant second in the medal glory. Mexico's girls took the silver in five-person team, while the boy's shared the bronze with the U.S. Manuel Gonzalez and Jose Rodriguez landed the silver in boy's doubles and Gonzalez added a bronze in the all-events to cap Mexico's medal harvest.

PANASONIC SINGAPORE OPEN

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National team member Ronnie Ng, 41, blazed his way to a perfect game and a new car during the Masters qualifying round of the 1994 Panasonic Singapore Open, held at Victor's Superbowl in August. Ng, whose 300 was the only perfect of the competition, was rewarded with a cash bonus of S\$50,000 (US\$33,255) and an Opel Corsa auto of equal value.

Despite the 300 game however, Ng failed to make the stepladder finals in the men's division, where Malaysian veteran Y. H. Ng topped Finland's Tom Hahl 216-191, and top-seeded Jack Wong of Singapore 214-204 and 191-188 to win the men's Masters title.

Y.H.'s national teammate, Lisa Kwan forged a similar victory, defeating Singapore's Grace Young 217-187 and front runner Carol Loy 232 192 and 178-177 to take the women's crown.

3rd EUROPEAN SENIOR SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS

The third European Seniors Championships moved to Tali Bowl, Finland, this year and attracted 537 players from 14 nations. Three age-based classes of contestants competed for singles, doubles, trios and round robin all events titles during the last week of June.

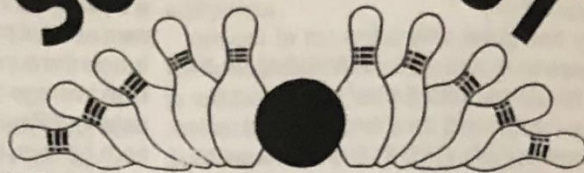
Notable among the winners were former Swedish national player and coach Goran Bergendorff, who set a new record of 2659 in the doubles with his partner Rune Andersson, and won the 50-56 age class all events title with a 222.6 average; and former international star Edmond Clauws of Belgium, who won the 67 and over all events crown with a 200 average.

Ranto Erkki of Finland captured the men's 57-66 age class all events, while Gun Otterdahl (Sweden), Marie Rautakoski (Finland) and Pirkko Malmi (Finland) won the women's all events titles in the respective categories.

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EARLY BIRDS LEAGUE

from Peter Cox

After two years of preparation and discussions with our Area Secretary we finally made it! As of Sunday 11th September 1994, Chatham is on the map, and a **SANCTIONED LEAGUE** on **SANCTIONED LANES** is in existence. Many thanks to K.T.B.A. for attending our AGM on 4th September and cracking the bottle of champagne to launch us on our way. As I write this first report ten weeks of competition have gone and we still have twenty two to go and I am sure that the best is yet to come.

Week One

With sixteen teams forming the league and some redistribution of strengths and weaknesses being formed into new teams the first week saw **DOUBLE TROUBLE** go top with a scratch score of 1093 and a first 8-0 win over **RUSTLERS**. However there's nothing like leading from the top and league president, Peter Cox, bowled a scratch game of 233 which included seven strikes in a row to take individual honours. This was closely followed by Gordon Smith with a 227. Gordon's scratch series was 617 and Peter's 604. How's that for starters?

Week Two

A short lived life at the top saw **TEN SPINNERS** attain top position after week two when they recorded a second 8-0 win to lead by two points from **CRUSADERS**. Individual honours this week went to Richard McMollin who followed the lead from last week and bowled a 232 scratch for and individual handicap game of 268, Richard also recorded his first ever 500 series with a 501 and a five bagger to boot.

Week Three

Yet another change at the top as **AMERICAN FLYERS** assume top position with 22 points from 24 although **CRUSADERS** keep up retaining their two points difference at 20 points. The honours were with the ladies this week when Jan Smith of **SMUDGERS** rolled a second game of 197 to couple with 152 and 168 for her first ever 500+ series of 517, (598 handicap).

Week Four

By being the only team out of the top three to record a win **AMERICAN FLYERS** consolidated their position at the top by opening up a ten point lead over nearest rivals **CRUSADERS** this week. Individual honours were David Pitt with a 214 scratch game which included five in a row, Jan Smith continued her form last week with a 205 scratch game which also included a five bagger and Jerry Moll with a 574 series with games of 172, 209, and 193 (613 handicap).

Week Five

How the mighty have fallen, a crushing 8-0 defeat by **TEN SPINNERS** means **AMERICAN FLYERS** lost their top spot after **TEN SPINNERS** played a postponed match that brought them a total of 14 points out of 16 and back to top position. Newcomer to the league and the Sunday mornings exercises Marc Carr bowled a third game of 222 to record a three game series of 490, whilst consistency gave Mick Tumber a mornings high series of 561 with games of 180, 211 and 170 and if this wasn't enough Mick recorded two five baggers, one each in two of his games. It wasn't enough because his opponent in **DAMBUSTERS**, Gordon Smith, decided to record a seven stringer on the same morning thereby sharing morning honours and game honours 4-4.

Week Six

So now its a tie at the top with the edge being taken by **AMERICAN FLYERS** over **TEN SPINNERS** on pin count, its level points at 36-12. You know being in thirteenth position out of sixteen might deter some people but not our Marcus. Bowling for **WANDERERS TWO**, Marcus Sutton posted games of 214, 127 and 201 to record a morning high of 542, for the ladies Rosemary Moll recorded the mornings high scratch game of 195 and 468 series to take the ladies honours.

Week Seven.

Due to unfortunate mechanical difficulties only four out of eight games were possible this morning although **AMERICAN FLYERS** yet again were on the winning trail by recording yet another 6-2 win to go top of the league with a 42-14 record. Individual honours were somewhat muted due to postponed games, however, consistent Gordon Smith bowled a 215 scratch game and

a 615 series to be only 2 pins behind his own current top honour of 617. Gordon is now the current holder of the league's high average of 184. The **GLADIATORS** pairing of Paul Gateley and Mick Tumber both hit form in the second half of their match for 200 and 201 games respectively thereby recording a 401 team high game, the highest so far.

Week Eight.

Now the records start tumbling, a game of 235 contributing to a 586 series by Gordon Smith and an 8-0 win over **AMERICAN FLYERS**, and **DAMBUSTERS** go top of the league with **GLADIATORS** in second position on pin count only since both teams have points scores of 44-20. League honours this week are shared by Gordon Smith (617 high series scratch, 235 high game scratch, 185 average); Jan Smith (220 high game scratch, 517 high series scratch, 598 high series handicap and 151 average) and by **DOUBLE TROUBLE** who hold all the team honours.

Week Nine.

CRUSADERS pair Marilyn Godley and Alan Valsler pulled off an amazing comeback in their match against **PHOENIX** today. Having lost the first two games they needed to win the third by 107 pins to get a draw and four points. Marilyn raised her partners hopes by bowling a superb game of 210 (234 handicap) which inspired Alan to bowl a 201 and achieve the desired result. Their team score of 411 (450 with handicap) is the highest bowled so far this season. Current league placings are **DAMBUSTERS** 52 points, **GLADIATORS** 50 points and **DOUBLE TROUBLE** 48 points.

Week Ten.

Yet another league leader as **GLADIATORS**, Paul Gateley and Mick Tumber take pole position with a 56-24 points score, but only two points behind are **DAMBUSTERS** and **DOUBLE TROUBLE**. This weeks individual honour goes to Suzanne Palmer bowling off a 108 average, Suzanne bowled a 162 scratch game for a 209 handicap and a 513 handicap series, Well done Suzanne.

To date a very exciting and enjoyable league as I said at the beginning, I'm sure the best is yet to come.