

The seasons Team and Individual high Games and Series include handicap and they were:

Team High Series	
Kent Redskins	1958
Alpha Omega	1950
The Hitchhikers	1940

Team High Game	
The Pinslayers	704
Kent Redskins	701
The Hitchhikers	688

Individual High Series	
Steve Williams	736
Paul Barton	710

Individual High Game	
Steve Williams	277
Jim Middleditch	274
John Cudmore	274

Ladies High Series	
Lucy Cudmore	741

Ladies High Game	
Lucy Cudmore	293

High Averages:	
1st Steve Williams	184
2nd Roy Memmott	178
3rd Daniel Patey	175
4th Bill Shrimpton	175
5th Fred Collins	174

Ladies High Averages	
1st Vicky Preston	158
2nd Angie Thick	157

Most Improved Bowlers	
1st Alan Openshaw	+16.5
2nd Andrew Krangel	+14.3
3rd Paul Roberts	+ 9.5
4th Ron Farrington	+ 7.4
5th Glen Roberts	+ 7.3

An now to our new season which is some three months old and before listing the latest positions I will honour a few personal high scores. (They are in no particular order).

Edward Shrimpton 600 series (207, 169, 224), Mark Osborne 200 game, Allan Thompson 617 series (203, 235, 179), Andrew Krangel 647 series (206, 216, 225) and Jim Middleditch 589 series (178, 200, 211).

I am sure others have worked hard to get good scores in what to date have been hard scoring lane conditions.

Now to the league standings after eleven

weeks of our season:

1st	Alpha Omega	50 pts
2nd	The Pinslayers	48 pts
3rd	Kent Redskins	44 pts
4th	Who Spares Wins	41 pts
	Split Pins	41 pts
6th	Blue Thunder	38 pts

Team High Series	
Blue Thunder	1898

Team High Game	
Blue Thunder	681

Individual High Series	
Andrew Krangel	755

Individual High Game	
Gred Booth	285

Ladies High Series	
Lucy Cudmore	654

Ladies High Game	
Angie Thick	244

High Averages:

1st	Roy Memmott	184
2nd	Steve Williams	176
3rd	Bill Shrimpton	176
4th	Fred Collins	174
5th	Allan Thompson	170

Top Ladies Averages:

1st	Angie Thick	160
2nd	Margaret Shrimpton	154

## WHITSTABLE

### WHITSTABLE YBC

by Martin Beale

The Whitstable YBC runs a league of four person teams from September to July - approximately 40 weeks.

At the half-way stage, one team - "Flintstones" (Andrew Senior, Tim Beale, Nathan Clark and Robert Gore) - appears to be dominating.

Flintstones' record is indeed impressive. With an 81% win rate at an average of 638, they also hold the season's high series scratch (2069), high series handicap (2273) and high game scratch (733 which they have achieved twice).

The individual members hold the league's top three boys' scratch individual highs - for series we have Tim Beale with 589, Nathan Clark with 561 and Andrew Senior with 560. For games, Tim (again) leads with a 242, then Nathan with a 235. Tim also recorded the third highest score of 226 (equalled by Nathan in the Margate Inter-Centre tournament in January), and Andrew Senior has the fourth highest with a 224. Tim also holds

high series handicap (646) and high game handicap (260).

In second place and fighting hard comes "Shankers" (Jonathan Whorlow, Darren Hatton, Samantha Cooper and Chris Hall). Jonathan and Darren are both on form, turning in regular 500 series. Samantha has just been awarded her BTBA Instructors (Phase 1) certificate after attending the instructors' course held at Beckton in January - very well done, Sam! Chris is also finding his form, turning in a nice 513 series recently. Have they left it too late to put the pressure on the Flintstones? Time will tell.

Whitstable is an unusual YBC in that it has a strong female presence (50% of the league members are girls). Many of the them are young newcomers to bowling, but are showing great promise, improving their averages regularly. They are determined that the boys won't have it all their own way. A trophy is presented each month to the bowler who improves his or her average by the most pins and in January, the top four "improvers" were all girls - Kim Hewett, Joanne and Pandora Symes and Rebecca Ward.

Rebecca has just celebrated her tenth birthday but was still one of our star performers at our Kent Inter-Centre Challenge, held at Margate in January. Her league average was just 69, so her handicap was helpful - exceptionally so when she turned in scores of 99, 85 and 156 (a super game) to give her 5th place in the Singles. Steve Hatt of Cliftonville was the Singles winner - his scratch series of 593 being the highest of the event (Ben Marsh of Margate recorded a 607 in the Doubles, however). Our own Mark Lovett pushed Steve hard with an excellent 204-183-196 for a 583 (net 667) to come in second.

The Doubles were closely contested - Ben's 607 not being enough to get his team into even the top ten. Just 96 pins separated the top five pairs - Steve Hatt (again) and Nigel Cruttenden (Cliftonville) coming top of the pile with 1130 (net 1292). Whitstable's Darren Hatton and Jonathan Whorlow picked up 3rd with 1037 (net 1226) - just 8 pins behind the runners-up.

When it comes to close finishes, though, the Team game took some beating. Whitstable's "Oysters" - Jennifer Beale (166), Tim Beale (193), Nathan Clark

(191) and Andrew Senior (192) - recorded a superb 742 (net 833) to be just pipped to the title by Cliftonville's "Surprise Guys" whose handicap advantage was sufficient to overhaul "Oysters" by 9 pins (649 net 842).

11-Year-old Jennifer Beale is currently our best-performing female bowler with a league average of 157. She has recently been awarded Canterbury & District Sports Advisory Council's Under-17 Sports Personality of the Year award for her bowling achievements in 1994, which was crowned by her taking the NAYBC Junior Girls' Masters title last October. In 1995, she and brother Tim participated in the Midland Junior Open, where - bowling as a Senior Boys' Doubles team - they came within 46 pins of that title with an excellent 1081. A Junior Girl winning a Senior Boys event? What a shock that would have been for the establishment! Jenny's 574 (including a 219) gave her the Junior Girls' High Game and High Series trophies (and a 172 average in the Under-14 Girls Merit Table, putting her in first place - for one week, anyway!).

Her high spot of the YBC year, however, came in December when she recorded a 199-218-211 series for a 628 - believed to be the third highest series in the history of Whitstable's YBC - behind Ian Scammell's 673 in 1992 and Andrew Senior's 648 a year ago.

Andrew Senior was the first member of the YBC to score 10000 pins scratch in the league this season, in the second game of Week 20 - an excellent achievement. His current average of 173 is one of the highest recorded over an extended period within the YBC. In league and sanctioned tournaments this season, he has recorded no less than 14 200+ games and 24 500+ series. To put this into perspective, the second place 200+ scorers are Nathan Clark and Jennifer Beale, each with just 7, and the runner-up 500+ scorers are Nathan Clark and Tim Beale, each with 11.

Whilst on the subject of high scores, we must congratulate a whole host of members who have recorded personal bests this season - Tim Beale (242), Nathan Clark (235), Jennifer Beale (222), Darren Hatton (221) and Mark Lovett (220); Lisa Wraight and Jonathan Whorlow both came in with 214 on the very same day; Antony Cooper and Zoe Hards both got their "maiden" double centuries - 207; Andrew Wraight (average 126)

and Lisa Digby (average 113) both turned in brilliant 195s; Joe Cooper (183), Anne Perkins (175) and Kim Hewett (169); Kevin Franks - just 9 years old - a 167 then a 168; Luke Foxley, returning after a long lay-off, a superb 162; Rebecca Ward's 156 - it was only two weeks earlier that she scored her first century; Stuart Belchem - just 10 years old - 131 then 135, 136 and finally 150; Anna Symes (132), Rachel Thompson (114); Joanne Symes (103) and Pandora Symes (95). Well done to you all!

## CHATHAM

### EARLY BIRD LEAGUE

by Peter Cox

New readers start here - The Early Birds League at Chatham is alive and kicking and heading towards the High Noon Show-down.

Will it be the "Goddard Gang" of Dave Snr and Dave Jnr who will emerge triumphant, as "Double Trouble" scoop the honours, or will a late rally from either "Dambusters", "Crusaders" or "American Flyers" bring home the booty and become our new league champions. Time will tell but this is the story so far, well at least weeks eleven to twenty.

Week 11 - "Dambusters" in top spot from "Double Trouble" but only on pinfall. Individual honours being held by Gordon Smith of "Dambusters" with a High Game scratch of 235, High Series scratch of 617 and High Average of 184 and for the ladies, Jan Smith of the "Smudgers" with a 220 High Game scratch, 517 High Series scratch and a High Average of 154.

Week 12 - No change at the top, "Dambusters" consolidated their position followed by "Double Trouble". A good week for Rosemary Moll of "Phoenix", rolling of a 142 average, She bowled a 180 game and 471 series, well done Rosemary.

Week 13 - Now the run starts, "Double Trouble" hit the top of the League and lead by two points from "Dambusters", mainly thanks to Dave Goddard Snr. who swept all the weeks honours in what was otherwise a mediocre week. For the ladies, the honours go to Nicola Butters of "Ten Spinners" who has an average of 97 but rolled a 171 in her third game, well done Nicola.

Week 14 - Highlight of the week was the

197 game for Barbara Smith of the "Avengers" who is currently bowling off a 121 average. We know three short of the magic 200 but perseverance Barbara, it will come.

Week 15 - Halfway point, now its into the second half and for the record here are the standings at halfway:

1st	Double Trouble	86-34
2nd	Dambusters	80-40
3rd	The Jets	80-40
4th	Crusaders	68-52
5th	Gladiators	68-52
6th	American Flyers	66-54
7th	Phoenix	66-54
8th	Pin Wizards	62-58
9th	Rustlers	62-58
10th	Avengers	58-62
11th	Alleycats	58-62
12th	Ten Spinners	56-64
13th	Jael	52-68
14th	Wanderers Two	52-68
15th	Smudgers	46-74

It must have been the Christmas and New Year lay off but back with a vengeance for Alan Valsler with a 221 game, Peter Cox 213 and Gordon Smith 204, onwards and upwards, all these in week 15!

Weeks 16 to 19 - It is "Double Trouble" consolidating their position yet again, opening up a ten point lead by week 19. All to the expense of "Dambusters" who are holding on to second place. Highlight in week 17 was a second 600 series of the league for Gordon Smith "Dambusters". With games of 222, 179 and 200 for a 601 series. Congratulations Gordon.

Week 20 - As I close it is still "Double Trouble" at the top, but with five teams all within twelve points of top place and still ten weeks competition to come - this race isn't over until the last pin drops. Good luck to all bowlers.

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**THE SOLUTION IS IN YOUR SECRETARYS HANDS.**

## CLIFTONVILLE

### STATES LEAGUE

by Dave Buck

#### Week 12

"Mississippi" with their 3-0 win over "Louisiana" move up to third place breathing down the necks of the top two. Yet another 600 series from John Smith helped them home with ease. "Louisiana" drop two places to tenth as a result.

"Maine" were also on the move defeating last weeks third placed "Alaska" 3-0 and climb into fourth place. "Alaska", as a result, also drop two places to fifth.

"Washington", 2-1 winners over "Texas" remain in sixth place and "Texas" stay in eleventh.

"Virginia", the league leaders, defeated "New Jersey" 2-1 in a low scoring match to retain their position with "New Jersey" also retaining their seventh place.

"Nebraska" keep up the pressure in second place after defeating "Oregon" 2-1 but "Oregon" improved their chances of climbing the ladder.

"Kentucky" made a bit more corn with a 2-1 win over "Florida" to leap two places to eighth.

League Average for week = 166.3

#### Week 13

"Mississippi" cruised into second place albeit as a result of a postponed match, hot on the heels of the leaders. "Maine" were unable to maintain their place and slip down to fifth after a 3-0 defeat.

"Kentucky" become the "jumpers" of the week leaping from eighth to fourth after a 3-0 win over "Alaska" who drop to sixth place as a result.

"Texas" continued their recent improvement with a 2-1 win over "Oregon" but still remain in eleventh place with "Oregon" staying in ninth.

"Virginia" after a shaky start against "Washington" losing the first game, came back to take the remainder but the pack are getting closer.

"New Jersey" defeated "Louisiana" 2-1 to retain seventh place and keep "Louisiana" in tenth and losing touch with the

main chasing bunch.

League Average for week = 165.3

#### Week 14

"Kentucky" with a fine 3-0 win over second placed "Mississippi" moved into real contention in fourth place well up against the chasing pack. A season's best series of 650 from Nick Cayzer set up the win with the "Paxo" staying in the packet for another week.

"New Jersey", 2-1 winners over "Maine", move up to a dizzy fifth spot replacing "Maine" who drop to seventh.

"Washington" did themselves no harm defeating third placed "Nebraska" 2-1 and climb into sixth place. "Nebraska" just held on to their position but they do have a game in hand.

League leaders "Virginia" were given a run for their money in a 2-1 win over "Oregon" and with some of the other results in their favour have nearly a two point cushion. "Oregon" also scored well but the teams around them did better and they drop a place to tenth.

"Louisiana" had a welcome 2-1 win over "Alaska" to move up a place to ninth. Poor old "Alaska" are no doubt finding the weather much to warm for them - a bit of snow and ice would not go amiss!

"Texas" in eleventh place, opened up a near four point gap between them and "Florida", although with a match in hand, are finding it tough going but come out fighting each week.

League Average for week = 167.7

#### Week 15

"Mississippi", with a 3-0 win over "Texas", maintain the threat to current leaders "Virginia". A 25 pin advantage to "Mississippi" on the night closed the gap.

"Virginia" slipped up in the first game against "Alaska" and had to be content with a 2-1 win. "Alaska" did enough to climb one place but with a number of matches outstanding a true picture has yet to emerge.

"New Jersey" defeated third placed "Nebraska" 2-1 and both teams maintain their positions.

"Florida" had a welcome result with a 2-

1 win over "Louisiana" but they are still well adrift at the foot of the table.

In the match between "Washington" and "Kentucky" it was difficult to decide who hadn't been on the "sauce" - the scoring was a bit on the low side. "Washington" eventually won 2-1 and luckily both teams kept their positions.

League Average for week = 160.6

#### Week 16

"Louisiana" soon forgot about the "Christmas Spirit" defeating "Washington" 3-0 with Wendy Topham rolling a "years best" 542 series and move well amongst the mid table pack.

In the top of the table clash "Virginia" defeated "Mississippi" 2-1 to retain their lead and open up a two point lead from second place "Mississippi".

"New Jersey" generous as ever gave the first point to "Texas" before taking the next two to stay in fifth place with "Texas" stuck in eleventh.

"Kentucky" with all the paxo gone had a 3-0 win over "Oregon" and creep ever nearer the top places in fourth place, "Oregon" remain in tenth place gradually losing contact with the field.

"Nebraska" hold onto third place after a 2-1 win over "Alaska" who drop down to ninth.

"Maine" were the movers of the week lifting themselves three places to sixth after defeating "Florida" 2-1. "Florida" although picking up a point remain in the basement.

League Average for week = 165.2

#### Week 17

"Oregon" with a handicap series of 1286 had a 3-0 victory over "Louisiana" to give them a welcome haul of pins and put them back in touch with the mid-table pack. "Louisiana" slip two places to tenth but not far off the mid-table points total.

"Maine" also had a rewarding night with a convincing 3-0 win over "Washington" and remain in sixth position. "Washington" slip a place to eighth.

"Florida" caused an upset defeating league leaders "Virginia" 2-1 but still

remain in the basement. "Virginia", thanks to second place "Mississippi" also losing 2-1, still retain third place.

"New Jersey" with a 3-0 win over "Kentucky" move into fourth place squeezing "Kentucky" into fifth.

"Alaska" moved up two places after defeating "Texas" 2-1 and are now in seventh. "Texas" stay in eleventh place but the gap between them and the basement is getting smaller.

In the match between second and third places "Nebraska" came out on top 2-1 and with a game in hand there is a distinct possibility of them catching the leaders. "Mississippi" stay in second place and very vulnerable.

League Average for week = 170.5

#### Week 18

Top of the pile on a very low scoring week were "Louisiana" who with a 2-1 win over "Kentucky" moved up a place to ninth leaving "Kentucky" in fifth.

"Texas" had a very welcome 2.5 - 0.5 win over title chasers "Nebraska" but still occupy eleventh place. "Nebraska" missed out on an opportunity to improve on their third place.

"Alaska" with a 3-0 win over "New Jersey" remain in seventh but the mid table points are closing up. "New Jersey" hang onto fourth place by a whisker.

"Virginia", the league leaders, defeated "Maine" 2-1 to gain a few more pins between them and second place. "Maine" stay in sixth place but only two points away from third spot.

"Oregon" moved up a place to eighth after defeating "Washington" 2-1. "Washington" slip two places down to tenth.

Second placed "Mississippi" had a close encounter with "Florida" just inching it in the second game by 3 pins to record a 2-1 win but they were unable to make up ground on the leaders. "Florida" stay in the basement slipping a little further behind eleventh place.

#### Week 19

A 663 series from John Smith helped "Mississippi" defeat a stubborn "Alaska", for whom Colin Ottaway contributed a 611 series, by the narrow margin of 2-1.

This win enabled "Mississippi" to chip away the gap between them and the league leaders whilst "Alaska" climb a place to sixth.

"Washington" with a 3-0 win over "New Jersey", move up a place to ninth but are well in contact with the mid table pack. "New Jersey" after two blank weeks tumble from fourth to seventh but still close enough to bounce back.

"Louisiana", despite a 3-0 win over "Texas" and the return to form of Rick Topham with a 636 series, find themselves in tenth place by just a fraction of a pin but are well in touch with the higher places. "Texas" remain in eleventh place but are slowly losing ground to the main body of the league.

"Oregon" maintained their eighth place with a 3-0 win over "Florida" who are well and truly encamped in the basement.

"Nebraska", despite losing 2-1 to "Maine" retain third place whilst "Maine" move up a place to fifth.

League leaders "Virginia", depleted through illness, retained top spot but lost a little of their advantage, after a 2-1 defeat by "Kentucky" who improve one place to fourth.

League Average for week = 167.4

#### Week 20

"Alaska" came in for a warm at the expense of "Oregon" and duly went away with all three games to move up to fifth place. Colin Ottaway led the "roasting" with a very nice 647 series that proved far too hot for "Oregon" to handle dropping them to tenth as a result.

"Kentucky", thanks to a "cameo" appearance from their "non-playing reserve" who conjured a 645 series that included a 268 game, moved into third place whilst "Maine" managed to pinch the second game but drop back to sixth.

"Mississippi" clawed back a few more pins on the leaders with a 2-1 win over "New Jersey" to remain in second place. "New Jersey" hung on to seventh place by the skin of their teeth.

"Louisiana" with a 2-1 win over "Nebraska" lifted themselves up two rungs to eighth and only two points behind third place! "Nebraska", who had been holding on well to their third place de-

spite being one match behind, slip to fourth but still well in contention.

"Washington" remain in ninth place following their 2-1 win over "Florida" who stay in the cellar.

League Average for week = 168.3

#### Week 21

"Louisiana" with a 3-0 win over "Maine" moved up three places to fifth whilst "Maine" drop a place to seventh.

"Mississippi" lost 12 pins on the leaders after drawing one game against "Washington" who drop a place to tenth.

"Kentucky" again made nearly two points from their 2-1 win over "Texas" with the "little fellow" contributing his second 600 in two outings - this week though it was only 627! "Kentucky" remain in third place and "Texas" in eleventh.

"Oregon" moved up a place to ninth after defeating "New Jersey" 2-1 with "New Jersey" dropping a place to eighth in the process.

League leaders "Virginia" squeezed past "Nebraska" 3-0 with one pin the spare in the first game that dropped "Nebraska" down two places to sixth but they do have a match in hand.

In the final match "Florida" had a welcome 2-1 win over "Alaska" who could not repeat their form of recent weeks. "Alaska" however move up a place to fourth but no such luck for "Florida" who remain in the "Strongest" position.

League Average for week = 166.75

#### Week 22

"Mississippi" missed an opportunity to close up on the leaders but were unexpectedly defeated 2-1 by "Oregon", who climb a place to eighth. "Mississippi" stay in second place but still roughly two points behind the leaders.

"Kentucky" hung on to third place with a 2-1 win over "Nebraska" who moved up a place to fifth thanks to the completion of their match in hand.

"Alaska" continued their quest to join the top three with a 2-1 win over "Washington" and are now only a point behind third place. "Washington" remain in tenth place but are only 28 pins behind ninth.

High scorers of the week "Louisiana" defeated leaders "Virginia" but lose a place, as a result of a re arranged game having been played, and are now in sixth.

"Maine" retain seventh place with a 2-1 win over "Texas" who now find themselves in the basement by a mere 7 pins.

"Florida" kept up their recent good form with another 2-1 win this time at the expense of "New Jersey" which lifted them to eleventh place and dropped "New Jersey" down to ninth.

League Average for week = 173.8

#### Week 24

League leaders "Virginia" suffered a set-back when "Washington" outpointed them 2-1, "Washington" moved up a place to ninth still well in touch with the bulk of the league. "Virginia" stay top but lost some ground with second placed "Mississippi" having a postponement.

"Alaska" take over second place for the moment, following the postponement, after defeating "Kentucky" 2-1. "Kentucky" slipped a place to fourth as a result.

"Louisiana" slipped up against "New Jersey" going down 2-1 after pinching the first game by four pins. Highlight of this match was a fine 269 last game by Kev Williams for "New Jersey". "Louisiana" however retain fifth place whilst "New Jersey" move up one to eighth.

"Oregon" defeated "Texas" 2-1 to keep them in seventh place whilst the one point for "Texas" lifted them off the bottom to eleventh.

"Nebraska" with a convincing 3-0 win over "Florida" pulled back valuable pins on the teams just above them to retain sixth place but only 1 point behind the third placed team. It's that close. "Florida" returned to the basement and found themselves half a point adrift of eleventh place.

League Average for week = 167.2

#### Week 25

"Kentucky" forced their way into second place with a 2-1 win over "Mississippi". Both teams averaged over 190 per man

with "Kentucky" taking full advantage of the extra handicap. "Mississippi" drop to fifth place but they do have a match in hand.

"Louisiana" with a 2-1 win over "Alaska", moved up a place to fourth whilst "Alaska" slipped to third after their lowest score for some time.

"Washington" whitewashed "Nebraska" 3-0 and moved up two places to seventh whilst "Nebraska" were lucky to hold on to sixth spot by a few pins.

League leaders "Virginia" slipped past "Oregon" 2-1 to open up a five point lead at the top. "Oregon" dropped two places to ninth.

"New Jersey" had a fortunate 3-0 win over "Maine" with each game being decided by under seven pins. They remain in eighth place with "Maine" ninth but with a match in hand.

In the battle of the basement "Texas" defeated "Florida" 3-0 to consolidate their eleventh place whilst "Florida" remain in the strongest position with the door beginning to close.

League Average for week = 167.8

#### Week 26

Second placed "Kentucky", although bowling well, with a 628 series from Nick Cayzer, could not cope with "Washington" on the night and went down 2-1. They were unable to hold on to their place and slipped to fourth whilst "Washington" retained seventh place well in touch with the mid-table pack.

"Mississippi" climbed back to second place with a 3-0 win over "Texas" who are stuck in eleventh place.

"Florida" kept their foot in the door by defeating "Louisiana" 2-1 to claw back a number of pins on eleventh placed "Texas" and are now only 46 pins behind.

League leaders "Virginia" went down 2-1 to "Alaska" but still have a four point lead over second place. "Alaska" continue to occupy third place well in touch with the chasing teams.

"New Jersey" moved up two places to sixth following a 3-0 win over "Nebraska" in a match that, score wise, is best forgotten. "Nebraska" slipped two places

to eighth as a result

"Maine" and "Oregon", in ninth and tenth places respectively, had a postponement but retain their positions.

League Average for week = 161.4

#### PREMIER SCRATCH SINGLES

by Malcolm Fuller

25/10 - 600's from Clive Smith, 613, and Tom Sawyer, 612. Chris Smith is half a point clear of John Smith and closely followed by Mike Luckhurst and Bob Potts.

2/11 - A 606 from Sandy Sawyer gave her two points off Fred Long. Bob Potts takes over top spot after his 3-0 win over Tony Regan, but Chris Smith, nursing a bad back, still has two games in hand.

9/11 - John Smith with his 677 series (213, 263, 201), defeats Bob Potts 3-0 and Sally Fuller 639 (219, 210, 210) collects three points from Tony Regan. Mike Luckhurst tops the averages with a 197 followed by Chris and Clive Smith both with 191.

16/11 - There were two 600's this week a 608 from Mike Luckhurst and a 602 from Chris Skudder. Chris Smith still leads by one point, but with two games in hand, from John Smith and Bob Potts.

23/11 - With all back matches played Chris Smith started the final week four and one half points clear and after beating second placed John Smith 2-1 is confirmed the winner of the Premier Scratch Singles Shield. John Smith retained his second place and with a 637 series (225, 203, 209) Mike Luckhurst clinches third spot over Bob Potts.

The final Standings were:

1st	Chris Smith	45 pts
2nd	John Smith	39½ pts
3rd	Mike Luckhurst	39 pts
4th	Bob Potts	36 pts
5th	Clive Smith	35½ pts

The Top Averages were

1st	Mike Luckhurst	196
2nd	Chris Smith	191
3rd	John Smith	190

Now to our new season.

29/11 - Sandy Sawyer sprints to the top, bowling a 629 series and collecting three points off Pete Baldwin, closely followed

by Mike Luckhurst with 619 and Chris Smith, 607.

6/12 - Mark Icke rolls a 681 (248, 244, 189) against Mike Luckhursts 629 (257, 162, 204) and only managed to win one point. Pete Baldwin, 613, collected three points from Mick Kilner.

13/12 - A massive 718 series (191, 268, 259) from Chris Smith but he still dropped a point to Mick Kilner. Mike Luckhurst 640, Clive Smith 603, Bob Potts 602 and Simon Young 600 are the high scores in the high scoring week where over 18 200 plus games being bowled.

20/12 - Back down to earth this week, top score was a 590 from Bob Potts earning him three points. Mike Luckhurst and Bob Potts top the table with nine points each closely followed by Sandy Sawyer and Clive Smith with 8 points. Mike also tops the averages with 205 followed by Chris Smith on 203.

3/1 - Chris Skudder started with a 246 game which helped him beat Trevor Brown 2-1. On lanes 5 and 6 there was a very close match with Tam Avery just beating Shane Wilson 550 to 543. Mike Luckhurst collected three points off Sandy Sawyer with a 562 series, and Clive Smith collected two points from Ken Minter with a 571 series.

10/1 - Rick Topham 620 (221, 220, 179) collected two and a half points from Mike Luckhurst despite his 591 series. Chris Skudder 592 beats Clive Smith 2-1 and Shane Wilson wins 2-1 against Andy Allerton with a 566 series. Chris Smith showed no mercy to his daughter Tam and pocketed three points.

17/1 - John Smith 636 (205, 195, 236), Chris Skudder 623 (225, 203, 195) and Simon Young 615 (213, 192, 210) were the top scorers this week. Nearly everyone had a 200 plus game but just could not make a good series.

24/1 - John Smith, yet again, rolled a 649 series (202, 257, 190) and collected three points on the way. Chris Skudder bowled a 601 in a closely fought match against Shane Wilson who had 586. Mick Kilner, 600, banked three points. Bob Potts with 575 beat Andy Allerton, 571, by 2-1 to stay top of the league by just half a point from Mike Luckhurst, Chris Skudder and John Smith. Mike still tops the averages with a 198 followed by Chris Skudder, 195, and John Smith, 193.

31/1 - Tom Sawyer with 660 (221, 200, 239) collected two points off yours truly and Pete Baldwin 626 (202, 234, 190) helped his cause with three points. The girls were also on form with Sally Fuller 570, Sandy Sawyer 549 and Tam Avery 530. Mick Kilner just missed out on a 600 with 206 and 224 before losing his way.

1/2 - Top score of the week was the 655 rolled by Simon Young (203, 225, 227) gaining three points on the way. Closest match was between Bob Potts and John Smith with John coming out on top rolling a 611 (214, 210, 187) for two points despite a 626 (254, 208, ?) from Bob.

14/2 - High scores this week, 662 (213, 217, 232) from Mike Luckhurst, 658 (223, 231, 204) from Mick Kilner, 641 (212, 198, 231) from Mark Icke, 607 from Malcolm Fuller and 604 from Sally Fuller.

Positions to date are:

1st	Mick Luckhurst	26½ pts
2nd	Chris Skudder	24 pts
3rd	Rick Topham	22 pts
4th	Bob Potts	21 pts
5th	John Smith	20 pts
6th	Sally Fuller	19 pts

### BLACKPIN LEAGUE

By Dave Buck

Week 13

"Demolition", with a 3-0 win over "3 Under Par" and nearly 1 ½ points bonus, move to ninth place dispatching "3 Under Par" to the cellar in the process. Paul Stevens was high man with a 587 series that was way above anything the entire league could muster.

"Ratners" moved up five places after a 3-0 win over "Manhattans" and nearly 1 1/2 points bonus. "Manhattans" drop to sixth place but it's all very close in mid-table.

"Gentle Touch" picked up a useful 4 points with bonus defeating the "Doughnuts" 2-1 and climb up to tenth place. The "Doughnuts" drop three places to eighth.

"S & S Motors" squeezed past "Capos" 2-1 in a very tight match to retain second place. "Capos" hang on to seventh place with a tricky fixture next week against a much improving "Demolition". League leaders "Strikeforce", although

losing bonus, had little difficulty in defeating an out of salts "Heavy Impact" 3-0. The scoring was well below par with the "Heavies" losing over three points bonus.

"Kamikaze Trio" defeated "Bowmasters" 2-1 to move up one place to fifth. "Bowmasters" lost over a point bonus and drop three places to eleventh.

Week 14

"Strikeforce" extended their lead at the top with a 2-1 victory over "Ratners" but lost bonus in the process. "Ratners", with a small bonus, were unable to hang onto last weeks fourth place and drop to sixth.

"Kamikaze Trio" edged even further up to fourth after a 2-1 win over second placed "S & S Motors" thanks to over two points bonus.

The "Deadly Doughnuts" with a 3-0 win over "3 Under Par" and nearly a point bonus jump up to fifth place leaving "3 Under Par" well and truly anchored at the foot of the table.

"Demolition" and "Capos" retain ninth and seventh places respectively despite "Demolition" edging home 2-1.

After a bright start "Manhattans" lost their way and the "Gentle Touch" nipped in for two points. The result drops "Manhattans" down to eighth but gives "Gentle Touch" breathing space in tenth.

"Heavy Impact" after last weeks disaster clawed back some ground with a 3-0 win over "Bowmasters" to remain in third place. "Bowmasters" are now well adrift in eleventh place.

Week 15

"Ratners" with a 2-1 win over "Bowmasters" leap into third place with the help of two bonus points. "Bowmasters" picked up nearly a point bonus but still occupy eleventh place.

"S & S Motors" had a reasonably easy 3-0 win over "Heavy Impact" to stay in second place but deposit the "Heavies" in seventh place in the process a drop of four places.

League leaders "Strikeforce" were going along nicely 2-0 up but were "mugged" in the last game by three pins by the "Kamikaze Trio". They still have