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## GOLD FOR S.E.B.A.

What a week! Great Britain take two Gold Medals in the F.I.Q. World Championships in Sweden and also a third place Bronze. S.E.B.A. member, and B.T.B.A. All Events Champion, JES MORLEY of Southend proudly holds one of the Gold Medals, having partnered young DAVE POND of Harlow to beat the rest of the World in the Men's Doubles Event.

The British Five Man Team pulled up from 6th position after the first day to finish 3rd overall and were unlucky not to get even higher. Japan headed them by a mere 3 pins for the Silver Medal and Finland by 24 for the Gold.

18 years old DAVE POND rolled a 580 and 643 in this event, a 1264 over the six doubles games and 1624 over the eight games in the 8 man team event. With a 205 average over the 20 games played Dave was just 2 pins under the Japanese player Jyunnosuke Yamanaka going into the final eight games for the Individual World Championship. The final result was in doubt until the eighth game of the series when in the ninth frame the Japanese split and Dave struck and then doubled to win the most coveted title in the World of Tenpin.

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21 Nations from Europe, Australia, Japan and the Americas competed in the six day event which was held in the magnificent Ostercentrum Bowl, Malmo. The colour, the noise, the variety of tongues, the spirit and the heat all contributed to an electric atmosphere which went right through the tournament, building up to a fantastic climax for the Individual Title on the Saturday evening. With the British National Anthem being played twice at the Victory Ceremony and the contingent from this country all singing lustily to the thousands of spectators, there were lumps in many throats and a pride in just being British.

The next F.I.Q. World Championships will be held in 1971 in Milwaukee, U.S.A. To outdo the 1967 event in Malmo, Sweden it will have to be quite some tournament!

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FIVE MAN TEAM EVENT - 6 GAMES ACROSS 12 LANES

The United States Team, with such famous names as Bob and Wayne Pinkalla and previous World Champion Les Zikes, were the obvious favourites for this title having bowled a formidable 3327 to win the 1967 American Bowling Congress Championship in May and every member of the five man team averaging well over the 200 mark. The Malmo lanes were not to their liking, however, and at the completion of the first day's play they were lying 10th on a 2725 series. Great Britain, at this stage, were sixth on 2797 and Switzerland led the field with 2891. The second day also brought about a few upsets with Great Britain hitting 2879 to take the Bronze Medal, Japan 2833 for the Silver and Finland, really striking form with a 2884, for the Championship Gold. The U.S.A. at last began to find how to play the lanes and finished strongly with a team game of 1027 for a 2837 and 6th place.

1. FINLAND	5700
2. JAPAN	5679
3. GREAT BRITAIN	5676
4. MEXICO	5598
5. SWITZERLAND	5593
6. UNITED STATES	5562
7. VENEZUELA	5542
8. BELGIUM	5530
9. ITALY	5517
10. FRANCE	5507

FIVE LADY TEAM EVENT - 6 GAMES ACROSS 12 LANES

At the completion of the first set Venezuela led the United States by a mere one pin - 2746 to 2745. The South Americans faded away on the second day, however, and whilst the U.S.A. continued steadily it was again Finland who put in a storming finish with games of 959 and 962 for a 2860 series. The British girls all made 500 plus series but rolling against women of many years experience who average well into the 190's they need a few more years practise before hoping for a medal. The girls from Japan and the Americas all roll 15 - 16lb finger tip balls with a vicious hook and the light weight balls used by most of the British girls stood little chance against this power house opposition. Taking everything into account they did very well indeed to finish in 7th position.

1. FINLAND	5417
2. UNITED STATES	5392
3. MEXICO	5368
4. VENEZUELA	5323
5. PUERTO RICO	5271
6. BELGIUM	5207
7. GREAT BRITAIN	5152
8. SWEDEN	5149
9. JAPAN	5119
10. WEST GERMANY	5067

TWO MAN TEAM EVENT - 6 GAMES ACROSS 12 LANES

Dave Pond and Jes Morley of Gt Britain had the task of opening the proceedings on the very first doubles squad at 9a.m. Thursday morning. With Jes on 1169 and Dave hitting 1264 their 2433 series looked difficult to beat. Bowlers from all countries strove to pass this target throughout the rest of the day and whilst many came very near our first Gold Medal had been won.

1. GREAT BRITAIN - Dave Pond & Jes Morley -	2433
2. MEXICO - Miguel Estrada & Manuel Azcona -	2416
3. U.S.A. - Bob & Wayne Pinkalla -	2414
4. FRANCE - Ferrie & Molinie -	2396
5. ITALY - Vittorio Novoletto & Enzo Roppo -	2389
6. JAPAN - Jyunnosuke Yamanaka & Syuji Araki -	2379
7. U.S.A. - Mark Kuglitch & Ron Wheeler -	2363
8. JAPAN - Osamu Sugimachi & Kazuo Hayashi -	2359
9. U.S.A. - Gene Raffel & Dennis Wright -	2339

WORLD LADY TEAM EVENT - 6 GAMES ACROSS 12 LANES

The big hook balls of the American women again came into their own in this event where they finished in 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

1. MEXICO - Orozco & Sarabia	2328	11. PUERTO RICO - Reyna/Benitez	2166
2. U.S.A. - Stehle & Weston	2296	12. VENEZUELA - Sanchez/Penzini	2162
3. MEXICO - De Rosas & Urrea	2285	13. VENEZUELA - Reiner/Paz	2158
4. FINLAND - Krogerus & Hilokoski	2270	14. SWITZERLAND - Saugy/Furler	2155
5. U.S.A. - Nye & Miller	2210	15. VENEZUELA - Camacho/Wright	2145
6. FINLAND - Liljegren & Rautakoski	2204	16. SWEDEN - Olander/Linden	2145
7. PUERTO RICO - Gonzales & Resto	2194	17. GREAT BRITAIN - Morrison/Care	2141
8. U.S.A. - Jones & Trumper	2186	18. BELGIUM - Coudere/Verstappen	2135
9. GERMANY - Papenhoff & Hafker	2177	19. GREAT BRITAIN - Leaver/Love	2134
10. SWEDEN - Becker & Utterback	2169	20. SWEDEN - Tell/Eriksson	2119

n.b. This event went down to 40 places.

EIGHT MAN TEAM EVENT - 8 GAMES ACROSS 16 LANES

The United States had mastered the lanes by the Friday when this event took place and only Mexico and Japan could get anywhere near them.

1. UNITED STATES	12403
2. JAPAN	12360
3. MEXICO	12245
4. SWEDEN	12047
5. PUERTO RICO	11922
6. VENEZUELA	11908
7. WEST GERMANY	11801
8. GREAT BRITAIN	11762
9. FRANCE	11750
10. FINLAND	11733
HOLLAND	11733

WORLD LADY TEAM EVENT - 6 GAMES ACROSS 12 LANES

Finlands 3rd Gold Medal but they were chased all the way home by the girls from West Germany who had no luck at all in their final game and had to be content with a Silver Medal. This was Britain's worst event as we failed to finish in the top half of the table for the only time in the whole tournament. The U.S.A. also suffered in this section.

1. FINLAND	4455
2. WEST GERMANY	4398
3. BELGIUM	4318
4. PUERTO RICO	4305
5. SWEDEN	4300
6. MEXICO	4231
7. VENEZUELA	4230
8. JAPAN	4219
9. SWITZERLAND	4162
10. DENMARK	4141

WORLD LADY'S INDIVIDUAL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP - 26 GAMES

None of the British girls could make the last set and a fine battle with U.S.A. and Finland gave the United States their second Gold Medal.

HELEN WESTON	U.S.A.	4585
2. EIJA KROGERUS	FINLAND	4577
3. JEAN STEHLE	U.S.A.	4509
4. GUNDBORG LILJEGREN	FINLAND	4508
5. MAYDA SACARELLO	PUERTO RICO	4487
6. LEA VERSTAPPEN	BELGIUM	4472
CATHY TOWNSEND	CANADA	4449
IRMA URREA	MEXICO	4424
9. CHRISTINA DE ROSAS	MEXICO	4400
10. LENA LINDEN	SWEDEN	4367



"I'm Al Cyszachanevski... Are you the clown in charge of spelling names?"

MEN'S INDIVIDUAL WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP - 28 GAMES

The 32 highest individual scorers over the 20 games bowled in the team events participated in a further 8 games across 16 lanes to decide the Individual World Championship. Anyone who had bowled less than a 195 average failed to make the final 32!

Jyunnosuke Yamanaka of Japan headed the table prior to the finals, just 2 pins in front of Great Britain's Dave Pond, with Wayne Pinkalla and Ron Wheeler of the U.S.A. in 3rd and 4th position and Jesus Lopez of Mexico 5th. Any one of these bowlers was capable of taking the title and all had averaged well over 200 for the tournament, with the top two on 205 over the 20 games played.

Yamanaka and Pond were paired together throughout and the tide of fortune washed back and forth between them with 200 plus games going in all the way down the line. At the end of the 6th game Yamanaka had gained just one pin on Dave Pond and the tremendous crowd of spectators in a temperature of 107° were getting more and more excited giving vent to their country's individual war crys.

Pinkalla and Lopez were still shooting big games and were still in with a chance. The young Britisher, however, must have been the coolest and calmest person in the whole of Malmo! The Japanese began tightening up and bringing the odd split upon himself and even Wayne Pinkalla missed the headpin a couple of times. Dave Pond, however, played steadily on and without nerves or tension of any kind led the field at the end of the 7th game and went into the final one 17 pins up. This lead proved too much for the others as Dave struck out from the 8th frame for a final 206 and a 28 game tournament average of 204!

The whole of the bowl seemed to erupt, flash bulbs were popping from all directions and hundreds of people converged around the new champion to offer congratulations. Dave was chaired off the lanes as the youngest ever World Champion and one who had smashed the F.I.Q. Tournament Record for the 28 games, previously held by the defending champion Les Zikes of the U.S.A.

Dave Pond will be only 22 years old when the next World Championships are staged in the U.S.A. and even on their home lanes the Americans are going to find him very difficult to beat. Great Britain have a real World beater!

1. DAVE POND	GREAT BRITAIN	5708
2. JYUNNOSUKE YAMANAKA	JAPAN	5649
3. WAYNE PINKALLA	U.S.A.	5627
4. JESUS LOPEZ	MEXICO	5613
5. RON WHEELER	U.S.A.	5544
6. MANUEL AZCONA	MEXICO	5526
7. BORJE ASBERG	SWEDEN	5521
8. DENNIS WRIGHT	U.S.A.	5509
9. MIGUEL ANAYA	MEXICO	5496
10. MARK KUGLITCH	U.S.A.	5490
11. FRANK BOEHM	CANADA	5465
12. MIGUEL CORREA	VENEZUELA	5435
13. JIM KRAMER	CANADA	5429
14. CARLOS DIAZ	PUERTO RICO	5424
15. MASASUKE TANAKA	JAPAN	5414
16. LES ZIKES	U.S.A.	5411
17. KALEVI IHALAINEN	FINLAND	5402
18. JACQUES FERRIE	FRANCE	5398
19. LOUIS WILDERMEERSCH	BELGIUM	5378
20. SYUJI ARAKI	JAPAN	5371

FOOTNOTE!!!!

Every Scandanavian newspaper carried large photographs of Dave Pond as World Champion with columns of news on the event. We have a British World Champion in a sport that is dominated at the moment by the Scandanavians and the bowlers from the Americas. These countries give a British World Champion full national press coverage. What do we get from the British press? Practically damn all!

If you feel as disgusted as we do regarding this state of affairs WRITE TO YOUR NEWSPAPER TELLING THEM WHAT YOU THINK - you never know we might get some coverage by the next World event in 1971!

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# 600 CLUB

Club Badges should be arriving from the manufacturers within the next one or two weeks and will be posted to members as soon as possible.  
Don't forget to forward your application and 5/-d for membership, club badge and reservation in the 1st Club Tournament to be held in January 1968.

Latest members to be enrolled are as follows:-

ERIC SHRUBSALL	WHIT	JOHN CUDMORE	BEX
TERRY GAIGER	WHIT	BOB TOMKINS	BEX
JESS COOPER	CHAT	MICHAEL ROCK	BEX
CHAS PORTER	CLIF	COLIN PETTITT	BEX
JOHN BUSHELL	CLIF	JACK MORTON	BEX
JOHN SAWYER	CLIF	BILL KANE	BEX
DOUG WHITE	CLIF	PETE BOYD	BEX
JACK WALDOCK	CLIF	PETE COOK	BEX
TOM BALLINGALL	CLIF	DEREK COLLIS	BEX
STU SWALLOW	CLIF	ROLAND FOXLEY	WHIT

## AREA HI'S

There are very few changes this month and in view of the World Championships news this feature has been left over until next month.

## OUR LATEST MEMBER!

Our Area Secretary is a dad! June Langford presented him with an 8lb daughter at 2.15a.m. on July 4th and the whole family is doing fine. The chosen names are Julie Ann and already she holds her rattle in a finger tip grip!

## BEXLEYHEATH LEAGUE DANCE

Five Bexleyheath Leagues have got together and have arranged a joint Presentation Dance at Crayford Town Hall on Saturday, September 9th, commencing at 7.30p.m. Anyone wishing to attend should contact Bexleyheath Club for a ticket, which is priced at 10/-d. There will be a buffet and a licensed bar and a good time should be had by all!

FRUSTRATION - A true story submitted by a bowler from a bowl that shall be nameless.

It was 8.30p.m. on a certain Thursday evening and the two league teams were ready to join battle on the lanes. Mr. B. has the honour to roll the first ball. A strike? No! - nine pins and a ball jam! It's 8.45p.m. - the ball is cleared and the bowler converts his spare.

The number two player Mr. W. climbs onto the approach and bowls. Nine pins again. Another ball jam? No, all is well, the ball is coming back. Wait a minute, the machine hasn't picked up the single pin. Call the mechanic! Please reset the pin. 25 minutes later Mr. W. rolls for his spare. I wonder why he missed it? He said his muscles had stiffened up as he hadn't played for long time!

Now the villain of the piece is on the approach. The man for whom the machines always go wrong - Mr. Jinx himself! The teams get down on their knees to beg forgiveness for swearing and cursing and Mr. Jinx bowls. The prayers were in vain! Not only did the machine drop the ten pin spare but his ball has jammed as well! The first game eventually finished at 9.49p.m.

Omitting details of the second game where there were only a few holdups the teams prepare for the third. Everything started fine. Had the jinx been laid? Who opened their big mouth? Mr. B. has rolled his ball but pins are appearing from everywhere. The machine has gone haywire. Call a doctor - I mean the mechanic! Where the hell is he? Ring the bell again. Nothing! Never mind - sit down and rest your feet. Can we bowl on the next pair of lanes? Certainly, the rest of the league are at home in bed anyway! It's Mr. W's turn. Where is he? Put out a call on the P.A. Nothing! Has he gone home in disgust? Let the next bowler have his turn. Wait a minute! Who is this coloured man walking up the concourse? Good heavens it's Mr. W. Covered in oil from head to foot. Where have you been? Repairing the lane? Never mind we aren't bowling on that one anymore. Have a quick wash and carry on!

END OF PART 1 - This harrowing story will be continued next month.....

