

South Eastern Bowling Association

# BOWLING NEWS

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## THE NEW SEASON

1966/67 will probably go down in tenpin history as the turning point in the future of the sport. The dispute between the respective associations of the proprietors and the bowlers has been resolved, a few bowls have closed down, a number of others have changed hands and new centres have opened their doors to replace those that were unable to pay their way.

The proprietors, generally, are becoming more and more educated to the needs and requirements of the bowler and the bowler, in turn, is learning fast about the troubles and pitfalls that have beset the bowl owner. A new air of co-operation and reasonableness is becoming apparent and whilst a lot of rebuilding is necessary for 1967/68 it should be a good year for the sport.

The eventual yardstick will be the membership of the B.T.B.A. A large increase on the past season is assured but what is wanted is nothing short of an astonishing increase. The more regular bowlers belonging to an organised association, the more regular customers for the proprietor. The more regular customers, the more leagues and tournaments giving guaranteed prosperity for the industry as a whole and more enjoyment for everyone concerned.

The National Bowling Council of America has launched a promotion to increase the 30 million regular bowlers that already participate in the sport in the U.S.A. A similar promotion could well assist to increase attendances in this country and introduce many new regulars to the sport. With this mind we present:-



**BOWLING IS TWICE THE FUN  
WHEN THERE'S MORE THAN ONE!**

# 200 CLUB!

Badges of membership for the S.E.B.A. "600" Club have at last arrived and are being dispatched. Due to the success of this club a new one has been formed by request of a number of our members and comes into effect from 1st. September 1967.

The S.E.B.A. "200" Club is restricted to first year league bowlers and players with an average of not more than 149 at the time that the 200 game is rolled. Membership Forms will be forwarded to League Secretaries as soon as the league sanction arrives and the entry fee will be 5/-d, which will entitle the member to the attractive "200 Club" Badge and automatic entry to the Club Tournament to be held in 1968.

Entries to the Club will be published in the same way as entries to the "600" Club. All enquiries to your Area Secretary, Brian Langford, 111, Vigilant Way, Riverview Park, Gravesend, Kent. Brian is now on the telephone again and can be contacted at GRAVESEND 61271.

## GRAYS CLOSES

Although we have nothing at first hand it is understood from the national press that the New Regal Bowl, Grays has had to shut it's doors due to lack of support.

This little centre has had two or three owners in it's six year life but was somewhat 'out of the way' to the masses and had to rely, to a great extent, upon local support, which was, apparently, not forthcoming.

It is to be hoped that the centre may once again re-open but meantime Basildon, Dagenham and Southend are all within reasonable proximity and will, no doubt, welcome the Grays bowlers who make the short trip.

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A true conversation overheard at a bowl recently.....

Joe(looking puzzled) "I say, I thought your name was Vernon?"

Vernon "It is"

Joe "So why have you got the name 'George' on your ball?"

Vernon "That's not my name, it's the name of my ball!"

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## SUPPORT THE SPECIAL DRAW FOR THE BRITISH TEAMS

The tickets are now available at YOUR CENTRE. So you can recognize them we show one below:-

**BRITISH TENPIN BOWLING      N° 90196**  
**TEAM FUND**

# **SPECIAL DRAW**

**1st PRIZE — A "HONDA" 50 (C.100) MOTOR CYCLE**  
**and many other prizes**

**The Draw will take place on 27th October, 1967**

Organiser: Secretary of the South-Eastern Area British Tenpin Bowling Association, 111 Vigilant Way, Riverview Park, Gravesend, Kent.

1/-

REPRODUCED BY THE SECRETARIES FROM DAY WORKING, BOWLING

# TOURNAMENT

The first S.E.B.A. Tournament of the season will be a Mixed Doubles event, scratch and handicap, to run at Cliftonville on Sunday, 22nd. October. The tournament was easy, a name for it wasn't. Many were considered - Husband and Wife, Mr and Mrs, Guys and Dolls, even Adam and Eve. The latter held the germ of an idea. The month of October is Autumn and a leaf is automatically associated with both the season and with Adam and Eve. We present the 1st Annual FALLING LEAF MIXED DOUBLES TOURNAMENT!! Entry Forms will be available shortly - find yourself a partner NOW!

## FIRST COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS

What appears to be an excellent format for a County Championship has been devised by Terry Heal of Ipswich and the first match between Suffolk and Cambridgeshire has already taken place. Full details were published in the Tenpin Pictorial of 19th August and both Kent and Essex will shortly be looking for representative players, male and female. Further details shortly.

## KLEYHEATH HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The entries for this years events were much smaller than usual but some excellent bowling was seen before the various divisions were eventually decided over the five week period.

5 Man Team - THE BROADWAY ALL STARS  
Mixed Doubles - JANET MORRISON & FRED WYLES  
Ladies Singles - NORMA BRIDGE  
Mens Singles - PAT DUGGAN  
Senior Singles - DAVID CLARKE

## WHITSTABLE CLUB TOURNAMENT

A Moral Support Sanction has been requested for this annual scratch singles event which will be held at Humber Lanes, Whitstable on the weekend of 14th and 15th October.

The tournament is not an open event, however, but restricted to members of the Whitstable Club.

All Club Members are asked to contact Brian Snook for entry forms and any further information.

We understand that the Whitstable league programme is to be intensified with some existing leagues moving about to make room for new leagues that are being formed. Keep up the good work Whitstable and we look forward to another year of 100% sanctioned leagues and another certificate to this effect to join the existing one on Peter Field's office wall!



"Misplaced my rolling pin ... be through in a minute."

# 600 CLUB

Listed below are the latest additions to the 600 Club Membership. Badges are now being sent and a further batch has been ordered as the first 50 have been used!

CHAS BAULK	BEX	TERRY PRICE	WHIT
DANNY BOYLING	BEX	ALF ROGERS	BEX
ERROL BROWNE	BEX	RON ROGERS	BEX
DAVE BUCK	CLIF	JIM ROWE	BEX
EDDIE CHAPMAN	BEX	JOHN SAWYER	CLIF
TONY CROSBIE	WHIT	FRED SHRIMPTON	BEX
PAT DUGGAN	BEX	JIM SOUTHWORTH	CHAT
CYRIL HADLOW	WHIT	MIKE TONG	WHIT
MIKE LUCKHURST	WHIT	DAVE TURNER	BEX
ROMANO MORELLI	CLIF	PAUL WALLER	BEX
JOHN NEWTON	BEX	STEVE WEHRLE	CLIF
VIC PEACOCK	BEX		

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Some pretty young ballet dancers descended on a bowling centre in Munich. They were to be photographed bowling as a publicity stunt, and somebody suggested that they should put on their costumes in the bowl nursery. A few minutes later crowds of wide eyed men were clustering round some strategically placed television screens. The nursery you see, is wired for closed circuit television, so that parents can keep an eye on their children. Nobody had remembered to turn the system off while the girls were changing their clothes!

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## GOOD IDEA FOR LEAGUE PRESENTATIONS

League presentations are often a problem. Six leagues from Bexleyheath hit upon the idea of merging their resources and put on a combined league/league presentation and dance at Crayford Town Hall.

The many fine trophies were presented to bowlers from the OLYMPIC, INVICTA MEN O' KENT, CLUB, GUYS & DOLLS, LATE NITE FINAL and HITS AND MISSES by BTBA General Secretary Morris Glazer and Area Secretary Brian Langford. Dancing went on until midnight a fine time appears to have been had by all.

## IT TOOK 64 YEARS

There have been many fine feats performed in the American Bowling Congress Annual Championships including a number of perfect games in both the singles and doubles divisions. A 300 had never been bowled in the 5 man team event however. 1967 saw this 64 year old record beaten at last. In the Classic Team Division Les Schissler rolled 12 in a row to write his name into the record books. The only remaining barrier now is the 800 series. Many have been rolled in ABC Sanctioned League but none yet in the Annual ABC Tournament. Maybe 1968 in Cincinnati will see this final record bite the dust.

## TAILPIECE

Don Atkinson of Indiana this season matched his league

# AREA HI'S!

FINAL LISTING - 1966/67

5 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	BROADWAY ALL STARS	BEX	2766
		THE EAGLES	GRAYS	2761
		TINY'S RADIO TAXIS	S'END	2756
4 PERSON TEAM	1 GAME	BROADWAY ALL STARS	BEX	1052
		THE ROBINS	BEX	1029
		THE TOPOJETS	BEX	1024
4 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	THE APACHES	HODD	2230
		THE HELMSMEN	WHIT	2221
		THE TOPOJETS	BEX	2189
4 PERSON TEAM	1 GAME	THE HELMSMEN	WHIT	810
		THE TOPOJETS	BEX	783
		THE APACHES ) LOOSE ENDS )	HODD BEX	780 780
3 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	NIGHTRIDERS	BEX	1753
		THE SEXTANTS	WHIT	1726
		BROADWAY ALL STARS	BEX	1715
3 PERSON TEAM	1 GAME	NIGHTRIDERS	BEX	643
		MARTELL***	BEX	632
		AUDEOVID	CHAT	623
3 PERSON TEAM	3 GAMES	JACK MORTON & PETE RIGHT	BEX	1163
		PETE COOK & JEFF BLUNDELL	BEX	1160
		JOE COOPER & PAT DUGGAN	BEX	1146
3 PERSON TEAM	1 GAME	TONY SALMON & BILL KANE	BEX	421
		TONY SALMON & BILL KANE	BEX	420
		JACK MORTON & PETE RIGHT	BEX	412
3 MIXED DOUBLES	3 GAMES	BERYL AND FRED SHRIMPTON and PAT AND PETE BOYD	BEX	1181
		JANET MORRISON & FRED WYLES	BEX	1178
		DORIN BAKER & BUZZ MORRISON	BEX	462
3 MIXED DOUBLES	1 GAME	PAT AND PETE BOYD	BEX	437
		PHYLISS AND PETE BOWEN	BEX	427
		DORIN BAKER	BEX	620
3 INDIVIDUAL LADIES	3 GAMES	NORMA BRIDGE and JANET MORRISON	BEX	618
		DORIN BAKER	BEX	277
		JANET MORRISON	BEX	264
3 INDIVIDUAL LADIES	1 GAME	JANET MORRISON and JANET KANE	BEX	258
		JACK MORTON	BEX	734
		PETE BOYD	BEX	689
3 INDIVIDUAL MEN	3 GAMES	JOHN GRIFFEN	CHAT	672
		JOHN HABBERLEY	BEX	289
		ALF ROGERS	BEX	288
2 INDIVIDUAL MEN	1 GAME	JOHN MITCHELL	CHAT	276

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Attractive Plaques will shortly be ordered for the winners shown in each of the above divisions. Congratulations to the Apaches of Hoddesdon who have taken the 4 man team series award in the final month from the first sanctioned league received from our latest centre. Congratulations also to the Nightriders who top both trios divisions for the second year running and to Jack Morton (who has already received his trophy) for the Area's first 700 and Dorin Baker whose 277 game is believed to be the highest recorded so far in the country.

The popular Area Hi's feature will, of course be continued for this season and a new list will be published as soon as the latest scores start to arrive. The necessary forms are a part of every sanctioned league kit. Ensure that your league is sanctioned for the new season and that your high scores will be officially recognised and rewarded!

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