

KENT LADIES bring home the BRONZE MEDALS from the SENIOR INTER-COUNTIES FINALS

by Jerry Lodge.

Eight Counties qualified for the Senior Inter-County Finals, which were held at AMF Bowling Express, Wolverhampton over the weekend of 7th/8th October. In a round robin each four person team played each other County with three games on the Saturday and four on Sunday.

The Kent ladies started well with a good win against Middlesex by 698 to 644 and followed up with a comprehensive win over London by 728 to 625. In the first game Doreen Lodge rolled a 190 game and Sandy Sawyer had a 193 game against London. The last game on Saturday was extremely close with Kent losing to Yorkshire by only 20 pins leaving them in second place overnight behind Lancashire who were the only unbeaten team at that time.

On Saturday evening there was the usual banquet which, to say the least, was not up to standard and in the morning there was total chaos as the hotel staff were not prepared to feed 150 people at the same time. This resulted in bacon sandwiches being sent to the Bowl later in the morning.

The first game in the morning was against Somerset, which was won comfortably 713 to 648 thanks to an excellent 211 game by Sandy Sawyer and good support from Jan Smith. Next was the crunch match against Lancashire. In a tense tight battle that went to the wire Sandy Sawyer at anchor closed the last frame for an exciting win by three pins. Meanwhile, Middlesex and Yorkshire were on winning streaks following disappointing results on the Saturday. At this stage the Kent ladies were still in second place behind Lancashire by a small margin but then lost to Berkshire 633 to 680 to set up a close final game with three or four teams fighting for the silver and bronze medals as Lancashire were certain of the gold. In the last game, both Yorkshire and Middlesex has good wins in high scoring games but Kent disappointingly lost to Wiltshire but with quick calculation of scores it transpired that Kent had finished in



Photograph by Bob Smith

Left to Right: Peggy Hammond, Beryl Drury, Doreen Lodge, Dot Edwards, Jan Smith & Sandy Sawyer.

The bowlers for Kent and their scores were:-

	Games	Ave.
Sandy Sawyer	7	177.5
Doreen Lodge	5	166.2
Jan Smith	7	157.7
Dot Edwards	5	144.2
Beryl Drury	3	134.3
Peggy Hammond	1	120.0

third place by a mere 28 pins from Yorkshire and that Middlesex had leapfrogged into second place by 23 pins.

As will be seen from the final table five teams won four of their games, the positions being decided by pinfall and age bonus, of which Kent easily lead the field.

	Won	Points
1. Lancashire	5	58.45
2. Middlesex	4	56.06
3. KENT	4	55.83
4. Yorkshire	4	55.55
5. Berkshire	4	54.99
6. Wiltshire	4	54.68
7. London	1	48.46
8. Somerset	2	48.33

When all the results were calculated, it transpired that Sandy Sawyer recorded the third highest average in the Ladies' section.

There was great excitement in the Mens' section when Pete Cornwall from Surrey rolled a perfect 300 game, which with his age bonus will go down as the first 304 perfect game in the country.

As usual, thanks are due to Alan Petherick for his organisation and support of the team who deserve every congratulation for their effort and performance.

NEWS of the JUNIORS

CRAIG LAMBKIN wins the Millennium Peter Cox Memorial Junior Matchplay

By Martin Beale

Chatham just has to be the venue for a junior tournament in memory of the late Peter Cox – founder and mentor of the Chatham YBC – and the Millennium event in October boasted a full house of 48 youngsters from Bexleyheath, Orpington, Whitstable and the home centre, all keen to fight their way through a dozen games or more to lay claim to the Peter Cox Cup and the title of the Matchplay Champion of Champions, an honour which went this year to 13-year-old Craig Lambkin of Whitstable YBC.

The format is double-elimination scratch matchplay (which, put more simply, means a knockout head-to-head competition in which a bowler must lose twice before being eliminated). The first task competitors face is to win their way through their age group and, to be sure that nobody loses before they have a chance to get used to the conditions, the first round is over two games.

The highest scoring match in Group A (consisting of seven boys under 12 and nine girls under 13) was the third round tie between Chatham's **Iain Smith** and Whitstable's **Kirsty Belchem** which Iain won 178-170. He then lost to 'winners' winner **Adam Fuller** of Bexleyheath before being eliminated by 'losers' winner **Nico Joiner** of Whitstable. Nico went on to beat Adam Fuller in the group final (having rolled no less than nine games to do so).

Group B (eight boys under 14 and four girls under 15) kicked off with **Jason Kellegher** of Orpington rolling the group high game of 198 in round one, but the closest contest was the losers' round four tussle between Whitstable team-mates **Hannah Croft** and **Anna Winch**, Hannah just sneaking through 177-176. The group final saw eventual champion **Craig Lambkin** defeat Chatham's **Kurt Smith** in a low scoring encounter, 125-116.

Before anyone thinks that the split by age obviously favours the boys, Group C (eight boys under 16 and four girls under 17) was won by Whitstable's **Rebecca Ward** who defeated Chatham's **Tracy Saunders** in an exciting group final. It's consistency that counts in this kind of competition. **Liam Reed** of Bexleyheath zapped in 195 and 191 to put out Whitstable's **Stuart Belchem** and Chatham's **Amanda Shaw**, only to be beaten by **Rebecca Ward** in round five, 141-139.

Just eight boys contested Group D (anyone under 18) which featured the only double-tons of the tournament. Bexleyheath's **Chris Francis** rolled 214 and 205 whilst team-mate **Paul Shrimpton** added 211, but it was Chatham's **Stuart Attfield** who beat Paul in the group final.

The Champion of Champions finals were played between the group winners using handicaps based on the group round scores. **Stuart Attfield** defeated **Rebecca Ward** 167+30 – 141+30 whilst **CRAIG LAMBKIN** saw off **Nico Joiner** 163+49 – 120+46 and, whilst **Stuart** beat **Craig** by a single pin scratch in the final, **Craig's** 19 advantage on handicap saw him through.

Last year, **Daniel French** won this title – his first tournament win. He went on to make Junior Team England in the summer. So good luck, **Craig Lambkin**...

As an additional incentive, a prize of £45 was on offer to the YBC who could score most points in the group rounds. The group winner's YBC got 10 points, the last YBC eliminated 6, then 4 then 3. Whitstable took the prize with 3 straight wins & 34 points. Chatham was second with 26 ahead of Bexleyheath on 20 and Orpington 12.

Junior Inter-Counties

The following young bowlers represented Kent in the Junior Inter-Counties Tournament at Nottingham in September.

Boys

	Games	Ave.
Ben Frost	6	187.5
James Pateman	4	179.3
Andrew Wraight	6	175.7
Stephen Letchford	5	174.6
Daniel French	5	167.6
Ben Seaden	4	157.8

Girls

	Games	Ave.
Jennifer Beale	6	173.5
Alexandra Reed	6	168.2
Tracy Saunders	5	155.2
Kelly Lewis	5	141.2
Emily Frost	5	140.4
Amy Charlesworth	3	121.3

The Boys finished about 12th out of 32 Counties and the Girls came about 18th out of 26.

UNDER 14's Inter-Counties

The Kent teams in this Tournament held at Tamworth in December were:-

Boys

	Games	Ave.
Craig Lambkin	6	143.2
Kurt Smith	6	137.7
Nico Joiner	6	134.5
Lee Goddard	6	126.0

Girls

	Games	Ave.
Emily Frost	6	160.5
Nicola Lewis	6	152.2
Kirsty Belchem	6	147.3
Hannah Kohler	6	133.2

Despite some fine bowling in the Girls team, they narrowly failed to reach the final knock-out stage of the Tournament.

THE LEADING 2000 AVERAGES IN THE COUNTY

by Jerry Lodge

Having collated the Final Standing Sheets received from the majority of the Sanctioned Leagues in the County, the Database has been updated and the leading Averages in Kent are listed below. The Tables show the following information.

1. Current Rating. 2. Rating in 1999 [Bowling News: Vol.2 No. 16] 3. Bowler's Name.

4. Home Centre 5. Number of Games Bowled. 6. Average.

Minimum Number of Games used is 21. * Indicates New Entry into Table.

If you think your name should appear in the Table, check with your League Secretary that he or she has sent in the last Final Standing Sheet to the Area Secretary. The Averages apply to the last completed season.

1.	2.	3.	4.	5.	6.
Men					
1	1	Neil Webb	BEX	23	204.0
2	7	Chris Smith	CLI	33	203.0
3	2	Keith Hodge	BEX	72	199.7
4	4	Mike Luckhurst	CLI	99	197.2
5	5	Andy Allerton	MAR	27	196.1
6	3	Steve White	BEX	69	194.8
7	8	David Jones	BEX	69	194.6
8	*	Stephen Brough	MAR	135	192.5
9	18	David Ross	WHI	45	191.6
10	23	John Smith	CLI	96	191.5
11	25	Daniel Harman	MAR	135	191.4
12	13	David Percival	BEX	48	191.3
13	26	Dean Saunders	BEX	54	191.3
14	14	John Hinch	BEX	105	191.0
15	*	Daniel French	BEX	54	190.7
16	20	Dave Buck	CLI	33	190.4
17	21	John Amos	BEX	81	190.0
18	*	Adrian Conner	BEX	60	190.0
19	*	Malcolm Fuller	CLI	33	190.0
20	*	Stephen Letchford	BEX	87	189.5
21	*	Mal Theaker	MAR	54	189.5
22	*	Bob Potts	CLI	84	189.0
23	*	Dave Wain	BEX	51	189.0
24	6	Rob Packman	BEX	84	188.2
25	29	Peter Boyd	BEX	40	187.7
26	30	Bill Shrimpton	BEX	81	187.7
27	12	Melvin Allerton	MAR	99	187.4
28	24	Colin Ottaway	CLI	93	187.2
29	37	Barry Butchers	BEX	45	186.8
30	*	James Pateman	BEX	81	186.8
31	*	Michael Tumber	CLI	81	186.8
32	*	Mark Godley	CHA	51	186.3
33	*	Ken Morris	BEX	63	186.2
34	48	Paul Fox	BEX	93	185.7
35	38	John Scott	BEX	69	185.5
36	41	Clive Mitchell	BEX	78	185.3
37	42	Richard Post	WHI	96	185.3
38	43	Daniel Marsh	MAR	72	185.2
39	45	Bob Blaber	BEX	24	185.1
40	49	Steven Dodd	ORP	93	184.7
41	32	Brian Millgate	BEX	24	184.6
42	51	Selwyn Morgan	BEX	78	184.5
43	*	Nathan Clark	WHI	84	184.2
44	*	Steve Eastop	CLI	87	184.1
45	16	Gary Steventon	CLI	69	184.1
46	10	Steve Carnall	BEX	27	183.4
47	27	Keith Carrett	BEX	78	183.0
48	*	Tim Letchford	BEX	63	183.0

49	33	Paul Scott	BEX	60	183.0
50	*	Bob Hayter	BEX	27	182.9
51	44	Terry Saunders	BEX	84	182.9
52	*	Richard Topham	CLI	51	182.9
53	*	Anthony Baker	CLI	84	182.8
54	*	Vic Butler	BEX	36	182.6
55	36	Keith Allsop	BEX	87	182.5

Ladies					
1	13	Elaine Hinch	BEX	69	181.2
2	3	Jan Hodge	BEX	65	181.1
3	4	Christine Conner	BEX	63	179.8
4	1	Sheila White	BEX	66	179.6
5	2	Alex Reed	BEX	66	179.2
6	8	Sandy Sawyer	CLI	33	179.2
7	9	Lucy Percival	BEX	60	175.9
8	38	Laure Sutherland	CHA	51	172.0
9	5	Angie Thick	BEX	81	172.0
10	15	Sylvia Thomas	BEX	51	171.6
11	17	Val Harlin	BEX	51	170.3
12	18	Pat Blaber	BEX	78	170.1
13	19	Mandy Shrimpton	BEX	72	170.1
14	7	Sally Wells	CLI	75	169.5
15	20	Doreen Lodge	BEX	87	169.2
16	36	Jackie Ottaway	CLI	33	168.9
17	12	Emma Drury	BEX	24	168.5
18	14	Janette Saunders	CLI	72	168.3
19	21	Julie Cudmore	BEX	39	167.6
20	*	Judith Neale	BEX	89	167.4
21	*	Jennifer Beale	WHI	63	167.2
22	25	Lesley Pateman	BEX	54	165.6
23	27	Dot Edwards	BEX	42	164.9
24	28	Jan Luckhurst	CLI	60	164.8
25	29	Pat Burr	WHI	111	164.7
26	30	Margaret Shrimpton	BEX	90	164.3
27	31	Sandra Williams	BEX	39	164.2
28	*	Jill Houston	CLI	66	164.0
29	*	Wendy Tumber	CLI	27	163.9
30	32	Gillian Cook	CLI	90	163.8
31	33	Janet May	BEX	51	163.7
32	*	Joyce Ware	CLI	75	163.7
33	*	Amy Cole	CLI	66	163.5
34	24	Tam Avery	CLI	36	163.4
35	10	Jackie Playford	BEX	60	163.4
36	23	Sandra Denyer	BEX	84	163.2
37	39	Kay Schwingen	CLI	99	161.8
38	40	Pauline Senior	WHI	99	161.6
39	*	Yvonne Bright	WHI	105	161.3
40	*	Anne Osborne	BEX	114	161.1

CLUB QUALIFICATION

The FIFTH list of bowlers who qualify during the current Bowling Year from 1st September 1999 to 31st August 2000 are:-

200 CLUB

MATTHEW BAKER	234	CHA
GREG BOOTH	204	BEX
PAUL BUTCHER	205	BEX
LEE CAREY	202	BEX
ED CHICK	221	BEX
JOHN CUDMORE	213	BEX
TONY CURLE	212	BEX
NEVILLE D'COSTA	204	BEX
TREVOR D'COSTA	209	BEX
MARK DREDGE	226	CHA
ALAN FOREMAN	223	BEX
REG FOREMAN	219	WHI
CHRIS GENOVESE	209	BEX
JOANNE GENOVESE	201	BEX
BRIAN HARRYMAN	218	BEX
CAROL HOUSE	202	BEX
KEN JOBSON	211	BEX
DAVID LOWE	212	CHA
ALEX McCREA	224	CHA
TREVOR McGILL	201	BEX
PETER MYHILL	209	WHI
TONY OLIVER	211	BEX
KEVIN OSBOURNE	205	BEX
COLIN PINNER	204	BEX
VICKY PRESTON	215	BEX
GLEN ROBERTS	207	BEX
STUART ROBERTS	267	BEX
BEN SEADON	243	CHA
GARY SEARS	243	BEX
MARTIN SHAW	208	CHA
MANDI SHRIMPTON	223	BEX
PAUL SHRIMPTON	207	BEX
RAY SPALDING	234	BEX
SARAH STEVENS	222	CHA
TOM STOCK	200	BEX
PAUL STOCKING	232	BEX
ALAN THOMAS	215	CHA
AMANDA THOMAS	201	BEX
SAM VEDASH	210	BEX
ROY WILLIAMS	223	BEX
GEORGE WILSON	204	BEX
PETER WESTON	204	BEX
TIM WOODHOUSE	210	CHA

500 CLUB

JULIE CUDMORE	645	BEX
JOANNE GENOVESE	501	BEX
KATHY GOODWIN	549	BEX
CAROL HOUSE	542	BEX
CAROLYN LOCK	503	BEX
GLORIA PATTINSON	510	BEX
VICKY PRESTON	507	BEX
TRACY SAUNDERS	513	CHA
SARAH STEVENS	504	CHA
ANGIE THICK	560	BEX

550 CLUB

MIKE ABROL	569	BEX
MARTIN BOGUE	550	BEX
GREG BOOTH	554	BEX
MARTYN BOYD	557	BEX
JULIE CUDMORE	645	BEX
JOHN DARBY	551	BEX
JACK DENNE	591	BEX
EMMA DRURY	557	BEX
HUGH FOWLER	584	BEX
CHRIS FRANCIS	550	BEX
LEN FRANKLIN	551	BEX
GRAHAM GAPP	559	BEX
CHRIS GENOVESE	591	BEX
SYD GOODWIN	566	BEX
BOB GREENFIELD	555	BEX
ALAN HOPKINS	572	WHI
ANDY KRANGEL	571	BEX
TREVOR MYHILL	588	WHI
STEVE REYNOLDS	558	WHI
ALAN SCHOFIELD	561	WHI
ALAN OPENSHAW	584	BEX
ALAN OSBOURNE	588	BEX
BEN SEADON	600	CHA
MARGARET SHRIMPTON	551	BEX
PAUL SHRIMPTON	552	BEX
TONY OLIVER	562	BEX
STUART ROBERTS	616	BEX
GARY SEARS	584	BEX
ROY WILLIAMS	575	BEX
CHAS WOOLSEY	608	BEX

600 CLUB

TIM ARQUILE	603	BEX
SAM BASS	600	BEX
CARL BRADBURY	605	BEX
DAVE CARTER	555	BEX
JULIE CUDMORE	645	BEX
ALAN FOREMAN	592	BEX
STEPHEN FRANZS	604	BEX
SYD GOODWIN	609	BEX
BRUCE MAGUIRE	606	BEX
DAVE MITCHELL	634	BEX
LUCY PERCIVAL	632	BEX
RICKY POST	644	WHI
SIMON RAMPLING	608	BEX
LOL RICHARDSON	616	BEX
STUART ROBERTS	616	BEX
BEN SEADON	600	CHA
STEVE THOULESS	604	BEX
ALLAN THOMPSON	620	BEX
FRANK WESTON	614	BEX
NICK WESTON	604	BEX
STEVE WILLIAMS	662	BEX
CHAS WOOLSEY	608	BEX

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BOWLING YEAR 2000/2001.

A list of qualifiers for the bowling year from 1st September 2000 to 31st August 2001 will appear in the next issue of "Bowling News". There will also be an individual application form should your League Secretary not be submitting names for Club Qualification to the Area Secretary.

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