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1974: Pepsi Cola advert - As slogans went, it was considered the best ever and what a tongue-twister - **Lipsmackin' thirstquenchin' acetastin' motivatin' goodbuzzin' cooltalkin' highwalkin' fastlivin' evergivin' coolfizzin' Pepsi.**

Right - Mike Grady, as he was then, and now.
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Taunton Deane Bowls Club – Summer Competition Finals Results

Outdoors:

Men's Champion of Champions - Charlie Takle 12 Tony Foxwell 5 (retired)

Ladies Champion of Champions - Julie Carmichael 21 Lyn Williams 19

Men's Non-Winners - Baz Hurford 22 Simon Beale 4

Open 2 Wood Singles - Baz Hurford 21 Tony Hardiman 14

Men's Clyno - Tony Foxwell 56 Charlie Takle 52

Ladies Clyno - Nicola Litchfield 55 Lyn Williams 47

Open Pairs - Tony Foxwell & Helen Acreman 16 Tony Wiscombe & Andy Williams 10

Open 3 Wood Pairs - Alan Stone & Charlie Takle 15 Alan Dicks & Bryan Southward 14

Indoors:

Men's Singles - Tony Parsons 22 John Troke 17

Open Non-Winners - Roy Varndell 21 Liz Lydon 10

Open Clyno - Di Routley 55 Tony Parsons 41

Summer Ladder - Di Routley 2 Eddie Simpson 0

A big thank you to the umpires and markers for each final.



Spectators were made welcome and fun was had by all watching

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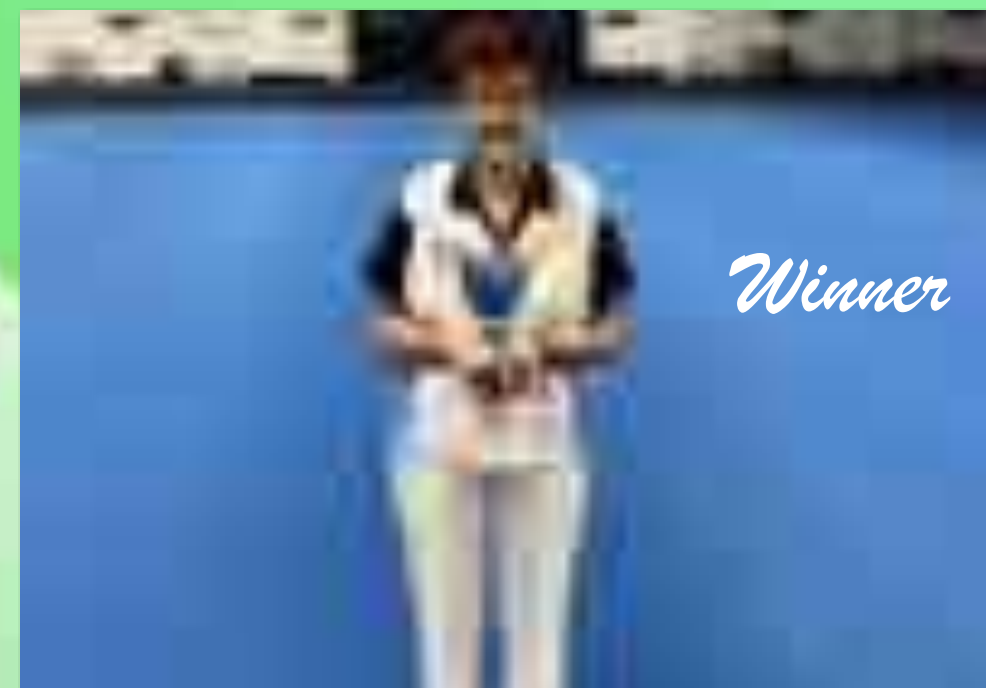
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Summer Competitions Final Weekend.

How lucky were we, on both days, the final matches were played outdoors and then the rain appeared.

I would first like to thank all players who entered the competitions and to congratulate the finalists in all the matches, both indoors and outdoors.

Making the two days go smoothly, I thank Karl and Alison for organising the match program and paperwork, Ann Beale, and her team of caterers for providing the refreshments, and the Markers, who volunteered to keep an eye on the singles matches.

I also would like to thank all the supporters who turned up to watch the matches, lets hope the support for the club keeps going.

Keith James - President.

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*Forthcoming
Events*

Join us INDOORS for some Practice and Coaching to Improve your game

Every Thursday from 4 to 6pm we will be holding practice and coaching session, all abilities from beginner to experienced welcome.

The aim is to have 1 or 2 coaches available to run meaningful practice. Such as drawing to rest out a wood sat on the jack, promote a short wood and of course, driving at the head, for example.

We will also be available to coach on improving your deliver, finding the line and length, reading the head and improving consistency, or anything else you wish to improve on.

No need to book, just turn up. Only the cost of a rink fee. (£3:50)

LETS HAVE SOME FUN!!!

Starts 17th of October.

Any questions ring Rod
07745708658



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PARTY

DJ
Keith
Gibbins

19th
October

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£12

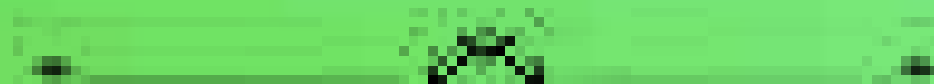
7:30 pm Start - Ticket includes Cheese Boards and Sweet

TDBC Social & Fund Raising Committee

Tickets on sale at Reception



New Sponsors for 2024-25



The entry window for the Club's Winter 2024 / 2025 competitions is now open.

Entry forms are on the table in Reception and available on the club website if you wish to print it off.

Completed forms can be posted into the box in the Reception area or scanned forms can be e-mailed to office@tdbowls.com with the subject being FAO: Karl Greenhoff – Competition Entry.

Closing date for entries is midnight Sunday 6th October, with the draw taking place on Monday 7th October at the club.

Competitions are open to all bowling members. New bowlers – please have a go there is a competition just for you!

There is no entry fee for any competition but normal rink fees apply for every match you play in apart from Finals Day.

Regards

Karl Greenhoff

Indoor Bowling

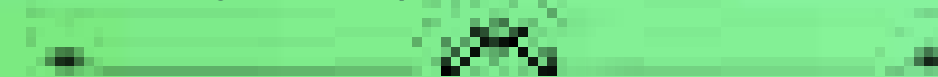
Please keep an eye out on the noticeboards for match sheets for forthcoming friendlies against Mid Devon and Stour Vale and sign up if you are available.

We also have the S & DL , (Somerset and Devon League) matches coming up which are for mixed teams of more experienced players. Once the selection sheets go up please remember to tick your names and if you have to pull out of the match please do let Tony or myself know as soon as possible so that we can slot in another bowler.

We are also going to set up a WhatsApp group for all S&DL players which we hope will improve communication channels between players.

Best wishes and happy bowling,

Anita and Tony - Indoor Captains



Taunton Deane Bowling Club

We are looking for new members of any age, any gender and any ability.

(Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult)

We offer 4 free sessions for people to come and try bowling with a qualified coach. Bowls and shoes are available to borrow for a coaching session, subject to availability. Call reception between 9am and 1pm on [01823 353644](tel:01823353644), or email office@tdbowls.com, to leave contact details and a coach will contact you to make arrangements.

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Check out our facilities @
www.tauntondeanebowls.com



Outdoor Friendly Season to end of season

This is to update all club members on the state of play of outdoor friendlies 2024.

From 20th August there have been 3 Touring matches at home and the final friendly of the season away.

Thursday 22 August Chelmsford BC tour 6 rinks lost 89-92

Monday 26 August Winsley BC tour 4 rinks lost 61-65

Monday 2 September Olveston and District 7 rinks won 113-110

Wednesday 4 September North Petherton 4 triples lost 67-60

We would just like to say a massive thank you to all the bowlers that have played friendlies over the outdoor season, it has been very much appreciated when you have come forward to fill the positions needed.

Also a big Thank You to all the catering team for all you have done and for the food provided to the touring teams.

We received this email from Olveston bowling club following their return home after the game at Taunton Deane

Hi All,

I hope this email gets to all those to whom it should be going!

Firstly I am making the assumption that correct payment has been made and received! Please do let me know soonest if anything has gone wrong with that process and I will attempt to put things right immediately!

Secondly – I think Ann should be committed! No sane person would even try to provide such a tremendous meal for 70+ folk and expect to get away with it! All of our members were in awe of the hospitality and standard of food supplied.

Thirdly – the bowling was superb. 3 shots in it at the end.. What made it great for us was the half time change over and the ensuing changes in scores!

Great fun was had by all and we all commend you for running such a great facility.

*Cheers,
Derek*

Many Thanks and I look forward to seeing and playing alongside you all next season

Alan Dicks - Mens Outdoor Captain (joint)



The coaching team had an enquiry from The Willows Day Centre for Adults with Learning Difficulties. Under The Lottery funding the club is required to be inclusive and to facilitate those with disabilities to access the facilities and participate in the sport of bowls.

A plan was developed for 4 people to attend for 2 weeks, another 4 for the following 2 weeks and then those that wanted to continue to attend in a larger group for another 2 weeks. After this there would be a break with the option of another block of sessions later in the year. Over the 6-week period this plan was supported by 3 coaches, 3 volunteers and 3 carers. The aim was to make it fun rather than just the usual format of coaching.

Initially the group participants ability was completely unknown so weeks 1 and 3 were a learning curve for all involved. The participants had a variety of disabilities including dyspraxia, a developmental condition which effects co-ordination and movement and Downs Syndrome along with additional mobility and sensory issues.

For the first sessions of the 2 groups cones were placed to provide a guide to players, a target to aim at and a frame with a bell to bowl through proved useful with volunteers standing as a visual guide to provide direction to those with additional needs. Assistance with positioning on the mat and help with the bias was required. One proved ambidextrous and was able to bowl well with either hand but was encouraged to concentrate using one hand only and he improved with each bowl. All bowling was on rink 6 concentrating on the forehand.

Weeks 2 and 4 proved how the bowlers had concentrated during their first session, how retentive they were to the instructions and what they remembered from the previous week. Their supportive and competitive relationships with each other came through during a team game where they scored points on the target. When the carers played poorly the humour and comments were great. During these sessions they played both up and back and diagonally across 2 rinks, believe me this is harder than it sounds as all normal reference points are no longer available, and the coaches declined to show us how it was done! Some chose to try the backhand to varying degrees of success.

The larger group came on week 5 and 6 and culminated in a competition of 4 teams of 2 playing 6 ends and the winners playing 5

ends to find the champion of champions. With a little more coaching a couple of the lads would be really good and there was interest expressed regarding how they could become members.

These sessions have filled usually empty rinks and therefore have increased income for the club.

Coaches and volunteers had this to say about the sessions.

‘I have thoroughly enjoyed working with this group, they are receptive, generous, affectionate and well behaved.’

‘Sometimes it takes a lot more coaching to get a new member to bowl as well.’

‘This has been a good idea although costings are proving difficult to agree.’

‘It has been great to see ability and confidence increase in such a short time.’

It has been good to see their enjoyment and support of each other, volunteering for this has been a breath of fresh air.’

Other club members said they were amazed at how good they were at bowling.

The players themselves said the following about the experience

‘I enjoyed all of it.’

‘Enjoyed having a game, it helps to be active.’

‘Nice to learn new things.’

‘There are nice people here.’

The carers made the following comments

‘I have never seen L concentrate for as long.’

‘Z was disappointed they couldn’t come this week.’

‘There are others who are want to come along now’

‘They have all enjoyed the sessions.’

So club members if you see any of these lads here on a Monday morning please come over and say hello or volunteer to help out.

Alan Dicks - Mens Outdoor Captain (joint)

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12 October 2024	Disco	Tickets £12	7:30pm start
30 November 2024	Simon Rees Entertainer	Tickets £14	7:00pm start
7 December 2024	Christmas quiz with Bob	Tickets £6	7:00pm start
31 December 2024	New Years Eve - Sapphire	Tickets £16:50	8:00pm start
8 March 2025	Chris Chaplin Entertainer	Tickets £14	7:00pm start



Free Training Opportunities

The Bowls Development Alliance in partnership with the EIBA will be hosting their next round of webinars **during the week commencing 14th October 2024.**

Details of the Webinars can be found at - www.eiba.co.uk/news/2024/week-of-learning-October-2024.php AND <https://bowlsdevelopmentalliance.com/education/>

Week of Learning - October 2024

These free webinars are open to any club affiliated to Bowls England, English Indoor Bowling Association, English Short Mat Bowling Association or British Crown Green Bowling Association. If your club is not affiliated, please visit your National Governing Bodies website to find out how you can affiliate to make the most of our free resources for clubs.

Places for each webinar are limited and bookings will close three days prior to each event. If you miss the cutoff date but would still like to attend please email: clubdevelopment@bowlsdevelopmentalliance.com and we will do our best to fit you onto the workshop.

Safeguarding: Adult Safeguarding

Learn more about the categories of abuse adults can experience. This session will also cover signs and indicators of abuse and how to report concerns about adults.

What will you achieve?

- A greater knowledge of abuse that can affect adults.
- Confidence in how to report concerns.

Monday 14th October - 5pm-6pm

Friday 18th October - 10am-11am

Funding: What funding do you need and why?

This session will allow for discussion about what you are hoping to obtain funding for and why you need it.

What will you achieve?

- A better understanding of whether your requirements will be considered by funding providers.

Monday 14th October - 10am - 11:30am

Raising Money and Dealing with Increased Costs

As costs rise, this workshop will investigate how to deal with increasing costs and share top tips to help your organisation save money.

It will also explore the different ways you can raise money by working with partner organisations, crowdfunding, identifying local opportunities and using your people to support your fundraising efforts.

What will you achieve?

By the end of this session, you will be able to:

- Identify different ways to raise money
- Work through the 'dos and don'ts' of grant funding
- Identify where to look for grant funding
- Explore the potential impact that cost increases are having on your club or organisation
- Share learning on what other clubs and organisations have been doing to counterbalance cost increases and what support they are accessing
- Access tips, hints and other sources of information to support with these increases.

Monday 14th October - 6pm - 7:30pm

Thursday 17th October - 10am - 11:30am

Financial Management

This workshop will look at the principles of good financial management, financial planning, budgeting (both short and long term) and consider what income generation options best suits your organisation.



What will you achieve?

By the end of this session, you will be able to:

- Understand the importance of financial sustainability
- Understand the principles of good financial management
- Consider different income generating models for your organisation.

Tuesday 15th October - 10am - 11:30am

Thursday 17th October - 6pm - 7:30pm

Engaging Your Community

This course will explore how to better connect, understand and engage with your local community.

What will you achieve?

By the end of this session, you will be able to:

- Understand the key principles of community engagement
- Explore the benefits of community engagement
- Explore how your club or organisation can meet the needs of your local community and identified how to engage with them
- Identify actions to improve your club or organisations community engagement efforts.

Wednesday 16th October - 10am - 11:30am

Promoting Your Offer Using Social Media

This workshop will explore how you can use social media to increase awareness of your club or organisation and connect with a wide range of people to help you grow and become more sustainable.

What will you achieve?

By the end of this session, you will be able to:

- Set up basic social media profiles
- Understand the role that social media can play in promoting your club or organisation
- Consider how to analyse your social media marketing efforts to inform future development.

Wednesday 16th October - 6pm-7:30pm

Club Health Checker

This session will guide you through the Club Health Checker, which is a free online self-assessment tool that will identify the challenges faced by your bowls club and highlights areas for targeted growth.

Friday 18th October - 1pm - 2pm

Club Members can book their places on the Webinars by going to the following BDA Webpage - <https://bowlsdevelopmentalliance.com/education/>



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Crockford Cup

The Crockford Cup and Blackbrook Shield were played on the 18th August.

The Crockford Cup consisted of eleven triples each playing four matches of five ends and the Blackbrook Shield was four triples each playing three matches of six ends. Both competitions were very competitive, with all matches being played in good spirits.

After some very close matches in both competitions the Crockford Cup ended with four teams each winning three of their four matches. The team of Colin Day, Jim Wilson and Dennis Clarke were declared winners of the cup on points difference. The runners up were Trevor Hembrow, Adrian Davis and Angie Shirley.

The Blackbrook Shield was won by the team of Helen Horton, Hugh Rodgers and Trisha Hazelwood who won all of their matches. Steve Browning, Andrew Williams and Peter Sealey were runners up.

After bowling the players, and a number of spectators, enjoyed a lovely two course meal prepared by Ann and her team which was enjoyed by all. A raffle for the President's charity raised £144.50 - a big thank you to all who donated prizes and Alison for selling so many tickets.

Karl Greenhoff



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Music

IAN DURY AND THE BLOCKHEADS 1977-2000

Formed in 1977 to promote Ian Dury's album 'New Boots and Panties' on the first Stiff Records tour of the U.K. Chaz Jankel, Norman Watt-Roy, Charlie Charles, John Turnbull and Mick Gallagher became known as 'The Blockheads' (a reference to a song on Ian's album). As 'Ian Dury & The Blockheads' they went back out on tour, this time without Chaz Jankel, and in 1978 released 'What a Waste' a single that reached number five in the U.K. charts. They were then joined by saxophonist Davey Payne and toured the U.S.A supporting Lou Reed across North America ending with their own dates in California (with backline roadie Pete Rush)

In late 1978 Chaz returned to the fold and composed 'Hit me with your Rhythm Stick' with Ian. The band recorded it in The Workhouse Studios, Old Kent Road, London and in 1979 had a number one hit record with it in the U.K. Ian Dury & The Blockheads went on to record the 'Do it Yourself' album and toured Europe and the U.K. recording 'Reasons to be Cheerful, Part 3' in Rome. Released as a single in late 1979 it reached number three in the U.K. charts.

In 1980 Chaz, once again, left the band to pursue solo projects in California and Wilko Johnson joined Ian, Norman, Johnny, Charlie, Mickey and Davey to record and release a third album for Stiff Records called 'Laughter' and released 'I Want to be Straight' and 'Supermans Big Sister' as singles. They toured throughout 1981 in the U.K and Europe, sometimes augmented by Don Cherry on trumpet, ending the year with a tour of Australia. Dury's 1981 song "Spasticus Autisticus" written to show his disdain for that year's International Year of the Disabled which he saw as patronising and counter-productive. This was one of the outstanding protest songs about the place of disabled people in what he called 'normal land'. The lyrics were uncompromising:

So place your hard-earned peanuts in my tin
And thank the Creator you're not in the state I'm in



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So long have I been languished on the shelf
I must give all proceedings to myself (full lyrics at end)

The song's refrain, "I'm spasticus, autisticus", was inspired by the response of the rebellious Roman gladiators in the film Spartacus, who, when instructed to identify their leader, all answered, "I am Spartacus", to protect him. Dury described the song as "a war cry" on Desert Island Discs. Although the song was at first banned from being broadcast by the BBC before 6 p.m. it was used at the opening of the London 2012 Paralympics.

In 1982 Ian Dury & The Blockheads disbanded and were not to play together again until 1987 when they went out to Japan in June to play three shows in four days, disbanding again until 1990 when the death of Charlie Charles in September of that year re-united them to play two Benefit gigs at The Forum, Camden Town in aid of Charlies' family. Chaz returned from America and Steven Monti picked up the drumsticks for the hottest ticket in town. The band, now augmented by Merlin Rhys-Jones on guitar and Will Parnell on percussion, recorded a live album 'Warts & Audience' at the Brixton Academy in December 1990.

Once again the band stopped working until August 1994 when, with the return to England of Chaz, the band were invited to play the Madstock Festival in Finsbury Park in August which led to a series of hit and run gigs in Europe, Ireland, the U.K. and Japan throughout the rest of 1994 and 1995. In March 1996 Ian was diagnosed with cancer and, after recovering from an operation, was determined to write another album.

To this end The Blockheads went into rehearsal in August 1996 and began recording at Air Studios, London in October. The album 'Mr. Lovepants' was released in 1998 and in May, Ian & The Blockheads hit the road again. This time with Dylan Howe replacing Steve Monti on drums. In August Davey Payne left and was replaced by Gilad Atzmon. This line up continued to play gigs throughout 1999. The last performance by Ian Dury & The Blockheads was February 6th 2000 at The London Palladium. Ian died at 9am on 27th March 2000.

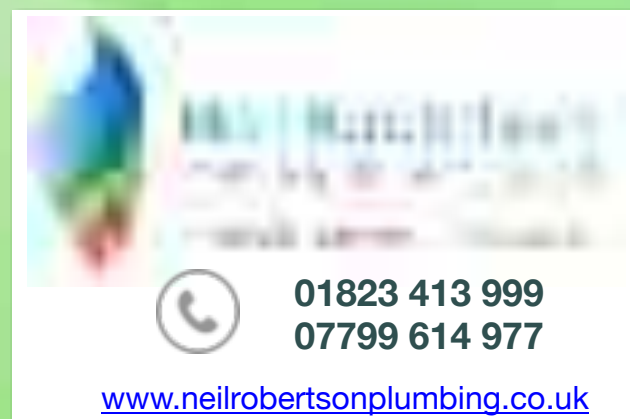
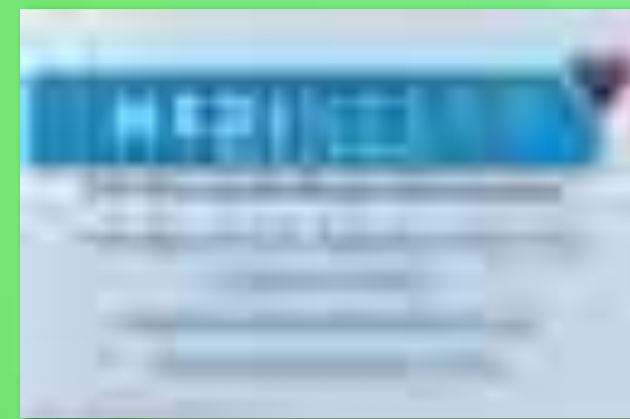
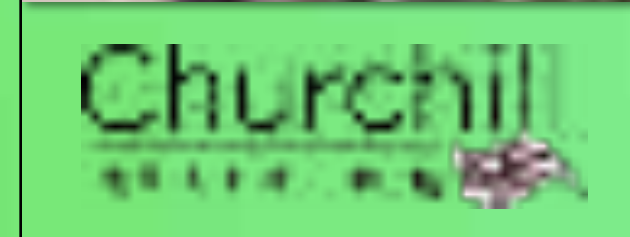
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