Club Friendly

Burford v Witney Mills

at Witney Mills 26th April 2025

	Burford	shots	Witney Mills	shots
R1	John Hurren	19	Les	16
R2	Steve Gould	35	Neil	10
R3	Jeff Bizzell	13	Richard	17
R4	Jack Lafford	31	Ron	9
R5	Tim Stacey	13	Kevin	17
	Total	111	Total	69

First game of the season is always an unknown given early summer weather and green spring preparations; fortunately both proved to be very favourable for this opening match against Witney Mills.

Rink1 saw John Hurren slightly in front until the 12th end when 4 shots against put the score at 9-10. This was soon corrected with the next four ends scoring 10 shots without reply and, although Mills scored six shots on the last two ends, it was too late with John's rink winning 19-16. Steve Gould's triple on rink2 were tied at 3 shots each at the 5th end, they then scored 32 shots, which included an 8 on the 8th end, with only 7 shots against to finish 35-10 victors. A very tight match on rink3 saw Jeff Bizzell's team leading 11-9 at the 15th end only to lose out by conceding 8 shots to 2 shots in the final ends and finished up 13-17 down. Jack Lafford on rink4 found themselves 3-7 down at the 7th end but then dropped just two single shots in the remaining ends for a 31-9 score win. On rink5 Tim Stacey was 13-8 up on the 13th end but then fell away giving 9 shots without reply on the final 3 ends, losing by a 17-13.

Once again we had a most enjoyable match against Witney Mills and it was pleasing that their green bowled extremely well and credit to those who have managed it over the winter.