

Newsletter 09/24

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September Diary

	Club Fixtures/Events	
Sept 2 nd	Club night	6:30pm – 10pm
Sept 2 nd	Allan Tuckwell	Afternoon
Sept 4 th	Art Class	10am-5pm
Sept 8 th	Friends of English Bowling	Home 2:00
Sept 9 th	Club night	6:30pm – 10pm
Sept 11 th	Art Class	10am-5pm
Sept 14 th	Worth Webb	Home 1:00
Sept 15 th	Finals Day	TBC
Sept 16 th	Club night	6:30pm – 10pm
Sept 18 th	Art Class	10am-5pm
Sept 21 st	Finals Day	TBC
Sept 22 nd	Presidents/Captains Day	Home 2:30pm
Sept 23 rd	Green closed	
Sept 23 rd	Extension Raffle Draw	Home 7pm
Sept 25 th	Art Class	10am-5pm
Sept 26 th	Horticulture Club	2:30pm-5pm

Fixtures

Men's league.

Congratulations to all Men's League players in staying in Div 3 after promotion last year

Tables & result	s for -		Divi	sion	3 -		01-Aug	2024
Taam		Gar	nes			Shots		Total
Team	played	won	drawn	lost	for	against	diffce	Points
Chipping Norton	10	5	1	4	712	621	91	35.5
Charlbury	10	6	0	4	707	636	71	34
Bicester	10	5	1	4	610	643	-33	31.5
Burford	10	5	0	5	641	639	2	30
Banbury Central B	10	4	0	6	643.25	729	-85.75	26
West Oxford	10	3	2	5	636	681.25	-45.25	23

OBA Men's League

v West Oxford

At West Oxford 1st Aug 2024

	Burford	shots	points	West Oxford	shots	points
R1	J. Lafford	16	1	C. Sherwood	13	0
R2	J. Hurren	14	0	A. Blackburn	19	1
R3	S. Gould	11	0	G. Richardson	23	1
R4	B. Parker	20	1	J. Baldwin	18	0
	Aggregate	61	0	Aggregate	73	2
	TOTAL		2	TOTAL		4

With 4 teams mathematically capable of winning division 3 before the start of play, it was Chipping Norton that became div 3 Champions this year, after beating Bicester 5-1 at Chippy. It was a comprehensive win with a 41-shot margin, which proved too much for Bicester who started the game as joint leaders. Percy Hickman's four got an early lead with 14 shots on the first 6 ends and never looked back, then Martin Acock's four won by 24-8 and the reliable Dave Freeman won by an 11-shot margin to secure the victory. At the end they had an anxious wait for an hour to see how Charlbury faired against Banbury Central B. Alas Charlbury, who needed all six points to pip the Chippy side, only managed a 4-2 win away at Banbury, so the leader's position was confirmed. David Cooper achieved a run of 21 shots over 7 ends to secure his 31-13 win for Charlbury and Mark East had another good rink win with a 15-shot margin. Burford played at West Oxford against the centurions who proved excellent hosts in their special year. West Oxford managed to complete their home game programme without a loss and will seek ways to win away during the closed season before next season. Burford needed 2 points from the encounter to remain in the third division and this was achieved by the teams skipped by Jack Lafford and Bob Parker. (John Hurren OBA website)

Oxfordshire Mixed Triples League.

Congratulations to Chipping Norton on winning the Mixed Triples League.

Division 1										
Team		Games			Shots			Total Points		
lean	played	won	drawn	lost	for	against	diffce			
Chipping Norton	9	7	1	1	661	454	207	88		
Burford	9	7	1	1	691	460	231	85		
Banbury Central	9	5	1	3	663	530	133	68		
Witney Town Panthers	9	6	1	2	645	539	106	68		
Charlbury	9	6	0	3	612	566	46	57		
Hanborough	9	5	0	4	525	578	-53	54		
Witney Town Cougars	9	4	0	5	639	524	115	52		
O. U. P.	9	1	0	8	471	646	-175	27		
Banbury Chestnuts	9	1	0	8	354	648	-294	25		
Woodstock	9	1	0	8	323	639	-316	14		

v Chipping Norton

At Chipping Norton 15th August 2024

	BURFORD	shots	points	CHIPPING NORTON	shots	points
R2	B. Parker	16	2	Lattimore	13	0
R3	S. Gould	18	2	Martin A	16	0
R4	J. Hurren	30	2	Linda B	11	0
R5	J. Lafford	9	0	D. Freeman	13	2
	Aggregate	73	4	Aggregate	53	0
	TOTAL		10	TOTAL		2

Not quite a league decider but a good win would make it down to Chipping Norton to win well in their last three games. On rink2 Bob Parker was well up 14-3 at the 10th end but then only scored two shots to ten shots but managed to win 16-13. Steve Gould came back from 3-9 down at the 7th end to draw level at 10-10 on the 12th end and then went in front 18-13 at the penultimate end. Dropping three on the last end still meant they won 18-16. John Hurren on rink4 took a commanding 10-2 lead at the 5th end and just kept taking more shots and, although dropping a four at the 14th end, always stayed ahead to finish 30-11 victors. Jack Lafford did not start until the 9th end when they found themselves 1-10 down which could not be recovered and, although scoring seven shots without reply on the final six ends, still finished 9-13 down. An unexpected win by such a difference puts the onus on Chipping Norton to win well and it may very well come down to the final fixture against Charlbury for the league winners to be declared.

v Charlbury

At Charlbury 16th Aug 2024

	BURFORD	shots	points	CHARLBURY	shots	points
R1	J. Hurren	9	0	Eddie	20	2
R2	S. Gould	18	2	Menck	17	0
R3	B. Parker	18	2	Eddie A	13	0
R4	J. Lafford	13	0	Chris	21	2
	Aggregate	58	0	Aggregate	71	4
	TOTAL		4	TOTAL		8

Following on from the previous evening's fine result against Chipping Norton we failed to ensure the league was ours by giving a poor performance against Charlbury and left it totally for Chipping Norton to lose. John Hurren on rink1 was 9-6 up at the 9th end but then never scored again finishing 9-20 down. From 13-1 at the 7th end Steve Gould then lost their way and were pulled back to 17-13 at the 14th end. One shot on the next end was matched by 4 shots in the last four ends and just survived to be 18-17 winners. A five at the 10th end put Bob Parker in front for the first time and they were able to maintain the lead to end 18-13 victors. From 6-4 at the 4th end Jack Lafford did not score for the next eight ends and conceded 13 shots. Seven shots to two was not enough to alter the result of 13-21. Chipping Norton need to score 20 points in their last two games to win the league which was ours to lose.

Club Friendly

v Begbroke

at Burford on 3rd Aug 2024

	Burford	shots	Begbroke	shots
R1				
R2				
R3				
R4				
R5				
	Total		Total	

v Filkins

at Filkins on 6th Aug 2024

	Burford	shots	Filkins	shots
R1	Steve Gould	18	Robert	2
R2	Jack Lafford	15	Ken	13
R3	Tim Wilkins	15	Nigel	11
R4				
R5				
	Total	48	Total	26

Steve Gould acted as captain for this friendly at Filkins and did not allow his opponents to score until the 9th end when he was already 11 shots up, finishing as 18-2 winners. Jack Lafford's rink was a bit closer but from being 15-4 up at the 10th end then didn't score again whilst conceding 9 shots but managed to win 15-13. Tim Wilkins were being held at 7-6 on the 7th end but then scored 8 unanswered shots to be 15-6 up at the 11th end but then didn't score again whilst dropping 5 shots, still held out to be 15-11 victors. Interesting for those who had not played at Filkins before and good to see the club still functioning.

v Middle Barton

at Burford on 10th Aug 2024

	Burford	shots	Middle Barton	shots
R3	Jeff Bizzell	9	David P	19
R4	Bob Parker	20	Steve	11
R5	Dougie Mustoe	15	Caroline	14
R6	Trevor Wakeman	15	Martin	20
	Total	59	Total	64

With nearly twenty players unavailable we were still able to fulfil this fixture on what was a lovely afternoon for bowls. Jeff Bizzell's team were holding their own at 9-11 on the 14th end but then conceded 8 shots without reply on the final four ends finishing 9-19 losers. Bob Parker faired much better on his rink and, from 1-5 at the 5th end then scored 16 shots without any against to be 17-5 at the 12th end. 6 shots against 3 shots over the final six ends resulted in a 20-11 win. Dougie Mustoe was 6-2 up on the 6th end then 6-8 down by the 10th end to be 10-10 tied at the 14th end. Defeat looked ominous when 10-14 down at the penultimate end to then get a 5 on the last end and finish 15-14 winners. From being 13-5 up at the 8th end Trevor Wakeman then dropped 15 shots with only 2 in reply over then final ten ends and ended up losing by 15-20.

A lovely afternoon of bowls and so pleasing to play against Middle Barton who we no longer meet in the mixed league and look forward to meeting them again next year.

v Witney Town

at Burford on 13th Aug 2024

	Burford	shots	Witney Town	shots
R1	Tim Stacey	13	Ben H	22
R2	Jeff Bizzell	25	Chris J	6
R3	Dougie Mustoe	19	Brian E	13
R4	Tim Wilkins	13	Wendy H	19
R5	Jack Lafford	16	Pauline CB	18
	Total	86	Total	78

On a very pleasant evening that turned chilly we welcomed Witney Town, visitors we always enjoy playing. On rink1 Tim Stacey never got going and, after scoring one shot on the 3rd end, found themselves 1-10 down on the 10th end. A three on the 8th and 10th ends was met by a three on the 9th end which then became 7-22 at the 16th end. Two threes on the last two ends resulted in a 13-22 loss. Equal scoring on rink2 saw the score at 6-6 at the 9th end. It was to remain at 6 for the visitors whilst Jeff Bizzell's team accumulated 19 shots to finish 25-6 victors. Dougie Mustoe steadily moved to 11-5 at the 10th end and although they were brought back to 11-10 at the 12th end, they kept in front and improved the difference to win 19-13. This final score was reversed on rink4 where Tim Wilkins team found themselves 4-13 down at the 10th end and managed to come back to 11-13 at the 15th end but dropping a six put paid to any further gains. Jack Lafford went from 8-3 at the 7th end to remain on 8 for five ends to be 8-14 down at the 12th end. A four on the 17th helped recover to lose by 16-18. Interestingly, at the 12th end we were 42-59 down and a final score of 86-78 shows the value of keep going to the end.

Once again we had a most enjoyable evening of bowls against Witney Town, a game which finished in half light as the evenings certainly are starting to draw in. The club is gaining quite a reputation for its after match teas with Witney Town being told in another friendly that it is well worth visiting Burford, we are so fortunate to have Brenda and Sue as club members; thank you very much for all that you do, it is really much appreciated.

v Shrivenham at Shrivenham on 18th Aug 2024

	Burford	shots	Shrivenham	shots
R1	T. Wakeman	14	Trixie	20
R2	B. Parker	29	Chris H	13
R3	J. Bizzell	18	Barry	6
R4	J. Lafford	15	Dorothy	18
R5	T. Wilkins	14	Colin	18
	Total	90	Total	75

An even game for the first ten ends on rink1 with Trevor Wakeman then turned on the next four ends when they conceded ten shots and went from 8-7 to 8-17. Six shots on the next three ends brought them back to 14-17 but dropped three on the last end to finish 14-20 down. Bob Parker on rink2 were being held at 5-5 on the fifth end but then scored 24 shots to 8 and finished 29-13 winners. On rink3 Jeff Bizzell prevented any score against until the 5th end and only allowed the occasional one shot whilst building a lead to be 18-6 victors. Jack Lafford came back from 2-6 at the 5th end to be 14-10 up at the 14th end but then only managed to score one shot against 8 shots in the remaining ends to be 15-18 down at the end. With a five at the 7th end Tim Wilkins took the lead at 6-5 and stayed in touch being 10-11 down at the 12th end but then only managed 4 shots against 7 in the remaining ends to finish 14-18 down. A wonderful welcome was matched by a marvellous green to bowl on, credit to all those involved in the care and maintenance.

v Headington

at Headington on 31st Aug 2024

	Burford	shots	Headington	shots
R1	J. Bizzell	15	D. Crook	13
R2	T. Wakeman	23	J. Henwood	6
R3	B. Parker	20	J. Banton	11
R4	J. Lafford	14	L. Price	15
R5	D. Mustoe	9	D. North	21
	Total	81	Total	66

This was a very special friendly celebrating Headington's Centenary in which they treated us to a wonderful afternoon of bowls and a marvellous traditional high tea afterwards. On a dry afternoon which once again stayed well below the temperature expected, we played on possibly the best green in county and it did bowl well. On rink1 Jeff Bizzell's triple moved into a 10-4 lead at the 9th end which was pulled back to 10-12 at the 13th end. Five shots to one on the last five ends resulted in a 15-13 victory. A very even game with only two ends scoring three shots to each, the remaining ends scoring only ones or twos, delightful game. Trevor Wakeman stormed away to be 17-2 up at the 10th end and although conceding four on the next three ends then gained six shots to zero on the last three ends to finish at 23-6. Rink3 was even exchanges and was 4-4 at the 6th end. Four shots each on the next four ends put the score at 8-8 on the 10th end. Bob Parker then picked up 12 shots to 3 on the final ends to run out 20-11 winners. Jack Lafford on rink4 was 6-1 up at the 5th end but then fell away, scoring one shot against eleven and found themselves 7-12 down at the 13th end. Scoring well in the final ends recorded a 14-15 loss. Dougie Mustoe on rink5 went from 6-6 at the 10th end to 9-13 at the 12th end but then didn't score again and ended up 9-21 down. A really good afternoon of bowls and welcome to Tom Randall playing his first game for the club.

Temple Piper Summer Open Triples.

We have also entered a team in this year's Temple Piper run on a league basis by Witney Town. After a summer of Wednesday afternoons playing at Witney Town, we finished a very close second in the league. Congratulations to Pat Walker, John Hurren, Jack Lafford, Tim Stacey and Jeff Bizzell on nearly retaining the trophy.

Temple Piper Monday Open Triples 2024									
Team	Games					Total			
1 Calli	played	₩ОП	drawn	lost	for	against	diff.	Points	
Olivers Army	12	9	0	3	236	158	78	18	
Burford Lions	12	8	1	3	223	157	66	17	
Tail Enders	12	7	1	4	219	174	45	15	
Wickers and Glancers	12	7	1	4	202	211	-9	15	
Rebels	12	7	0	5	199	169	30	14	
Oxf C & C Breakaways	12	6	1	5	214	191	23	13	
Cee Bees	12	5	2	5	190	184	6	12	
Dark Side of the Loom	12	5	2	5	181	208	-27	12	
Bobbins	12	4	1	7	177	205	-28	9	
Try Again	12	4	0	8	176	217	-41	8	
Jammie Dodgers	12	4	0	8	165	215	-50	8	
New Shoots	12	2	4	6	167	223	-56	8	
Misfits	12	3	1	8	179	216	-37	7	

Temple Piper Monday Open Triples 2024								
Results for games played on: 19 August 2024								
Home Team Score Away Team								
Wickers and Glancers	11	٧	28	Tail Enders				
Bobbins	19	٧	14	Try Again				
Oxf C & C Breakaways	6	٧	19	Olivers Army				
Jammie Dodgers	15	٧	12	Misfits				
Burford Lions	24	٧	11	New Shoots				
Rebels	19	٧	10	Dark Side of the Loom				

BYE WEEK: Cee Bees

County Competitions.

Longford Cup.

Congratulations to Trevor Wakeman on reaching the semi-final.

Officer's Cup.

Congratulations to Steve Gould on reaching the final.

Hawker Cup.

Congratulations to the two rinks (Trevor Wakeman, Tim Wilkins, Tim Stacey, Steve Gould and Jeff Bizzell, Bob Parker, John Hurren, Jack Lafford) who are through to the semi-final after beating West Oxford. The semi-final, final and third/fourth place matches will be played at City & County, Oxford on Sunday 8th September.

Club Competitions.

The current results are on the competitions' sheets on the notice board near the kitchen, also on the website. Please try to keep to the play by dates and ensure you meet the current club regulations before semi-final dates.

Club Triples.

Fifteen club members entered this year's competition held on 11th August. This was a rearranged date owing to a limited number entering on the original date 16th June which was Father's Day.

						TOT	POS
Tracey Godfrey Tim Wilkins Stan Lawrence	6 6	10 16	5 21	11 32	no 32	32	1st
Paul Banfield Pat Walker Philip Slaymaker	3 3	6 9	7 16	no 16	0 16	16	4th
Stan Matthews Robin Clare Dougie Mustoe	4 4	3 7	no 7	1 8	4 12	12	5th
Bert Clough Paul Godfrey Steve Gould	2 2	no 2	7 9	3 12	13 25	25	2nd
Ted Hedges Steve Webb Jeff Bizzell	no 0	4 4	7 11	5 16	6 22	22	3rd

Congratulations to winners Tim Wilkins, Tracey Godfrey and Stan Lawrence.



Burford Gala 2024.

Ten visitor and two Burford teams entered this year's gala day held on Sunday August 25th, a day that promised to be warm and bright but ended rather chilly and overcast. We were delighted to welcome Peter Smith, our very generous sponsor, who once again kindly spent the day with us and presented the trophy and prizes.

Two leagues of six played a round robin with shots scored accumulated to determine final position and the winners of each league playing for the trophy.

League 1

Team No		Game No1	Game No 2	Game No 3	Game No 4	Game No 5	Position
А	Woodstock A	2 2	7 9	5 14	8 22	7 29	3
В	Burford A	7 7	5 12	7 19	12 31	11 42	1
С	Carterton B	7 7	4 11	3 14	1 15	5 20	6
D	Witney Town B	3 3	10 13	5 18	5 23	3 26	4=
E	Charlbury	6 6	2 8	3 11	5 16	10 26	4=
F	Porters	9 9	3 12	5 17	8 25	7 32	2

League 2

Team No		Game No1	Game No 2	Game No 3	Game No 4	Game No 5	Position
Α	Burford B	12 12	11 23	3 26	5 31	17 48	2
В	Carterton A	4 4	9 13	9 22	4 26	7 33	3
С	Woodstock B	1 1	2 3	10 13	4 17	5 22	5
D	Witney Mills	2 2	0 2	6 8	7 15	6 21	6
E	Witney Town A	12 12	1 13	9 22	3 25	3 28	4
F	Fairford	18 18	10 28	12 40	4 44	9 53	1

Some images from the day













Peter Smith presenting finalists prize to Fairford (Marion Moore, Paul Barrow and Jill Barrow)



Peter Smith presenting winner's trophy and prize to Burford A (Roger Hopkins, Tim Wilkins and Bob Parker



Peter Smith with Gala finalists and event organiser Steve Gould.



Clubhouse extension.

What a difference a month makes....

1st August







5th August









13th August





22nd August







27th August







Roughly seven days (8am-1pm), three blokes (total age in excess of 220 years!!!!).



Allan Tuckwell

26th August 1940 – 10th August 2024 Club President 1999-2010 & 2019-2020

Memorial service at South Oxfordshire Crematorium Garford, Abingdon, OX13 5PA

Tuesday 3rd September 2024 at 1pm.

Afterwards at Burford Town Bowls Club Tanners Lane, Burford OX18 4NA

Allan had a passion for bowls and was positively evangelical in seeking converts to the game. He joined Burford Town Bowls Club in the 1980s and was president 1999-2010 and again 2019-2020. His service to the bowls club was recognised when he was made a life member in 2022. He played every week and until Covid he had organised the annual Bowls Club tour 14 times. He even ran it from his hospital bed in 2016; in 2022 he was pleased to let someone else organise it, but he was there and enjoyed a rare winning tour. Although Allan's bowling was restricted, as his illness prevented regular attendance in his later years, he always maintained an interest in the club. He was able to attend a friendly on the Saturday before he passed away on the anniversary of his wife Josie's passing in 2018. You will be much missed Allan, may you now have peace.