



Newsletter 11/25

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November Diary

	Club Fixtures/Events	
1 st Nov	Halloween Party	From 6:30pm
Nov 3 rd	Club night – SM Roll-up	From 6:30pm
Nov 4 th	OSMBA–Burford v Charlbury “Cedars”	Home 7:15pm
Nov 5 th	Art Class	10am – 5pm
Nov 6 th	Art Class	9am-1pm
Nov 6 th	OSMBA–WM “Weavers” v Hanbr “Harriers”	7pm
Nov 7 th	Social evening – Club SM Triples League	From 6:30pm
Nov 10 th	Club night – SM Roll-up	6:30pm – 10pm
Nov 11 th	OSMBA – Burford v WT “Rams”	Home 7:15pm
Nov 12 th	Art Class	10am – 5pm
Nov 13 th	Art Class	9am-1pm
Nov 13 th	OSMBA–WM “Weavers” v NorLei “Millers”	7pm
Nov 14 th	No Club – preparation for Dinner/Pres Eve	From 6:30pm
Nov 15 th	Club Dinner & Presentation Evening	7pm for 7:30pm
Nov 16 th	Hockey Club	4:30pm - 5:30pm
Nov 17 th	Club AGM	7:30pm
Nov 19 th	Art Class	10am – 5pm
Nov 20 th	Art Class	9am-1pm
Nov 20 th	OSMBA–WM “Millers” v Burford	Away 7pm(@Burford)
Nov 21 st	Social evening – Club SM Triples League	From 6:30pm
Nov 22 nd	Club booking	2pm – 6pm
Nov 24 th	Club night – SM Roll-up	6:30pm – 10pm
Nov 26 th	Art Class	10am – 5pm
Nov 26 th	OSMBA – WT “Red Kites” v Burford	Away 7:15pm
Nov 27 th	Art Class	9am-1pm
Nov 27 th	Horticultural Club	2pm-5pm
Nov 27 th	OSMBA–WM “Millers” v WT “Woolies”	7pm
Nov 28 th	Social evening – Club SM Triples League	From 6:30pm
Nov 29 th	Hockey Club	4:30pm - 5:30pm

Men's League Oxfordshire Mixed League Friendlies Internal Club Competition OSMBA League

Presentation to OML Division3 Champions.



Steve Gould collected the Division 3 Oxfordshire Men's League champions trophy, certificate and cheque

OSMBA League.

	WEST OXFORDSHIRE	P	W	D	L	DIFF	PTS
1	Witney Mills Weavers	6	4	0	2	47	34
2	Charlbury Cedars	6	4	0	2	27	30
3	Burford Lions	5	4	0	1	25	29
4	Witney Town Canaries	4	4	0	0	35	27
5	Hanborough Harriers	5	3	0	2	54	25
6	North Leigh Millers	6	3	0	3	8	23
7	Charlbury Willows	5	3	0	2	16	21
8	Witney Town Red Kites	5	3	0	2	1	21
9	Charlbury Oaks	5	2	0	3	2	20
10	Witney Town Rams	5	2	0	3	29	18
11	Hanborough Herons	6	2	0	4	-50	18
12	Witney Mills Millers	5	0	0	5	-93	4
13	Witney Town Woolies	5	0	0	5	-101	0

Week 3 we hosted Witney Mills “Weavers” and won 6-2 (31-26) followed in week 4 by a home fixture against North Leigh “Millers” who have consistently been league winners for many years; this time we won a very tight match 7-1 (26-25). One shot victory made the difference between 7-1 winners or 4 points each if tied or if one shot against would be 1-7 losers (a reminder that all shots count whenever played). Week 5 we were away at Witney Town “Wollies” and won 8-0 (31-22) with a comfortable win on one mat and not so comfortable on the other. Suffered our first loss in week 6 against Charlbury, quite heavily 0-8 (20-40); great shame as we are more than capable of winning this league this year. Still, we are only a win away from regaining top place and we have a game in hand.

Club Friday Triples League.

FRIDAY TRIPLES LEAGUE

Team 1	Team 2	Team 3	Team 4	Team 5	Team 6
Roger H	John H	Jeff B	Jack L	Tim S	Bob P
Paul H	Paul H	Thomas W	Steven D	Mark M	Sam S
Trinity G	Paul H	Danilo G	David B	Sarah B	Thomas C
Eden S	Andy C	Matthew A	Jon B	David B	Julian W

		Date																														
		25/10	26/10	27/10	28/10	29/10	30/10	31/10	01/11	02/11	03/11	04/11	05/11	06/11	07/11	08/11	09/11	10/11	11/11	12/11	13/11	14/11	15/11	16/11	17/11	18/11	19/11	20/11	21/11	22/11	23/11	24/11
Team 1	25	Home for	0	20	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	30	Home against	0	18	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	Offensive	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	4	Home	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Team 2	24	Home for	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	12	Home against	0	12	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	Offensive	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	Home	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Team 3	29	Home for	2	0	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	41	Home against	25	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	22	Offensive	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	0	Home	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Team 4	30	Home for	10	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	14	Home against	20	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	14	Offensive	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	Home	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Team 5	43	Home for	25	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	26	Home against	2	25	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	17	Offensive	18	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	1	Home	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Team 6	45	Home for	28	22	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	23	Home against	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	23	Offensive	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
	4	Home	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

League as of 25/10/15								
Team	Played	Win	Lost	Drawn	For	Against	Diff	Points
6	2	2	0	0	45	22	23	4
1	2	2	0	0	35	30	5	4
5	2	1	1	0	43	26	17	2
2	2	0	1	1	34	33	0	1
4	2	0	1	1	30	44	-14	1
3	2	0	2	0	19	41	-22	0

There is a change in the fixtures schedule, the team4 v team5 due to be played 31st October has been moved to be played on 5th December.

Long Mat.

Saturday 18th October, we played in the Bob Edwards Cup at Carterton against Witney Town and the result was not good, only winning on one of four rinks 19-14 and losing 8-14, 15-21 and 6-20 so quite a heavy loss. Guess it can only go one way in the future.

Witney Town Wednesday Triples League.

Witney Town Wednesday Open Triples 2025 - 2026								
Teams	Games				Points			Total Points
	played	won	drawn	lost	for	against	diff	
Bolton	5	4	0	1	84	35	55	6
Albion	5	4	0	1	86	30	56	8
The Millers	5	4	0	1	64	35	45	6
Little London	4	4	0	0	72	31	31	8
Witney Housers	5	0	1	4	65	45	24	7
Dark Side of the Moon	4	3	0	1	78	38	23	6
Barford Wood	4	0	0	4	54	35	-18	6
Butter Crosses	5	3	0	2	73	30	23	6
Flying Saucers	5	0	0	5	60	55	-5	6
James's Dingles	5	3	0	2	78	78	-2	6
Tail Enders	5	2	1	2	57	64	-7	5
The Bunting Stems	5	3	0	2	68	37	-29	4
Clueless	4	1	0	3	32	45	-13	2
Pick & Mix	5	0	0	5	33	73	-40	0
Woodpeckers	4	0	0	4	25	55	-30	0
Zeals	5	0	0	5	23	77	-54	0
Merlot	5	0	0	5	25	54	-29	0

Week 1 we won 14-11 against "The Millers", week 2 was a very narrow 9-11 loss to a very good "Butter Crosses", week 3 was an 18-5 win over "Clueless" which put us 7th in the league. Week 4 was a rest week and we dropped to 9th. Week 5 was against "Pick and Mix" which resulted in a 13-11 victory bringing us back to 7th and only two points from the top and with a game in hand on some of the teams above us. Now it gets complicated, with 17 teams in the league there are games on the first Monday of each month as well as the regular Wednesday games; which presents quite a challenge to those who set out the fixtures.

Halloween Party.



Club Dinner and Presentation Evening.

SAT 15th NOVEMBER 7pm FOR 7.30pm

Price £30 .00 per person

A) Home-made minestrone soup
or

B) Prawn Platter with Marie Rose sauce with mixed leaves
Assorted Breads and butter

C) Traditional Roast Turkey , sausage and bacon, seasoning and roast gravy
Or

D) Roasted Hake Fillet served on a Bed of Spinach
Or

E) Home Made Lentil and Sweet Potato Cottage Pie (V)
Selection of Potatoes and vegetables of the chef's choice

F) Home Made Key Pie

G) Home-made white Chocolate and Raspberry Brownie (GF)
or

H) Fresh Fruit Salad
Served with cream

Coffee or tea with chocolate mints

Please fill in form with your choice of menu, and any dietary requirements (e.g., celiac, gluten free etc)

CUT.....&.....SEND.....TO.....PAT.....WALKER.....

NAME	STARTER (A or B)	MAIN COURSE (C,D or E)	DESSERT(F,G or H)

PLEASE SEND , PHONE OR EMAIL TO patr47@btinternet.com BY WEDNESDAY 5TH NOVEMBER

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Pay by cash , cheque or BACs sort code: 30-91-43 a/c 00023018 to Burford town bowls club

Or bring to the club . Many Thanks ,Pat

The form for the club's annual dinner and presentation evening, along with the menu, is on the notice board

AGM.

Just a reminder about the AGM



Notice of **CLUB AGM**

To be held in the clubhouse

MONDAY 17th November 2025

At 7:30 pm

An opportunity for you to
voice your opinions

Season report.

This was the article I submitted to the Burford Bridge magazine for inclusion in the November issue.



Promotion as champions to next season's Oxfordshire Men's League Division 2 and winning the Oxfordshire Mixed League Division 1, marks the 2025 season as the most successful in the club's history.



Oxfordshire Men's Division 3 Champions



Oxfordshire Mixed Triples League Winners

Associated with these successes we have seen the membership increase steadily over the past four years from 28 in 2022, 36 in 2023, 45 in 2024 to 54 as of the end of the 2025 season.

Early in May (9th – 12th) we ventured down to Torquay for this year's bowls tour and enjoyed very pleasant weather, playing at Kings BC in Torquay, Brixham BC, Teignmouth (Britton Park BC) and stopping off at Wotton-under-Edge BC on our journey home; three wins and one loss made for a most enjoyable tour. Next year, again in early May, we are off to Norfolk being based at Great Yarmouth and already we are fully booked with a reserve list in case anyone drops out.

Including the four tour matches we played twenty-nine friendlies which has meant that those members not playing in the leagues were able to partake in several not so competitive matches. We were delighted to be asked by Chippenham BC if we could be their Captain's mystery tour game in late June.

Having a well maintained green, that is now recognised as being one of the better playing surfaces in the county, we were invited to host a County Ladies Johns Trophy match against Gloucestershire Ladies and a County Men's match against Somerset.

Our annual Gala, once again very generously sponsored by Peter Smith (Witney funeral directors), was well attended with 18 teams entered, an increase of 6 on last year with Burford's name on the trophy this year after beating Fairford in the final.

Moving indoors for the short mat season the club will be hosting Witney Mills short mat league fixtures as there are plans to refurbish their home venue at the Witney Sports ground during the winter. This now means that the bowls clubhouse is being used every weekday, either all day or morning or evening.

Next year's summer season opens in April and if you ever thought about playing bowls we would be delighted to introduce you to the game; just come along on any Monday evening.

2026 Tour.

Could those of you going on next year's tour, who have not yet informed John Hurren of their preferred accommodation and/or any dietary requests, please do so ASAP as he is waiting to complete the hotel booking. John will also receive and record incremental payments if anyone would prefer that way to pay to make payment.

Angela Stacey.

For those who may not know, Tim's wife Angela suffered a minor stroke last Monday, 27th October, and is currently being assessed in the Great Western Hospital in Swindon. Initial signs are very good for a full recovery and I'm sure we all wish Angela well in her recovery.

And finally.

In last month's edition of the Burford Bridge magazine there was an article about Burford ghosts and I thought it would be an opportunity to let the town know about our own ghost. I sent them the only recorded image of our ghost and hopefully it will appear in the next edition, quite appropriate this near to Halloween – Brenda was there an invitation sent for the party on the 1st November? If not, I cannot be responsible for any mishaps when leaving the clubhouse.....Spooky!!!

