

# OBA Men's League Cup

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Round

### Burford v West Witney

At Burford 30<sup>th</sup> May 2026

<b>Burford</b>		shots	points	<b>West Witney</b>		shots	points
R2	Steve Gould	20		Martyn	11		
R3	Bob Parker	15		Kevin	21		
R4	John Hurren	21		David	8		
R5	Jack Lafford	13		Andy	17		
	Aggregate			Aggregate			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>69</b>		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>57</b>		

Taking nine shots (4 then 5) on 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> ends put Steve Gould's four 11-1 up and gradual gains whilst only dropping the occasional single shot, advanced to 18-8 at the 14<sup>th</sup> end. A successful closing four ends, in failing light, resulted in a 20-11 victory. Bob Parker on Rink3 stayed in contention at 11 each at the 10<sup>th</sup> end and then moved forward to be 14-11 up at the 12<sup>th</sup> end. The opposition four then took ten shots to one shot over the final six ends to win the game 15-21. As is John Hurren's way lately his four, on Rink4, stormed ahead and were 15-4 up at the 11<sup>th</sup> end and then continued gaining shots winning convincingly 21-8 and took the pens. A close game on Rink4 saw Jack Lafford advance to be leading 10-8 at the 12<sup>th</sup> end but then failed to score over the next three ends when they trailed 10-14. Three shots on the next two ends put them 13-14 down going to the final end where they unfortunately conceded three shots losing the game 13-17.

An aggregate score of 69-57 was not really expected going into the match but all credit to those who played that we were able to defeat a very strong West Witney team. We will be playing away at Chipping Norton on 13<sup>th</sup> August in the next round which is effectively a quarter final. This, in a competition where we have only reached the second round in the past by having a bye in the first round! Another step forward confirming where we now stand in the Oxfordshire County Bowls.