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With the County Championships underway it has become apparent, that some top flight bowlers have chosen either to ignore the call to County Representation or consider it beneath their dignity to take part.

This has been a good thing as far as finding bowlers of less prowess and being able to give them the chance in Representative Bowling. However, it does open up a space for criticism of those who have come forward.

We spoke to two top team managers on this issue. The first said that all his players would be available for County Selection, even if it meant withdrawing from a big money Tournament to make this possible. His point of view was that certain prestige Tournaments were part of bowling, and enhanced the building of his team and its name, and gave his players the opportunity to become recognised as individual sportsmen of International Calibre.

The other one intimated of wanting to know only of putting his players into something that would build money for the 'kitty' and to this end no 'Trophy' Tournament should stand in the way. We wonder if all the players who happen to be attached to a team holding this type of policy are aware of these sentiments and if so agree with them.

A delegate spoke from the floor of the A.G.M. last month asking if County Representation should not be the fore-runner of International Selection as in most other sports. Bowlers may well soon decree that this situation should not be too long coming.

As this will be the last edition of 'Pinformation' in the Fiscal year may we take the opportunity to thank all members who have supported the L.A.B.A. this year, and increased our membership by 17½ per cent over last year. May we look forward to many more Sanctioned Leagues in the 1969/70 Season.

## RECORD ENTRY FOR LONDON MATCH PLAY



Last year's champions, JIM SINCLAIR of Manchester, and MARGARET LITTLE of Sunderland, together with bowlers from Belgium, France, Holland, Germany, Italy, Sweden and Switzerland, have almost all accepted invitation to compete in the tournament. A record entry of over 300 competitors will contest this years London International Match Play Championships, qualifying rounds are being held at Bexleyheath, Bristol, Coventry, Darlington, Lakenheath, Leeds, Manchester, Glasgow and Wembley. Bowlers will compete for the 120 mens and 31 womens places in the Finals to be held at Wembley Stadium Bowl on Saturday and Sunday August 30th and 31st.

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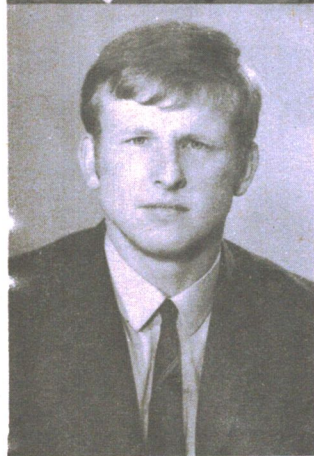
## Wedding Bells for Helen & Jan



Saturday, 23rd August, at St. Jude-on-the Hill Church, Central Square, Hampstead, N.W.11., will see the joining together in Wedlock of two of the most pleasant young people in Bowling to-day. We refer of course to 22 yr. old HELEN OLROG and 26yr. old JAN ROZE, who have been courting now for close on four years, in fact ever since Jan asked Helen to go out with him at a football match at Hendon, on Xmas Day, '65 Helen's father was Secretary of that Club at the time.

Helen, a book-keeper, is the extremely efficient Secretary of both the Stirling Ladies' and the Major City Scratch Leagues, and will in the future be known as

Helen Margaret ROSE ROZE.



JAN, the eldest son of well known MITZI ROZE, works as a cutter in the family business of Dress Manufacturers. He has been Anchor Man for the BRUNSWICK JETS ever since their formation in 1961. He achieved International Status as long ago as 1961 in the European Championships in France, and was again honoured in that field in the '63 World Championships in Mexico and the '65 European in Birmingham. He tells us his top series in 724 and his lowest 398. Top game of 277.

We would like to wish both of them, on behalf of all London Bowlers, the very best of health and happiness, when they set up home in Palmers Green after their honeymoon in Ibiza.

## KAYES for USA

London says goodbye to PAULA KAYE and her husband STAN, who left England to emigrate to the U.S.A. and settle with their family of two girls and a boy in Texas. PAULA a former Lioness who later joined the Mini-Maids first started bowling with her husband at Golders Green. PAULA was the Stirling Ladies League well liked President, and for this service the League recently made a presentation to her on her departure. Her husband STAN was the hard working coach the Wembley's JYBC. All three children also bowled at the Stadium. London Area wish them the very best of luck and health in their new life.



## County Championships

With the BTBA Inter County Championships now well under way considerable interest has been shown by bowlers all over the Country and reports indicate that ten regions consisting of four counties in each are competing in their own regional leagues to find the ten finalist county teams in both men and women to bowl at Coventry later in the year. So far in the three regions that involve London Area Teams the table positions look like this after two venues have been visited:-

### GROUP 4

Ladies	Pinfall	Pts
Buckinghamshire	9459	16
Oxfordshire	8628	8
Berkshire	8909	7
Wiltshire	7476	0

### Men

Buckinghamshire	10,521	13
Oxfordshire	10,115	8
Berkshire	10,358	7
Wiltshire	9,860	4

### GROUP 5

Ladies		
Kent	9919	14
Hampshire	9336	9
Surrey	8902	5
Sussex	8836	2

### Men

Hampshire	10,435	13
Surrey	10,493	7
Kent	10,461	6
Sussex	10,234	0

### GROUP 6

Ladies		
Middlesex	9945	14
London	9445	9
Essex	9338	8
Hertfordshire	8706	1

### Men

Essex	11,168	12
Hertfordshire	10,772	10
Middlesex	10,655	9
London	10,301	7



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**SIXTH YEAR****bow!****NORTH HARROW****4/5th & 11th OCTOBER '69****Over £1800 Prize Money****ENTRY FORMS AVAILABLE SOON****NEWS FROM THE STATES**

HUNTSVILLE, Ala: The Professional Bowlers Association's (PBA's) summer tour has another new winner.

Husky JOE DIGNAM, a 21 year old 190 pounder who joined the tour this summer, held off a closing rush by TIM HARAHAAN, to win the \$32,000 Huntsville Open at Pin Palace Lanes.

DIGNAM, who cashed in two of his previous tournament tries this summer, held only a 14 pin lead over HARAHAAN going into the position round game; but he administered the knockout drops to HARAHAAN 206 - 171.

The world's best bowlers were making their first tournament stop over in Huntsville, and the fine crowds there were treated to some great competition. DIGNAM found Pin Palace to his liking right from the start, and when he rolled a 290 score on his last qualifying game, he took over the lead with a count of 5286, an average of 220. He lost the lead briefly to HARAHAAN at the start of match game play, and then regained it in the third game and held it all the way. JIM GODMAN, also challenged early for the lead but then went into a nosedive, losing 14 of his 16 match play games, finishing 16th. DIGNAM won \$3,000 for the championship effort and upped his summer earnings to \$3,765.

PORTLAND, Ore: In what had to be one of the Professional Bowlers Association's (PBA's) all-time cliff-hangers, young ALLIE CLARKE of Akron, Ohio won the \$32,000 Portland Open at Valley Lanes. CLARKE defeated 20 year old LARRY LICHSTEIN, 224 to 189, in the position round championship game to wipe out an 11 pin deficit and record the first PBA tournament victory of his career.

At the same time on an adjoining pair of lanes, MIKE McGRATH was eking out a thrilling 227 to 225 win over Butch Gearhart, and when the cheers from the packed crowd subsided, it was CLARKE, McGRATH, GEARHART and LICHSTEIN in that order. It was one of the PBA's most closely contested tournaments ever. In the ninth frame of the championship game all four leaders still had a chance to win the title. LICHSTEIN had taken over the tourney lead in the 13th game after McGRATH and GEARHART had wrestled back and forth for it most of the day. CLARKE had not moved into contention until there were only two games remaining. BILL JOHNSON of New Orleans gave the fans another thrill when he picked up a 300 game

## THE INCREDIBLE ASTRA BOWL

Imagine twelve bowling lanes complete with telescores and telefouls; a well stocked bar with four different types of beer on draught and your favourite wines in stock; a self-service cafeteria capable of producing anything from a snack to a three-course meal; a concourse and cafe area overlooking the bowling which will seat up to 100 and a Pro-shop stocking all the bowling equipment anyone could wish for; all this, next door to a well-appointed cinema, and you have some idea of the unique set-up that the R.A.F. Cinema Corporation has installed at R.A.F. Brize Norton.

As may be expected, such a facility did not spring into being overnight. When the United States Air Force vacated Brize Norton in 1964 they left behind a cinema in a rather austere form and twelve tenpin bowling lanes but with no pin-setting machinery and a very few other facilities; both being accommodated in a corrugated iron hanger. The first task of the R.A.F. Cinema Corporation was to rehabilitate the cinema and this was done by building a new foyer, new projection room, replacing the majority of the seats and re-decorating the cinema throughout.

Air Vice Marshall G.C. Stowell, the Managing Director of the R.A.F. Cinema Corporation, had expressed an interest in the tenpin Bowling Centre but no action was taken until Wing Commander V.J. Corner was posted into Brize Norton in May, 1967 as OC Supply Squadron. Apart from being a moderate but keen bowler himself, he had been Officer i/c Bowling at R.A.F. Changi during his tour in F.S.A.F. and had heard that Brize Norton possessed some bowling lanes. Although no money was available for the introduction of tenpin bowling with P.S.I. support, he nevertheless looked into the possibility of it being done in some other form and it was at this point that contact was made with Air Marshal Stowell. After a number of meetings and discussions the R.A.F. Cinema Corporation undertook to rehabilitate and re-decorate the bowling centre, install six pin-setting machines and employ a professional Manager to run both the bowling and the cinema. Group Captain R.C. Wilson, the then Station Commander, bowled the opening ball to inaugurate tenpin bowling at the Astra Bowl on 15th January, 1968.

Attendance was so encouraging that two more lanes were installed with pin-setting machines during July 1968 and in November of the same year it was decided to install machines in the remaining four lanes ready for the first full winter season.

In June 1968, Miss Clare Williams, the well-known Brunswick professional bowling instructor spent five days at the Astra Bowl and helped many bowlers to improve their game, as well as training five instructors, including Mrs. Betty Corner, the wife of the Officer i/c so that instruction could be available to all beginners and other bowlers. This was followed by a visit from Paul Lane, the well known A.M.F. instructor, in December.

From the beginning emphasis was placed on two things - value for money; the cost of bowling at the Astra is very reasonable, the merits of this policy being proved by the volume of business done; and secondly, the encouragement of bowling by the widest possible range of the station population. Special emphasis is placed on encouraging bowling as a family sport and, to this end, all new arrivals who move into one of the married quarters at Brize Norton finds tucked into his inventory a pamphlet about the Astra Bowl and a complimentary ticket entitling his family to a free bowling session. At the same time, the keen bowling enthusiasts are catered for by a wide variety of league competitions and teams are encouraged to enter for external competitions. Plans for the future include further improvements to the catering facilities and concourse: It is hoped that a ball-drilling machine will be installed so that enthusiasts may not only buy their ball at the Astra Bowl but have it drilled to fit their own individual measurements. The running of more competitions than ever before is also planned.

The Bowl is managed on behalf of the R.A.F. Cinema Corporation (now the Services Kinema Corporation) by Mr. Bernard (Bernie the Bolt Caine,) who has brought to the Astra Bowl and Cinema a wide experience of the entertainment industry. He is assisted by two assistant managers and the instructors and has a full civilian cinema and bowling staff to support him.



# B.T.B.A. A.G.M.

The Annual General Meeting of the BTBA was held at the Cora Hotel, London, W.C.1. on Sunday 20th July, 1969, and although only some fifty people were in attendance it was no less constructive and informative.

Mr. Eric Terry in the Chair spoke in his report of a year of quiet consolidation, allowing the new constitution to unfold its democratic policy. He continued to observe that some County Associations have been slow in providing members for the Council and therefore the Council had not been in a position to form all of the sub-committees it would have liked.

He enlightened the meeting to the fact that the Player Association had recently been requested to handle the Sanctioning of lanes in 25 of the 94 Commercial Centres in this country, and as we were already providing sanction for 15 of the 17 Forces Centres, this now meant that the BTBA are now supplying lane certification to 40 per cent of the country's bowling centres, if one discounts the 10 centres that have no lane certification at all. After praising the bowlers in the European Championships he expressed delight in the very high standard of bowling at present achieved in this country.

Mr. Harold King then presented the meeting with the balance sheet and his Treasurer's report, and commented that this year had been one of considerable economy and had eliminated the red balance of last year. This has been mainly due to the General Secretary receiving no money other than expenses, for another year.

Mr. Tinling then reported to the meeting on the activities of the Selection Committee during the year and mentioned the innovation of a short list of England Men and Women Bowlers and also the introduction this year of women to the Invitational Masters Event at the Nationals. He said that he would like to prepare a vote of thanks to all the bowlers who represented Gt. Britain in the European Championships and in particular the non playing Managers who contributed so much to the National success we had enjoyed.

In answer to a question from the floor that National Selection should not be considered for any bowler who had not qualified through their own County Championships, Mr. Tinling replied that he thought the time was near when this aspect would be considered, in keeping with most other forms of sport.

Mr. Tinling still held the floor when he was called upon to report on Press and Publicity, he stated that we had particularly good relationships now with the press but we needed to achieve much larger Press coverage in the future.

A report on current affairs of the F.I.Q. was given by the General Secretary who attended the meetings in Copenhagen and Budapest in his capacity as President of the F.I.Q. A position which he now no longer holds but he will still be looking after our affairs at F.I.Q. having been elected to the World Committee Organisation. A separate report should be ready in time to be published in this edition of Pinformation.

The Meeting agreed that as at this time a President would not be elected, but Mr. Terry was re-elected as Chairman and Mr. Len Horton as Vice-Chairman. Formal approval was given to a precidium set up by the National Council consisting of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman Mr. Stan Plant, Brian Langford and Ron Miles in order for them to get together at short notice when urgent decisions were needed. After a bid for the National Championships by the London Area and a vote of thanks to the Chairman the shortest Annual General Meeting in the history of the Player Association to date came to a close.

## BLUE RIBAND CLASSIFIED TOURNAMENT

**DETAILS NEXT MONTH**

The Ministry of Transport have recently issued their apologies to motorists, for the inconvenience caused during the time of resurfacing.

It is understood that there is no truth in the rumour that Morris Glazer has spent his holiday, dodging in and out of the traffic, checking the tolerance for the issue of an Association certificate.



## HODDESDON

We feel that pride of place this month must be given to the Inter County trials held here at Corkwood. At very short notice KEITH HALE took over the management of the Hertfordshire Team and at the same time organised and presented this leg of the Inter County Tournaments. Everybody, players and spectators alike expressed their delight at the way in which this was done. The County shields in all their splendid colours over the lanes and the fabulous score board, again in colour with its game by game appraisal of the score line, and not forgetting the splendid buffet between matches, must have given food for thought to all and sundry, and considerable satisfaction to KEITH for a job well done.

Corkwood are wondering what happened to the other bowlers men and women who did not come forward to offer to play in this Tourney. Seven men including two juniors and an entire ladies team came from this centre. Special praise is due to the Ladies who play in the Thursday Afternoon Teddy Tinling Double T's. (Please note Teddy), and have no pretensions to be called top class bowlers, but nevertheless had a go and did their best. Corkwood send word that they are proud of their girls and boys, and add that it is indeed an honour to represent your County. In the Tower Centre League, Bill's Boys have broken the house record with a 1018 game, and BERT SABAN must be congratulated on rolling his first 600 series.



## HOUNSLOW

Results of the July Mixed Doubles Tournament held at Ambassador Lanes Hounslow was a win for London Area's ERIC BUTCHER & ANN GARRETT with a pinfall of 1400. Only 6 pins behind in second place were Portsmouth's MARGE and ALAN NEWBURY 1294 and in 3rd place were Hounslow's MR. & MRS. STAPLES with a 1269 pin fall. The high game trophy for men went to Hounslow's Metropolitan League Bowler GEOFF LIDDIARD with a 256 game. The Ladies trophy for a 234 game was presented to Portsmouth's MARGE NEWBURY, with a series of 717 and a special series award was given to ERIC BUTCHER.

The next big event at Ambassador Lanes, Hounslow will be the St. Vincent Trios Scratch Tournament with optional handicap. It is proposed to hold this over the weekend of 13th/14th

September and will have a guaranteed prize fund of £250.

National Finals for the U.K. Champion of Champions will be held on 21st September.

In the Mark Gold 5's jnr. League, the All Stars broke another house record with a 1752 series. Among the girls ANGELA SZKUTNIK is top with a 150 average.

Three of the very junior girls persistently rolling their ball into the left hand gutter to the utter despair of the coach. Being of the female species they insisted that there was nothing wrong with their bowling - the lanes must be sloping. KEITH HALE PLEASE NOTE!



## AIRPORT

A warm welcome back to the Managerial Chair to JIMMY BRETT who has been unwell for the past two or three weeks. Centre Manager DEREK BRANGWYN tells us of a marathon bowling in support of the Cancer Research Fund Charity, details of format and specific dates are hoped to be arranged by next edition. The centre will be closed from the 17th to the 22nd of August for resurfacing.

All will be back in apple pie order in time for the last round of region six of the Inter Counties Tournament, to be rolled on Sunday 24th at 2.30 p.m.

Top flight Chief Mechanic JOE KOVANDA has taken his league of the Brunswick Organisation to work outside, we hope we shall still have the pleasure of his pleasant personality in London Tourney's.

## ACORN WOKINGHAM

There are still vacancies for a Bowling Visit to Paris October 11th & 12th at an all-in cost of £15.0.0d. People interested should contact the Manager, at Acorn. The finals of the Traders Tourney are to take place within the next two weeks. This Tournament has proved successful so far thanks to the support of the keen bowlers and the local traders of Wokingham.

F.I.Q. Sanction will be sought for an intended International Men Doubles Tournament possibly programmed for Dec. 6th & 7th with a £250. guaranteed prize fund.





## STAMFORD HILL

Since resurfacing the headers at the 'Hill', reports are that the line to the pocket is more consistant, and high scores are back in fashion. T. SAMUELS equaling the house record high game 279 last week. Another name that keeps appearing at the top of the League Sheets is HARRY CATINI who during the last year has improved his bowling very well, with a series of 661 640 632 and a high game of 278. Keep it up Harry! He has a composite average of 182 in 3 Leagues. News of U.K. Champion of Champion Tournament has prompted BRIAN MOLTON to announce that the Male and Female Champions from the 'Hill' will be selected by highest pinfall over 6 games. Details of squads will be on the notice board soon.

Congratulations to MO and RICH WRIGHT on the safe arrival of a bouncing baby boy RICHARD JAMES. Congratulations also to Regency League bowler CAROL BIRD who became MRS. ARTHUR GREENWOOD on the 12th July.



## LEYTONSTONE

With two rounds of the summer league complete, Treetop are building up quite a lead over the Andy Caps. The battle for third place however, is now hotting up with only 1½ points separating three teams with the start of the last round to the end of the season.

High average is currently held by BARRY BROWN with a 184, followed by MALCOLM GLOVER with a 179, MALCOLM rolled 629 recently to give him top spot for



## TOLWORTH

With the start of the Summer League Season just three weeks old, already a house record has been taken. ERIC POWELL COLIN BROWN and ALAN SAUNDERS as 'The Eagles' bowling in the Bankers League took the Centre House record. Eric 243 Colin 225 and Alan 223 for a 691. IAN NICHOL aged 14 rolled a 222 201 191 game 614 series in the Sunday Leisure League. IAN has been bowling at Tolworth for 2½ years. He holds a high game of 224 and last Christmas won the Xmas Junior Doubles Tournament. Besides bowling in the Leisure League he also bowls in the Junior Doubles and Young Ones League. Another house record this time taken by two junior bowlers in the Leisure League IAN LITTLE and JOHN FOWLER rolled a 1235 series. Individual games and series. JOHN - 171 191 173 games 543 series. IAN - 250 182 191 games 623 series.

The Triple Crown bowling Tuesday night will be starting their winter league the 1st week in September at 9.30 p.m. Cash prizes for this league will be £800. Anyone who would like to join there is a vacancy for two teams only, please apply Centre Manager.

individual Series and JEFF SMITH rolled 255 for the current High game. With lanes having been resurfaced only two weeks, TONY POWELL came close to high game with a 245. Perhaps some more high scores over the next few weeks will see the Ind. H/Games and Series change hands before the end of the Season.



## WEMBLEY

Back to normal after the resurface we see some new names among the League headers.

In the Stirling Ladies, who incidently are going from Silver to Gold - their sponsor during the coming Winter Season will be Gallahers new cigarette brand Sovereign. The Petals, LESLEY POTTER & PAT DEW, are bowling well and head the table, PAT is lying second in the averages to KAREN SHARPE with LESLEY 5th.

In the U.S. Navy League, it is a little tight at the top and at the time of going to press, the BANDITS head the table, but there is a long way to go yet.

League Secretary LOU PAGE left London last month and the new Secretary is SY PIECHA who also does the work in the U.S. Mixed League with his wife GRACE an official of the Internationals League, we wonder what they talk about at home. Whilst on the U.S. Navy League, congratulations to JIM WOOSLEY of SECGRU A who had a 705 scratch BEFORE the resurface, Lets hope he'll improve now the lanes have been 'done'. In the Classic Doubles, the Harry Stiller Racers lead, Ex-Racer GEOFF LIDDIARD still helps out, and heads the averages with a 191, second place was held by the 'KAYES' (the Gentry) who have left for America, however if RON BUDGEN who has taken over the team for them, can bowl as well in the Doubles as he does on a Thursday night in the Classic singles the Gentry will give the Stillers a run for their money.



# LONDON INTERNATIONAL MATCH PLAY CHAMPION

**BEXLEYHEATH.** WILL CLARK, Dagenham, who last month was robbed of a perfect '300' game by a single six pin, must be one of the favourites in this round which will be contested on Sunday August, 17th. Amongst the 21 rivals for the ten places in the finals are the 1967 World Doubles Champion, JES MORLEY, of Stanford-le-hope, Essex, and Swede TOM RATCHUNAS, who lives in North London.

**BRISTOL.** MRS. DOREEN HAWES, who moved to Bristol from London some two years ago, has an automatic qualification for the finals as she is the only lady competitor to contest the Bristol round. There are fifteen men contesting the seven places in their division and among the favourites must be REG CLIST and JOSEPH FLORAMO, who both reached the finals at Wembley last year.

**COVENTRY.** ALBERT KIRKHAM, of Hanley, the first Englishman to bowl a perfect '300' game is among the twelve competitors in this round, but he could have a hard time qualifying for the Wembley finals against the seven local bowlers. In the Ladies division local bowler, SHEILA HEALES, competes against the experienced MRS. LILIAN BENNETT of Bletchley, and MRS. M. MOSELEY, Rotherham, for one of the two places allocated in the finals to the Ladies competing at Coventry.

**DARLINGTON.** Sunderland's MEG COOMBES, who won two Gold Medals in the recent European Championships, begins her trek to Wembley in the Match Play Championships when she competes in the qualifying round at Darlington. MEG, who was beaten in the Grand Finals last year by local bowler, MARGARET LITTLE, is competing in her first national tournament since she won her medals. In the men's division 'home' bowlers KEN WOOD and A. TUCKER, who bowl in League each week at Darlington will be hard pressed to gain one of the six places in the finals against the very strong contingents from Sunderland, Middlesbrough, Sheffield and Rotherham.

**GLASGOW.** MR. & MRS. DAVE BOWMAN, of Glenrothes are once again out to win their way through to the Wembley finals when they compete in the qualifying round at Hampden. They both reached the finals last year. Also hoping to make his second trip in two years is JOHN GUTHRIE, another of the Glenrothes bowlers.

**LAKENHEATH.** JOHN WELLS, Bury St. Edmunds will have his work cut out to qualify for the finals when he competes in the qualifying round at the U.S. base at Lakenheath against BOB WICKS, Cambridge, and G. LEWREY and R. HOLLINGTON, who are making the trip from Hoddesdon.

**LEEDS.** Former Match Play Champions, JIM and RHODA BREWER, who moved to Murfield from London earlier this year both take another shot at the titles when they compete in the qualifying round at Leeds. JIM won the Men's title in 1963 and his wife RHODA the Ladies event in 1964. Since JIM and RHODA started bowling in the Leeds area they have been up among the high scores and should have little trouble in qualifying for the Wembley finals. Other prominent 'keglers' who should qualify at Leeds are internationals ALEX CAMPONI, RON DEACON and HEC MEADUS, while among the strong Sheffield contingent are father and son MARCEL and JOHN DEMERY two of last year's finalists.

**POOLE.** More than forty bowlers will contest the 2 places in the Wembley finals when they bowl in the Poole qualifying round on August 17th. Fresh from his trip to America is CHRIS BUCK, his broken leg repaired he was fit enough to travel to the States with the Harry Stiller Racers. In the ladies division there will be tremendous competition, with the three competitors from Portsmouth taking on five local ladies for the five Wembley places.

**MANCHESTER.** TERRY SULLIVAN, one of the British European Championship winning team, and fresh from his successful U.S. tour with the Harry Stiller Racers, will be one of the competitors in the Belle Vue qualifying round. Four other Belle Vue bowlers FRED BENNETT, STAN BROWN, JOE CONNOLLY and ALEX TIMMINS, who went to the States with the Phoenix Five team last May are also among the contestants for the 11 places in the Wembley finals. MRS. JOAN PRIMMER, Liverpool, who was a member of the British Ladies team which won the Gold Medal in the recent European Championships is among the star studded line-up in the ladies division. Also in the line-up are PAULINE THOMPSON, another member of the British winning team in Copenhagen, SUE BACCHUS, who was a member of the European Champion team in 1965, and internationals IRIS DANDY of Blackpool and RENE MCCULLOGH of Liverpool.



## SHIP TOURNAMENT

WEMBLEY. The Harry Stiller Racers team, RAY ARTIS, JOHN REEVES, JOHN REV, DAVE POND and CLIVE THOMAS, will race across London on Sunday, August 3rd, when they return from an American tour to compete in the 5.45. p.m. squad of the qualifying round at Wembley. Three members of the team, TONY COLLEDON, ROGER CREAMER, and PHIL RUSSELL, who also went on the trip and arrived back a week previous, are also among the competitors in this round. Over a hundred bowlers are contesting the 48 places in the finals of the men's division. BERNIE CATERER, TONY SAMUELS, and BRIAN MICHAEL, three members of the British European Championship winning team, who play for the Greyhounds in league at Wembley, compete in the Sunday morning squad, against, among others, internationals, BOBBY MANSFIELD and BRIAN LEVER. Leading a strong contingent in the men's division from Corby, Northants, is former champion SAM CIMBUR. Another Corby contestant is last year's Junior champion, ALAN BOSTON. Corby bowlers are also well represented in the ladies division. They are European Double Gold Medallist AUDREY TEW, NESTA FRESHWATER, and CHRIS WARMAN, the outstanding young American who won the London Open Singles this year. Other stars in the Wembley line-up are, BRIAN WILKINS, Match Play Champion, 1967, internationals JOHN DAWSON and GEOFF LIDDIARD, British Ladies team captain, DOLLY MILES, England Ladies team captain, WYN COLLISON, MUZ RUDGE, London Area ALL Events champion and internationals ANN GARRETT & KIM WHEELER

## STILLERS IN THE STATES

Harry Stiller Racers under the direction of JOHN REV, made their long awaited American Tour during the period beginning Friday 11th July returning in time for the Qualifying Round of the Match Play at Wembley on Sunday 3rd August.

The party of 12 making the trip were:

JOHN REV: JON REEVES: RAY ARTIS: CHRIS BUCK: TONY COLLEDON: PHIL RUSSELL: ROGER CREAMER: CLIVE THOMAS: DAVE POND: TERRY SULLIVAN: Tommy Black & Sec. Marlene. The story goes:

Flying out of Gatwick on Friday morning every one was still in a daze when they arrived at Cincinnati via New York at 1 a.m. Saturday. That evening saw Doubles pair JON REEVES & TONY COLLEDON go into 26th position with a 1309 over 6 with H/Cap. (JON 684 scratch). Over 6,000 Doubles entries recorded. Second squad singles saw TONY COLLEDON with a 1097 and TERRY SULLIVAN 1045 over 5, but a long way down the list, since there were 16,000 competitors, and a leading score of 1150.

Leaving Cincinnati Monday and arriving Detroit, bowled at FRED WOLFS House Easrand Bowl. Both JON & TONY hit big with a 1068 over 5 put them into 12th place at the time of leaving since all Tournaments are run over a period of 3 to 4 months.

Wednesday they drove down to Suburban Lanes BUCYRUS Ohio. This was another great day for JON & TONY, who hit it off with JON'S 861 and TONY'S 875 total with H/Cap. 1812 over 8 and put them winners of a \$2,000 1st Place (approx. £900.) Back again to Detroit and welcome to the Log Cabin Woodwood Av. Thursday morning saw all the boys hit big. But on their re-entry return the Manager quite casually pointed out that the lanes had been oiled for low scoring!! Oil was not the word, the lanes were swimming in it, most retired half way through the 3rd game.

Next stop Warren Town Laurel Lanes, the most friendly Centre they came across a Team Tournament in which the lads took six prizes totalling approx. £1900.

Next Tournament Monroe Bowl. Again TONY COLLEDON was there in 9th place with 1267 over 6 with a prize of \$1,000 and DAVE POND 1252, this was the first Tournament with Tele-scores that they had come across.

Moving on to Somerset on Friday they participated in the last Tourney of the Tour at Sheffield Lanes, ALIQUIPPA, Pennsylvania. This Steel Classic Tournament was especially run for low scoring but conditions were the same for every entry. Before every squad oil was poured on. TERRY SULLIVAN came out with a 979, DAVE POND with a 958 and JON REEVES 941 all getting in the prize money. Since this was the only Scratch Tournament entered with leading scores of 1033 for \$10,000 1st place, it was not really one for English Bowlers.

In the all Nation Tournaments run there the lanes are not oiled at any time during the Tournament and hence high scores are prevellant.



## NATIONAL HIGH SCORE CARD

## MENS DIVISION

5 Person Series	Wembley ALL Stars	3079
	Greyhounds	3039
	Harry Stillers Racers	3007
	Game Windsor Lane Five	1166
	Laymatt Avengers	1118
4 Person Series	Wembley ALL Stars	1067
	Appaches	2459
	Appaches	2449
	Game Wembley ALL Stars	910
	Appaches	890
3 Person Series	Appaches	846
	Kings	1841
	Raiders	1810
	Happy Panthers	1801
	Game Dynolites	660
2 Person Series	Kings	655
	Wasps	654
	R.Deacon & C.Thomas	1299
	Harry Stillers Racers	1277
	Dynamic Duo	1228
1 Person Series	Game D.Staples & J.Roze	481
	S.Goodfellow & A.Forrest	469
	David Pond	771
	Geoffrey Pearce	741
	Bobby Mansfield	724

## LADIES DIVISION

5 Person Series	Gt.Britain Ladies	2796
	Wembley Lionesses	2746
	Lancashire Ladies Select	2729
	Game Lancashire Ladies Select	986
	Wembley Lionesses	981
4 Person Series	Gt.Britain Ladies	979
	Mini-Maids	2038
	Wembley Lionesses	1762
	3 Person Series Wembley Lionesses	1707
	Whippettes	1703
Game	Wembley Lionesses	646
	Whippettes	615
	Wembley Lionesses	608
	2 Person Series J.Primmer & R.McCulloch	1184
	Suffragettes	1141
Game	J.Primmer & R.McCulloch	430
	J.Primmer & R.McCulloch	428
	Suffragettes	422
	1 Person Series Christine Warman	680
	Janet Morrison	669
	Janet Morrison	643


## Tournament Calender

AUGUST JUNE	2nd/3rd	London International
	&	Matchplay
	16th/17th	Qualifying Rounds
	10th	3rd Round Inter-Counties Champs.
	10th	Scratch Trios
		LEICESTER
	24th	4th Round Inter-Counties Champs.
	30th/31st	London International
		Matchplay Finals
		WEMBLEY

SEPTEMBER	13th/14th	Autumn Singles
		CLEETHORPES
	13/14th	St Vincents Trios
		HOUNSLOW
	21st	UK Champion of Champions.HOUNSLOW

OCTOBER	4th/5th	Rothmans Masters
	& 11th	Nth HARROW
	25th	Ansell's 51 Game Team
		WYLDE GREEN

NOVEMBER	14th/15th	November Doubles
	& 16th	WEMBLEY
	Dates Awaited	Blue Riband Classified

Tournaments marked thus  are either Sanctioned or have applied for same