

Oxford & District Bowls League Sponsored by Yarnton Nurseries

Week 5 – 11/06/2009

The week's big talking point was the fact that Carterton could not field a team for their away fixture against Headington A. This meant a 6-0 victory was awarded to the Oxford team which took them level on points with Banbury Central A at the top of Division 1 of the Oxford & District Bowls League sponsored by Yarnton Nurseries. Central managed a comfortable victory over newly promoted West Witney with captain Mark Sykes chalking up a 20 shot win. In the other top flight game, City & County A beat Shiplake. Alan Ley's four picked up a 'hotshot' – a maximum 8 shots - on the second end which proved decisive as Dave Hall's Shiplake rink finished strongly.

South Oxford stay top of Division 2 after beating Cotswold with wins for Mick Keen and John Hall. Unbeaten skip Gary Lazaruk continued his good form helping to take Thame third with a win over City & County B. Woodstock go fourth after beating struggling Blackbird Leys.

Witney Mills' march for promotion goes on in Division 3. Their away victory at Rover takes them seven and a half points clear at the top. A whitewash by Banbury Central B of Chipping Norton, a strong away victory for Watlington at Charlbury and shared points between Kidlington and Bloxham mean things are very tight elsewhere in the table.

Division 4 is starting to look like a two horse race with both Headington B and Witney Town securing away wins at West Oxford and Florence Park respectively. Florence Park could perhaps consider themselves unlucky to go down 1-5 when they lost the game by only one shot. OUP continue to prop up the league failing to pick up a single point at home to Hanborough who doubled their total points with this full house.

Results:

Division 1

City & County A 98(5) Shiplake 70(1) A Ley 22, D Hall 18; M Petersen 29, B Evans 13; C Earl 18, T Beaumont 20; P Comley 29, J Bland 19

West Witney 67(1) Banbury Central A 90(5) K Alder 16, M Andrew 22; T Prew 21, J Tee 12; H Williams 17, M Sykes 37; M Hitchcox 13, K McNeil 19

Not Played: Headington A v Carterton. Headington awarded a 6-0 win.

Division 2

Blackbird Leys 69(2) Woodstock 74(4) H Payne 12, W Major 23; G Roper 17, R Collett 15; R Brain 14, G Owen 17; S O'Keefe 26, A Tozer 19

Cotswold 74(2) South Oxford 81(4) M Brain 19, M Keen 22; M East 21, L Buckett 14; S Cooper 23, M Holland 14; T Cox 11, J Hall 31

Thame 90(5) City & County B 80(1) R Slater 16, B Slatter 29; J Timms 26, O Sharif 25; M Dale 20, N Satchell 17; G Lazaruk 28, G Kerr 9

Division 3

Banbury Central B 104(6) Chipping Norton 60(0) R Havard 24, K Field 12; B Collins 30, P Rathbone 14; R Cox 30, T Sealey 15; B Joiner 20, D Barnes 19

Charlbury 62(1) Watlington 98(5) J Stevens 16, S Gilkes 32; B Busk 12, R Gilkes 21; C I Skidmore 14, C Evans 26; C R Skidmore 20, M Saunders 19

Kidlington 73 (3) Bloxham 72(3) J Hardie 29, T Gardner 10; D Snell 20, J Lucas 21; J O'Shea 12, J Crawley 24; P McGrath 12, A Round 14

Rover 66(1) Witney Mills 80(5) M Bracewell 15, A Auger 23; A Peters 12, R Barnett 20; K Hall 18, L Days 23; P Baker 21, J Mott 14

Division 4

Florence Park 73(1) Witney Town 74(5) A Thomas 17, B Bloomfield 22; S Green 23, V Comley 17; I Gray 17, M Jones 18; M Ford 16, P Dawson 17

OUP 56(0) Hanborough 79(6) R Vaultier 11, C Oliver 19; J Butler 15, M Oliver 17; P Tweddle 12, G Thompson 18; J Taylor 16, G Busby 24

West Oxford 70(2) Headington B 72(4) F Buck 13, M Kershaw 24; P Moffat 20, T Murphy 13; G Cooper 23, P Sargeant 20; M Alderson 14, C Harris 15

TABLES

Division 1

Team	Played	Shots +	Shots -	Diff	Points
Banbury Central A	5	464	321	+143	22
Headington A	5	312	298	+14	22
City & County A	4	320	279	+41	14
Bicester	4	309	302	+7	12.5
Carterton	4	238	222	+16	11
West Witney	4	261	339	-78	5
Shiplake	4	255	398	-143	3.5

Division 2

Team	Played	Shots +	Shots -	Diff	Points
South Oxford	5	421	348	+73	21.5
Banbury Chestnuts	4	341	273	+68	17
Thame	5	380	398	-18	15.5
Woodstock	4	317	302	+15	12
Cotswold	4	289	332	-43	10
City & County B	4	285	324	-39	9.5
Blackbird Leys	4	266	322	-56	4.5

Division 3

Team	Played	Shots +	Shots -	Diff	Points
Witney Mills	5	421	330	+91	25
Banbury Central B	5	395	357	+38	17.5
Kidlington	5	391	364	+27	17.5
Charlbury	6	440	497	-57	16.5
Watlington	5	411	369	+42	14
Rover	5	367	359	+8	13.5
Bloxham	5	344	370	-26	12.5
Chipping Norton	6	409	532	-123	9.5

Division 4

Team	Played	Shots +	Shots -	Diff	Points
Headington B	5	424	321	+103	21.5
Witney Town	4	319	259	+60	19
Florence Park	5	385	356	+29	14
West Oxford	4	303	302	+1	13.5
Hanborough	4	280	291	-11	12
Chadlington	4	264	322	-58	8
OUP	4	236	360	-124	2