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Bar Billiard National titles

At the end of the "noughties" I published a list of who had won the most titles in that decade. Not surprisingly **Kevin Tunstall** led the way on 30, **Nigel Senior** 8, **Keith Sheard** 6 followed by **Phil Collins** on 5. Unbelievably we are already halfway through this decade so I thought I would work out how the last 5 years have worked out national title wise.

So I am not sure if this decade is called the "teens" or the "teenies" or the "twenty tens". But it is **Kevin Tunstall** who again leads the way this decade. In fact he is on target to surpass the 30 he won in the noughties. **Phil Collins** is on 7, with **Nigel Senior**, **Keith Sheard** and **Steven Sheard** on 4.

There are 3 new winners who have become multiple winners—**Mark Trafford** on 3, **Dave Ingram** & **Richard Wooton** have won 2.

Pos	Player	Won
1	Kevin Tunstall	17
2	Phil Collins	7
3	Keith Sheard	4
=	Nigel Senior	4
=	Steven Sheard	4
6	Curt Driver	3
=	Leon Beer	3
=	Mark Trafford	3
=	Paul Sainsbury	3
10	Dave Ingram	2
=	Richard Wooton	2

Have any ideas of what you want to see in the Newsletter, or wish to contribute stories or pictures?

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AEBBA Newsletter Editorial

The bar billiards which last year started with a disappointment as the men's International was cancelled, began this year with a bang, with a thrilling international in Jersey. It all went down to the wire, and quite often in these circumstances it can come down to players not experienced in the pressure situations of big tournament finals, like **Simon Coleman** a couple of years ago, and **Chris Newson** four years ago. This is time the match came down to **Martin Cole**, a player on debut, who was 8k down but made a magnificent 13k to win his match and clinch the match for England. It showed true bottle to make that break, and that bottle will surely see him win a first national title soon.

A great team effort from England, well done to captain Curt!



Jersey v England @ Sarum Hotel, 7th February 2015

After last years cancellation, there was doubt over the future of this fixture. However, the **Jersey** home match provided another thrilling finish proving this match would be much missed on the calendar,

It was a strong **Jersey** side and they made a good start leading **2-1**, then **4-2** after the first two series. **Ash Malorey** made a notable **10,260** score in his first leg against World Champion **Dave Ingram**. **England** (side pictured right) fought back hard (led by **Kevin Tunstall** with a **10,500** score) to take 3 of the next 5 legs to ensure they were not out of it at half time and were just **6-5** behind.



With the second half under way, **Jersey** maintained their lead as **Ashley Malorey** completed a **3-0** win over **Dave Ingram** which was cancelled out by **Martin Smith's 3-0** win. **Nigel Senior** won the 2nd leg against **Keith Vibert** but lost the aggregate—the overall score was now **9-8** to **Jersey**. In the next series **Jersey** seemed to take control, **Dave Gallichan & Graham Bisson** completed **3-0** wins, but **Colin Southouse** did get maximum points here for **England**. **England** had now dropped **13-10** behind. The penultimate series saw a much needed swing back in **England's** favour—**Kevin Tunstall** completed his **3-0** win, with the highest of the night aggregate of **18k+**. Sadly **Sean Le Beuvant** was too ill to play **Mark Brewster** and **England** generously agreed to take one point and not the extra one for the aggregate. This made the score **13-13** with one series and 6 points to play for.

Curt Driver (England) & Nigel Ryall (Jersey) assumed control of their games, which left the match's destiny down to **England** debutant **Martin Cole**. It was his break, but he was 8k down against **Mick Eouzan**. First objective was to get the leg for the match draw, but an aggregate win would secure them match for **England**. Martin showed incredible bottle to stay on for **13k**, captain Curt could have called him off but showed great courage to go for the win. So the final score was **17-15 England**—but both sides played their part in a great match!

Latest British Rankings (@ 28th February 2015)

<u>MEN</u>				<u>LADIES</u>			
Pos	Player	County	PTS	Pos	Player	County	PTS
1	Kevin Tunstall	Sussex	234.9	1	Pauline Withey	Oxon	145.9
2	Nigel Senior	Sussex	225.7	2	Jean Brackenridge	Sussex	69.7
3	Mark Trafford	Oxon	206.8	3	Denise Wills	Surrey	60.0
4	Curt Driver	Kent	203.0	4	Jenny Florey	Oxon	53.3
5	Paul Sainsbury	Berks	194.6	5	Lorraine Hall	Sussex	42.8
6	Keith Sheard	Oxon	177.0	6	Colleen Park	Sussex	42.1
7	Dave Ingram	Sussex	174.1	7	Dawn Jordan	Bucks	39.5
8	Ian Lelliott	Sussex	150.0	8	Michelle Baden	Sussex	39.1
9	Phil Collins	Oxon	145.2	9	Ros Appleby	Sussex	38.0
10	Richard Wooton	Sussex	142.6	10	Bella Stoner	Sussex	36.6

Bar Billiards Doppelgangers

I thought this was quite fun last time so heres a few more.....

- Mark Trafford/ Milhouse van Houten
- Joe Oakley/ Jay Cartwright (Inbetweeners)
- Kevin Hall/ Wayne Rooney
- Mark Brewster/ Dennis the Menace
- Matt Knight/ Peter Kay
- Ian Champion/ Scott Mitchell (Darts World Champ)
- Paul Sainsbury/ Adrian Scarborough (from Gavin & Stacey)



If anyone has any suggestions for others I will gladly put the on a future newsletter. No offence intended by the way!

Latest Grand Prix Standings @ 28th February 2015 (after 0 event of 9)

Pos	Player	Pts
1		0
2		0
3		0
4		0
5		0
6		0
7		0
8		0
9		0
10		0
11		0
12		0
13		0
14		0
15		0
16		0

Upcoming Events in March & April

7/8th Mar - British Pairs (Bournemouth) - The 33rd British Pairs will take place at the Queens Hotel, Bournemouth. **Curt Driver & Mark Brewster** are the 2014 champs—they won the title for the first time together last year.

7th Mar - England v Guernsey (Bournemouth) - The 11th meeting between the two sides will now take place on the Bournemouth weekend. Last year **England** won **47-19** on Guernsey soil, so **Guernsey** will not be expecting an easy ride on English tables this year.

21st Mar - 3rd East Anglian 4-pin Open - The 3rd East Anglian 4-pin Open will take place at the Grover & Allen pub, Sudbury. There will be a contingent of 3 pin players and many local 4 pin players. Scoring should be much lower than we see in the 3 pin format of the game with pegs in front of the two 50 pockets, 100 pocket and 200 pocket. **Nigel Senior** won the title last year.

12th Apr - Surrey Open - The 7th Surrey Open will take place at St Nicholas School, Merstham. **Kevin Tunstall** won the title last year beating **Barry Radford** in the final.

25th Apr - Oxon Open - The 23rd Oxon Open will take place at Didcot Con Club, Didcot. **Dave Ingram** his first national title last year beating **Ian Lelliott** in the final.

Ladies National titles

In continuation to the mens list on page 1—down below is the ladies list. Now in the noughties it was **Pauline Withey** who led the way with 13 titles. Again she leads the way and is on 8 titles so far this decade. **Jean Brackenridge** is next best on 4 and it is fair to say these two players have been dominant this decade. We have had new winners so far this decade though, **Denise Wills** finally broke her duck by winning the 2013 All England title, then the 2014 British Ladies. **Alison Norman & Sandra Hall** also won their first titles by winning the 2010 & 2011 British Ladies titles.

Pos	Player	Won
1	Pauline Withey	8
2	Jean Brackenridge	4
3	Chris Newson	2
=	Denise Wills	2
5	Alison Norman	1
=	Dawn Jordan	1
=	Myra Hawkins	1
=	Sandra Hall	1

Dates for your diary 2015 —see <http://www.aebba.org/> for entry forms

- 7th Feb - Jersey v England (Sarum Hotel @ Jersey) - Jer 15 Eng 17
- 7th Mar - England v Guernsey (@ Queens Hotel, Bournemouth)
- 7th/8th Mar - British Pairs (@ Queens Hotel, Bournemouth)
- 21st Mar— East Anglian 4-pin Open (@ Grover & Allen Pub, Sudbury)
- 12th Apr—Surrey Open (@ St Nicholas School, Merstham)
- 25th Apr - Oxon Open (@ Didcot Conservative Club)
- 2nd May/3rd May - Guernsey Pairs/Guernsey Open (@ Les Rocquettes, Guernsey)
- 10th May - AEBBA Mixed Pairs (@ Salfords Club, Redhill)
- 14th June—Sussex Open (@ Roffey Club, Horsham)
- 5th July - Kent Classic (@ Suburban Club, Chatham)
- 26th July - British Ladies (@ Hurst Club, Hurstpierpoint)
- 9th Aug - Bucks Open (@ Cressex Con Centre, High Wycombe)
- 6th Sept - Berks Open (@ Arborfield Club, Reading)
- 20th Sept - County Div 1/ Ladies AE Singles (@ Didcot Con Club, Didcot)
- 27th Sept - Ladies County/ AE Open Singles (@ Didcot Con Club, Didcot)
- 11th Oct - Alternative Rules (@ Didcot Con Club, Didcot)
- 18th Oct - Team Champs/ Special Ladies (@ Didcot Con Club, Didcot)
- 25th Oct - National Off the Spot Open (@ Salfords Club, Salford)
- 6/7/8th Nov - World Champ Pairs/ World Champs Singles (Jersey)
- 15th Nov- County Div 2 (@ Didcot Con Club, Didcot)
- 22nd Nov - Grand Prix/ Ladies GP/ Under 25's/Over 50's/Over 60's (@ Didcot Con Club, Oxford)
- 6th Dec - AEBBA AGM (@ Didcot Con Club, Didcot)