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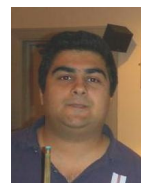
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AEBBA Newsletter Editorial

September and October are the busiest months in the bar billiards calendar. Five weekends in Reading with seven national tournaments decided. Oxon and Sussex retained their mens and lady county titles. Chris Toner also retained her AE ladies title—her 6th. Nigel Senior became the 5th person to win the All England singles for at least 2 times in its 34 year history. The team champs was won by last years runners up the Caversham WMC. The special ladies open was won by Pauline Withey for the 6th time in its 10 year history. And Phil Collins became the 8th different open winner this year (out of 8 opens!). A lot of thanks should go to Dave Alder for running all these events and he performed incredibly well to make his first national final in the All England Singles. November sees us all make the trip to Jersey for the World Championships. If you play bar billiards you really must give it a go one day—it's a great weekend. See you in Jersey!



County Champs @ Post Office Club, Reading, 20th Sept/18th Oct 2009

Oxon retained the county championship title—they have been beaten only once this decade in 2005, when Sussex took the title. They started with a 7-0 win over Hants, then beat Berks 4-3 and Sussex B 7-0. A 4-3 loss to Sussex A (a first loss to Sussex since full records were kept in 1991) did not deny them the title. **Berkshire A** finished runner up. It was a disappointing day for **Sussex**, with the A side finishing only 3rd and the B side relegated 3 points behind **Hampshire**. **Keith Sheard** (average 10,425) and **Steven Sheard** were the only division 1 players to win 4 games out of 4.



Kent A will be in division 1 next year winning all 4 matches on their way to the division 2 title. **Curt Driver** was unbeaten for them along with **Surrey A's Dave Constable** who helped them to the runners up spot. **Kent B** were relegated to division 3.

Division 3 was played 4 weeks later, **Bucks** and **Cambs** were back after absences. **Bucks** (team pictured above) winning promotion to division 2 next year. Cambridge's **Keith MacDonald** won all 6 of his games

Division 1

Pos	Team	Pts
1	Oxon A	21
2	Berks A	19
3	Sussex A	17
4	Hants	8
5	Sussex B	5

Division 2

Pos	Team	Pts
1	Kent A	18
2	Surrey A	15
3	Oxon B	14
4	Northants	12
5	Kent B	11

Division 3

Pos	Team	Pts
1	Bucks	24
2	Cambs	22
3	Berks B	19
4	Surrey B	19

Berkshire Open @ Post Office Club, Reading, 13th September 2009

Phil Collins

(pictured right) won the Berkshire Open. He is the 8th different open winner this year in 8 events. Phil overcame **Keith Sheard** in the final, who, was making his second appearance in a final this year. Keith led by 7k going into leg 2 but a 13k opener secured the title for Phil. This is Phil's third national win after the 2007 Bucks Open and the 2008 All England Singles.



The plate final was contested by two England players, **Steven Sheard** beating **Chris Reeves**. The highest break was made by runner up Keith Sheard with **20,460**. **Sandra Race** made the lady's high break of **4,270**, **Jenny Florey** did make 6,840 but it was in the plate.

Latest British Rankings (@ 31st October 2009)

<u>MEN</u>			
Pos	Player	County	PTS
1	Kevin Tunstall	Sussex	300.3
2	Nigel Senior	Sussex	275.4
3(+1)	Phil Collins	Oxon	193.7
4(+1)	Keith Sheard	Oxon	191.6
5(-2)	Steven Sheard	Oxon	179.0
6	Paul Sainsbury	Berks	137.9
7	Chris Reeves	Sussex	121.9
8(+1)	Richard Wooton	Sussex	118.1
9(-1)	Gareth Lloyd	Sussex	112.8
10	Trevor Gallienne	Guernsey	110.6

<u>LADIES</u>			
Pos	Player	County	PTS
1	Pauline Withey	Oxon	124.3
2	Jean Brackenridge	Sussex	123.1
3(+2)	Chris Toner	Hants	69.5
4(-1)	Denise Wills	Surrey	56.3
5(+4)	Hayley Tunstall	Sussex	53.1
6(+5)	Jenny Florey	Oxon	41.0
7	Lorraine Hall	Sussex	39.9
8	Janet Burns	Berks	36.0
9(-3)	Jane Wood	Oxon	30.2
9(+1)	Sue Atkins	Oxon	30.2

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

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All England Ladies, 18th Oct 2009

Chris Toner (pictured right, blue top) won her 6th All England Ladies title and retained the title she won last year. The 7 county champions were separated into two groups and Chris won hers despite losing her first match to **Janet Burns**. Buck's **Marilyn Izzard** (pictured right, orange top) won Group 2 but couldn't quite become Buck's first ever All England Ladies champion as Chris won a tight final by just 1,640.



Chris is now just 4 titles behind Viv Wright's record 10 wins.

Chris Toner
7,510
Marilyn Izzard
5,870

Group 1

Pos	Player	Pts
1	Chris Toner (Hants)	4
2	Janet Burns (Ber)	4
3	Sally Mortimer (Sur)	4
4	Janie Macoy (Kent)	0

Group 2

Pos	Player	Pts
1	Marilyn Izzard (Bucks)	6
2	Lorraine Hall (Sussex)	4
3	Jenny Florey (Oxon)	2

Final

Chris Toner
7,510
Marilyn Izzard
5,870

Latest Grand Prix Standings @ 31st October

Pos	Player	Pts
1	Nigel Senior	37
2	Keith Sheard	30
3	Phil Collins	25
4	Paul Sainsbury	24
5	Kevin Tunstall	22
6	Curt Driver	19
7	Jim Millward	19
8	Steven Sheard	16
9	Pete Sainsbury	16
10	Tony Martin	16
11	Graham Bisson	15
12	David Ingram	14
13	Gareth Lloyd	12
14	Richard Wooton	11
15	Mark Brewster	11
=16	Dave France/ Ian Lelliott	10

Ladies County Champs @ Post Office Club, Reading, 4th Oct 2009

Sussex A retained the ladies county championship. It was their 7th win of the decade, only Oxon (2004 & 2007) and Surrey (2000) have interrupted Sussex's domination. They won all 3 matches—Surrey A (4-1), Oxon B (4-1) and Oxon A (3-2). **Oxon A** were runners up by only 1 point but their B side find themselves relegated to division 2. Sussex's **Hayley Tunstall** (top average of 6,053) & **Gina Sherratt** along with Oxon's **Jane Wood & Jenny Florey** won 3 out of 3 matches

Division 1

Pos	Team	Pts
1	Sussex A	11
2	Oxon A	10
3	Surrey A	6
4	Oxon B	3

Division 2

Pos	Team	Pts
1	Sussex B	11
2	Berks	9
3	Surrey B	6
4	Hants	4

Division 2 was won by **Sussex B** completing a great day for the Sussex ladies.

Sheena Wood & Jan Bithell went unbeaten for Sussex B. Other unbeaten players were **Chris Toner** (Hants) (top div 2 average of 5,603), **Jackie Watson** (Berks) & **Sho Nicholls** (Surrey).

All England Individuals @ Post Office Club, Reading, 4th Oct 2009

Nigel Senior (pictured right) won his 2nd All England title adding to his 2002 win. He joins Kevin Tunstall (7 wins), Bernie McCluskey (4), John Burrows (3) and Paul Sainsbury (2) as the only other multiple winners since the tournament started in 1975. Oxon's **Keith Sheard** was the only other former winner present and he and Nigel drew each other first game, which Nigel won to set him self up for the day. In the final he met Berkshire's **Dave Alder** who fought his way past **Ernie Jordan** (Bucks) in the decider of that group. Nigel opened up with 17k in the final which proved a bridge too far for Dave after his earlier exploits combined with his excellent running of the competition as well.



Final

Nigel Senior 23,030
Dave Alder 1,590

Group 1

Pos	Player	Pts
1	Dave Alder (Ber)	8
2	Ernie Jordan (Bucks)	6
3	Phil Buckle (Cam)	4
4	Chris Newson (Hants)	2
5	Gary Powell (Surrey)	0

Group 2

Pos	Player	Pts
1	Nigel Senior (Sus)	8
2	Keith Sheard (Oxon)	6
3	Bob Chapple (Gue)	4
4	Andy Chambers (Nor)	2
5	Martin Russel (Kent)	0

All England Team Championships @ Post Office Club, Reading, 25th Oct

Caversham WMC have won the AEBBA team champs, going one better than their runners up last year. It is the 3rd time from this club they have won the trophy (previously in 2001 & 2004). The winning team, comprised **Bernie McCluskey, Paul Sainsbury, Tony Walsh, Keith Lewendon & Terry Vallis**, beat the **Flying Scud** 3-1 in the final.



Group 1

Pos	Team	Pts
1	Flying Scud (Surrey)	10
2	Horse & Harrow (Oxon)	10
3	Swan (Sussex)	7
4	Six Mile Bottom (Cambs)	3

Group 2

Pos	Team	Pts
1	Caversham WMC (Be)	11
2	Imperial (Kent)	8
3	Lord Chichester (Hants)	6
4	Royal Standard (Bucks)	2

Final

Caversham WMC 3
Flying Scud 1

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

7th Feb - Jersey v England (@ Shakespeare Hotel) - result Jer men 22-11 Eng men, Jer ladies 6-12 Eng ladies
21st Feb - Oxon Open—winner Tony Martin
7/8th Mar - British Pairs - winners Chris Reeves & Nigel Senior
5th Apr—British Ladies Open—winner Lorraine Hall

19th Apr - Portsmouth Open—winner Kevin Tunstall
3rd May - Guernsey Open—winner Graham Bisson
10th May - Surrey Open- winner Nigel Senior
6th June - England v Guernsey - result Eng 37-10 Gue
7th June—Sussex Open (@ Roffey Club) -winner Jim Millward

12th July - Kent Classic—winner Paul Sainsbury
9th Aug - Bucks Open—winner Curt Driver

13th Sept - Berks Open- winner Phil Collins
20th Sept - County Champs Div 1/ Div 2—winners Div 1 Oxon A, Div 2 Kent A
4th Oct - Ladies County/ AE Open Singles—winner Div 1 Sussex A, Div 2 Sussex B, AE Singles Nigel Senior
18th Oct- County Div 3/ Ladies AE Singles—winner Div 3 Bucks, AE Ladies Chris Toner
25th Oct - Team Champs/ Special Ladies—winner Team Champs, Caversham WMC, Special Ladies Pauline Withey
1st Nov - Alternative Rules
6/7/8th Nov - World Champ Pairs/ World Champs singles (Jersey)
22nd Nov - Mixed Pairs/ Under 25's
29th Nov - Grand Prix/ Ladies GP/Over 50's/ Over 60's
6th Dec - AEBBA AGM

Special Ladies Open, PO Club, Reading, 25th Oct 2009

Pauline Withey has won the Special Ladies Open for the 6th time in 10 years. Pauline overcame her number one rival **Jean Brackenridge** in the first round. In the final she beat all England Ladies champion **Chris Toner**. This is a great comeback to form for Pauline after recent health problems and she cements her number one position in the rankings. **Jean Brackenridge** did win the plate beating Berkshire's **Jackie Watson** in the final.



Upcoming Events in November & December

1st Nov - Alternative Rules - The unique event where balls start in a triangle and are reformed every time the balls are cleared—and all shots played off the spot! Won last year by Kevin Tunstall

6th/7th/8th Nov - World Championship Pairs/ World Championship Singles (Jersey) - the BIG one. Reigning champs are Trevor Gallienne (singles) Kevin Tunstall & Kevin Hall (pairs)

22nd Nov - Mixed Pairs/ Under 25's - Tournament Director Dave Alder won last years Mixed Pairs with Jackie Watson. Steven Sheard won his record 5th under 25's title

29th Nov - Grand Prix/ Ladies Grand Prix/ Over 50's/ Over 60's - Kevin Tunstall will be defending his Gran Prix title. Jean Brackenridge defends the ladies Grand Prix. Ian lelliott nearly did the double last year by winning the over 60's but lost the over 50's to Oxon's Maxi McDonnell.