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OBITUARY Mr Horrie Wood, Life Vice-President of the All-England, died recently. He ran the Canterbury league for many years and was a founder member of the All-England Association. Our thoughts and condolences are offered to Robbie and his family.

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EDITORIAL

I must begin by telling you all that I had a very vivid dream last week. I died and, of course, went to Heaven. Of course, I was happy when I found a pub with a bar billiards table. I went in to find someone playing alone on the table, but I could not quite see his face, although it looked familiar. Everyone was watching him play so I asked a chap at the door if it really WAS Kevin Tunstall.

"No", he said, "It's God, he only THINKS he's Kevin Tunstall".

That section is being EDITED OUT of the BBQ sent to Kevin, and replaced by my proposals to unilaterally increase the ranking points for the ALTERNATIVE RULES competition as he did not enter it. Let's see how long it takes for him to complain.

I still need more subscribers to keep the BBQ going into the next Millennium. I am still well down on the 1997 circulation.

POT BLACK now has a new editor, I am sending in my first report to him this week and we can only hope for a better response as from the February issue. If it happens, why don't you write to him. It may help us if he knows how you feel.

Please note that although I have handed over the position of Northants Secretary to Chris Lawman, send all details AND entry forms of forthcoming events to BOTH Chris and myself, to be sure of receiving maximum response.

WHAT ABOUT THAT MATHEMATICAL PUZZLE?

I asked on the last BBQ, what three figures conclude the following sequence?

1 4 4 2 4 2 4 6 2 6 4 2 4 6 6 2 6 4 2 6.....

I am SO kind to you. I will tell you the answer: ... 4 6 8 completes the sequence

Now all I ask is for YOU to tell ME why that is the answer. Please explain.

The first person now able to give A PROPER EXPLANATION will win a £1.50 reduction on their next BBQ subscription.

That is the prime difference between me and all previous BBQ editors. I am kind to you.

In the meantime, here is a much easier task for you.

By changing one letter at a time and making a new four letter word each time, can you get from "CUES" to "BALL" in FIVE or less stages.

Yes, I know it is easy, but it may keep you thinking for a while.

BRITISH RANKINGS AT START OF 1999

POSITIONS		RANKING POINTS			
NOW	PROV			TOTAL	PROV
✓1	4	✓Les Green	Kent	162.25	70.70
✓2	1	✓Keith Sheard	Oxon	146.10	88.50
✓3	3	✓Kevin Tunstall	Oxon	138.88	71.40
4	2	✓John Burrows	Bucks	136.35	77.15
✓5	7	✓Mark Sawyer x	Berks	120.25	38.40
✓6	5	✓Paul Sainsbury x	Berks	114.90	57.20
7	14	✓Jim Millward	Sussex	83.60	24.20
✓8	8	✓Steve Mariner	Sussex	83.10	37.80
✓9	16	✓Peter Farrelly	Northants	67.30	21.00
✓10	6	✓Mark Turner	Berks	63.20	42.50
✓11	9	✓Mark Brewster	Kent	61.05	33.10
✓12	13	✓Bernie McCluskey x	Berks	55.80	24.90
✓13		✓Paul Wing	Hants	51.20	3.70
✓14	10	Tony Woolvin	Hants	41.73	30.30
15	26	✓Kevin Clark	Kent	41.10	15.10
16	11	Ray Hussey	Bucks	38.80	27.80
17	27	✓Steve Biggs	Northants	38.10	15.00
18	17	Bill Trinder	Berks	35.70	19.60
19	56	Steve Ahier	Jersey	35.00	7.00
20	43	Chris Saville	Kent	31.10	9.40
21	44=	Mick Eouzan	Jersey	30.70	8.60
✓22	21	Jon Bamsey	Oxon	30.00	16.70
✓23	29	Ray Sturgess	Oxon	29.70	13.30
24	55	Gareth Lloyd	Sussex	28.00	7.30
✓25	23	Tony Martin	Oxon	27.70	16.30
✓26	22	Chris Lawman	Northants	26.00	16.50
27=	12	Nick Barnett	Jersey	25.20	25.20
✓27=		Tony Walsh	Berks	25.20	5.00
✓29		Eric Hill	Bucks	24.78	1.90
30	30=	Trevor Gallienne	Guernsey	24.50	12.20
✓31	37=	Dennis Atkins	Oxon	23.60	10.30
32	28	Geoff Jukes	Surrey	22.85	14.10
33		Mark James	Sussex	22.70	4.60
✓34	54	Phil Hawkins x	Berks	22.40	7.70
35		Terry Oakley	Surrey	22.20	
36	41=	Dennis Helleur	Jersey	22.10	10.00
37	18	Steve Oram	Northants	21.90	19.40
✓38=	20	Stuart Mepham	Sussex	21.60	17.10
✓38=	24	Dennis Claydon	Berks	21.60	15.70
✓40	15	Kevin Godfrey	Oxon	21.40	21.10
41=	25	Sean Taylor	Sussex	21.00	15.30
✓41=		Gary Johnson	Oxon	21.00	6.40
43	19	Keith Lewendon x	Berks	19.40	18.50
44=	36	Peter Noel	Jersey	18.20	10.80
✓44=		Pete Welch	Oxon	18.20	0.40
✓46=	32	Geoff Pitt	Berks	18.10	11.80
✓46=	37=	Ernie Jordan	Bucks	18.10	10.30
✓48	34	Alan Chaloner	Hants	18.00	11.10
49		Vernon Festou	Jersey	17.20	
✓50	47	Andy Haines	Bucks	16.70	8.50
✓51=	35	Bob Toye	Sussex	16.60	10.90
51=	44=	Peter Fann	Jersey	16.60	8.60
53		Barry Radford	Hants	16.30	5.40
✓54		Max Dick	Oxon	15.70	0.90
55	41=	Keith MacDonald	Cambs	15.50	10.00
✓56		Pete Lee	Oxon	14.30	2.50
57	40	Graeme LeMonnier	Jersey	14.00	10.20

POSITIONS		RANKING POINTS				
NOW PROV		TOTAL PROV				
✓58	51=	Pete Phillips	Oxon	13.6	8.0	
	59	Nigel Ryall	Jersey	13.1	0.3	
	60=	Lorin Clough	Oxford	12.8	2.6	
	60=	Chris Tupper	Sussex	12.8	0.2	
	62	30=	Doug Carswell	Bucks	12.2	12.2
	63	Bob King	Jersey	12.1	3.5	
✓	64	37=	Tony Willis	Oxon	12.0	10.3
	65	33	Tex Anderson	Jersey	11.4	11.4
✓	66	Chris Newson	Hants	11.1	4.6	
	67	53	Alan Messer	Sussex	10.9	7.8
	68	44=	Don Cadec	Jersey	10.7	8.6
	69	Steve Huntley	Oxon	10.4	1.4	
	70	Dave Bewey	Surrey	10.2	5.1	
	71	Maxi McDonnell	Oxon	10.1	4.1	
	72=	Sheila O'Brien	Sussex	9.8	1.1	
	72=	Stuart Giles	Oxon	9.8		
	74	Harry Barbet	Jersey	9.7	6.1	
	75	Mick Lingham	Kent	9.6		
	76	Dave Mahoney	Bucks	9.5	0.2	
	77	✓ Dick House	Hants	9.1		
	78	Ian Street	Sussex	9.0	3.7	
	79	Terry Isard	Bucks	8.8	1.6	
	80	Ronnie Rebours	Jersey	8.6	3.1	
	81=	48	Paul Newton	Jersey	8.4	8.3
	81=	• JJ Addley	Kent	8.4		
	83	49	Yves Bosio	Jersey	8.2	8.2
	84=	50	Frank De Jesus	Jersey	8.1	8.1
	84=	Nigel Bisson	Jersey	8.1	5.1	
	86	51=	Mike Messenbird	Hants	8.0	8.0
	87	Phil Buckle	Cambs	7.7	1.1	
	88	Pete Doherty	Cambs	7.45	0.6	
	89=	Graham Bisson	Jersey	7.4	6.0	
	89=	Simon Tinto	Surrey	7.4	0.3	
	91	Gary Le Blond	Jersey	7.3	5.2	
	92	Dino Clark	Bucks	7.1	5.0	
	93	John Slee	Sussex	6.7	2.4	
	94=	Robin Godfrey	Oxon	5.9	5.9	
	94=	Martin Leach	Hants	5.9		
	96=	• Allan Howes	Kent	5.8		
	96=	Brian Smyth	Bucks	5.8	0.1	
	98=	Gary Coupar	Oxon	5.6		
	98=	Martin Carre	Jersey	5.6	5.4	
✓	98=	Diana Welburn	Kent	5.6	4.3	
✓	98=	Ian Moquet	Oxon	5.6		
✓	102	Pauline Withey	Oxon	5.5	2.3	
	103=	Dave Williamson	Berks	5.4	5.3	
	103=	Dave Chatel	Jersey	5.4	5.4	
	105=	Roger Standen	Kent	5.3	5.3	
	105=	Colin Thompson	Sussex	5.3	5.2	
	107=	Trevor Dare	Jersey	5.2	5.2	
	107=	Colin Green	Sussex	5.2		
	107=	Dave Gallichan	Jersey	5.2		
	110=	Ian Young	Berks	5.1	5.1	
	110=	• Dennis Alderson	Sussex	5.1		
	110=	Jenny Noel	Jersey	5.1		
	110=	Alan Phillips	Jersey	5.1	5.1	
	110=	Graham Mephram	Sussex	5.1	5.1	
	110=	• Anthony Steel	Cambs	5.1		

REST OF RANKINGS (with points from 1998 in brackets being carried onward)

- 116th 5.0 pts Jack Marrett (Jer) Karen Aubert (Jer) Dave Huby (Jer)
 119th 4.9 pts Geoff Powell (Oxf)
 120th 4.7 pts Kent Murray (Buc) (3.8) Penny Burch (Nor) (3.2)
 122nd 4.6 pts Fred Jeanne (Jer) (2.4) Alan Shubert (Ken) (4.3)
 124th 4.5 pts Andy Chambers (Nor) (1.1) 125th 4.48 pts Alan Rowley (Han) (1.1)
 126th 4.4 pts Darren Isard (Buc) (0.2) Kim Ware (Buc) (2.2)
 128th 4.3 pts Earl Dugan (Cam) (3.2) 129th 4.2 pts Dave Snashfold (Sur) (4.2)
 130th 4.0 pts John Wishart (Han) (4.0) Andy Godden (Buc) Sue Mariner (Sus) (2.2)
 133th 3.9 pts Paul Yeo (Ber) (1.2) 134th 3.6 pts Josie Hogan (Sur) (3.6)
 135th 3.5 pts Pete Burton (Oxf) (2.5) 136th 3.4 pts Jason Cattermole (Oxf) (3.4)
 137th 3.3 pts Joe O'Farrell (Ber) Micky Jones (Oxf) Brian Rose (Oxf) (3.3)
 140th 3.2 pts Ron Josey (Ber) (0.1)
 141st 3.1 pts Janet Burns (Ber) John Miller (Buc) (2.1)
 143rd 3.0 pts Paul Barnett (Sus) (1.8) 144th 2.8 pts Dave Stemp (Ber) (2.8)
 145th 2.7 pts Leon Beer (Oxf) (2.6) Ron Britton (Ber) (2.7) Jan Taylor (Ken)
 148th 2.6 pts Bob Taylor (Ken) Ian Goulding (Sus) (0.3) Simon Coleman (Nor) (1.0)
 151st 2.5 pts Mike Matthews (Jer) (2.3) Jackie Peckham (Ken) (2.5)
 153rd 2.4 pts Terry Cook (Oxf) (0.3)
 154th 2.3 pts Barry O'Brien (Oxf) Steve Buckle (Buc) (2.2) Brian Ray (Buc) (2.2)
 Graeme Marett (Jer) (2.3)
 158th 2.25 pts Martin Pellett (Sur) (2.25)
 159th 2.2 pts Roger Chilton (Han) (2.2) Alan Le Blond (Jer) (0.1) Tony Morton (Jer)
 Jean Over (Sus) Phil Oakley (Sus) (2.1) Billy Kerr (Sus) (2.1)
 Didier Le Fahler (Jer) (0.1) Micky Daw (Jer) (2.2)
 167th 2.1 pts Neville Edwards (Sus) Ian Gicquel (Jer) (0.1) Syl Murphy (Buc) (0.1)
 Frank Sewell-Knight (Sus) (0.1) Tony Guillou (Jer) (2.1) Bob Alton (Jer)
 Ian Holman (Sur) (2.1) Dave May (Ken) Andy Brackenridge (Sus)
 176th 2.0 pts Christine Toner (Han) (2.0) Sue Leach (Oxf) (2.0) Ernie Wilson (Jer) (2.0)
 Pete Stedman (Han) Gary Aubert (Jer) Gary Barker (Buc) Jan Teague (Sus)
 Gary Sweeney (Sus) Ian Champion (Gue) Linda Wing (Han) Roy Wells (Sus)
 Malcolm Pearce (Buc) Robbie Pocock (Ber) Sally Bateman (Jer)
 Sheila King (Sur) Terry Girard (Gue) Trevor Doswell (Han)
 Alison Shilling (Sus) (2.0) Carl James (Ber) (2.0) Terry Molloy (Sus) (2.0)
 Paul Trotman (Sur) (2.0) Steve Minihane (Ber) (2.0) Ian Moss (Oxf) (2.0)
 Richard Dedman (Sus) (2.0) Karl Tidy (Sur) (2.0) Andrew Moon (Jer)
 Michelle Baden (Sur) (2.0) Christine Witney (Oxf) (2.0)
 Malcolm Edwards (Sus) (2.0) Margaret McSweeney (Jer) (2.0)
 Colin Chilton (Han) Dave Mitchell (Ber) (2.0) Linda Tidy (Sur) (2.0)
 209th 1.8 pts Jason Neal (Nor) (0.6) Phil Spencer (Oxf) (1.7) Paul Caistor (Oxf)
 212th 1.7 pts Roger Bowen (Oxf) (0.3)
 213th 1.6 pts Allan Lacey (Oxf) (1.3) Barry Holt (Sus) (0.2) Simon Degray (Ken)
 216th 1.5 pts Jim Thomson (Nor) (1.5) 217th 1.4 pts Alec Hastings (Sur) (1.4)
 218th 1.3 pts Tony Lewis (Sus) (0.1) Mick Heasman (Ken) (1.3) Grant Tully (Sus)
 221st 1.2 pts Denise Hoadley (Sur) (0.2) John Fullager (Ken) (1.2)
 222nd 1.1 pts Greg Hughan (Sur) Dave Constable (Sur) (1.1) Terry Heasman (Ken) (1.1)
 Andy Dennis (Cam)
 222 226th 1.0 pts Vince Watts (Sus) (1.0) Graham Newson (Han) Ian Lelliott (Sus) (1.0)
 Alan Huntley (Oxf) Ann Green (Ken) Ray Hayter (Oxf) Jon Coe (Nor) (1.0)
 234 233rd 0.8 pts Roger Taylor (Sus) (0.7) Andy Walker (Nor) (0.8)
 235th 0.7 pts Paul Scouse (Ber) (0.1)
 236th 0.6 pts Martin May (Buc) Neil Mackmin (Nor) (0.2) Brian Daniels (Han) (0.2)
 Derek Payne (Oxf) (0.2) Chris Gregory (Han) (0.4)
 241st 0.5 pts Myra Hawkins (Ber) (0.1) Dave Nash (Han) (0.4) Monty Dobson (Han) (0.4)
 244th 0.4 pts Pete Witney (Oxf) Dave Tooke (Oxf)
 246th 0.3 pts Roy Clough (Oxf) Sean Lee (Oxf) Bob Whitehouse (Oxf) Dave Neilan (Ber)
 Martin Atkins (Oxf) (0.2) Pete O'Brien (Sus) Tim Bourner (Ken)
 Steve Hawkes (Sus) (0.1)

There are 6 other players with 0.2 pts. and 33 others with 0.1 pts.

FULL BRITISH LADIES RANKINGS AT START OF 1999

POSITIONS				RANKING POINTS	
NOW	PROV			TOTAL	PROV
1	2	Jan Taylor	Kent	87.30	31.70
2	3	Pauline Withey	Oxon	60.65	27.45
3	1	Kim Beeching	Sussex	53.90	34.20
4	4	Gail Woods	Surrey	49.10	20.00
5	9	Penny Burch	Northants	48.55	14.70
6	5	Myra Hawkins	Berks	48.45	17.65
7	11=	Josie Hogan	Surrey	39.10	10.10
8	26	Sue Mariner	Sussex	29.90	2.80
9	8	Denise Hoadley	Surrey	27.80	16.70
10	6	Diana Welburn	Kent	23.50	16.95
11	10	Sally Mortimer	Surrey	18.70	10.30
12	43	Sheila O'Brien	Sussex	18.20	0.55
13	7	Jill O'Brien	Kent	18.00	16.80
14	18	Alison Norman	Surrey	17.30	5.20
15		Sue Redmond	Berks	12.50	
16	11=	Jane Wood	Oxon	11.30	10.10
17	15	Jan Bithell	Sussex	11.10	6.10
18=	22	Joyce Mannell	Hants	9.85	3.10
18=30=		Janet Burns	Berks	9.85	1.10
20	14	Jill Josey	Berks	9.30	7.50
21	13	Janie Macoy	Kent	9.10	8.10
22	17	Sheila King	Surrey	7.60	5.40
23	27=	Sue Leach	Oxon	6.20	2.00
24		Jenny Noel	Jersey	6.05	
25		Josie Maughan	Jersey	6.00	
26		Anna Taylor	Sussex	5.70	
27	16	Marilyn Izzard	Bucks	5.50	5.50
28		Tina Murphy	Jersey	5.00	
29=	19	Doreen Yorke	Hants	4.50	4.50
29=		Karen Aubert	Jersey	4.50	
31	30=	Jackie Watson	Berks	4.20	1.10
32=20=		Alison Shilling	Sussex	4.10	4.10
32=20=		Michelle Baden	Sussex	4.10	4.10
34		Enid Wain	Oxon	4.00	
35		Jenny Gorvel	Jersey	3.50	
36=23=		Lyn Penney	Hants	3.00	3.00
36=23=		Clare Shaw	Bucks	3.00	3.00
36=23=		Lisa Rose	Oxon	3.00	3.00
39	27=	Gill Mackie	Surrey	2.00	2.00
40=33=		Ann Green	Kent	1.50	1.00
40=		Hilary Chatel	Jersey	1.50	
40=		Gill Barbet	Jersey	1.50	
43	29	Jackie Peckham	Kent	1.45	1.35
44		Jenny Abbott	Oxon	1.30	
45	33=	Christine Toner	Hants	1.20	1.00
46=30=		Rose Higham	Bucks	1.10	1.10
46=33=		Jane Carless	Berks	1.10	1.00
46=		Jean Over	Sussex	1.10	
identical to:		Jenny Parsons (Oxon)	Linda Wing (Hants)		
51=33=		Eileen Britton	Berks	1.00	1.00
identical to:		Margaret McSweeney (Jersey)	Ruth Collett (Oxon)	June Davies (Surrey)	
		Christine Witney (Oxon)	Pauline Gregory (Hants)	Linda Tidy (Surrey)	
51=		Ann Keen	Kent	1.00	
identical to:		Lyn Harcourt (Kent)	Jan Teague (Sussex)	Sally Bateman (Jersey)	
62=44=		Sue Loughran	Sussex	0.10	0.10
62=44=		Ding Johnson	Sussex	0.10	0.10
62=		Roz Ridge	Sussex	0.10	

18th BRITISH ISLES OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

SAT/SUN 7th/8th NOV 1998 at the HOTEL de NORMANDIE, ST SAVIOUR, JERSEY

Previous Finals:

1981	Harry Siddal (Jersey)	beat	Derek Payne (Wallingford)
1982	Graham Bisson (Jersey)	beat	Clarrie Queree (Jersey)
1983	Tim Ringsdore (Jersey)	beat	Micky Daw (Jersey)
1984	Peter Noel (Jersey)	beat	Don Cadec (Jersey)
1985	Bernie McCluskey (Reading)	beat	Paul Webb (Guernsey)
1986	Dave Harris (Reading)	beat	Peter Noel (Jersey)
1987	Wayne Poingdestre (Jersey)	beat	Kevin Tunstall (Wallingford)
1988	Alan Le Blond (Jersey)	beat	Micky Daw (Jersey)
1989	Trevor Gallienne (Guernsey)	beat	Bob Taylor (Canterbury)
1990	Steve Ahier (Jersey)	beat	Terry Race (Brighton)
1991	Steve Ahier (Jersey)	beat	Simon Tinto (Redhill)
1992	Dennis Helleur (Jersey)	beat	Harry Barbet (Jersey)
1993	Kevin Tunstall (Wallingford)	beat	Graham Bisson (Jersey)
1994	Kevin Tunstall (Wallingford)	beat	Tony Walsh (Reading)
1995	Tony Walsh (Reading)	beat	Mark Brewster (Rochester)
1996	Terry Oakley (Redhill)	beat	Don Cadec (Jersey)
1997	Jim Millward (Brighton)	beat	Steve Ahier (Jersey)

Ranking Before/After	Cty	RP	1st Rd	2nd Rd	3rd Rd	4th Rd	5th Rd (2 legs)
*Sue Oakley	Sur			1,160			
Tim Lucas	Sur			3,660	600		
Mike Matthews	Jer	2.3		7,110	10,010	4,040	
Fred Wynn	Sus			540			
Peter Noel	61/52	Jer	5.3	7,380	2,460	5,710	3,180 6,130
Keith Mouncher	Sus			2,090			
Chris Tupper	42/44	Sus		3,800	1,490		
*Eileen Britton	Ber			1,300			
Paul Dyer	Gue	0.1		5,850	580		
Winston Turner	Jer			60			
John Miller	Buc	2.0		2,490	1,370	1,850	
Richard Plaw	Sur			860			
YVES BOSIO	Jer	8.2		2,470	4,400	1,900	5,590 5,220
Trevor Wanstall	Buc			1,520			
Trevor Greenyer	Sus			2,910	930		
*Lynn Travis	Gue			470			
Dave Britton	Ber			340			
*Michelle Baden	Sus	2.0		2,180	2,930	2,560	
John Le Maistre	Jer			50			
Pete Farrelly	10/10	Nor	0.3	² 11,680	2,300		
Graham Pallot	Jer			1,760			
Brian Richards	Sus	0.1		7,450	1,200		
NICK BARNETT	Jer	18.2		² 8,450	2,570	3,710	²² 12,570 ²³ 8,420
*Josie Hogan	Sur			180			
*Jan Wells	Sus			1,030			
Roger Taylor	Sus			3,670	1,880		
*Sue Barnes	Oxf			0			
Micky Daw	Jer	2.2		6,420	5,140	2,260	
Steve Mariner	8/8	Sus	5.3	6,910	4,190	8,220	1,150 3,620
Dave May	Ken			930			
Tony Plaw	Sur			0			
Doug Dawson	Sus			2,190	1,490		

² DENOTES BREAKS of over 5,000: Farrelly 11,520 Barnett 8,350 7,510 5,060 7,990

Ranking Before/After	Cty	RP	1st Rd	2nd Rd	3rd Rd	4th Rd	5th Rd	(2 legs)
*Jeannette Cox	Oxf			0				
Ronnie Rebours	65/71 Jer	0.1		7,050	3,020			
Benny Fuller	Sur			620				
PAUL NEWTON	Jer	8.3		6,670	7,390	6,650	4,460	3,720
*Marion Skinner	Sus			520				
Keith Lewendon	51/55 Ber	2.1		1,630	7,730	1,930		
Tony Lewis	Sus			1,300				
*Jackie Clark	Jer			1,380	260			
Roger Chilton	Han	2.2		5,770	5,470	1,580		
Tony Trevehan	Ber			1,240				
Bill Messenbird	Han			780				
Steve Hawkes	Sus	0.1		5,780	3,130			
Nigel Bisson	Jer	5.1		6,470	4,110	3,880	670	3,580
Ted Stringer	Sus			100				
Alan Duffell	Sus	0.1		5,790	2,000			
*Judy Saunders	Ber			480				
Rod Smith	Jer			1,850				
Gerry Whatling	Ber			2,060	200			
*Marion Sewell	Han			400				
Ian Young	Ber	5.1		1,390	6,450	3,920	2,220	1,260
Eric Hill	30/32 Buc			3,020	1,730			
*Janet Burns	Ber			1,080				
Chris Saville	20/21 Ken	2.1		3,380	=5,360	3,120		
John Haddon	Han			930				
Pete Welch	45/49 Oxf			0				
Don Cadec	39/40 Jer	2.1		6,800	2,270	0		
Dave Tallack	Han			1,780	1,770			
*Sharon Balcombe	Sur			530				
Dave Bewey	Sur			240				
Max Dick	25/25 Oxf			2,050	900			
TEX ANDERSON	Jer	11.4		7,030	4,350	4,630	4,460	8,860
Simon Taylor	Jer			120				
*Carolyn Richardson	Nor			870				
MIKE MESSENBIRD	Han	8.0		2,600	3,050	3,970	2,750	1,890
Mark James	31/33 Sus	0.1		7,270	60			
Pete Lee	34/37 Oxf			370				
Colin King	Jer	0.1		5,360	3,520			
Adrian Harvey	Gue			640				
Ray Hussey	35/36 Buc	2.1		4,730	6,050	0		
*Sheila King	Sur			1,390				
Alan Ferrand	Jer			4,920	1,400			
J Murphy	Sus			0				
Trevor Dare	Jer	5.2		3,520	6,750	7,520	0	2,480
*P Bowden	Ber			0				
Steve Minihane	Ber			920				
*Michelle Le Blond	Jer			1,060	290			
Malcolm Edwards	Sus	2.0		3,610	2,050	60		
Les Green	3/3 Ken			0				

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² DENOTES OTHER BREAKS of over 5,000: Cadec 6,520

Ranking Before/After	Cty	RP	1st Rd	2nd Rd	3rd Rd	4th Rd	5th Rd (2 legs)
Gary Le Blond	Jer	5.2		4,240	7,200	5,920	1,600 3,070
*S Witney	Oxf			30			
Alan Hoff	Han			1,660	1,050		
Bob Alton	Jer			1,320			
Alan Mephram	Sus			620			
Rob Piziura	Jer			2,850	3,870		
Bob Toye	57/58 Sus	2.1		5,500	3,990	540	
Dicko Pembroke	Ber			4,160			
*Alison Shilling	Sus	2.0		2,830	2,350	790	
*Tina Murphy	Jer			2,550			
*Penny Burch	Nor			1,610			
Chris Kirkham	Sus			2,390	1,930		
TREV GALLIENNE	54/39 Gue	12.2		¹ 9,180	² 12,030	3,020	6,500 7,180
*Nikki Oakley	Sus			410			
Simon Oldfield	Han			0			
Dave Barnes	Oxf			4,700	300		
*Margt McSweeney	Jer	2.0		2,530	2,360	1,770	
Frank Cox	Oxf			270			
Darrell Skinner	Sus			690			
Paul Collins	Buc			1,410	1,940		
Paul Bredonchel	Jer			2,050			
Doug Mahy	Sus			4,840	2,620		
Roy Wells	Sus			2,010			
DENNIS CLAYDON	67/50 Ber	14.3		5,970	3,830	4,950	6,980 5,520
Sam Goddard	Oxf			250			
Alan Phillips	Jer	5.1		2,480	6,150	4,600	3,420 2,200
Paul Destro	Jer			2,240	1,880		
Steve Harfitt	Ber			220			
Bruce Richardson	Jer			420			
Alan Le Blond	Jer	0.1		6,930	1,550		
Mike Williams	Sus			630			
Andy Haines	54/56 Buc	2.1		3,430	6,940	2,600	
Pete O'Brien	Sus			3,780			
FRANK de JESUS	Jer	8.1		6,550	w-o	4,340	570 4,250
Dave Gallichan	Jer			2,550			
Dick Allen	Jer	0.1		5,550	withdrew		
Brian Cook	Sus			1,380	650		
Dave Carliell	Ken			20			
Neil Bickers	Ber			2,950			
*Linda Tidy	Sur	2.0		3,090	1,800	720	
Geoff Pitt	32/27 Ber	5.3		6,180	9,710	3,210	2,930 1,820
*Sheila O'Brien	Sus			1,270			
Dave Neilan	Ber			1,640			
*Karen Aubert	Jer			2,900	1,590		
Terry Molloy	Sus	2.0		3,150	3,770	2,570	
Dave Anderton	Jer			2,110			
*Jill Barbet	Jer			1,600	510		
Micky Leader	Oxf			790			

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² DENOTES OTHER BREAKS of over 5,000: Trevor Gallienne 8,970 12,030

Ranking Before/After	Cty	RP	1st Rd	2nd Rd	3rd Rd	4th Rd	5th Rd	(2 legs)
Alan Huntley	Oxf			4,930	1,280			
Keith Austen	Sus			630				
Richard Dedman	Sus	2.0		2,850	3,440	1,030		
*Jean Claydon	Ber			1,650				
MICK EOUZAN 47/38	Jer	8.6		3,990	7,610	5,540	6,360	5,920
Tony Webster	Han			2,360				
Bill Gosling	Ber			2,360	2,230			
Robbie Reeves	Nor			0				
*Maria Rayson	Jer			700				
Graham Mepham	Sus	5.1		3,110	3,300	5,360	1,580	1,000
Chris Marson	Ber			720				
Simon Tinto	Sur	0.1	17/18	6,710	2,330			
Paul Harrigan	Sus			2,040	910			
Joe O'Farrell	Ber			720				
Billy Kerr	Sus	2.1		7,210	3,120	4,880		
Brian Daniels	Han			0				
Steven Bresset	Jer			1,720				
Jim Millward	Sus	9/9		4,720	3,650			
Dave Evans	Oxf			1,100				
Harry Barbet	Jer	5.6		8,420	5,320	5,880	9,910	0
Steve Palmer	Sus	0.1		5,610	2,100			
Dave Huby	Jer			1,370				
Ian Holman	Sur	2.1		1,760	2,460	5,570		
Dave Howarth	Ken			1,200				
Didier Le Fahler	Jer	0.1		6,860	620			
*Jane Buller	Oxf			80				
KEITH SHEARD 2/2	Oxf	21.5		3,620	7,690	2,960	210	13,590
Martin Atkins	Oxf			2,020				
Terry Race	Sus	0.1		5,610	3,980			
Gary Aubert	Jer			3,880				
Ian Street	Sus	2.2		6,370	5,920	2,200		
Steve Ahier	Jer	27/27		2,690				
Tony Guillou	Jer	2.1		1,820	6,810	290		
Roland Musk	Sur			20				
Emile Sanguy	Jer			2,390	270			
Bob King	Jer			1,650				
Dave Snashfold	Sur	0.1		5,540	890			
Terry Oakley	Sur	23/24		2,150				
MARK BREWSTER 16/15	Ken	12.1		13,380	10,500	8,490	7,570	1,340
Don Cook	Buc			1,070				
John Symons	Sus			3,750	1,860			
Tony Martin	Oxf	18/20		1,690				
Paul Wing	Han	12/12		980				
Pete Phillips	Oxf	5.2		2,260	5,690	1,590	820	7,240
John Van Der Vliet	Jer			740				
Alan Chaloner	Han	0.2	41/43	8,360	0			
*Sue Leach	Oxf	2.0		2,460	3,100	1,450		
*Vanessa Hughes	Sus			480				

² DENOTES BREAKS of over 5,000: Keith Sheard 11,070
Ian Street 5,920 Mark Brewster 6,760

Ranking Before/After	Cty	RP	1st Rd	2nd Rd	3rd Rd	4th Rd	5th Rd	(2 legs)
Dave Mitchell	Ber	2.0		4,420	3,580	300		
Matt Lambert	Jer			1,040				
David Pratt	Han			2,190	1,460			
John Burch	Nor			1,020				
*Josie Maughan	Jer			2,130				
Dennis Helleur	37/34 Jer	5.5		5,940	=10,320	7,760	5,390	2,570
Kevin Manser	Sus			600				
Paul Scouse	Ber	0.1		5,580	3,150			
Steve Ploughman	Sur			w-o	1,780			
Paul Trottmann	Sur	2.0		2,970	3,400	1,220		
*Ann Green	Ken			1,380				
Syl Murphy	Buc	0.1		6,080	950			
Charlie Gildersleve	Buc			910				
PETER FANN	74/56 Jer	8.6		² 8,300	² 8,140	3,900	3,070	² 10,480
Derek Payne	Oxf			1,370				
Mick Cotillard	Jer			1,510				
Karl Tidy	Sur	2.0		3,530	2,430	930		
*Sally Bateman	Sus			590				
Graham Bisson	50/59 Jer			2,920	1,710			
Alan Jones	Jer			650				
Mark Raper	Jer			4,030	890			
Adrian Taylor	Jer			0				
Colin Thompson	Sus	5.2		4,720	1,460	6,090	6,500	90
Carl James	Ber	2.0		4,240	2,730	3,490		
James Hopwood	Jer			840				
Ken Wilkinson	Sur			3,710	1,600			
*Jenny Noel	Jer			700				
Neville Edwards	Sus			530				
BILL TRINDER	36/27 Ber	11.3		2,180	4,850	3,660	40	9,260
Ian Gicquel	Jer	0.1		5,790	100			
Barry Le Beuvant	Jer			1,480				
*Jackie Peckham	Ken			1,320				
Ernie Jordan	46/48 Buc	0.1		7,060	4,390			
*Sue Mariner	Sus	2.1		4040/ ³ 4,630	³ 6,280	0		
John Robertson	Sus			4040/2,710				
*Diana Welburn	Ken			³ 4,560	1,590			
*Marion Roberts	Han			900				
Bernie McCluskey	13/13 Ber			2,840				
Kevin Tunstall	1/1 Oxf	5.5		9,160	5,590	5,110	1,810	5,100
Chris Newson	51/60 Han			w-o	2,980			
Tim Scotney	Sus			1,050				
Graeme LeMONNIER	32/68 Jer	8.2		3,450	3,070	5,560	6,480	4,870
Alec Mair	Jer			3,130	2,860			
Bob Le Moignan	Gue			1,820				
Graham Knowles	Sur		920					
Frank Sewell-Kright	Sus	0.1	5,830	1,000				
Graeme Marett	Jer	2.3	6,260	² 9,190	3,410	4,200		
Emile Cornic	Jer		1,440					

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² DENOTES OTHER BREAKS of over 5,000: Fann 7,750 7,110 10,130 Marett 8,000

³ DENOTES LADIES BREAKS of over 3,000: Sue Mariner 3,610 3,000 2,630 Welburn 2,330

Ranking Before/After	Cty	RP	1st Rd	2nd Rd	3rd Rd	4th Rd	5th Rd	(2 legs)
Mike Tiley	Han		4,000	3,020				
Tony Walsh	11/11 Ber		1,580					
Dennis Atkins	19/19 Oxf	2.2	3,070	6,080	6,840	3,770		
Keith Vibert	Jer		2,830					
Des Fitzpatrick	Sur		710	870				
Richard Mahoney	Buc		110					
John Mitchell	Ken		1,790					
Paul Barnett	Sus		3,890	3,150	3,240			
Martin Carre	Jer	5.4	5,120	6,220	4,420	6,430	5,660	190
Steve Huntley	Oxf		900					
Graham Huby	Jer		1,900	1,170				
Tony Fahey	Sur		910					
Bill Houlton	Jer	0.1	5,050	1,240				
Gary Barker	Buc		2,040					
Steve Purkiss	Ken		1,730	3,820	410			
J Templeman	Buc		1,170					
Jamie Richardson	Nor		470					
Mick Lambert	Jer		4,600	4,420				
Paul Sainsbury	4/4 Ber	2.2	2,760	6,570	4,370	5,950		
John Cornish	Han		1,350					
Paul Lovegrove	Oxf		w-o	630				
Brian Dawkins	Ber		3,820	3,930	880			
Dino Clark	Buc		1,900					
Dave Perrier	Jer		1,600					
Ray Sturgess	28/30 Oxf		3,030	4,840	2,920			
Peter Gabriel	Jer		250					
Nigel Ryall	57/63 Jer	0.3 ²	12,860	1,900				
Terry Girard	Gue		2,840					
STUART MEPHAM	63/46 Sus	8.9	3,810	9,850	8,540	8,340	3,130	8,760
Stuart Falle	Jer		1,340	0				
Nigel Goodwin	Ber		820					
Richard Hockey	Han		0					
Phil Oakley	Sus	2.1	4,190	4,860	7,250	4,210		
*Chris Willis	Sus		280					
Spencer Noble	Sus		2,400	830				
Graham Le Beuvant	Jer		1,010	3,520	120			
Malcolm Munday	Oxf		550					
Norman Wilkinson	Gue		2,070	2,860				
Frank Cadoret	Jer		2,000					
*Sue Carre	Jer		1,380					
Bob Jeanne	Jer		1,730	60				
*June Hopwood	Jer		1,130					
Ron Britton	Ber		3,350	3,950	1,540			
Arthur Carless	Ber		w-o	650				
MARK TURNER	24/16 Ber	15.4	² 9,050	² 10,310	7,540	4,790	² 10,690	10,860
*Jane Carless	Ber		440					
Vince Watts	Sus		w-o	4,160				
Kevin Corp	Ber		2,410					
Colin Green	Sus		2,960	4,600	1,190			
Fred Jeanne	Jer	2.4	6,490	² 9,590	5,720	1,020		
Kevin Duke	Ber		2,910					
Dave Jones	Jer	0.1	7,410	1,210				
John Smith	Buc		940					

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² DENOTES BREAKS of over 5,000: Nigel Ryall 6,610 Mark Turner 6,800 8,070 9,990
Fred Jeanne 6,160

Ranking Before/After	Cty	RP	1st Rd	2nd Rd	3rd Rd	4th Rd	5th Rd (2 legs)
Phil Keutzer	Gue		0				
Mark Sawyer	S/S Ber		4,720	110			
Bob Chapple	Gue		2,380	2,100	2,440		
Andy Burns	Ber		110				
Dave Chatel	Jer	5.4	5,230	5,060	3,840	8,030	1,320 2,590
Philip Rice	Ber		0				
Tony White	Buc		70				
Gerry Peckham	Ken		1,860	2,030			

PROGRESS OF EACH COUNTY THROUGHOUT THIS YEAR'S EVENT

	JER	GU	ENG	SUS	BER	OXF	SUR	HAN	BUC	KEN	NOR
Original Entries (288)	84	9	195	51	42	28	19	18	18	12	7
Actually Played (285)	82	9	194	57	39	25	22	17	16	12	6
Reached round 3	42	3	83	32	15	9	9	6	7	4	1
Reached round 4	24	1	39	14	9	5	4	2	3	2	
Reached round 5	17	1	14	4	5	3		1		1	
Reached round 6	8	1	7	1	3	1		1		1	
Reached Qtr-finals	2	1	5		3	1				1	
Reached Semi-finals	1		3		2	1					
Reached Final	1		1			1					

THE LATTER STAGES

	Round Six	Qtr-finals	Semi-finals	Final
Yves Bosio	2,630	360		
NICK BARNETT	3,540	1,310	² 12,470	4,490
Paul Newton	2,670	3,760		6,550
Tex Anderson	6,780	3,520	230	5,480
Mike Messenbird	1,210	200		3,340
Trevor Gallienne	8,730	12,550	0	3,570
Dennis Claydon	4,510	3,650	140	2,350
Frank de Jesus	210	1,980		590
Mick Eouzan	8,420	210		480
KEITH SHEARD	3,630	² 12,370	5,770	9,740
Mark Brewster	5,470	7,120	5,720	4,370
Peter Fann	4,760	150		510
Bill Trinder	2,550	4,630	2,510	6,110
G Le Monnier	2,790	3,010		² 11,630
Stuart Mephram	2,480	5,350		9,200
Mark Turner	3,560	6,370	6,790	3,630
				² 11,530
				0

² DENOTES BREAKS of over 5,000: Barnett 12,270 Sheard 11,090 11,580 Turner 11,390

PRIZES PRESENTED BY CHRIS ROBIN (CHANNEL HOTELS & LEISURE LTD),
CHRIS EVANS (TRAVEL INTERNATIONAL LTD), DAVE BARNES (AEBBA)

WINNER KEITH SHEARD (OXF)
RUNNER-UP NICK BARNETT (JER)
LOSING SEMI-FINALISTS MARK TURNER (BER) DENNIS CLAYDON (BER)
LOSING QUARTER-FINALISTS TEX ANDERSON (JER)

TREVOR GALLIENNE (GUE) MARK BREWSTER (KEN) BILL TRINDER (BER)
LAST 16 MIKE MESSENBIRD (HAN) STUART MEPHAM (SUS) YVES BOSIO, GRAEME
Le MONNIER, PAUL NEWTON, FRANK DE JESUS, MICK EOUZAN, PETER FANN (JER)

BEST 3 U.K. BREAKS PETER FARRELLY (NOR) 11,520
 MARK TURNER (BER) 8,070 GEOFF PITT (BER) 7,180
 BEST 3 C.I. BREAKS TREVOR GALLIENNE (GUE) 12,030
 DENNIS HELLEUR (JER) 10,320 NICK BARNETT (JER) 8,350
 FOUR HIGHEST LADIES SCORES SUE MARINER (SUS) 6,280
 SUE MARINER 4,630 DIANA WELBURN (KEN) 4,560 SUE MARINER 4,040
 BEST 2 LADIES BREAKS SUE MARINER 3,610 & 3,000
 HIGHEST LOSING SCORES (Rounds 1-5) KEVIN DUKE (BER) 2,910
 MICK LAMBERT (JER) 4,420 ERNIE JORDAN (BUC) 4,390
 PAUL SAINSBURY (BER) 5,950 HARRY BARBET (JER) 9,910
 SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD (NEWCOMER) MIKE MESSENBIRD (HAN)
 LUCKY LADY ENTRANT SUE BARNES (OXF)
 LUCKY PROGRAMME No's 72..180..222..21 NONE CLAIMED (?)
 MAJOR RAFFLE PRIZES: £1,000 A Ferdinand £500 Alec Mair

YOUTH EVENT

PREVIOUS WINNER:

1997 Steven Sheard (Oxf) beat Ashley Malorey (Jer)

	Round 1(one-leg)	Round 2(two-legs)	Final
JAMES JEANNE (Jer)	6540	4310	2640 + 150
Greg Anderton (Jer)	50		
Justin Cottillard (Jer)	2900	1230	
William Trinder (Berks)	0		
STEVEN SHEARD (Oxf)	5730	11400	3040 + 2470
Xavier Bosio (Jer)	230		
Martin Rayson (Jer)	890		
Daniel Lambert (Jer)	1220	0	

Third Place play-off: J Cottillard 1300 v D Lambert 780

THE THINGS THEY SAY:

"I've been toning up my neck muscles for twelve months to make sure I retain my trophy"
Casual meeting in the precinct on Saturday morning at 7.15: "Hello Terry, you're up early" "Up early? I'm looking for the Mayfair Hotel!"

"As you've not been here before, when you hire your car, watch out for the mini-roundabouts where you have to filter in turn." Once explained, the Good Samaritan went on....."The first time I came to Jersey, I got to one for the first time and had to wait ages for a car from the other direction as I couldn't tell whose turn it was."

"Aren't there a lot of J registration cars on this island?"

An un-named bar billiard player went to the hospital and was, after much pleading, eventually prescribed Viagra. The next day, he arrived in Casualty. The doctor asked if it had worked. "Oh yes, TEN times." The doctor was amazed. "No wonder you're back in Casualty; is it your back?" "No, my WRIST."

extra-special JERSEY awards:

Most entertaining tosser: Difficult one this, but Dicko must get a mention for trying to toss up in the first round match between Mark Turner and Jane Carless, and forgetting to catch the coin. Well it entertained MOST of those watching
 Super-Heavy-weight Champion of the whole weekend: Sugar Ray Lewendon.
 Biggest unanswered question of the whole weekend: did PS F JN?

P.S. If anyone else was unable to obtain their rights to Duty Free on the flights home because of some very ancient Chelsea Pensioners taking far too much time in ordering and paying for theirs, they may ring Jersey European to complain: 01892-52343.
 sorry that I cannot quite read the last digit of this company's telephone number but we all agree that this is a disgraceful invasion into people's rights.

IT'S A REAL GENERATION GAME AS THE SHEARDS CAPTURE A UNIQUE FAMILY DOUBLE

TEARS OF JOY were in abundance on stage at the 18th Annual Presentation Ceremony for the most prestigious event in the bar billiards calendar, the British Isles Open Championship, staged once again at the De Normandie Hotel in Jersey.

Many spectators could empathise with the unique joyful family experience.

At the end of two gruelling days of competition, father and son stood together with similar trophies clutched in very different sized hands.

The game's current No.2, Oxford milkman Keith Sheard had certainly delivered the "gold top" to win the Championship he had coveted since day one in 1981, but it was surely the fact that his 12-year-old son Steven was able to join him in the spotlight by capturing the Junior Championship in such emphatic style which brought about the floods of tears, probably enough to fill one of his own milk crates.

Last year the organisers had realised there was some disappointment amongst the 11-16 age group as they had not been allowed to enter the main competition, so they had hastily arranged an unofficial junior event, and Steven Sheard duly won it. But it had seemed to go almost unnoticed alongside the excitement of the big games in the main arena.

This year, it was all very official, with entry forms distributed with the usual tournament literature to every county committee months beforehand. Even the highly sought L'Etacq Woodcrafts Trophy had been copied in miniature. The bulk of the entries were, however, from Jersey and, despite having to adapt to local rules and local playing conditions, Steven came out on top again, beating local starlet James Jeanne 3,040 - 2,640 in a close first leg, but 2,470 - 150 in the second.

Although Mum Linda was able to proudly support the younger of her two sons all the way, father Keith was otherwise engaged.

The 1992 All-England Champion has won FOUR other major events, been in 15 major finals in all, and has rarely been outside the top three since the present ranking system was introduced in 1991, but Keith Sheard had never even reached the last sixteen of this championship until last year.

The feeling was that the style of play required in Jersey, with their basic rule of playing from the spot on the "D" (rather than using the whole "D", thus changing the angle of many shots), their differently-shaped pockets and their slightly different size tables, would never suit the power-play of Sheard who has been in the Guinness Book of Records for speedy breaks.

His forte was high-class control and repetitive play at break-neck speed, not dogged concentration so greatly needed throughout this annual two-day extravaganza.

But the fact that he had reached the last 16 last year before losing to the only Guernsey man ever to win the title, 1989 champion Trevor Gallienne, was perhaps the tip-off he needed to make him change his style in time for this year.

The final had begun with Nick Barnett, arguably Jersey's top player at the moment, asked to break first and scoring a solid 3,340 break in the opening five minutes.

Sheard replied with almost a faultless break of 9,200 in the remaining eleven minutes. Possibly, the most anxious moment for the Oxford supporters was just as the bar dropped to signal the half-way stage in the final. A ball destined for the 100-hole almost changed its mind en route, but was willed down by the crowd, and by Sheard himself. If it had stayed up, it would have left him with a tricky shot to be certain of having his break registered on the scoreboard.

Already 5,860 ahead by the start of the second leg, Sheard should have settled the destiny of the title with a large opening break, but looked strangely over-anxious, eventually leaving the same shot short of the 100-hole, missing it completely on the next shot, and thus losing over 1,000 points in the process.

Barnett had the game at his mercy with a brilliant shot to pot all three balls and proceeded to close in, but faltered when his break reached 3,490. The nerves of both players started to show as they each missed chances, but it was Sheard who retrieved all the balls back to the optimum scoring positions with six minutes left and scored a modest, but vitally important 1,330.

Less than four minutes remained, Sheard was now 3,790 ahead, and almost none of Barnett seemed to sense it was over, and both players showed that they could play very

average shots as the clock ticked away.

It had been a pulsating final; the tension had forced Sheard to audibly gee himself up several times, and then, with a couple of minutes to play and the tide just about secure, he screamed emotionally "I can't take much more of this!"

He did not have to. He had fulfilled his dream, winning the £1,000 holiday voucher from main co-sponsors British Airways and Travel International (Jersey) Ltd.

But there had been little sign of Sheard being a major contender on day one. A low-key 3,620 - 2,020 win over fellow Wallingford league player Martin Atkins was his only Saturday match, after a first round bye.

Almost 300 players took part, nearly 200 of them from the mainland, but the organisers merely reduce the field to 128 for a long second day's play.

By Saturday evening, however, FOUR previous champions were out of contention: Bernie McCluskey (Reading, 1985), Steve Ahier (Jersey, 1990 and 1991), Tony Walsh (Reading, 1995) and Terry Oakley (Redhill, 1996).

Third round matches on Sunday morning saw the end of three more: Graham Bisson (Jersey, 1982), Alan Le Blond (Jersey, 1988) and reigning champion Jim Millward (Brighton) all went out, along with Northants' Peter Farrelly who had staked an early claim to the highest UK break prize (week for 2 in Jersey) with an 11,520 effort in round one and was destined to keep hold of the prize throughout, assisted by the fact that some greater achievements were in the non-qualifying two-leg matches later in the event.

Farrelly's embarrassing downfall came at the hands of young Michelle Baden from Sussex, making a very notable debut in the tournament.

When Peter Noel (Jersey, 1984), Dennis Helleur (Jersey, 1992) and Kevin Tunstall (Wallingford, 1993 and 1994) fell in round five, only Trevor Gallienne from Guernsey remained. He flew the flag for the previous winners... and for his island... right up to the quarter-finals, but eventually had to be satisfied with the prize for Highest Channel Island break of 12,030, made against All-England Secretary Dave Barnes (Eynsham) in the third round.

Sheard had showed utmost caution in the one-leg matches, but then started a sequence of similarly winning three of his next four matches with crucial 11,000+ second leg breaks when the chips were down.

He faced Harry Barbet in the fifth round. Barbet has been a top-notch Jersey player since the seventies, and was a runner-up in 1992. He easily captured the first leg 9,910 - 210, but Sheard's 13,590 2nd leg reply included a break of 11,070 and set up another classic match in the sixth round.

Jersey's Mick Eouzan had only entered the draw as a late reserve, but beat Sheard 8,420 - 3,630 in the first leg. Another 11,090 break in a 12,370 total assured Sheard's first-ever visit into the last eight.

After squeezing past the dangerous Mark Brewster (Rochester), Sheard made another 11,580 break to beat Mark Turner (Wokingham) in the semi-finals. The latter had been 11,530 - 510 up after the first leg but Sheard took a big gamble by playing a safety shot in the last few seconds of the match. Turner still had time to win but it worked in Sheard's favour, and the tears of joy were only an hour away.

Jersey players had won nine of the first twelve Championships, but Dennis Helleur was the hosts' last success in 1992. Since then, the mainlanders have dominated the roll of honour.

This year, Jersey seemed to be in control with eight contenders in the last 16, but only two survived the next round, and fate decreed that they would face each other. Barnett seeing off Tex Anderson with a break of 12,270.

In recent years, the largest successful contingents of mainlanders have usually been from Sussex or Surrey, but it was the turn of Berkshire, or more precisely Wokingham, who had most to cheer about this year.

Their league's No.1 is Mark Sawyer, but he went out early, but that did not stop three others reaching the last eight. Stalwarts Dennis Claydon and Bill Trinder put up some great performances, Claydon losing to Barnett in the semi-final and Trinder losing to ever improving team-mate Turner in the quarters, despite applying the pressure with a late 6,000 break.

Minor break prizes were won by Turner, Barnett, Helleur and another Wokingham star Geoff Pitt.

Five of the six special ladies prizes for highest breaks and scores were won by Brighton's Sue Mariner, with Diana Welburn (Chatham) spoiling the whitewash.

The Best Newcomer Award was won by Mike Messenbird (Portsmouth) who reached round six at his first attempt.

Third place in the Junior Championship went to Justin Cotillard who beat Daniel Lambert in the all-Jersey game.

26th NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS 1998

SUN 15th NOV 1998

at the POST OFFICE S & SC, READING

Previous Winners:

1973 Mayflower, H Wycombe (Buc)	1974 North Star, Worthing (Sus)
1975 New Inn, Baughurst (Han)	1976 Flying Scud, Redhill (Sur)
1977 Sportsmans Rest, Portsmouth (Han)	1978 Temple Farm WMC, Strood (Ken)
1979 Searles Club "A", H Wycombe (Buc)	1980 Mucky Duck, Rudgwick (Sus)
1981 Crown & Thistle, Oxford	1982 Bush, Blackbird & Thrush (Maidstone)
1983 Hour Glass, H Wycombe (Buc)	1984 Alford SC (Sus)
1985 Crown & Thistle, Oxford	1986 Cabmans Rest, Portsmouth (Han)
1987 Tandem, Oxford	1988 Stocks, Beenham, Newbury (Ber)
1989 Lane End S & SC, Wycombe (Buc)	1990 Lane End S & SC, Wycombe (Buc)
1991 The Victorian (Ken)	1992 Lawrence, Southsea (Han)
1993 Lion, Ash, Sandwich (Ken)	1994 Sun, Reading (Ber)
1995 The Romans, Southwick (Sus)	1996 The Romans, Southwick (Sus)
1997 Stadium Tavern "C", Hove (Sus)	

GROUP ONE

RED LION 4	WHITE SWAN 1	ASCENSION 4	FLYING SCUD 1
E Jordan 8,460*	P Doherty 1,410	T Doswell 4,630*	G Woods 3,110
A Stevens (10,020)*	E Dugan 0	C Newson 2,850*	J Hogan 2,670
J Burrows 17,580*	K MacDonald 1,760	A Stillwell 6,580*	G Hughan 3,790
D Mahoney 3,770	P Buckle 3,960*	C Toner 2,560	G Jukes 12,530*
K Ware 10,060*	J Baldry 3,950	P Wing 10,750*	S Tinto 3,910
49,890	11,080	27,370	26,010

Stevens was "awarded" the average winning score of the match as Dugan withdrew through illness.

BREAKS: Burrows 10,440 Ware 10,060

BREAKS: Jukes 12,430 Wing 10,330

DEMOCRATS 4	ASCENSION 1	FLYING SCUD 1	RED LION 4
R Godfrey 5,970*	T Doswell 4,500	G Woods 4,810	E Jordan 10,120*
B Rose 6,360*	C Toner 3,370	J Hogan 2,680	D Mahoney 9,300*
M McDonnell 4,520*	A Stillwell 2,140	G Hughan 7,290	K Ware 7,670*
K Godfrey 9,480*	C Newson 2,420	G Jukes 3,830	A Stevens 9,750*
P Spencer 5,710	P Wing 7,720*	S Tinto 8,470*	J Burrows 6,270
32,040	20,150	27,080	43,110

WHITE SWAN 4	ASCENSION 1	FLYING SCUD 0	DEMOCRATS 5
J Baldry 8,340*	A Stillwell 4,280	G Woods 1,420	R Godfrey 12,930*
A Magee 2,140	C Toner 6,260*	G Jukes 3,610	B Rose 7,220*
P Doherty 8,500*	T Doswell 7,580	G Hughan 6,740	M McDonnell 7,080*
P Buckle 7,610*	C Newson 7,260	J Hogan 0	K Godfrey 12,750*
K MacDonald 16,650*	P Wing 0	S Tinto 1,510	P Spencer 15,370*
43,240	25,380	13,280	55,350

BREAKS: MacDonald 16,650

BREAKS: R Godfrey 12760 K Godfrey 10,300

ASCENSION 3	RED LION 2	DEMOCRATS 4	WHITE SWAN 1
A Stillwell 3,690*	K Ware 2,830	R Godfrey 12,480*	P Doherty 1,340
C Newson 0	D Mahoney 9,900*	B Rose 1,890	A Magee 10,320*
P Wing 7,980	J Burrows 10,280*	M McDonnell 9,540*	J Baldry 1,340
C Toner 6,300*	A Stevens 2,640	K Godfrey 11,080*	P Buckle 2,300
T Doswell 6,790*	E Jordan 4,300	P Spencer 10,360*	K MacDonald 3,330
24,760	29,950	45,350	18,630

BREAKS:

BREAKS: K Godfrey 10,100

RED LION	3	DEMOCRATS	2
K Ware	10,510*	M McDonnell	5,110
D Mahoney	1,250	K Godfrey	13,760*
E Jordan	11,090*	R Godfrey	2,880
A Stevens	1,410	B Rose	12,080*
J Burrows	20,820*	P Spencer	0
	45,080		33,830
BREAKS: Ware 10,510		K Godfrey 13,760	
		Burrows 20,820	

WHITE SWAN	3	FLYING SCUD	2
P Doherty	11,120*	G Woods	5,300
A Magee	450	G Jukes	9,890*
K MacDonald	11,860*	S Tinto	0
P Buckle	2,730	J Hogan	8,940*
J Baldry	7,820*	G Hughan	3,510
	33,980		27,640
BREAKS: Doherty 11,120			

GROUP TWO

CHANTRY CLUB	1	SUN C	4
M Nichol	2,200	B McCluskey	14,470*
S Brockman	420	P Sainsbury	10,760*
R Standen	4,790	P Yeo	4,940*
J Fullagar	7,680*	B Lansdell	2,520
K Kay	3,700	K Lewendon	8,790*
	18,790		41,480
BREAKS: McCluskey 10,100			

STADIUM	3	BART SEAG CC	2
I Lelliott	7,950*	C Lawman	7,920
St Mariner	8,520*	S Oram	1,980
Sue Mariner	3,410	P Burch	5,560*
B Toye	3,050	S Coleman	3,530*
J Millward	10,980*	I Coleman	2,610
	33,910		21,600
BREAKS:			

BART SEAG CC	4	CHANTRY CLUB	1
P Burch	9,100*	M Nichol	4,040
S Coleman	7,730*	J Fullagar	4,520
I Coleman	1,220	R Standen	12,160*
S Oram	8,580*	S Brockman	4,450
C Lawman	13,340*	K Kay	670
	39,970		25,840
BREAKS:			

SUN C	4	STADIUM	1
P Yeo	8,630*	J Millward	150
B Lansdell	3,630	B Toye	9,010*
B McCluskey	10,290*	Sue Mariner	5,950
P Sainsbury	9,480*	St Mariner	6,460
K Lewendon	15,980*	I Lelliott	560
	48,010		22,130
BREAKS: McCluskey 10,290			

BART SEAG CC	2	SUN C	3
P Burch	700	McCluskey	10,920*
S Oram	700	P Sainsbury	15,860*
C Lawman	11,470*	K Lewendon	5,560
S Coleman	2,410	B Lansdell	6,830*
I Coleman	5,950*	P Yeo	3,490
	21,230		42,660
BREAKS: McCluskey 10,760		Lawman 11,080	

CHANTRY CLUB	3	STADIUM	2
M Nichol	8,030*	Sue Mariner	6,450
J Fullagar	12,560*	B Toye	1,960
R Standen	9,070*	J Millward	7,150
S Brockman	0	St Mariner	18,420*
K Kay	5,070	I Lelliott	7,830*
	34,730		41,810
BREAKS: Steve Mariner 18,420			

TABLES: GROUP ONE

	P	W	L	AGGREG	PTS
The DEMOCRATS Club, OXFORD	4	3	1	166,570	15
The RED LION, Penn, Nr High Wycombe, BUCKS	4	3	1	*168,030	13
The WHITE SWAN, Connington, CAMBS	4	2	2	106,930	9
The ASCENSION, Portsmouth, HANTS	4	2	2	97,660	9
The FLYING SCUD, Redhill, SURREY	4	0	4	94,010	4

* including 10,020 points awarded to Alan Stevens

GROUP TWO

The SUN "C", Reading, BERKS	3	3	0	132,150	11
The BARTON SEAGRAVE COMM CENTRE "A", Barton Seagrave, Nr Kettering, NORTHANTS	3	1	2	82,800	8
The STADIUM TAVERN "C", Hove, SUSSEX	3	1	2	97,850	6
The CHANTRY CLUB, Canterbury, KENT	3	1	2	79,360	5

THE FINAL

DEMOCRATS	4	SUN C	0
M McDonnell	14,000*	B McCluskey	0
B Rose	4,930*	B Lansdell	320
P Spencer	9,810*	P Yeo	4,920
K Godfrey	9,290*	P Sainsbury	7,090
R Godfrey	v	K Lewendon	was not played
	38,030		12,330

BEST BREAK IN FINAL:

HIGHEST BREAK OF THE DAY:
John Burrows 20,820

AVERAGES

Pos	Cty	RP	W	L	Aver	Pos	Cty	RP	W	L	Aver		
1	John Burrows	Buc	14.0	3	1	13738	24	Ian Lelliott	Sus	1.0	2	1	5447
2	Kevin Godfrey	Oxf	15.8	5	0	11272	25	John Baldry	Cam	0.1	2	2	5363
3	Steve Mariner	Sus	10.5	2	1	11133	26	Greg Hughan	Sur		0	4	5333
4	Chris Lawman	Nor	9.4	2	1	10910	27	Sue Mariner	Sus		0	3	5270
5	Paul Sainsbury	Ber	9.5	3	1	10798	28	Penny Burch	Nor	1.1	2	1	5120
6	Keith Lewendon	Ber	7.4	2	1	10110	29	Mick Nichol	Ken	0.1	1	2	4757
7	Bernie McCluskey	Ber	7.5	3	1	8920	30	Bob Toyne	Sus	0.1	1	2	4673
8	Roger Standen	Ken	5.3	2	1	8673	31	Chris Toner	Han		2	2	4623
9	Robin Godfrey	Oxf	5.4	3	1	8565	32	Alan Stevens	Buc	0.1	1	2	*4600
10	Ernie Jordan	Buc	4.4	3	1	8493	33	Simon Coleman	Nor	1.0	2	1	4557
11	Keith MacDonald	Cam	1.5	2	2	8400	34	Andy Magee	Cam	0.1	1	2	4303
12	John Fullagar	Ken	1.2	2	1	8253	35	Alan Stillwell	Han		2	2	4173
13	Phil Spencer	Oxf	1.5	3	2	8250	36	Phil Buckle	Cam		2	2	4150
14	Maxi McDonnell	Oxf	3.4	4	1	8050	37	Steve Oram	Nor	0.1	1	2	3753
15	Kim Ware	Buc	2.2	3	1	7768	38	Gail Woods	Sur		0	4	3660
16	Geoff Jukes	Sur	0.3	2	2	7465	39	Josie Hogan	Sur	0.1	1	3	3573
17	Paul Wing	Han	0.1	2	2	6613	40	Simon Tinto	Sur	0.1	1	3	3473
18	Brian Rose	Oxf	3.2	4	1	6496	41	Bryan Lansdell	Ber		1	3	3325
19	Jim Millward	Sus	0.1	1	2	6093	42	Ian Coleman	Nor		1	2	3260
20	Dave Mahoney	Buc	0.2	2	2	6055	43	Kevin Kay	Ken		0	3	3147
21	Trevor Doswell	Han		2	2	5875	44	Chris Newson	Han		1	3	3133
22	Pete Doherty	Cam	0.3	2	2	5593	45	Steve Brockman	Ken		0	3	1623
23	Paul Yeo	Ber	0.1	2	2	5495	46	Earl Dugan	Cam		0	1	0

*ALAN STEVENS' AVERAGE DOES NOT INCLUDE POINTS AWARDED IN WALK-OVER

LIBERAL WIN FOR THE DEMOCRATS

The DEMOCRATS CLUB, OXFORD, have taken the National Team Championships for the first time.

It is the first time an Oxfordshire team had taken this title since a run of three successes in the early eighties.

Kevin Godfrey, the Oxford team captain of this occasion, remained the only unbeaten player during the six-hour tournament, leading his side by example.

It was against the odds when the Oxford side beat the powerful Sun, Reading, 4-0 in the final of the event, which was played at the Post Office Club in Reading, because Godfrey was their highest ranked player at the start of the day, at 112.

The Sun has three in the top 50, Bernie McCluskey, Keith Lewendon and Paul Sainsbury, respectively England Team Captain, England Team Manager and one of their senior players, currently No.6 in the list.

John Burrows of the Red Lion, Penn, High Wycombe, had an outstanding day, topping the averages with nearly 55,000 in his 4 matches, and taking the highest break prize for a 20,820 effort, interestingly made against the Democrats in a group game.

Burrows climbs to No.4 in the rankings.

12th NATIONAL UNDER-22's CHAMPIONSHIPS

SUN 22nd NOV 1998

at the POST OFFICE S & SC, READING

Previous Champions:

1987 Ricky Brownlow (Kent)

1988 Curt Driver (Kent)

1989 Tony Walsh (Berks)

1990 Paul Scouse (Berks)

1991 Kevin Clark (Kent)

1992 Roy Taylor (Sussex)

1993 Sean Taylor (Sussex)

1994 Alan Howes (Kent)

1995 Ian Street (Sussex)

1996 Peter Mitchell (Kent)

1997 Darren Isard (Bucks)

Ten players drawn into two groups and played on a round-robin basis, with 2 points awarded for winning each leg, and a one point bonus for the best aggregate overall

GROUP A

						SS	AS	CR	FG	AC
Steven Sheard	2,540	1,660	Adam Cox	4,550	6,150	0				5
Adam Stocker	4,580	2,000	Frank Graham	1,100	4,120		3		2	
Frank Graham	2,030	2,160	Steven Sheard	2,550	2,840	5			0	
C Richardson	1,620	1,820	Adam Stocker	7,250	120		3	2		
Steven Sheard	1,570	980	C Richardson	1,250	4,240	2		3		
Adam Cox	2,470	2,030	Frank Graham	1,590	1,550				0	5
Adam Stocker	7,190	6,490	Steven Sheard	1,440	930	0	5			
C Richardson	2,850	650	Adam Cox	1,150	7,440			2		3
Frank Graham	2,050	2,290	C Richardson	1,510	2,580			2	3	
Adam Cox	1,900	3,100	Adam Stocker	1,760	7,200		3			2
			<i>points totals</i>			17	14	9	5	15

GROUP B

						PS	CA	NS	DI	PR
Paul Stacey	9,780	1,130	Philip Rice	340	6,940	3				2
(break 9,580)										
Carl Aitchison	1,040	0	Darren Isard	3,660	15,240		0		5	
			(break 8,350)							
Darren Isard	14,840	3,060	Paul Stacey	110	6,500	2			3	
(break 7,590)										
Nathan Spencer	1,890	1,390	Carl Aitchison	790	1,410		2	3		
Paul Stacey	2,680	7,600	Nathan Spencer	2,390	1,270	5		0		
Philip Rice	1,410	380	Darren Isard	13,460	13,390				5	0
			(break 13,460)							
Carl Aitchison	0	1,120	Paul Stacey	5,820	140	3	2			
Nathan Spencer	1,360	1,210	Philip Rice	1,950	5,170			0		5
Darren Isard	12,110	10,770	Nathan Spencer	440	260			0	5	
(break 9,040)										
Philip Rice	3,790	1,300	Carl Aitchison	1,250	2,480		2			3
			<i>points totals</i>			13	6	3	18	10

TABLES

		date of birth	Pl.	W	L	Pts.
Adam Cox	Berks	6.2.80	4	3	1	15
Adam Stocker	Berks	27.7.78	4	4	0	14
Carolyn Richardson	Northants	8.4.77	4	1	3	9
Steven Sheard	Oxford	2.4.86	4	1	3	7
Frank Graham	Berks	8.9.82	4	1	3	5
Darren Isard	Bucks	26.4.79	4	4	0	18
Paul Stacey	Oxford	5.9.82	4	3	1	13
Philip Rice	Berks	27.8.78	4	2	2	10
Carl Aitchison	Berks	27.12.86	4	0	4	6
Nathan Spencer	Oxford	9.12.86	4	1	3	3

BEST BREAK: DARREN ISARD 13,570**FINAL****ADAM COX 180 & 200 DARREN ISARD 15,470 & 14,120 (breaks 11,200 & 13,570)****DARREN GOES ONE BETTER THAN DEAR OLD DAD**

19-year-old DARREN ISARD has retained the National Under-22 Championship that he won last year, going one stage better than his father Terry who only ever won one event while he was at his peak, the 1982 All-England Championship.

He beat local favourite Adam Cox in the final at Reading's Post Office Club, the same player he beat when he won the title for the first time.

Isard seemed unbeatable from the start, knocking in six of the best seven breaks of the day, reserving the best for the final. He was already assured of the title by scoring an 11,200 effort in the first leg, but his 13,570 in the second was a fine celebration of a very fine display.

And he is sure to be back next year to go for a unique hat-trick, in fact, due to

qualifying dates, he will be eligible for another THREE years.

Players' ages ranged from 21-year-old Carolyn Richardson (Northants) down to tiny Carl Aitchison (Berkshire) who was just short of his 12th birthday, but won three of his eight legs played.

9th NATIONAL OVER-50's CHAMPIONSHIPS

Previous Finals:

1990 Gerry Whatling (Berks)

1992 Pete Lee (Oxford)

1994 John Fullagar (Kent)

1996 Ernie Jordan (Bucks)

1991 Bill Trinder (Berks)

1993 Bill Trinder (Berks)

1995 Bill Trinder (Berks)

1997 Allan Lacey (Oxford)

		Cty	First Round	Second Round	Third Round	
Eileen Britton	4.11.40	Berks		2180 720		
Don Cadec	14.5.38	Jersey		3260 4810	490	² 11450
Alan Chaloner	13.11.47	Hants		4950 4810		
BILL TRINDER	1.12.41	Berks		7230 5760	10300	3510
Doug Cable	18.4.40	Berks		1090 4410		
Dave Butt	20.11.40	Oxon		7940 7450	0	1200
Ron Britton	23.2.37	Berks		2980 510		
TERRY COLEMAN	26.5.47	Oxon		5580 10410	² 13810	² 14700
Eric Hill	25.6.45	Bucks		950 ² 15410	2260	5480
Gordon Spencer	22.1.41	Oxon		7620 90		
PETE LEE	12.6.40	Oxon		9080 8920	6740	2470
Allan Lacey	3.8.44	Oxon		5370 1510		
C GILDERSLEVE	27.6.27	Bucks		1310 3940	550	² 13370
Allen Rowley	28.8.45	Hants		2350 650		
Brian Harrison	2.7.40	Bucks		590 1570		
Kevin Smith	9.8.44	Surrey		5160 2600	11240	0
Jim Ridgeley	3.8.32	Bucks		10530 1000	5260	790
Brian Jones	20.6.40	Bucks		1400 3450		
Doreen Yorke	20.11.46	Hants		1310 1000		
STUART FLOREY	25.1.48	Oxon		2920 4180	4690	5630
Derek Payne	30.8.37	Oxon		4070 0		
TONY MARTIN	19.6.44	Oxon		5450 10240	² 13540	² 10200
Alec Hastings	18.2.44	Surrey		3230 0		
Dave Barnes	6.9.46	Oxon		7210 4930	510	250
Bob Hurley	26.5.47	Sussex		160 1470		
ERNIE JORDAN	24.5.45	Bucks	8670	² 12250	7270 10470	12250 7200
Bez Rowley	2.5.47	Hants	1390	20		
Brian Dawkins	25.1.41	Berks	2590	5260	780 7920	
Ann Green	14.3.39	Kent	3100	1930		
Joyce Mannell	16.9.36	Hants	470	3650		
Keith Lewendon	23.10.47	Berks	11400	0	² 13760 3850	860 6300
Dave Rowley	12.8.46	Hants	3460	4020	2700 10410	800 460
Eddy Griffin	12.12.46		1010	2850		
Sam Goddard	24.10.35	Oxon	2980	1390		
Dave Neilan	9.4.45	Berks	5960	4450	3900 1170	
Ian Young	14.10.35	Berks	3560	3450	2700 3350	
Alan Easden	17.5.33	Bucks	2130	2720		
Pete Ashby	28.10.37	Oxon	890	240		
TERRY COOK	27.12.45	Oxon	360	8560	9420 8360	5420 14190

² DENOTES BREAKS of over 9,000: CADEC 9,070 COLEMAN 13,810 & 12,150
 HILL 13,200 GILDERSLEVE 13,270 MARTIN 9,990 & 9,930
 JORDAN 11,100 LEWENDON 11,710

	QUARTER-FINALS		SEMI-FINALS		FINAL	
Bill Trinder	4,560	9,550	1,490	4,520		
Terry Coleman	8,160	130				
PETE LEE	730	10,400	950	10,760	100	15,000
Charlie Gildersleve	7,300	2,260				
Stuart Florey	1,370	2,730				
Tony Martin	7,740	10,170	3,040	100		
ERNIE JORDAN	² 13,880	12,500	11,870	² 17,310	² 10,530	340
Terry Cook	1,680	3,700				

² DENOTES BREAKS of over 9,000: JORDAN 13,250, 17,310 & 9,380

HIGHEST BREAK OF THE TOURNAMENT: ERNIE JORDAN 17,310

LEE IS OFFICIALLY "OVER THE HILL"

Pete Lee is back winning tournaments! The veteran Wallingford League player who won the British Pairs title with Kevin Tunstall in 1988 has turned back the years to beat 1996 Champion Ernie Jordan (Watford) in the final of this year's Over-50's Individual Championships at Reading.

Jordan was red hot favourite to take the seniors title again, knocking in big breaks all day, including a best of tournament 17,310 in the semi-final against Tony Martin (also Wallingford).

But Jordan's 9,380 to win the first leg of the final 10,530 - 100 was not enough to halt the Lee surge. The eventual winner made clean breaks of 5,000 and 8,000 to raise a very loud cheer among his supporters.

Lee had beaten holder Allan Lacey (Oxford) in the first round, All-England President Eric Hill (High Wycombe) in the second, oldest challenger 71-year-old Charlie Gildersleve (High Wycombe) in the quarter-finals, and three-times winner Bill Trinder (Wokingham) in the semi's.

There was a record 39 entries this year.

SIXTH GRAND PRIX MASTERS

SUN 22nd NOV 1998

at the POST OFFICE S & SC, READING

Previous Finals:

1993	Bernie McCluskey (Berks)	beat	Kevin Tunstall (Oxford)
1994	Kevin Tunstall (Oxford)	beat	Tony Walsh (Berks)
1995	Paul Sainsbury (Berks)	beat	Kevin Tunstall (Oxford)
1996	Paul Sainsbury (Berks)	beat	Keith Sheard (Oxford)
1997	John Burrows (Bucks)	beat	Paul Sainsbury (Berks)

	Seed	NR	Cty	RP	First Round	Second Round	Semi-finals
Keith Sheard	1	2	Oxf	3.3	9,990	11,800	0 4,890
Pauline Withey	RES 153		Oxf	1.0	3,540	1,820	
Dennis Claydon	8	52	Ber	1.0	4,750	4,480	
RAY HUSSEY	9	36	Buc	6.4	6,030	8,480	5,450 10,010 1,000 12,050
MARK TURNER	4	16	Ber	9.7	=16,170	120	=13,100 6,730 =12,690 1,360
Ray Sturgess	13	30	Oxf	1.3	0	² 14,760	
Nick Barnett	5	33	Jer	3.0	7,370	5,920	100 3,270
Steve Minihane	RES 252		Ber	1.0	4,940	6,450	

	Seed	NR	Cty	RP	First	Round	Second Round	Semi-finals
Kevin Tunstall	2	1	Oxf	1.0	100	270		
Ernie Jordan	15	43	Buc	3.6	=14,820	14,410	2,700	2,270
LES GREEN	7	3	Ken	13.6	340	=17,210	=15,500	² 15,850
Gary Johnson	RES 35		Oxf	1.3	16,530	0		210 =16,080
PAUL SAINSBURY	3	4	Ber	7.3	7,050	² 20,140	=17,480	=10,470
Andy Haines	13=	58	Buc	1.0	5,900	0		14,780
Mark Sawyer	6	6	Ber	3.6	=22,710	9,470	50	310
Pete Farrelly	11	10	Nor	1.0	0	3,420		

FINAL Les Green =15,250 & 4,600 Mark Turner 1,360 & 0

= DENOTES THAT THE ENTIRE RECORDED SCORE WAS MADE IN ONE BREAK.

² DENOTES OTHER BREAKS of over 10,000:

Turner 11,550 Sturgess 12,760 Green 14,790 Sainsbury 10,050

The average score in each leg in this event in 1993 was 15,138 (aggreg 454,140),
 the average score in each leg in this event in 1994 was 15,280 (aggreg 458,400),
 the average score in each leg in this event in 1995 was 15,155 (aggreg 454,660),
 the average score in each leg in this event in 1996 was a record 15,742 (aggreg 472,280),
 the average score in each leg in this event in 1997 was 15,272 (aggreg 458,150),
 but the average score this year was **ONLY 14,285 (aggreg 428,540).**

FINAL GRAND PRIX STANDINGS

		Oxf	Nor	Sus	Ber	Jer	Total
1	Keith Sheard	Oxon	6	15	3	-	20
2	Kevin Tunstall	Oxon	3	6	15	15	1
3	Paul Sainsbury	Berks	10	10	10	10	-
4	Mark Turner	Berks	-	6	6	6	9
5	Nick Barnett	Jersey	X	X	X	X	15
6	Mark Sawyer	Berks	3	3	-	6	-
7	Les Green	Kent	6	3	-	-	-
8	Dennis Claydon	Berks	-	-	-	-	9
9	Ray Hussey	Bucks	X	1	6	-	-
10	Pete Phillips	Oxon	1	-	-	1	1
11	Pete Farrelly	North	-	-	3	-	-
12	Mark James	Sussex	3	-	-	X	-
13=	Andy Haines	Bucks	-	1	-	-	-
13=	Ray Sturgess	Oxon	-	-	-	1	-
15	Ernie Jordan	Bucks	-	1	-	-	-
16	Steve Huntley	Oxon	1	-	X	-	-
res	Pauline Withey	Oxon	-	1	-	-	X
res	Steve Minihane	Berks	-	1	-	X	-
res	Gary Johnson	Oxon	-	-	-	1	X

"-" denotes DID NOT REACH LAST 16

"X" denotes DID NOT PLAY

Steve Huntley, Mark James and Pete Phillips declined the invitation, and were replaced by the only three reserves.

According to a proposal accepted at the 1997 AGM, only those having played in FOUR of the events could be invited, even though no one knew at the time that there would only be FIVE opens including Jersey. The committee had no right to overturn that AGM decision. The only exception was that BOTH finalists in the BIOC qualified automatically.

Sympathy is extended to anyone who scored enough points to qualify for the Grand Prix Finals, but did not play in enough events, especially if it was due to so many Opens being cancelled. That was outside the control of the Association and its committee.

LES BECOMES THE "MASTER"

Les Green has finally discarded the unfair tag of being renowned only as an Open specialist, adding the Grand Prix Masters title to the All-England championship he won in 1997, and now starts 1999 as a well-deserved No.1 in the ranking list.

Green, from Rochester, stepped in to take the final when in-form Mark Turner, Wokingham, only opened the first leg with 1,360. Green's 15,250 reply, followed by another 4,600 at the start of the second, gave Turner little choice but to concede.

This is the event where the best sixteen players from the circuit during the year are invited to don bow-ties and waistcoats, and play in a seeded knock-out to find the real Master of the Year, although some controversy surrounded this year's seeded list as it had been decided in December 1997 that players would need to play in a minimum of four events to qualify for inclusion.

This led to many of the top players missing out, most notably John Burrows from High Wycombe, the holder of this event, the current All-England Champion and Oxfordshire Open winner.

But, by comparison, it gave some lower-ranked players a golden opportunity to shine along with the big guns at the usual venue, Reading's Post Office Club: players like England Ladies skipper Pauline Withey and Gary Johnson (both Oxford), Steve Minihane (Wokingham), Andy Haines and Ernie Jordan (both High Wycombe).

One player who DID make it was Paul Sainsbury who still plays for Reading despite moving back to Tunbridge Wells recently. "Safeway" to his friends has had a very strange year. He has been runner-up in all FOUR opens on the English mainland, his team has also been runners-up in BOTH the County Championships and the Team Championships this year, he is No.2 on the all-time money-winners list, but he has slipped to No.6 in the rankings (his lowest for nearly four years), and was the only England player to lose BOTH his legs in the 1998 International against Jersey.

Although his team, Reading, won the Inter-Area Championships in March, he was SECOND in the day's averages.

For most players, that would be regarded as a successful year, but Sainsbury sets himself very high standards, so he was hoping to end this twelve month period with a leg win in the Masters.

He is the only player to have won the event twice, and was going for a hat-trick in 1997 which would have enabled him to keep the very desirable gold trophy, but was soundly beaten in the final by Burrows.

This time, he "only" managed the semi-final where he was beaten by a 16,080 second leg clearance by Green.

Meanwhile Turner beat surprise semi-finalist Ray Hussey (High Wycombe) who had just ousted Oxford's Keith Sheard, the No.1 seed who could have taken over the No.1 slot in the rankings also if he had won this event.

Turner held a 12,690 - 1,000 lead after the first leg, only for Hussey to slip up at 12,030 in the second, allowing Turner to stay at the table for the remainder of the match.

The Wokingham star had already made breaks of 16,170 against Eynsham's Ray Sturgess and 13,100 against Nick Barnett, who made the trip over from Jersey after qualifying with his runner-up position in the British Isles Open only two weeks earlier.

No.2 seed Kevin Tunstall (Abingdon) had been favourite for the competition but fell at the very first hurdle to one of his mentors Ernie Jordan (Watford). Tunstall had grown up and learned about the game at his dad's pub where Jordan played for many years.

Jordan himself went out to Green in the second round.

The best break of the day was easily that of Mark Sawyer (Wokingham) who started the event with a 22,710 break in round one against Peter Farrelly (Rushden), but could only open round two against Sainsbury with a slightly more modest 50 points.

MIXED PAIRS

WON BY PHIL AND MYRA HAWKINS

IT IS "HOPED" TO INCLUDE DETAILS OF THE ABOVE EVENT, STAGED IN PORTSMOUTH ON NOV 29th, ON THE NEXT B.B.Q IF DETAILS ARE FORTHCOMING.

NEWS FROM THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

ENGLAND TEAMS TO PLAY JERSEY IN FEB 1999:

Men: ③ K Tunstall K Sheard P Sainsbury L Green P Farrelly S Mariner
 J Millward M Sawyer M Turner J Burrows K Clark
 reserves: B McCluskey (capt) M Brewster R Hussey P Wing S Biggs
 Ladies: P Withey (capt) J Taylor K Beeching D Welburn P Burch D Hoadley
 reserves: S Mariner G Woods J Hogan
 Match result will again be decided on ONE point per LEG.

ENGLAND SELECTION PANEL for match in year 2000

E Hill K Tunstall P Farrelly D Barnes M Hawkins K Lewendon S Mariner L Green P Wing
 plus two captains B McCluskey and P Withey.

ALL-ENGLAND COMMITTEE

Whole committee returned *en bloc*, with the exception of Simon Tinto who has resigned
 and has not yet been replaced.

PROPOSALS ACCEPTED:

To again allow a GUEST player from another team in your county in your Team
 Championship side, provided that that pub/club has NOT entered a team themselves.

To change the qualification for the Grand Prix finals: each player now having to
 play in HALF of the events staged, rather than "four".

To force teams taking part in County and Team Championships to provide the
 scorer when their team has the INITIAL break. The opposing team may still provide a
 marker if they so desire.

PROPOSALS LOST:

To force teams to name their players in advance so that Admin is made easier on
 the day.

To play the Team Championship over TWO legs.

To allow holders of BOTH All-England Individuals automatic entry to the equivalent
 events the following year.

To allow TWO players from each county to take part in the All-England Individuals.

To have the break recorded on the scoreboard when the triangle is re-set for the
 Alternative Rules competition.

OTHER POINTS OF INTEREST:

Major sponsors being sought. Ideas please

Overall Profit for year £39.

DESPATCHES.....DESPATCHES

WINNERS

RUNNERS-UP

READING SUMMER LEAGUE:

Super League	White Horse A	Sun C
A League	Spreadeagle	Elephant & Castle
Super League Shield	Post Office SSC A	Sun C
A League Shield	Spreadeagle	Sun A
Open Singles	Kevin Tunstall	Bernie McCluskey
Gerry Whatling Cup	Brian Dawkins	Terry Alder
Doubles	Phil Hawkins/Ron Josey	Bill Trinder/Mark Sawyer
Ladies	Jane Carless	Jackie Watson
Best Away Breaks	Ron Josey (Spr League, 19,100)	Nigel Goodwin (A Lge, 10,100)

HAMPSHIRE:

Individual KO	A Woolvin
Pairs	A Woolvin/G Newson

PORTSMOUTH:

Div 1	Phoenix A	LHFA B
Div 2	Avenue B	Winchester B
Div 3	Phoenix B	LHFA A
Individual	B Radford	A Rowley
Pairs	C Newson/T Doswell	B Radford/R Callaway
J Ehrlich Triples	C Newson/T Doswell/J Jukes	W Mess'bird/D Jennings/H Stephens
Automatic Bowl	LHFA B	St James
St Johns Ambulance Cup	W Steere	F Large
Spastics Cup	Mermaid A	LHFA A
Blind Cup	LHFA B	Derby Tavern
Harry Harris Trophy	R Mihell	J Cole
President Cup	Compass Rose	
Highest Home Scores	A Woolvin (Div 1, 17,910)	T Webster (Div 2, 9,830)
	A Peters (Div 3, 8,120)	
Highest Away Breaks	D Claydon (Div 1, 15,440)	A Rowley (Div 2, 8,540)
	A Peters (Div 3, 5,210)	

WHITBREAD WESSEX MIXED SUNDAY NIGHT LEAGUE:

League	Mermaid B	Mermaid A
Team KO	Ascension B	Ascension A
Men's Indiv	P Wing	J Lockyer
Ladies Indiv	D Yorke	J Mannell
Open Pairs	F Large/P Wing	R House/W Steere
Ladies Pairs	D House/J Mannell	B Hiatt/D Yorke
Highest Home Score	P Wing 23,620	
Highest Away Score	P Wing 25,110	
Highest Away Break	P Wing 25,110	

PORTSMOUTH SUMMER LEAGUE:

Div A	Derby Tavern B	British Queen
Div B	LHFA	Derby Tavern A
Highest Home Scores	P Wing (Div A, 23,490)	J Wishart (Div B, 8,270)
Highest Away Scores	P Wing (Div A, 11,980)	J Wishart (Div B, 9,350)
Individuals	C Newson	L Harton
Pairs	P Wing/R House	A Rowley/C Newson
Mixed Pairs	P Wing/C Toner	C Newson/B Hiatt
Team KO	British Queen	Derby Tavern B

PROVISIONAL DATES FOR THE 1999 EVENTS (watch this space for confirmation)

Feb 6	JERSEY v ENGLAND INTERNATIONALS	Woodville Hotel, St Helier
Feb 13	OXFORDSHIRE OPEN	Cowley Conservative Club, Oxford
	<i>Promoter K TUNSTALL "Hazelmere", Roke, Wallingford, Oxon OX10 6JD</i>	
	<i>01491-838446. Entry fee £7.50 payable to OXFORDSHIRE BAR BILLIARDS</i>	
Mar 6-7	BRITISH OPEN PAIRS	Queens Hotel, Bournemouth
	<i>Promoter E HILL 124 Uplands Road, West Moors, Ferndown, Dorset</i>	
	<i>HP22 0EY 01202-871514. Costs £91 p.p. inc entry and two days accom.</i>	
Jun 13	SUSSEX OPEN	Inland Revenue Club, Worthing
	<i>Promoter S MARINER 01273-880336</i>	
July 11	ALL-ENGLAND INDIVIDUALS	Post Office S & SC, Reading
July 11	NATIONAL UNDER-22 CHAMPIONSHIPS	Post Office S & SC, Reading
Sep 26	COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS	Post Office S & SC, Reading
Oct 3	LADIES COUNTY CHAMPIONSHIPS	Post Office S & SC, Reading
Oct 10	ALTERNATIVE RULES CHAMPIONSHIP	Post Office S & SC, Reading
Nov 6-7	BRITISH ISLES OPEN	De Normandie Hotel, St Helier
Nov 14	NATIONAL TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS	Post Office S & SC, Reading
Nov 21	GRAND PRIX MASTERS	Post Office S & SC, Reading
Nov 21	NATIONAL OVER-50's CHAMPIONSHIPS	Post Office S & SC, Reading
Dec 12	ALL-ENGLAND A.G.M.	TBA

Dates to be decided for: BERKSHIRE OPEN / CHARITY SINGLES / KENT CLASSIC