

## Oxford & District Bowls League sponsored by Yarnton Nurseries

### Week 11 - 22/07/2010

It was again Headington A's week in the Oxford & District Bowls League Division 1 and they didn't even take the green. An excellent team performance by Oxford City & County A in inflicting Banbury Central A's first home defeat since May 2006 keeps Headington very much in pole position for this year's title. A man short on the night and missing seven first choice players City & County really showed the importance of teamwork to win on three rinks out of four. Bicester took a massive step towards securing top flight bowls again next season by beating South Oxford A at home. The defeat unfortunately sealed South's fate and they are now relegated. Carterton delivered a solid performance at Banbury Chestnuts to ensure their win. Chestnuts are now seven points from safety.

Fortune favoured division two leaders Witney Mills at Thame. Two shots down on the game with one bowl to come Mills' looked to be beaten, however the 'rub of the green' played its part and Richard Barnett's last wood took a deflection and carried the jack to hold four and win the game by two. West Witney played twice and had mixed fortunes. In their home game against bottom club Cotswold a good win by Mark East's four for the visitors made the difference as Cotswold strive to stay up. West then travelled to Shiplake who themselves are looking for all possible points to stay where they are and wins for Kevin Alder and Harry Williams secured a victory to stay in third place.

It now looks like Woodstock's to lose in Division 3 as a 'hot shot' from Ron Collett's four helped his team to five points against Charlbury. Woodstock are now seven and a half points clear as Herbie Payne's last bowl for third placed Blackbird Leys could only secure the narrowest of victories against second placed Banbury Central B. Rover's veteran captain Ken Hall rolled back the years with a 40-12 win against Headington B. His team notched up 104 shots and now move clear of the relegation zone. Bloxham also move out of the bottom two with a comprehensive home win against Witney Town.

Watlington's juniors Chris Gilkes and Will Soden had outstanding games in Division 4, and, with the 'young at heart' Bill Smith, helped their skip to a 42-8 win, the biggest of the day in the league, at South Oxford B. West Oxford stay clear in second place with an away win at Chipping Norton and Chadlington keep their hopes of promotion alive with a home whitewash of Florence Park. Bottom club OUP scored an impressive victory away at Hanborough. **Results:**

#### Division 1

**Banbury Central A 70(1) Oxford C&C 74½\*(5)** M Sykes 15, M Gleeson 16½\*; J Tee 23, P Comley 20; M Andrew 17, A Ley 20; W Champion 15, S Jones 18 (\*25% rink score deducted – player short)  
**Banbury Chestnuts 63(2) Carterton 75(4)** J Denbow 11, S Richens 23; B Neal 11, P Sharman 27; A Northcott 22, G Walker 15; D Bryant 19, D Clanfield 10  
**Bicester 89(5) South Oxford A 67(1)** P Hooley 18, M Keen 29; M Workman 21, K Clarke 12; J Nicholls 24, J Hall 12; K Taylor 26, G Young 14

#### Division 2

**Thame 75(1) Witney Mills 77(5)** G Lazaruk 16, A Auger 23; L Westcott 20, L Days 21; R Slater 19; J Mott 9; R Duncan 20, R Barnett 24  
**West Witney 71(2½) Cotswold 78(3½)** H Williams 12, M East 27; T Prew 17, D Cooper 17; M Hitchcox 19, S Cooper 12; K Alder 23, T Cox 22  
**Played 23/07/10: Shiplake 64(2) West Witney 80(4)** L Mitton 10, K Alder 28; T Beaumont 22, M Hitchcox 16; B Lambourne 10, H Williams 24; B Evans 22, T Prew 12

#### Division 3

**Blackbird Leys 76(3½) Banbury Central B 74(2½)** R Brain 21, R Havard 21; G Roper 15, R Cox 20; S O'Keefe 24, B Collins 12; H Payne 16, T McKenna 21  
**Bloxham 89(5) Witney Town 54(1)** A Gardner 33, F Dawson 9; J Crawley 14, B Bloomfield 23; J Stephens 21, V Comley 13; M Tatlow 21, T Wright 9  
**Charlbury 71(2) Woodstock 85(4)** C Skidmore 25, K Comley 16; M Smith 11, W Major 33; D Dix 15, R Collett 23; J Stevens 20, B Clarke 13  
**Rover 104(5) Headington B 68(1)** K Hall 40, R Edwards 12; A Loach 24, C Woodhouse 21; A Peters 19, P Sargeant 21; M Bracewell 21, M Kershaw 14

#### Division 4

**Chadlington 79(6) Florence Park 56¾\*(0)** C Smart 17, I Gray 16; P Madeley 21, A Thomas 15; P Heath 19, S Green 9¾\*; P Radbone 22, R Harris 16 (\*25% rink score deducted – player short)  
**Chipping Norton 69(1) West Oxford 86(5)** D Barnes 19, M Alderson 18; P Rathbone 13, M Bostock 27; K Field 15; E Fry 17; J Quinn 22, B Murphy 24  
**Hanborough 66(1) OUP 80\*(5)** M Oliver 14, P Cornish 15\*; G Thompson 17, J Taylor 27; G Haynes 22, J Trinder 18; J Edwards 13, P Tweddle 20 (\*25% rink score deducted – player short)  
**South Oxford B 52(1) Watlington 109(5)** V DePaaw 10, J Trimmer 23; M Freeman 8, S Gilkes 42; A Wakefield 21, H Franklin 20; M Lyne 13, D Auger 24

## TABLES 22/07/2010

### Division 1

Team	Played	Shots +	Shots -	Diff	Points
Headington A	9	807	563	+244	42
Banbury Central A*	10	852	685	+167	39.5
Ox City & County A**	9	720	634	+86	34.5
Carterton	9	714	638	+76	32
Bicester	10	704	826	-122	25.5
Banbury Chestnuts	9	621	725	-104	18.5
South Oxford A	10	620	967	-347	6

\* ½ shot to be deducted in case of tie      \*\* ½ shot to be added in event of tie

### Division 2

Team	Played	Shots +	Shots -	Diff	Points
Witney Mills	10	830	706	+124	42
Kidlington	9	719	650	+69	35.5
West Witney**	10	783	709	+74	32
Thame	10	707	787	-80	25
Shiplake	9	655	698	-43	23.5
Ox City & County B*	9	660	715	-55	22
Cotswold^	9	649	738	-89	18

\* ¼ shot to be added in event of tie. \*\* ½ shot to be deducted in event of tie  
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### Division 3

Team	Played	Shots +	Shots -	Diff	Points
Woodstock^^	11	884	788	+96	43
Banbury Central B	11	861	822	+39	36.5
Blackbird Leys^	10	799	717	+82	35
Headington B	10	727	774	-47	29.5
Rover`	11	826	852	-26	29
Bloxham**	11	821	844	-23	28
Charlbury*	10	749	795	-46	25.5
Witney Town	10	705	780	-75	25.5

\* ¾ shot to be added in event of tie      \*\* ½ shot to be deducted in event of tie

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### Division 4

Team	Played	Shots +	Shots -	Diff	Points
Watlington	11	1035	735	+300	55
West Oxford^^	11	885	748	+137	44
Chadlington^	11	886	777	+109	36
Hanborough	11	864	791	+73	36
Chipping Norton	11	809	823	-14	28
Florence Park	11	808	902	-94	24
South Oxford B*	11	715	1014	-299	21.5
OUP	11	700	912	-212	19.5

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//// - Champions    //// - Promotion    //// - Relegation    //// - Relegated