



APRIL & MAY 2018

FIRST TEAM NEWS

We enter 2 teams in the Bowls England 2 fours competition. Our first match was against Worthing and we came away winners by 49-38 and will now play against Chichester A away, following the demise of our second entry on May 27th.

Our WSBL campaign kicked off with a bang at Southbourne (26th May), we won on all rinks and started our season with a massive 10 points.

'A' TEAM PLAYING RECORD P 3 W 2 D 0 L 1

SECOND TEAM NEWS

Joe Peters has taken on the management of the Stracey League team for 2018. The 'B's' opened their account with an 8-2 points win in the Stracey League match away to Southwick Park on May 5th Ted Hood, Roy Bland and Ray Roberts were the winning skips at Southwick Park. Against Marine Gardens, we again came away with 8 points and Roy Bland, Ray Lister and David Fairs were our successful skips. In the match against Goring Manor Hurricanes (May 22nd), Joes team made the most of the home advantage to take all 10 points. Our winning run in the Stracey league came to an abrupt end at the hand of Goring Manor Spitfires who took 8 points from the match on May 29th

'B' TEAM PLAYING RECORD P 4 W 3 D 0 L 1

FRIENDLY TEAM NEWS

John Proffitt was voted in to take on Friendly matches in 2018.

In our first match, the away leg of our annual triples matches with Grasshoppers (May 5th) we recorded a 78-77 win. There were wins on 2 of the 5 triples, winning skips were Roy Bland and Roy Barclay. Our first sortie onto our own green was against Witterings (May 9th) and 3 winning rinks was enough to give a 94-66 victory. At Chichester (May 12th) we had the opportunity to give a few of our first team players a match and they didn't disappoint. The result of the match was 74-64 in Priory's favour and Stuart Logan, Keith Brinsmead and Matthew Smith all showed the right stuff by winning their rinks. In the annual match against Lindfield (May 16th), it was their turn to visit us and we recorded yet another Maytime victory, this time by an impressive 100-62 difference. Priory could only muster 15 players for the match against Paghham away on 23rd May, but still managed to hold onto the unbeaten may run, this time the winning margin was 81-70. Cawston, who come on an annual tour to Worthing were also put to the sword 80-70, but in a very nice and friendly way. Roy Barclay was top skip on this occasion (25th May). In the last match for May, on the 30th for the second day in a row Goring Manor came out on top.

FRIENDLY TEAM PLAYING RECORD P 7 W 6 D 0 L 1

ALL TEAMS APRIL/MAY P 14 W 11 D 0 L 3

COMPETITIONS

All competition draws were published to the agreed schedule.

The Aggregate league lost a week due to heavy rain but started on the early Spring Bank Holiday Monday and will have 8 sessions in total. After 5 weeks Robin Saunders is the leader



SCB Competitions get underway in May: Nick Eager took his triples team through their prelim match at Maltravers. Sadly, only Matthew Smith's Triple will appear in the second round in June

Stuart Shwartz started his Champion of Champions campaign with a victory against Alan Howe of Maltravers. He followed it up with a victory against Paul Chuter of Midhurst

Only two Priory players were in the Prelim-Round of the SCB Singles, hopefully those who had byes to the first round will fare better. Only Nick Eager flies the flag into June

Joe Peters was a prelim-round casualty in the Unbadged Singles and Mick Meadows went the same way in the first round both to Stuart Meyer of Chichester

In the Senior 4s we had mixed success, John Schools is through to the next round but sadly Matthew Smiths 4 lost on the 21st end away at Burgess Hill. The same venue accounted for John Schools entry in the next round too.

The SCB Pairs were no better with most of the Priory entrants falling at the first hurdle.

National Singles and Pairs started in May: Matthew Smith took out our own Derek Meechan and then beat another Priory man Nick Eager next. Alan Messer progressed beating John Deacon of Pavilion 22-8 away. Matthew and Alan now meet in a June encounter.

In the Pairs, John Fairs was a first-round casualty, as was Matthew Smith. Our remaining pair is Derek Meechan and Alan Messer went out to Derek Leach and Peter Whale of Chichester.

More News Soon

Alan Messer

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