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The National Governing Body for Indoor Level Green Bowls in England

## **NATIONAL INDOOR BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS AT NOTTINGHAM**

7-16 April, 2017

### **FREE RESULTS AND ROUND-UP SERVICE**

*(images may be available on request)*

*This service is provided on behalf of the EIBA by David Rhys Jones, who plans to email bulletins and updates to media outlets, once or twice a day during the above championships. Results will be presented in a print-friendly form, but are also available on the EIBA website <www.EIBA.co.uk>. Comments, queries or requests for pictures should be sent to David...*

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### **DAY FOUR - UPDATE**

**Monday, 10 April**

## **MEN'S & WOMEN'S OVER 50 TRIPLES**

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### **WOMEN'S OVER 50 TRIPLES**

*Defending champions crash out*



***A busy green at Nottingham this morning (MON) as the Women's Over 50 Triples gets underway***

Defending their national women's Over 50 triples title in Nottingham this morning (MON), Jean Collier, Sue Cooke and Alex Jacobs, from North Wilts, defeated Sally Williams, Julie Leake and Penny Cresswell, from the Dolphin club in Poole.

But the Chippenham-based trio, turned in a below-par performance tonight (MON) and were bundled out by regular qualifiers Barbara Crooke, Margaret Craig and Maureen Hill, from the Guildford-based Wey Valley club, who powered into the semi finals with a 19-9 victory.

However, the Barwell (Leicester) trio, Val Hobart, Gill Wonnacott and Barbara Lewis, who won the title in 2015, came through against Colchester's Sharon Linnon, Zelma French and Pam Smith, winning a scrappy game, 15-10.

England skip Penny Strong steered her Lincoln clubmates Jane Squires and Di Wilson-Rogers to a nail-biting 16-15 victory over Havering, skipped by Elaine Scarborough, and the Lincoln trio hit top form to beat Mary Sutton's Yeovil triple, 19-4, in the quarter finals.

But perhaps the day's best all-round performance came from Acle's Jenny Kirby, Mel Haylett and Barbara Meeks, who chalked up two impressive victories, beating Egham, 19-3, and Wellingborough, 19-5, en route to tomorrow's (TUE) semi finals.

## RESULTS...

### National Women's over 50 Triples championship...

#### 0930hrs - Last sixteen

Sharon Linnon, Zelma French, Pam Smith (Colchester) bt Bridie Ward, Maria Rosso, Yvonne Pick (Welford-on-Avon) 13-12;  
Val Hobart, Gill Wonnacott, Barbara Lewis (Barwell) bt Ros Coombes, Moira Webber, Barbara Bellamy (Torquay United) 18-6;  
Jean Burgess, Alison Dring, Tina Broderick (Wellingborough) bt Linda Rose, Christinne Wharton, Eleanor Gass (Cumbria) 22-8;  
Jenny Kirby, Melanie Haylett, Barbara Meeks (Acle) bt Pat Sussex, Brenda Connor, Jan Sussex (Egham) 19-3;  
Jean Collier, Sue Cooke, Alex Jacobs (North Wilts) bt Sally Williams, Julie Leake, Penny Cresswell (Dolphin) 19-16;  
Barbara Crooke, Margaret Craig, Maureen Hill (Wey Valley) bt Pauline Stanley, Teresa Orriss, Margaret Smith (Sutton) 15-14;  
Jenny Whitlock, Barbara Colby, Mary Sutton (Yeovil) bt Ann Moon, Hilary Avis, Sue Swann (Oyster) 20-11;  
Jane Squires, Di Wilson, Penny Strong (Lincoln) bt June Lineham, Sue Wild, Elaine Scarborough (Havering) 16-15.

#### 1800hrs - Quarter finals

Barwell bt Colchester 15-10; Acle bt Wellingborough 19-5;  
Wey Valley bt North Wilts 19-9; Lincoln bt Yeovil 19-4.

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## MEN'S OVER 50 TRIPLES

### *Egham 'youngsters' are on song*



*Sixteen teams from all over England qualified to challenge for the Men's Over 60 Triples title*

Eyebrows were raised when Barry Jenkins and Steve Tuohy took to the green with their Egham clubmate Andy Beaumont. Jenkins and Tuohy, who both celebrated their 50th birthday last summer, have always been regarded as members of the Young Brigade of English bowlers.

While time may have caught up with them, it has not affected their skill levels, and, after beating Peter Hagger's Clacton-on-Sea trio, 18-9, they overwhelmed a team from the South Forest club in Mansfield, just a few miles from the Nottingham stadium.

They played so well that Dave Robertson, George Pytlakowski and Simon Barker could muster only four shots as the Egham trio staked their claim to be favourites for the title with a 19-4 win.

Paul 'The Greek' Vamvacopoulos, who came to Britain on 1969, and promptly took up bowls, won his club handicap title (at West Park Hospital in Surrey) in 1970, has been a top bowler for many years.

Today (MON), he teamed up with his Wey Valley (Guildford) clubmates Bill Short and Ian Ross, and notched up a 20-18 win over Terry London, Graham Standley and Duncan Hanmore, from the Angel club, Tonbridge.

But their hopes of a place in the semi finals were dashed by Chris Easton, Nigel Price and Andy Moore, from Melksham's Christie Miller club in Wiltshire, who returned a hard-earned 12-9 card - only 21 shots scored in 16 ends.

That called a halt to Wey Valley's ambitions to 'do the double', but Acle still have their sights set on a double, having reached the quarter finals in the men's and women's events.

Acle's men, skipped by Tony Dunton, who appeared in the very first world indoor championships in Coatbridge in 1979, scored a comfortable 21-10 win over a trio from Church Gresley. Well supported by Dave Cole and Paul Webb, Dunton steered his clubmates to a 16-12 quarter final win over Bodmin.

The tensest moment of the day came when the remaining quarter final - between Dolphin's Gary Fountain, Stuart Stephens and Jim Garner and Hounslow's Ray Snellings, Andy Knott and Ron Leleux - went all the way to the wire, and, at 13-13 after 16 ends, an extra end was required.

Hounslow held the potentially winning shot when Garner stepped on to the mat to deliver the very last bowls of the match, and he produced a memorable draw to the jack to take the shot - though Umpire Roger Jarvis was called on to conduct a painstaking measure.

"There was half-an-inch in it," reported Jarvis later. And when he turned out the Dolphin bowl, thus declaring it to be the shot, Fountain, Stephens and Garner, who had won, 14-13, performed a dance of joy.

## **RESULTS...**

### **National Men's over 50 Triples championship...**

#### **1330hrs - Last sixteen**

Chris Easton, Nigel Price, Andy Moore (Christie Miller) bt Lew Whitehouse, Graham Arnold, Neil Brereton (Bromsgrove) 16-7;  
Bill Short, Paul Vamvacopoulos, Ian Ross (Wey Valley) bt Terry London, Graham Standley, Duncan Hanmore (Angel) 20-18;  
Andy Beaumont, Barry Jenkins, Steve Tuohy (Egham) bt Steve Vears, David West, Andy Jeffrey, Peter Hagger (Clacton) 18-9;  
Dave Robertson, George Pytlakowski, Simon Barker (South Forest) bt David Wright, Denny Hensby, John Chalk (Lakenheath) 15-10;  
Mervyn Emmet, Norman Coad, Paul Bennett (Bodmin) bt Barry O'Connor, Jim Oakes, Richard Haley (Tye Green) 21-8;  
David Cole, Paul Webb, Tony Dunton (Acle) bt Terry Bosworth, Mike Geary, Mark O'Connell (Church Gresley) 21-10;  
Gary Fountain, Stuart Stephens, Jim Garner (Dolphin) bt Martin Gale, Michael Kelly, James Kenny (Blackpool NH) 20-9;  
Ray Snellings, Andy Knott, Ron Leleux (Hounslow) bt Dave Paterson, Ian Riches, Alan Lawton (South Shields) 16-15.

#### **1800hrs - Quarter finals**

Christie Miller bt Wey Valley 12-9; Egham bt South Forest 19-5;  
Acle bt Bodmin 16-12; Dolphin bt Hounslow 14-13 (after extra end).

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## **SCHEDULE - Tuesday, 11 April**

### **1000hrs - Men's & Women's Over 50 Triples - Semi finals**

Men: Christie Miller v Egham; Acle v Dolphin.

Women: Barwell v Acle; Wey Valley v Lincoln.

### **1500hrs - Men's & Women's Over 50 Triples- Finals**

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