

Tenpin bowling came to the UK in the late 50s and grew rapidly throughout the 60s. This was a great era for team bowling as new sponsors came into the sport sponsoring teams and tournaments alike. Household names such as Ovaltine, Rothmans, Booths Gin, Gillette, Double Diamond followed later on by Britvic, Coca Cola, Heineken, Carlsberg, Skol, Carling, Woolwich all wanting a piece of the action. Many Bowling companies also got involved such as Brunswick, Ebonite, DBA, AMF and Storm. Towards the end of the 70s singles bowling came into its own and although there were plenty of team events the great sponsored teams of the earlier years just weren't around and it was left to individual players to form teams. This report lists some of the Major Teams throughout the years together with lists of players, brief details of achievements and other players involved with each team. Photographs where available and links to files, videos and other information are also included. We need your help in completing this information so anything you have please contact David Grainger or Dom Gall on Facebook or e-mail: [gravedanger300@aol.com](mailto:gravedanger300@aol.com). Britvic,



# Apaches

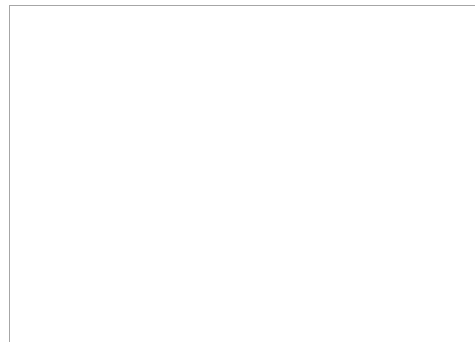
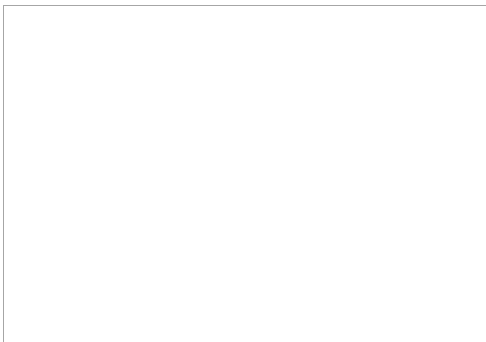
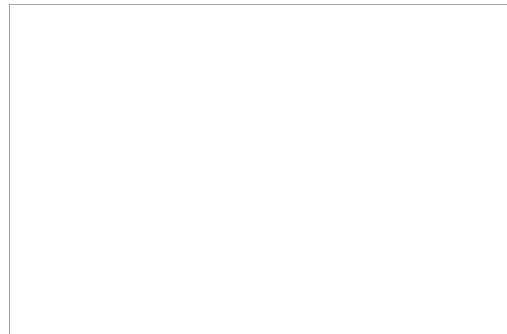
Video/Article

## Stevenage

## Players

Harry Meigham

Tom Owen



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Crawley

## Players

Kevin Hills

Syd Symonds

Graham Botting

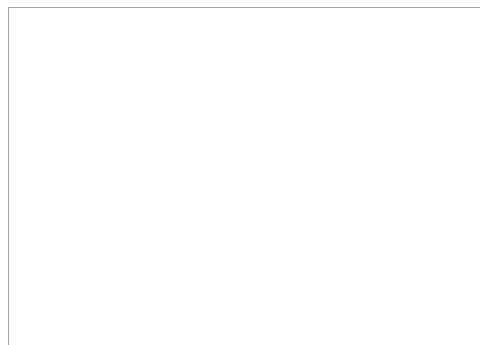
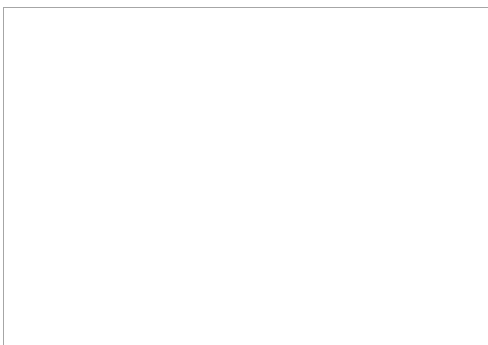
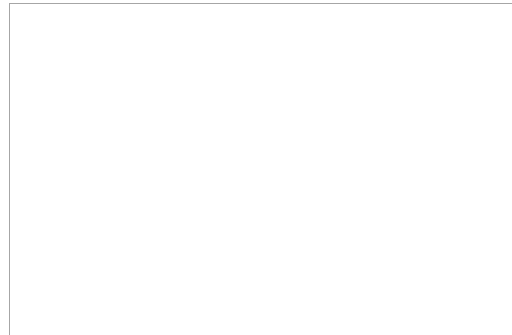
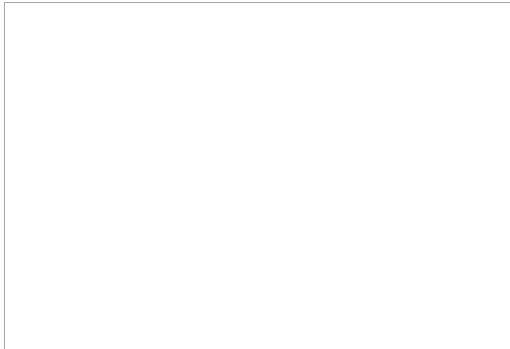
Phil Scammell

Simon Brown

George Patel

Paul Carpenter

Attracting many of the Soutjs bowlers.



# Brunswick Jets

Video/Article

London based team from the 60s and 70s, Other players D smith. Another of the "Greats" from a golden era of Team Bowling.

## Various

## Players

Joe Killan

Colin Presland

Brian Wilkins

Chris Petty

Steve Offord

Jan Roze

David Miel



# Brunswick Jettabelles

Video/Article

Various

## Players

Mitzi Roze

Gita Fox

Muz Roberts

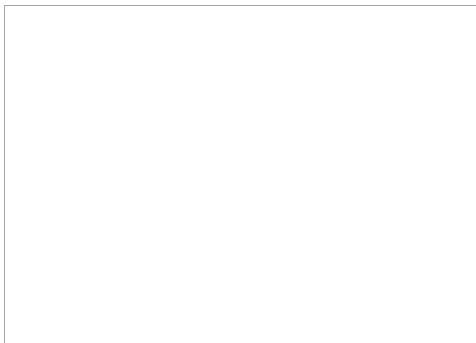
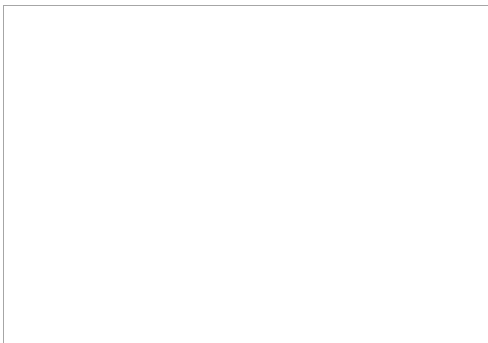
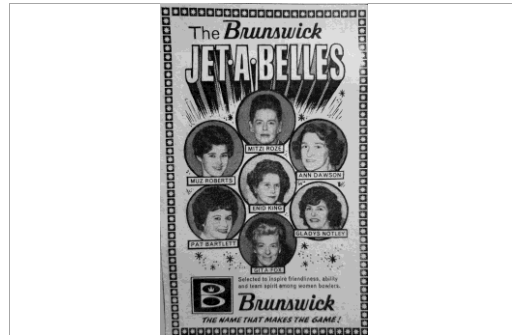
Ann Dawson

Enid King

Pat Bartlett

Gladys Notley

Top ladies team from the 60s.



# Charrington House Team

Video/Article

Tolworth

## Players

Managed for many years by John High played tournaments in the UK and abroad. Held an annual challenge match with Stillorgan Bowl in Ireland.

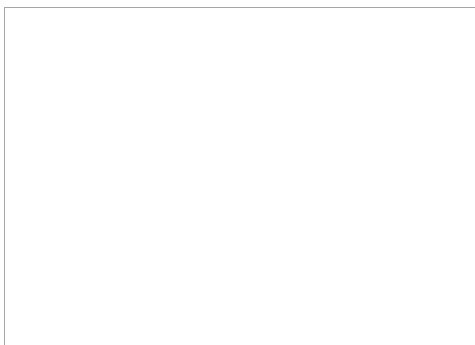
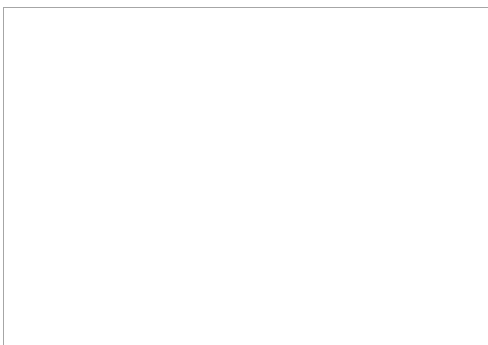
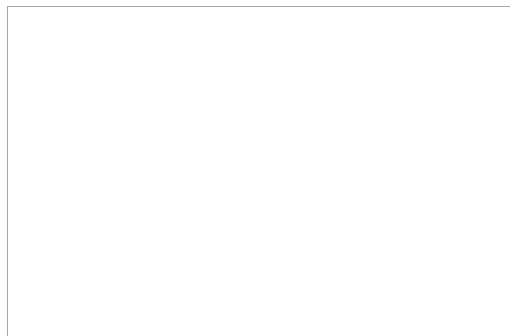
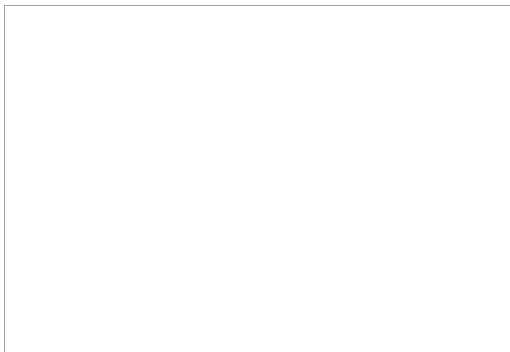
Jez Darvill

Micky Ross

Roger Peartree

Steve Offord

Colin Brown



# Choppers

Video/Article

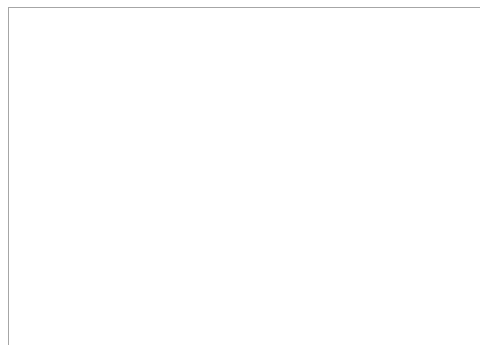
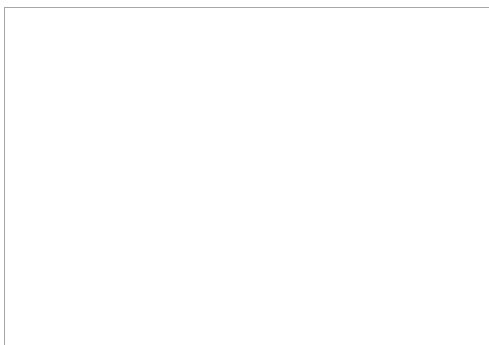
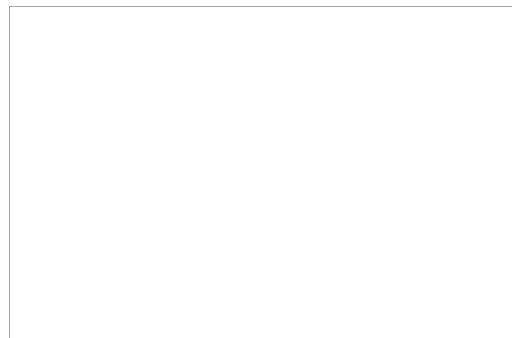
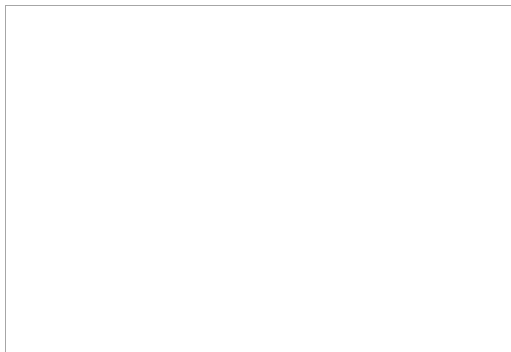
## Newcastle

### Players

Won Deryshire Shield in 1982 as played many domestic events.

John Strettle

John Tanner



## Classics

Video/Article

Top Northern Team played all Major Events in the UK and many in Europe. Winners of the Coca Cola 5s, Britvic Inter Cities Cup and the Derbyshire Shield to name just a few.

### Belle Vue

#### Players

Norman Higginbot

Steve Gomersall

Roy Higgingbottom

Colin Grose

Del Delaney

Kevin Lamb

Mike Clancy

Loke Coleman





# Committee

Video/Article

Bexley Heath

## Players

Buzz Morrison

Bill Preston

Alan Chapman

Alan Wilkinson

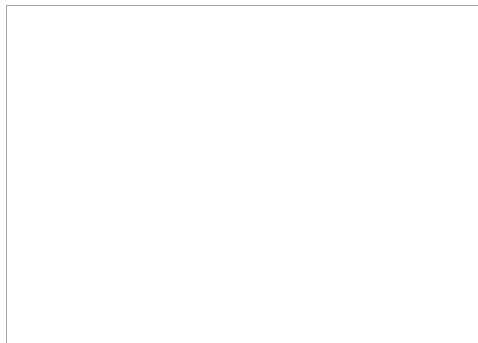
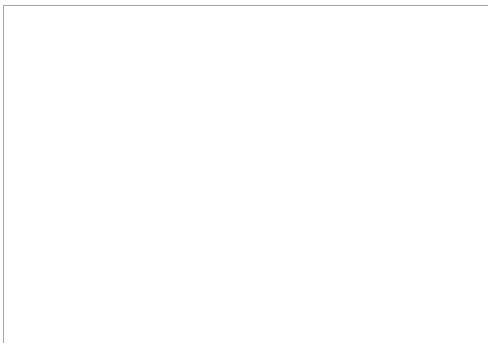
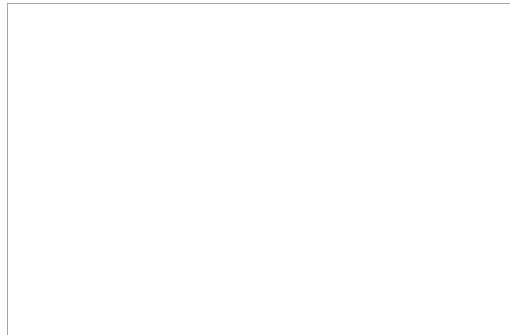
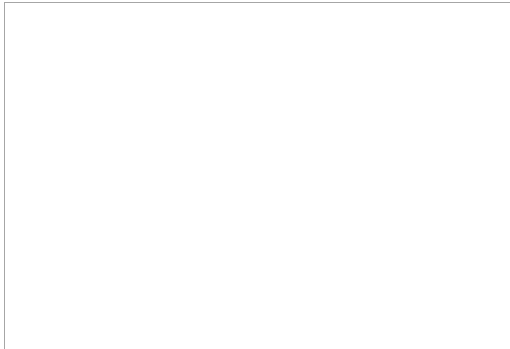
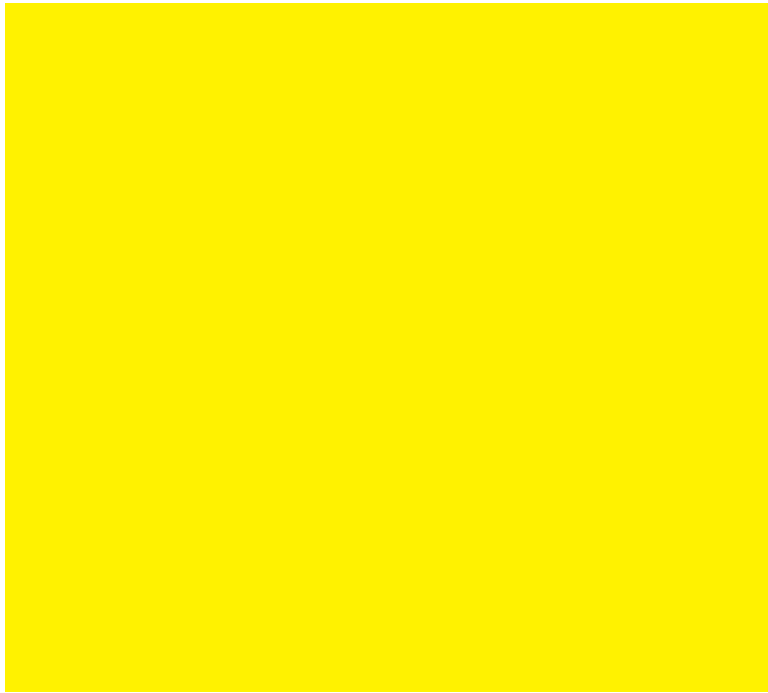
Brian Newson

Jeff Davis

Colin Crowthorne

Mick Cope

Vaughn Clarke



# Cossacks

Video/Article

Birmingham based formed in 1978. Other players Elsworth Torres, Mick Langley, Peter Holt, Kim Jiohson, Billy Preston, Mike Connor, Jim O'Dwyer and Dave Taylor.

## Acocks Green

### Players

Martin Webster

Gina Wardle

Keith Hodge

Trevor Wood

Greg Turvey

Brian Ashman

Dave Huxtable

Alan Kirk

Geoff Brown

John Coote

Lol Ellis

Roy Bowers



# DBA

Video/Article

## Various

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L4zoLhZyL>

## Players

Bernie Caterer

Alan Fawcett

Cass Edwards

Roger Creamer

Ralston Reid

Graham Maneers

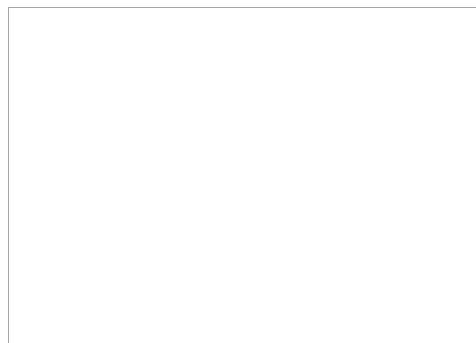
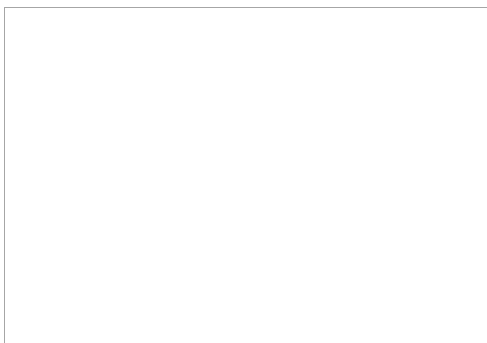
Nigel Thompson

Paul Carpenter

Sam Pugh

Brian Michael

London based attracting many of the top players of the time.



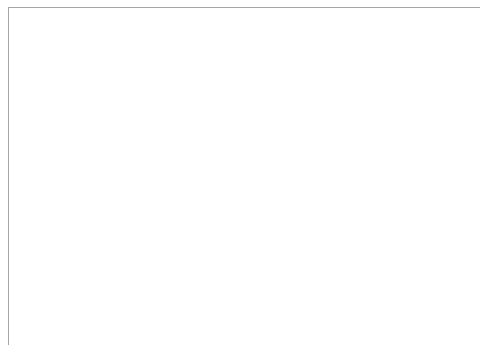
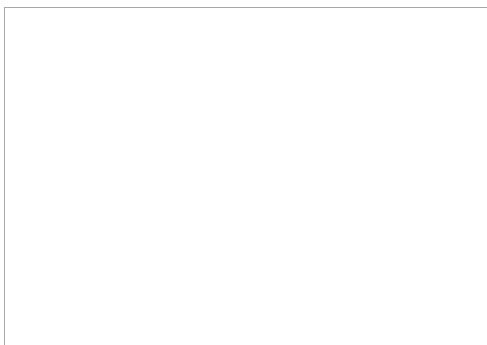
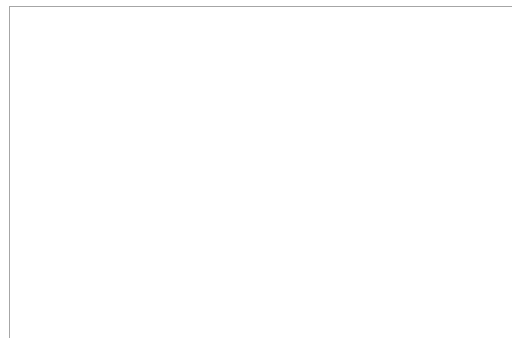
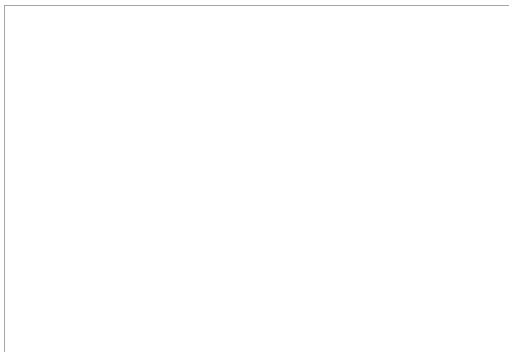
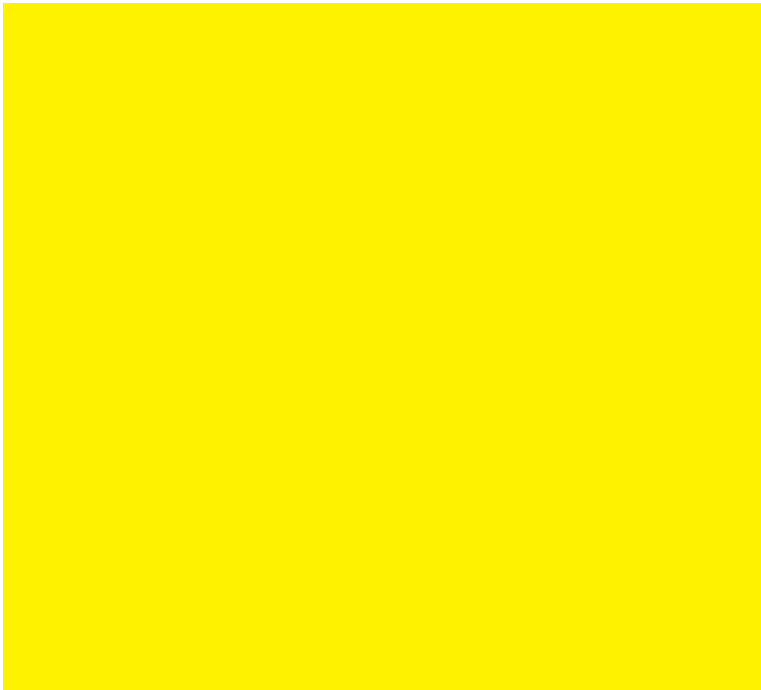
# Formula

Video/Article

## Manchester

## Players

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# FS Pro Shop

Video/Article

Various

Frank Stametti Pro Shop sponsored team attracted bowlers from around the UK to play major events in the UK and Europe. Winners of the Paris 5s B final in 1979.

## Players

Geoff Buck

Joanne Stametti

Jez Darvill

Shelaugh Leonnar

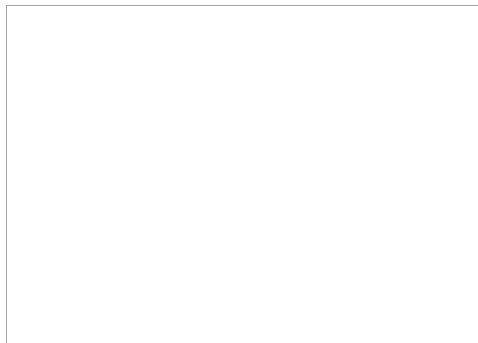
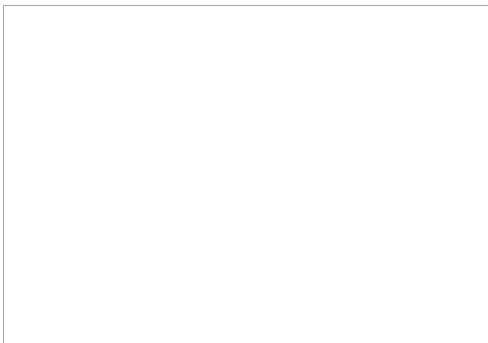
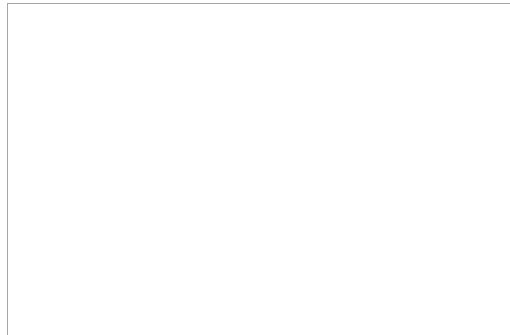
Bill Middleton

Norman Wilson

Tony Collendan

Joe Perce

Tommy Marshall



# Gane International (Datasc

Video/Article

Sponsored by John Egan of Gane International. Won the BTBA Nationals in 1998. Other players, Mark Smitg, Nev Westcarr, Paul Thomas.

## Leeds

## Players

Paul Armitage

Craig Foster

Paul Loberman

Lol Ellis

Jack Smith

Ron Oldfield

Wayne Greenall

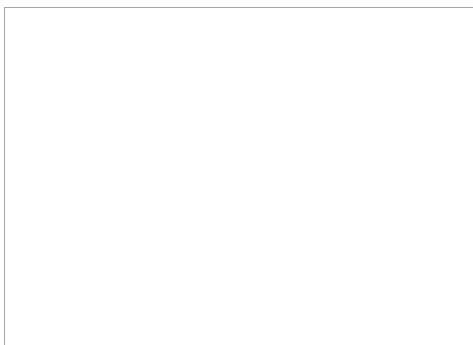
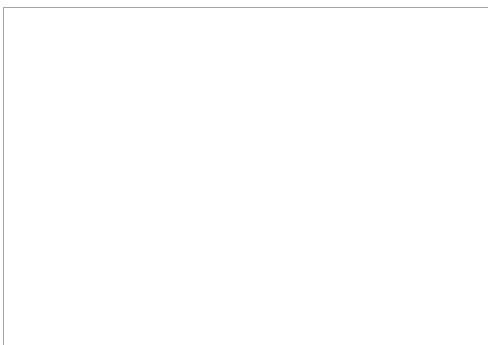
Nev Robinson

Nick Froggett

Stew Meadus

Ron Deacon

Paul Moor



# Gateshead Metro

Video/Article

Various

## Players

Formed in the mid 90s to play the Silk Cut National League winning in 95. Won the televised Baker Team Tournament in 95 shown on Sky Sports.

Jean Irvine

Norman Wilson

Mark Sturrock

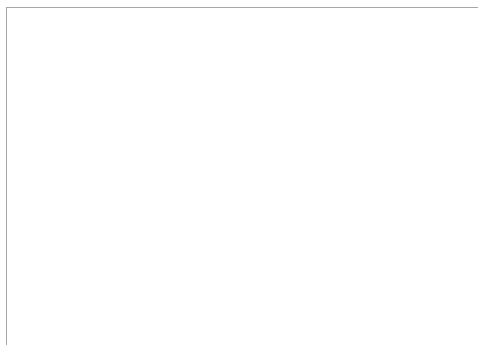
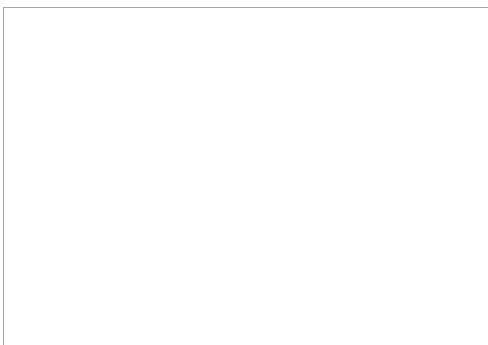
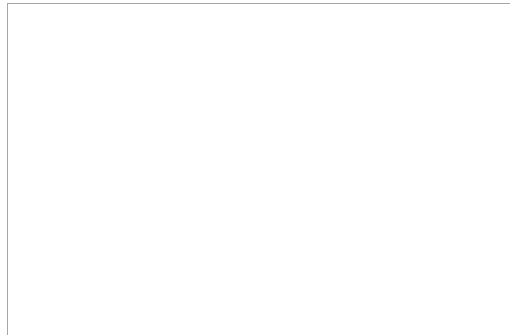
Jim Atkinson

Mick Barrett

Ricky Froidi

Micky Quinn

Alex Thompson



# Greyhounds

Video/Article

## Various

## Players

London based team from the 60s and 70s. Other players D Smith and J Mitcheal.

Brian Michael

Brian Wilkins

Len Gaston

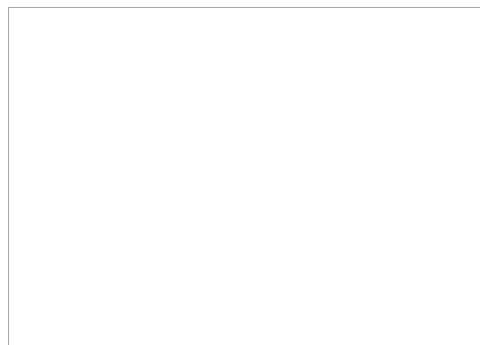
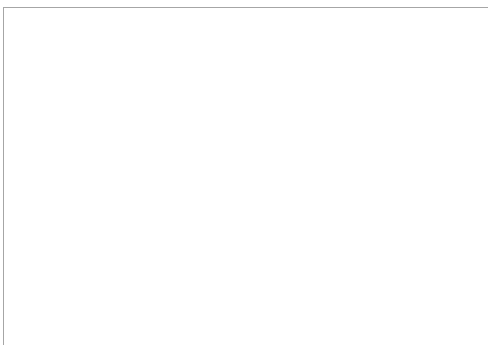
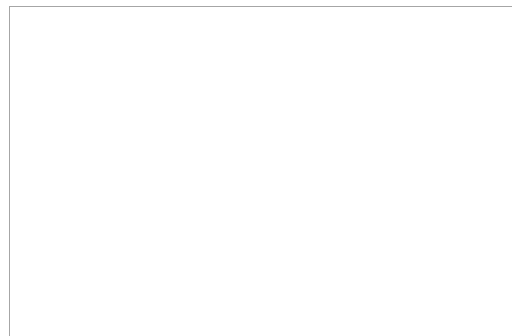
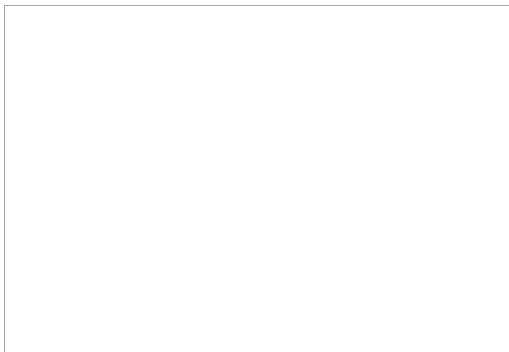
Phil Russell

Tony Samuels

Eric Butcher

Billy Bullock

Bernie White





# GT Pro Shop

Video/Article

Various

## Players

Great ladies team from the 80s and 90s not sure if there was a mens team. Won the Nationals in 1995.

Jan Hodge

Leigh Dale

Tracy Neal

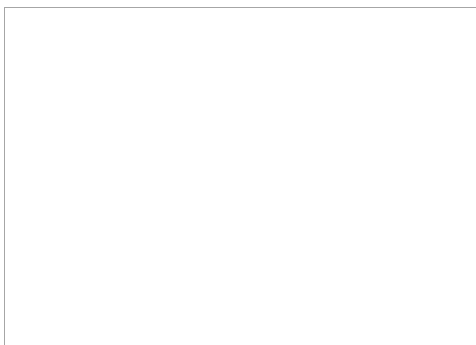
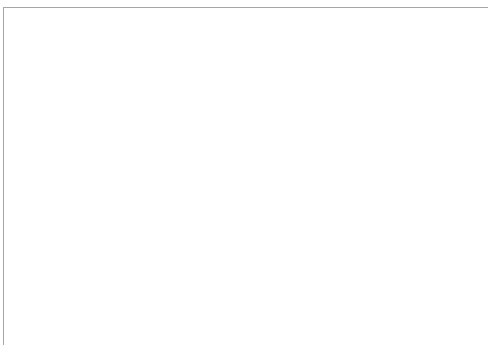
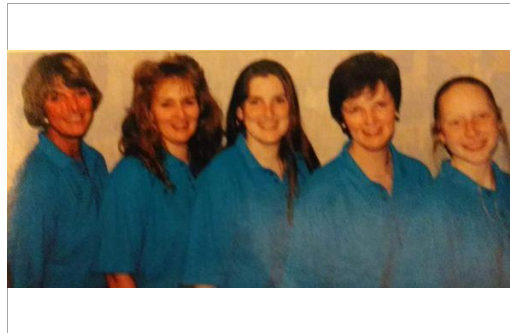
Lisa Avers

Kim Oakley

Jane Turvey

Tina Darvill

Judv Howlett



# Harry Stillers Classics

Video/Article

## Various

## Players

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Jon Revs other Team when he had many bowlers in his fold.

# Harry Stillers Racers

Video/Article

Jon Rev teams, won Paris 5s in 1968 and in 1971. One of the dominant teams in the 60s and 70s.

## Players

Ron Deacon

Dave Staples

Dave Taylor

Chris Buck

Edmund Claus

Clive Thomas

Tom Wooton

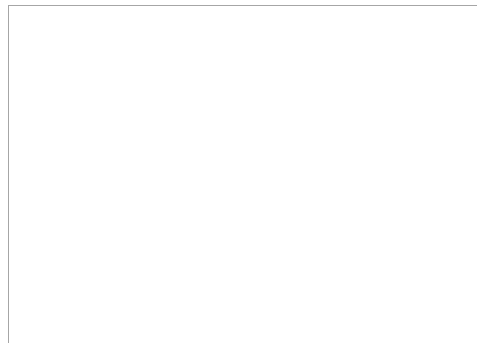
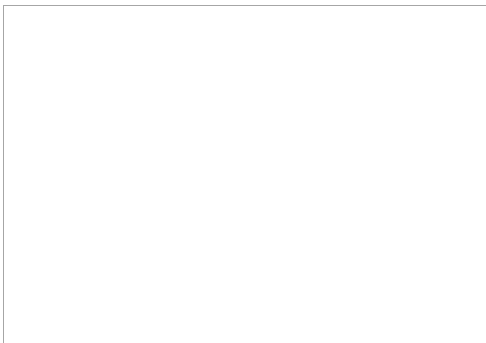
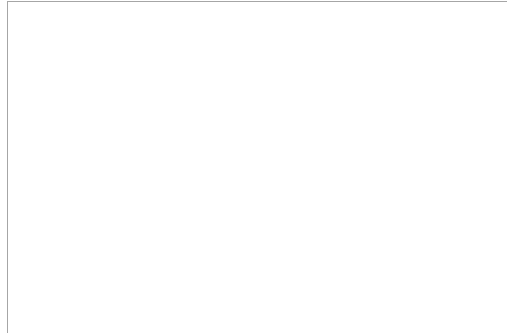
Phil Russell

Jon Reeves

Bernie Caterer



The Harry Stillers Racers, the most successful British team on the continent of Europe, winners of the Embassy, Benson and Sunmerry in Paris. Our picture shows, left to right, standing, Bernie Caterer, Edmund Claus, John Rev (Team Manager), Tom Wooton, kneeling, Dave Taylor, Jon Reeves.



# Mallory Chargers

Video/Article

Mainly played in the 60s. Also played Mick King and Peter Sumner. Forerunner to the Sceptres.

## Various

## Players

Andy Maclaren

Roy Bowers

Brian Lever

Tommv Marshall

Neil Lever

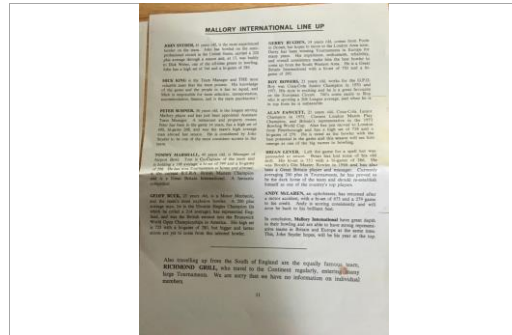
John Snyder

Phil Russell

Alan Fawcett

Geoff Buck

George Patel



# Matchplay(STFU)

Video/Article

Various

## Players

Formed in late 90s winning the Scott Banks Trios 4 times. Won Paris 5s in 2000. ? Luke Hampshaw

Wayne Greenall

Micky Ross

Paul Boyle

Mel Seelev

Norman Hamed

Phil Scammell

Tony Staples

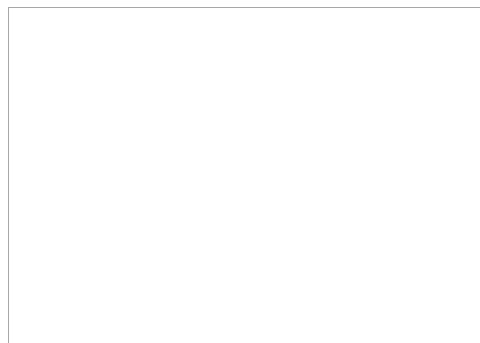
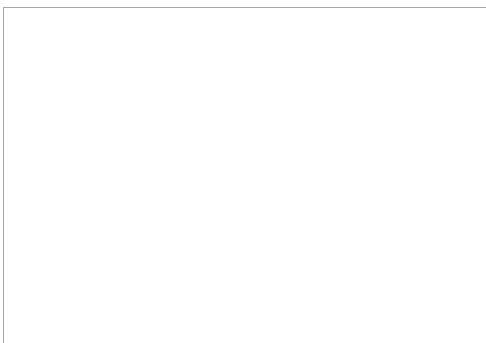
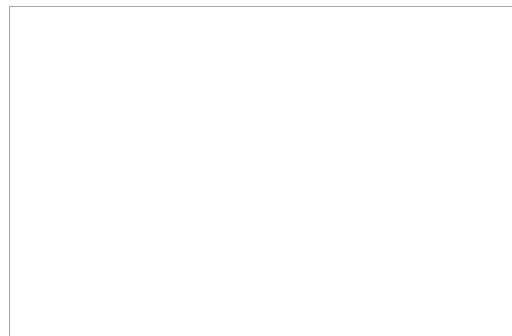
Steve Gomersall

Paul Evans Jnr

Steve Thornton

Kirsten Pennv

Steve Letchford

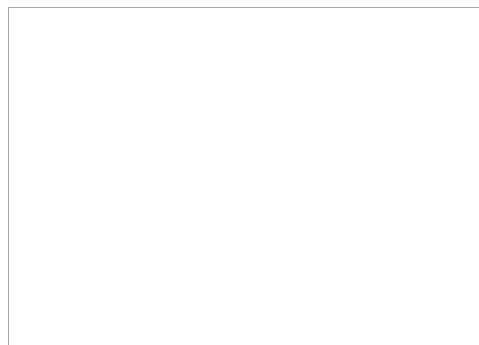
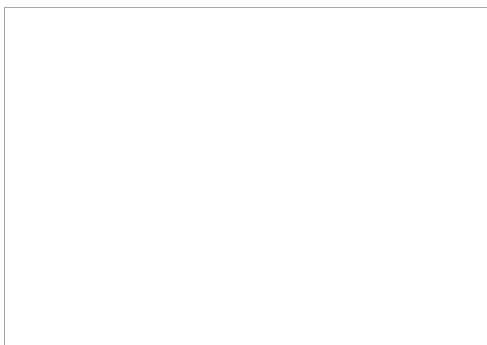
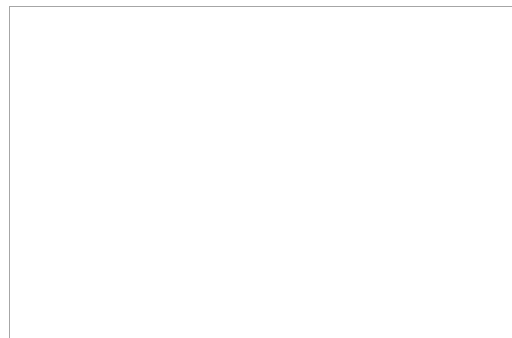
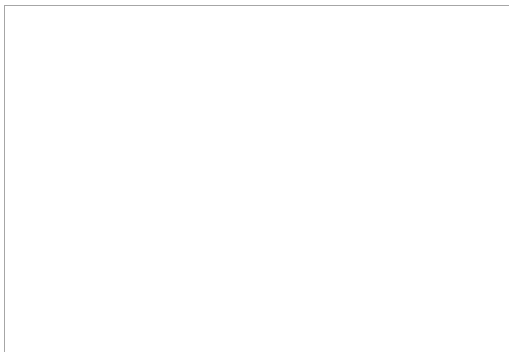
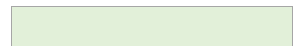
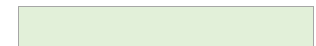
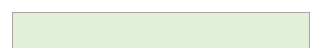


# Mecca Sport Tree Top

Video/Article



## Players



# Mystery 5

Video/Article

Leeds

## Players

Great Northern team from the 80s, won Paris B final in 1986.

Nigel Ogbonson

Jack Smith

Paul Thomas

John Chambers

Eddie Simpson

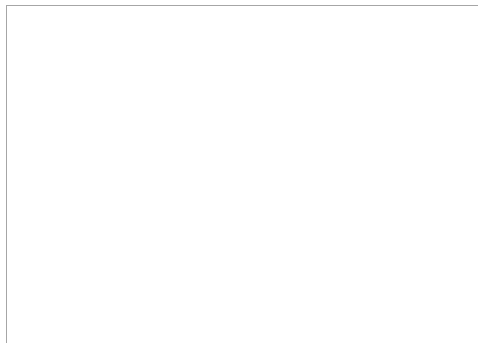
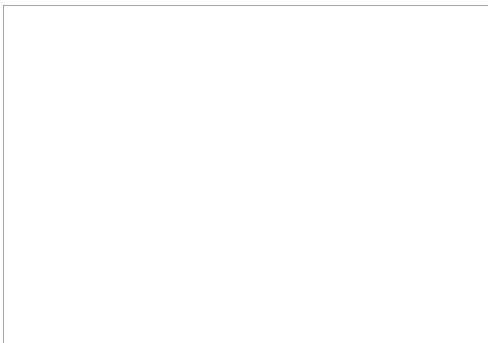
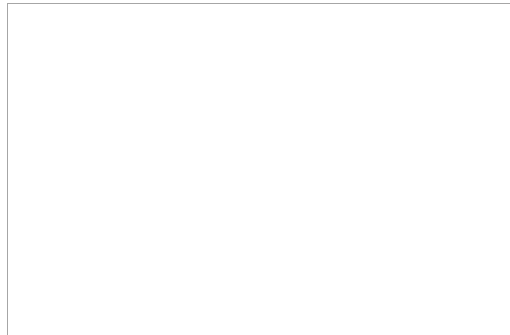
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Paul Creighton

Paul Armitage

Mick Lister

Keith Ashcroft

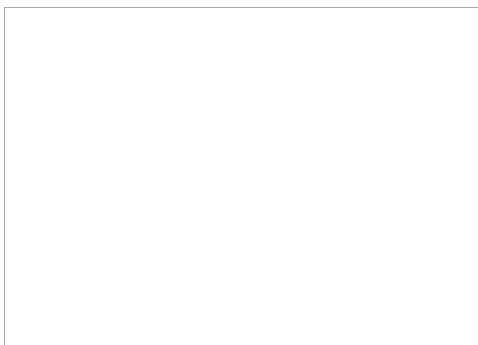
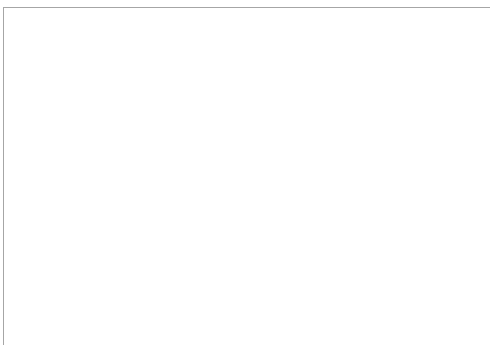
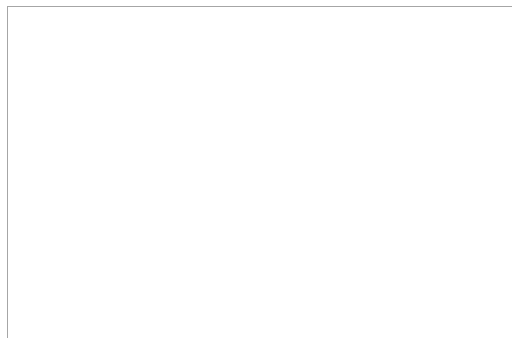
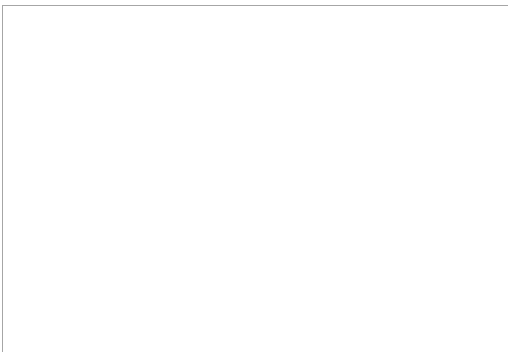
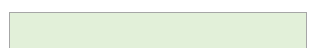


# Nomads

Video/Article



## Players





# NWS (In-Bank))

Video/Article

Various

## Players

Nev Robinsons team played for many years in domestic events, were always a danger team.

Nev Robinson

Martin

Norman Wilson

Joan

Dave Pettit

Amos Burke

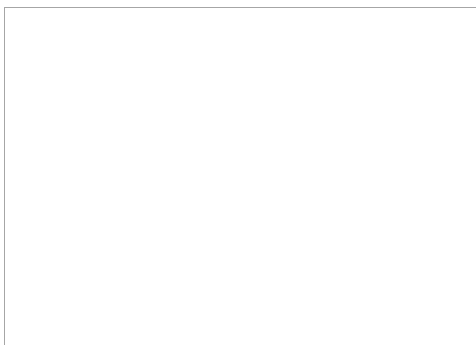
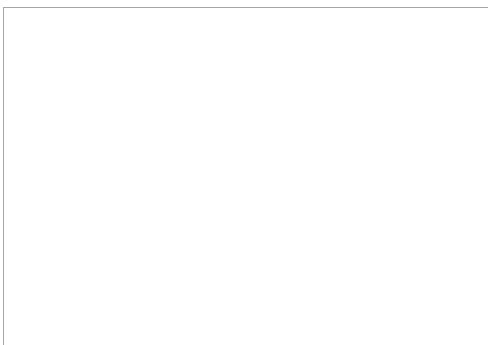
Paula Pettit

Rick Couldwell

Albie

Dave Taylor

Russ



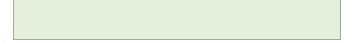
# Ovaltine 5

Video/Article



## Players

**Chris Buck**



**Tony Mercer**



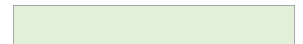
**Mick West**



**Graham West**



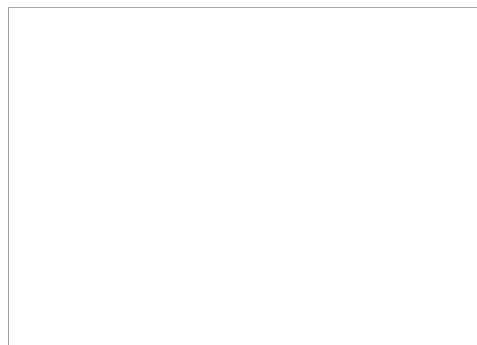
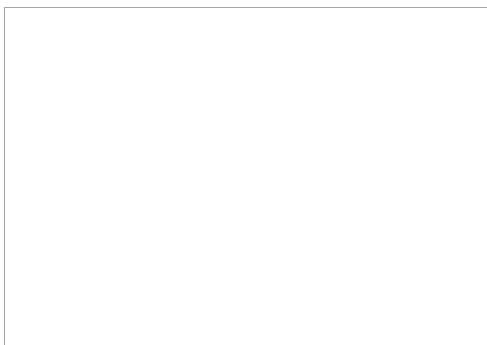
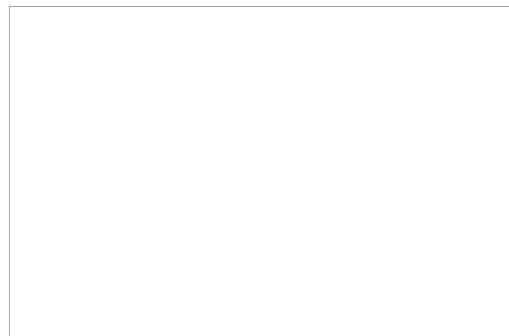
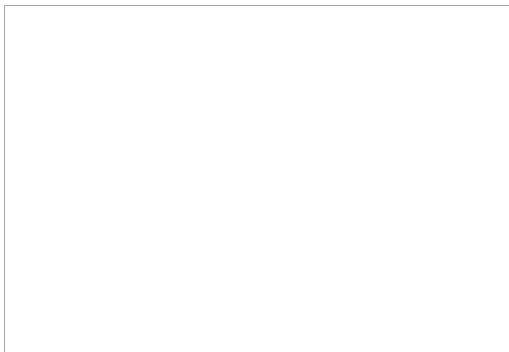
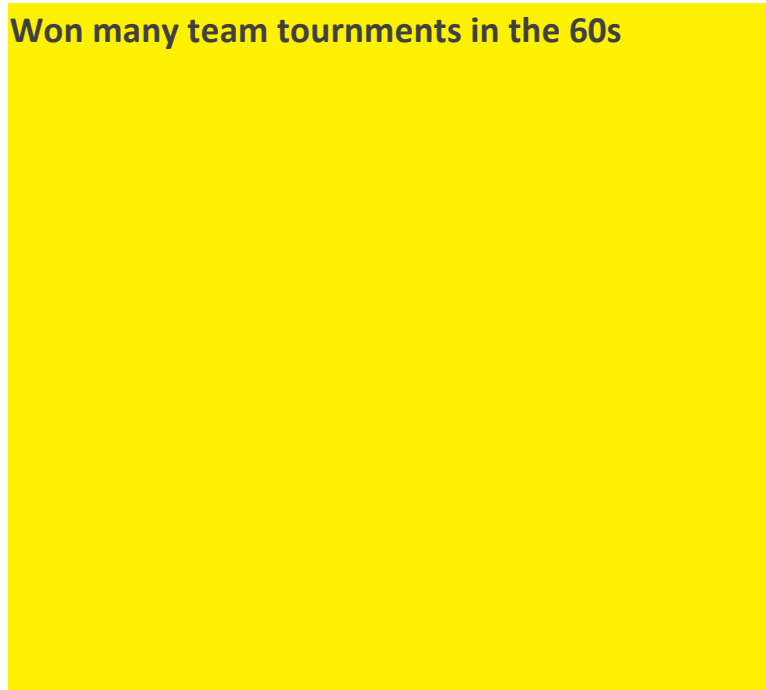
**Jimmy Mullins**



**Tony Blanchett**



Won many team tournaments in the 60s



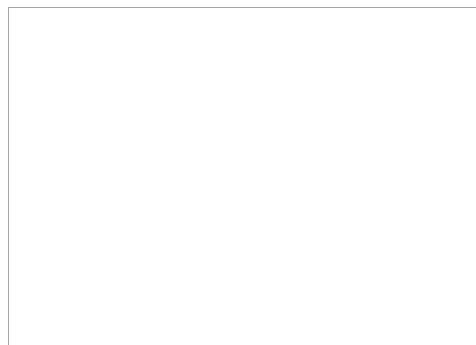
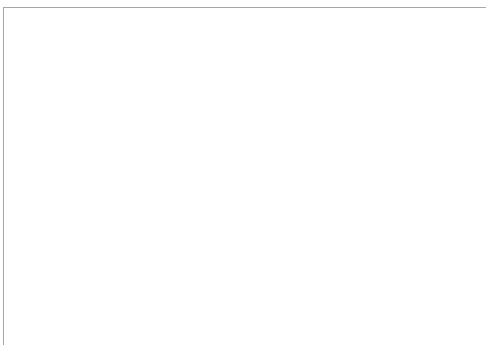
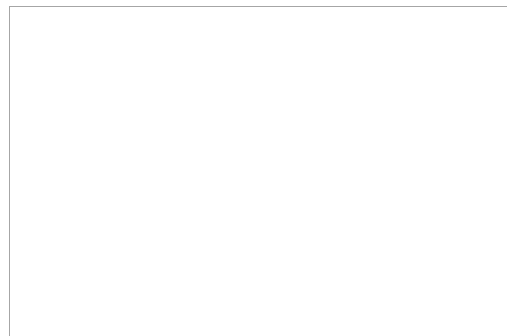
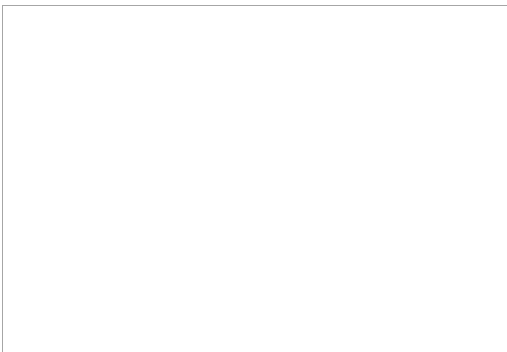
# PHX

Video/Article

## Players

**Bruce Pearce**

**Peter Hood**



# Playboys

Video/Article

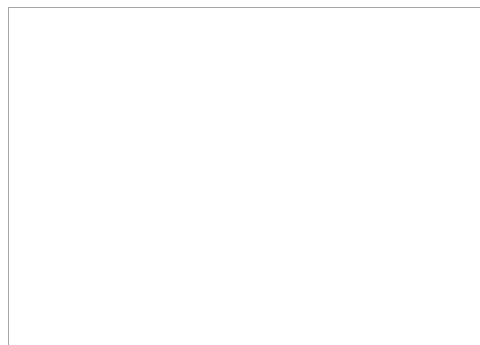
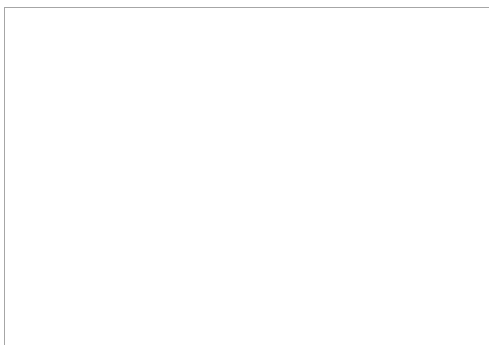
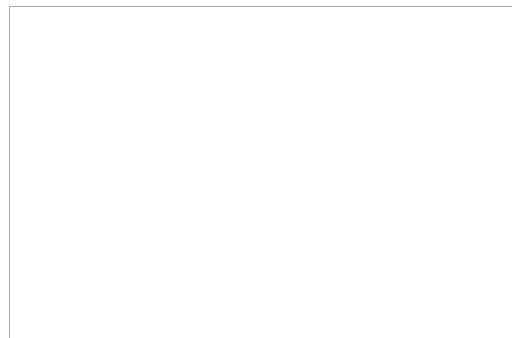
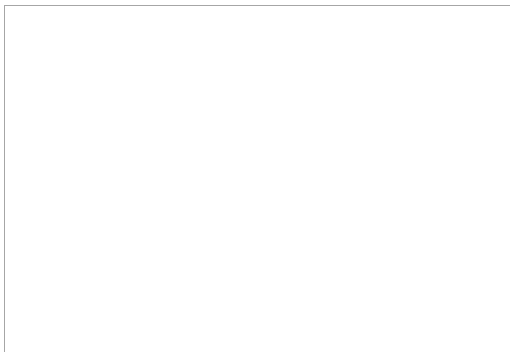
## Cliftonville

<https://wp.talktenpin.net/2018/07/21/kents-pl>

### Players

#### Jerry Moll


### Kent based



# Powerplay

Video/Article

Various

Poerplay Pro Shop team started in early 2000s. Great bowling team theroughout the 2000s and 2010s.

## Players

Ben Zadel

Mike Quarry

Daniel Stride

Jon Zadel

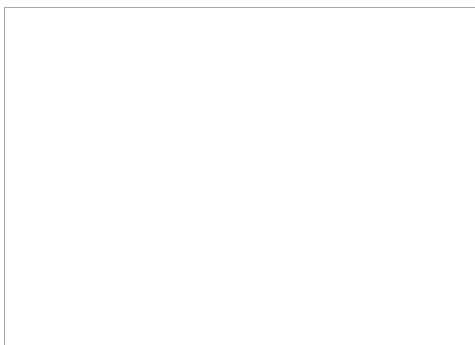
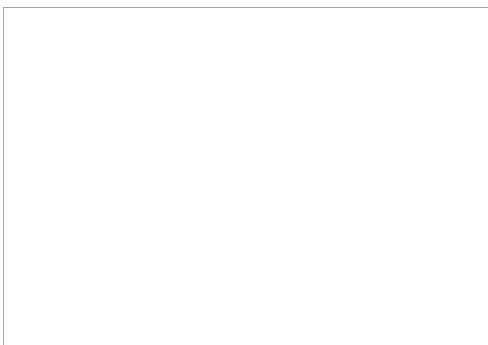
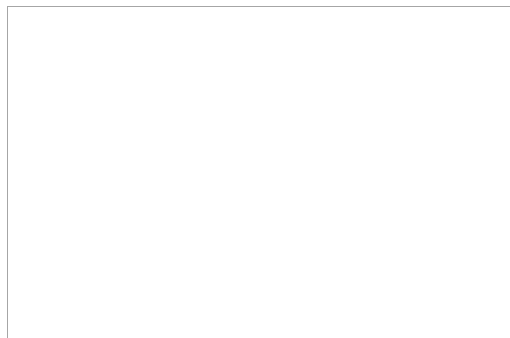
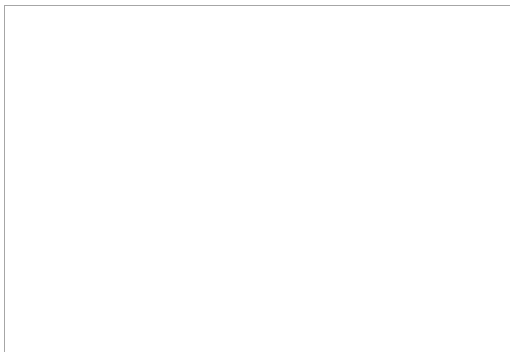
Rob Thurlby

Alex Hamilton

Zara Glover (Giles)

Ricky Frolidi

Steve Thornton



# RAF UK

Video/Article

## Various

## Players

**Dave Gilbert**

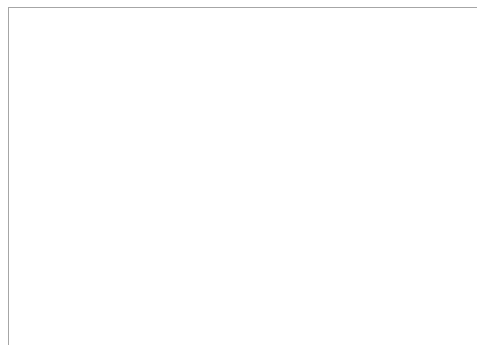
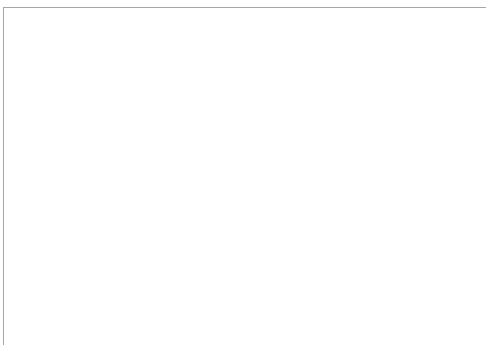
**Barry Mills**

**Ray Kennedy**

**John Self**

**Bob Dav**

Played many events in the Uk and abroad for many years.



# Richmond Grill

Video/Article

## Portsmouth

<https://youtu.be/dxNbSHdUsAM>

### Players

Mo Knapp

Dave Sakkas

Paul LeManquais

Phil Jones

Neil Le Manquais

Paul Evans Jnr

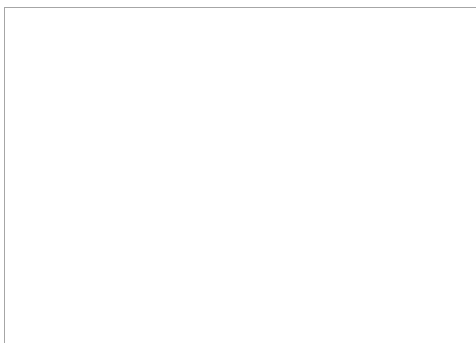
Clive Thomas

Roger Creamer

Trever Birch

Maurie Phillot

Portsmouth based, Mike Parker. One of the longest surviving teams with many members still playing.



# Rollrite

Video/Article

Originated in Nottingham but quickly attracted the top players of the time. Won many tournaments in the UK and Europe including the Paris 5s, Coca Cola 5s, Euro 5s, BTBA Nationals, Scott Banks but perhaps their greatest achievement was coming 17th in the ABC Nationals in the USA out of 12,000 teams.

## Various

### Players

Mario Josef

Chris Snashall

Nick Froggett

Dave Parker

Paul Moor

Leon Devlin

Rob Thurlby

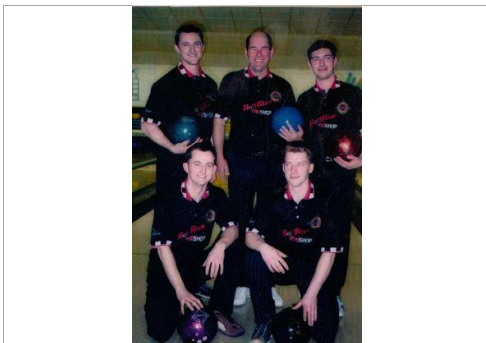
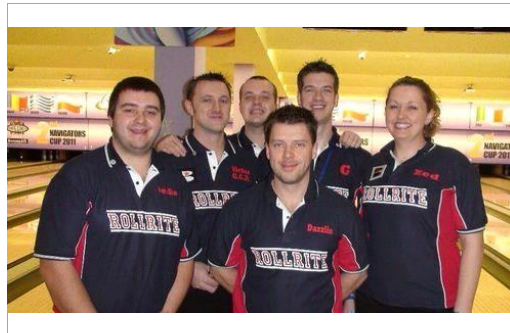
Donna Adams

Darren Cundv

Mel Seelev

Keith Hodge

Julian Cawthorne





# Rota (Trap 5) (Delta)

Video/Article

Sheffield

## Players

Leeds and Sheffield primarily, played for a number of decades throughout the UK and abroad.

Ron Deacon

Al Jenkins

Ron Oldfield

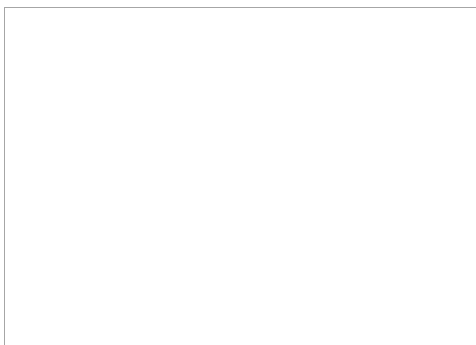
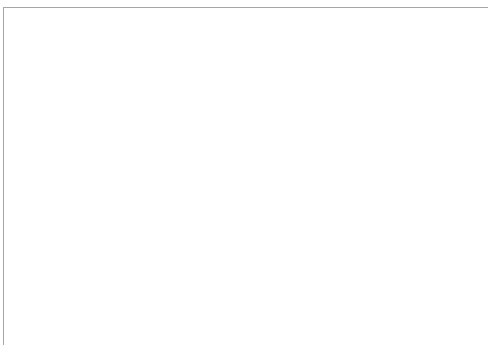
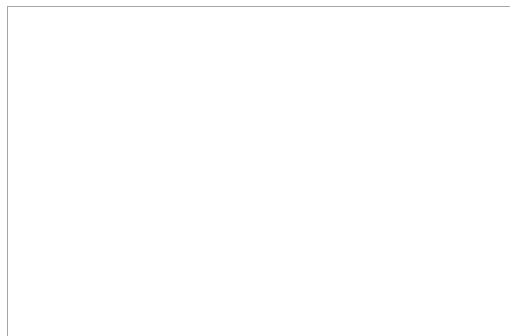
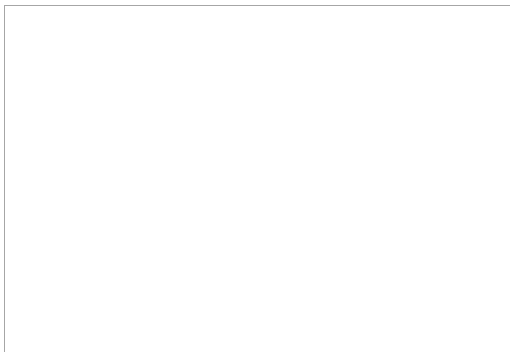
Jack Smith

Rick Couldwell

Gary Barlow

Amos Burke

Al Turner



# Scepters

Video/Article

London based team from the 60s and 70s. Other players P Robinson and Dez Richardson. Great team and great players.

## Players

Eric Butcher

Dave Staples

Geoff Buck

Tony Blanchett

Geoff Liddiard

Stu Bradley

Tony Samuels

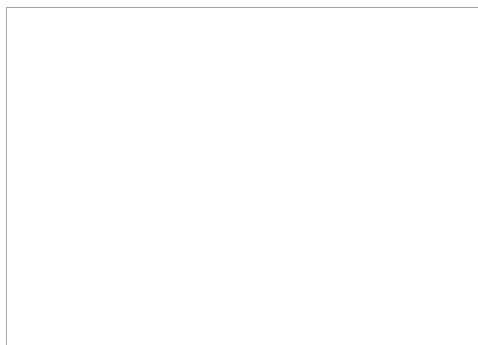
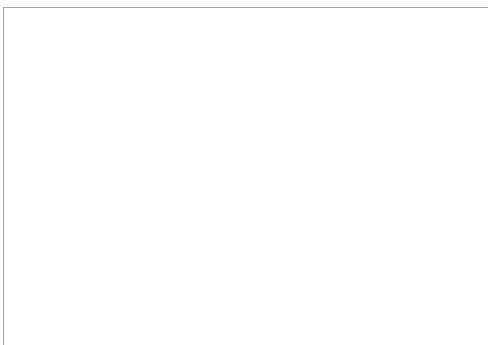
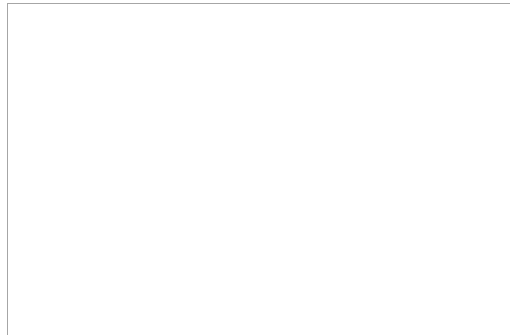
Chris Wheeler

Brian Michael

Tommy Marshall

Chris Buck

John Dawson



# Schlitz All Stars

Video/Article

## Players



# Sherborne Rubber Rollers

Video/Article

## Birmingham

### Players

Tony King

Maurice Depoivy

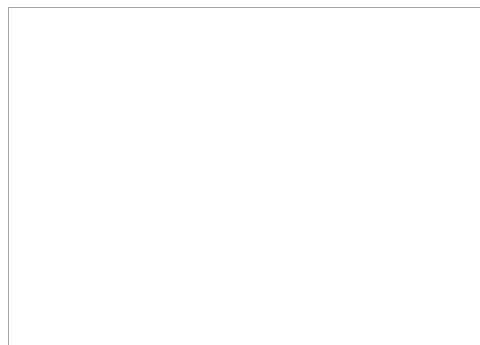
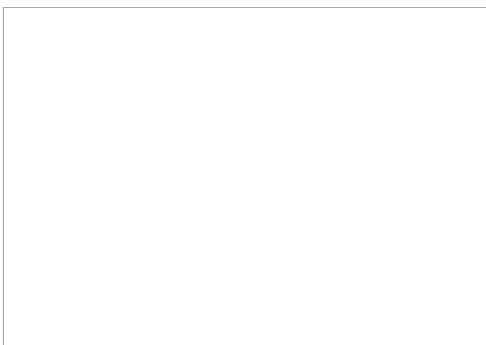
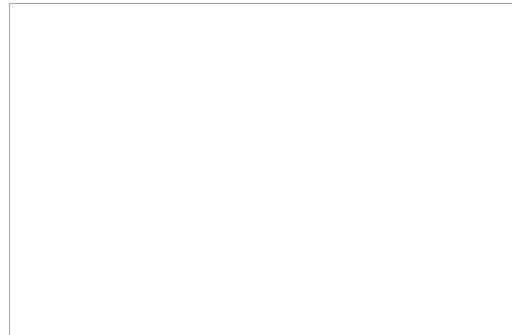
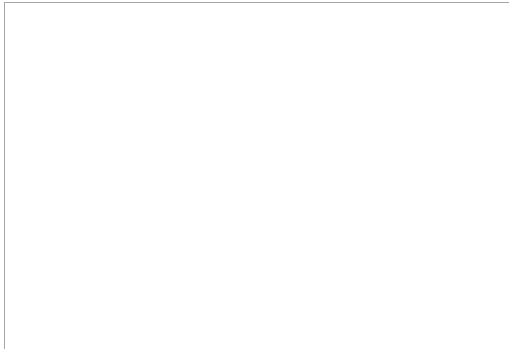
Larry Lalone

Jim Walters

Norman Webb

Les Williams

Great team from the 60s.



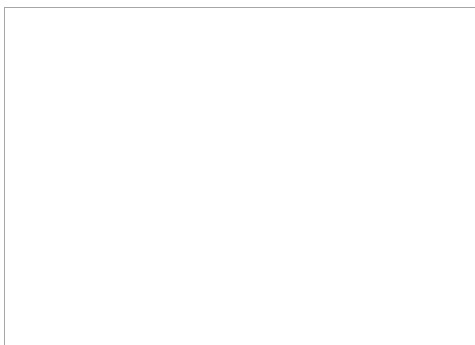
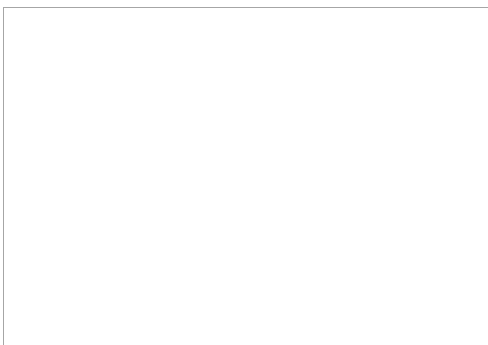
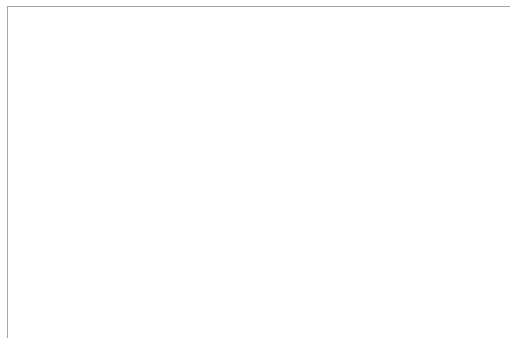
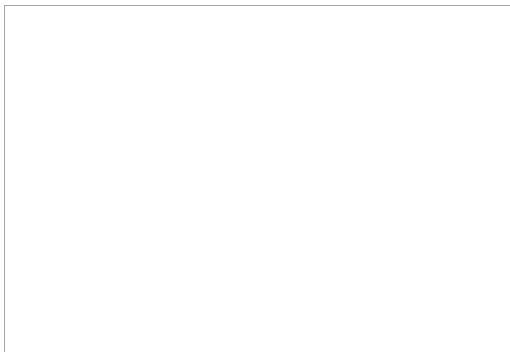
# Southend Travellers

Video/Article

## Southend

### Players

Sure Peter Baboy played for them??

# Tara

Video/Article

## Harrow

### Players

Steve Wright

Phil Stein

Ian Buckland

Martyn Lambert

Barry Wiggs

Ken Wheeler

Guy Lipscomb

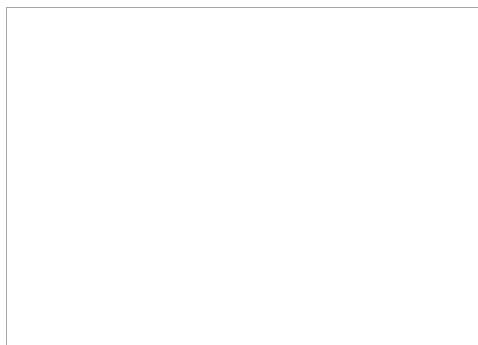
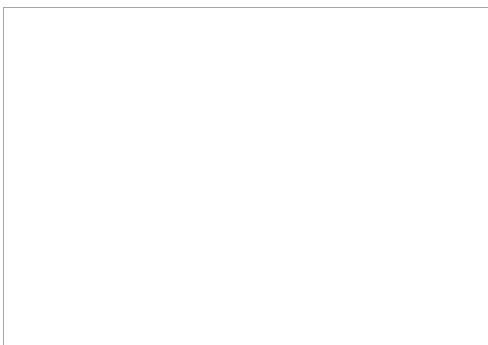
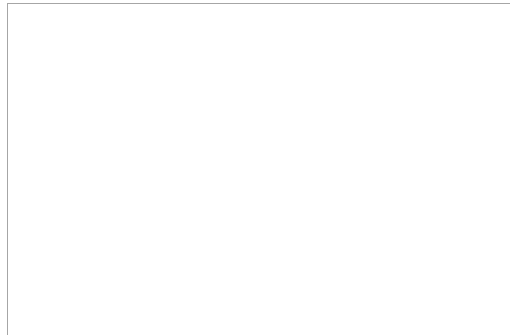
Scott Wilson

Mike Dobson

Andy Giles

Mike Wolrond

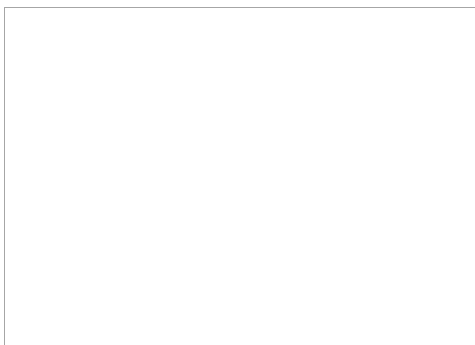
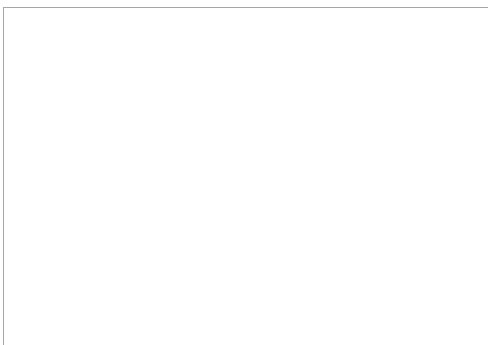
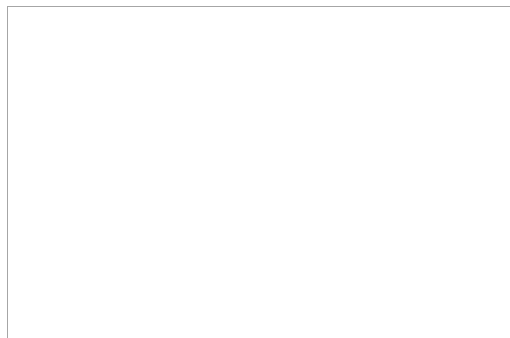
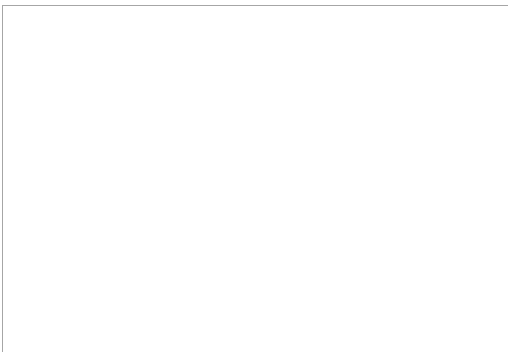
One of Tenpin Bowlings longest established teams.



# Tavern Automatics

Video/Article

## Players



# Team AMF (Honky Tonk)

Video/Article

Won Paris 5s and Coca Cola 5s n 1997. Ladies team won BTBA Nationals in 1999. Won Paris in 2002 under name Honky Tonk.

## Various

## Players

Geoff Buck

Jo Harries (Cundy)

Geoff Brown

Nikki Harvev (Ham

Wayne Greenall

Lisa John

Richard Hood

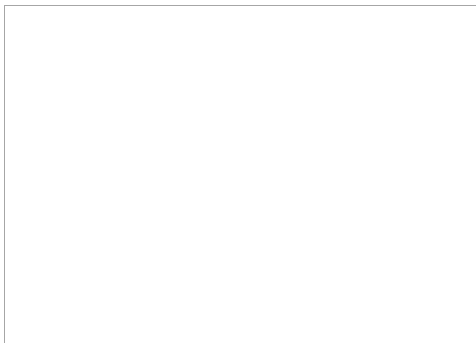
Gemma Burden

Paul Bovle

Jon Zadel

Kirsten Pennv

Greg Pullinger





# Team Camel

Video/Article

## Players

Lol Ellis

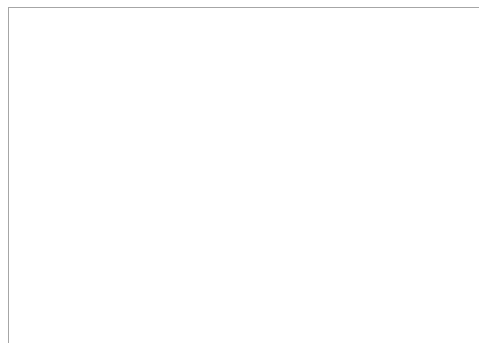
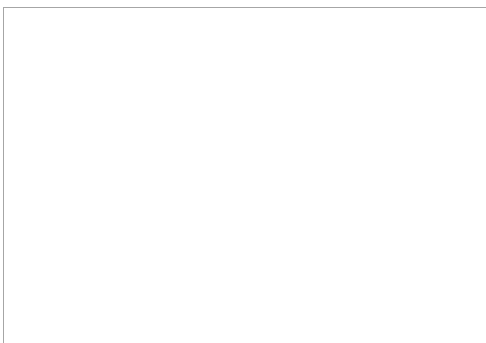
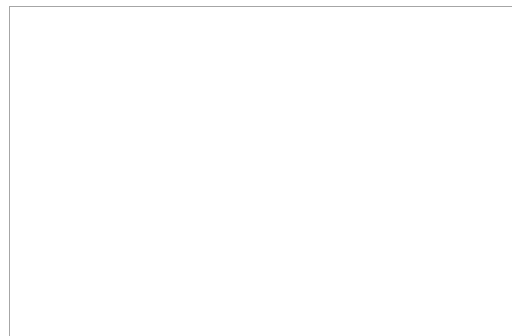
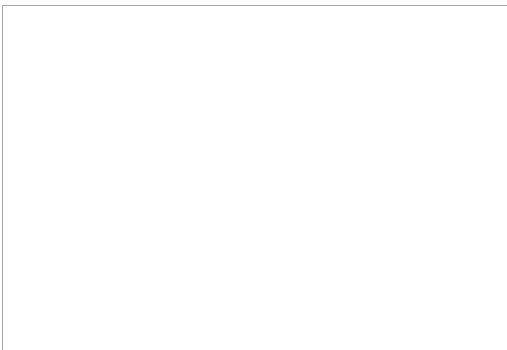
Kat Little

Lee Chatfield

Josh Goldswain

Stuart Little

Chris Maughan



# Team Ebonite

Video/Article

## Sheffield

### Players

Marcel Demery

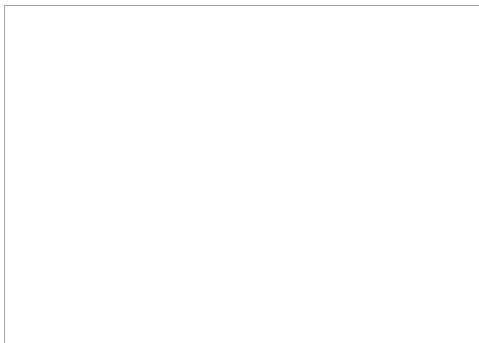
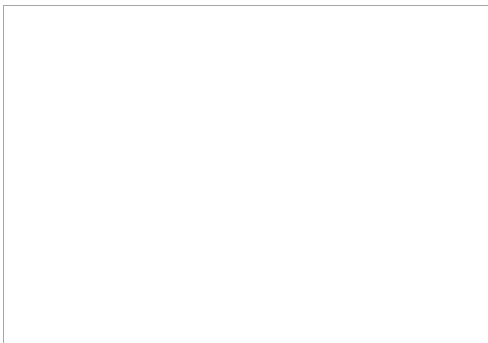
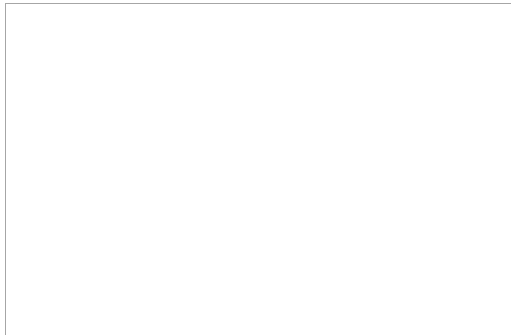
Dave Taylor

Dave Wardle

Geoff Megson

Rick Couldwell

Jim Demery



# Team Exmedia

Video/Article

Various

## Players

Em Johnson

Paul Delany

Gemma Burden

Wayne Greenall

Jo Harries (Cundy)

David Tovey

Nikki Harvey (Ha

Paul Carter

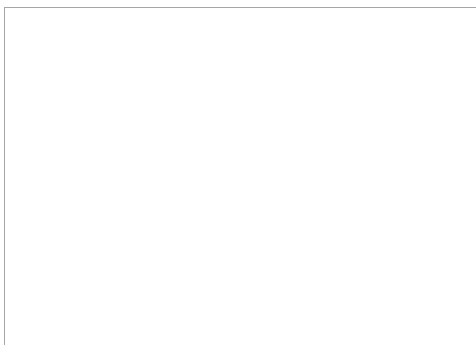
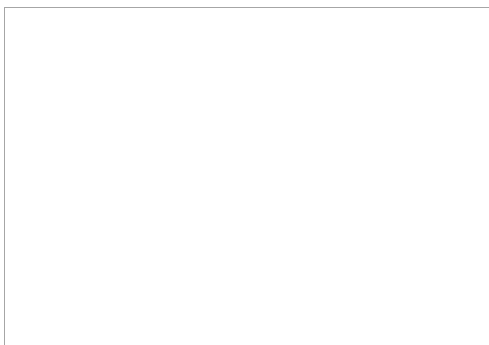
Mel Isaac (Oates)

Peter Gibson

Kirsten Pennv

Brian Michael

Formed in the mid 90s.



# Team Instaflow

Video/Article

## Various

## Players

Formed in the 70s and won the last Sctatch Sixes at Sheffield.

Stu Bradley

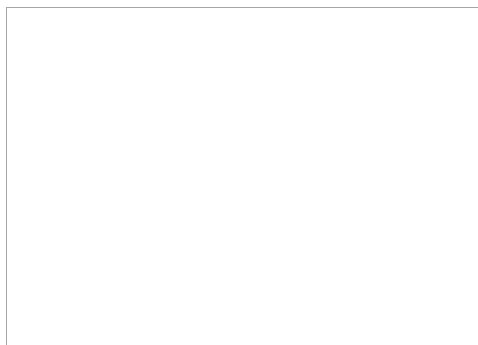
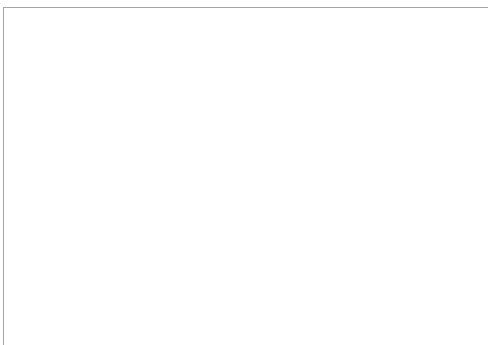
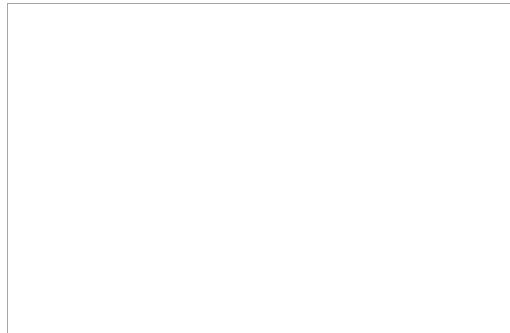
Geoff Buck

Chris Buck

Steve Gomersall

Tommy Marshall

Alan Fawcett



# Team Midas

Video/Article

Various

## Players

Sponsored by Stew Meadus played many events in the 2000s winning the 2002 Nationals. Won the European 5s in Norwich in 2002.

Stew Meadus

Mark Smith

Ron Oldfield

Jack Smith

Ron Deacon

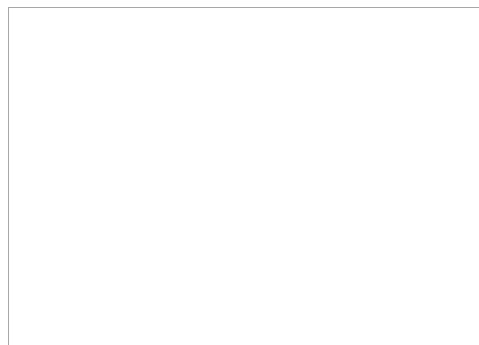
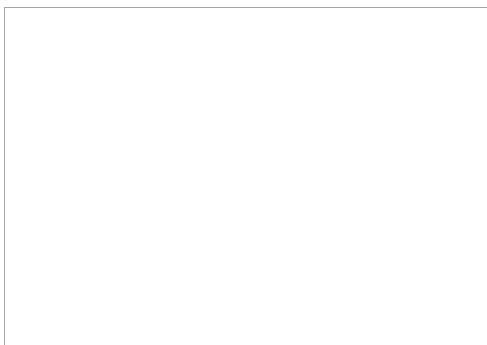
Paul Armitage

Simon Kay

Tony Heath

John Gamble

Nev Robinson



# Team Solant

Video/Article

## South Coast

## Players

Dave Woods

Daniel Stride

Bradley Jerram

Steve Thornton

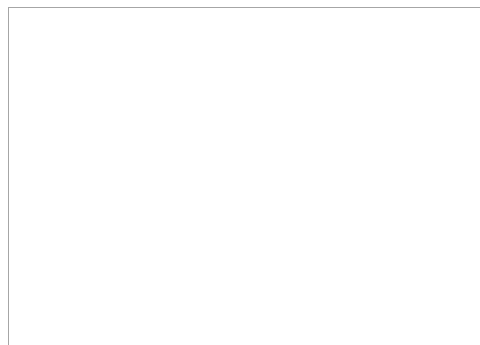
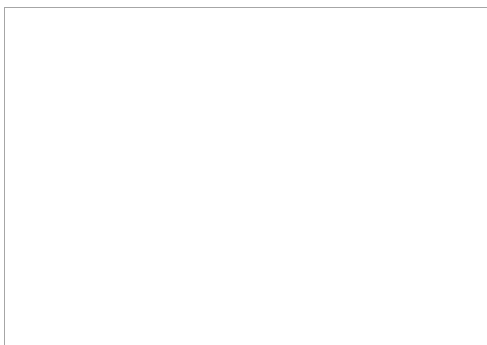
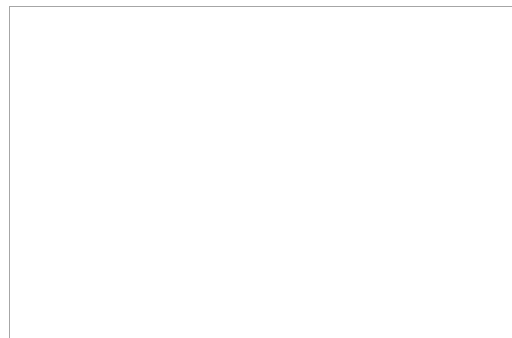
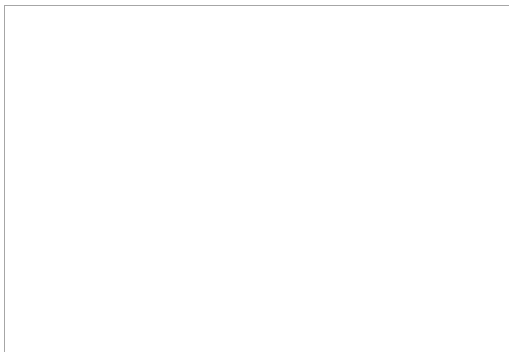
Steve Porter

Rob Tanner

Scott Allison

Mark Heathorn

Players from Bitterne, Havant and Poole. Don't mention Paris 98.

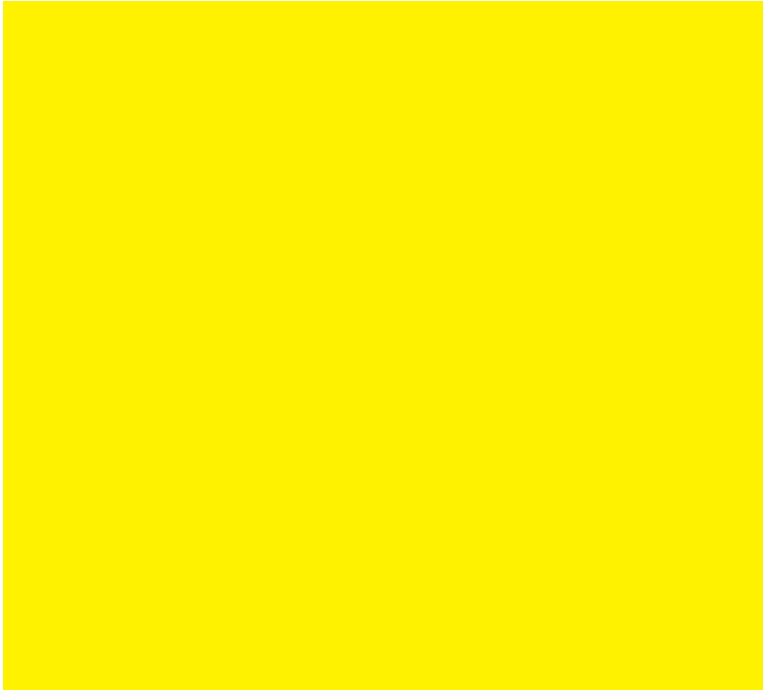


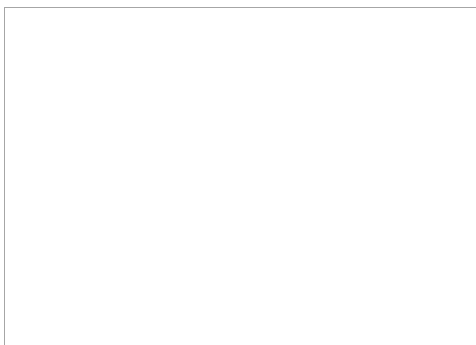
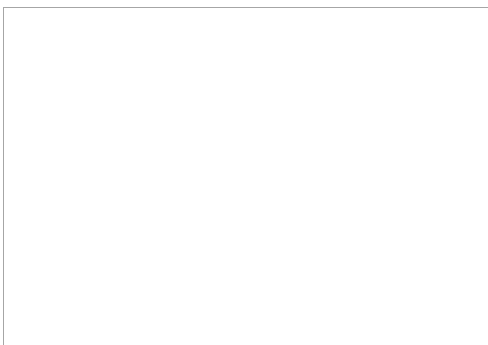
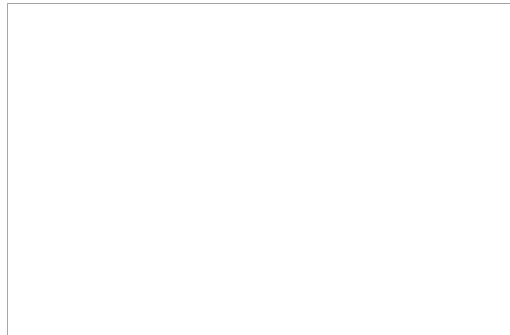
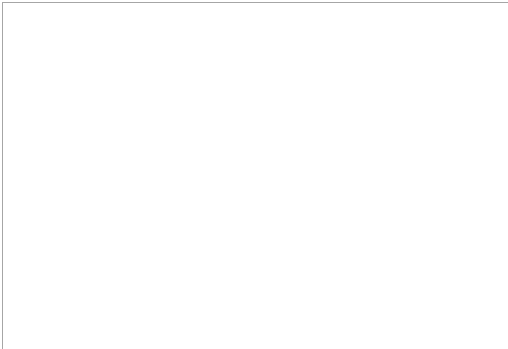
# Tiny's Taxis

Video/Article

## Southend

### Players



# Tutti Frutti

Video/Article

Team made up from the top lady bowlers in the 80s.

## Various

## Players

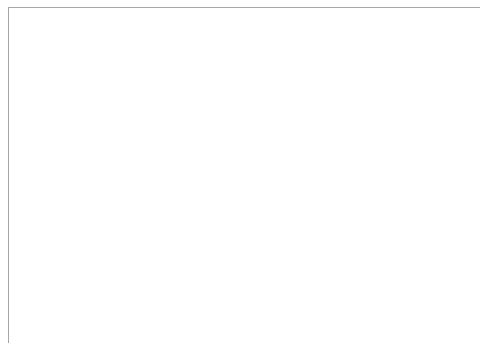
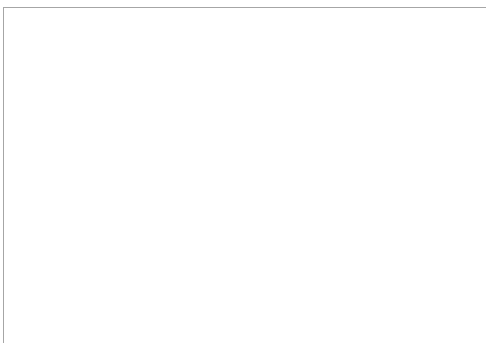
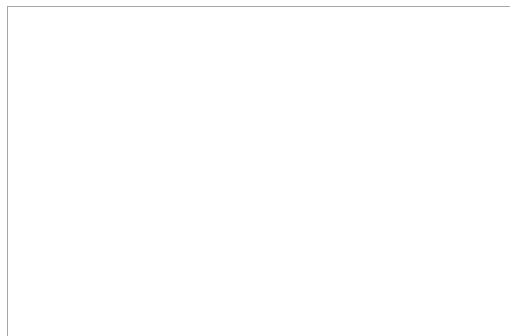
Pat Dew

Jan Hodge

Jane Viot

Judy Howlett

Shelaugh Leonnar





# Umbra

Video/Article

Belle Vue

## Players

Rob Whittingham

Craig Cronshaw

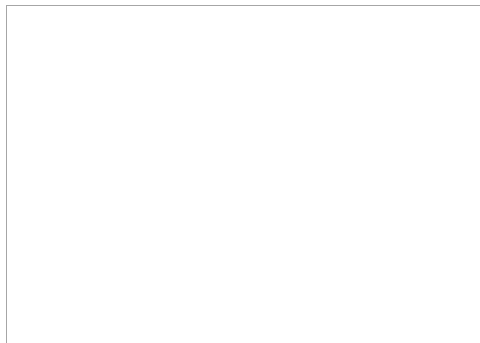
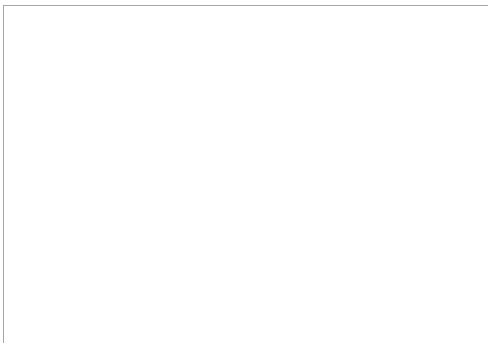
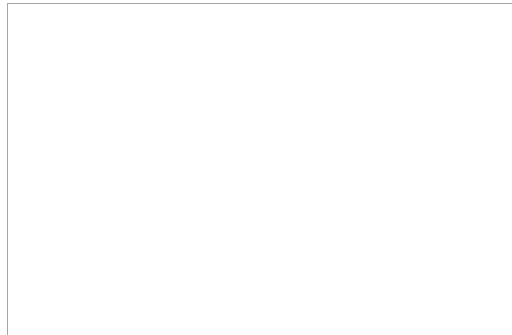
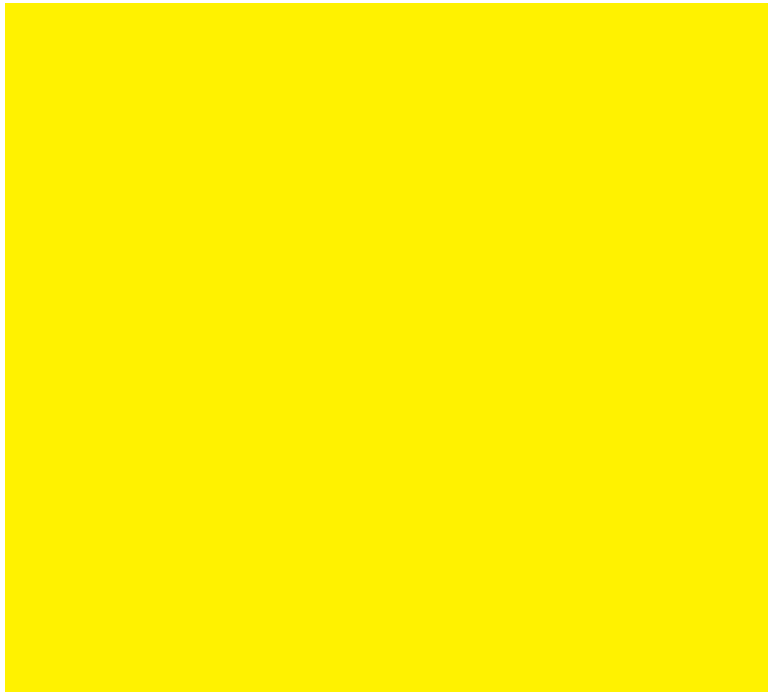
Geoff Blamire

Barry Graham

Paul Bennett

Mike Clancy

Kevin Lamb



# Wembley All Stars

Video/Article

## Wembley

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NXLwBo1>

### Players

London based team in the 60s and 70s. Formally the London All Stars and the Schlitz All Stars. Other players Paul Carpenter , B Lever, R Cook, J Fisher.

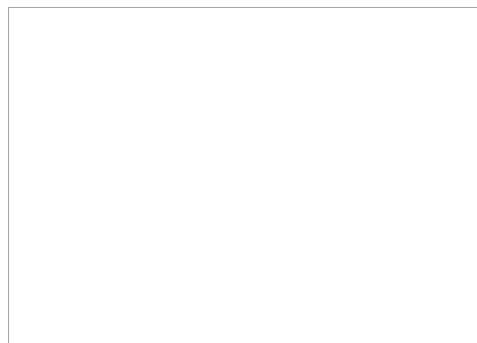
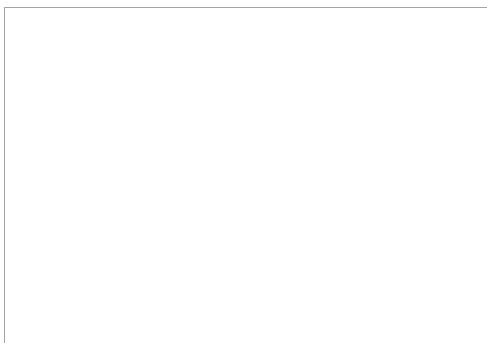
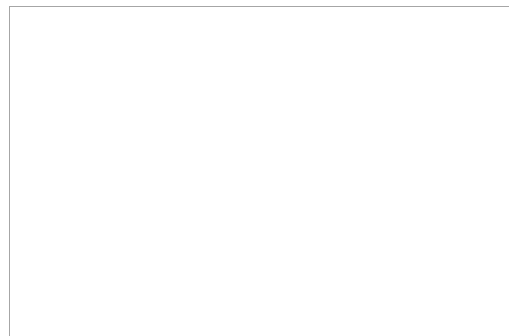
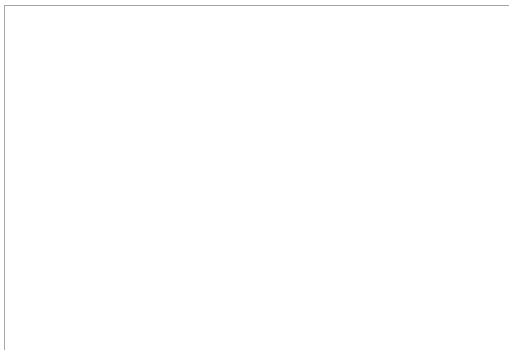
Phil Russell

Loke Coleman

R Haggan

Bobby Mansfield

Del Brough



# Wilsonair

Video/Article

## Various

### Players

## Winners in Scheveningham in 87

Phil Scammell

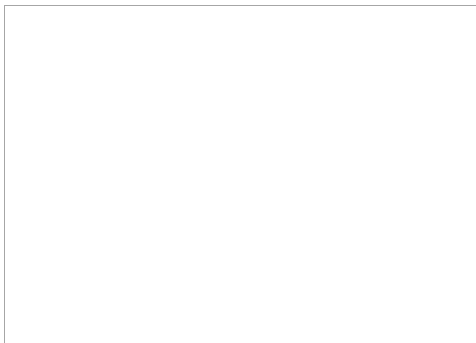
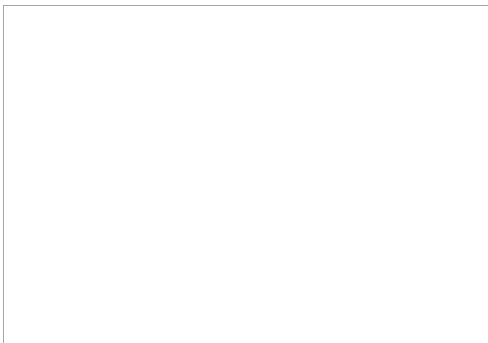
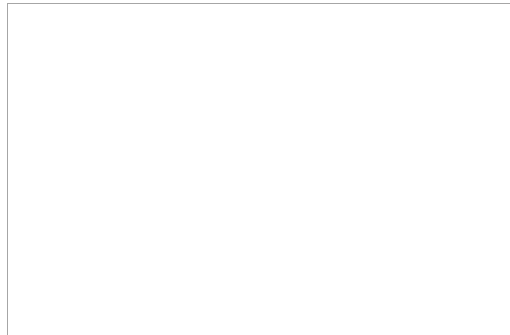
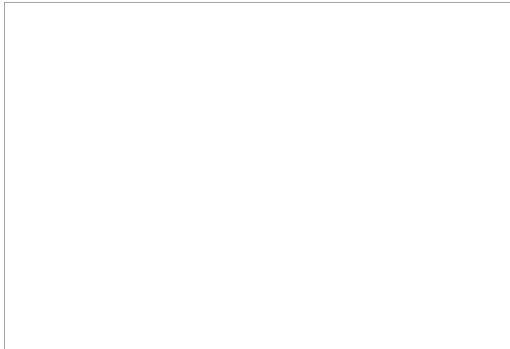
Graham Botting

George Patel

Paul Creighton

Svd Symonds

Kevin Hills



# Witney Specials

Video/Article

Based at Brize Noton, well respected team in the 80s and 90s.

Witney

## Players

Derek Toogood

Steven Malley

Kim Johnson

Phil O'Neil

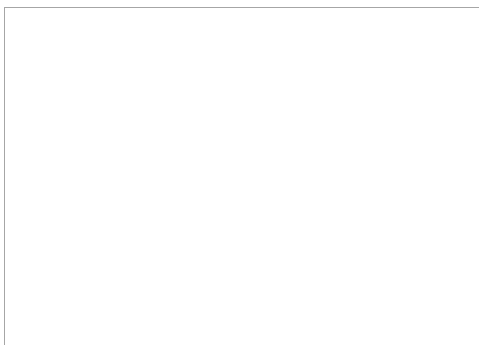
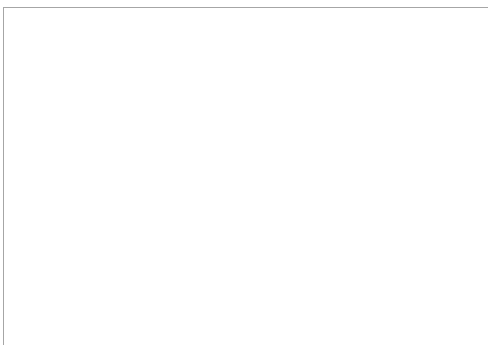
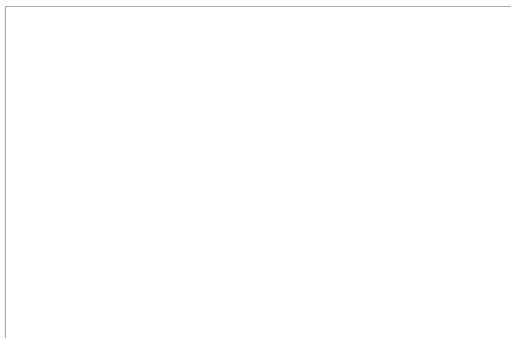
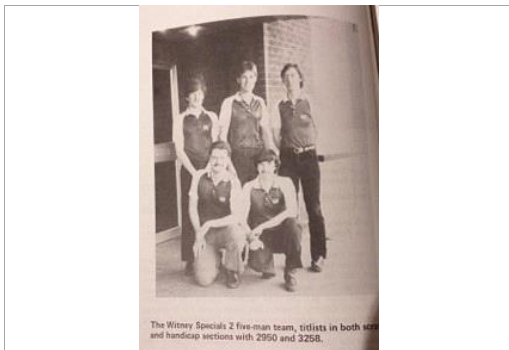
Gary Baker

Ian Wilkinson

Dean Baker

Bob Dav

Ken Iredale



# World of Tenpin

Video/Article

## Various

## Players

Formed in the 90s winning Coca Cola 5s in 1994 and Euro 5s in 1995.

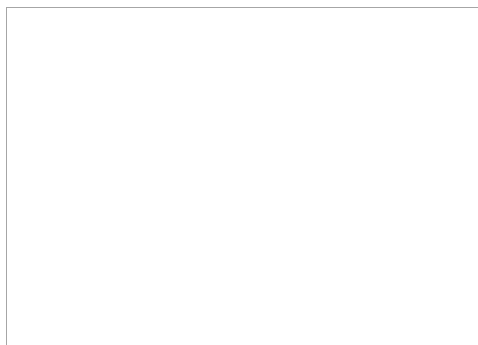
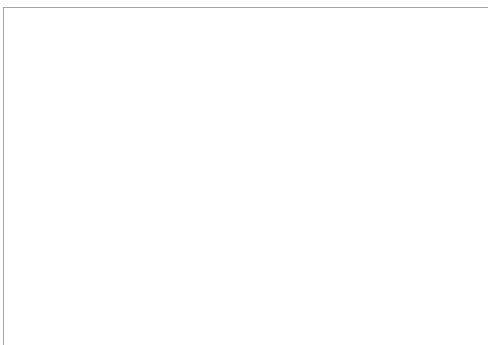
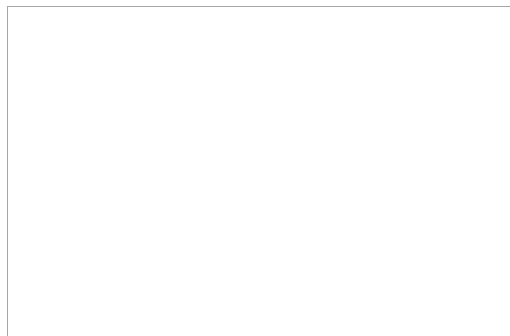
Steve Gomersall

Geoff Buck

Chris Buck

Richard Hood

Wayne Greenall



# Yorkshire Bank

Video/Article

## Leeds

## Players

Gina Wardle

Sue Megson

Linda Woodham

Pat Taylor

## Top Ladies Team in the 80s

