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The Newsletter of Denby Bowls Club.

Still a lot to play for

The 2025 season is now rushing towards its conclusion and will be over in the blink of an eye. Yet there is still a lot to play for as our league, cup and Club competitions reach their final stages.

Firstly let's look at how we are faring in league competitions:

South Derbyshire Tuesday League



The Tuesday team have done well in our first season back in the South Derbyshire League and, at the time of writing, sit in the second promotion spot. But, with 4 games still to play, including a visit to runaway leaders Belper Pottery, noone is counting their chickens at this stage. We need to continue to play well to hold off the challenge of third placed Allestree A

Over 55's



Our Over 55's look set to finish in mid-table, with 3 games to play + points to be added for the game that Belper Pottery B conceded.

A reasonable season that could have been so much better if we hadn't made such a poor start, losing our opening 5 games.

Wednesday Doubles

The Doubles team went into their final match of the season knowing that they will be relegated.

Despite that there remains a great team spirit as evidenced by their thrashing of table topping Etwall in the final match. Hopefully, as promising new players gain experience, we will bounce straight back next season.

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Wednesday Doubles League

Print Tables

Click on a team name for full details

The Act Position is based on average points to reflect true position when there are matches not played

Table for Division 3																	
Position			Matches				Games			Aggregate			Ded	Averages			Totals
Pos	Act	Team	PI	W	L	Dr	PI	W	L	For	Opp	Agg	For	Home	Away	Avg	Points
1	1	Etwall	14	10	2	2	70	49	21	1314	998	+316		101	86	8.6	120
2	2	Holbrook B	14	9	3	2	70	41	29	1217	1146	+71		93	81	7.1	100
3	3	Little Eaton B	14	8	4	2	70	36	34	1165	1183	-18		91	75	6.4	90
4	4	Chaddesden B	14	7	6	1	70	37	33	1243	1136	+107		93	85	6.3	88
5	5	Kings Newton	14	5	7	2	70	34	36	1146	1197	-51		88	75	5.7	80
6	6	Allestree B	13	3	7	3	65	30	35	1072	1105	-33		88	76	5.4	70
7	7	Denby	14	4	7	3	70	27	43	1027	1235	-208		84	63	4.7	66
8	8	Sth Wingfield B	13	1	11	1	65	21	44	1039	1223	-184		85	76	3.5	46

Ladies

Belper & Mid Derbyshire bowls 2025 **Ladies League Print Tables** Aggregate Ded Matches Games Position Averages PI W L Dr PI W L For Opp Agg For Home Away Avg Points Pos Act Team 1 Chellaston A 14 13 1 0 84 67 17 1645 1066 +579 122 113 8.4 117 2 Spondon A 14 10 3 1 84 53 31 1525 1275 +250 111 107 6.4 3 3 Brackens B 14 9 4 1 84 49 35 1491 1348 +143 106 107 6.1 85 4 Allestree B 14 7 7 0 84 37 47 1345 1436 -91 96 4.7 5 5 Chellaston B 13 6 7 0 78 33 45 1244 1404 -160 94 98 4.4 57 91 92 4.3 56 92 88 3.5 49 6 Little Eaton 13 4 9 0 78 33 45 1187 1383 -196 7 Derby Co-op 14 4 10 0 84 33 51 1257 1502 -245 14 1 13 0 84 25 59 1287 1567 -280 8 8 Denby 90 93 2.2 31

The bad news is that our Ladies team finished bottom of Division 2 with only 1 win and 13 losses.

The good news is that there is no Division 3 so we cannot be relegated! Even better news is that the team have since comprehensively beaten Chellaston B in the Ladies League Cup Division 2, winning home and away, and will now face Little Eaton in the semi-final. Come on Denby!

Saturday League

With 2 games to play the Saturday singles team sit in the second promotion spot behind South Wingfield B, but have Ashbourne B and Little Eaton B hard on their heels. The two remaining fixtures are tough – a home match against the league leaders and a trip to 4th placed Little Eaton to finish – but the team will be going all out to clinch promotion to Division 3 for next season.

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Saturday League

Print Tables

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Table for Division 4																	
Position			Matches				Games			Aggregate			Ded	Averages			Totals
Pos	Act	Team	PI	W	L	Dr	PI	W	L	For	Орр	Agg	For	Home	Away	Avg	Points
1	1	Sth Wingfield B	11	9	2	0	110	75	35	2091	1564	+527		202	180	8.5	93
2	2	Denby	12	7	4	1	120	64	56	2059	1935	+124		182	162	6.5	78
3	3	Ashbourne B	12	6	6	0	120	59	61	2028	1975	+53		180	158	5.9	71
4	4	Little Eaton B	12	5	7	0	120	61	59	2020	2092	-72		179	158	5.9	71
5	6	Littleover B	11	4	5	2	110	49	61	1787	1898	-111		167	159	5.5	60
6	8	Ashbourne A	12	4	7	1	120	49	71	1888	2081	-193		168	146	4.9	59
7	7	Sth Wingfield A	11	3	7	1	110	49	61	1706	1936	-230		167	141	5.0	55
8	5	Chaddesden B	9	4	4	1	90	44	46	1409	1507	-98		170	140	5.9	53

CLUB COMPETITION UPDATE

1. Club Singles Tournament

This is the inaugural year for our two singles competitions, the Radfield Home Care Cup and the John Pinnington Trophy.

Initially, the players were divided into 8 groups, with each player playing the other members of their group and the results being compiled into league tables. The top 2 players in each group qualify for the Radfield Cup with the remainder going into the JP Trophy.

At the time of writing, 5 of the 8 qualifying Groups have been decided and 11 of the 16 qualifiers for the knockout rounds of the Radfield Cup are known. They are:

Janice Atkinson
Martin Smith
David Wilding
Margaret Berrisford
Jenny Parker
David Wilding
John Pinnington
Pam Collins

David Foster Christina Petraitis

Lorraine Wright

Those known to be in the running for the JP Trophy are:

Kirstie Henderson Serena Todd Natasha Romaine Clive Buxton Paul Collins Ian Mosley

Chris Moriarty

The group stage is due to be completed by 24th August, and the draw for the knockout stages of the 2 competitions will be made on the following day.

The timetable for the competitions will then be:

Round of 16 matches to be completed by 7th September;

Quarter final matches to be completed by 21st September;

Semi finals and Finals to be played on Finals Day on Sunday 28th September 2025.

Please put the Finals Day in your diary – we hope that as many members as possible will come along on the day to watch and cheer on the players as the two competitions reach their climax and the trophies are presented.

2. CLUB DOUBLES TOURNAMENT



2024 Winners David & Richard



2023 Winners Martin & Terry

It was a fabulous turnout for the Club Doubles Tournament in 2024 with 32 bowlers taking part. The winners were David Foster and Richard Noble who just managed to overcome Martin Smith and Chris Redfern in a close-run final. The event raised an impressive $\mathfrak{L}160$ for the Club.

This year's event will take place on the August Bank Holiday, which falls on **Monday 25th August 2025**, and we hope that it will be equally well supported. The bowling will be organised by John P and Ronda. Doubles pairings will be drawn from two pots at random on the day, with the objective of pairing more experienced bowlers with a less experienced partner. The competition will begin with a "Round Robin" format, with each pair playing several opponents. Those with the highest Aggregate Points scored will progress to the semi-finals and final.

There will be a nominal entry fee for the tournament and refreshments will be available for you to buy. Please come along and enjoy a fun day bowling – you never know you might even go home with some silverware!!

NEWS IN SHORT

- A new Code of Conduct is under discussion based on the British Crown Green Bowls Association Model;
- A Complaints Handling Policy is also under development to ensure that member complaints are dealt with in a uniform, transparent and fair way;
- Exploratory discussions are due to take place with the Stroke Association to assess whether we can help with rehabilitation and/or respite for carers;
- We hope to welcome some staff and clients from our sponsors, Radfield Home Care, to bowls with us on Monday 8th September.
- Kilburn & Horsley Cub Scouts will be coming to bowl with us for a second year on 18th September 2025.
- Floodlight league fixtures are out with 10 matches due to take place between 29 August and 3 October 2025