

CSBC Newsletter 7 – 2nd October 2025

FRIENDLY MATCH RESULTS

Saturday 30th August - (seems to be) 7 Mixed Triples away vs PENINSULA

Mel Webb	Janice Hatcher	Doug Marchant	Lost	16-17
Sheila Snowden	Chris Davis	Malcolm Jones	Lost	14-17
Michael Link	Mick Holdeman	Maddy Gregson	Lost	11-17
Ray Martin	Barb Gunns	Colin Freindorf	Won	23-13
Louise Turner	Lindsay Floyd	Brian Gunns	Won	15-14
Dave Clare	Julie Jasper	Gary Ashby	Lost	9-16
Sue Norman	Steve Norman	Tony Harwood	Won	16-14

Some very close games but in the end an overall loss of CSBC 104 Peninsula 108.

Michael Link

Sunday 14th September 2025 vs BORSTAL

This game had to be cancelled because we could not put out six mixed triples!

Saturday 20th September - 6 Mixed Triples vs COBHAM

Sheila Russell	Barb Gunns	Mick Holdeman	Lost	8-29
Fred Linger	Louise Turner	Malcolm Jones	Lost	16-20
Sheila Snowden	Derek Luckhurst	Brian Gunns	Lost	15-25
Danny Spokes	Tracey Burton	John Kingswood	Lost	8-22
Steve Botting	Mel Webb	Heather Allen	Lost	12-24

Overall Score Civil Service 59 - Cobham 120

Sunday 21st September - 5 Mixed Triples vs OGF

Sue Norman	Chris Davis	Brian Gunns	Won	18-17
Hazel Davey	Barb Gunns	Steve Norman	Won	16-14
Shiel Mathews	Sue McGrath	Bob Patis	Lost	9-22
Dave Clare	Stewart Lidster	Maddy Gregson	Lost	18-21
Ray Martin	Matt Davey	Jan Patis	Won	26-07

Overall Score Civil Service 84 - OGF 81

Wednesday 1st October Floodlight match vs COBHAM.

No scores given but this report is from acting captain Lindsay Floyd!

Unfortunately, we were outplayed on Cobham's artificial carpet.

We did not have a winning rink although Brian Gunns, Hazel Davey and Chris Sampson came very close so well done. What's that you say it's not the winning but the taking part that counts.

COMPETITION MATCH RESULTS

MEDWAY SNOWY TRIPLES LEAGUE

Monday 8th September - CSBC away vs KEMSLEY

Mel Webb	Bob Webb	Brian Gunns	Drew	14-14
Stephen Webb	Jan Patis	Alan Jasper	Lost	14-20
Chris Davis	Malcolm Jones	Doug Marchant	Lost	9-26
Stewart Lidster	Maddy Gregson	Bob Patis	Lost	15-19

With both teams playing the day after their finals weekend it was Kemsley who showed their strength with a comprehensive 11-1 points victory.

Played on a heavy green much slower than ours we were unlucky not to win on one rink with the last wood of the evening giving Kemsley a draw.

Unless their circumstances change Kemsley, founded in 1928 and linked to the local paper mill, will lose access to their ground on the 1st January 2026 and will cease to exist as a bowls club. A terrible shame and very sad for their members some of whom have been linked to the club for forty plus years.

Alan Jasper

Wednesday 11th September - CSBC at home vs BORSTAL

Mel Webb	Bob Webb	Bob Patis	Lost	8-25
Matt Davey	Gary Ashby	Lynn Tyler	Lost	8-18
Hazel Davey	Malcolm Jones	Doug Marchant	Lost	11-22
Steve Norman	Jan Patis	Colin Freindorf	Lost	14-22

Overall win to Borstal by 87 shots to 41. Due to a win by Chatham the previous evening it meant they couldn't win the Snowy League but that didn't stop them from putting in a great performance against us.

Always an enjoyable and friendly bunch to play against, the last few ends were played in ever darkening conditions signalling the end of another outdoor season.

Alan Jasper

MBA Ladies Monday Night Triples League 2025

Below is the final results table for the ladies MBA Monday triples league. Civil Service ladies came so close to winning the league and were only pipped to the top as they lost their away game at Winget losing vital points.

Well done ladies and look forward to competing in the league next year!

Julie Jasper

MBA LADIES TRIPLES LEAGUE TABLE

Position	Club	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	Shot Diff	Points
1	Winget	6	6	0	0	62	42
2	Civil Service	6	5	0	1	79	40
3	Cliffe	6	3	0	3	15	24
4	Peninsula	6	2	0	4	-36	21
5	Queenborough	6	2	0	4	-28	16
6	Chatham	6	1	0	5	-31	13
7	Borstal	6	2	0	4	-61	12

Final League positions August 2025

REGIONAL COMPETITIONS

LADIES MBA CIVIC CUP

On Saturday 13 September our ladies played in the final of the MBA Civic Cup competition at Wingets BC. It was lovely to see so many club members there supporting the ladies.

It was a tough fought game against a very strong Appleyard quartet consisting of 2 England bowlers. The green was sluggish, thanks in no small part to the weather and it took both teams a little while to adjust to the conditions. There were a few crucial ends throughout the game where the Appleyard skip was able to overturn heads and CSBC went from holding multiple shots to being multiple shots down.

Despite this our ladies continued to battle on but the experience of the Appleyard ladies came through with them ending up winners with a scoreline of 22 to 12.

This is the first time for many years that CSBC ladies have reached a final of any competition, so huge congratulations go to Janice Hatcher, Jenna Kirkham, Maddy Gregson (for helping to get us to the final), Glyn Harrington (for stepping in last minute to play the final) and Lynn Korff. Thank you, ladies, you did yourselves and the club proud.

Lynn Tyler



FINALS WEEKEND

The Finals of our internal club competitions were held over the weekend of the 6th and 7th September, and players and spectators were lucky enough to have dry sunny weather both days. Results and a brief report of the games follow: -

Ladies' 100up



Hazel Davey won against Janice Hatcher 101-79.

Both players won ends and took turns in the lead early on until Hazel gradually found her form and went into a 20-shot lead between ends 8 and 14 which she maintained until she reached 100 points.

Men's 100up



Alan Jasper was the winner against Stewart Lidster 103-57.

The early ends were close between Alan and Stewart but the gap in points scored started to grow as the game progressed and Alan won after 16 ends.

Ladies' Pairs

Julie Jasper and Tracey Burton took the prize versus Jan Patis and Mel Webb 23-15.

With the score tied after 6 ends Julie and Tracey won 8 of the next 9 ends to open up a 10-point lead. The gap was closed when Jan and Mel scored 5 shots on end 15 but Julie and Tracey held on to win by 8 shots.



Men's Pairs

Chris Jarrett and Bob Webb were the winners over Derreck Sherress and Gary Ashby 23-7.

Chris and Bob got off to a flying start leading 11-0 after 6 ends and with Derreck suffering from a leg injury he and Gary couldn't close the gap, so they conceded the game after 16 ends.



Mixed Handicap



Alan Jasper won against Lynn Korff 21-19.

The closest game of the weekend and probably the best match for the spectators to watch. Lynn started with a 4-shot handicap advantage which after some fine play she increased to lead by 8 shots after 12 ends. Alan started to close the gap and led 19-18 for the first time on end 18. With shots being shared he managed to close the game out on end 21.

Two Woods



Stephen Webb overcame Maddy Gregson 18-7.

The two woods is often a very tactical game. Stephen went into an early lead and by casting the jack to the length he favoured left Maddy struggling to gain shot and alter the length. Maddy conceded after 18 ends when it became impossible for her to win.

Joan Pont Pairs

Stewart Lidster and Lynn Korff were the winners against Hazel Davey and Brian Gunns 24-12.

With Stewart leading and playing very well, he and Lynn went into an 18-3 lead after 12 ends. Stewart went off the boil a bit and Hazel and Brian won the next 5 ends but with Lynn playing well as skip she closed the game out with an end to spare.



Open Pairs

Steve Norman and Richard Lytle beat Alan and Julie Jasper 8-4 and 9-2.

With Derreck Sherress unable to play due to a leg injury, Steve Norman replaced him in the final. This was unfortunate for Julie and Alan as Steve had a great game. With Richard adding to Steve's scoring woods or getting shot on the few occasions Steve didn't and with Julie and Alan not playing to their abilities it proved an easy victory for Steve and Richard by 2 sets to zero.



Mixed Novices

Jenna Kirkham took the John Murdoch Novices Prize winning versus Gary Ashby 21-4.

After losing the opening end Jenna won the next 10 ends going into a 20-2 lead. Jenna seemed to find line and length early on while Gary struggled to find either.



Ladies' Championship

Jenna Kirkham won the Ladies Championship against Lynn Tyler 21-14.

With both bowlers playing on the straighter line Lynn went into a 0-6 lead. Jenna switched to the wider bias line and started to gain control taking a 16-10 lead after 13 ends. Lynn switched to the wider bias side later in the game, but Jenna managed to hold on to her lead to win.



Men's Championship

Alan Jasper became the Men's Champion against Malcolm Jones 21-12.

Despite the final score a very close match. With both players favouring the same hand on each end there was a lot of tight heads with many ends only decided by a measure. Alan's experience helped him to win after 23 ends.



Thanks to everyone who helped to make the weekend a success; the green team for preparing an excellent surface for the players; everyone who helped to set up the rinks; the markers who marked the singles games; Bob Webb for helping me organise the games; Alan Hughes for being umpire on Saturday and Tim for being umpire on Sunday; and especially to Sue, Glyn, Julie and Tim who kept everyone fed and watered.

Alan Jasper (with contributions from Jenna and Hazel)



CSSC EVENTS

21st March 2026 - Mountbatten Festival of Music (Royal Marines) RAH offer is now live and bookable on the CSSC website.

14th December 2025 - Sleeping Beauty at London Palladium tickets still available.

LADIES vs GENTS SAT 13th September 2025

Lynn Tyler, Mary Samson & Louise Turner vs Gary Ashby, Steve Norman & Ray Martin

Ladies win 12-2

Barb Gunns, Sue Norman & Mel Webb vs Steve Botting, Derreck Luckhurst & Mike Holdeman

Ladies win 12-5

Shiela Snowdon, Lesley Maxwell & Janice Hatcher vs Chris Sampson, Brian Gunns & Doug Marchant

Gents win 19-2

Sue McGrath, Gill Marchant & Sheila Russel vs Colin Friendorf, Charlie Baker & John Kingswood

Gents win 14-3

Angela Quinn, Jan Patis & Tracey Burton vs Stewart Lidster, Bob Patis & Bob Webb

Gents win 7-6

Overall score Gents 47 Ladies 35

A great friendly game of bowls; we had one disruption with the weather, but everyone enjoyed themselves.

Thanks go to Dignity Funerals for sponsoring this game and paying for the fish & chips afterwards!

Alan Hughes

Editor: Thanks for reading the seven newsletters over the 2025 season and hope you have enjoyed some of the reports. Thanks to all the captains for providing the match reports, that are the basis of the newsletter. I would be happy to hear any suggestions for improvement (should I decide to continue in 2026) but any articles about other matches you play in e.g. MBA fixtures or events you have been to not necessarily to do with bowls e.g. CSSC, would also be useful.

Regards

Bob Merriman