

Yorkshire Bowling Association

Hi everybody

What a bonkers, busy month it has been! As for summer - not sure when that is going to arrive but hopefully it will arrive.

This coming Sunday, 7th July, is the under 18 singles competition at York Railway B&SC - start 10:30. If you fall into that age group come along and play - if you don't then come along and watch our young talent.

Thank you to all of you who filled in the Bowls England Safeguarding Survey - the results of this will be available soon and sent out to you by our County Safeguarding Officer. There will also be news concerning club Safeguarding Officers and the help there will be available - watch this space.

Aviva National Finals are running from Thursday 15th August until Sunday 1st September. Don't forget to book your tickets - these are cheaper to buy online through the Bowls England website. <https://www.bowlsengland.com/aviva-national-finals/>

Any successes that you may want to share with other clubs? Please remember, that this is YOUR newsletter - if you have anything you want to have published, please let me have it by the end of the month. Content by email only please, I will happily publish it for you but I won't write it for you. Copy and paste is a marvelous tool!

Until next month, enjoy your bowling and let's hope for some summer throughout the next 3 months.

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Men's Semi Finals

July 8

Men's County Fours
York Railway B&SC

July 9

Men's County Triples
Dunnington BC

July 10

Men's County Pairs
York Railway B&SC

July 11

Men's County Singles
Dunnington BC

Start Times on all days:

6:00pm

Supporters will be very welcome.



Ladies Section

County Teams

Walker Cup - the ladies qualified for the Regional finals held at Borough Park Redcar on Sunday 23rd June. In the morning the ladies took on Nottinghamshire in the semi-final achieving a win of 40-35. The final in the afternoon was against a strong Cumbrian squad. In a gripping final the ladies were behind all the way and fighting like terriers. With 1 rink finished, they needed 3 on the last end to draw! Not a problem for these warriors, they made a 5 giving them a 40-38 win earning them a place at the Aviva National Finals on Saturday 24th August. Many congratulations.

The other ladies County teams are progressing well through the season. The Stella Logan team have won 3 of the four matches played and are top of the league with 2 matches still to play. One at Gosforth on July 19th and one at Bishop Monkton on August 9th.

The Northern Trophy team have won 2 of the 3 matches played and are top of the league with 3 more matches still to play. The last 3 matches are all at home, July 12th - York Railway B&SC; July 26th - Cornfield Road, Middlesbrough; August 2nd - Thirsk. Supporters are always welcome.

Message from Ladies' Competition Secretary

Well we have gone from Manic May to Jam-packed June so now most of the competitions are well into their final stages. A big thank you to all of you for informing me quickly of your scores and also for getting the cards to me and to Lesley for updating the website.

Congratulations to all the finalists who have won through to represent Yorkshire at Leamington and to play at our finals weekend at the end of July.

If you haven't already done so can you please return to me any trophies you have. Regards Helen.



Ladies Finals' Weekend

Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th June

These will be held at the Ladies' County President's Bowling Club.

Bishop Monkton Bowls Club

Bishop Monkton

Harrogate

North Yorkshire HG3 3TN

Supporters will be very welcome. Refreshments will be served all day on both days.



Mens' Section

For those bowlers who enjoy the challenge of playing at a County level, I thought I would mention two initiatives the Men's Section have organised in the coming months.

The first is a YBA Development Day which is for players seeking to move from club to County level bowls. With a maximum attendance of 16 bowlers this initiative has to be restricted by invitation but if, as we hope it will, it is well received by the first cohort later this month then further Development Days will be schedule. This day will be about moving players' minds and skills from the largely reactive approach to bowls at club level to a more proactive way of playing, necessary when the opposition more often get the shot they are playing for. Thus, requiring a 'game strategy' from the first wood of the end to the last wood of the skip.

The second event is a YBA Trial Day, where players who are looking to play for Yorkshire in the 2025 season can be observed and scored by on the green markers to add some data to the selection process. This approach utilises the marking system used at the National level and, in addition to providing data to the Team Manager to assist selection, this will also provide the individual with information to assist them in their own playing development.

Both of these events will be held at YRB&SC and they seek to offer support to players to develop for their own benefit and for the benefit of the County.

The Development Day will always be by invitation only but the Trial Day offers a wider opportunity for bowlers. If you plan to nominate for County selection in 2025 and have not yet received an invite to the Trial Day (Sunday 4th August) please drop a note to Andy Humphreys at andy.yba@outlook.com

Don't forget men's Finals Day - Sunday 28th July, this year to be held at Walkington BC. Congratulations to all those playing in the finals - if you're not playing, why not come and support. There will be some great bowling on display.

And finally

There is still time to enter the UK Open Family Pairs to be held at Dunnington BC on Saturday 3rd August. You can enter from the ticket source website by searching for UK Family Pairs.

