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- **Wantage & District Knock-out Cup** The full results of most matches played to date in Group A are shown in the table. Our first match, V Wootton 'Warriors' resulted in a 2-6 defeat. After our away team had narrowly lost by 6 shots the home team were sitting with a lead of 7 shots with a single opposition bowl to come in the last end. Their skip fired and (luckily we think) turned the end into a 2 shot advantage to Wootton and hence the overall defeat. Our second match on the 16th March V Didcot Bowls Club 'Hounds' was more pleasing with a 6-2 victory. On the 23rd March we lost our match V Warborough 2-6, a not entirely

unexpected result. Our next match V Harwell 'Hares' gave us an overall 6-2 victory that has improved our position a little in the table as shown. Four teams from each Group qualify for the quarter finals to be played in the week of 9th April. Semi-finals and the final will also be later in April.

- **12th March Jo Butcher Cup & Harry Argent Plate Sunday (all day)** Fifteen members turned up for this annual club competition. Following the usual format the initial knock-out round saw 8 enter the Jo Butcher Cup while the other seven entered the Harry Argent Plate. Initially both comprised two groups with the top 2 in each group for each competition going into knock-out semi finals.



The eight semi-finalists, from left to right: Tom & Dorrien (HA Plate); Denis & Roy (JB Cup); Anthea & Joan (HA Plate); & Diana & Norman (J B Cup)



Finalists



Final in full swing

The finals were between Norman & Denis (Jo Butcher Cup) and Anthea & Dorrien (Harry Argent Plate).

Congratulations to Denis in winning a close final on almost the final shot and to Dorrien in winning the Harry Argent Plate. These were, co-incidentally the same victors in the same competitions held in 2015! Thanks go to Norman for organising the day, to Liz for lunch and tea, and to all who took part and helped during the day. The raffle raised £37 to help cover costs for the hall for the day.

Wantage & District Knock-out Cup 2017 GROUP A

DATE W/C	Home	Sht	Pts	v	Away	Sht	Pts
5 th March	Chieveley 'Cavaliers'	15	2	v	Wootton 'Warriors'	19	6
5 th March	DBC 'Hounds'	27	8	v	Harwell 'Hares'	17	0
5 th March	Hanney	18	2	v	Warborough	38	6
12 th March	Warborough	49	6	v	Harwell 'Hares'	13	2
12 th March	DBC 'Hounds'	24	2	v	Chieveley 'Cavaliers'	29	6
12 th March	Wootton 'Warriors'	15	1	v	Hanney	29	7
19 th March	DBC 'Hounds'	24	2	v	Wootton 'Warriors'	29	6
19 th March	Warborough	26	6	v	Chieveley 'Cavaliers'	17	2
19 th March	Hanney	34	8	v	Harwell 'Hares'	16	0
26 th March	Chieveley 'Cavaliers'	28	6	v	Harwell 'Hares'	18	2
26 th March	Wootton 'Warriors'	11	0	v	Warborough	32	8
26 th March	DBC 'Hounds'	23	2	v	Hanney	24	6

Team	Played	shots for	shots against	shots difference	Points
Warborough	4	145	59	86	26
Hanney	4	105	92	13	23
Chieveley 'Cavaliers'	4	89	87	2	16
DBC 'Hounds'	4	98	99	-1	14
Wootton 'Warriors'	4	74	100	-26	13
Harwell 'Hares'	4	64	138	-74	4

19th March Wallingford Invitation Triples Chieveley entered two teams, and along with fourteen others triples from other clubs played initially in one of four groups. With one of our teams failing to get through the group stage the other managed to finish runner-up in their group before losing in the quarter-finals.

- **Annual General Meeting** With our AGM coming along in April (20th) club members the opportunity to raise any issue they want to bring forward. It is believed that notice of the meeting has been issued to all members, but if any have not yet received this please let the Secretary know. The committee are also looking for volunteers to take on current positions on the committee or to just join the committee. It is always good to have fresh blood/ideas to take the club forward.
- **Oxfordshire SMBA Matters.** Our club correspondent representative (David) at Oxfordshire SMB Association committee meetings, attended a recent meeting with important discussions concerning the future of and/or arrangements for inter-club competitions and Oxon Inter-County matches. The major outcomes affecting our club were:
 - (a) The winter league competition in which we compete will remain as two teams of four.
 - (b) The rules concerning acceptable reasons for postponement of inter-club matches will be tightened to reduce the number of occasions this has been happening.
 - (c) The Oxon committee need new players to take part in inter-County matches. If anyone at the club would like to play county matches let David know and he will forward the name to the County matches manager.

Book these Club Events

Club Singles Sunday 2nd April (all day) – re-arranged from November 2016

AGM Thursday 20th April

Presentation Evening Friday 12th May (**note the changed date**)

Do YOU know someone who might like to have a go at short mat bowling? Why not invite them along to have a go. We really would welcome new members to keep the club in a healthy state for the future. Currently members present at our weekly bowls meetings on Mondays and especially on Thursday evenings are decreasing. This is having consequential effects on our income as required to support hall hire costs.

For more club information go to:

[http://www.mychieveley.co.uk/info/chieveley short mat bowls club](http://www.mychieveley.co.uk/info/chieveley_short_mat_bowls_club)