

**Surrey County Indoor Bowling Association**  
**Result of Over 60's Inter County match v Yorkshire on Monday 8th April 2024.**

Surrey travelled to Nottingham I B C to play Yorkshire I B A. They won on 5 rinks, lost on won rink & won overall 126 – 73. Last season Surrey lost in the final against Norfolk 92 – 118. They won on 3 rinks & lost on 3 rinks.

The hardest part about this match was the selection of the team. Unfortunately Chris Cranham has been ill and for the first time wasn't able to play in an Over 60's final. This was Surrey's 5th attempt at winning this title at the final stage.

Once all the introductions had been made by Carl Higgins the teams were ready for the off. It was Surrey that got out the blocks quickest. At 4 ends across the board we were already 9 up with Mike Lambert's rink 7-0 up. Surrey had stretched that lead to 20 after 9 ends each, with some crucial saving Bowls by John Guinnard and attacking ones by Tony Doyle. A couple of ends later Yorkshire got back to 15 behind, but were still only winning on 1 rink. This was as close as it got, with 54 ends to go Surrey had got back to 25 ahead with Ian Ross' rink going on an impressive run of ends against the National over 60s singles champion. By the time it had reached 30 ends to go Surrey had gone 42 up, getting that more than a shot an end ahead gives a fantastic buffer. This lead was never reduced and Yorkshire were just delaying the inevitable by the time they finally conceded with 10 ends to go. Surrey had won easily 126-73. A truly dominating performance from start to finish.

This is Surrey Mens 1st National inter County title and it is truly deserved. I have to say massive Well done to the squad, those that played and the reserves you all do your part.

A particular thank you to my Assistant Gary Taylor, he makes my job so much easier.

Andrew Richardson

<b>Rink</b>	<b>Team</b>	<b>Score</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>David Ewins Mike Parlour John Kenton Ian Ross *</b>	<b>29 - 8</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Andrew Newell Ian Mellis John Carey Mike Lambert</b>	<b>18 - 12</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Pat McCaffrey Alistair McNicol Neville Utton David McCallum</b>	<b>22 - 10</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Peter Salmon Rob Ciaff Richard Simioni John Guinnard</b>	<b>23 - 10</b>
<b>5</b>	<b>Ricky Corne John Graham John Farrell Chris Jones</b>	<b>13 - 19</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Ian Trotter Joe Smith Gary Taylor Tony Doyle</b>	<b>21 - 14</b>

**\* Highest winning rink** **Won**  
**126 - 73**