

## sport

## Bowls

**There was an intriguing tie for Plashet Park bowler Bashir Patel last week as he took on former team-mate Moosa Patel in the Geoff Hatfield Trophy.**

The game was played over at Moosa's new club at Wanstead Central and it proved to be a marathon lasting 30 ends.

After sitting at 8-8, it was Moosa who pulled away to take a 16-8 lead after 16 ends.

But Bashir hit back to level at 18-18 and then led 20-19.

In a tense finish, it was the Plashet man who got the shot he needed to win 21-19 and book his place in the next round.

There was more good news for Plashet Park in the Cribbs Triples League as they claimed a victory over at Phoenix.

They won on two rinks and drew on the other to collect five of the seven points on offer.

Yusuf Saeed and his team of Hanif Munshi and Ismail Umarji led 12-2 at one stage only for Phoenix to peg them back to 14-12, before grabbing two on the last end for a draw.

There were no such problems for Mushtaq Chamadia, Farook Patel and skip Vic Byrne, who ran out impressive 23-7 winners.

On the other rink, Del Master and his team of Bashir Patel and June Carter sneaked home 15-12 to make it 52-33 overall.

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**Central Park proved no match for North Greenwich in their latest Cribb Triples League clash last Wednesday as they lost on all three rinks.**

After a successful friendly win over near neighbours Plashet Park last Sunday, hopes were high for this game, but they were never in the hunt against a dominant North Greenwich team.

John Lapping and his team of Phil Davis and Ron Gordon managed just six ends out of 18 as the opposition romped to a 28-9 victory.

Unfortunately, Jim Grummett fared no better as his team of Dave Tydeman and Alan Dobson slumped to defeat against an aggressive opposition by a 24-8 margin.

At least Eddie Grigg, Sue Flynn and skip Tracy Hicks had a real go.

They only won six ends, but were still the closest of the three rinks as they were beaten 21-16.

Overall, it was a convincing win for North Greenwich who eased home by 73-33.



Newham & Essex Beagles UK Women's League team showed great spirit in Liverpool at the weekend.

Picture: NEB

## Beagles ladies show superb team spirit to stay third in the UK League in Liverpool

## Athletics

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**Team spirit is what it is all about for the Newham & Essex Beagles in the UK Women's League over the weekend as the team made their way to Liverpool for the second match of the season.**

They were missing key athletes on the day, including World Junior Championship-bound Katie Head, and could only finish fifth, but it was still an excellent day for coach Tim Mundle.

"We were missing a few and the England match didn't help, but the team were great," he said.

"We were about to leave and I told one of the officials that we didn't have a 4x400m relay team, but she just pointed and said what about them?"

"They had sorted it out themselves and Emily Bullis, who had just run the steeplechase 10 minutes before, stepped up to run a leg."

Bullis won the steeplechase after running a 3,000m on Saturday night, while Grace Jenkins had another good day in the field with a win in the discus and a couple of sixth places.

Emma Nwofor had a good day with victory in the high jump, while Lucy Gascoyne was second in the B event, second in the sprint hurdles, fourth in the long



The 4x400m team of Emma Nwofor, Victoria Oshunremi, Emily Bullis and Zoe Thompson had a superb race.

Picture: NEB

jump and also the anchor of that 4x400m relay squad.

Zoe Thompson won the B 200m, was fifth in the B javelin and ran both relays, while Victoria Oshunremi also had a busy day and managed a second and two fourths in the field, while running the 4x400m to score vital points.

Dolita Shaw ran both sprints, with Jazmin Whitehead-Shakes and Danielle Bakare running the B 400m.

There were also useful points from stalwarts Adele Stach-Kevitz and Shelley Jameson and it was the team spirit that most impressed Mundle as his side remain in third place overall with

one more match to go at Sheffield next month.

"The girls are so together," he said. "I looked around on the coach on the way home and I was quite choked up. They were playing cards, listening to the football on the radio or watching Love Island."

"Some of them were braiding each other's hair, but luckily I had mine cut the day before," he laughed.

**Match result: Wigan 241; Herts Phoenix 202; Bristol 192; Victoria Park 169; BEAGLES 149; Milton Keynes 132; City of Sheffield 129; Bedford 113.**

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**Olympic and world champions will be out in force as London Stadium plays host to the first-ever Athletics World Cup this weekend.**

Having already staged the 2012 Olympics and 2017 World Championships, the Stratford venue opens its doors again to some of the best athletes on the planet.

Teams from eight different nations will battle it out for the Platinum Trophy, the most valuable global sporting trophy ever made, as Great Britain host China, France, Germany, Jamaica, Poland, South Africa and the United States.

Double Olympic champion Elaine Thompson leads a Jamaican team boasting 60 major international medals between them.

And the 26-year-old will be going for more glory in both the 100m and 4x100m relay, which also sees Shelly-Ann Fraser-Pryce return to action after giving birth.

Former world sprint hurdles champion Danielle Williams is also in the squad, alongside the likes of Ronald Levy and Fedrick Dacres, who won Commonwealth gold in hurdles and discus, and Shanieka Ricketts, a silver medalist in the long jump.

Olympic and world hammer champion and world record holder Anita Wlodarczyk leads a strong Poland squad and can expect competition from American Deanna Price.

World bronze medalist Wojciech Nowicki is also in action, along with Piotr Lisek, who took silver in the pole vault last year and Adam Kszczot, who took silver in the 800m 12 months ago and won gold at the World Indoors in March.

France feature sprinters Jimmy Vicaut and Carolle Zahi, as well as hurdlers Pascal Martinot-Lagarde and Floria Guei, plus Axel Chapelle in the pole vault and Quentin Bigor in the hammer.

And Katharina Molitor will lead the 45-strong Germany team, having won javelin gold at the 2015 Worlds in Beijing, and be joined by Olympic discus bronze medalist Daniel Jasinski.

The action gets underway at 7pm on both Saturday and Sunday evenings, continuing until 9.45pm.

For ticket information see the official event website [athleticsworldcup.org](http://athleticsworldcup.org).