

Club Friendly

Burford v Fairford
at Burford 22nd May 2026

	Burford	shots	Fairford	shots
R1	Bob Parker	25	Paul	17
R2	Jack Lafford	12	David	21
R3	Steve Gould	18	Alan	15
R4	John Hurren	27	Mike	9
R5	Tim Wilkins	17	Ron	16
	Total	99	Total	78

Rink1 saw Bob Parker's triple surge into a 17-1 lead at the 8th end. Four shots dropped at the 9th end was matched by five shots at the next end but then nine shots against, including a six, was not answered until three shots at the 14th end for the scores to be 23-14. Equal scoring over the final ends resulted in a 25-17 victory for Bob. Jack Lafford's triple on Rink2 never got started and found themselves 3-15 down at the 15th end. Picking up nine shots without reply they went to the last end 12-15 behind but all this hard work of getting to within three shots was undone by conceding six shots at the last end and losing by 12-21. As with Rink1, Steve Gould on Rink3 went in front 14-4 at the 10th end but then dropped ten shots, including a five against, over the next four ends to find themselves tied at 14-14. Four shots to one shot on the last four ends steadied the triple to an 18-15 winning score. In what looked likely to be a close game when the scores were 7-8 at the 9th end, John Hurren on Rink4 then allowed their opponents to score just one shot on the remaining nine ends whilst accumulating twenty shots and completed what was a game of two halves with a 27-9 victory. Tim Wilkins on Rink5 never looked in trouble when they were 16-1 up at the 9th end. Sixteen was where their score remained until a single at the last gave them 17-shots. Their opponents meanwhile helped themselves to fifteen shots and narrowly failed to turn round the game with a final score of 17-16.

Burford won on four rinks and lost on one with John Hurren's triple taking the pens. I'm sure Fairford will be seeking to overturn the result at next year's fixture.