

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BOWLS NEWS REPORTS

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PRESS REPORT

1. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN – 'MIDDLETON CUP' versus LEICESTERSHIRE – RESULT

WHAT A FANTASTIC RESULT FOR THE MEN OF NORTHAMPTONSHIRE – A BRILLIANT WIN

The men of **Jackson Grundy Northamptonshire Bowling Association** visited Leicester BC on Saturday, 10th July, 2010, for the last group match in the Inter County 'Middleton Cup' competition, where they faced Leicestershire BA in the knowledge that nothing less than a good win would get them to the National Quarter Finals, and even then it depended on Hertfordshire beating Suffolk on the same afternoon. A very big ask indeed, but Team Manager John Church assured the players before the game that they were more than capable of getting a big win which had to be achieved if the County was to progress.

The green was very dry and fast and quite tricky, and the game was played in very warm sunny conditions, all which obviously suited the Northamptonshire players who showed all the skills necessary to deal with the conditions.

In a word they played 'magnificently'. From the first end to the last end they were always in front and going further away from Leicestershire. After just 2 ends the County had collected a lead of 15 shots, and by 5 ends this had increased to 32 shots. Although the rate of the increase in advantage slowed a little, by the halfway stage the lead was 44 shots and at the three quarter mark it was 45, with a final lead of 53 shots. All 6 rinks won, which meant a maximum 22 pts haul.

Immediately the game finished all the questions between the County players, the management, and the supporters, revolved around what had happened in Hertfordshire. Various stories came back, firstly that Suffolk were in front by 6 shots with about 2 ends for each rink to play across the green; then Hertfordshire were in a position to win the match but needed to hold shots; and finally the news the County had been waiting for was that Hertfordshire had won by 12 shots and picked up 16 pts – 6 pts.

The final score at Leicester was Northamptonshire 147 shots – Leicestershire 94 shots. Rink scores, Leics skips only, as follows:

- Rink 1.** Martin Walker/John Freeman/Chris Bland/John Haines 29 shots – Neil Hope 11 shots
- Rink 2.** Keith Height/Dominic Graham/Carl Haines/Darren Childs 25 shots – Patrick Hulbert 10 shots
- Rink 3.** Callum Height/Mick Malins/Jamie Walker/Roger Tansley 23 shots – Chris Rodgers 15 shots
- Rink 4.** Jason Hall/Martin Cinato/Ray Castle/Jim McKee 30 shots – Peter Hobbs 23 shots
- Rink 5.** Malcolm Paul/Matt Pownall/Jonathan Brown/Phil Reeve 24 shots – Alistair Hollis 20 shots
- Rink 6.** Dave Love/Alan Ashby/Richard Lemon/Vernon Gearey 16 shots – Steve Wade 15 shots

The County is now to face Cornwall in the Quarter Final at Swindon BC on Saturday, 24th July, 2010, a repeat of the meeting last year. No doubt the County will be running a players' and officials' coach, and if there is demand a supporters' coach also. Anyone wishing to book a seat please contact match secretary Geoff Hunt, on 01933 410182.

2. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN FIRENDLY versus MIDDLESEX – RESULT

In a friendly match against Middlesex BA, the men of **Jackson Grundy Northamptonshire Bowling Association**, visited Broomfield BC, Palmers Green, London, on Tuesday, 6th July, 2010, and after a very close match came away with second prize, losing by just 8 shots. Two winning rinks, and four losing, two of them by just 1 shot, were not enough on the day. Final score was Northamptonshire 101 shots – Middlesex 109 shots. Rink scores, Middlesex skips only, as follows:

- Rink 1.** Trevor Tilley/William Marshall/John Chester/Richard Somerton 21 shots – Richard Clark 9 shots
Rink 2. Frank Craven/John Broderick/William Clelland/Tracy Nunn 19 shots – Brian Elbourn 20 shots
Rink 3. Jim Diver/Ernie Earp/Peter Mercer/Laurie Harrison 13 shots – Eric Prior 22 shots
Rink 4. Bob Tingle/Peter Byworth/Neville Bodily/Brian Diver 17 shots – Ian Rudston 15 shots
Rink 5. Len Smith/Skene McInnes/Mick Pullen/George Warren 13 shots – Andy Knott 24 shots
Rink 6. Peter Woodhams/Harvey Fruish/Tony Coles/Norman Gibb 18 shots – Ken Allen 19 shots

3. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN – MCBA versus NOTTINGHAMSHIRE – SELECTION

The following men have been selected to represent **Jackson Grundy Northamptonshire Bowling Association** in a Midland Counties Championship match against Nottinghamshire BA, to be played on Saturday, 17th July, 2010, at Nottinghamshire HQ BC, Tattershall Drive, The Park, Nottingham, NG7 1BX, commencing at 2.0 p.m. Players to arrive by 1.30 p.m.

Abington BC:	Jonathan Brown/John Freeman/Tony O’Leary/Ollie Kirkwood (Travelling Reserve)
Corby Forest BC:	Malcolm Paul
Desborough BC:	Connor Cinato/Martin Cinato/Carl Haines/John Haines
Kettering Lodge BC:	Adrian Harris
Kingsthorpe BC:	Ray Castle/Vernon Gearey/Phil Reeve/Roger Tansley
Northampton Express BC:	Dominic Graham/Richard Lemon
Northampton West End BC:	Alan Ashby/Jamie Walker/Martin Walker
Roads BC:	Martin Gearey(Travelling Reserve)
Rushden Town BC:	Matt Wordingham
Thrapston BC:	Darren Childs/Callum Height/Matt Pownall
Wellingborough BC	Graham Maddams/Dave Love

4. BOWLS ENGLAND NEWS

Development Loans

Bowls England has announced a raising of the upper limit for Development Loans to affiliated Clubs to £20,000. These loans are invaluable for Clubs that need some finance to make improvements to their Club in various ways. They are interest free, with just a one-off administration charge, and no added costs whatsoever. The loans are repayable over a maximum of 8 years.

For more information about these Development Loans Clubs should contact Penny Maguire on 01903 820222 or email penny.maguire@bowlsengland.com

Equality Act

The new Equality Bill was published in April, 2009, and became an Act of Parliament on the 8th April, 2010, known as ‘The Equality Act, 2010’

Bowls England has received many enquiries about the effect of this Act upon Bowls Clubs, and a generic guidance is expected later this summer from the Government Equalities Office, and this will include sport specific guidance. It is too early to give precise answers to all queries at this time, but the act does cover the following items:

1. Equality in Clubs.

Although the legislation does make it unlawful for clubs which are for everyone to treat some members and guests unfairly, it does not prevent either ‘Men Only’ clubs, or ‘Women Only’ clubs; or clubs which share a characteristic such as age, etc.

2. Single sex Competition.

Single sex competition is allowed in 'gender affected' sports and Bowls is expected to be classified as a 'gender affected' sport. The guidance is awaited for clarification.

3. Selection Arrangements.

The Act allows the existing selection arrangements of national sports, regional, or local clubs or related associations, to continue.

4. Reasonable Adjustments for Disabled Persons.

The Act requires Associations to make reasonable adjustments for disabled persons who are members, or who are seeking to become members, or are associates, or are guests or likely to become guests. These 'reasonable adjustments' are not prescribed, and could be one of a number. Eg. A Club holds a function in an upstairs room without lift facility and a member cannot climb stairs. A reasonable adjustment would be to arrange the function on a ground-floor establishment with access for such a disabled member, or guest.

5. NATIONAL COMPETITIONS – LATEST RESULTS

LADIES

NATIONAL CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS – REGIONAL FINALS

The Regional Finals of the National Champion of Champions competition were held at Nottinghamshire HQ BC, Tattershall Drive, Nottingham, on Sunday, 11th July, 2010, and the County Winner **Margaret Watts, Desborough Town BC**, was there to play Linda Darani, Belvedere BC, Hunts., in the Quarter Final. In a very long match in extremely hot sunny conditions, and on a very tricky rink, the two ladies fought hard to gain supremacy, but after a shaky start, Margaret caught up, and from being level at 9 shots each there was very little to separate them right to the end, with the inevitable score being 21-20, and well done to Margaret Watts.

After a fairly short break she was back on the green for her semi-final match against Brenda Whitehead, Norfolk BC, Norwich, and although the early ends were fairly even at 5 shots each, Brenda managed to pull away to 13 shots without reply. Margaret was not finished yet for she pulled back to 11-17 adrift, but then her opponent just had the edge and eased to a win by 9 shots, with the final score 12-21 against Margaret.

MOTHER & DAUGHTER

4th Round: The last County Pairing, Louise and Jackie Harrington, went out in this round to Rosemary Groves and daughter from Kingscroft BC, Leicestershire, 29-14

OVER 55 SINGLES

2nd Round: Jill Welch, Daventry Town, beat Margaret Watts, Desborough Town 21-13
Brenda Bishop, Daventry Town, beat Chris Eustace, Roade 21-11

OVER 55 PAIRS

3rd Round: Linda Tomlinson & partner, Geddington & Newton, beat Shirley Ongley & partner, Irchester 18-16

MIXED

PAIRS

5th Round: Yvonne McKee/Vernon Gearey, Kingsthorpe beat Neville Bodily & partner, Northampton Whyte Melville 23-15

GENTLEMEN

NATIONAL CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS – REGIONAL FINALS

The Regional Finals of the National Champion of Champions competition were held at Nottinghamshire HQ BC on Sunday, 11th July, 2010, and the County had two qualifiers participating, **Jamie Walker**, Northampton West End BC and **Darren Childs**, Thrapston BC.

In the Quarter Finals, **Darren Childs** was drawn to play regular International **Jamie Chestney** of Norfolk, and on a very tricky rink on a very hot sunny afternoon, the match was fairly even for the first few ends and with the scores level at 7 shots each it looked promising for Darren. The game was still pretty tight at 10-12 in favour of Chestney, but then the Norfolk man playing much the better bowls at this stage proceeded to 20 shots without reply, and finally won 21-11.

Also playing the Quarter Finals, **Jamie Walker** was drawn to play against **Andy Siely**, Acle St Edmunds BC, Suffolk, and after a slow start which saw him 2-7 adrift, he found his game and in reaching the required 21 shots he allowed his opponent just 1 more shot, and came out a very convincing winner 21-8. This put him against **Jamie Chestney** in the Semi-Finals, and it was a different Jamie Walker altogether. After taking the first end, he just could not find his game and his opponent steadily drew ahead firstly to 10-3, and then 20-7, until finally taking the game from the County player 21-10.

OVER 55 PAIRS

4th Round: David Fage and partner, Abington, beat Alan Ashby & partner, Northampton West End 23-21

CLUB TWO FOURS

5th Round: Thrapston 'A' beat Abington 'A' 43-29.
Avenue BC Coventry beat Northampton West End 'A' 34-33

TOP CLUB

6th Round: Wellingborough 'A' beat White Hart, Warboys 4-1 (No details provided)

6. COUNTY COMPETITIONS – LATEST RESULTS

LADIES

SINGLES

2nd Round: Jean Frisby, Wellingborough, beat Sheila Bonham, Irchester
Chris Cooper, Burton Latimer, beat Heather Golding, Swanspool
Dot Ross, Corby Forest, beat Rachel Pedley, Irchester
Emma Gray, Burton Latimer, beat Alison Dring, Swanspool
Pat Gayton, Swanspool, beat Wilma Walker, Corby Forest
Eleanor Winters, Corby Forest, beat Sue Lomas, Desborough
Kay Green, Swanspool, beat Sue Fincham, Wellingborough
Margaret Watts, Desborough, beat Rebecca Wigfield, Desborough
Brenda Bishop, Daventry, beat Jackie Harrington, Brackley
Vicki Rushall, Daventry, beat Pat Bodily, Northampton Whyte Melville
Sharon Tansley, Kingsthorpe, beat Michelle Tansley, Kingsthorpe
Jan Bradley, Daventry, beat Victoria Stevenson, Northampton Whyte Melville
Jill Welch, Daventry, beat Janet Ashby, Northampton West End
Barbara Oliver, Kissingbury, beat Jayne Wiggins, Earls Barton
Jasmin Spear, Northampton West End, beat Gloria White, Abington
Jean Pownall-Davies, Byfield, beat Debbie Cadd, Abington

3rd Round: Cooper beat Frisby
Ross beat Gray
Gayton beat Winters
Green beat Watts
Rushall beat Bishop
Bradley beat Tansley
Welch beat Oliver
Pownall-Davies beat Spear

Quarter Finals and Semi-Finals played at Abington BC on Saturday, 10th July, 2010.

Quarter Finals: Vicki Rushall, Daventry Town, beat Chris Cooper, Burton Latimer 21-20
Jan Bradley, Daventry Town, beat Dot Ross, Corby Forest 21-11
Jill Welch, Daventry Town, beat Pat Gayton, Swanspool 21-15
Kay Green, Swanspool, beat Jean Pownall-Davies, Byfield 21-15

Semi-Finals: Bradley beat Rushall 21-7
Welch beat Green 21-11

Jan Bradley and Jill Welch, both Daventry Town, will now represent the County at the National Championships at Leamington in August, 2010.

TWO WOOD SINGLES

2nd Round: Alison Dring, Swanspool, beat Jean Frisby, Wellingborough
Margaret Watts, Desborough, beat Rachel Pedley, Irchester
Elaine Weatherill, Irchester, beat Pat Gayton, Swanspool
Chris Cooper, Burton Latimer, beat Eileen Stubbs, Rushden Town
Pat Bodily, Northampton Whyte Melville, beat Jan Bradley, Daventry
Brenda Bishop, Daventry, beat Janet Ashby, Northampton West End
Jackie Harrington, Brackley, beat Sharon Tansley, Kingsthorpe
Michelle Tansley, Kingsthorpe, beat Jean Pownall-Davies, Byfield

The 8 above winners will play the Quarter Finals at Wellingborough BC on Saturday, 17th July, 2010, with the Semi-Finals to follow the same day.

UNDER 25 SINGLES

Semi-Final: Louise Haladij, Kislingbury, beat Victoria Stevenson, Northampton Whyte Melville

Final: Rebecca Wigfield, Desborough beat Louise Haladij 21-18

Wigfield and Haladij will now represent Northamptonshire at the Ladies Championships at Leamington in August.

(Please find attached a photograph of Rebecca (left) and Louise taken at the County Final at Abington BC on Saturday 10th July, 2010)

UNDER 25 PAIRS

Semi-Final: Chloe Wordingham & Jasmin Spear, Higham Ferrers/West End, beat Rebecca Wigfield & partner, Desborough
Louise Haladij & Chloe Cannon, Kislingbury/Abington, beat Charlotte Cooke & partner, Kislingbury

Final: Wordingham/Spear beat Haladij/Cannon 22-18
Chloe is just 12 years of age, although she will turn 13 before going to the National Championships, and Jasmin is just 16 years of age, and this was the first time they had played as a pair.

Wordingham/Spear will now represent Northamptonshire at the Ladies Championships at Leamington in August.

(Please find photograph of Jasmin (left) and Chloe, taken at the Final at Abington BC on the 10th July, 2010)

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SINGLES

- 4th Round:** Will Parker, Jun., Northampton Express, beat Martin Gearey, Roade 21-14
Vernon Gearey, Kingsthorpe, beat Dougie Mitchell, Daventry Town 21-12
Richard Lemon, Northampton Express, beat Neil Fairy, Northampton West End 21-10
Tony O'Leary, Abington, beat Terry Dawkins, Wootton Grange 21-7
Phil Reeve, Kingsthorpe, beat Iain Walker, Kingsthorpe 21-12
Mick Sharpe, Kingsthorpe, beat Alan Dunkley, Brackley 21-4
Chris Beck, Abington, beat Pete Smith, Kingsthorpe Nondescripts 21-14
Alan Muir, Thrapston, beat David Bailey, Thrapston 21-16
Connor Cinato, Desborough, beat Les Johnson, Thrapston, 21-18
Tony Paul, Corby Forest, beat Matt Wordingham, Rushden Town 21-19
Malcolm Paul, Corby Forest, beat Roy Cave, Rushden 21-7
Darren Childs, Thrapston, beat Neil Corbyn, Wellingborough 21-16
Norman Warrender, Corby Forest, beat George Warren, Stewarts & Lloyds 21-17
Robert Norman, Higham Ferrers, beat Keith Height, Thrapston 21-3
Pete Ward, Desborough, beat Dave Collins, Corby Forest 21-20

PAIRS

- 3rd Round:** Dominic Graham & partner, Northampton Express, beat Mike Emmerson & partner, Byfield 18-14
Kevin Mawson & partner, Whyte Melville, beat Don Santer & partner, St Crispin 21-15
Mike Arnold/Alan Ashby, West End, beat Ollie Kirkwood & partner, Abington 24-12
Harvey Fruish & partner, Abington beat Jeff Duke & partner, Byfield 23-15
Chris Bland & partner, Express, beat Pete Morris & Mick Sharpe, Kingsthorpe 29-14
Ray Castle & partner, Kingsthorpe beat Phil Odell & partner, St Crispin 23-9
Nick Beirne & partner, St Crispin, beat Mick Spear & Andy Fowkes, West End 22-18
Reg Jones, Abington, given walk-over by Graham Stibbards, BBOB
Alan Dunkley & Martin Gearey, Roade, beat Trevor Spear & partner, Whyte Melville 23-11
Martin Walker & partner, Wst End, beat Steve Inwood & partner, Kingsthorpe Nondescripts 22-21
Phil Reeve & partner, Kingsthorpe, beat Roger Horton & partner, Whyte Melville 22-13
Ken Bradshaw & partner, Whyte Melville, beat Kev Stevens & Dave Kovacs, West End 16-6
Ian Bland & partner, Express, beat Tony Burns & partner, Kingsthorpe 18-17
Phil Boseley & partner, Abington, beat Neil Rolfe & partner, Kingsthorpe 20-18
Vernon Gearey & partner, Kingsthorpe, beat Terry Brown & partner, Abington 29-12
Jonathan Brown & partner, Abington, beat Stuart Letts & partner, West End (no score provided)
Phil Bates & partner, Desborough beat Dave Keller & partner, Kettering Mid Band 28-17
Dan Height & Matt Pownall, Thrapston beat Dave Smith & partner, Kettering Lodge 25-16
Mick Catling & Darren Childs, Thrapston, beat Ron Plimmer & partner, Higham Ferrers 26-17
Ron Philip & partner, Stewarts & Lloyds, beat Martin Underwood & partner, Thrapston 17-12
Dave Freeman & partner, Higham Ferrers, beat Bill McGillivray & partner, Desborough (no score provided)
Robert Norman & partner, Higham Ferrers, beat Alan Muir & partner, Thrapston 18-16
Steve Norman & partner, Higham Ferrers, beat Geoff Harris & partner, Higham Ferrers (no score provided)
Malcolm Winckles & Partner, Desborough, beat Tony Watts & partner, Higham Ferrers 28-12
Mick Malins & partner, Rushden Town, beat Barry Basford & partner, Geddington 21-18
John Haines & partner, Desborough, beat Graham Rogers & partner, Kettering Lodge 18-15
Mick Lee & partner, Wellingborough beat Connor & Martin Cinato, Desborough 17-16
Dave Love & Wayne Gregory, Wellingborough, beat Chris Hull & partner, Rothwell Conservatives 19-18
Dave Collins & partner, Corby Forest, beat Steve Robinson & Adrian Harris, Kettering Lodge 31-14
Ollie Pearson & partner, Geddington, beat Hugh Garrod & partner, Wellingborough 20-19
Graham Maddams & partner, Wellingborough, beat Rod Chapman & partner, Irthlingborough CI 18-6
Nev Humphrey & partner, Desborough, beat Brian Langton & partner, Kettering Lodge (no score)

4th Round: Graham beat Mawson 16-15
Ashby beat Fruish 31-11
Castle beat C Bland 19-18
Beirne beat Jones 19-15
M Walker beat M Gearey 27-10
Reeve beat Bradshaw 33-7
I Bland beat Boseley 23-9
V Gearey beat J Brown 27-10
Pownall beat Bates 27-7
Childs beat Philip 24-13
R Norman beat Freeman 21-17
Winckles beat S Norman 20-14
Malins beat Haines 26-11
Gregory beat Lee 21-20
Collins beat Pearson 21-9
Maddams beat Humphrey 17-9

COUNTY CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS – MASON CUP

Quarter Finals: Jamie Walker, West End, beat Terry Needham, Islip 21-1
Darren Childs, Thrapston, beat John Freeman, Abington 21-6
Jason Hall, Desborough, beat Alec McKim, Rothwell Manor Park 21-17
Dave Love, Wellingborough, beat Jim McKee, Kingsthorpe 21-17

Semi-Finals: Dave Love beat Jason Hall 21-8

The other semi-final between Jamie Walker & Darren Childs to be re-arranged.

UNDER 25 SINGLES

Semi-Finals: Danny Walker, West End, beat Chris Wright, West End 21-8
Jamie Walker, West End, beat Alistair Melville, Corby Forest 21-2

Note: Danny Walker will now meet his brother Jamie in the Final later this month, and both of them will now represent the County at the men's National Championships at Beach House Park, Worthing, in August. Their father will also be at Worthing, representing the County in the Triples, alongside John Baggat & Alan Ashby.

SECRETARIES CUP

Semi-Finals: Mark Turner, Kettering Midland Band, beat Neville Bodily, Whyte Melville 21-18
Trevor Anderson, Corby Grampian, beat Don Smith, Abington 21-17

EXECUTIVE TRIPLES

Area Finals: Mark Turner's triple, Kettering Mid Band, beat John Haines' triple, Desborough 22-5
Richard Horrell's triple, Thrapston, beat Colin Pendleton's triple, Finedon 22-10
Dick Briggs' triple, Rothwell Manor Park, beat James Butts' triple, Earls Barton 17-15
George Warren's triple, Stewarts & Lloyds, beat Brian Hickman's triple, Higham Ferrers 20-15
Steve Norman's triple, Higham Ferrers, beat Stuart Laxton's triple, Oundle (No score provided)

7. COUNTY LEAGUE – LATEST NEWS

Unfortunately **Finedon Town BC** has pulled out of the County League mid-season, which means that the results involving that Club in the group concerned are expunged from the records. An update of the League places as a result will be published when received from the County Competitions Secretary.

8. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE UNDER 25'S MCBA versus LEICESTERSHIRE 11.7.10. – RESULT

The Northamptonshire Under 25's paid the second visit by a County team to Leicester on Sunday, 11th July, 2010, following the senior men's triumph in the Middleton Cup the day before, this time for a Midland Counties Championship match at St Margarets Co-op BC, Birstall Road, Leicester. On a warm sunny day the County team played very well against a very experienced Leicestershire team, and managed a win by just 5 shots, but enough to give them 18 points to 4 against.

The final score was Northamptonshire 91 shots – Leicestershire 86 shots. Rink scores, Leicester skips only, as follows:

- Rink 1.** Adam Brown/Chris Wright/Dan Height/Matt Pownall 14 shots – Patrick Hulbert 18 shots
Rink 2. Ross Knox/Sam Gamble/Michael Chester/Will Parker 21 shots – T Alcock 27 shots
Rink 3. Will Hill/Jasmin Spear/Ashley Linnell/Dominic Graham 17 shots – Matt Bass 11 shots
Rink 4. Connor Cinato/David Walker/Shawn Marriott/Jack Tobin 18 shots – J Alcock 15 shots
Rink 5. Rebecca Wigfield/Curtis Johnson/Matt Wordingham/Callum Height 21 shots – M Simpson 15 shots

This win puts the County on top of the League Table with 58 points from 3 matches.

9. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN FRIENDLY versus SURREY 21.7.10. – SELECTION

The following men have been selected to represent **Jackson Grundy Northamptonshire Bowling Association** in a friendly match against Surrey BA to be played on Wednesday, 21st July, 2010, at Croydon Municipal Officers BC, Waddon Well, Croydon, CR0 4HU, commencing at 2.0 p.m. Travel by coach, picking up at Wellingborough BC 10.0 a.m.

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| Rink 1.
Jim Diver, Desborough
Mick Pullen, Irchester
Peter Mercer, West Haddon
Tracy Nunn, President | Rink 2.
Trevor Tilley, Irchester
Hugh Taylor, Heyford
Tony Coles, Geddington
George Warren, Stewarts & Lloyds | Rink 3.
William Clelland, Stewarts & Lloyds
Ernie Earp, Whyte Melville
William Marshall, Stewarts & Lloyds
Norman Gibb, Stewarts & Lloyds |
| Rink 4.
Albert Oliver, Northampton Express
Chris Curry, Wellingborough
Brian Diver, Stewarts & Lloyds
Richard Somerton, Brackley | Rink 5.
Brian Jones, Heyford
Byron Mills, Irchester
John Chester, Wellingborough
Laurie Harrison, Earls Barton | Rink 6.
William Keeney, Stewarts & Lloyds
David Garland, Kingsthorpe
George Willmott, Irchester
Harvey Fruish, Abington |

Travelling Reserves: Bob Tingle, Geddington Walter Stoddard, St Crispin

10. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LADIES – ROMA HANGER CHALLENGE CUP – RESULT

Roma Hanger, Kettering Lodge BC, a bowler with a distinguished record, has presented a trophy to the **Jackson Grundy Northamptonshire Women's County Bowling Association**, for annual competition between ladies from the South Area Clubs and ladies from the North Area Clubs.

Roma was **Ladies County President** in 1972 and the **Ladies National President** in 1977, in addition to which she was a most able bowler, having reached the National Finals of the Pairs in 1971, County Singles champion in 1976 and 1984, and runner-up in 1969 and 1975. She won the County 2 wood Singles in 1972, and the County Pairs in 1971 and County Pairs runner-up in 1989. That is not all for she was also part of a County Winning Triple on 5 occasions from 1969 to 1991 and Runner-up in Triples 3 times, and twice part of a County Winning Fours and runner-up once. Finally, she helped her Triple to win the County Benevolent Triples title in 1968. Some playing record which does not include her Club successes!

The trophy will be known as 'The Roma Hanger Challenge Cup' and it was played at Roma's Club, Kettering Lodge BC, for the first time on Wednesday, 7th July, 2010. Seven Clubs from the South provided players, including Abbey Park; Abington; Harpole; Daventry; Byfield; St Crispin; and Northampton West End, and they were captained by Christine Barlow, Abbey Park. Eight Clubs from the North Area included Rushden Town; Swanspool; Corby Forest; Irchester; Kettering Lodge; Kettering Athletic; Burton Latimer; and Geddington & Newton. They were captained by Audrey Height, Rushden Town.

The match was won by the North Area team 114 shots – 88 shots. Rink detail as follows:

Rink 1.		Rink 2.		Rink 3.	
North Area	South Area	North Area	South Area	North Area	South Area
Pat Starsmore	Margaret Ruff	Helen Jones	Alison Dring	Delia Panther	Brenice Willmott
Margaret Cave	Val Rowson	Marjorie Wright	Janet Swift	Tracey Cattell	Eleanor Winters
Rita Bell	Jill Welch	Agnes Johnson	Pat Symonds	Annette Norris	Margaret Lloyd
Pam Lewis	Bev Manning	Margaret McGillivray	Ina Layland	Audrey Height	Christine Barlow
22 shots	13 shots	19 shots	15 shots	28 shots	8 shots
					Sue Lomas played 2 nd half in place of Eleanor Winters
Rink 4.		Rink 5.		Rink 6.	
North Area	South Area	North Area	South Area	North Area	South Area
Ann Lissack	Vicki Rushall	Betty Tilley	M Boughen	Velda Cooper	Judy Tomalin
F Fletton	Chris Cross	Margaret Tyler	Marjorie Keal	Lilian Allen	Janet Riome
Pat Coles	Jean P-Davies	Heather Golding	Gloria White	Pam O'Hanlon	Anita Petrucci
Chris Cooper	Brenda Bishop	Wilma Walker	Pam Wills	Joan Bryan	Pat Gayton
14 shots	14 shots	18 shots	14 shots	113 shots	24 shots
				Ann Goodfellow played second half in place of Lilian Allen	

(Attached are two photographs 1. Roma Hanger (on left) presenting the cup to Audrey Height; and a group photograph of all the ladies taking part)

11. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE VP'S versus WARWICKSHIRE VP'S 7.7.10. – RESULT

The Northamptonshire Vice Presidents Association entertained their counterparts from Warwickshire at Kislingbury BC on Wednesday, 7th July, 2010, and after a very close affair, came second by 4 shots. The match was reduced to one rink playing 2 wood triples due to players from Warwickshire not arriving, but that did not spoil a very enjoyable match. The final score was Northamptonshire VP's 107 shots – Warwickshire VP's 111 shots. Rink scores, Warws skips only, as follows:

Rink 1.	Derek Cooper/Clyde Hulbert/Dave Williamson/Peter Mercer 12 shots – J Greves 26 shots
Rink 2.	Fred Fox/Tony Hancock/Keith Forbes 15 shots – K Padmore 24 shots
Rink 3.	Peter Byworth/Geoff Care/John Watson/Ken Legan 18 shots – D Longdon 14 shots
Rink 4.	Bob Tingle/Harry Bell/Derek Essam/Keith Crouch 17 shots – C Spencer 19 shots
Rink 5.	Graham Cashmore/Gordon Morris/Mick Griffin/Michael Moulton 27 shots – D Casey 12 shots
Rink 6.	Brian Jones/Len Marshall/Dick Howell/Tony Buckmaster 18 shots – G Palmer 16 shots

12. CLUB NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

NORTH AREA – MOSTLY OF INTEREST TO READERS OF THE EVENING TELEGRAPH

BURTON LATIMER BC

Fixtures:

17.7.10.	Desborough BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
20.7.10.	Members visit Corby Grampian BC for a men's County League match at 6.30 p.m.
18.7.10.	Irchester BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

CORBY FOREST BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Members visit Corby Grampian BC for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Members visit Wellingborough BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Members visit Rushden town BC for a men's County League match at 10.30 a.m.
- 21.7.10. Members visit Desborough BC for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.

CORBY GRAMPIAN BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Corby Forest BC visits for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Thrapston BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Islip BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 20.7.10. Burton Latimer BC visits for a men's County League match at 6.30 p.m.

DESBOROUGH TOWN BC

Fixtures:

- 14.7.10. Little Bowden BC visits for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.
- 15.7.10. Members visit Kettering Lodge BC for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 16.7.10. Framlingham Castle BC visits for a mixed match at 1.0 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Members visit Burton Latimer BC for a men's match at 2.0 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Members visit Ircheter BC for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.

EARLS BARTON BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Swanspool BC visits for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Rushden Town BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Roade BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 20.7.10. Members visit Abington BC for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.

GEDDINGTON & NEWTON BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Rothwell Conservatives BC visits for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Members visit Carlsberg BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Members visit Sheringham Morley BC for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.
- 20.7.10. Stewarts & Lloyds BC visits for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.

HIGHAM FERRERS TOWN BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Rushden Town BC visits for the Colton Trophy ladies match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Members visit Wellingborough OG's BC for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Irchester BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Kettering Midland Band BC visits for a men's County League match at 10.0 a.m.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH CHURCH INSTITUTE BC

Fixture:

- 17.7.10. Ise BC visits for a match at 2.30 p.m.

KETTERING ATHLETIC BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Kettering Conservatives BC visits for a mixed match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Islip BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

KETTERING LODGE BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Desborough BC visits for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. The Club plays its 'Harris Trophy' – Mixed Aussie Pairs at 2.0 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Members visit McAlpine BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

KETTERING MIDLAND BAND BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Members visit Thrapston BC for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Members visit Market Harborough Conservatives BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Members visit Higham Ferrers Town BC for a men's County League match at 10.0 a.m.
- 19.7.10. Members visit Corby Forest BC for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.

McALPINE BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Little Bowden BC visits for a mixed match at 6.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Kettering Lodge BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

MEARS ASHBY RBL BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Members visit Rushden Town BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 20.7.10. Kettering Park BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

OUNDLE BC

Fixture:

- 15.7.10. Fairline BC visits for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.

ROTHWELL MANOR PARK BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Members visit Medbourne BC for a mixed match at 6.30 p.m.
- 16.7.10. The Club holds a 'Charity Night'

RUSHDEN TOWN BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Members visit Higham Ferrers Town BC for the ladies 'Colton Trophy' at 6.30 p.m.
- 15.7.10. Mears Ashby RBL BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Members visit Earls Barton BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Corby Forest BC visits for a men's County League match at 10.30 a.m.
- 20.7.10. Geddington & Newton BC visits for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.

STANWICK BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Members visit the Licensed Victuallers BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 17.5.10. Rothwell Conservatives BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Cogenhoe BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

STEWARTS & LLOYDS BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Members visit Woodsend BC for a mixed match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Members visit Roade BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. St Crispin BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 20.7.10. Members visit Geddington BC for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.

SWANSPOOL BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Members visit Earls Barton BC for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. The Club plays its Triples Competition at 2.0 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Members visit Wellingborough BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

THRAPSTON BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Kettering Midland Band BC visits for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Members visit Corby Grampian BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Finedon BC visits for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.

WELLINGBOROUGH BC

Event:

The Club is host for the Northamptonshire Women's County Bowling Association Benevolent Triples competition on Monday/Tuesday/Wednesday 19th-21st July, 2010. 9.30 a.m. start each day.

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Members visit Kingsthorpe BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 15.7.10. The Club holds its ladies 'Captain's Day'
- 17.7.10. Corby Forest BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Swanspool BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 21.7.10. Wellingborough OG's BC visits for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.

WELLINGBOROUGH OG'S BC

Fixtures:

- 17.7.10. Higham Ferrers Town BC visits for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Framlingham BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m. at Rushden Town BC.
- 21.7.10. Members visit Wellingborough BC for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.

SOUTH AREA – MOSTLY OF INTEREST TO READERS OF THE CHRONICLE & ECHO

ABINGTON BC

National Event at Club:

Abington BC is hosting a Quarter Finals of the Inter County Women's Johns Trophy between Leicestershire and Hertfordshire on Tuesday, 13th July, 2010. The other Quarter Finals are at Harrogate, Yorkshire; Bannister Park, Hampshire; and Yeovil, Somerset.

Fixtures:

- 14.7.10. Members visit West End BC for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.
- 15.7.10. Whyte Melville BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Daventry Town BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 20.7.10. Earls Barton BC visits for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.

BRACKLEY BC

Fixtures:

- 17.7.10. Members visits Buckingham West End BC for a mixed match at 3.0 p.m.
- 20.7.10. Burma Star BA visit for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.

BUGBROOKE BC

Fixtures:

- 17.7.10. Heyford BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. Members visit West Haddon BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.

COGENHOE BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Stanwick BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 16.7.10. Kislingbury BC visits for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. **The Royal Household BC is visiting the Club for a friendly match at 2.30 p.m.** For the last 3 years the Club's men have visited Windsor to play the Royal Household, and Cogenhoe is very pleased that it is able to host this return fixture. The Royal Household BC does not make many away matches and a fixture with them is an honour.
- 18.7.10. Members visit Stanwick BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

DAVENTRY TIGERS BC

Fixtures:

- 17.7.10. The Prison Service BA visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 19.7.10. Members visit Heyford BC for a men's Northampton triples League match at 6.30 p.m.

DAVENTRY TOWN BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Kislingbury BC visits for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 16.7.10. Whyte Melville BC visits for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Members visit Abington BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. The Club holds its mixed triples competition.
- 19.7.10. The 'A' team visits Bugbrooke for the Northampton Triples league at 6.30 p.m.
- 19.7.10. Byfield BC visits for the Northampton Triples league at 6.30 p.m.

HEYFORD BC

Fixture:

- 17.7.10. Members visit Bugbrooke BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

KINGSTHORPE BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Wellingborough BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Kingsthorpe Nondescripts BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 21.7.10. Daventry Town BC visits for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.

KISLINGBURY BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Members visit Daventry Town BC for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Members visit Whyte Melville BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Roade BC visits for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.

NORTHAMPTON EXPRESS BC

Fixtures:

- 17.7.10. Members visit St Crispin BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 19.7.10. Abington 'B' visits for Triples League against 'A' team, and the 'B' team visits Brackley – both 6.30 p.m.

NORTHAMPTON WEST END BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. Members visit Stony Stratford BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Coventry Avenue BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 19.7.10. Whyte Melville 'A' visit for Triples League versus the 'A' team, and the 'B' team visits Whyte Melville 'B' in the Northampton Triples League at 6.30 p.m.

NORTHAMPTON WHYTE MELVILLE BC

Fixtures:

- 15.7.10. members visit Abington BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 17.7.10. Kislingbury BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. The Club plays the Dilworth Cup at 2.0 p.m.

WOODFORD-CUM-MEMBRIS BC

Fixtures:

- 17.7.10. Cold Ashby BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 18.7.10. The Club holds a 'Crown Green' Fun Day at 10.30 a.m.



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