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PRESS REPORT

NATIONAL E.I.B.A. 'DENNY CUP' 18.10.08. RESULTS

All of the County's Indoor Clubs were involved in the premier Inter-Club competition organised by the EIBA, the 'Denny Cup' this week-end, and some excellent bowling was in evidence at the various venues. Full details of results and teams are not all to hand, but in this 2 rinks at home and 2 rinks away competition, the following details are reported:

Northampton & District IBC versus Wellingborough IBC

With Wellingborough unable to field four of the regular players this match was always going to be a close affair and so it proved, and despite having 3 winning rinks Wellingborough had to take second place as a result of the heavy defeat for their 4th rink. At one stage in the encounter it looked as though Northampton might romp away as they opened up a gap of 14 shots at the half-way mark, but with some determination from particularly their home drawn players the overall gap was reduced to just one shot with 1 end to play.

Despite the best efforts of Jamie Walker and skip Walt Winsor to take out the Northampton No 3's shot bowl, they just failed and dropped a shot to give Northampton the win by 2 shots. Final score Northampton & District 78 shots – Wellingborough 76 shots. Northampton now plays Lawson Park IBC, Bedford in the next round on the 1st November, 2008. Rink scores as follows:

At Northampton

Rink 1.

NH & D
Chris Wright
Mick Spear
Ray Castle
Phil Reeve
13 shots

Wellingborough
Denis Collins
Scott Johnson
Mark Corbyn
Wayne Gregory
25 shots

Rink 2.

NH & D
John Freeman
Gordon Lockhart
Olly Kirkwood
Andy Smith
31 shots

Wellingborough
Jason Hall
Steve Norman
Paul Coley
Mick Cooper
10 shots

At Wellingborough

Rink 1.

NH & D
John Leggett
Roger Summers
Carl Douglas
Alan Ramscar
20 shots

Wellingborough
Bob Fuller
Brian Rees
Jamie Walker
Walt Winsor
22 shots

Rink 2.

NH & D
Rob White
Tony O'Leary
Dominic Graham
Chris Bland
14 shots

Wellingborough
Graham Maddams
Michael Chester
Robert Norman
Maurice Allen
19 shots

Desborough IBC versus Rushden IBC

Both Clubs enjoyed 2 winning rinks, but with the Southgate rink picking up a 12 shot advantage, Desborough managed to take the match by 13 shots, and now face Kingsthorpe IBC in the next round on the 1st November, 2008. Final score was Desborough 83 shots – Rushden 70 shots. Rink ascores as follows:

At Desborough

Rink 1.

Desborough

Jim Diver
Alec McKim
Carl Haines
John Hall
19 shots

Rushden

Martin Underwood
Ron Plimmer
Martin Keech
Bob Collyer
22 shots

Rink 2.

Desborough

Brian Thomas
Matt Pownall
Bill Brune
Graham Southgate
28 shots

Rushden

Mick Corbyn
Matthew Wordingham
Alan Dempsey
Malc Mattinson
16 shots

At Rushden

Rink 1.

Desborough

Roy Whitehead
Carl Wigfield
Pete Ward
Dave Flippance
20 shots

Rushden

Barry Waterfield
Lionel Willmott
Dave Betts
Terry James
15 shots

Rink 2.

Desborough

Malcolm Paul
Ross Knox
George Warren
John Haines
16 shots

Rushden

Mark Plimmer
Mark Betts
Ken Hemmington
Mick Malins
17 shots

Kingsthorpe IBC versus Kettering Lodge IBC

Last year's national semi-finalists are on the march again and for this first round match Kettering Lodge were the victims of a bit of a mauling by the very strong Kingsthorpe team, which picked up four winning rinks, and an overwhelming win by 82 shots. Kingsthorpe now faces Desborough in the next round on the 1st November, 2008.

Rink scores, Kettering Lodge skips names only supplied, as follows:

At Kingsthorpe

Rink 1.

Kingsthorpe

Chris Maden
Colin Jones
Calvin Carpenter
Mick Sharpe
22 shots

Kettering Lodge

Herbert Starsmore
14 shots

Rink 2.

Kingsthorpe

Paul Maynard
Darren Lewis
Andrew Manton
Neil McKee
40 shots

Kettering Lodge

Duncan Macgregor
10 shots

At Kettering

Rink 1.

Kingsthorpe

Jason Bryan
Colin Fowkes
Richard Mann
Vernon Gearey
36 shots

Kettering Lodge

Andy Cooper
7 shots

Rink 2.

Kingsthorpe

Roger Tansley
Andrew Hunter
Iain Walker
Sam Wade
25 shots

Kettering Lodge

Mark Turner
10 shots

Daventry IBC versus Banbury IBC

Daventry enjoyed a good win over Banbury, by 9 shots, the final score being Daventry 84 shots – Banbury 75 shots. No further details have been provided but Daventry now plays either Brackley IBC or Solihull IBC in the next round on the 1st November, 2008. No details of that match have been provided.

NATIONAL E.I.B.A. OVER 60'S INTER COUNTY COMPETITION 14.10.08. – RESULT

Northamptonshire men had a very good win over Warwickshire in the new National competition for inter-county over 60's. The format for this competition is for full 6 rink County teams to play a round robin in small groups, 3 rinks at home and 3 rinks away, the winner of each group then going on to play in the Final stages. Scoring for points at the round robin stage is 2 points for each winning rink; 4 points for the venue win; & 6 points for the overall win.

Team Manager John Haines was delighted with the performance of the team for the away 3 rinks only lost by an overall 3 shots, and with the home three winning overall by over 25 shots the major share of the points went to Northamptonshire who picked up 18 compared to Warwickshire's 8 points. Rink scores as follows, Warwicks skips only:

Away Team at Rugby Thornfield, Warwickshire

Rink 1.

Brian Thomas, Desborough
Bob Care, Kingsthorpe
Nev Humphrey, Desborough
Mick Sharpe, Kingsthorpe
21 shots v H Dunnachie 18 shots

Rink 2.

Jim Diver, Desborough
Norman Gibb, Desborough
George Warren, Desborough
Carl Haines, Desborough
17 shots v D Sands 20 shots

Rink 3.

Gerry Sharp, Wellingborough
Richard Somerton, Brackley
Walt Winsor, Wellingborough
Maurice Allen, Wellingborough
21 shots v C Whitehouse 24 shots

Home Team at Kingsthorpe

Rink 1.

Alan Spencer, Kingsthorpe
Herbert Starsmore, Kettering
John Clipston, Kingsthorpe
Jim McKee, Kingsthorpe
30 shots v Brian Lever 9 shots

Rink 2.

John Smith, Kettering
Tony Dicks, Daventry
David Masters, Northampton
Mick Worthington, Daventry
22 shots v J Godfrey 18 shots

Rink 3.

Mick Corbyn, Rushden
Dougie Mitchell, Daventry
John Baggat, Kingsthorpe
Roger Tansley, Kingsthorpe
16 shots v W Ward 11 shots

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE I.B.A. versus ESSEX IBA 15.10.08. – RESULT

Northamptonshire's men visited Turpins IBC, Saffron Walden, to take on Essex IBA in a friendly match and came up against a very strong side which beat them by 43 shots, the County having 2 winning rinks. A player enjoying his first game for the County is awarded his 'Colt' badge, and one such to do so in this game was Norman Pask, of Desborough IBC at the tender age of 81 years!

Final result was Northamptonshire 100 shots – Essex 143 shots. Rink scores, Essex skips only, as follows:

Rink 1.

Peter Woodhams
Norman Pask
Walter Stoddard
Richard Somerton
19 shots v Mike Ferris 30 shots

Rink 2.

Mick Hall
Gordon Morris
Alic McKim
Andy Purcell
11 shots v B Clements 24 shots

Rink 3.

Eddie Pinder, President
Ted Summerton
Tony Warren
George Warren
15 shots v George Coster 21 shots

Rink 4.

Len Smith
Peter Byworth
Brian Diver
Brian Sherwood
27 shots v M Rogacs

Rink 5.

Martin Horsham
John Bramfitt
Mick Pullen, Sen V/President
Keith Howlett, Jun V/President
19 shots v T Huke 18 shots

Rink 6.

Jim Diver
Malcolm Tait
David Thurlow
Mick Weatherill
9 shots v G Moss 30 shots

NATIONAL E.I.B.A. OVER 60'S INTER CLUB DOUBLE RINK RESULTS

Kingsthorpe IBC 'B' played Kettering Lodge IBC 'A' in the second round of the National Over 60's Inter Club Double Rink competition, and came away with an emphatic win by 29 shots, both rinks winning. This competition is played on 1 rink at home and 1 rink away, and the final score was Kingsthorpe 54 shots – Kettering Lodge 25 shots. Rink scores, Kettering Lodge skips only, as follows:

At Kingsthorpe: John Clipston/Eric York/John Baggat/Colin Jones 25 shots – Herbert Starsmore 18 shots

At Kettering: Alan Spencer/Ron Everson-Watts/Alan Slinn/Colin Manton 29 shots – Brian Langton 7 shots

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE INDOOR LADIES versus DESBOROUGH IBC 20.10.08 – Selection

The following ladies have been selected to represent the County in a friendly match against Desborough IBC on Monday, 20th October, 2008, commencing at 2.0 p.m.

Rink 1.

Delia Panther, Kettering
Audrey Gardener, Daventry
Valerie Blackwell, Rushden
Brenda Bishop, Daventry

Rink 2.

Sue Fincham, Wellingborough
Helen Jones, Wellingborough
Pam Wills, Northampton
Barbara Oliver, Northampton

Rink 3.

Chris Cooper, Wellingborough
Sue Prior, Brackley
Agnes Johnson, Wellingborough
Joyce Porter, Northampton

Rink 4.

Kay Green, Wellingborough
Margaret Newport, Northampton
Pat Gayton, Wellingborough
Pat Bax, Daventry

Rink 5.

Jean Burgess, Wellingborough
Lillian Allen, Kettering
Irene Scoble, Wellingborough
Irene Cross, Northampton

Rink 6.

Barbara Hutt, Daventry
Ann Woods, Northampton
Annie Scrimshaw, Daventry
Joan Bryan, Kettering

Reserves: Eileen Williams, Wellingborough Joyce Burns, Northampton

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE INDOOR LADIES versus BRACKLEY IBC 25.10.08. – Selection

The following ladies have been selected to represent the County in a friendly match versus Brackley IBC on Saturday, 25th October, 2008, commencing at 2.0 p.m.

Rink 1.

Jean Burgess, Wellingborough
Pat Starsmore, Kettering
Rhona Holland, Daventry
Pat Symonds, Daventry

Rink 2.

Vicki Rushall, Daventry
Eileen Williams, Wellingborough
Jane Plumb, Desborough
Barbara Oliver, Northampton

Rink 3.

Edna Worrall
Elizabeth Keeney, Desborough
Jean Pownall-Davies, Daventry
Valerie Blackwell, Rushden.

Reserves: Kay Green, Wellingborough Delia Panther, Kettering

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE UNDER 25'S versus DESBOROUGH IBC 18.10.08. – RESULT

Due to the playing of the Denny Cup on the morning of their match Graham Southgate, Under 25 Team Manager fielded a young and relatively inexperienced side in a friendly match against his Desborough IBC, but he was delighted with their performances for at one point they were a lot of shots adrift but with a spirited show the young players only went down by 17 shots. Final score was Northants Under 25's 99 shots – Desborough IBC 116 shots. Rink scores, Desborough skips only, as follows:

Rink 1.

Tia Mulligan
Tyler Richards
Curtis Johnson
Will Hill v Bob Sullivan
16 shots 22 shots

Rink 2.

Adam Brown
Matthew Toseland
Aaron Bell
Matt Wordingham v Keith Howlett
27 shots 16 shots

Rink 3.

Chloe Wordingham
Kirsty Gage
Louise Harrington
Rebecca Wigfield v Bill McGillivray
14 shots 18 shots

Danny Walker
Adam Pitfield
Cameron Knox
Ross Knox v N Humphrey
13 shots 19 shots

Matthew Bush
William Walker
Tom Wellburn
Jamie Walker v Margaret McGillivray
16 shots 21 shots

Nathan Betts
Matthew Cattell
Aaron Mulligan
Chris Wright v Jim Headington
13 shots 19 shots

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE VICE-PRESIDENTS versus DESBOROUGH IBC

The Northants VP's played a mixed match against Desborough IBC on Sunday, 19th October, 2008, and managed to pull off a 7 shot win. Final score was VP's 82 shots 0 Desborough 75 shots. Rink scores as follows:

Rink 1.

VP's	Desborough
Ray Timson	G Gray
Marion Stephenson	C Noble
Ken Legan	B Ball
Rita Bell	C Eastwick
25 shots	12 shots

Rink 2.

VP's	Desborough
John Watson	Zoe Eisler
Sheila Bailey	N Wolfe
Gerrard Stephenson	J Manton
Margaret Cave	D Noble
24 shots	10 shots

Rink 3.

VP's	Desborough
Mary Grewcock	K Adams
Harry Bell	S Hulme
Sheila Legan	Elizabeth Keeney
Bob Jones	Will Keeney
10 shots	33 shots

Rink 4.

VP's	Desborough
Peter Woodhams	B Eastwick
Janet Watson	A Vink
Donna Williamson	J Adams
Roy Cave	G Gray
23 shots	20 shots

VP'S next match Sunday, 26th October, 2008, at Wellingborough IBC versus Leicestershire VP's.

INTERNATIONAL UNDER 25 – ENGLAND TRIAL FOR COUNTY PLAYER 19.10.08.

As reported previously, Jamie Walker, 16 years, of Wellingborough IBC played in the England Under 25 Trial match at Kingsthorpe on Sunday, 19th October, 2008. He was in the rink skipped by regular Under 25 International Robert Chisholm of Northumberland, and was accompanied by D Forster of Cumbria at lead and S McIntosh of South Shields.

Also attending at the Trial as reserves were two other County players, Michael Chester of Wellingborough IBC, and Dominic Graham of Northampton & District, and as it turned out they both were given a full game owing to the unavoidable absence of two Norfolk Trialists Jamie Chestney and Wayne Wilgress. Michael took Wayne's position at Skip of the rink opposing Robert Chisholm, and Dominic played at No. 3 with N Kunc of Somerset skipping, and joined at lead by M Spencer of Lincolnshire and M Orrey also Lincolnshire at No 2.

All of the County players gave a very good account of themselves, and now await the England Selectors' decision on the team to play against Wales in Swansea next month, and those to take part in the International Series in January 2009.

INTERNATIONAL DUTY FOR YOUNG COUNTY PLAYER

As previously reported Jamie Walker, 16 years, of Wellingborough IBC is visiting Scotland next week for the most prestigious World Bowls Indoor Bowls Council's Under 25 Singles Championships, being played at Auchinleck IBC, from the 28th to the 31st October, 2008. He has been selected to represent England following last season's success in reaching the Final of the National Under 25 Singles, where he was narrowly beaten by the experienced Junior International Danny May from Cumbria.

His first match will be against Matthew Vickery of Nottingham, who has taken the place of Danny May in this event, at 11.30 a.m. on the 28th, followed at 4.30 p.m. against David Thomas of the Isle of Man, and for his third match of the day at 7.50 p.m. against Gavin Abraham of Wales.

The following day at 9.30 a.m. he is up against Ronnie Duncan of Scotland, and at 12.30 p.m. against Paul Taylor of Wales, and it seems before he has time for a break he is on the green again at 2.30 p.m. for the Mixed Pairs Quarter Final when he is joined by Erin Smith of Ireland against Patrick Burns (Ireland) and Amy Stanton (England) and for his fourth session of the day at 5.50 p.m. he plays a further singles match against Craig Dorey of Guernsey.

On Thursday, 30th October he is back on the green at 11.10 a.m. for a singles encounter against Stewart Anderson of Scotland, and if he is successful in the mixed pairs of the previous day he will be playing a Semi-Final at 2.30 p.m., and that will be quickly followed by a further singles match this time at 4.10 p.m. against Barry Kane of Ireland, and finally on that day his last singles match of the Championship against Patrick Burns of Ireland.

It is hoped that Jamie's bowling is such that he will be playing in the Final of the Mixed Pairs and the Final of the Men's Under 25 Singles being held on Friday, 31st October, at 9.0 a.m. and 11.15 a.m. respectively, to crown a very busy week of international bowling.

NATIONAL COMPETITIONS – SOME EARLY ROUND RESULTS

- Men's Pairs:** Brian Rees/Paul Broderick(Wellingborough) beat Bob Fuller/Mick Cooper(Wellingborough) 20-8
- Mixed Pairs:** Vicki Rushall/Mick Worthington (Daventry) beat Dave Smith (Kettering) 26-9
- 2nd Round.** Sam Manton/Jason Bryan (Kingsthorpe) beat Joan Watts/Simon Walker (Brackley) 23-10
Di Baggat/Dave Masters (Northampton) beat Jane & Andy Redfern (Rushden) 16-14
Marilyn Oram/Chris Bland (Northampton) beat Donna Williamson/Iain Walker (Kingsthorpe) 22-6
Yvonne McKee/Mick Sharpe (Kingsthorpe) beat Jean & Dave Flippance (Desborough) 25-12
Celia Morris/Sam Wade (Kingsthorpe) beat Hannah Biddle/Chris Wright (Northampton) 29-13
Phil Woodcock (Kingsthorpe) given walk-over by Alan Dunkley (Brackley)
- 3rd Round:** Yvonne Pullen/Martin Keech (Rushden) beat Jasmin Spear/Alan Ramsar (Northampton) 21-12
Caroline & Martin Cinato (Desborough) beat Louise Harrington/Martin White (Desborough) 21-15
- Mixed Fours:** Jane & Andy Redfern (Rushden) given walk-over by Iain Walker (Kingsthorpe)
- Over 50 Triples:** Phil Rhodes/Terry James/Malc Mattinson (Rushden) beat Jim McCamley'George Warren/Ron Chambers (Desborough) 22-18
Roger Tansley's Triple (Kingsthorpe) beat John Chester's Triple (Wellingborough) no score available.

CLUB NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

BRACKLEY IBC

Fixtures:

25.10.08. Northamptonshire Women's IBA visits for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.

COLD ASHBY BC

25.10.08. The Club is holding a Horse and Dog Racing Club at The Memorial Hall at 7.30 p.m.

DESBOROUGH IBC

The Famous Grouse Open Triples

The first two Groups have now played in this Open Competition, and the following Triples have qualified for the Finals on the 14th December, 2008:

- Group 1. Jean Flippance/Dave Flippance/John Haines (Desborough IBC)
Group 2. Roy Whitehead/Nev Humphrey/Bill McGillivray (Desborough)

Fixtures:

- 23.10.08. Northamptonshire Police BC visits for a men's match at 2.0 p.m.
25.10.08. The Penguins BC visits for a men's match at 2.0 p.m.
27.10.08. Corby Forest BC and Ise BC visit for a Ladies Match at 2.0 p.m.

KETTERING LODGE IBC

Fixtures:

- 23.10.08. Kingsthorpe IBC visits for a men's match at 2.0 p.m.
27.10.08. The Ladies section holds its Vice President's Day at 2.0 p.m.

KINGSTHORPE IBC

Egham Trophy

The following have been selected to represent the Club against Bedford Borough IBC in the National 'Egham Trophy' competition for mixed teams of four rinks, played on 2 at home and 2 away basis, to be played on Sunday 26th October, 2008:

At Kingsthorpe: Rink 1. Donna Williamson/Yvonne McKee/Colin Jones/Mick Sharpe
 Rink 2. Sally Row/Diane brumwell/Calvin Carpenter/Sam Wade

At Bedford: Rink 3. Celia Morris/Hilary Sharpe/Richard Mann/Vernon Gearey
 Rink 4. Michell Tansley/Sharon Tansley/Chris Maden/Jim McKee

Fixtures:

22.10.08. Wellingborough IBC visits for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.
23.10.08. Members visit Kettering Lodge IBC for a men's match at 2.0 p.m.
26.10.08. Rushden IBC visits for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.

NORTHAMPTON & DISTRICT IBC

Egham Trophy

The following have been selected to represent the Club against Daventry IBC in the National 'Egham Trophy' competition for mixed teams of four rinks to be played against Daventry IBC:

At Northampton: Rink 1. Rob White/Joyce Porter/Dena Bryan/Phil Reeve
 Rink 2. Linda Warren/Jane Maloy/Ray Castle/Alan Ramscar

At Daventry: Rink 3. Marilyn Oram/Hannah Biddle/Richard Lemon/Chris Bland
 Rink 4. Jean Chesshire/Diane Baggat/Olly Kirkwood/Andy Smith

Fixtures:

22.10.08. Daventry IBC visits for a ladies match at 2.00 p.m.
23.10.08. Northampton West BC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
25.10.08. Banbury Cross IBC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
26.10.08. Members visit Daventry IBC for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.

RUSHDEN IBC

Match Result:

The Club played Northampton & District IBC on Saturday, 18th October, 2008, and came off second best losing by 28 shots despite having 2 winning rinks and 1 tied. Final score Rushden 99 – Northampton 127. Rink scores as follows, Rushden names first:

Rink 1. D Parnham/R Page/J Clark/H Dickens 11 shots – R Kilpin/A Goodman/J Dimmock/I Daverson 29 shots
Rink 2. G Young/R Minney/R Barlow/R Cave 17 shots – D Barron/T Atkins/E Wittering/G Green
Rink 3. P Eggleton/A Wilson/P Munday/B Waterfield 15 shots – A Taylor/J Hillery/L Harrison/R Spatcher 14 shots
Rink 4. P Marston/J Philips/T Lewis/T Burns 17 shots – J Crane/T Hillery/S Wittering/R Jones 17 shots
Rink 5. D Coleman/D Garwood/K Wood/M Malins 26 shots – J Griffiths/K Smith/B Warner/M Hall 20 shots
Rink 6. N Stockton/C Longstaff/T Blackwell/M Betts 13 – E Earp/E Glasspool/J Porter/B Jones 26 shots

Bowls Break at Potters

Around 80 Club members have just returned from a short bowls holiday break at the well-known Potters Leisure Resort, Norfolk, the venue for recent World Indoor Bowls, and in competitions during the week two of the Club's rinks reached the semi-finals, they being:

Nancy & Bob Tebbutt/Pat & Malcolm Mattinson, and David Graham/Linda Parsons/Jan & Fred Calcutt.

Fixtures:

- 23.10.08. Northants/Hunts Masonic BA visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 25.10.08. Members visit Bridgman IBC, Beds. for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 26.10.08. Members visit Kingsthorpe IBC for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.

SWANSPOOL BC

Fixture:

- 26.10.08. Members visit Bedford Borough IBC for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.

WELLINGBOROUGH IBC

National Inter Club Under 25 Double Rink Competition

The Club has selected the following to play in this Double Rink competition against Solihull IBC, with 1 rink away and 1 at home, to be played on Sunday, 26th October, 2008, commencing at 10.0 a.m.

At Wellingborough: Curtis Johnson/Danny Walker/Callum Height/Michael Chester

At Solihull: Tyler Richards/William Walker/Scott Johnson/Jamie Walker

Reserves: Josh Newcombe & Duncan Briggs

Mason Trophy

The following have been selected to represent the Club in the Clavis Insurance Mason Trophy competition to be played against Rushden IBC on Thursday, 23rd October, 2008, commencing at 10.0 a.m. both rinks at Rushden.

Rink 1. Jean Burgess/Helena Norman/Pam Reynolds/Margaret Johnson

Rink 2. Jean Frisby/Pat Gayton/Maureen McDonald/Diane Allen.

Fixtures

- 22.10.08. Members visit Kingsthorpe IBC for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.
- 23.10.08. Daventry IBC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 25.10.08. Newport Pagnell BC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 26.10.08. Members visit Leicester IBC for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.
- 26.10.08. The Club hosts Northants VP's versus Leicestershire VP's at 2.15 p.m.



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