

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BOWLS NEWS REPORTS

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PRESS REPORT

1. NATIONAL LADIES INTER CLUB 'YETTON TROPHY' – NORTHAMPTON'S SUCCESS

Well done the ladies of Northampton & District IBC in reaching the last 16 in the country in the ladies Inter Club 'Yetton Trophy' competition.

Northampton and District IBC ladies have kept the County's flag flying in the prestigious Inter Club Ladies 'Yetton Trophy' competition with a very fine win against March IBC, Cambridgeshire on Thursday, 21st March, 2010.

In a match played by 4 rinks, with 2 at home and 2 away, the Northampton Club played a very good team game, winning by a very substantial 33 shots with just one rink succumbing, and then by only 4 shots. Northampton was always on top, having accrued a 15 shot lead after 5 ends; a lead of 31 shots after 10, and these leads were maintained to the end, despite a bit of a fight-back by March over the last 3 ends.

The final score was Northampton & District IBC 99 shots – March IBC 66 shots. Rink scores, March skips only, as follows:

At Northampton: **Rink 1.** Anita Hickman/Janet Riome/Jackie Dale/Heather Newton 13 shots – D Miller 17 shots
Rink 2. Val Lovatt/Marion Cozens/Pat Weston/Thelma Littlemore 25 shots – J Moore 18 shots

At March: **Rink 3.** Linda Warren/Sue Lane/Janet Swift/Di Baggat 23 shots – C Hollingsworth 19 shots
Rink 4. Marilyn Oram/Jane Maloy/Victoria Stevenson/Joyce Porter 38 shots – S Culledge 12 shots

Northampton will now play Lincoln & District IBC on Thursday, 4th February, 2010, and it will again be 2 rinks at home and 2 away. The team has not yet been announced for this encounter.

2. NATIONAL MEN'S 'DENNY PLATE' COMPETITION – WELLINGBOROUGH'S SUCCESS

Well done to the gentlemen of Wellingborough IBC in reaching the Semi-Final of the National Men's Inter Club 'Denny Plate' Competition.

The second success for the County in National Inter Club competition came with Wellingborough's outstanding win in the Quarter Finals of the National Inter Club 'Denny Plate' competition, when they met Falaise IBC, Hastings, on Saturday, 23rd January, 2010, at the neutral green at Wey Valley IBC, Guildford.

Both teams started well, and at the 5 ends mark each had 2 winning rinks, although Wellingborough had a 5 shot advantage at that point, which they increased just a little to 8 shots after 10 ends with 2 winning, one drawn and 1 losing. The County club however then went into overdrive over the next stage to increase their lead to 22 shots at 15 ends with 3 rinks winning and the other just behind by 2 shots, and that lead was maintained to the end of the game with all four rinks posting wins, although Gregory's rink left it to the last end to get the 1 shot win. Overall Wellingborough won by 27 shots. Final score was Wellingborough 96 shots – Falaise 69 shots. Rink scores, Falaise skips only, as follows:

Rink 1.	Rink 2.	Rink 3.	Rink 4.
Jason Hall	Callum Height	David Love	Dennis Collins
Scott Johnson	John Towell	Bob Fuller	Graham Maddams
Steve Norman	Maurice Allen	Martin Walker	Jamie Walker
Robert Norman	Paul Broderick	Walt Winsor	Wayne Gregory
21 shots v S Jeapes 19 shots	28 shots v R Packham 13 shots	21 shots v A Sexton 12 shots	26 shots v K Cheetham 25

Wellingborough now plays Malvern Hills IBC in the Semi-Final on Saturday, 20th March, 2010, at Kempston IBC, Bedfordshire (formerly Lawson Park IBC) commencing at 9.30 a.m. with hopefully the Final to follow in the afternoon of that day.

3. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN versus MASONIC BOWLING ASSOCIATION – RESULT

Northamptonshire Indoor Bowling Association men took on the Northants and Hunts Masonic BA on Wednesday, 20th January, 2010, at Kettering Lodge IBC, and despite sharing rink wins, the County took the match by a substantial 28 shots thanks to the 2 winning rinks winning well and those that lost only doing so by 3 and 4 shots respectively. The final score was Northamptonshire 87 shots – Masonic BA 59. Rink scores, Masonic skips only, as follows:

Rink 1.	Rink 2.	Rink 3.	Rink 4.
William Wilken	Mick Hall	John Smith	John Whiting
Bill Craig	Gordon Morris	Trevor Tilley	Jim Walvin
John Chester	Mick Pullen	Peter Byworth	Doug Hatton
Brian Diver	Brian Langton	Richard Somerton	Geoff Harris
14 shots v R Fox 17 shots	19 shots v C Beck 23 shots	28 shots v P Wood 6 shots	26 shots v R Drage 13

4. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE HON VICE PRESIDENTS versus RUSHDEN IBC – RESULT

Northamptonshire Vice Presidents Bowling Association visited Rushden IBC to play the host club on Thursday, 21st January, 2010, and although only losing on 1 rink and drawn on another, the game was fairly close with 3 close winning rinks and 1 winning more comfortably, the difference was just 16 shots. The final score was VP's 120 – Rushden 104. Rink scores, no Rushden names provided, as follows:

Rink 1.	Rink 2.	Rink 3.
Len Marshall	Geoff Talbot	John Broderick
Tony Johnson	Dennis Franklin	Peter Byworth
Bryan Audis	Mick Pullen	Bob Tingle
Barry Thompson	Tony Buckmaster	Keith Forbes
18 shots – Rushden 17 shots	17 shots – Rushden 17 shots	20 shots - Rushden 16 shots
Rink 4.	Rink 5.	Rink 6.
Graham Cashmore	Ray Timson	Phil Miller
Ollie Pearson	Geoff Care	Harry Bell
Mick McKeown	Clyde Hulbert	Derek Essam
Brian Langton	Roy Cave	Graham Dunscombe
28 shots – Rushden 25 shots	20 shots – Rushden 10 shots	17 shots – Rushden 19 shots

5. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN versus NORFOLK MEN – 3.2.10 – SELECTION

The following have been selected to represent Northamptonshire men in a friendly match against Norfolk men to be played on Wednesday, 3rd February, 2010, at Desborough IBC, commencing at 2.0 p.m.

Rink 1. Peter Maloy, Northampton Don Scott, Brackley Mick Pullen, Rushden Tracy Nunn, Desborough	Rink 2. Jim Walvin, Daventry Malcolm Tait, Kettering George Willmott, Rushden Norman Gibb, Desborough	Rink 3. Bryan Jones, Kettering Eddie Chapman, Wellingborough Keith Howlett, Desborough Laurie Harrison, Northampton
Rink 4. Peter Woodhams, Rushden Gordon Morris, Northampton Tony Warren, Northampton Richard Somerton, Brackley	Rink 5. Ernie Earp, Northampton Mick York, Desborough Dave Thurlow, Desborough George Warren, Desborough	Rink 6. John Smith, Kettering Dave Williams, Desborough Brian Diver, Desborough Geoff Hunt, Wellingborough
Reserves:	John Whiting, Northampton Walter Stoddard, Kingsthorpe Peter Wood, Keettering	Jim Diver, Desborough Bill Craig, Desborough

6. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN versus WORCESTERSHIRE MCIBA LEAGUE – RESULT

What a close finish to the match between Northamptonshire men and their counterparts in Worcestershire, when they came together in a Midland Counties League match on Sunday, 24th January, 2010. In the match played at Bromsgrove IBC the result was in doubt right to the very last bowl of the last end. That last bowl from Team Manager John Haines picked up 1 shot which tied the match, although as Worcestershire scored one more winning rink than the County they picked up 12 points to the 10 of Northamptonshire. Final score was Northamptonshire 119 shots – Worcestershire 119 shots. Rink scores, Worcs. Skips only, as follows:

Rink 1. Connor Cinato Matt Wordingham Bill Brune Terry James v M Sandoz 14 shots 28 shots	Rink 2. Roger Tansley Jason Bryan Andy Smith Jim McKee v J Weaver 30 shots 7 shots	Rink 3. Matt Pownall Malc Mattinson Ollie Kirkwood Vernon Gearey v J Knowles 25 shots 13 shots
Rink 4. Jim Diver Martin Cinato Carl Haines Dave Flippance v A Burbridge 20 shots 20 shots	Rink 5. Brian Thomas Jack Tobin Richard Lemon Calvin Carpenter v N Brereton 11 shots 30 shots	Rink 6. Pete Maloy Graham Maddams Dominic Graham John Haines v M Stones 19 shots 21 shots

7. NATIONAL LADIES INTER CLUB ‘MASON TROPHY’ COMPETITION – RESULT

Northampton & District IBC, the last remaining County Club in the National Ladies Over 60 Double Rink ‘Mason Trophy’ competition, went out of the event against Huntingdon IBC on Monday, 18th January, 2010, after a very close affair. The match, which was played at Northampton, saw a winning rink each, but the aggregate scores favoured the Huntingdon ladies by 3 shots. Final score was Northampton 36 shots – Huntingdon 39 shots. Rink details, no Hunts names, as follows:

Rink 1.	Mariln Oram/Pat Cherry/Janet Swift/Joyce Porter 17 shots – Hunts. 15 shots
Rink 2.	Annette Faulkner/Jean Crane/Di Baggat/Jean Chesshire 19 shots – Hunts. 24 shots

8. NATIONAL INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS – LATEST RESULTS

GENTLEMEN

SINGLES

Quarter Finals: Neil Corbyn, Wellingborough beat Matt Pownall, Desborough 21-7
Andy Smith, Northampton beat Will Hill, Desborough 21-14
Andrew Hunter, Kingsthorpe beat Graham Maddams, Wellingborough 21-17

Corbyn will now play Neil McKee in the Semi-Finals and Smith will play Hunter in the other Semi-Final, both on a date to be mutually arranged by the 14th February, 2010.

PAIRS

Quarter Final: Chris Maden/Calvin Carpenter, Kingsthorpe beat Tony Dicks/Mick Worthington, Daventry 25-8

They now meet Callum Height and Jamie Walker, Wellingborough in the Semi-Finals on a date to be mutually arranged by the 14th February, 2010.

TRIPLES

Quarter Finals: Scott Johnson/Callum Height/Jamie Walker, Wellingborough beat Paul Coley/Walt Winsor/Mick Cooper, Wellingborough 22-8
Jason Hall/Darren Lyman/Paul Broderick, Wellingborough beat John Pickaver/Carl Wigfield/Graham Southgate, Desborough 25-7
Jim Diver/Matt Pownall/John Haines, Desborough beat Alan Maden/Chris Maden/Iain Walker, Kingsthorpe 13-10
Andrew Manton/Mick Sharpe/Neil McKee, Kingsthorpe beat Martin Gearey/Jim McKee/Vernon Gearey, Kingsthorpe 20-5

In the Semi-Finals the Walker Triple plays the Haines Triple, and Broderick' Trio meets Neil McKee's three, on dates to be mutually arranged before the 14th February, 2010.

FOURS

Quarter Finals: Jack Tobin/Mark Plimmer/Bob Collyer/Matt Wordingham, Rushden beat Chris Maden/Darren Lewis/Martin Gearey/Iain Walker 17-6
Andrew Manton/Paul Maynard/Mick Sharpe/Neil McKee, Kingsthorpe beat Callum Height/Michael Chester/Martin Walker/Jamie Walker 21-7

The Semi-Finals are now between Wordingham and Jim McKee's rink from Kingsthorpe; and Paul Broderick's rink from Wellingborough against Neil McKee's rink on dates to be mutually arranged before the 14th February, 2010.

9. ENGLISH BOWLS YOUTH DEVELOPMENT SCHEME – CLARIFICATION AND CORRECTION

The English Bowls Youth Development Scheme (EBYDS) holds County 'Schools of Excellence' arranged by the local schemes, and Northamptonshire Bowls Youth Development Scheme (NBYDS) held those 'Schools of Excellence' in the County on the 2nd January, 2010 at Wellingborough IBC for the young entrants aged between 15 & 18; and on Saturday, 16th January, 2010, at Northampton & District IBC for the young entrants aged under 15 years.

I submitted information on both events, and the one held on the 2nd January was reported accurately. The event on the 16th January, however, was reported incorrectly, and I am seeking to have that put right.

The 'School of Excellence' comprises of two elements: 1. Playing short matches in groups in a round robin format, with the highest scoring players playing a Semi-final and winners playing a Final. 10 points are allocated to each winner in each of the short matches. 2. Skills exercises, for which each entrant undergoes 4 differing skills, with points allocated according to the skills criteria. Both sets of points scored are added together to provide the overall winner of the 'School of Excellence' and he/she and the second highest aggregate scoring entrant will qualify for the EBYDS Regional Finals.

In the Under 15 event on the 16th January, 2010, Nathan BETTS, Rushden IBC, scored a total of 135 points (95 points for skills and 40 points for playing) Connor Cinato, Desborough IBC scored 116 points (66 points for skills and 50 points for playing) Nathan BETTS was, therefore the Overall Champion, and Connor Cinato was Runner-up, notwithstanding that in the play off Final he beat Nathan. The combined scores are what dictates the champion. In the account published in the Evening Telegraph on Tuesday, 19th January, 2010, Connor Cinato was prominently shown by photograph and script, to have been the Champion. I have supplied 2 photographs of Nathan Betts, and I, and the NBYDS organisers, as well as family members, would appreciate a 'clarification' of the event. I attach those photographs again.

10. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LADIES versus BUCKINGHAMSHIRE – SELECTION

The following ladies have been selected to represent Northamptonshire in a friendly match against Buckinghamshire Ladies on Monday, 1st February, 2010, at Wellingborough IBC, commencing at 2.0 p.m.:

Rink 1. Vicki Rushall, Daventry Sue Lomas, Desborough Chris Cooper, Wellingborough Joan Watts, Brackley	Rink 2. Yvonne McKee, Kingsthorpe Jane Maloy, Northampton Valerie Blackwell, Rushden Jeannie Flippance, Desborough	Rink 3. Zoe Eisler, Desborough Kay Green, Wellingborough Wilma Walker, Desborough Joyce Porter, Northampton
Rink 4. Jan Hunt, Wellingborough Barbara Astle, Kingsthorpe Di Brumwell, Kingsthorpe Audrey Height, Rushden	Rink 5. Audrey Gardener, Kingsthorpe Barbara Hutt, Daventry Irene Scoble, Wellingborough Tina Broderick, Wellingborough	Rink 6. Donna Williamson, Kingsthorpe Margaret Newport, Northampton Joan Bryan, Kettering Pat Bax, Daventry
Reserves:	Sue Prior, Brackley Rhona Holland, Daventry	Eleanor Winters, Desborough Lillian Allen, Kettering
Non-travelling Reserves:	Terri Hepburn, Kingsthorpe	Eleanor Buchanan, Kingsthorpe

11. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LADIES versus WARWICKSHIRE – MIDLAND COUNTIES LEAGUE

The following ladies have been selected to represent Northamptonshire in a Midland Counties League Match against Warwickshire to be played at Welford IBC on Tuesday, 2nd February, 2010, commencing at 12.30 p.m. Pick-up points are 9.30 a.m. Tesco Super Store, Kettering; 10.0 a.m. Northampton & District IBC; & 10.30 a.m. Daventry Hotel

Rink 1. Vicki Rushall, Daventry Eleanor Winters, Desborough Barbara Oliver, Daventry Di Brumwell, Kingsthorpe	Rink 2. Pat Starsmore, Kettering Linda Warren, Northampton Joan Watts, Brackley Joyce Porter, Northampton	Rink 3. Sue Bagshaw, Kettering Chris Cooper, Wellingborough Hilary Sharpe, Kingsthorpe Brenda Bishop, Daventry
Rink 4. Jean Burgess, Wellingborough Barbara Hutt, Daventry Irene Scoble, Wellingborough Jeannie Flippance, Desborough	Rink 5. Yvonne McKee, Kingsthorpe Rhona Holland, Daventry Michelle Tansley, Kingsthorpe Audrey Height, Rushden	Rink 6. Rebecca Wigfield, Desborough Jane Maloy, Northampton Pat Bax, Daventry Sharon Tansley, Kingsthorpe
Reserves:	Joan Bryan, Kettering Wilma Walker, Desborough	Pat Symonds, Daventry Eileen Waddington, Northampton
Non-travelling Reserves:	Sue Lomas, Desborough	Helen Jones, Wellingborough

12. COUNTY MEN'S COMPETITIONS – LATEST RESULTS

SINGLES

2nd Round: Robert Norman, Wellingborough beat Chris Bland, Northampton
Andy Smith, Northampton beat Scott Johnson, Wellingborough
John Haines, Desborough beat Graham Southgate, Desborough

PAIRS

2nd Round: Matt Wordingham & partner, Rushden beat Martin Keech, Rushden
Robert Norman & partner, Wellingborough beat Wayne Gregory, Wellingborough
Dominic Graham & partner, Northampton beat Ollie Kirkwood, Northampton

TRIPLES

2nd Round: Robert Norman's triple, Wellingborough beat Ollie Kirkwood's, Northampton
Dave Masters' triple, Northampton beat Bryan Jones', Kettering

FOURS

1st Round: Graham Southgate's rink, Desborough beat Martin Keech's, Rushden
Wayne Gregory's rink, Wellingborough beat Bob Collyer's, Rushden
Jim McKee's rink, Kingsthorpe beat Malc Mattinson's, Rushden

13. CLUB NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

DESBOROUGH IBC

Fixtures:

28.1.10. Fleckney BC and Swanspool BC visit for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.
30.1.10. Members visit Rushden IBC for a County League match at 9.45 a.m.
30.1.10. Corby Grampian BC visits for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.
1.2.10. Swanspool BC and Islip BC visit for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.
3.2.10. The Club hosts the match between Northamptonshire and Norfolk – men's friendly at 2.0 p.m.

Event:

The Club hosts the Inaugural Lunch for the incoming Northamptonshire Bowling Association President, Mr Tracy Nunn. Tracy is a Life Member of Desborough BC; member of Desborough IBC and a member of Corby Forest BC, from which Club he has been nominated for the office of President of the County Bowls Association (Outdoor)

(Note: you have a photograph of Tracy on file if you wish to use it)

KETTERING LODGE IBC

Fixtures:

28.1.10. Members visit Northampton & District IBC for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.
30.1.10. Geddington & Newton BC visits for a men's match at 2.0 p.m.
1.2.10. Ladies Captain's Day

KINGSTHORPE IBC

Fixtures:

- 27.1.10. Members visit Kempston BC (Lawson Park) for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.
- 27.1.10. The Club hosts a match between Northamptonshire IBA and Northamptonshire Police at 2.0 p.m.
- 30.1.10. Melton & District IBC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 31.1.10. Banbury Cross BC visits for a mixed match at 2/15 p.m.
- 3.2.10. Members visit Daventry IBC for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.

NORTHAMPTON & DISTRICT IBC

Fixtures:

- 27.1.10. Abington BC and Whyte Melville BC visit for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.
- 28.1.10. Kettering Lodge IBC visits for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.
- 30.1.10. South Beds BC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 31.1.10. Cogenhoe BC visits for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.
- 3.2.10. Luton IBC visits for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.

RUSHDEN TOWN IBC

Fixtures:

- 28.1.10. Members visit Peterborough IBC for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.
- 30.1.10. Round 2 of the Pheasant Pluckers competition at 2.0 p.m.
- 31.1.10. Bletchley IBC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

WELLINGBOROUGH IBC

Fixtures:

- 27.11.10. The Club hosts a match between the County VP's and Lincolnshire VP's at 2.15 p.m.
- 28.1.10. The Masonic BA visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 30.1.10. The Penguins BC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 1.2.10. The Club hosts a match between Northamptonshire Ladies and Buckinghamshire Ladies at 12.30 p.m.
- 3.2.10. The Club hosts a match between Northamptonshire Police BC and Swanspool BC at 2.15 p.m.



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SUPPLEMENTARY PRESS REPORT

NATIONAL MEN'S OVER 60 INTER COUNTY COMPETITION – SEMI-FINAL – 2.2.10.

Northamptonshire Over 60's men have a Semi-Final encounter in the prestigious Inter County Over 60's competition in their quest for a repeat of the success of 2009.

Last year the County's 'veteran' players lifted the trophy in the first year of its being, and having topped the Group stage with wins against Leicestershire, Derbyshire, Lincolnshire and Warwickshire they are well on target for a repeat this year.

Standing in their path will be the men of the County of Cumbria, a very strong outfit, who were beaten semi-finalists last year, and who will present a very stern test against the County. They have come through their Group stage with flying colours with wins against Nottinghamshire, Yorkshire, Lancashire and Durham, and they will be anxious to go all the way this year.

The Semi-Final has been arranged to take place on Tuesday, 2nd February, 2010, at South Leeds IBC, South Leeds Stadium, Middleton Grove, Leeds, West Yorkshire, LS11 7DJ, commencing at 2.0 p.m.

Northamptonshire's team may show small changes from the last outing against Derbyshire and it has not yet been published, but support at Leeds on the day would be appreciated. A coach is being organised at modest cost to the passengers which will leave the County at around 9.30 a.m. and anyone who would like a seat should get in touch with County Secretary Brian Sherwood, on 01933 312976.



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