

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BOWLS NEWS REPORTS

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PRESS REPORT

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN – MIDDLETON CUP versus LEICESTERSHIRE 4.7.09. – SELECTED TEAM

The following have been selected to represent Jackson Grundy Northamptonshire Bowling Association in the Inter County 'Middleton Cup' match against Leicestershire to be played at Wellingborough BC on Saturday, 4th July, 2009, commencing at 2.0 p.m. Players to arrive by 1.15 p.m.

Abington BC:	Jonathan Brown, John Freeman, Tony O'Leary.
Corby Forest BC:	Malcolm Paul (Non-travelling Reserve)
Desborough BC:	Carl Haines, John Haines, Jason Hall
Geddington & Newton BC:	Matt Pownall.
Kingsthorpe BC:	Ray Castle, Vernon Gearey, Richard Mann, Phil Reeve, Roger Tansley, Sam Wade.
Northampton Express BC:	Chris Bland, Dominic Graham, Richard Lemon.
Northampton West End BC:	Jamie Walker, Martin Walker (Travelling Reserve)
Roads BC:	Martin Gearey (Travelling Reserve)
Rothwell Conservatives BC:	Derek Douglas (Travelling Reserve)
Rushden Town BC:	Mick Malins.
Thrapston BC	Darren Childs, Callum Height, Keith Height.
Wellingborough BC	Paul Broderick; Michael Chester (Non-travelling Reserve), Neil Corbyn, Chris Falkner (Non-travelling Reserve), Neil Rees

If Northamptonshire is to progress to the Quarter-Finals this match is a 'must win' situation for currently Leicestershire are top of the group on 34 points with Suffolk and ourselves on 24 points. We must beat Leicestershire and do so by at least 16 points, and also to beat them by a higher points advantage than Suffolk manage against Hertfordshire. Of course if Hertfordshire, who have just 8 points, could do our County a favour by beating Suffolk it would come down to a straight win with 16 points against Leicestershire to progress.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LADIES – MATCH versus NORFOLK 3.7.09. – SELECTED TEAM

The following ladies have been selected to represent Jackson Grundy Northampton Women's County Bowling Association in a friendly match against Norfolk Ladies at Geddington & Newton BC on Friday, 3rd July, 2009, commencing at 1.30 p.m.

Rink 1.

Pat Coles, Geddington & Newton
Jill Nutt, Geddington & Newton
Trish Basford, Geddington & N'ton
Linda Tomlinson, Geddington & N'ton

Rink 2.

Jean Burgess, Wellingborough
Margaret Tyler, Burton Latimer
Yvonne McKee, Kingsthorpe
Jan Bradley, Daventry Town

Rink 3.

Marjorie Wright, Kettering Lodge
Jean Frisby, Wellingborough
Margaret McGillivray, Desborough
Audrey Height, Rushden

Rink 4.
Chris Cooper, Burton Latimer
Margaret Cave, President – Rushden
Hilary Sharpe, Kingsthorpe
Sharon Tansley, Kingsthorpe

Rink 5.
Sandra Mawson, Whyte Melville
Annette Norris, Corby Forest
Rita Bell, Kettering Athletic
Barbara Hasledine, Finedon

Rink 6.
Margaret Watts, Desborough
Celia Morris, Kingsthorpe
Bev Manning, Kislingbury
Christine Barlow, Abbey Park

Travelling Reserves:
Non-travelling Reserves:

Margaret Cooper, Kettering Lodge
May Wiggins, Corby Forest

Joyce George, Wellingborough
Gill Letts, Finedon

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LADIES – MIDDLE ENGLAND LEAGUE versus NOTTINGHAMSHIRE 8.7.09.

The following ladies have been selected to play for Jackson Grundy Northampton Women's County Bowling Association in a Middle England league championship match against Nottinghamshire to be played at Harpole BC on Wednesday, 8th July, 2009, commencing at 1.30 p.m.

Rink 1.
Vicki Rushall, Daventry Town
Ann Lissack, Burton Latimer
Pat Symonds, Daventry Town
Jan Bradley, Daventry Town

Rink 2.
Jean Pownall-Davies, Daventry Town
Margaret Cave, President – Rushden
Jill Welch, Daventry Town
Brenda Bishop, Daventry Town

Rink 3.
Pat Coles, Geddington & Newton
Kay Green, Wellingborough
Eileen Stubbs, Rushden
Sharon Tansley, Kingsthorpe

Rink 4.
Cynthia Cherry, Kingsthorpe
May Wiggins, Corby Forest
Janet Swift, Abbey Park
Di Brumwell, Kingsthorpe

Rink 5.
Pat Starsmore, Kettering Lodge
Barbara Oliver, Kislingbury
Wilma Walker, Corby Forest
Hilary Sharpe, Kingsthorpe

Rink 6.
Sue Bagshaw, Kettering Lodge
Alison Dring, Swanspool
Helena Norman, Higham Ferrers
Pat Gayton, Swanspool

Travelling Reserves:

Heather Lack, Burton Latimer
Sally Row, Kingsthorpe

Bev Manning, Kislingbury

Non-travelling Reserve:

Annette Norris, Corby Forest

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN versus NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LADIES 21.6.09. –RESULT

The Ladies of Jackson Grundy Northampton Women's County Bowling Association took on the men from the County in the annual friendly match, played at the County Ladies President's Club, Rushden Town, on Sunday, 21st June, 2009, and it looked as though a ladies victory might be on the cards for at the half-way stage they were 21 shots ahead, and by the 15th end has increased this to 24 shots, but with a late rally the men managed to turn the game around by taking 35 shots to just 10 shots against in the last 4 ends across the green to secure a face-saving victory by 11 shots.

The Final score was Northamptonshire Men 135 shots – Northamptonshire Ladies 124 shots. Rink scores as follows:

Rink 1.
NBA
Mick Pullen
Peter Byworth
Mossy Waters
Roy Cave
15 shots

NWCBA
Alison Dring
May Wiggins
Marlene Court
Trish Basford
25 shots

Rink 2.
NBA
Stuart Lake
Chris Hawkins
Peter Boulden
Terry James
19 shots

NWCBA
Sandra Mawson
Beryl Rylott
Bev Manning
Rita Bell
28 shots

Rink 3.
NBA
Bryan Jones
John Cooper
George Warren
Mike King
25 shots

NWCBA
Agnes Johnson
Ann Davey
Margaret Cave
Susan Fincham
21 shots

Rink 4.
NBA
Trevor Tilley
Brian Diver
Peter Kneeshaw
Geoff Hunt
19 shots

NWCBA
Victoria Stevenson
Joyce Burns
Christine Barlow
Pat Gayton
33 shots

Rink 5.
NBA
Skene McInnes
Doug Hatton
George Willmott
Richard Somerton
28 shots

NWCBA
Margaret Ruff
Beryl Tilley
Wilma Walker
Audrey Height
9 shots

Rink 6.
NBA
John Ruff
John Frisby
Gordon Dring
Laurie Harrison
29 shots

NWCBA
Brenice Willmott
Jill Nutt
Jean Frisby
Pat Bodily
8 shots

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN versus CIVIL SERVICE 23.6.09. – RESULT

Northamptonshire men took on the English Civil Service BA on Tuesday, 23rd June, 2009, at Oundle BC, and with just one losing rink they achieved a relatively comfortable win by 37 shots. Final score was Northamptonshire 141 shots – Civil Service 104 shots. Rink scores, Civil Service skips only, as follows:

Rink 1.

Skene McInnes
Bill Kendall
Bill Humphries
Tracy Nunn v S Bocking
22 shots 21 shots

Rink 2.

Peter Woodhams
Stuart Laxton
Tony Coles
Geoff Hunt v E Bell
15 shots 18 shots

Rink 3.

Stuart Lake
Bob Tingle
Walter Stoddard
Mike King v C McColl
31 shots 12 shots

Rink 4.

Martin Horsham
Maurice Tait
Chris Beck
John Church v E Weightman
21 shots 19 shots

Rink 5.

Ken Mardling
John Marriott
Ron Fox
Alan Newcombe v J Wilson
24 shots 21 shots

Rink 6.

Bryan Jones
Trevor Tilley
Mick Pullen
Laurie Harrison v P Silk
28 shots 13 shots

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN versus LONDON PARKS 25.6.09. – RESULT

The men of Northamptonshire visited Ilford, Essex, for their second friendly match of the week, when they played London Parks BA at Valentines Park, the home of Ilford BC, on Thursday, 25th June, 2009.

On a glorious sunny afternoon, it was clear very early that a highly competitive match was in store with just the odd shot between the two teams early on.

Towards the end of the match the Parks just had the edge but over the last 3 ends across the green the County men pushed hard and picked up 20 shots to 10 against to edge in front by 1 shot at the end, with the last rink playing the last end needing 2 shots for the win. It happened to be the President Mike King's rink and with his lead Trevor Tilley putting one of his bowls on the jack it remained for Mike himself to draw the second shot for a win which he duly did.

Final score was Northamptonshire 105 shots – London Parks 104 shots. Rink scores, Parks skips only, as follows:

Rink 1.

Ted Summerton
David Moore
Neville Bodily
John Church v A Donovan
15 shots 20 shots

Rink 2.

Frank Craven
Gary Cooke
Peter Byworth
Terry James v R Smith
22 shots 10 shots

Rink 3.

Paul Cooke
Hugh Taylor
Tracy Nunn
George Warren v R Watson
22 shots 13 shots

Rink 4.

Trevor Tilley
Skene McInnes
George Willmott
Mike King v D Cox
21 shots 20 shots

Rink 5.

Peter Woodhams
Bob Morris
Brian Diver
Richard Somerton v G Dulieu
20 shots 10 shots

Rink 6.

Stuart Lake
Mick Pullen
Paul Lidbury
Brian Jones v J Lambert
15 shots 21 shots

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN versus ESSEX 8th JULY, 2009 – SELECTED TEAM

The following men have been selected to represent Jackson Grundy Northamptonshire Bowling Association in a friendly match against Essex BA to be played at Saffron Walden Town BC on Wednesday, 8th July, 2009, commencing at 2.0 p.m. Travel by coach picking up at Wellingborough BC 11.0 a.m. & Thrapston BC 11.20 a.m.

Rink 1.

Peter Hales, Islip
Bill Osbourne, West Haddon
David Thurlow, Burton Latimer
John Church, Higham Ferrers

Rink 2.

Trevor Tilley, Irchester
Peter Clues, Heyford
Neville Bodily, N'ton Whyte Melville
Mike King, President – W'Borough

Rink 3.

Frank Craven, N'ton Whyte Melville
Hugh Taylor, Heyford
Peter Mercer, West Haddon
Laurie Harrison, Earls Barton

Rink 4.

Jim Diver, Desborough
 Paul Cooke, Carlsberg
 Peter Byworth, Wellingborough
 Tracy Nunn, Sen Vice President

Reserves:

Rink 5.

Albert Oliver, N'ton Express
 Skene McInnes, Jun Vice President
 Walter Stoddard, St Crispin
 Richard Somerton, Brackley

Peter Woodhams, Irchester
 Len Bowering, N'ton Whyte Melville

Rink 6.

Alf Hudson, West Haddon
 Ted Summerton, Carlsberg
 David Garland, Kingsthorpe
 Tony Coles, Geddington & Newton

Bob Morris, N'ton Whyte Melville

BRITISH ISLES CHAMPIONSHIPS IN BELFAST 23-26TH June, 2009.

The 2008 National Men's Winning Triple from Kingsthorpe, Richard Mann, Roger Tansley, and Vernon Gearey, had the honour of representing England's men in the British Isles Championships at the Belmont BC, Belfast, Northern Ireland, this week in the Triples.

In the Quarter Final against Joe Young/John Bell/Mark McCallum, the Scottish Triples Champions from the Clackmannan BC the County Trio played brilliantly to win 23 shots to 7 shots.

This put them in the Semi-Final when they were up against the Ireland Triples winners of Darren McElroy/Gary McElroy/Clifford Dennison of the Dunbarton BC, and after a titanic struggle, the Irish triple just snatched victory by 1 shot, the final score being 20 – 19 to them.

Congratulations to the Kingsthorpe trio for a sterling performance.

NEW JUNIOR VICE-PRESIDENT APPOINTED FOR THE COUNTY

Skene McInnes, of St Crispin BC, has been appointed by Northamptonshire Bowling Association, to the office of Junior Vice President for 2009. He has been a supporter of the Association for many years, playing in many friendly matches, and he will become President in 2011 (Note: this the correct spelling of his first name)

CHANTREY VELLACOTT MANFIELD CUP COMPETITION

The annual Chantrey Vellacott Manfield Cup competition was held on Saturday, 27th June, 2009, with 39 affiliated Clubs participating and playing at various venues around the County with four rinks of men playing at differently drawn venues.

Victory went to Northampton West End for the **third time in four years**, they having won in 2006 and 2007. What an achievement – congratulations to all the players.

This year the top 5 Clubs all had 4 winning rinks, therefore the shots difference decided the winner. First 5 Clubs as follows, showing their shots difference:

1 st	Northampton West End	+ 50 shots
2 nd	Thrapston	+ 44 shots
3 rd	St Crispin	+ 41 shots
4 th	Kingsthorpe	+ 35 shots
5 th	Brackley	+ 11 shots

Full details with final table will be published next week.

COMPETITIONS AROUND THE COUNTY

NATIONAL COMPETITIONS – OF INTEREST THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY

LADIES.

OVER 55 SINGLES

1st Round: Jan Bradley, Daventry Town beat Brenda Bishop, Daventry Town 21-18
 Jill Welch, Daventry Town beat Donna Williamson, Kingsthorpe 21-8

2nd Round: Margaret Watts, Desborough beat Delia Panther, Kettering Lodge 21-9
Bradley beat Welch 21-18

OVER 55 PAIRS

3rd Round: Shirley Ongley, Irchester beat Kay Green, Wellingborough 31-13
Christine Eustace, Roade beat Di Brumwell, Kingsthorpe 24-18

NATIONAL CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

3rd Round: Sharon Tansley, Kingsthorpe beat Sue Fincham, Wellingborough 21-18.

**Sharon now plays in the Regional Finals to be played at Rugby BC on Sunday, 5th July, 2009.
She will play Betty Pinchin, of Crystal BC, Worcestershire at 10.0 a.m.**

TOP CLUB

1st Round: Kingsthorpe BC beat Higham Ferrers BC 4-0 and now meet Wellingborough to qualify for the Regional finals.

MIXED.

PAIRS

2nd Round: Rebecca Wigfield/Matt Pownall, Desborough & Geddington & Newton beat Steve Bunker, Higham Ferrers 22-17
Walt Winsor, Wellingborough beat Andrew Britten, Burton Latimer 27-19
Yvonne McKee, Kingsthorpe beat Mick Spear, West End 25-13
Alan Ashby, West End beat Margaret Sidebottom, Abington 20-19

FOURS

3rd Round: Steve Norman, Higham Ferrers beat Callum Height, Thrapston 23-14

GENTLEMEN.

OVER 55 PAIRS

2nd Round: Dennis Morson, Irthlingborough CI beat Alan Jeyes, Earls Barton 18-17
Stuart Letts, West End beat David Cox, St Crispin 25-14
Terry Brown, Abington beat Peter Letts, Express 15-14
Mick Moulton, Daventry Town beat Reg Jones, Abington 19-8

NATIONAL CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

4TH Round: Matthew Pownall, Geddington & Newton beat Bill Welch, Daventry Town 21-7

**Matthew now plays in the Group Finals at Nottingham BA HQ on Sunday, 5th July, 2009.
He plays Nicky Brett, of Hunts at 12 noon**

CLUB TWO FOURS

3rd Round: Wellingborough 'A' beat Wellingborough 'B'
West End 'A' beat Kingsthorpe 'A' 44-32
Express 'A' beat Kings Heath, Birmingham 45-23

TOP CLUB

3rd Round: Parkway BC, Hunts beat Desborough 4-1

COUNTY COMPETITIONS – OF INTEREST THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY

LADIES.

PAIRS

Quarter Finals: Played at Kingsthorpe BC on Sunday, 28th June, 2009.

Alison Dring/Pat Gayton, Swanspool beat Pat Barron/Pat Bodily, Northampton Whyte Melville
Agnes Johnson/Margaret Johnson, Wellingborough beat Doreen Smith & Mary Clark, Kislingbury
Ina Layland/Elaine Cox, St Crispin beat Margaret Watts/Sharon Hall, Desborough
Yvonne McKee/Barbara Astle, Kingsthorpe beat Eileen West/Audrey Height, Rushden

Semi-Finals: Played at Kingsthorpe BC on Sunday, 28th June, 2009.

Alison Dring/Pat Gayton beat Agnes & Margaret Johnson 20-19
Yvonne McKee/Barbara Astle beat Ina Layland/Elaine Cox 21-14

Alison Dring/Pat Gayton and Yvonne McKee/Barbara Astle will contest the Final on the 19th July, 2009 at Rushden Town BC, and will also represent the County at the National Championships at Leamington Spa in August, 2009.

GENTLEMEN- SPONSORED BY CHANTREY VELLACOTT DFK

UNDER 25 SINGLES

Quarter Final: Dominic Graham, Northampton Express beat Callum Height, Thrapston 21-7 in the last Quarter Final held over from last week due to Dominic's participation in the Triples Q/Finals. On the day Dominic dominated the game, and now faces Connor Cinato, Kettering Midland Band in the Semi-Finals to be played at Roade on Thursday, 2nd July, 2009.

SECRETARIES CUP

Quarter Finals: Mark Turner, Kettering Midland Band beat Martin Underwood, Thrapston, 21-20. This was a very competitive match which went to 27 ends of play, and with the lead changing hands several times in the latter stages.
Gary Elmore, Kettering Midland Band beat David Coleman, Rushden 21-10
Nick Beirne, St Crispin beat Laurie Harrison, NBA Executive 21-16. In this match Beirne came from 12-16 down by picking up two successive maximum 4's and a 1 in the last three ends to win.
Colin Manton, Northampton West End beat Gordon Dring, Swanspool 21-11, which left Manton with a chance of making a third triumph in this competition.

The semi-finals will be played on the 2nd July at Roade BC between Manton & Elmore and Beirne & Turner.

NORTH AREA – OF MOSTLY INTEREST TO READERS OF EVENING TELEGRAPH

LADIES.

PAIRS

4TH Round: Alison Dring/Pat Gayton, Swanspool beat Margaret Everitt, Kettering Lodge
Agnes & Margaret Johnson, Wellingborough beat Shirley Ongley, Irchester
Margaret Watts/Sharon Hall, Desborough beat Linda Tomlinson, Geddington & Newton
Eileen West/Audrey Height, Rushden Town beat Barbara Finch, Thrapston

GENTLEMEN – SPONSORED BY CHANTREY VELLACOTT DFK

SINGLES

- 3RD Round:** Carl Haines, Desborough beat Peter Ward, Desborough
John Haines, Desborough beat Bill McGillivray, Desborough
- 4th Round:** Callum Height, Thrapston beat Phil Bates, Desborough
Malcolm Paul, Corby Forest beat Keith Height, Thrapston
Richard Horrell, Thrapston beat Les Johnson, Thrapston
Martin Cinato, Kettering Midland Band beat Malcolm Winckles, Desborough
Robert Norman, Higham Ferrers beat Graham Maddams, Wellingborough

PAIRS

- 2nd Round:** Adrian Harris, Kettering Lodge beat Phil Bates, Desborough
Mark Turner, Kettering Midkand Band beat Norman Gibb, Stewarts & Lloyds
John Wilson, Finedon Town beat M Adams, Irchester
Steve Mason, Burton Latimer beat Tracy Nunn, Corby Forest
Les Johnson, Thrapston beat Brian Langton, Kettering Lodge
Walt Winsor, Wellingborough beat J Talbot, Geddington & Newton#
David Smith, Kettering Lodge beat George Willmott, Irchester
Mick Lee, Wellingborough beat Trevor Anderson, Corby Grampian
Graham Smyth, Higham Ferrers beat Paul Melville, Corby Forest
Keith Height., Thrapston beat Ian Fleming, Oundle
Ron Plimmer, Higham Ferrers beat Steve Bunker, Higham Ferrers
Dave Collins, Corby Forest beat Andy Mellows, Wellingborough
Bob Mitchell, Desborough beat Gordon Love, Finedon
Neil Corbyn, Wellingborough beat Bob Fuller, Wellingborough
John Church, Higham Ferrers beat Malcolm Winckles, Desborough
Peter Ward, Desborough beat F Burns, Stewarts & Lloyds
Carl Haines, Desborough beat Mick Malins, Rushden
Roy Cave, Rushden beat Dave Betts, Higham Ferrers
Paul Broderick, Wellingborough beat D Sharman, Desborough
Martin Lee, Oundle beat W Stewart, Corby Forest
Neville Humphrey, Desborough beat Brian Diver, Stewarts & Lloyds
Darren Childs, Thrapston beat John Cooper, Burton Latimer
Matt Pownall, Geddington & Newton beat B Woods, Stewarts & Lloyds
Terry James, Thrapston beat Fred Palmer, Corby Grampian
R Austin, Geddington & Newton beat Graham Rogers, Kettering Lodge
Steve Dockerill, Burton Latimer beat H Garrod, Wellingborough
Dave Freeman, Higham Ferrers beat Bill McGillivray, Desborough
Robert Norman, Higham Ferrers beat Malcolm Paul, Corby Forest
Adam Johnson, Kettering Midland Band beat Keith Howlett, Rothwell Conservatives,
Tony Essam, Kettering Athletic beat Jim Snedden, Stewarts & Lloyds
Mark Betts, Rushden given walk-over by James Butts, Earls Barton
Darren Lyman, Wellingborough nbeat Aaron Bell, Kettering Lodge

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

LADIES.

PAIRS

- 4TH Round:** Pat Barron/Pat Bodily, Northampton Whyte Melville beat Debbie Cadd, Abington
Doreen Smith/Mary Clark, Kislingbury beat Janet Ashby, Northampton West End
Ina Layland/Elaine Cox, St Crispin beat Pam Lovesay, Abington
Yvonne McKee/Barbara Astle, Kingsthorpe beat Pam Wills, Abington

GENTLEMEN – SPONSORED BY CHANTREY VELLACOTT DFK

SINGLES

4th Round: Richard Lemon, Express beat Mick Worthington, Daventry Town 21-14
Pat McAlwane, Abington beat Drew Russell, St Crispin 21-16
Sam Wade, Kingsthorpe beat John Freeman, Abington 21-12

MASON CUP

3rd Round: Phil Reeve, Kingsthorpe beat Chris Bland, Express 21-15

PAIRS

2nd Round: Iain Walker, Kingsthorpe beat Ian Smith, Heyford 28-8
Mick Taylor, Abington beat Vic Graham, Kislingbury 29-12
Richard Somerton, Brackley beat D Worth, Kislingbury 25-8
Dave Fage, Abington beat Ian Daverson, West End 27-8
Don Smith, Abington beat Eric Wareing, Daventry & District 23-13
Jim Round, Daventry Tigers beat G Munns, Wootton Grange 23-16
Chris Bland, Northampton Express beat Chris Wright, Northampton West End 23-13
T Dawkins, Wootton Grange beat J Collier, Whyte Melville 19-16
D Russell, St Crispin beat Paul Cooke, Carlsberg 17-15
John Gibson, St Crispin beat Steve Lemon, Express 21-20
Peter Botterill, Wootton Grange beat W York, Cold Ashby 26-12
Don Crowson, Kingsthorpe beat Bob Ball, Kislingbury 25-23
Will Parker, Express beat Roger Pain, Brackley 26-8
Mick Worthington, Daventry Town beat Terry Brown, St Crispin 23-11
Ray Castle, Kingsthorpe beat Vic King, Byfield 18-14
Hugh Taylor, Heyford beat D Rowson, Harpole 21-13
Graham Stibbards, BBOB beat Alan Ashby, West End 30-15
Alan Coleman, Abington beat M Frost, Harpole 29-10
Keith Crouch, Kislingbury beat Steve Inwood, Kingsthorpe Nondescripts 17-15
Reg Jones, Abington beat K Bradshaw, Whyte Melville 22-17
Bill Welch, Daventry Town beat R Miller, Cold Ashby 21-19
Dave Cox, St Crispin beat Mike Jackson, Kislingbury 24-14
Phil Reeve, Kingsthorpe beat Trevor Spear, Whyte Melville 24-7
Colin Fowkes, Kingsthorpe given walk-over by T Betteridge, Byfield
Mick Spear, West End beat Jonathan Brown, Abington 26-16
Richard Lemon, Express best Peter Mercer, West Haddon 26-6
Neville Bodily, Whyte Melville beat Bob Cross, Byfield
Steve Tack, Kislingbury beat Nick Beirne, St Crispin 20-10
Jim McKee, Kingsthorpe beat M Brown, Brackley 17-16
Jamie Walker, West End beat John Carter, Express 20-18
R Reynolds, West End given walk-over by M Dickens, St Crispin
Martin Walker, West End beat Mick Donohoe, Kingsthorpe 22-21 (after extra end)

EXECUTIVE TRIPLES

2nd Round: Richard Lemon, Express beat Reg Jones, Abington 23-15
Jack Woodford, Byfield beat Dave Bellis, Daventry Town
John Gibson, St Crispin beat K Butterfield, Wootton Grange

Area Section Final: Jonathan Brown, Abington beat Bill Welch, Daventry Town 21-9
Bob Blencowe, Brackley given walk-over by John Gibson, St Crispin

CLUB NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

NORTH AREA

CORBY FOREST BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Oundle BC visits for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Members visit Rushden BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Rothwell Manor BC visits for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.
- 5.7.09. Members visit Kettering Lodge for A County League match at 10.30 a.m.

EARLS BARTON BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Members visit Olney BC for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 2.7.09. Whyte Melville BC visits for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Members visit Daventry BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 7.7.09. Cogenhoe BC visits for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.

GEDDINGTON & NEWTON BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Ise BC visits for a mixed match at 6.30 p.m.
- 3.7.09. The Club hosts the county game between NWCBA and Norfolk ladies at 1.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Northampton Whyte Melville BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 5.7.09. Irchester BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 7.7.09. Members visit Kettering Lodge for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.

HIGHAM FERRERS BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Members visit West End BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Flitwick BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 5.7.09. Rushden BC visits for a County League match at 10.30 a.m.

IRCHESTER BC

Fixtures:

- 1.7.09. Members play the Mansil Cup at 6.30 p.m.
- 2.7.09. Kislingbury BC visits for a Ladies match at 2.0 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Wellingborough BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 5.7.09. Members visit Geddington & Newton BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 7.7.09. Burton Latimer BC visits for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.

IRTHLINGBOROUGH CI BC

Fixture:

- 4.7.09. Members visit Finedon BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.

KETTERING ATHLETIC BC

Fixture:

- 4.7.09. Members visit Swanspool BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

KETTERING LODGE BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. West Haddon BC visits for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.

- 4.7.09. Members visit Oundle BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. The Club holds its Junior Gala Day
- 5.7.09. Corby Forest BC visits for a County League match at 10.30 a.m.
- 7.7.09. Geddington & Newton BC visits for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.

ROTHWELL CONSERVATIVES BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Corby Grampian BC visits for a men's match at 6.30 pm..
- 4.7.09. Members visit Raunds Conservatives BC for a mixed match at 3.0 p.m.

ROTHWELL MANOR PARK BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Members visit Kettering Midland Band BC for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Members visit Corby Forest BC for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.
- 7.7.09. Wellingborough BC visits for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.

RUSHDEN TOWN BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Members visit Daventry BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Corby Forest BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 5.7.09. The Club holds its President's Day at 2.30 p.m.
- 5.7.09. Members visit Higham Ferrers for a County League match at 10.30 a.m.

STANWICK BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Members visit Raunds Conservatives BC for a mixed match at 6.30 p.m.
- 5.7.09. Members visit Worcester BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 7.7.09. Harpole BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

STEWARTS & LLOYDS BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Desborough BC visits for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Corby Grampian BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.

THRAPSTON BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Members visit Kettering Conservatives BC for a men's match at 6.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Members visit Desborough BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 8.7.09. Corby Grampian BC visits for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.

WELLINGBOROUGH BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Kingsthorpe BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Members visit Irchester BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Club plays host to the Middleton Cup match Northamptonshire versus Leicestershire at 2.0 p.m.
- 5.7.09. The Club Ladies hold their President's Day at 2.30 p.m.
- 7.7.09. Club plays host to match between the Cavaliers and Northamptonshire |Police at 2.0 p.m.
- 7.7.09. Members visit Rothwell Manor BC for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.

SOUTH AREA

ABINGTON BC

Fixtures:

- 1.7.09. National Association of Retired Police Officers visit for a match at 2.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Members visit Kislingbury BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.

BUGBROOKE BC

Fixture:

- 4.7.09. The Club holds its Gala Day at 2.0 p.m.

BYFIELD BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Members visit Banbury Borough BC for a men's match at 6.15 p.m.
- 5.7.09. The Club Ladies play the Club Men at 2.0 p.m.
- 7.7.09. Members visit Banbury Chestnuts BC for a men's match at 6.15 p.m.
- 7.7.09. Members visit Daventry & District BC for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.

COLD ASHBY BC

Fixtures:

- 3.7.09. Grange BC visits for a mixed match at 6.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. BBOB BC visits for a mixed match at 3.0 p.m.
- 7.7.09. North Kilworth BC visits for a mixed match at 6.30 p.m.

DAVENTRY TOWN BC

Fixtures:

- 2.7.09. Rushden Town BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Earls Barton BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Members visit Grange BC for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.
- 6.7.09. 'A' team at home to Express 'A' & 'B' team away to West End 'B' in Northampton Triples League
- 7.7.09. Club hosts a match between Northamptonshire VP's and South Warwickshire VP's at 2.0 p.m.

HEYFORD BC

Fixtures:

- 1.7.09. Members visit St Crispin BC for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.
- 5.7.09. Northampton Whyte Melville BC visits for a mixed match at 3.0 p.m.

KISLINGBURY BC

Fixtures:

- 1.7.09. Members visit Daventry & District BC for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.
- 2.7.09. Members visit Irchester BC for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Desborough BC visits for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Members visit Abington BC for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.

NORTHAMPTON WHYTE MELVILLE BC

Fixtures:

- 1.7.09. Members visit Kingsthorpe BC for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.
- 2.7.09. Members visit Earls Barton BC for a ladies match at 2.30 p.m.
- 7.7.09. West End BC visits for a ladies match at 6.30 p.m.
- 4.7.09. Members visit Geddington & Newton BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.
- 5.7.09. Members visit Heyford BC for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE UNDER 25'S versus EARLS BARTON BC 28.6.09.

The County Under 25's played a friendly match against Earls Barton BC on Sunday, 28th June, 2009, and came away with a win by 20 shots. As there were many calls on some of the 'older' under 25's to represent their Clubs the Team manager, Martin Cinato took the opportunity to bring in some very young players, and some of their parents to assist. Under the guidance of their elders the young players enjoyed a most rewarding win.

The Final score was Northamptonshire Under 25's 123 shots – Earls Barton 103 shots.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE UNDER 25'S versus WARWICKSHIRE 5.7.09.

The following have been selected to represent Northamptonshire Under 25's in a Midland Counties Championship match against Warwickshire Under 25's to be played at Grange BC, Stanley Road, Rugby, CV21 3UE, on Sunday, 5th July, 2009, commencing at 2.30 p.m. Players to report by 2.0 p.m.

Michael Chester (Captain), Wellingborough. Scott Johnson, Wellingborough. Dominic Graham, Express.
Anne-Marie Gearey, Roade. Ashley Linnell, Express. Daniel Height, Thrapston. Adam Brown, Abington.
Rebecca Wigfield, Desborough. William Parker, Express. Victoria Stevenson, Whyte Melville.
William Hill, Rothwell Cons. Chris Wright, West End. Jack Tobin, Rushden. Shaun Marriott, West End.
Callum Height, Thrapston. Ross Knox, Desborough. Matthew Wordingham, Higham Ferrers.
Jamie Walker, West End. Connor Cinato, Kettering Midland Band. Nathan Betts, Rushden

Travelling Reserve: Matthew Cattell, Rushden.

The County Under 25's have made the best possible start in their efforts to win the Midland Counties Championship and the 'Ron Barston Trophy' for the third successive year, being undefeated in the games played so far this season.

BOWLS ENGLAND – LATEST NEWS OF INTEREST IN COUNTY

Bowls England has issued a News Release highlighting a new website which has been set up to assist Captains and Fixture Secretaries of Bowls Clubs around the Country in filling vacant dates for matches in their calendar. The website is:

www.greenbowlinguk.com

The website has been set up by Alan Wase, of Banbury Chestnuts BC, Oxon., who explained: "The idea of www.greenbowlinguk.com is to allow Club Officials to broadcast spaces in their fixture lists or seek bowls matches in other locations. It is a medium to promote all bowls matches – male, female or mixed"

Users are advised that in order to avoid spam messages, there will be need to log in with a password of 7 or more characters, and access to the site will be confirmed.



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