

## NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BOWLS NEWS REPORTS

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**PRESS REPORT**

### **NATIONAL INTER CLUB MIXED 'EGHAM TROPHY' 30.11.08. - RESULT**

#### **Wellingborough IBC v Northampton IBC**

The last two clubs remaining in this National Inter-Club mixed sex competition fought it out on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2008. The format as usual was two rinks at home and two playing away and a close encounter was expected. For well over half of the match there were just 3 or 4 shots between Wellingborough IBC and Northampton & District IBC with two winning rinks each at that stage.

However, as the game was reaching its latter stages Northampton had a strong surge of scoring, and went on to take the match by 24 shots, with 3 winning rinks. The final score was Northampton & District 90 shots – Wellingborough 66 shots. Rink scores, with Northampton names first, as follows:

- At Wellingborough:
- Rink 1.** Marilyn Oram/Joyce Porter/Richard Lemon/Chris Bland 25 shots – Karen Leveridge/Margaret Johnson/Walt Winsor/Maurice Allen 13 shots
  - Rink 2.** Jean Chesshire/Di Baggat/Roger Summers/Ollie Kirkwood 23 shots – Chris Cooper/Di Allen/Mick Cooper/Darren Lyman 15 shots
- At Northampton:
- Rink 3.** Hannah Biddle/ Dominic Graham /Dena Bryan/Phil Reeve 23 shots – Jean Burgess/Helena Norman/Steve Norman/Wayne Gregory 13 shots
  - Rink 4.** Lynda Warren/Jane Maloy/Alan Ramscar/Andy Smith 19 shots – Pam Reynolds/Tina Burgess/Bob Fuller/Paul Broderick 25 shots

### **NATIONAL INTER CLUB LADIES 'MASON TROPHY' RESULTS**

#### **Wellingborough IBC v Daventry IBC**

After a very tight match between two very evenly matched teams in this Over 60's ladies double rink competition 3<sup>rd</sup> round match played at Wellingborough IBC on Thursday, 27<sup>th</sup> November, 2008, Daventry IBC took the honours by 3 shots. Both clubs had a winning rink, and the result was in doubt until the very last end, with the final score Daventry 39 shots – Wellingborough 36 shots. Rink scores, Daventry names first, as follows:

- Rink 1.** E Worrall/Barbara Oliver/A Symons/ Pat Bax 21 shots – Jean Burgess/Helena Norman/Pam Reynolds/Margaret Johnson 17 shots
- Rink 2.** Barbara Hutt/Judy Hicks/Irene Rolfe/Brenda Bishop 18 shots – Jan Hunt/Jean Frisby/Maureen McDonald/Di Allen 19 shots.

Daventry now plays Kettering Lodge IBC in the 4<sup>th</sup> round

## Kettering Lodge IBC v Bedford Borough IBC

The Ladies of Kettering Lodge IBC had something to cheer about as they proceeded through to the 4<sup>th</sup> round of this Over 60's Double Rink 'Mason Trophy' competition at the expense of Bedford Borough IBC ladies in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round which they won by 4 shots. The match was played at Kettering on the 24<sup>th</sup> November, 2008, and although the County ladies started very well and were in front by 8 shots at 10 ends, the next 5 ends saw Bedford score 15 shots with just 1 shot in reply and at that stage the win was looking less probable.

The last quarter of the match, however, saw the Lodge pick up 15 shots to a count of 8 shots by Bedford, which included a one end score of 6 shots to put them level at 20 ends against Margaret Everitt's rink. The final score was Kettering Lodge IBC 38 shots – Bedford Borough IBC 34 shots. Rink scores, Bedford skips only, as follows:

- Rink 1.** Pat Starsmore/Barbara Harris/Glennys Oldham/Margaret Haig 17 shots – R Tower 14 shots  
**Rink 2.** Sue Bagshaw/Margaret Cooper/Margaret Silsby/Margaret Everitt 21 shots – P Palmer 20 shots

Kettering Lodge now visit Daventry IBC for the 4<sup>th</sup> Round

## NATIONAL PREMIER INTER-CLUB 'DENNY CUP' COMPETITION 6.12.08. - SELECTED TEAM

### Northampton IBC versus Peterborough IBC

Northampton & District IBC, the last County club left in this premier men's inter club National competition, face Peterborough & District IBC in the 5<sup>th</sup> round to be played on Saturday, 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2008, as usual on a 2 rinks at home and 2 rinks away basis, commencing at 9.45 a.m.

Peterborough will be tough opponents, having been National Runners-up last season, and Denny Plate winners the previous year, but having already put out last year's semi-finalists Kingsthorpe en route to this stage, there is no reason for Northampton to fear them. Northampton's team is as follows:

- At Northampton:** **Rink 1.** John Freeman/Gordon Lockhart/Roger Summers/Ollie Kirkwood  
**Rink 2.** John Leggett/Tim Whitney/Colin Dalglish/Phil Reeve
- At Peterborough:** **Rink 3.** Robert White/Dominic Graham/Alan Ramscar/Andy Smith  
**Rink 4.** Mick Spear/Richard Lemon/Ray Castle/Chris Bland

## NATIONAL INTER-CLUB 'DENNY PLATE' COMPETITION SELECTED TEAM

### Wellingborough IBC versus St Neots IBC

The Denny Plate competition is for first round losers in the Denny Cup, and Wellingborough IBC is the only County club left in this event for Round 4 to be held on the 6<sup>th</sup> December, 2008, at 9.45 a.m. against St. Neots IBC. Played again on 2 rinks at home and 2 rinks away basis, Wellingborough has selected the following team to represent the Club:

- At Wellingborough:** **Rink 1.** Callum Height/Jamie Walker/Mick Cooper/Paul Broderick  
**Rink 2.** Bob Fuller/Michael Chester/Darren Lyman/Maurice Allen
- At St. Neots:** **Rink 3.** Dennis Collins/Steve Norman/Mark Corbyn/Wayne Gregory  
**Rink 4.** Jason Hall/Walt Winsor/Robert Norman/Neil Corbyn

## NATIONAL INTER CLUB LADIES 'VIVIENNE TROPHY'

Northampton & District IBC play Huntingdon IBC in the Zone Final of the Inter County Ladies 'Vivienne Trophy' on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> December, 2008, with 2 rinks away and 2 at home. Northampton's team has not been supplied at this stage.

## **NATIONAL INTER COUNTY OVER 60 MEN'S COMPETITION 25.11.08. versus NOTTS - RESULT**

In the second match of the Inter County Over 60 League, Northamptonshire played Nottinghamshire on Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2008, with three rinks playing at Kingsthorpe IBC and three rinks at Ashfield IBC, Sutton-in-Ashfield, Notts. To the great delight of Team Manager John Haines the County achieved almost a 100% record on the day, dropping just 1 point when tying one of the rinks.

These are full 6 rink matches and at stake is a total of 26 points per match, so on the day the County men picked up 25 points for their 35 shot victory.

All three rinks playing away had wins by 7 shots, 12 shots, and 6 shots, respectively, one of which skipped by Carl Haines was always behind until the 17<sup>th</sup> end when they drew level, and thereafter picked up 12 shots over the last 4 ends without reply to notch up the highest winning rink score. The Mick Worthington rink was always in front from the beginning of the match and despite dropping a 5 and in fact losing on 10 ends, they were able to restrict their opponents to just 1 shot for 9 of those 10 ends. The third away rink skipped by Maurice Allen were generally in command, and despite their opponents getting to within 2 shots at 18 ends the last 3 ends all went to the County.

The home playing rinks had quite a tough game on their hands, with wins of 2 shots, 8 shots, and 1 tied, and the Sharpe rink being all square after 18 ends seeing the last 3 ends going their way with 8 shots picked up. The McKee rink saw their opponents' front end players on top throughout which forced McKee and his No 3 to dig deep to grind out a draw. The Tansley rink were on the back foot for the first three quarters of the match a few shots adrift, but despite the best efforts of their opposing skip who had an outstanding game, they managed to take a 2 shots win.

Final score was Northamptonshire Over 60's 120 shots – Nottinghamshire Over 60's 85 shots. Rink scores, Notts skips only, as follows:

- At Kingsthorpe:**
- Rink 1.** Bob Care/Nev Humphrey/Terry James/Mick Sharpe 22 shots – D McGuire 14 shots
  - Rink 2.** John Smith/Herbert Starsmore/Colin Jones/Jim McKee 19 shots – J Guy 19 shots
  - Rink 3.** Mick Corbyn/Dougie Mitchell/John Baggat/Roger Tansley 17 shots – D Elwell 15 shots
- At Ashfield:**
- Rink 4.** Brian Thomas/Norman Gibb/George Warren/Carl Haines 22 shots – S Beale 10 shots
  - Rink 5.** Tony Dicks/Mick Richardson/Dave Masters/Mick Worthington 22 shots – R Harrison 14
  - Rink 6.** Gerry Sharp/Richard Somerton/Walt Winsor/Maurice Allen 19 shots – D Adam 13 shots

## **NORTHAMPTONSHIRE OVER 60'S MEN INTER COUNTY LEAGUE versus LEICESTERSHIRE 6.12.08.**

**The next game for Northamptonshire Over 60's Men in this league is on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2008, at 1.45 p.m. against Leicestershire, and the following have been selected:**

- At Kingsthorpe:**
- Rink 1.** Alan Spencer (Kingsthorpe) Nev Humphrey (Desborough) Terry James (Rushden) Mick Sharpe (Kingsthorpe)
  - Rink 2.** Bob Care (Kingsthorpe) John Clipston (Kingsthorpe) Colin Jones (Kingsthorpe) Jim McKee (Kingsthorpe)
  - Rink 3.** Mick Corbyn (Rushden) Dougie Mitchell (Daventry) John Baggat (Kingsthorpe) Roger Tansley (Kingsthorpe)
  - Home Reserve:** John Smith (Kettering)
- At Barwell:**
- Rink 4.** Brian Thomas (Desborough) Norman Gibb (Desborough) Ron Chambers (Desborough) Carl Haines (Desborough)
  - Rink 5.** Gerry Sharp (Wellingborough) Richard Somerton (Brackley) Walt Winsor (Wellingborough) Maurice Allen (Wellingborough)
  - Rink 6.** Tony Dicks (Daventry) Mick Richardson (Daventry) Dave Masters (Northampton) Mick Worthington (Daventry)

## **NATIONAL INTER CLUB LADIES 'YETTON TROPHY' RESULTS**

Three County Clubs were competing in the second round of the premier National inter club 'Yetton Trophy' for ladies – 4 rinks playing on 2 at home and 2 away basis, on Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2008, and as 2 were playing each other, one of them was bound to progress to the next round. Details of the matches are as follows:

### Wellingborough IBC versus Northampton IBC

A very close match indeed which went right to the wire with the result in doubt until the last end, Northampton managing to snatch victory by 4 shots. Final score Northampton 73 shots – Wellingborough 69 shots. Rink scores, Northampton names first, as follows:

- At Northampton:**
- Rink 1.** J Dale/A Hickman/S Lane/H Newton 22 shots – Karen Leveridge/Margaret O'Dell/Maureen McDonald/Di Allen 19 shots
  - Rink 2.** Joan Maris/Margaret Newport/Shirley Digby/Jean Chesshire 21 shots – Chris Cooper/Kay Green/Jean Frisby/Pam Reynolds 20 shots
- At Wellingborough:**
- Rink 3.** Linda Warren/Janet Maloy/Gloria Skelton/Di Baggat 19 shots – Jean Burgess/Helena Norman/Jan Hunt/Margaret Johnson 14 shots
  - Rink 4.** Marilyn Oram/Sylvia Brown/Janet Swift/Joyce Porter 11 shots – Joyce George/Sandra Lake/Sue Fincham/Tina Burgess 16 shots

Northampton now plays Lawson Park IBC, Bedford in the third round on the 11<sup>th</sup> December, 2008.

### Desborough versus Lawson Park

Desborough's aspirations were snuffed out by Lawson Park IBC, Bedford, when they met on the 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2008. The Bedfordshire ladies winning by 34 shots, and taking all rinks. Final score was Desborough 65 shots – Lawson Park 99 shots. Rink scores, Lawson skips only, as follows:

- At Desborough:**
- Rink 1.** Cathy Kyle/Maureen Merry/Jane Hall/Mary Stringer 10 shots – M Howe 30 shots
  - Rink 2.** Pat Pickaver/Rebecca Wigfield/Wilma Walker/Jane Plum 18 shots – I Wood 23
- At Lawson Park:**
- Rink 3.** Pauline Deane/Shirley Burrow/Jan Rudge/Jean Flippance 16 shots – D Baker 22
  - Rink 4.** Marta Edsman/Jill Nutt/Margaret Collins/Margaret McGillivray 21 shots – P Gibbs 24 shots

### NATIONAL INTER CLUB UNDER 25 DOUBLE RINK COMPETITION

#### Wellingborough IBC versus Barwell IBC 30.11.08.

This Inter-Club Double Rink competition for Under 25's is played on 1 rink away and 1 at home basis, and on Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2008, Wellingborough IBC played Barwell IBC, Leicestershire, and achieved a very creditable 8 shot victory to put them into the 4<sup>th</sup> round. Final score was Wellingborough 38 shots – Barwell 30 shots. Rink scores, no Barwell names, as follows:

- At Wellingborough:**
- Rink 1.** Ryan Poulson/Curtis Johnson/Callum Height/Michael Chester 25 shots – 11 shots
- At Barwell:**
- Rink 2.** Connor Cinato/William Walker/Scott Johnson/Jamie Walker 13 shots – 19 shots

This puts Wellingborough's young team into the Quarter Finals, but their opponents are not known at present.

### NORTHAMPTONSHIRE UNDER 25's versus KETTERING LODGE IBC 30.11.08. – RESULT

Northamptonshire Under 25's played a friendly match against Kettering Lodge IBC on Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> November, 2008, and recorded a very good win by 16 shots. Team Manager Graham Southgate was particularly pleased because several of the team were quite young, including 9 year old Adam Pitfield of Rushden.

Both of the teams posted two winning rinks, Matthew Wordingham's being on the very last end, and the standard of play was very high. The final score was Under 25's 77 shots – Kettering Lodge IBC 61 shots. Rink scores, Kettering skips only, as follows:

**Rink 1.**

Matthew Cattell, Rushden  
 Ieuan Howells, Northampton  
 Shaun Marriott, Northampton  
 Jack Tobin, Rushden v T Loach  
 26 shots 6 shots

**Rink 2.**

Jasmin Spear, Northampton  
 Louise Haladij, Northampton  
 Louise Harrington, Desborough  
 Victoria Stevenson, Northampton v Brian Langton  
 15 shots 17 shots

**Rink 3.**

Nathan Betts, Rushden  
 Adam Pitfield, Rushden  
 Tom Wellburn, Kingsthorpe  
 Chris Wright, Northampton v Margaret Everitt  
 17 shots 20 shots

**Rink 4.**

Sam Gamble, Kettering  
 Aaron Mulligan, Desborough  
 Cameron Knox, Desborough  
 Matthew Wordingham, Rushden v John Everitt  
 18 shots 17 shots

### **NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN VERSUS NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LADIES 3.12.08. – SELECTION**

The following have been selected to represent Northamptonshire men versus the Northamptonshire ladies in a friendly match at Rushden IBC on Wednesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> December, 2008, at 2.0 p.m.

**Rink 1.**

Eddie Pinder, President  
 Dave Thurlow, Wellingborough  
 Norman Gibb, Desborough  
 George Warren, Desborough

**Rink 2.**

John Smith, Kettering  
 Dave Garland, Kingsthorpe  
 Peter Wood, Kettering  
 Richard Somerton, Brackley

**Rink.3.**

Peter Woodhams, Rushden  
 Mick Pullen, Rushden  
 Don Scoble, Wellingborough  
 Terry James, Rushden

**Rink 4.**

Malcolm Tait, Kettering  
 Tony Lane, Kingsthorpe  
 Tony Warren, Northampton  
 John Lewis, Rushden

**Rink 5.**

John Whiting, Northampton  
 Mick York, Desborough  
 Mick Weatherill, Desborough  
 Geoff Harris, Rushden

**Rink 6.**

Gordon Morris, Northampton  
 Peter Hales, Desborough  
 Walter Stoddard, Kingsthorpe  
 Andy Purcell, Desborough

Reserves: Tim Hawtin, Brackley Brian Sherwood, Rushden

### **NATIONAL INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS LATEST RESULTS**

#### **LADIES.**

**Singles.**

Tina Burgess, Wellingborough beat Val Wade, Kingsthorpe 21-17  
 Sharon Hall, Desborough beat Brenda Bishop, Daventry  
 Hannah Biddle, Northampton, given walk-over by Michelle Tansley, Kingsthorpe

**Pairs**

Pat Bax, Daventry beat Margaret Cave, Rushden  
 Pat Mattinson, Rushden beat Margaret Johnson, Wellingborough  
 Diane Allen, Wellingborough beat Tina Burgess, Wellingborough

**Triples.**

Linda Warren, Northampton beat Sharon Tansley, Kingsthorpe  
 Margaret Silsby, Kettering beat Audrey Height, Rushden  
 Margaret Johnson, Wellingborough beat Sharon Hall, Desborough  
 Jean Flippance, Desborough beat Margaret Silsby, Kettering  
 Marilyn Oram, Northampton beat Sally Row, Kingsthorpe

**Champion of**

**Champions:** Marilyn Oram (Northampton & District) lost in the Zone Final to Sara Seymour (City of Ely IBC)

## GENTLEMEN

### Singles.

Andrew Hunter (Kingsthorpe) beat Phil Reeve (Northampton) 21-13  
Dave Flippance (Desborough) beat Martin White (Desborough) 21-12  
Neil McKee (Kingsthorpe) beat Neil Corbyn (Wellingborough) 21-12  
Michael Chester (Wellingborough) beat Peter Ward (Desborough) 21-13  
Darren Lewis (Kingsthorpe) beat Calvin Carpenter (Kingsthorpe) 21-19  
Dominic Graham (Northampton) beat Mark Corbyn (Wellingborough) 21-18  
Andy Smith (Northampton) beat Curtis Johnson (Wellingborough) 21-14  
Callum Height (Wellingborough) beat Wayne Gregory (Wellingborough) 21-14  
Robert Norman (Wellingborough) beat Dave Masters (Northampton) 21-11  
Chris Bland (Northampton) beat Adrian Harris (Kettering) 21-19

### Pairs.

Mark and Neil Corbyn (Wellingborough) beat Jason Bryan/Vernon Gearey (Kingsthorpe) 24-10  
Iain Walker/Mick Sharpe (Kingsthorpe) beat John Leggett/Richard Lemon 22-13  
Jack Tobin/Malc Mattinson (Rushden) beat Andy Redfern/Martin Keech (Rushden) 20-19  
Paul Maynard/Roger Tansley (Kingsthorpe) beat Alan Dunkley/Simon Walker (Brackley) 24-14  
Callum Height/Jamie Walker (Wellingborough) beat Steve Robinson/Adrian Harris (Kettering) 20-11  
Graham Maddams/Wayne Gregory (Wellingborough) beat Matt Pownall/John Hall (Desborough) 20-3

### Triples.

Chris Maden/Iain Walker/Sam Wade (Kingsthorpe) beat Jim McCamley/Martin Cinato/Nigel Mason (Desborough) 24-3  
Darren Lewis/Colin Fowkes/Richard Mann (Kingsthorpe) beat Callum Height/Michael Chester/ Jamie Walker (Wellingborough) 16-12  
Jason Hall/Darren Lyman/Paul Broderick (Wellingborough) beat Carl Wigfield/Ross Knox/Graham Southgate (Desborough) 20-12  
Robert Duff/Malcolm Winckles/Jim Carr (Desborough) beat Peter Hayle/Rod Rigby/Dave Masters (Northampton) 20-10  
Andrew Manton/Mick Sharpe/Neil McKee (Kingsthorpe) beat Alan Withers/Ron Chambers/John Haines (Desborough) 27-7  
Paul Coley/Walt Winsor/Mick Cooper (Wellingborough) beat Keith Buckle/Alan Dunkley/Simon Walker (Brackley) 18-15  
Andy Smith/Alan Ramscar/Chris Bland (Northampton) beat Chris Wright/John Leggett/Richard Lemon (Northampton) 17-15  
Roger Tansley/Andrew Hunter/Calvin Carpenter (Kingsthorpe) beat Will Hill/Matthew Pownall/John Hall (Desborough) 25-12

### Fours.

Andrew Manton/Paul Maynard/Mick Sharpe/Neil McKee (Kingsthorpe) beat Jason Bryan/Colin Fowkes/Vernon Gearey/Jim McKee (Kingsthorpe) 23-11  
Chris Maden/Darren Lewis/Sam Wade/Iain Walker (Kingsthorpe) beat Bryn Walker/Dave Love/Graham Maddams/Wayne Gregory (Wellingborough) 21-6  
Roger Tansley/Andrew Hunter/Richard Mann/Calvin Carpenter (Kingsthorpe) beat Ron Chambers/Matthew Pownall/Alun Withers/John Haines (Desborough) 23-11

### Under 25 Singles

#### Area Semi-Finals:

Ross Knox (Desborough) beat Matthew Wordingham (Rushden) 2 sets – 0  
Michael Chester (Wellingborough) beat Chris Wright (Northampton) 2 – 1

#### Area Final:

**Ross Knox (Desborough) beat Michael Chester 2-0**

**Ross now goes onto the National Finals of the Under 25 Singles to be held at Melton Mowbray IBC, Leicestershire, when his first round opponent will be current Junior International Robert Chisholm, Stanley IBC, who he plays at 9.30 a.m. on the 27<sup>th</sup> December, 2008.**

### Over 60 Singles:

Dave Masters (Northampton) beat Dave Allen (Harborough) 21-13  
Tony Asher (Wellingborough) beat Barry Gisbourne (Harborough) 21-18  
Gordon Black (Bridgman) beat John Aston (Hasrborough) 21-10

Martin Keech (Rushden) beat Roy Holland (Daventry) 21-7  
Colin Dalglish (Northampton) beat Terry James (Rushden) 21-11  
Peter Maloy (Northampton) beat Dougie Mitchell (Daventry) 21-19

**Champion of Champions:**

**As reported last week Paul Maynard won the Area Champion of Champions and he now plays one of the biggest names in World bowls, Greg Harlow who is the current England No. 2. This is being played at Peterborough & District IBC on the 8<sup>th</sup> December, 2008 at 6.30 p.m.**

**Father & Son:**

Jim & Neil McKee (Kingsthorpe) beat Mick & Neil Corbyn (Rushden/Wellingborough) 20-13

**MIXED**

**Pairs.**

Hilary Sharpe/Andrew Manton (Kingsthorpe) beat Delia Panther/Herbert Starsmore (Kettering) 24-13  
Michelle Tansley/Chris Maden (Kingsthorpe) given walk-over by Ann-Marie Burman./Alan Withers (Desborough)  
Yvonne Pullen/Martin Keech (Rushden) beat Kirsty Gage/Graham Southgate (Desborough) 18-17

**CLUB NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY**

**ROADE BC.**

During the Outdoor season Roade BC, in common with most clubs held competitions, and the following are the winners and runners-up of those competitions:

<u>Competition</u>	<u>Winner(s)</u>	<u>Runner(s)-up</u>
Presidents Club Champion	Alan Dunkley	Dave Saunders
Cripps Challenge Cup	Paul Spearman/Ron Peacock	Maurice Wright/Alan Dunkley
The Tarry Trophy	Kevin O'Donoghue/Roy Hamilton/ Martin Gearey	Ron Hodgkins/Rob Gearey/Alan Dunkley
The Gross Cup	Bill Salmons	Alex Hamilton
Committee Cup	Sally & Vernon Gearey	Heidi & Mike Edwards
Pavilion Trophy	Maureen Saunders/Bill Salmons	Alex Hamilton/Heidi Edwards
The Quaish Cup	Alan Dunkley	Martin Gearey
Jack Humphries Trophy	Anne-Marie Gearey	Dave Saunders
Senior Citizens Cup	Maurice Wright	Mick Nightingale
Elizabeth Cup	Anne-Marie Gearey	Heidi Edwards
Humphrey Cripps Rosebowl	Anne-Marie Gearey	Heidi Edwards
Ashbow Challenge Trophy	Anne-Marie Gearey	Maureen Saunders
Friday Triples League	Try Hards (Team)	Night Hawks (Team)

Club Person of the Year was Mike Edwards.

## **Brackley IBC**

### **Fixtures:**

6.12.08. Northampton Express BC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.

## **Daventry IBC – NO INFORMATION SUPPLIED**

## **Desborough IBC**

### **Fixtures:**

- 4.12.08. Wellingborough BC visits for a men's match at 2.0 p.m.
- 6.12.08. The Club holds its President v Vice President men's match at 2.0 p.m.
- 7.12.08. Northamptonshire Under 25's visit for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.
- 8.12.08. Rothwell Manor Park & Kettering Park BC's visit for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.

## **Kettering Lodge IBC**

### **Fixtures:**

- 4.12.08. Swanspool BC visits for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.
- 7.12.08. Bridgman's BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

## **Kingsthorpe IBC**

### **Fixtures:**

- 3.12.08. Daventry IBC and Rushden IBC visit for a ladies match at 2.0 p.m.
- 6.12.08. Daventry IBC visits for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.
- 7.12.08. Cogenhoe BC visits for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.
- 8.12.08. The Club hosts the Home rinks for the Northamptonshire Over 60's League match v Leicestershire at 2.0pm

## **Northampton & District IBC**

### **Potters Bowls Holiday**

42 Members of Northampton & District IBC have just returned from a Bowls Holiday at Potters Leisure Resort, Norfolk. This venue is becoming extremely attractive not only for Club bowlers, but also on the National and International scene, and major championships are staged there. (The World Indoor Championships are there in January 2009)

About 100 bowlers entered the week's competitions drawn from right across the country, played in rinks, and the Northampton bowlers did exceptionally well with three rinks reaching the semi-finals, and two competing the final.

The semi-finalists were:

1. Alan Littlemore/PatBritten/Terry Britten/Thelma Littlemore
2. Dee Goodman/Chris Page/Ken Goodman/Keith Smith
3. Eileen Rowett/Sylvia Brown/Bill Spear/Tony Penn

All played to a very high standard and rinks 2 & 3 above contested the final, with No. 3 winning the championship.

The Club won the 'Bowls Club of the Week' award.

The event was organised by Club member Marilyn Oram, who deserves a mention for the way she attended to it to ensure that the whole party had a most enjoyable week.

### **Fixtures:**

- 4.12.08. Abington BC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 6.12.08. Wellingborough BC visits for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 7.12.08. South Beds BA visits for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.

## **Rushden IBC**

### **Fixtures:**

- 4.12.08. Members visit Kingsthorpe IBC for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 3.12.08. The Club hosts the County men versus the County Ladies at 2.0 p.m.
- 6.12.08. Higham Ferrers Town BC visits for a men's match at 2.30 p.m.
- 7.12.08. Oundle BC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

## **Wellingborough IBC**

### **Fixtures:**

- 4.12.08. Members visit Desborough IBC for a men's match at 2.0 p.m.
- 6.12.08. Members visit Northampton & District IBC for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.
- 7.12.08. Raunds Conservatives BC visits for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.
- 8.12.08. The Club holds a mixed drive at 2.0 p.m.



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