

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BOWLS NEWS REPORTS

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PRESS REPORT

PREVIEW OF NATIONAL INDOOR COMPETITIONS 2008/2009

The National competitions have already started this month, although no results have yet filtered through, and in prospect for last season's area winners are some testing matches before making the National Finals. Those Finals are in three main blocks, at Northampton & District Indoor IBC 13-21st February, 2009; at Lawson Park IBC, Bedford, 27th February – 5th March; and at Nottingham IBC 27th March – 5th April, 2009, plus the Champion of Champions Finals at Warner's Lakeside, Norwich, 6th-8th February, 2009; the Under 25 Singles at Melton Mowbray, on 27/28th December, 2008; and Denny Cup and Plate at Lawson Park 14/15th March, 2009.

The County Winners from last year face the following first round matches:

Singles:	Paul Broderick, Wellingborough meets Scott Johnson, also Wellingborough
Pairs:	Paul with Neil Rees meets another Wellingborough pair skipped by Mick Cooper
Triples:	Peter Ward's Triple from Desborough meet up with Malc Mattinson's from Rushden
Fours:	Neil Corbyn's Rink from Wellingborough meets the Wellingborough rink of Robert Norman
Under 25's Singles:	Jamie Walker, last year's National Runner-up, faces Cameron Knox from Desborough
Mixed Pairs:	Paul Broderick meets up with Ross Knox, Desborough
Mixed Fours:	Paul Broderick will play fellow Wellingborough member Robert Norman
Over 50 Triples:	The Wellingborough triple in Paul Coley's name will face Barry Bonham's trio from Rushden
Over 60 Singles:	National Title winner from last year Mick Sharpe plays fellow Kingsthorpe man A Parker.
Over 60 Pairs:	Mick Sharpe faces a Market Harborough Duo in the name of J Aston
Over 60 Fours:	A new competition introduced this year, only attracted 10 entries from the County this year, but early days yet and it is bound to become more popular in time.
Father & Son:	Neil McKee and his father Jim will play Chris Maden and his father.

In the various National competitions for Inter County and Inter Club, the following dates see the first round matches as shown:

12.10.08 (play by)	The Over 60's Inter Club Double Rinks involving County Clubs sees Wellingborough; Rushden; Desborough; Daventry; Kingsthorpe; Northampton and Kettering all in action.
12.10.08	On this date The County Under 25 Double Rink takes on Hertfordshire. The team was published last week.
25.10.08.	On this date the Inter-Club Under 25 Double Rink competition gets under way for County Clubs with Desborough playing either Birmingham or Barwell; Wellingborough playing Solihull; and Northampton playing Melton Mowbray.

18.10.08. On this date **The Inter Club Denny Cup** competition starts for all of our County Clubs with matches as follows:

Brackley plays Solihull
Daventry plays Banbury
Northampton plays Wellingborough
Kettering Lodge plays Kingsthorpe
Rushden plays Desborough

25.10.08. **The Inter County Liberty Trophy** starts with Northamptonshire playing Cambridgeshire.

ANSON OPEN FOURS 11/12TH OCTOBER, 2008.

The 'Anson Open Fours' Tournament is to be held at Stanley Indoor Bowls Centre, Stanley, County Durham on the 11th and 12th October, 2008, and there is still time to enter a rink. With a first prize of £1000 and money prizes down to 6th place, the event will draw bowlers from across the country, and it would be nice to see a Northamptonshire contingent there.

The cost is £44 per rink which will provide 6 sessions of 2 hours each for each rink. Any enquiries please to Stanley IBC on 01207 236941 or email to brett.arkley@blueyonder.co.uk

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE INDOOR PRESIDENT'S TOUR 26-28.9.08.

47 members of Northamptonshire Indoor Bowling Association, lead by President Eddie Pinder, Daventry IBC, and supported by Senior Vice-President Mick Pullen (Rushden IBC) and Junior Vice-President Keith Howlett (Desborough IBC) County Secretary Brian Sherwood (Rushden IBC) and County Indoor Team Manager John Haines (Desborough) enjoyed their short Tour to Yorkshire last week-end.

They were based at Scarborough and played 5 matches on Tour with the first against Scarborough IBC on the 26th September, where they lost by 29 shots; against Ryedale IBC, Malton and against Yorkshire Indoor Association on the 28th, losing by 26 shots in each match; and against New Earswick IBC, York and against York & District IBC, on the 27th September, where they won by 15 shots and lost by 72 shots respectively.

The highlight of the winning match, which was lead by Mick Pullen, was a maximum score of 8 shots by John Haines' rink.

Rink details for each match as follows, opposition skips only:

NIBA versus Scarborough IBC (Lost 89-118)

Rink 1.

Willy Wilken
Brian Diver
Doug Hatton
Brian Jones v P Claypole
17 shots 18 shots

Rink 2.

Eric Walkington
Bill McGivern
Mick Weatherill
Carl Haines v J Wray
21 shots 8 shots

Rink 3.

Trevor Anderson
Mick Pullen
Brian Sherwood
Paul Drummond v G Bint
19 shots 17 shots

Rink 4.

Peter Woodhams
Trevor Gregory
Bernard Spreadbury
Keith Howlett v S Price
13 shots 17 shots

Rink 5.

Keith Bishop
Alan Gardener
Richard Holland
Alan Watts v A Mouser
15 shots 21 shots

Rink 6.

Fred Wake
Ernie Earp
J Pinder
John Cooper v P Lees
4 shots 37 shots

NIBA versus Yorkshire IBA (Lost 103 – 129)

Rink 1.

Peter Hales
Chris Hawkins
James Walvin
Peter Ward v R Edwards
18 shots 20 shots

Rink 2.

Mick Hall
Eric Wareing
Walter Stoddard
Brian Carr v P McCaff
10 shots 23 shots

Rink 3.

John Pickaver
Vic Hardy
Les Johnson
Andy Purcell v S Price
5 shots 40 shots

Rink 4.

Pat Donahue
Gordon Morris
Bill McGillivray
John Haines v W Pierson
19 shots 20 shots

Rink 5.

John Smith
Mick Richardson
Dick Upton
Richard Somerton v E Hazell
28 shots 14 shots

Rink 6.

Eddie Pinder
Mick York
Jason Hall
Terry James v P Parsons
23 shots 12 shots

NIBA versus Ryedale IBC (Lost 109 – 135)

Rink 1.

Peter Woodhams
Alan Gardener
Alan Watts
Brian Sherwood v J Best
19 shots 20 shots

Rink 2.

Brian Diver
Eric Walkington
Richard Holland
John Cooper v A Holmes
17 shots 32 shots

Rink 3.

Trevor Gregory
Mick Pullen
Doug Hatton
Keith Howlett v A Wragg
17 shots 16 shots

Rink 4.

Trevor Anderson
B Eleanor (guest)
Mick Weatherill
Brian Jones v M Scott
16 shots 28 shots

Rink 5.

Keith Bishop
Ernie Earp
Bill McGivern
Paul Drummond v P Humphreys
14 shots 21 shots

Rink 6.

Fred Wake
Willy Wilken
Bernard Spreadbury
Carl Haines v A Young
26 shots 16 shots

NIBA versus York & District IBC (Lost 85 – 157)

Rink 1.

Keith Bishop
Vic Hardy
Bill McGivern
Terry James v M Thompson
17 shots 19 shots

Rink 2.

Fred Wake
B Potter (guest)
Les Johnson
Paul Drummond v S Smith
10 shots 31 shots

Rink 3.

Peter Hales
Peter Woodhams
Doug Hatton
Brian Jones v F Clayson
13 shots 27 shots

Rink 4.

Eddie Pinder
Gordon Morris
Bernard Spreadbury
Richard Somerton v A Bryan
17 shots 17 shots

Rink 5.

Brian Diver
Alan Gardener
Walter Stoddard
Carl Haines v E Hodson
15 shots 29 shots

Rink 6.

Trevor Gregory
Chris Hawkins
Dick Upton
John Cooper v P Parsons
13 shots 34 shots

NIBA versus New Earswick IBC (Won 119 -104)

Rink 1.

Eric Wareing
Eric Walkington
James Walvin
Andy Purcell v D Sykes
20 shots 23 shots

Rink 2.

Trevor Anderson
Willy Wilken
Jason Hall
Brian Sherwood v D Firm
12 shots 12 shots

Rink 3.

Mick Hall
Mick York
Bill McGillivray
Alan Watts v B Johnson
15 shots 24 shots

Rink 4.

Pat Donahoe
Mick Richardson
Mick Weatherill
Peter Ward v D Pearson
15 shots 20 shots

Rink 5.

John Pickaver
Ernie Earp
Richard Holland
Brian Carr v B Waldie
27 shots 11 shots

Rink 6.

John Smith
Mick Pullen
Keith Howlett
John Haines v D Edwards
30 shots 14 shots

ENGLISH INDOOR BA SENIOR INTERNATIONAL SERIES 26-28.9.08. – RESULTS

County Bowler Mick Sharpe, Kingsthorpe IBC, had a most successful International Senior British Isles Double Rink series in Wales last week. The matches were played at Bodelwyddan Castle Hotel, North Wales, and featured teams from Wales, Scotland, Ireland, and of course England.

Ireland won the series being unbeaten with 3 wins, and although England finished third with one win only against the wooden spoonists Wales, Mick was on a winning rink on each of his three matches. He played at No 2 in the rink skipped by Martin Sekjer, Bournemouth, and his other colleagues were Graham Standley, Banister Park, at lead, and the England Under 25 Manager Pip Branfield at No. 3.

Mick's Rink scores were as follows:

versus Ireland	19 – 12
versus Wales	20 – 13
versus Scotland	21 – 14

The other England rink was skipped by John Wickham, Torbay, and he had with him Mike London, The Parks; Bill Ward, Avon Valley, and England Senior Manager John Bell. Their record was Played 3 Won 1 and Lost 2

N.I.B.A. versus RUSHDEN 9.10.08. – SELECTION

The following gentlemen have been selected to play for the County in a friendly match against Rushden IBC on Thursday, 9th October, 2008, commencing at 2.0 p.m.

Rink 1.

Eddie Pinder, Daventry (President)
Malcolm Tait, Kettering
Geoff Harris, Rushden
Andy Purcell, Desborough

Rink 2.

Brian Diver, Desborough
Dave Garland, Kingsthorpe
Tony Fairmaner, Kettering
Richard Somerton, Brackley

Rink 3.

Mick Hall, Brackley
Peter Hales, Desborough
Walter Stoddard, Kingsthorpe
Terry James, Rushden

Rink 4.

John Smith, Kettering
Peter Byworth, Wellingborough
Mick Weatherill, Desborough
Brian Jones, Daventry

Rink 5.

Eric Wareing, Daventry
Mick York Desborough
Brian Sherwood, Rushden
Keith Howlett, Desboro Jun V/Pres

Rink 6.

Len Smith Desborough
Mick Pullen, Rushden (Sen V/President)
Tony Lane, Kingsthorpe
Brian Carr, Northampton.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE VICE-PRESIDENTS versus KINGSTHORPE 2.10.08. – RESULT

The gentlemen of the County Vice-Presidents Association played Kingsthorpe IBC in a friendly match on Thursday, 2nd October, 2008, and came away second best losing by 42 shots. At the half-way stage there was only 2 shots in the match, but then Kingsthorpe eased steadily in front to record their win. The final score was VP's 100 shots – Kingsthorpe 142 shots. Rink scores as follows:

Rink 1.

VP'S	Kingsthorpe
Bob Tingle	Tony May
Peter Stewart	Ted Holley
Mick Pullen	Tony Crichton
Dave Williamson	Don Crowson
16 shots	30 shots

Rink 2.

VP'S	Kingsthorpe
Len Smith	Mark Cook
Harry Bell	Eddie Palmer
Dennis Allsopp	Tom Benstead
Keith Forbes	Bob Care
20 shots	19 shots

Rink 3.

VP'S	Kingsthorpe
Brian Bailey	Roy Parker
Dennis Franklin	Derek Simpson
Mike McKeown	Lee Everett
Graham Dunscombe	Ron Everson-Watts
8 shots	28 shots

Rink 4.

VP'S	Kingsthorpe
Ray Timson	Tony Harrison
Graham Cashmore	Derek Gardener
Tony Hancock	Brian Bandey
Ollie Pearson	Alan Spencer
23 shots	22 shots

Rink 5.

VP'S	Kingsthorpe
Peter Woodhams	John Roy
Geoff Care	Keith Sharpe
Walter Stoddard	Tony Burns
Tony Essam	Brian Kaye
21 shots	21 shots

Rink 6.

VP'S	Kingsthorpe
Phil Miller	David Thurley
Roly Smith	Gordon Gee
John Watson	Tony Lane
Tony Buckmaster	Roger Caswell
12 shots	22 shots

Next VP's Matches:

19th October, 2008 versus Desborough IBC

26th October, 2008 versus Leicestershire at Wellingborough IBC

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE LADIES INDOOR TOUR MARCH 2009 – DETAILS.

The Northamptonshire Women's Indoor Bowling Association Tour for this season is being held from the 12th – 16th March, 2009, and it will be based at The Heathlands Hotel, Bournemouth. County President Pauline Capon is inviting lady bowlers to join her on the Tour for an inclusive cost of £210. Please contact the County Secretary Valerie Blackwell, as soon as possible, and in any event by the 25th October, on 01933 391956

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE 'LIBERTY TROPHY' TRIAL 11.10.08. – SELECTION

County Team Manager John Haines has selected the following players for his Inter County National 'Liberty Trophy' Trial to be played at Wellingborough IBC on Saturday, 11th October, 2008, commencing at 9.30 a.m.

Rink 1.

Andrew Manton, Kingsthorpe
Chris Maden, Kingsthorpe
Jamie Walker, Wellingborough
Terry James, Rushden

Rink 2.

Mark Corbyn, Wellingborough
Martin Gearey, Brackley
Martin Cinato, Desborough
Carl Haines, Desborough

Rink 3.

Bob Fuller, Wellingborough
David Flippance, Desborough
Jason Bryan, Kingsthorpe
Colin Jones, Kingsthorpe

Rink 4.

Malcolm Paul, Desborough
Scott Johnson, Wellingborough
Richard Mann, Kingsthorpe
Vernon Gearey, Kingsthorpe

Rink 5.

Graham Southgate, Desborough
Connor Cinato, Desborough
Callum Height, Wellingborough
Iain Walker, Kingsthorpe

Rink 6.

Chris Wright, Northampton
Jack Tobin, Rushden
Phil Reeve, Kingsthorpe
Jim McKee, Kingsthorpe

Rink 7.

Alun Withers, Desborough
 Darren Lewis, Northampton
 Brian Rees, Wellingborough
 Dougie Mitchell, Daventry

Rink 8.

Dominic Graham, Northampton
 Matthew Pownall, Desborough
 Adrian Harris, Kettering
 Simon Walker, Brackley

Rink 9.

Andy Smith, Northampton
 Michael Chester, Wellingborough
 Colin Fowkes, Kingsthorpe
 Mick Worthington, Daventry

Rink 10.

Rob Vowles, Kettering
 Ross Knox, Desborough
 John Haines, Desborough
 Neil McKee, Kingsthorpe

Rink 11.

Robin Adams, Northampton
 Matthew Wordingham, Rushden
 Calvin Carpenter, Kingsthorpe
 Neil Corbyn, Wellingborough

Rink 12.

Tony Dicks, Daventry
 Graham Maddams, Wellingborough
 Chris Bland, Northampton
 Michael Sharpe, Kingsthorpe

This selection includes some young players who are showing promise, coming through the County Under 25 set-up, including Matthew Wordingham, Jack Tobin (Rushden) Connor Cinato, Ross Knox, Matthew Pownall (Desborough) and Chris Wright (Northampton)

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE OVER 60 TEAM FOR INTER COUNTY COMPETITION – SELECTION

The following gentlemen have been selected to represent the County in the new National Inter County competition for Over 60's. It is played on a round robin basis of Regional groups, on a 3 rinks at home and 3 rinks away basis, and Northamptonshire is in the group with Warwickshire, Derbyshire, Nottinghamshire and Leicestershire, with their first opponents Warwickshire. The match is to be played on Tuesday, 14th October, 2008, with the away rinks playing at Rugby Thornfield IBC, starting at 12 noon, and the home rinks at Kingsthorpe IBC start time 2.0 p.m.

Home @ Kingsthorpe IBC

Rink 1.

Mick Corbyn, Rushden
 Dougie Mitchell, Daventry
 John Baggat, Kingsthorpe
 Roger Tansley, Kingsthorpe

Rink 2.

Alan Spencer, Kingsthorpe
 Herbert Starsmore, Kettering
 John Clipston, Kingsthorpe
 Jim McKee, Kingsthorpe

Rink 3.

Tony Dicks, Daventry
 A.N. Other
 Dave Masters, Northampton
 Mick Worthington, Daventry

Away @ Rugby Thornfield IBC

Rink 4.

Jim Diver, Desborough
 Norman Gibb, Desborough
 George Warren, Desborough
 Carl Haines, Desborough

Rink 5.

Brian Thomas, Desborough
 Bob Care, Kingsthorpe
 Nev Humphrey, Desborough
 Mick Sharpe, Kingsthorpe

Rink 6.

Gerry Sharp, Wellingborough
 Richard Somerton, Brackley
 Walt Winsor, Wellingborough
 Maurice Allen, Wellingborough

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE UNDER 25'S versus RUSHDEN 5.10.08. – RESULT

The Northamptonshire Under 25's played the first friendly match of the new indoor season against Rushden IBC on Sunday, 5th October, 2008, and got off to a flyer, winning on 5 of the 6 rinks and taking the match by 39 shots. The only losing triple for the youngsters was by just 1 shot, and the final score was Northamptonshire Under 25's 123 shots – Rushden IBC 84 shots. Rink scores, U25's names only, as follows: (Could not read some of the names on cards!)

Rink 1.

Chloe Wordingham
 Victoria Stevenson
 Rebecca Wigfield
 17 shots Rushden 13 shots

Rink 2.

Tia Mulligan
 Curtis Johnson
 Matt Pownall
 22 shots Rushden 13 shots

Rink 3.

Jasmin Spear
 Aaron Mulligan
 Jamie Walker
 23 shots Rushden 15 shots

Rink 4.

Adam Brown
 Michael Chester
 Chris Wright
 17 shots Rushden 18 shots

Rink 5.

Will Hill
 Callum Height
 Ross Knox
 22 shots Rushden 11 shots

Rink 6.

Louise Harrington
 Carl Wigfield
 Dominic Graham
 22 shots Rushden 10 shots

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BOWLING ASSOCIATION PRESENTATION LUNCHEON 5.10.08.

The Annual Presentation Lunch of Northamptonshire Bowling Association was held at the Diamond Centre, Irthlingborough, on Sunday, 5th October, 2008, and around 150 members and guests enjoyed the occasion. County President Harvey Fruish was pleased to welcome his chief guest, Cliff Waterman, Bowls England Men's President; and Beverley Manning, President Northampton Women's County Bowling Association; Graham Dunscombe, Chairman Northamptonshire Honorary Vice Presidents' Association; and Paul Osborne, of our sponsors Chantrey Vellacott DFC.

Senior Vice President of the County, Mike King, in proposing the toast to Bowls England, thanked those members who had worked very hard on the unification process of the ladies and men's Associations to get it right for the future. He referred to the need to attract players to the sport and hoped that Bowls England would take a lead in this and assist his efforts in doing so in the County during his year in office.

In his reply Cliff Waterman referred to the unification process and wondered if it had been too hasty, but he hoped all would work out for the best in the long run. He thanked Ken Court for all his efforts as a member of the executive of Bowls England and the English Bowling Association before that. In referring to recruitment he praised the efforts in Northamptonshire in getting so many Under 25's playing, and urged existing players to encourage sportsmen from other more active sports to take up the game when they become too old for their sport of rugby, cricket or golf and the like.

He referred to Bowls England's intention to hold roadshows during the close season and to the appointment of Alistair Hollis as Development Officer, both of which are aimed at raising the profile of the sport.

In his response Harvey Fruish thanked all those who had worked hard on behalf of the Association, not only for the arrangements of the day, but throughout the season. He congratulated all the trophy winners, making particular mention of the National Triples winners and the Under 25's who retained the Midland Counties 'Ron Barston' Trophy. He also referred to the performances of the County Senior team, in particular highlighting the last two matches of the season which saw such a change in fortunes.

He made particular mention of the hard work of the County Secretary, Laurie Harrison, and paid tribute to the work of the Press Officer. He said that he had enjoyed his year immensely, making new friends and meeting old friends through bowls.

The trophies were then presented to the winners, with special mention being made about the success of the Kingsthorpe Triple of Richard Mann, Roger Tansley and Vernon Gearey, in winning the National Title at Worthing. They were wished well when they represent England in the British Isles Series in June, 2009.

The full list of winners and runners-up have been published previously.

CLUB NEWS AROUND THE COUNTY

COLD ASHBY BC

Fixtures:

- 12.10.08. Members visit Wymondham Dell IBC, Norfolk, for a mixed match. Travel is by coach, and the day out incorporates lunch, the match, and following dinner.
- March 2009 The Club is organising a bowls holiday from 16-20th March, 2009, at the well renowned Potters Leisure Resort, which hosts major indoor bowls competition. The cost is £245 inclusive.

DESBOROUGH IBC

Results:

2.10.08. Desborough IBC beat Northamptonshire Police BC by 99 shots! Score 178 – 79 in their favour.

Fixtures:

8.10.08. The Club hosts a match between the Northamptonshire branch of the National Association of Retired Police Officers and Northants/Hunts Masonic BA for the 'Chairman's Cup'
9.10.08. Countesthorpe BC visits for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.
11.10.08. Rothwell Manor BC visits for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.
12.10.08. Irchester BC and Rothwell Conservatives BC visit for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.
13.10.08. Desborough BC and Little Bowden BC visit for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.

IRCHESTER BC

The Club held the championships at the end of September with the following results:

	Winner(s)	Runner(s)-up
Men's Singles:	Malcolm O'Hanlon	David Jones
Ladies Singles:	Jan Hunt	Brenda Lawrence
Men's Pairs:	Mick Malins/Mossy Waters	Denis Sewell/David Jones
Ladies Pairs:	Brenice Willmott/Sheila Bonham	Margaret Condon/Jackie Fowler
Mixed Pairs:	Ann Sharpe/Mick Malins	Brenice Willmott/George Willmott
Drawn Triples:	Velda Cooper/Jack Whyman/Steve Villiers	
Twilight(Floodlit)		
Competition:	Steve Cooper	

KETTERING LODGE BC

Presentation Evening & Annual General Meeting

The Club's Outdoor Presentation Evening will take place in the Clubhouse on Saturday, 11th October, 2008, at 7.30 p.m. and the Annual General Meeting for Outdoor Members will take place on Wednesday, 15th October, 2008, at 8.0 p.m., also in the Clubhouse.

Results:

2.10.08. Kettering Lodge beat Swanspool, Wellingborough, in a very close match 83-82 shots.

Fixtures:

9.10.08. Abington BC visits for a men's match at 2.0 p.m.
11.10.08. Members visit Harborough IBC for a mixed match at 2.0 p.m.
11.10.08. Ladies have their Pre-Season Meeting at 7.30 p.m.
12.10.08. Daventry IBC visits for a mixed match at 2.30 p.m.

NORTHAMPTON WEST END BC

9.10.08. Members visit Northampton & District IBC for a men's match at 2.15 p.m.

RUSHDEN BC

The Club brought its Centenary Celebrations to a close with a Dinner held at the Club. Over 70 members enjoyed the event at which guests included the Worshipful Mayor of Rushden, Councillor Mrs Barbara Jenney accompanied by her husband Councillor David Jenney; President of Northamptonshire Bowling Association, Harvey Fruish and his wife; and President of Northampton Women's County Bowling Association President Mrs Beverley Manning.

Rushden's President, Roy Bigg, and Ladies Section President, Margaret Cave, warmly welcomed the guests and members, and each reflected on a very successful anniversary year.

A party of around 70 club members is going on a Bowls Holiday to Potters Leisure next week.

WELLINGBOROUGH IBC

Presentation Evening. On Saturday, 11th October, 2008 the Club is holding its Presentation Evening for the **Indoor Competitions of last Season**, when the following winners will receive their trophies:

	Winners	Runner(s)-up
Men's Singles:	Paul Broderick.	Mark Corbyn
Men's Pairs:	Maurice Allen/Darren Lyman	Steve & Robert Norman
Men's Triples:	Paul Coley/Bryn Walker/Mick Cooper	Mark Corbyn/Dave Leveridge/Neil Corbyn
Men's Fours:	Scott Johnson/Tony Asher/Darren Lyman/ Paul Broderick	Paul Coley/Bob Fuller/Martin Walker/ Mick Cooper
Mixed Pairs:	Tina Burgess/Paul Broderick	Maureen McDonald/Maurice Allen
Mixed Triples:	Helena Norman/Robert & Steve Norman	Alison Dring/Pat Gayton/Walt Winsor
Mixed Fours:	Jean Burgess/Tina Burgess/Jack Lyman/ Darren Lyman	Joyce George/P Parry/L Parry/ Jonathan George
Under 25 Singles:	Danny Wildes	Callum Height

The presentation will be followed by a Disco with 'Sanjay'

18.10.08 Commencement of the Club's sessions for new and young bowlers on Saturday mornings from 9.30 a.m. Coaches are on hand to advise and assist, and initially all that is required is a pair of flat soled shoes. Other equipment is available, including sets of bowls to borrow. The Club is situated in Hatton Street and newcomers will be warmly welcomed.

Nene Trophy This inter-club competition, held on one day at the end of the outdoor season, in this initial year of competition between four Clubs – Irchester, Rushden, Higham Ferrers, and Wellingborough, and won by Wellingborough, was a highly successful day. The organiser, and donor of the Trophy, Frank Darnell, would like to open the event up to some more Clubs. Any Club interested please get in touch with Frank via Wellingborough BC 01933 222527

Fixtures:

11.10.08. The Club hosts the County's Liberty Cup Trial at 9.30 a.m.
12.10.08. Avon Valley IBC visits for a mixed match at 2.15 p.m.
13.10.08. The Club is holding a season opening mixed 'drive' at 2.0 p.m.



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