

Hello Everyone,

A quick update on Northamptonshire's interest in the second week of National Bowls Championships, currently being played at Loddon Vale IBC, Basingstoke.

Following the success for Northamptonshire's 16 year old player, Jamie Walker in the Under 25 Singles Championship, the County can take heart from the performance at the other end of the age spectrum, with the Over 60 Singles Championship currently being played.

Mick Sharpe, Kingsthorpe IBC, and no stranger to playing at the highest level himself, was given a walk-over by a past Champion, John Crozier of Cumbria IBC, in the first round of the last 32 in the country, and this pitted him against a near neighbour, Maurice Elding of Peterborough IBC. Mick was on top form and took the match quite easily by 21 shots to 5 against.

He now meets Peter J Smith, of Egham IBC, Surrey, in the Quarter Finals to be played at 9.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 4th March, 2008.

Regards,

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