

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BOWLS NEWS REPORTS

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BOWLS REPORT

1. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN 'MIDLAND COUNTIES' versus LEICESTERSHIRE – RESULT

The men of **Northamptonshire Indoor Bowling Association** entertained near neighbours Leicestershire again, following their excellent Liberty Trophy win last weekend, in the Midland Counties 'Warwickshire Trophy' competition, played at Desborough IBC on Sunday, 20th January, 2019, and once more they celebrated with an excellent win, this time by 66 shots. 5 winning rinks for the County, the highest scoring being the very youthful under 25 rink that was skipped by Will Walker, which posted an 18 shots win, but just 1 shot less were the rinks skipped by Team Manager Matt Pownall and Darren Childs, and with a 15 shots win the rink skipped by County President John Haines also dominated.

The final score was Northamptonshire 146 shots (20 points) – Leicestershire 80 shots (2 points).

Rink details as follows, Leicester skips only:

Rink 1. Will Clelland, Peter Mellor, Norman Gibb & Richard Mann 23 shots – D Wilson 15 shots

The first half of this contest was pretty evenly fought after the County established a 6-2 lead at 5 ends, only to be caught by the visitors for a tie at 8 shots each at 10 ends of play. The next 5 ends, however, were all the County as Richard and his men took a 19-8 lead with 6 ends to play, and at 18 ends the lead was 22-10, but after exchanging singles, the County dropped a 4 on the last end to reduce their win.

Rink 2. Dougie Cooper, Malc Chambers, Danny Walker & Darren Childs 29 shots – V Adams 12 shots

After 5 ends of play the County men were 7-2 in the lead, but 4 ends later Leicester had almost caught them at 8-9 down, but the next 8 ends were almost totally dominated by Darren and his men for they dropped just 1 shot but collected 17, including a massive count of 6 on the 17th end. The last 4 ends saw the visitors win 3 of them with singles, but the 3 shots picked up by the County rink on the other end maintained the status quo.

Rink 3. Tay O'Neill, Cameron Knox, Adam Pitfield & Will Walker 27 shots – R Cooper 9 shots

What a good performance this was by the rink of young County players. After 5 ends of play they were 1 shot adrift at 3-4. But they gradually eased themselves in front 10-6 after 10 ends, and at 15 ends they had increased their lead to 17-8, and all but 1 of the last 6 ends went in Will Walker's favour as they added 10 more shots to 1 conceded. Examination of the score card will show that Leicester did win 9 of the 21 ends, but they were all single counts, which says a great deal about the play of the County young men.

Rink 4. Tony Dicks, David Flippance, Peter Ward & Andy Smith 11 shots – J Robinson 20 shots

This was a pretty low scoring match overall with only 2 ends counting more than 2 shots, they being a 3 for each rink, but after going behind 7-1 after 6 ends of play, the County men were always a few shots adrift, being 7-10 at 10 ends and 8-15 at 15 ends.

Rink 5. David Love, Richard Somerton, Curtis Johnson & Matt Pownall 31 shots – B Burton 14 shots

As the overall score suggests there were several big counts scored in this contest, firstly by the County rink which picked up a 6 on the 2nd end, and took a 12-2 lead after 5 ends of play, and then a temporary recovery by Leicester when they collected a 6 of their own on the 9th end and were just 2 shots behind at 10 ends on 11-13. Matt and his men, however, struck back very swiftly and won the next 6 ends, adding 11 shots, including a 4 on the 13th end, for a substantial 24-11 lead after 16 ends. Leicester won 3 ends with singles, and Matt and his men a double, but a final big pick up of 5 shots on the last end gave Matt the very good victory.

Rink 6. Iain Walker, Ian Roy, Mick Worthington & John Haines 25 shots – E Giblett 10 shots

Leicester started the better by winning the first 2 ends with doubles, but the County rink then outscored the visitors to take a 7-6 lead after 8 ends, and then won 5 ends in succession to lead 17-6 after 13 ends. 3 winning ends for the visitors, in singles, saw John and his men reply with interest as they collected 5 shots on the next 2 ends to lead 22-9, and after conceding a single they posted 3 more shots on the last 2 ends for a good victory.

2. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN FRIENDLY versus BEDFORDSHIRE IBA – RESULT

The men of **Northamptonshire Indoor Bowling Association** visited Bedford Borough IBC on Wednesday, 16th January, 2019, for a friendly match against Bedfordshire IBA, and after a terrific match the scores at the end were level, although the County did have 4 winning rinks to 2 losing. The highest scoring of those County rinks was that skipped by Peter Mellor, which recorded a 9 shots win, but not far behind were the rinks skipped by President John Haines and Match Secretary Richard Somerton which both won by 6 shots.

The match overall was pretty even for the first half, with just the odd shot between the Counties overall, but in the second half, especially up to the last couple or so ends across the green, Bedfordshire took a healthy lead of 11+ shots, but the last 2 ends belonged to the County for they outscored Beds 21-10 shots for the overall draw.

Final score was Northamptonshire 110 shots – Bedfordshire 110 shots. Rink details as follows, Beds skips only

Rink 1. Don Scott, Mick Weatherill, Geoff Allen & George Warren 7 shots – R Hammond 28 shots

Apart from being level at 2 shots each after 4 ends, Bedfordshire took a 5-2 lead on the 5th end and after 12 ends held a healthy lead at 13-5. The County rink was then confined to that 5 for 6 ends as Bedford won them all and added 11 shots to increase their lead to 24-5, and although George and his men won 2 of the last 3 ends with singles, they dropped a 4 on the last end for the substantial defeat.

Rink 2. Will Clelland, Terry Chapman, Brian Diver & Terry James 18 shots – G Ward 19 shots

The first few ends were tight with the County 2-3 behind after 4 ends, but Bedford won the next 4 ends to take a decent 9-2 lead, and after collecting a double on the next end, Terry and his men lost the next 4 ends to go further behind at 4-14. With 4 ends to play the County rink was still behind 7-17, but after an exchange of doubles, Terry and his men finished with a real flourish in firstly getting a count of 4 on the 20th end, but then almost snatching a win with a big 5 on the last end.

Rink 3. Colin Barnes, Dave Lovell, Terry Brown & John Haines 21 shots – B Marsh 15 shots

After 5 ends of play it was looking very good for the County rink for they were 9-0 in front, but they were then stuck on that 9 for 6 ends of play, although John and his men confined Beds to only 7 shots in those 6 ends so retaining a small lead. In picking up a count of 4 on the 15th end, the Bedfordshire men were just 2 shots adrift with 6 ends left. The County scored better on those ends in collecting 7 shots to 3 conceded, for their modest win.

Rink 4. Alan Diver, John Davies, Peter Kitchener & Richard Somerton 23 shots – J Kayne 17 shots

This was a match in which after a 2-1 lead after 3 ends, the County men 'went to town' with their scoring, keeping their opponents on that single for the next 8 ends of play as they scored very well to add 19 shots to their scorecard. After 14 ends Beds had improved their position a little, but were still 17 adrift at 6-23, and it looked as though they might get a battering from Richard and his men, but what seemed to be a bit against the run of play they won all 7 of those last ends, adding 11 shots to reduce the County's win to a modest one.

Rink 5. Chris Hawkins, Bob Brogden, Geoff Harris & Peter Mellor 20 shots – P Denton 11 shots

This match was pretty closely fought for most of its duration with Beds just 1 shot ahead after 5 ends at 5-4, and then the County just ahead after 10 ends at 9-7, and after 15 ends the scores were level at 10 shots each. At this point Peter and his men got their scoring going well as they won the next 5 ends, and added 10 shots in the process, and with Beds able to score just 1 shot on the last end, the County rink had a good win.

Rink 6. Jim Diver, Malcolm White, Dave Stewart & Tim Robinson 21 shots – J Lumsden 20 shots

At 5 ends of play the County rink was 2-7 down, and although they reduced their deficit to 5-8 after 8 ends, they were then confined to that 5 for 5 more ends and Beds collected 6 ends to take a 9 shots lead. A big 5 shots pick up, followed by a single reduced Tim's arrears to just 3 shots at 11-14, but with 2 ends to play they found themselves 6 shots adrift at 14-20. A single on the 20th end meant that Tim and his men needed 6 shots on the last end for a victory, and lo and behold that is what they scored.

President John Haines was pleased to present after the match a Blazer Badge to Tim Robinson, and a Colt Badge to David Lovell

3. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN versus CAMBRIDGESHIRE IBA – SELECTION

The following players have been selected to represent **Northamptonshire Indoor Bowling Association** in a friendly match against Cambridgeshire on Tuesday, 29th January, 2019, at St Neots & District IBC, River Road, Eaton Ford, St Neots, PE19 7AU, commencing at 2.0 p.m.

- Rink 1.** Ian Dunn, Brackley & District BC/Bob Brogden, Northampton & District IBA/Malc Mattinson, Rushden Town BC/John Haines, Desborough IBC
- Rink 2.** Will Clelland, Desborough IBC/Richard Upton, Brackley & District BC/Dave Stewart, Rushden Town BC/Tony Weston, Northampton & District IBA
- Rink 3.** Peter Kitchener, Rushden Town BC/Tony Warren, Andy Hogg, both Northampton & District IBA/Peter Mellor, Desborough IBC
- Rink 4.** Jim Diver, Tom Black, both Desborough IBC/Dave Williamson, Northampton & District IBA/Norman Gibb, Desborough IBC
- Rink 5.** Keith Howlett, Desborough IBC/Don Scott, Brackley & District BC/Reg Jones, Northampton & District IBA/Terry James, Rushden Town BC
- Rink 6.** Malcolm White, Rushden Town BC/John Chester, Desborough IBC/Geoff Harris, Rushden Town BC/Richard Somerton, Brackley & District BC
- Reserves:** Bob Tingle, Bob Sullivan, Alan Diver & James Ragosa, all Desborough IBC

4. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE MEN 'LIBERTY TROPHY' SEMI-FINAL.

Following their excellent Quarter Final win in the 'Liberty Trophy' against Leicestershire, the men of **Northamptonshire Indoor Bowling Association** now play Durham IBA in the Semi-Final, and this will be played at Doncaster IBC, Hexthorpe, Doncaster, South Yorkshire, at 11.0 a.m. on **Saturday, 2nd March, 2019**. Team Manager Matt Pownall and the County, are looking to arrange coach travel for players, officers and supporters, and he has asked that anyone who would like to avail themselves of this transport, to get in touch with him **a.s.a.p.** on 07735992433 or by email mattpownall@hotmail.co.uk

5. ENGLISH BOWLS UMPIRES ASSOCIATION – ‘MARKING AWARENESS COURSE’

The English Bowls Umpires Association is running a ‘Marking Awareness Course’ at Melton & District IBC, Bowling Green, Leicester Road, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire, LE13 0LR on Saturday, 8th and Sunday, 9th June, 2019, from 9.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. each day.

The course is open to all club members, even if you only want to be a Club Marker and it is also the first step if you wish to become a Regional Umpire.

The course will be run over 2 half days. There will be an attendance certificate issued. There is NO exam, but you will be required to complete all the measuring exercises.

Cost of the course is £10, which includes a Markers hand book and if you wish to go on to become a member of the E.B.U.A as a Marker then please talk to us after the course. It is the hope of the EBUA to have at least two trained markers in every club.

The course will be informative and fun.

If anyone is interested, please contact Colin Wilson, International Umpire on email c_wilson20@sky.com or telephone 01775 714556, providing your name, Club and contact details.

6. OPEN SINGLES CIRCUIT AT WELLINGBOROUGH BC

Wellingborough BC is once again hosting an ‘Open Singles Circuit’ weekend as in previous years, and it is scheduled for the weekend of **Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th April, 2019.**

This is a nationwide series of events, indoor, with many of the top UK bowlers entering, attracted by the prize money of £1000 to the Winner, £400 to the Runner-up, £200 to the Semi-Finalists and £100 to the quarter Finalists

The **Open Singles Circuit** is a circuit of club owned and run open singles events throughout the UK, where all the results from all the events earn all the players ranking points which contribute to the OSC Rankings List. The rankings list is reset at the start of each new season to reward each player’s current form. Local sponsorship and the player’s entry fees form the prize fund for each local event. At the end of each season the top ranked players on the OSC Rankings List qualify for the Grand Final event, which is fully funded by OSC and updated live over the internet for bowls fans all over the world.

At this time the Wellingborough event is fully subscribed, but a waiting list will be created, so if anyone is interested in going onto that list just contact Wellingborough BC and leave your details with Terry Falkner, Chairman and Organiser, or Helen Litchfield, Secretary on 01933 222527, Mob 07976 618451, email wbcsecretary@btconnect.com
The entry fee is £22.50p.

7. NORTHAMPTONSHIRE WOMEN – MIDLAND COUNTIES versus WARWICKSHIRE – RESULT

The ladies of the **Northamptonshire Women’s Indoor Bowling Association** entertained Warwickshire ladies to a Midland Counties match on Sunday, 20th January, 2019, at Northampton & District IBA, and with a 100% record of winning rinks, and a 32 shots overall win, they enjoyed a very successful day. The highest scoring of the County’s rinks was that skipped by Sharon Tansley with a 9 shots win, but just 1 shot less was that skipped by Joan Watts, and Yvonne McKee and Joyce Porter were also winning skips just 3 shots less.

The final score was Northamptonshire 135 shots (22 points) – Warwickshire 103 shots (nil points). Rink scores as follows, Warwickshire skips only:

- Rink 1.** Shannon Swift, Lisbeth Milburn, Elaine Cox & Joan Watts 26 shots – Yvonne Bromfield 18 shots
- Rink 2.** Celia Morris, Sian Hughes-Jones, Di Brumwell & Hilary Sharpe 18 shots – Joyce Thompson 17 shots
- Rink 3.** Joyce George, Margaret Cave, Audrey Height & Sharon Tansley 26 shots – Maureen Edwards 17 shots
- Rink 4.** Lynn Upton, Julie Spreadbury, Billie Swift & Brenda Bishop 20 shots – Jacqui Cook 18 shots
- Rink 5.** Wen Hill, Sue Collins, Linda Warren & Yvonne McKee 25 shots – Carole Simmons 19 shots
- Rink 6.** Marian Mackie, Chloe Weston, Wilma Walker & Joyce Porter 20 shots – Janet Arkell 14 shots

8. COUNTY COMPETITIONS – OF INTEREST THROUGHOUT COUNTY

GENTLEMEN

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4 WOOD SINGLES

- 1st Round:** Adam Pitfield, Wellingborough BC given walkover by Andy Smith, Northampton & District IBA
- 2nd Round:** John Haines, Desborough IBC beat I McIlwaine, Rushden Town BC 21-5 shots
Martin Underwood, Desborough IBC beat Connor Rollings, Kettering Lodge BC 21-11 shots
Scott Johnson, Wellingborough BC beat Rick Hayes, Daventry IBC 21-7 shots
Kieran Rollings, Kettering Lodge BC beat Allen Simms, Kettering Lodge BC 21-16 shots
Connor Cinato, Kingsthorpe BC beat Iain Walker, Desborough IBC 21-13 shots
David Love, Wellingborough BC beat Malc Chambers, Wellingborough BC 21-5 shots

UNDER 25 SINGLES

- 1st Round:** Connor Cinato, Kingsthorpe BC beat Danny Walker, Wellingborough BC 21-8 shots
Adam Pitfield, Wellingborough BC beat Connor Rollings, Kettering Lodge BC 21-17 shots

PAIRS

- 1st Round:** Connor Cinato & partner, Kingsthorpe BC beat John Greaves & partner, Wellingborough BC 11-10 shots
- 2nd Round:** Matt Pownall & partner, Desborough IBC beat Connor Cinato & partner, Kingsthorpe BC 16-15 shots
Connor Rollings & Kieran Rollings, Kettering Lodge BC beat David Jones & John Leggett, Northampton & District IBA 19-15 shots
Dennis Collins & Martin Keech, Wellingborough BC beat Brian Briggs & Allen Simms, Kettering Lodge BC 21-10 shots
Danny Walker & partner, Wellingborough BC given walkover by George Clifton & partner, Kingsthorpe BC
David Walker & partner, Kingsthorpe BC beat John Haines & partner, Desborough IBC 12-8 shots

TRIPLES

- 1st Round:** David Love's Triple, Wellingborough BC beat Matt Pownall's Triple, Desborough IBC (No score provided)
- 2nd Round:** David Love's Triple, Wellingborough BC beat Connor Cinato's Triple, Kingsthorpe BC 13-12 shots
Chris Gray, Allen Simms & Adrian Harris, Kettering Lodge BC beat Curtis Johnson, Will Walker & Danny Walker, Wellingborough BC 16-10 shots
Kieran Rollings' Triple, Kettering Lodge BC given walkover by George Clifton's Triple, Kingsthorpe BC

FOURS

- 1st Round:** Peter Dymond's Rink, Daventry IBC either beat, or was given a walkover, by George Clifton's Rink, Kingsthorpe. (No details provided)
Paul Broderick's Rink, Wellingborough BC beat Chris Bland's Rink, Northampton & District IBA 13-6 shots

9. NATIONAL COMPETITIONS – OF INTEREST COUNTY WIDE

LADIES

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2 BOWL SINGLES

2nd Round: Shannon Swift, Northampton & District IBA beat Rebecca Wigfield, Desborough IBC 21-16 shots

OVER 60 PAIRS

1st Round: Tina Broderick & Partner, Wellingborough BC given walkover by Veronica Brown, St Neots & District IBC
Linda Warren & Janet Swift, Northampton & District IBA beat Celia Morris & Di Brumwell, Kingsthorpe BC 18-12 shots
Margaret Silsby & partner, Kettering Lodge BC beat Sharon Tansley & partner, Kingsthorpe BC 18-16 shots

OVER 50 TRIPLES

1st Round: Pam Reynolds' Triple, Wellingborough BC beat Tina Broderick's Triple, Wellingborough BC 16-14 shots
2nd Round: Pam Reynolds' Triple, Wellingborough BC given walkover by Veronica Brown's Triple, St Neots & District IBC

MASON TROPHY

Inter Club competition for 2 rinks over 60 years, with 1 rink playing at home and the other playing away.

3rd Round:

- 1. Northampton & District IBA beat Bromsgrove & District IBC 38-29 shots.** Rink details as follows, Bromsgrove skips only:
At Northampton: Rink 1. Jackie Dale, Gina Beasant, Anita Hickman & Sue Lane 13 shots – Gill Cliff 24 shots
In this contest Bromsgrove were always in charge, leading 8-0 after 3 ends and 20-3 after 10 ends, but Northampton fought hard and had the better of the second half in scoring 10 shots to just 4 shots conceded.
At Bromsgrove: Janet Denton, Elaine Cox, Linda Warren & Janet Swift 25 shots – S Cooper, 5 shots
In this match the Northampton rink scored exceptionally well, considering they were playing away from home and completely dominated the encounter in leading 6-1 after 5 ends, 14-3 after 10 ends, and 20-15 shots after 15 ends, and Janet and her ladies allowed the home rink to score on just 4 of the 18 ends.
- 2. Kingsthorpe BC given walkover by Welford-on-Avon IBC**

Northampton & District IBA now plays Kingsthorpe BC in the 4th Round (Last 32 in the country stage) on Friday, 15th February, 2019.

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PAIRS

4th Round: Tina & Paul Broderick, Wellingborough BC lost to Jamie Barker & partner, St Neots & District IBC 11-12 shots

FOURS

4th Round: **Linda Warren, Billie Swift, Chris Bland & Dominic Graham, Northampton & District IBA beat** Cameron Knox's Rink, Desborough IBC 21-20 shots
Abbi Johnson-Young, Tina Broderick, Darren Lyman & Paul Broderick, Wellingborough BC beat Michelle Coleman's Rink, St Neots & District IBC 18-13 shots

FAMILY PAIRS

2nd Round: **P Wellburn & Tom Wellburn, Kingsthorpe BC beat** Cauly Swift & Billie Swift, Northampton & District IBA 17-7 shots
Geoff Beard & Trudi Beard, Kingsthorpe BC beat Shannon Swift & Janet Swift, Northampton & District IBA 19-18 shots
Mick Sharpe & partner, Kingsthorpe BC beat Neil Rolfe & partner, Kingsthorpe BC 16-15 shots
Steve Norman & Partner, Wellingborough BC lost to Emma Felce & partner, St Neots & District IBC 11-21 shots
Danny Walker & Partner, Wellingborough BC given walkover by Robbie Barker & partner, St Neots & District IBC

GENTLEMEN

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DENNY CUP – Inter Club competition for 4 rinks, with 2 playing at home and 2 playing away.

Quarter Final: **Wellingborough BC lost to Nottingham IBC 55-83 shots.** The County club found the going pretty tough on most rinks, with Nottingham really on form and taking the game to Wellingborough. Just 1 winning rink, that skipped by Darren Childs, which recorded a 4 shots win. Rink details as follows, Notts skips only:

At Wellingborough: Rink 1. Martin Walker, Nigel Hawkins, John Greaves & Paul Broderick 17 shots – Duncan Robinson 19 shots

In this match Wellingborough started superbly with a big pick up of 5 shots on the first end, and after 5 ends of play Paul and his men still had a decent lead at 8-3, but they were then confined to that 8 whilst Nottingham won 6 successive ends to take a 14-8 shots lead. Wellingborough then retook the lead in winning 4 successive ends, but the visiting men tied things up for a 16 shots each after 17 ends of play. 1 shot to Wellingborough on the next end promised a possible rink win, but Nottingham collected a 3 to take a 2 shots win, and as other rink scores revealed a substantial lead for the Notts team, Wellingborough played no more ends.

Rink 2. Scott Johnson, Walt Winsor, Mick Cooper & Adam Pitfield 11 shots – T Doig 27 shots

In this match the visitors played some superb bowls, taking an early 3-0 lead after 2 ends, and in picking up a big 5 on the 4th end increased their lead to 8-1. The next 7 ends were won 5-2 to Wellingborough, but as they were all single counts the gap was not reduced much with Notts collecting 3 shots in those ends for a lead of 11-6. After 15 ends the lead against was 17-7, and after picking up a double on the 16th end Adam and his men went further behind 9-24 with 2 ends left.

At Nottingham: Rink 3. Paul Coley, Tommy Jaszun, Curtis Johnson & Will Walker 11 shots – P Epton 25 shots

The first few ends of this encounter were pretty evenly fought with the County club just 1 behind at 3-4 after 6 ends, but then Nottingham picked up a big 5, followed by a double a 3 and a single to take a substantial lead at 15-3 after 10 ends. 5 ends later the gap was still big at 20-5, and then a very welcome pick up of 5 shots on the 16th end gave Will and his men some encouragement for the last 5 ends, but they could pick up just 1 more shot.

Rink 4. David Love, Malcolm Chambers, Danny Walker & Darren Childs 17 shots – S Skelton 13 shots

In this encounter the County club started very well in winning the first 4 ends, albeit by single shots, but the next 4 ends all went in Nottingham's favour as they took the lead 7-4, which Darren and his men reduced to 7-6 on the next end. After 16 ends of play the gap in Notts favour had grown to 5 shots as they lead 13-8 with 5 ends left to play. In the event, due to scores on other rinks, although Darren and his men collected 9 very welcome shots on the next 4 ends to take the victory, they shook hands after 20 ends.

2 BOWL SINGLES

3rd Round: **Andy Smith, Northampton & District IBA beat** Neil Rolfe, Kingsthorpe BC 21-8 shots
Iain Walker, Kingsthorpe BC given walkover by Mark Courtney, Daventry IBC
Paul Broderick, Wellingborough BC beat David Love, Wellingborough BC 21-10 shots

OVER 60 SINGLES

2nd Round: **Mick Corbyn, Rushden Town BC beat** Gordon Black, Bridgman BC 21-18 shots
Walt Winsor, Wellingborough BC lost to Mark Curtis, Kempston Park IBC 17-21 shots

PAIRS

4th Round: **Andrew Manton & Neil McKee, Kingsthorpe BC beat** David Walker & Vernon Gearey, Kingsthorpe BC 22-11 shots

OVER 60 PAIRS

3rd Round: **Roger Summers & partner, Northampton & District IBA beat** Peter Mellor & partner, Desborough IBC 26-15 shots
Kip Frankson & Rick Hayes, Daventry IBC beat Patrick Clerkin & Michael Moulton, Daventry IBC 16-11 shots
Mick Sharpe & partner, Kingsthorpe BC beat Rob Hyde & partner, Kettering Lodge BC 36-5 shots

OVER 50 TRIPLES

2nd Round: **Steve Norman's Triple, Wellingborough BC beat** Phil Birmingham's Triple, Bridgman BC 28-19 shots
Alan Dunkley's Triple, Brackley & District BC lost to Denis Holborow's Triple, Westlecot IBC, Swindon 16-24 shots
Roger Tansley, Martin Gearey & Stuart Thomas, Kingsthorpe BC beat Steve Waterfield, John Beal & Allen Simms, Kettering Lodge BC 24-3 shots

WESSEX LEAGUE

Matches played on Sunday, 20th January, 2018.

1. Kingsthorpe BC (14 points) beat Church Gresley IBC (2 points) 99-64 shots. Rink details, skips only, Kingsthorpe names first, as follows:

At Church Gresley:	Rink 1.	Mick Sharpe 30 shots – D Brennan 16 shots
	Rink 2.	Andrew Manton 19 shots – T Bosworth 21 shots
At Kingsthorpe:	Rink 3.	Connor Cinato 20 shots – M O'Connell 11 shots
	Rink 4.	Jamie Walker 30 shots – T Wain 16 shots

2. Daventry IBC (2 points) lost to Rugby Thornfield 'A' (14 points) 64-90 shots. Rink details, skips only, Daventry names first, as follows:

At Rugby:	Rink 1.	Malcolm Foster 17 shots – D Ward 22 shots
	Rink 2.	Peter Dymond 23 shots – H Wilkins 22 shots
At Daventry:	Rink 3.	Bernard Spreadbury 12 shots – C Carter 18 shots
	Rink 4.	Brian Scott 12 shots – O Fowler 28 shots

10. NATIONAL BOWLS NEWS

BOWLS ENGLAND NEWS

1. High Performance Director (Four-year fixed term contract) Voluntary Position (Expenses Only)

Bowls England, the National Governing Body for Outdoor Flat Green Bowls, is seeking a High Performance Director that will be solely responsible for the selection of a High Performance Squad from a pool of players recommended by elected Regional Selectors and appointed International Team Managers. The post holder will drive Bowls England's vision to be consistently respected on the international scene, particularly at, but not limited to:

- Test Matches
- World Championships (including qualifying events)
- Commonwealth Games

The post holder will be responsible for the appointment of their own support team for relevant events and to deliver a performance programme within the approved budget. Due to the nature of the role, a comprehensive knowledge of competitive bowls is essential. This voluntary role is predominantly home-based, but with an expectation that the post holder may be required to attend some national and international events, for which approved expenses will be funded by Bowls England.

The successful candidate will be appointed by the Board of Bowls England for the period February 2019 to September 2022 (subject to Annual Review). For an informal discussion regarding the role please contact Tony Allcock MBE (Chief Executive) on 01926 334609 or e-mail: tony@bowlsengland.com

To apply candidates should send the following: Letter of application highlighting relevant experience, skills and motivation for applying and Curriculum vitae

Please reply by e-mail to: tony@bowlsengland.com Alternatively applications may be sent by post, marked 'High Performance Director Vacancy', to: Chief Executive, Bowls England, Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Royal Leamington Spa, CV32 5HZ Closing date for applications: Monday 28th January 2019

2. Club & County Support Advisor (Two-year fixed term contract) Salary: Up to £20,000 per annum

Bowls England, the National Governing Body for Outdoor Flat Green Bowls, is seeking a Club & County Support Advisor to be based in its headquarters in Royal Leamington Spa. Due to the nature of the post a working knowledge of the sport of bowls is desirable but not essential. The successful candidate will be responsible for the provision of support to Clubs and County Associations affiliated to Bowls England across a number of service areas including recruitment, health and safety, club structures and safeguarding. They will also support the development of the National Membership Register and provide administrative support to the High Performance Director and Head Office relocation project.

The successful candidate will work well under pressure, have the ability to multi-task (including coping with the demands of the Bowls England National Championships) and the flexibility to work in an ever-evolving environment. Hours of work are Monday-Friday 9am to 5pm with one hour for lunch each day. Employees receive 20 days paid annual leave plus Public Holidays.

Please note due to the nature of the business occasional evening and weekend work may be required, for which time off in lieu will be agreed in advance. For an informal discussion regarding the role please contact Alistair Hollis on 01926 334609. To apply candidates should send the following:

- Letter of application highlighting relevant experience, skills and motivation for applying
- Curriculum vitae

Please reply by e-mail to: alistair@bowlsengland.com Alternatively applications may be sent by post, marked 'Club & County Support Advisor Vacancy' to:

Chief Executive, Bowls England, Riverside House, Milverton Hill, Royal Leamington Spa, CV32 5HZ

Closing date for applications: Monday 28th January 2019

Interviews will be held on Monday 11th and Tuesday 12th February 2019 at the Bowls England Offices in Royal Leamington Spa.

Bowls England is an equal opportunities employer.

Bowls England operates a company pension scheme for all employees.

3. BE Competitions – Regional Final Venues Announced for 2019 & 2020

Bowls England can now confirm the host venues for the Inter-County Competition Regional Finals for the next two years.

Balcomb Trophy (Sunday 23rd June 2019 and Sunday 21st June 2020)

North: York RI BC, Yorkshire

East: Maulden BC, Bedfordshire

South: Old Coulsdon BC, Surrey

West: Clevedon BC, Somerset

Walker Cup (Sunday 14th July 2019 and Sunday 12th July 2020)

North: York RI BC, Yorkshire

East: Kingsthorpe BC, Northamptonshire

South: Bromley BC, Kent

West: Box BC, Wiltshire

White Rose Trophy (Sunday 16th June 2019 and Sunday 14th June 2020)

North: Middlesbrough BC, Yorkshire

East: Parkway BC, Huntingdonshire

South: Cranleigh BC, Surrey

West: West Backwell BC, Somerset

Bowls England thanks all clubs who expressed their interest in hosting one of these Regional Finals, and if any Club wishes to be considered as a venue for Regional Finals from 2021 please email lee@bowlsengland.com for more information.

ENGLISH INDOOR BOWLING ASSOCIATION NEWS

1. Under 18 Trial Nomination.

Nominations for Under 18's are invited for players to be considered for the **Under 18 Trial** to be held on Sunday, 28th April, 2019, at Rugby Thornfield IBC, for the forthcoming British Isles Indoor Bowls Council International Series, to be held during October, 2019. Players must be under the age of 18 years on the 30th September, 2019. Nomination forms available as follows:



[International U18 Trial Nomination Form \(PDF\)](#)



[International U18 Trial Nomination Form \(WORD\)](#)

Closing date for receipt of nominations is the 18th March, 2019.

Please return to joanneshore@eiba.co.uk or English Indoor Bowling Association Limited, David Cornwell House, Bowling Green, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire LE13 0FA

2. Notice of Annual General Meeting

In accordance with Article 9 and 10, notice is hereby given that the **Annual General Meeting** of the English Indoor Bowling Association will be held at Melton Mowbray Baptist Church, Melton Mowbray LE13 0FA on **Saturday 18th May 2019**, [click here for details](#)

11. COUNTY CLUB NEWS – OF INTEREST ACROSS COUNTY

INDOOR CLUBS

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BRACKLEY BC (Indoor Section)

Fixtures:

26.1.19. Club plays Rushden Town BC in the men's County League at 10.0 a.m.

DAVENTRY IBC

Match Reports:

1. Daventry Eagles lost away against Kingsthorpe BC 77-121 shots

Daventry Eagles played on Thursday 17th January, 2019 in a club friendly. Highest winning rink for Daventry and only winning rink was Barbara Jalland, Debs Sach and Captain John Sach.

Rink scores as follows, Kingsthorpe skips only:

Rink 1: Joe Heagren, Colin Brown and Peter Mercer 8 shots - Dave Ashby 25 shots

Rink 2: Guifang Wright, Sylvia Hatfield and Judy Hicks 10 shots - Ray Hill 16 shots

Rink 3: Barbara Jalland, Debs Sach and John Sach 15 shots - John Harrison 14 shots

Rink 4: Janet Collins, Trevor Wright and Chris Jalland 16 shots - Nigel Hanwell 20 shots

Rink 5: Carol Taylor, Mike Taylor and Margaret Stevens 12 shots - Brian Kaye 27 shots

Rink 6: John Shanahan, Jennie Mercer and Mary Gillard 16 shots - George Clifton 19 shots

2. Daventry Eagles won at home against Greyfriars(Coventry) IBC 103-92 shots

Captain John Sach presented the highest winning rink to Brian Robbins, Trevor Wright, Mary Gillard and skip Adge Smith. Rink details as follows, Greyfriars skips only:

Rink 1: Doug Crane, Hazel Wallage, Andy Perrin & Jack Brown 16 shots - G Palmer 16 shots

Rink 2: Debs Sach, Jennie Mercer, Sue Pernyes & John Sach 16 shots - R Lawrence 19 shots

Rink 3: Guifang Wright, Janet Collins, Jo Reid-Jones & Shirley Shucksmith 16 shots – J Johnsons 14 shots

Rink 4: Barbara Jalland, Phillip Silk-Neilsen, Chris Jalland & Peter Mercer 13 shots - C Overton 14 shots

Rink 5: Brian Robbins, Trevor Wright, Mary Gillard & Adge Smith 26 shots - I Basskett 9 shots

Rink 6: Angelina Johnstone, Barbara Langdon, Norman Langdon & Judy Hicks 16 shots - M Jackson 20 shots

Fixtures:

24.1.19. Club plays Northampton & District IBA at home at 2.0 p.m.

26.1.19. Club plays Northampton & District IBA in the County League at 10.0 a.m.

27.1.19. Club plays Kineton IBC at home at 2.0 p.m.

30.1.19. Club plays Kingsthorpe BC away at 2.0 p.m.

KETTERING LODGE BC (Indoor Section)

Fixtures:

27.1.19. Club plays Wellingborough BC at home at 2.0 p.m.

28.1.19. Club plays Northampton & District IBA at home at 2.0 p.m.

NORTHAMPTON & DISTRICT IBC

Fixtures:

28.1.19. Club plays Kettering Lodge BC away at 2.0 p.m.

RUSHDEN TOWN BC (Indoor Section)

Fixtures:

24.1.19. Club plays Abington BC at home at 2.0 p.m.

26.1.19. Club plays Brackley & District BC in the County League at 10.0 a.m.

WELLINGBOROUGH BC (Indoor Section)

Fixtures:

27.1.19. Club plays Kettering Lodge BC away at 2.0 p.m.

OUTDOOR CLUBS

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ABINGTON BC

Fixture:

24.1.19. Club plays Rushden Town BC away at 2.0 p.m.

John G Church, MBE

Northamptonshire Bowls Press Officer