



English Indoor Bowling Association Ltd

The National Governing Body for Indoor Level Green Bowls in England

NATIONAL INDOOR BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS AT NOTTINGHAM

26 March to 2 April, 2016

DAYS ONE & TWO - SAT/SUN, 26/27 MARCH

IPSWICH YOUNGSTERS REIGN SUPREME



Under 25 inter-club Double Rink (David Cornwell Trophy)

Ipswich youngsters, led by inspirational team captain Katherine Rednall, got the national indoor bowls championship off to an upbeat start when they won the David Cornwell Under 25 inter-club title for the first time, beating a team from the MidGlos club in Brockworth, 38-16, in the final.

"It's my favourite event," said 20-year-old student Rednall, "I first played in it when I was seven, and I can tell you it's got very happy memories for me. Winning it is like being in a dream - but we played like a real team, and I think we deserved to win."

The Gloucestershire side had beaten highly-rated teams from Torquay United and Swale on their way to the final, but made a stuttering start, and the Suffolk players were quick to take advantage, Martin Heitzman's rink racing into an early 13-1 lead.

Ben Coldrick's rink fought hard to bridge the gap, and had closed to 15-13 by the 16th end, but Rednall's rink, who were all square 6-6 with Nathan Kitchen's quartet after eight ends, pressed home to a 20-11 win, as Ipswich won by 12.

Under 25 inter-club Double Rink (David Cornwell Trophy)

Final - Ipswich bt MidGlos (Brockworth) 38-16 - Rink scores (Ipswich names first):

Sarah Gove, Jack Burch, Phil Gregory, Martin Heitzman 18, Jack Daniels, Alex White. Adam Smith, Ben Coldrick 15; Lee Calver, Anna Chalk, Eliot Last, Katherine Rednall 20, Jack Williams, Aaron Lloyd, Max Risby, Nathan Kitchen 11.

VETERANS DO BATTLE IN NOTTINGHAM



Men's O60 Fours

The finalists in this popular competition were on the green at Nottingham for sixteen hours over the two days of the Easter weekend - and the starting field of 64 players had been reduced to just eight when the final between The Parks (North Shields) and County Arts (Norwich) got underway this evening (SUN).

Only last week, last year's English champions - the Hounslow quartet of Dave Pitt, Lew Johnman, John Geeves and Ron Leleux - went on to win the British senior fours title in Llanelli, and this year's champions will represent England in the 2017 British championships in Belfast.

A Norwich County Arts four - Clive Derry, Malcolm Nicholson, Bryan Sadler and former England international Brian Taylor - needed an extra end to beat a quartet from the Adur club, skipped by John Godfrey, after the Sussex players led 7-5 after six ends, 12-9 after ten, and 20-18 after 20.

But Taylor conjured up a dramatic last-end double to tie things up at 20-20, and a sudden-death extra-end single saw the Norfolk team through to the quarter finals, where they swept past Ilminster, 24-8, before having to play another extra end against Maidenhead-based Desborough in the semi finals.

This time, Taylor struck well with both his bowls, turning an unpromising situation into a nail-biting 17-16 victory, setting up a final encounter with The Parks, who play in North Shields.

Geordies Roy Goldsmith, Mike London, Ian Brown and Brian Houghton, representing The Parks, got past Colchester and Blackpool Newton Hall on their way to the semi finals, where, after leading for more than three hours, they faced a match lie on the last end against David Warrington's Croydon.

Houghton managed to kill the end with his final delivery, and The Parks scored three shots on the replay for a 21-16 win.

WITH ONE FORMER INTERNATIONAL (TAYLOR) SKIPPING FOR COUNTY ARTS, AND ANOTHER (MIKE LONDON) PLAYING SECOND FOR THE PARKS, TONIGHT'S FINAL SHOULD BE A CRACKER - RESULT AND REPORT WILL BE POSTED HERE BETWEEN 2130 AND 2230HRS

Men's O60 Fours

Last sixteen

Alan Maunder, Colin Burbridge, Frank Stott, Keith Corris (Newquay) bt
Mace Andrews, Trevor Hallam (sub), Mike Smith, George Draper (Lincoln) 19-11;
Peter O'Driscoll, Rick Long, Martin Bevan, Dave Warrington (Croydon) bt
Fred Harrison, Graham Marsh, Ian McWhinney, Geoff Day (City of Ely) 19-15;
Steve Airey, Eric Wallace, John Schofield, Eric Rawcliffe (Blackpool NH) bt
Harry Hovenden, Doug Rumble, Ron McCarthy, Barry Patterson (Moonfleet 2000) 26-15;
Roy Goldsmith, Mike London, Ian Brown, Brian Houghton (The Parks) bt
Brian Whiteley (sub), Richard Horner, Eddie Josh, John Miers, Derek Wheeler (Colchester) 23-18;
Roland Garland, Bev Brister, Will Anderson, Paul Denslow (Ilminster) bt
Frank Broadley, Phil Spray, Jim Leckie, Dave Spray (Leicester) 28-8;
Clive Derry, Malcolm Nicholson, Bryan Sadler, Brian Taylor (County Arts) bt
Dave Cornwell, Ken Holden, Phil Hilsden, John Godfrey (Adur) 21-20 (after extra end);
Gordon Knapper, Clive Behmber, Brett Long, Dave Simpson (Desborough) bt
Neil Gregory, Michael Harper, Ralph Hodgkinson, Eamon Costello (Doncaster) 28-15;
John Abson, John Taylor, Alan Lambert, Terry Doe (Glebelands) bt
John Bodle, John Marchant, John Cassing, Richard Cook (Dartford Stone Lodge) 30-14.

Quarter finals

Croydon bt Newquay 17-12; The Parks bt Blackpool NH 21-6; County Arts bt Ilminster 24-8; Desborough bt Glebelands 21-12.

Semi finals

The Parks bt Croydon 21-16; County Arts bt Desborough 17-16 (after extra end).

Final

The Parks v County Arts **(REPORT AND RESULT TO FOLLOW IN A LATE UPDATE TONIGHT - SUN)**

NORTHANTS ARE THE GOLDEN OLDIES



Men's O60 - inter-county championship - Final...

Surrey is where indoor bowls started, the Crystal Palace club being formed in 1905 under the influence of the cricketer Doctor, W G Grace - but the county's bowling heritage counted for nothing in today's Over 60 inter-county final, in which Northamptonshire triumphed over Surrey, 130-118.

Northamptonshire's win gave them the title for the third time in the eight years since the event was first held in 2009, and at first it looked as if it might be a runaway victory, because the Midlanders raced into a 23-4 lead in only three ends across the green.

Surrey hit back, and at one stage reduced the deficit to just three shots - but Northants merely tightened their grip, and surged ahead once again. Another late rally saw Surrey get their noses in front at 117-115 - but Northants moved up a gear, scoring 15 shots to Surrey's one over the last ten ends.

Northants' team manager John Haines skipped his rink to a 21-13 win, while Tony Weston, Jim McKee and Walt Winsor steered their rinks to wins of six, four and two shots respectively, while Paul "The Greek" Vamvacopoulos and Steve Fortescue replied with narrow wins for Surrey.

Northamptonshire bt Surrey 130-118 - Rink scores (Northants names first):

Tony Dicks, Pete Mellor, George Warren, Mick Worthington 25, Richard Wooster, Phil Clark, Ian Ross, Steve Fortescue 26; Roger Summers, Bernard Spreadbury, Colin Jones, Jim McKee 21, Trevor Hoy, Richard Long, John Kenton, Martin Tuck 17; Jim Diver, Mick Richardson, Robert Fuller, John Haines 21, Ernie Lewis, Alistair McNicol, Robert Palser, Chris Cranham 13; Pete Maloy, Dougie Cooper, Norman Gibb, Tony Weston 26, Ted Barlow, Adrian Sussex, Alan Binns, John Sussex 20; Dennis Collins, Colin Barnes, Alan Ramscar, Walt Winsor 20, Robert Wharf, Norman Pervoe, John Graham, Steve Shanley 18; Willie Clelland, Pete Morris, John Leggett, Roger Tansley 17, Chris Jones, John Green, Mike Lambert, Paul Vamvacopoulos 24.

TOMORROW'S SCHEDULE - Monday, 28 March

Mon, 28 March

Men's O50 Triples

1330 Last sixteen

1800 Quarter finals

Women's O50 Triples

0930 Last sixteen

1800 Quarter finals