NATIONAL INDOOR BOWLS CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS AT MELTON MOWBRAY

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DAY THREE

Monday, 27 March

NOTE

This report rounds up the day with the men's & women's triples quarter finals

That's a wrap for today!

STAR-STUDDED TRIPLES FIELD IMPRESSES

Monday magic at Melton Mowbray

WOMEN'S TRIPLES - STRONG FIELD THROUGH TO SEMI FINALS..



Monday is triples day at Melton Mowbray

Ipswich mother-and-daughter duo Christine and Katherine Rednall, with Anna Chalk playing mid-rink, wasted no time in securing their place in the women's triples quarter finals. They swept to a massive 32-3 victory over Chigwell's Carol Crafer, Sandi Davis and Maureen Austin.

This evening (MON), they struggled to get the better of York's Zoe Eagles, Helen Wood and Helen Walker, who had earlier outplayed a St Neots trio skipped by Michelle Barlow, 24-11.

Wood, who was a non-travelling reserve for the women's home international series in Belfast earlier this month, plays from a specially adapted wheelchair called a Bradshaw Bowls Buggy, and she caught the eye with a good performance mid-rink.

Ipswich were relieved to get home, 15-13, setting up a Sussex-v-Norfolk semi final encounter with Jane Paris, Sharon Rickman and Jayne Roylance, from North Walsham.

In the other semi-final, Sue Kearsley, Lesley Waddington and Janice Gower, from the Blackpool Newton Hall club, who scored 43 shots and conceded only 16 on their way to the last four, will face a trio from the South Forest club in Mansfield.

With Karen Chapman and Liz Munro at the front end, and former England international Jeannie Baker at skip, South Forest notched up wins of 19-9 and 26-8 against Bournemouth and Clarrie Dunbar.

Katherine Rednall, who is only 21, is the reigning WBT Women's World Matchplay champion, and recently picked up the national Champion of Champions title for the third time. The Ipswich trio are hoping to regain the triples title for the second time, having previously won it in 2015.

RESULTS...

Last 16

Debbie Shadwell, Kim Smith, Jeanette Wheeler (Clarrie Dunbar) bt Jenny Whitlock, Barbara Colby, Mary Sutton (Yeovil) 15-14; Karen Chapman, Liz Munro, Jean Baker (South Forest) bt Julie Hudson, Liz Messer, Sue Dadson (Bournemouth) 18-9; Sam Allcom, Kim Saxton, Jane Cogle (Angel Tonbridge) bt Eileen Crawley, Margaret Craig, Maureen Hill (Wey Valley) 18-14; Sue Kearsley, Lesley Waddington, Janice Gower (Blackpool NH) bt Gina Craddock, Val Linton-Phare, Jenny Morgan (Desborough) 22-5; Jane Paris, Sharon Rickman, Jayne Roylance (North Walsham) bt Jean Barnett, Elaine Taylor, Maureen Edwards (Rugby) 17-12; Gill Long, Ann Warrington, Pat Bourne (Croydon) bt Christine Johnstone, Aileen Hodsoll, Val Lander (Plymouth) 14-10; Zoe Eagles, Helen Wood, Helen Walker (York) bt Hannah Felce, Emma Felce, Michelle Barlow (St Neots) 24-11; Christine Rednall, Anna Chalk, Katherine Rednall (Ipswich) bt Carol Crafer, Sandi Davis, Maureen Austin (Chigwell) 32-3.

Quarter finals

South Forest bt Clarrie Dunbar 26-8; Blackpool NH bt Angel (Tonbridge) 21-11; North Walsham bt Croydon 18-4; Ipswich bt York 15-13.

MEN'S TRIPLES - DRAMA AS HOLDERS BITE THE DUST...



Spectators were treated to a great game between defending champions Whiteknights (red collars) and a trio from the Norfolk bowls club.

Defending champions Reading Whiteknights, and Hitchin-based Riverain, whom they beat in last year's final, were both in an extremely strong field for the final stages of the national triples championship at Melton Mowbray today (MON).

But, while Riverain's Barry Prowle, Glenn Williams and Tony Webb made it through to the semi-finals, Whiteknights' Mike Knight, Simon Jones and Rob Newman were beaten, 10-9, by Norfolk's Segolo brothers Tom and James, and their skip Wayne Willgress.

The Norfolk trio failed to make it through to tomorrow's (TUE) semi finals in another low-scoring match, which was won by Lincoln's Kevin Rands, Danny Brown and Billy Jackson, who will now play Bedford Borough's Wayne Bailey, Ross Tomlinson and Alex Walton for a place in the final.

Riverain defeated three of the Kingsthorpe team who won the fours title yesterday (SUN), 15-14, on an extra end, then thumped the hotly tipped Torquay trio of Louis Ridout, Ryan Whitlock and Sam Tolchard, 19-8. They now face surprise packets Atherley, who play in Southampton, in the semi finals.

Atherley's team consists of two brothers, Ben and Mick Barrett, with Stuart Rowney playing mid-rink. They edged past Duncan Hanmore's Angel (Tonbridge), 14-13, in the last sixteen, then overcame Dom McVittie's Blackpool trio, 16-12, in the quarter final.

The event was remarkable for the number of international players who were in charge of tehri triples. They included Alex Walton, Sam Tolchard, Andy Thomson, David Hubbard, Graham Smith, Graham Shadwell, Paul Hartley and Billy Jackson, while Connor Cinato and Dom McVittie are junior England players.

In a first round battle of giants, Torquay United, skipped by Tolchard edged home by one shot, 13-12, against Tom Bishop, Michael Cheeseman and England's Scots-born team captain Andy Thomson in a game that was curtailed to 14 ends. After a succession of dead ends, which had to be replayed, there was no time to play the last two ends.

RESULTS...

Last 16

Bradley Prowle, Glenn Williams, Tony Webb (Riverain) bt Andy Manton, Neil McKee, Connor Cinato (Kingsthorpe) 15-14 (x); Louis Ridout, Ryan Whitlock, Sam Tolchard (Torquay United) bt Tom Bishop, Mike Cheeseman, Andy Thomson (Cyphers) 13-12; Ben Barrett, Stuart Rowney, Mick Barrett (Atherley) bt Peter Harris, Graham Standley, Duncan Hanmore (Angel Tonbridge) 14-13; Tim Houghton, Jason Norris, Dom McVittie (Blackpool Newton Hall) bt Jack Fairhall, Paul Gandey, David Hubbard (Adur) 15-13; Matt Whyers, Martin Spencer, Graham Smith (Spalding) bt Brian Henry, Ray Bone, Andy Swann (Tilbury) 17-9; Wayne Bailey, Ross Tomlinson, Alex Walton (Bedford Borough) bt Carl Higgins, Marc Squirrell, Paul Hartley (Hartlepool) 14-9; Kevin Rands, Danny Brown, Billy Jackson (Lincoln) bt Craig Doughty, Russell Francis, Graham Shadwell (Clarrie Dunbar) 18-7; Tom Segolo, James Segolo, Wayne Willgress (Norfolk) bt Mike Knight, Simon Jones, Rob Newman (Whiteknights) 10-9.

Quarter finals

Riverain bt Torquay United 19-8; Atherley bt Blackpool NH 16-12; Bedford Borough bt Spalding 15-12; Lincoln v Norfolk 15-9.

TODAYS SCHEDULE - Tuesday, 28 March

0930hrs - Men's & Women's Triples - semi finals

Men's: Riverain v Atherley; Bedford Borough v Lincoln

Women's: South Forest v Blackpool NH; North Walsham v Ipswich.

1330hrs - Men's Over 60 inter-county final

Kent v Norfolk

1745hrs - Men's and Women's Triples - Finals

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