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FREE RESULTS AND ROUND-UP SERVICE

DAY THREE.2

Sunday, 25 March

YORKSHIRE WIN YOUTH BATTLE

while

SPALDING & SWALE WIN THE FOURS

at Melton Mowbray



England President Margaret Allen presents the national inter-county Under 25 team trophy to Yorkshire team manager Phil Parsons.



Men's fours champions - Graham Smith, Matt Whyers, Matt Orrey and Martin Spencer



Imogen Jenner, Sandy Hazell, Wendy King and Paige Dennis - with EIBA President Margaret Allen

A FIRST FOR YORKSHIRE

The Men's Under 25 inter-county Double Rink final featured five-time winners Devon, who were hoping to win the title for the sixth time, and Yorkshire, whose best effort over the 21 years since the event was introduced was to reach the final in 2006.

But, the White Rose county dashed Devon's hopes of an unprecedented hat-trick, and did so rather more convincingly than the final 42-39 scoreline might suggest.

Yorkshire, who had beaten Lincolnshire and Sussex on their way to Melton, seemed to take control at an early stage, and two counts of four - one on each rink put them 12 shots in front with only handful of ends left to play,

Always aware that comebacks are not uncommon in bowls, the young Yorkshiremen braced themselves for a Devon revival - and there were tense expressions on the faces of Yorkshire supporters as the northerners held on for an historic victory.

Yorkshire team manager Phil Parsons said: "I can't tell you how much that means to bowls in Yorkshire. I was put in charge last year, and I believe in team-work - and the lads did me and Yorkshire proud. They were brilliant."

RESULT... MEN'S UNDER 25 INTER-COUNTY DOUBLE RINK

Final - Yorkshire bt Devon 42-39 - Rink scores (Yorkshire names first):

Neal Macdonald, Jim Frith, Liam Creaser, Kieran Earnshaw 24, Kieran Kniveton, Scott Eveleigh, Will Stevens, Zach Kidd 22;
Luke Nicholls, John Hall, Matthew Bell, Jack Bird 18, Kieran Daniels, Stephen Apsey, Harry Goodwin, James Hampton 17.

SPALDING WIN STAR-STUDED MEN'S FOURS FINAL **while Swale win the women's title for the third time.**

Three of this morning's four semi finals in the national fours championships turned out to be one-sided affairs, with the favourites, Kingsthorpe and Swale respectively staying on course for the men's and women's title. Swale went on to win the women's title, but Kingsthorpe's men were pipped by Spalding in a final of exquisite quality.

MEN - WINNERS - SPALDING - Matt Whyers, Graham Smith, Martin Spencer, Matt Orrey

In the semi finals, Kingsthorpe, the newly-crowned British Isles fours champions overwhelmed a Blackpool Newton Hall quartet skipped by new world champion Mark Dawes, 20-3, and Spalding, with new national two-bowl singles champion Graham Smith on board, came back from 0-5 after three ends to beat Oxford City & County, skipped by Mark Charlett, 21-9.

History was made in the final, when all eight players have played at international level, while Orrey was the only one who was not in the England team that won the British team title and lifted the Hilton Trophy in Paisley earlier this month.

To say that the final was a classic would be an understatement. With all eight players in top form, every time a player stepped on to the mat spectators expected the position to be changed - and it normally was!

Kingsthorpe's Andy Manton, Connor Cinato, Neil McKee and Jamie Walker made the better start, and were 4-0 up in three ends - and they were still in front, 8-5, after nine of the eighteen ends, before Spalding opted for shorter jacks.

The move paid off, Spalding scoring nine shots to Kingsthorpe's two in the second half, finishing with five singles over the last six ends to win, 14-10.

WOMEN - WINNERS - SWALE - Imogen Jenner, Paige Dennis, Sandy Hazell, Wendy King

It seems as if Swale's women bowlers who have won the fours in 2014, 2016 and 2018 have an aversion to 'odd' years, but they swear they will be trying to hold on to it next winter.

On the two previous occasions, they had Amy Banes playing second, but about a year ago she gave birth prematurely to a baby boy, who has been in and out of hospital ever since, so Banes has clearly had other, more pressing priorities.

She was replaced by Jenner, who led, and Dennis moved up to play second, with the 'old firm' of Hazell and King - last winter's pairs champions - at the back end.

They got on top of Barwell's Val Hobart, Gill Wonnacott, Jamie-Lea Winch and Barbara Lewis, beating them, 22-8, in this morning's semi finals, while the Beccles quartette of Kirsty Mann, Valerie Clarke, Tracey Knights, Anne Hawkins edged past Northampton, 17-15.

In the final, Swale led 8-5 after eight ends, and 14-9 after 13, before the Sittingbourne-based quartette strung together a 1-2-3 sequence to lead, 20-9, and the Suffolk team threw in the towel with two ends still to play.

TODAY'S RESULTS (SUN)...

WOMEN'S FOURS:-

Semi finals:

Imogen Jenner, Paige Dennis, Sandy Hazell, Wendy King (Swale) bt
Val Hobart, Gill Wonnacott, Jamie-Lea Winch, Barbara Lewis (Barwell) 22-8;
Kirsty Mann, Valerie Clarke, Tracey Knights, Anne Hawkins (Beccles) bt
Linda Warren, Shannon & Billie Swift, Joyce Porter (Northampton) 17-15.

Final: Swale bt Beccles 20-9.

MEN'S FOURS:-

Semi finals:

Andy Manton, Connor Cinato, Neil McKee, Jamie Walker (Kingsthorpe) bt
Jason Norris, Jonathan Goodall, Dom McVittie, Mark Dawes (Blackpool NH) 20-3;
Matt Whyers, Graham Smith, Martin Spencer, Matt Orrey (Spalding) bt
Sam Watts, Ray Gaskins, Scott Edwards, Mark Charlett (Oxford City & County) 21-9.

Final: Spalding bt Kingsthorpe 14-10.

TOMORROW'S PROGRAMME

(Monday, 26 March)

0930hrs - Men's Triples - last sixteen

1330hrs - Women's Triples - last sixteen

1800hrs - Men's & Women's Triples - Quarter finals

EIBA NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS SCHEDULE AT A GLANCE

24/25 March - Men's and Women's Fours

25 March - Men's Under 25 inter-county championship final

26/27 March - Men's & Women's Triples

27 March - Men's Over 60 inter-county championship final

28/29 March - Men's & Women's Pairs

29 March - Women's inter-club (Vivienne Trophy) final

30/31 March - Men's & Women's Singles

31 March - Women's inter-county championship (Atherley Trophy) final

EIBA 2018 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS SCHEDULE AND DRAW

26/27 March - Men's & Women's Triples

Men:-

Craig Down, Zach Kidd, Ryan Whitlock (Torquay United) v Tony Stanley, David Bristow, Paul Roberts (Sleaford)
Luke Nicholls, Liam Creaser, Stan Thompson (North Cave) v Jack Burch, Lea Blackham, Martin Heitzman (Ipswich)
Mel Biggs, Ian Jefferies, Neil Smith (Westlecot) v Craig Doughty, Russell Francis, Graham Shadwell (Clarrie Dunbar)
Tom Segolo, James Segolo, Wayne Willgress (Norfolk) v Bill Hobart, Chris Moore, Joe Dawson (Barwell)
Chris Dawson, Kieran Moss, Joe Kelly (Thanet) v Jonathan Forcer, Colin Boston, Paul Mosley (Hartlepool)
Jack Fairhall, Paul Gandey, Ollie Overt (Adur) v Andy Manton, Neil McKee, Connor Cinato (Kingsthorpe)
Jody Bright, Conor Rabey, Martyn Wise (Atherley) v Bradley Prowle, Glenn Williams, Tony Webb (Riverain)
Simon Leader, Lewis King, Nick Brett (Huntingdon) v Barry Jenkins, Ian Jenkins, Steve Tuohy (Egham)

Women:-

Jenny Whitlock, Barbara Colby, Mary Sutton (Yeovil) v Sue Kearsley, Lesley Waddington, Janice Gower (Blackpool NH)
Pat Sussex, Kylie Hampton, Doreen Hankin (Egham) v Sue Kemp, Dawn Howard, Brenda Bowyer (Essex County)
Liz Munro, Pauline Marples, Jean Baker (South Forest) v Paige Dennis, Sandy Hazell, Wendy King (Swale)
Holly Baxter, Katy Baxter, Dani Martinson (Hornsea) v Carrie Southgate, Cassidy Lenton, Harriet Stevens (Torquay United)
Lisa Smith, Yvonne Pick, Amy Walters (Welford-on-Avon) v Joan Surman, Maryan Pye, Pauline Gunn (MidGlos)
Robyn Hall, Rebecca Moorbey, Rachel Tremlett (St Neots) v Devon Cooper, Shirley Page, Heather Stapleford (Riverain)
Jackie Watts, Margaret Moffat, Kath Patrick (Portsmouth Victory) v Val Philipe, Maureen Willard, Lorraine Kuhler (Adur)
Jayne Croston, Katy Smith, Lucy Smith (Westlecot) v Carole Baker, Suzanne King, Rebecca Field (Norfolk)

27 March - Men's Over 60 inter-county championship final

Norfolk v Surrey

28/29 March - Men's & Women's Pairs

Men:-

Rob Elmore & Ed Elmore (City of Ely) v Lee Croad & Ben Paulley (Bournemouth)
Andrew Harding & Simon Pettingel (Grattons) v Les Gillett & Chris Rodgers (Melton Mowbray)
Carl Higgins & Paul Hartley (Hartlepool) v Andrew Rodger & Josh Pounds (Swale)
Ray Hills & Paul Smyth (Cheshunt) v Jonathan Goodall & Mark Dawes (Blackpool NH)
Russell Francis & Graham Shadwell (Clarrie Dunbar) v Paul Field & Andy Thomson (Cyphers)
Mick Hawkins & Andy Walters (Welford-on-Avon) v Richard Summers & Wayne Willgress (Norfolk)
Dom Warren & Phil Last (Ipswich) v Michael Knight & Rob Newman (Whiteknights)
Danny Brown & Billy Jackson (Lincoln) v Simon Broom & Nathan Farrant (Exonia)

Women:-

Anne Patten & Jayne Croxall (South Forest) v Sandy Hazell & Wendy King (Swale)
Carole Baker & Rebecca Field (Norfolk) v Katy Smith & Lucy Smith (Westlecot)
Sara George & Stef Branfield (Clevedon) v Joanne Denny & Sarah Seymour (City of Ely)
Kylie Hampton & Helen Tuohy (Egham) v Sue Davies & Amy Walters (Welford-on-Avon)
Sarah Gove (sub for Katherine Rednall) & Anna Chalk (Ipswich) v Ruby Hill & Chelsea Tomlin (Spalding)
Cassidy Lenton & Harriet Stevens (Torquay United) v Chris Hobbs & Betty Spicer (Arun)
Sue Kearsley & Janice Gower (Blackpool NH) v Sue Duck & Sylvia Bloonfield (Tye Green)
Sue Evans & Kirsty Hembrow (Taunton Deane) v Julie Leake & Lyn Howard (Dolphin)

29 March - Women's inter-club (Vivienne Trophy) final

Arun v Colchester

30/31 March - Men's & Women's Singles

Men:-

Glen Adams (Herga) v Mikey Titcombe (Westlecot)

Adam White (Chawton Park) v Trevor Roberts (Egerton Park)
Peter Wilkinson (County Arts) v Connor Cinato (Kingsthorpe)
Jordan Philpott (Spalding) v Jack Bird (Scarborough)
John Stewart (Essex County) v Graham Shadwell (Clarrie Dunbar)
Ryan Whitlock (Torquay United) v Rob Elmore (City of Ely)
Paul Hartley (Hartlepool) v Kevin Rands (Lincoln)
Marc McCaughan (Folkestone) v Paul Coleman (Wey Valley)

Women:-

Rebecca Field (Norfolk) v Janet Eames (South Forest)
Janice Gower (Blackpool NH) v Kylie Hampton (Egham)
Kath Hawes (Banbury) v Zoe Eagles (York) or Barbara Lewis (Barwell)
Sarah Gove (Ipswich) v Kirsty Hembrow (Taunton Deane)
Devon Cooper (Riverain) v Elizabeth MacDonald (Bromley)
Teresa King (Clarrie Dunbar) v Rebecca Moorbey (St Neots)
Amy Walters (Welford-on-Avon) v Julie Leake (Dolphin)
Clare Stevens (Adur) v Carrie Southgate (Torquay United)

31 March - Women's inter-county championship (Atherley Trophy) final

Lincolnshire v Dorset or Sussex