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(Peterboro' & District)
1971 GEORGE F. WRIGHT (Rushden Town)

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BOWLING ASSOCIATION

FIXTURE LIST 1978

(subject to amendment)

F	Mar.	10	N.B.A. Council Meeting	7.15	Kettering Cons.
S	May	6	Buckinghamshire B.A. F	2.30	Bletchley B.C.
S	May	13	Lincolnshire B.A. M.C.B.A.	2.30	Burton House, Boston
S	May	20	Leicestershire B.A. M.C.B.A.	2.30	P.S.L. Roade.
S	May	27	Presidents Tour		Scotland
Tu	May	30	Middlesex B.A. F	2.30	A.
Th	June	8	Civil Service B.A. F	2.30	Kingsthorpe
S	June	10	Middleton Cup Trial	2.30	County Ground
Tu	June	13	Executive v Kettering Cons.	6.30	Kettering Cons.
Th	June	15	London Parks B.A. F	2.30	British Timken, Duston
S	June	17	Bedfordshire B.A. M.C.	2.30	Luton Town B.C.
S	June	24	Warwickshire B.A. M.C.B.A.	2.30	County Ground
S	June	24	Manfield Cup		
Th	June	29	Cambridgeshire B.A. F	2.30	Thrapston
F	June	30	Executive v Manfield Cup Winners	6.30	Winners Green
S	July	1	Buckinghamshire B.A. M.C.	2.30	County Ground
M/F	July	3/7	N.B.A. Quarter Finals		
Th	July	6	Norfolk B.A. F	2.30	County Arts B.C.
S	July	8	Nottinghamshire B.A. M.C.B.A.	2.30	Nottingham H.Q.
M/F	July	10/14	N.B.A. Semi-Finals		
S	July	15	Hertfordshire B.A. M.C.	2.30	County Ground
M/Tu	July	17/18	N.B.A. Finals		
S	July	22	Derbyshire B.A. M.C.B.A.	2.30	Stewart & Lloyds
S	July	29	Bedfordshire B.A. F	2.30	Rushden Town
S	July	29	Middleton Cup Quarter Finals		
M	July	31	Monmouthshire B.A. F	2.30	Earls Barton
W	Aug.	2	Surrey B.A. F	2.30	Malden B.C.
S	Aug.	5	Hertfordshire B.A. F	2.30	Baldock Town
Tu	Aug.	8	Executive v Pianoforte Supplies B.C.	6.30	P.S.L. Roade
W	Aug.	9	Lincolnshire B.A. F	2.30	Kettering Lodge
S	Aug.	12	Vice-Presidents Asso. F	2.30	Oundle B.C.
M	Aug.	14	National Championships—Fours		Worthing
Tu	Aug.	15	Executive v The Imps	3.00	Rushden Town B.C.
Th	Aug.	17	National Championships—Triples		Worthing
Th	Aug.	17	Metropolitan Police B.A. F	2.30	Abington
S	Aug.	19	Gloucestershire B.A. F	2.30	Rushden Town
Su	Aug.	20	Finals Day—Hodge Triples Trophy	10.00	Kettering Lodge
M	Aug.	21	National Championship—Pairs		Worthing
W	Aug.	23	Leicestershire B.A. F	2.30	Sileby B.C.
Th	Aug.	24	National Championships—Singles		Worthing
S	Aug.	26	Middleton Cup S/Finals & Finals		Worthing
S	Aug.	26	Oxfordshire B.A. F	2.30	Wellingborough
W	Aug.	30	Huntingdonshire B.A. F	2.30	Oundle
S	Sept.	2	Warwickshire B.A. F	2.30	Lucas Aero. Coventry
W	Sept.	6	Essex B.A. F	2.30	West End
S	Sept.	9	Middleton Cup Team v The Rest	2.30	County Ground
S	Sept.	16	Worcestershire B.A. M.C.B.A.	2.30	Brintons B.C. Stourport
F	Sept.	22	N.B.A. Council Meeting	7.15	Kettering Cons.
S	Sept.	23	Berkshire B.A. F	2.30	Brackley
S	Sept.	30	Suffolk B.A. F	2.30	A
S	Oct.	21	N.B.A. Council Meeting	2.30	Abington B.C.
S	Oct.	28	Annual Dinner & Dance	7.00	Masonic Hall, N'ton
S	Dec.	2	E.B.A. A.G.M. & Annual Dinner		Connaught Rooms
S	Dec.	9	N.B.A. Annual General Meeting	2.30	Abington B.C.

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE BOWLING ASSOCIATION

COUNTY BLAZER BADGES AWARDED 1978

The following were awarded their County Blazer Badges in 1978, having played their 6th game in County Friendly Matches, or reached Finals in County Competitions.

Brown, R. (Alumasc)
Burditt, L. J. (Kettering Lodge)
Collins, J. (St. Crispins Hospital)
Carter, A. (Stewart & Lloyds)
Chick, R. E. (Kettering Lodge)
Davis, R. T. (Higham Ferrers)
Essam, D. (Earls Barton)
Holmes P. (Rushden Town)
Hand, T. (Alumasc)
Hare, R. (Swanspool)
Hudson, R. K. (Rushden Town)
Hodson, A. (Wellingborough M. & F.)
James, R. K. (Kingsthorpe)
Lake, S. (Wellingborough B.C.)
McLean A. (Daventry Town)
Naylor, K. (Stewarts & Lloyds)
Owen, B. (Oundle B.C.)

Parkin, W. (Wellingborough B.C.)
Reid, R. (Kingsthorpe)
Reynolds, V. (British Timken, Daventry)
Roberts, N. (County Ground)
Sinfield, P. (Earls Barton)
Sherwood, D. (Stewarts & Lloyds)
Sumpter, R. (Rothwell Cons.)
Spencer, A. (Kingsthorpe)
Sinfield, W. (Kettering W.M.C.)
Stapleton, R. (Wellingborough M. & F.)
Taylor, E. (Kingsthorpe)
Willix, D. (West End)
Wollacott, I. (Rothwell Cons.)
Webb, R. (Kettering Midland Band)
Worthington, D. (Brit. Timken, Daventry)
Wright, W. (Wellingborough M. & F.)
Youds, G. (Kettering Lodge)

COLTS BADGES AWARDED 1978

The following were awarded their Colts Lapel Badges in 1978, having played their 1st game in County Friendly Matches.

Attwood, C. (Kettering Cons.)
Addis, R. (Rushden Town)
Baddiley, C. (Kettering Lodge)
Burditt, D. (Express Lifts)
Billingham, W. (Brit. Timken, Duston)
Blencowe, D. (Brackley & District)
Barron, V. (Wellingborough B.C.)
Baker, A. (Northants. Police)
Brown, H. (Abington B.C.)
Cox, H. (Rushden Town)
Colson, N. (Kettering W.M.C.)
Denton, T. (Express Lifts)
Elliott, R. (British Timken, Duston)
Elwers, F. (Kettering Cons.)
Grant, W. E. (Thrapston B.C.)
Garratt, B. (Wellingborough B.C.)
Galbraith, D. (Whitworth Road Cons.)
Groom, R. (Wellingborough B.C.)
Griffiths, I. J. (West End)
Gotch, J. (Wellingborough B.C.)
Garratt, A. G. (Pianoforte Supplies)
Holding, S. (Pianofort Supplies)
Hickman, J. (Northants. Police)
Howe, D. (Brackley & District)

Johnson, F. (Pianofort Supplies)
Mc. Grail, J. (Daventry Town)
Moore, B. (N'pton. Machinery Co.)
Owen, M. J. (Rothwell Manor Park)
Roeves, D. (Daventry Town)
Ruff, J. (Northants. Police)
Roberts, P. (Wellingborough B.C.)
Sharpe, M. (Express Lifts)
Skeeles, V. (Earls Barton)
Smeathers, S. (Wellingborough B.C.)
Smith, R. (Daventry Town)
Scarth, B. (Northants. Police)
Simmonds, J. (Raunds Cons.)
Stubbs, J. (Raunds Cons.)
Smart, B. (Daventry Town)
Sach, J. (Daventry Town)
Thompson, R. (Daventry Town)
Wilbur, I. (Rushden Town)
Watts, A. E. R. (Wellingborough B.C.)
Williams, R. E. (Pianoforte Supplies)
Walden, A. (Abington B.C.)
Ward, A. J. (Abington B.C.)
Wilson, A. (Daventry Town)

COMPETITION SECRETARY'S REPORT—1978

Entries for N.B.A. competitions all showed a healthy increase this year, and produced very keenly contested matches. Fortunately the weather was kind and the rounds were all completed on time. I thank the Wellingborough Club for staging the Finals. We had two nights of excellent weather for the Finals with some very good bowling by all competitors, which, I am sure, was much appreciated by the large crowd of spectators.

It was very disappointing that the form shown in the Finals had disappeared in most cases at the Nationals at Worthing.

I would like to thank all the Clubs for the use of their greens and facilities for the final rounds of the competitions.

I hope Stanley Mumford has enjoyed his first year as Area Secretary for Kettering, and that he will retain this office for many years to come. To Charlie Jones, stalwart secretary for Wellingborough Area, once again many thanks.

This season the Greens Committee has made its presence felt and visited many greens: we hope that this is the forerunner to a 3 or 4 year cycle of visits to each green.

To the Officers of the Association, Area Secretaries, Competition and Draws, and Greens Committees, I would like to offer my thanks for their help in making 1978 a very successful year.

J. H. CLIPSTON, Competition Secretary

TO ALL TOUR ORGANISERS

May I ask you to take a County Handbook with you—show it to your Hotel Proprietor or Manager at an opportune time (e.g. when you are paying!), and ask if he would like to book an advertisement for next year.

The President's Tour and the N.H.V.P.A. Tour would be a good start—come along gentlemen, show the flag! There's a large potential here.

Arthur Frost

INTERNATIONAL PLAYERS

Northamptonshire men who have played for England in recognised International Games, first established in 1903.

Bettles, J. H.	(Irthlingborough C.I.)	1956-57-58
	Gold Medalist in Fours, Commonwealth Games, Cardiff, Wales, 1958	
Bull, A. H.	(Wellingborough Town)	1926-27-30-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49
Bull, G. S.	(Wellingborough Town)	1926-27-28-30-31-32-33-34-35-36-37-38-39-40-41-42-43-44-45-46-47-48-49
Chapman, W. J.	(Kettering Lodge)	1946
Coe, G. P.	(Wellingborough Town)	1910
Cooper, D. E.	(Kettering Lodge)	1964-65-66
Played in Triples and Fours in First World Bowls Championships, Sydney, Australia 1966.		
Dobson, W. R.	(Kettering Lodge)	1924
Goldsmith, M. E.	(County Ground)	1928
Lee, T.	(Wellingborough Town)	1923
Mason, C. (Snr.)	(Kettering Cons.)	1935
Mason, F.	(Kettering Cons.)	1961
Mitchell, W. J.	(Wellingborough Town)	1929
Redhead, A. J.	(County Ground)	1912
Shatford, F.	(Kettering Cons.)	1910-11-12-14-19-20-21-22-24-25
Stenhouse, R. H.	(Wellingborough Town)	1962-63-64-65-66-67-68-69-70-71
Played in Triples and Fours in First World Bowls Championships, Sydney, Australia 1966.		
Captain of England, Commonwealth Games, Edinburgh, Scotland, 1970.		
England Team Manager - World Bowls Championships - Worthing 1972.		
Stow, F.	(County Ground)	1909-10-11-13
Wright, G.	(Kettering Lodge)	1913-19-20-21-22-28
Forster, J. A.	(Wellingborough Town)	1973
Wills, G.	(Kettering Lodge)	1974

INTERNATIONAL TRIALISTS

Northamptonshire men who have played in International

Carter, S. H.	(Wellingborough Town)	1965-66-67
Drage, H.	(Wellingborough Town)	1969
Gargate, R.	(Abington)	1960-61
Harris, J. A.	(Rushden Town)	1930-33-34
King, R. S. T.	(Abington)	1971
Knight, A. F.	(Abington)	1946-47-58-59
Knight, H. E.	(Rushden Town)	1938
Lee, F. J.	(Abington)	1950-51
Mason, Colin	(Kettering Cons.)	1964
Mason, N.	(Kettering Cons.)	1961-62
Morgan, T. L.	(County Ground)	1968
Richards, J. N.	(County Ground)	1926
Sturgess, H. F.	(Earls Barton)	1949
Underwood, H.	(Rushden Town)	1935-36-37
Wills, G. T.	(Rushden Town)	1971
Wills, G. T.	(Kettering Lodge)	1973
Forster, J. A.	(Wellingborough)	1973
Wills, G. T.	(Kettering Lodge)	1974

WINNERS OF THE MANFIELD CUP

1906	County Ground B.C.	1948	Kettering Conservative B.C.
1907	West End B.C.	1949	Rushden Town B.C.
1908	County Ground B.C.	1950	Kettering Conservative B.C.
1909	County Ground B.C.	1951	Kettering Conservative B.C.
1910	West End B.C.	1952	County Ground B.C.
1911	County Ground B.C.	1953	Kettering Conservative B.C.
1912	Kingsthorpe B.C.	1954	Earls Barton B.C.
1913	Irthlingborough B.C.	1955	Express Lifts B.C.
1914	Kettering Lodge B.C.	1956	Abington B.C.
1919	Wellingborough B.C.	1957	Stewart & Lloyds B.C.
1920	Abington Park Rangers B.C.	1958	British Timken B.C.
1921	Wellingborough B.C.	1959	Peterborough Park B.C.
1922	Kettering Park B.C.	1960	Chambers (Raunds) B.C.
1923	Wellingborough Town B.C.	1961	Wellingborough Town B.C.
1924	Kettering Lodge B.C.	1962	Timpsons (Kettering) B.C.
1925	Kettering Conservative B.C.	1963	Wellingborough Town B.C.
1926	Whyte Melville B.C.	1964	Abington B.C.
1927	Wellingborough Town B.C.	1965	County Ground B.C.
1928	Kettering Conservative B.C.	1966	Kettering Lodge B.C.
1929	Kettering Conservative B.C.	1967	Peterboro' & District B.C.
1930	Lotus B.C.	1968	West End B.C.
1931	Abington B.C.	1969	County Ground B.C.
1932	Wellingborough Town B.C.	1970	Peterboro' & District B.C.
1933	County Ground B.C.	1971	Finedon Town B.C.
1934	Kettering Park B.C.	1972	Abington B.C.
1935	Earls Barton B.C.	1973	Westwood Works B.C., Peterborough
1936	Rushden B.C.	1974	Kettering Lodge
1937	Kettering Lodge B.C.	1975	Peterborough & D. B.C.
1938	Kettering Conservative B.C.	1976	Pianoforte Supplies Ltd. B.C.
1939	Kettering Lodge B.C.	1977	Brackley B.C.
1945	Irthlingborough B.C.	1978	West End
1946	W'boro' Swanspool B.C.		
1947	Rushden Town B.C.		

THE MANFIELD CUP—ORIGIN

Extract from the minutes of a meeting held in Franklin's Hotel, on the 8th March 1906, and read at the First Annual General Meeting, 11th June, 1906.

"The Chairman explained that the meeting had been called with a view to forming a Bowling Association in the County of Northamptonshire, having for competition a Cup to be presented by James Manfield, Esq., J.P. (Mayor of Northampton), and Harry Manfield, Esq., M.P. It was unanimously resolved—that the Association be known as the Northamptonshire Bowling Association."