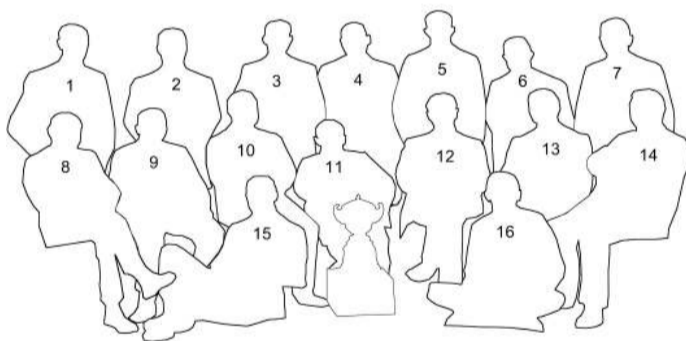




Kingsthorpe Bowling Club



MANFIELD CUP HISTORY



- | | |
|----------------|--|
| 1. H Foyle | 9. H. Branson (Capt.) |
| 2. T Afford | 10. F. Ellen (Pres.KBC Hon.Treas. NBA) |
| 3. A E Sedcole | 11. J.H.C. Crockett (Pres. NBA) |
| 4. T Snowdon | 12. C. Harper (Hon.Sec. NBA) |
| 5. P H Ellen | 13. J.W. Chesters (Hon.Sec & Treas. KBC) |
| 6. W Kimbell | 14. F. Meyer |
| 7. C S Wilson | 15. R.D. Cooke (Vice Capt.) |
| 8. R Cosford | 16. F. Meyers, Jnr |

The Manfield Cup - Founding and Purpose:

In March 1906, a meeting at Franklin's Hotel in Northampton led to the formation of the Northamptonshire Bowling Association. The Manfield brothers, James (Mayor of Northampton) and Harry (MP for Mid-Northamptonshire), offered to donate a trophy and a prestigious outdoor bowls competition, the Manfield Cup, was born.

Early Years:

The players of Northampton County Ground were the first to win the Manfield Cup, while Kingsthorpe Bowling Club were also early winners, claiming the title in 1912.

Following KBC's 1912 success, the cup was dominated by clubs like County Ground and West End, the competition being suspended between the First and Second World War years.

Current Status:

The Manfield Cup is still keenly contested, with teams from across the county competing for the trophy.

KBC Honours:

Winners in 1912, 1998, 2000, 2001, 2012, 2022

Runners-up in 2003, 2008, and 2010