



Masters Report for AGM 9th July 2024

Competitions

Club competitions completed with the following results, many thanks to Jo McDermid who has run and organised these competitions and for her service to the committee the past two seasons. We had a lot of drop outs this year so considering the makeup of these competitions for 2024/25 season. Looking at what is also available across England Hockey but ensuring that we can offer something in the West but not overwhelm people with too many weekends full of hockey and not time for other things.

Finals days were on 20th April in Yate for the 50s Mixed, Taunton Vale beat YSHC 3-1.

21st April TBB beat Devizes in the over 35s Mixed Cup Final and in the Plate Taunton Vale beat West Wilts 4-1.

28th April in the Over 40s Cup and Plate Men and Women

Cup Women – Redland Wereys beat Bretforton 4-1

Plate Women – TVHC beat Gloucester 5-0

Cup Men – Clifton Robinsons beat TBB 2-1

Plate Men – Westbury UBs beat Swindon 9-0

West Representative Teams

The ladies held three trials dates in the 2023/24 season with on average 124 individuals attending over the 3 sessions run each day over the 7 age groups. Everything added on to the Membership database that Masters has invested in to be transparent and help manage availability. 215 women have now registered and 270 men. The system is secure and means less likely for any data breaches or emails going to the wrong people. This was also used to help with the management of the squads for the tournaments.

The men have held trial dates for their individual age groups and have had good numbers attending. Squads have been selected for the tournaments please see some of the results below:

Women completed:

Over 35s 11/12 May at Marden finished 7th

Over 40s 18/19 May at Folkestone finished 2nd SILVER

Over 45s 11/12 May at Bournemouth finished 5th

Over 50s 18/19 May at Surbiton finished 2nd SILVER

Over 55s 11/12 May at Basingstoke finished 1st GOLD

Over 60s 1/2 June at Guildford finished 1st GOLD



Over 65s 18/19 May at Bristol finished 5th

Over 70s 9 May at Hampton in Arden finished 2nd without a keeper!

Men so far completed

Over 35s 11/12 May at Marden finished 3rd

Over 40s 8/9 June at Timperley not played yet

Over 45 18/19 May at Bedford finished 6th

Over 50s 8/9 June at Wakefield not played yet

Over 55s 18/19 at Southgate finished 3rd

Over 60s 8/9 June at Stourport not played yet

Over 65s 15/16 June at Richmond not played yet

Over 70s 8/9 June at Cambridge City HC not played yet

Over 75s 15/16 June at Sheffield not played yet

If you want to support the Masters committee, we are looking for more people to get involved through being perhaps a County Rep, please talk to your County contact and also for our Masters Committee we need a Competitions Administrator and an Administrator, we hold meetings every couple of months and the more involved means the work is shared. You would be welcomed on board.

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