

West Mens Reports

West O35s tournament review – 11/12 May 2024

Area Masters Mens Over 35s 2024									
	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1	Yorkshire & North East O35 Men	6	5	1	0	15	3	12	16
2	Midlands O35 Men	6	4	1	1	9	6	3	13
3	West O35 Men	6	4	1	1	10	8	2	13
4	East O35 Men	6	2	1	3	6	5	1	7
5	South East O35 Men	6	2	1	3	7	11	-4	7
6	North West O35 Men	6	1	0	5	6	12	-6	3
7	London O35 Men	6	0	1	5	4	12	-8	1

West O40 tournament review – 8/9 June 2024

Area Masters Mens Over 40s 2024									
Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points	
1 Midlands O40 Men	7	5	2	0	18	4	14	17	
2 North West O40 Men	7	5	1	1	14	5	9	16	
3 East O40 Men	7	4	1	2	8	7	1	13	
4 South East O40 Men	7	3	2	2	11	9	2	11	
5 London O40 Men	7	2	4	1	7	5	2	10	
6 South Central O40 Men	7	1	3	3	6	8	-2	6	
7 West O40 Men	7	1	1	5	7	17	-10	4	
8 Yorkshire & North East O40 Men	7	0	0	7	6	22	-16	0	

West O45 tournament review – 18/19 May 2024



Area Masters Mens Over 45s 2024

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1 Midlands O45 Men	7	7	0	0	19	2	17	21
2 London O45 Men	7	6	0	1	15	6	9	18
3 East O45 Men	7	4	1	2	16	7	9	13
4 South East O45 Men	7	3	1	3	8	9	-1	10
5 South Central O45 Men	7	2	2	3	8	9	-1	8
6 West O45 Men	7	1	2	4	7	15	-8	5
7 North West O45 Men	7	1	1	5	6	19	-13	4
8 Yorkshire & North East O45 Men	7	0	1	6	7	19	-12	1

West O50s tournament review – 8/9 June 2024



Area Masters Mens Over 50s 2024

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1 London O50 Men	7	6	0	1	11	4	7	18
2 West O50 Men	7	3	3	1	6	4	2	12
3 Midlands O50 Men	7	3	2	2	6	4	2	11
4 South East O50 Men	7	3	0	4	10	12	-2	9
5 South Central O50 Men	7	1	5	1	9	9	0	8
6 North West O50 Men	7	2	2	3	7	8	-1	8
7 East O50 Men	7	1	3	3	6	9	-3	6
8 Yorkshire & North East O50 Men	7	1	1	5	5	10	-5	4

West O55s tournament review – 18/19 May 2024



Area Masters Mens Over 55s 2024

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1 South East O55 Men	7	3	3	1	7	3	4	12
2 South Central O55 Men	7	3	3	1	10	7	3	12
3 West O55 Men	7	2	5	0	6	3	3	11
4 London O55 Men	7	3	2	2	7	5	2	11
5 Midlands O55 Men	7	2	4	1	6	5	1	10
6 East O55 Men	7	2	2	3	7	6	1	8
7 Yorkshire & North East O55 Men	7	1	2	4	7	11	-4	5
8 North West O55 Men	7	0	3	4	4	14	-10	3

West O60s tournament review – 8/9 June 2024

Area Masters Mens Over 60s 2024

	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1	Midlands O60 Men	7	6	1	0	22	3	19	19
2	South Central O60 Men	7	5	0	2	13	7	6	15
3	South East O60 Men	7	4	2	1	9	6	3	14
4	East O60 Men	7	3	2	2	8	8	0	11
5	North West O60 Men	6	1	3	2	7	9	-2	6
6	London O60 Men	7	1	2	4	4	10	-6	5
7	West O60 Men	7	1	2	4	4	12	-8	5
8	Yorkshire & North East O60 Men	8	1	0	7	6	18	-12	3

Over 65s tournament review – 15/16 June 2024



Area Masters Mens Over 65s 2024

Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1 South East O65 Men	7	5	2	0	7	2	5	17
2 Midlands O65 Men	7	5	1	1	10	5	5	16
3 East O65 Men	7	4	2	1	7	3	4	14
4 North West O65 Men	7	3	1	3	6	6	0	10
5 London O65 Men	7	2	2	3	5	5	0	8
6 Yorkshire & North East O65 Men	7	1	3	3	6	7	-1	6
7 West O65 Men	7	2	0	5	5	9	-4	6
8 South Central O65 Men	7	0	1	6	8	17	-9	1

Over 70s tournament review – 8/9 June 2024

Area Masters Mens Over 70s 2024								
Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1 London O70 Men	6	4	1	1	13	4	9	13
2 South Central O70 Men	6	4	1	1	10	4	6	13
3 Midlands O70 Men	6	3	2	1	7	7	0	11
4 East O70 Men	6	2	4	0	2	0	2	10
5 North O70 Men	6	2	0	4	7	8	-1	6
6 South East O70 Men	6	0	2	4	4	12	-8	2
7 West O70 Men	6	0	2	4	3	11	-8	2

Over 75s tournament review – 15/16 June 2024



Area Masters Mens Over 75s 2024								
Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1 North O75 Men	4	3	1	0	8	2	6	10
2 London - SC - SE O75 Men	4	3	0	1	7	6	1	9
3 West O75 Men	4	2	0	2	5	4	1	6
4 East O75 Men	4	1	1	2	4	6	-2	4
5 Midlands O75 Men	4	0	0	4	3	9	-6	0

P4 W2 L2 GF 5 GA 4

A squad of 14 attended at Abbeydale Sports Club Sheffield on June 15-16 to represent West O75:-

Garry Adams, Paul Baker, Mike Harris, Peter Jakes, Roger Montague, Brian Nichols (capt), Paul Rawson, Stuart Richards (GK), Gray Smith-Laing, Brian Stokes, John Tripp, Mike Tucker, Mark Watson, John Youings.

Our first game was against Midlands who may have been disadvantaged having played an earlier game v East. West dominated play and pressure brought a goal for Mike Tucker in the first half. In the

second half the lead was extended by John Tripp`s penalty stroke. Midlands scored a consolation goal with a well struck penalty corner. John Tripp and Mark Watson were unlucky (they said, with some justification) to be awarded green cards.

The win gave the team confidence for the next game, against South who had been defeated 1-3 by North. A close contest ensued, with neither side being able to create many chances. South eventually scored when their centre forward got a faint touch on a long range hit into the circle for the only goal of the match. The green card trend continued, Roger Montague joining Mark Watson (again) for short spells on the naughty chair. The start of the game was noteworthy for an immediate substitution as our captain was found to have taken the field sans culottes and had to retire temporarily to resolve the issue (though no coverage has been shown on social media).

On day 2 after an early breakfast West played East and had the best of the first half, 0-0 at half time. Continued pressure in the second half brought three goals. Paul Baker took a good chance from a centre provided by Paul Rawson on the right. Brian Stokes then beat the goalkeeper with a dam busters strike from a penalty corner shifted left by Mark Watson. The third goal was a perfectly executed penalty corner routine involving injection by

John Tripp followed by passes from Watson to Stokes to Tripp and finally to Brian Stokes who made no mistake from in front of goal.

That win left West needing victory over North to potentially win the tournament on goal difference. This was not to be, as North repeated their strong performance from earlier games and West struggled to gain a foothold in the game. North scored a goal in each half, both due in part to defensive lapses resulting from the pressure.

West took third place with 6 points, behind North (10 points) and South (9 points). This was a fair result for West and all players contributed strong performances as part of a good team effort. Finding an effective system for defence and attack which made best use of individual strengths was a challenge, but was achieved in part by Paul Baker nominally playing sweeper with licence to roam in midfield and further forward when the defence was secure.

The tournament was well organised by Yorkshire and North East Hockey. The West Squad, including supporters Sue Watson and Amanda Rawson, attended the Tournament Dinner at the Clubhouse. The meal was very good but sadly the event was not well supported by some teams and we made up 50% of those attending.

Thanks are due to Brian Nichols for captaining the side and to Roger Montague who shared the tasks of management and acted as treasurer over the season.

The Double Tree Hilton Hotel was an ideal venue for accommodation. To finish on a lighter note, we can confirm that the hotel`s sanitary arrangements survived Mike Tucker`s bath wearing his hockey shirts and his attempt to wash his towel and gloves in the lavatory, but without flushing, as recorded by Our Correspondent in the Bathroom.

Mike Harris

Manager