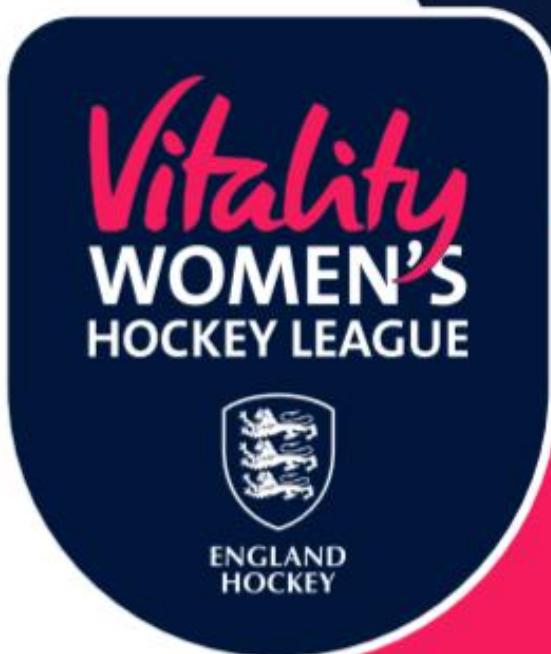


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Clifton Robinsons M1 - Cheltenham

12th November 2021 - 8pm



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Welcome back!

Welcome to our first Friday Night Lights fixture of the season, and the first Men's National League fixture to take place at the Lawns. The Men's 1s look to build on an impressive start to the season, taking on a Cheltenham side fresh from their first win of their campaign.

The clubhouse will be open for refreshments from 7-10:30pm - we look forward to seeing faces old and new!

More information on the 2021-2022 league structure can be accessed [here](#).

Enjoy the games!



Chairman's Welcome

Welcome to Clifton Robinsons Hockey Club

A warm welcome to our visitors this evening – Cheltenham playing our Men's 1s (20:00 start at The Lawns). We also welcome our match officials and all members and supporters of Clifton Robinsons HC ("The Blue Army"). This is the first evening game on the season, so we hope to see many faces young and old in attendance.

The Men's 1s started fantastically well this season, picking up 3 early wins. A few stumbles recently, with many squad members ill or injured, culminated in a draw and a loss, before they picked up an away point last weekend at Plymouth, traditionally a difficult ground for us to go to. We're hoping they can put on a show tonight and get back to winning ways.

Both our Ladies National League sides are on the road this weekend. The L1s are high on confidence after 3 wins on the bounce. They travel to Beeston, needing just 4 more points to secure a top 6 spot. Our L2s stay local, facing bottom of the table Bristol University (Coombe Dingle 1:15pm Saturday). Both teams are in need of a win - if you find yourself free on Saturday get down to support!

The club is going from strength to strength with us fielding 12 senior sides week in week out, with potential to add more next season. Complimented by a huge and successful junior section and talented Masters teams. We were again the club to enter the most teams in the wide range of England Hockey Championships last season. The Masters' sides are kicking off their season. The Men's O50s beat Old Bristolians 3-1 in the 1st round of the England Hockey Championship a fortnight ago – Simon Sharp grabbing all three goals. Sunday 14 November sees our other Masters sides in action – Ladies O35s open up at home against Gloucester City whilst the Men's O40s travel the short distance to Team Bath Buccaneers.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Peter Smith (@smifspor) for the time he gives up and the fantastic photos he shoots at Clifton Robinsons games across Bristol. I think you'll agree the quality is fantastic, and our programmes and website would be a far blander place without his influence!

We hope you enjoy the hockey this weekend and please do join us in the bar afterwards to hopefully celebrate some good results!

Best wishes,

Duncan Long ("Longer")
Chairman, Clifton Robinsons HC



In Remembrance



Clifton Robinsons Hockey Club will pay our respects to fallen heroes at our matches throughout this weekend, with a moment of silence before each game. We think of all those who have given their lives protecting us at home and abroad, so that we can be here today. We also will take the time to thank those club members who are part of the Armed Forces, past and present, for their sacrifice.

The Men's 1s will tonight be wearing poppies on their shirts as a mark of respect. If you would like to buy a poppy and support The Royal British Legion, please visit rbl.org.uk/poppyappeal

We thank all supporters for respecting the minute silence tonight.

This weekend's Men's Conference West fixtures:

Ashmoor v Fareham
Cardiff University v Plymouth Marjon
Chichester v Isca
Clifton Robinsons v Cheltenham
University of Exeter 2 v University of Bristol

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This weekend's Women's Premier Division fixtures:

Beeston v Clifton Robinsons
Hampstead & Westminster v Swansea
Surbiton v Loughborough Students
University of Birmingham v East Grinstead
Wimbledon v Buckingham
Bye Holcombe

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This weekend's Women's Conference West fixtures:

Basingstoke v Exe
Cheltenham v Bristol Firebrands
Team Bath Buccaneers v Penarth
University of Bristol v Clifton Robinsons 2s
Witney v Oxford Hawks

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Men's Conference West

Name	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Against	Difference	Points	Form
University of Bristol	7	5	1	1	17	10	7	16	W L W W D
Ashmoor	7	5	0	2	17	12	5	15	W W W L W
Isca 1	7	4	0	3	23	11	12	12	W W W L L
Clifton Robinsons M1	7	3	3	1	16	11	5	12	W D D L D
Fareham	7	3	2	2	18	18	0	11	L W D W W
Cardiff University	7	3	1	3	15	17	-2	10	W L L W D
Chichester	7	3	1	3	11	15	-4	10	L W W W L
Plymouth Marjon	7	1	2	4	9	21	-12	5	L L L D D
University Of Exeter 2	7	0	4	3	13	17	-4	4	L D L D L
Cheltenham	7	1	0	6	10	17	-7	3	L L L L W

Women's Premier Division

Name	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Against	Difference	Points	Form
Hampstead & Westminster W1	8	8	0	0	21	9	12	24	W W W W W
East Grinstead W1	6	5	0	1	16	7	9	15	L W W W W
Wimbledon W1	8	4	2	2	24	8	16	14	W D D L W
Surbiton W1	6	3	3	0	14	6	8	12	W D W D W
Clifton Robinsons W1	7	3	3	1	13	12	1	12	L D W W W
Beeston W1	7	2	1	4	9	14	-5	7	L L D W L
University of Birmingham W1	7	1	3	3	10	13	-3	6	L L D D L
Buckingham W1	7	1	3	3	9	14	-5	6	W D L L L
Loughborough Students W1	7	2	0	5	10	22	-12	6	W L L W L
Holcombe W1	8	1	2	5	6	14	-8	5	D L L L W
Swansea W1	7	0	1	6	7	20	-13	1	L L L L L

Women's Conference West

Name	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Against	Difference	Points	Form
Bristol Firebrands 1	7	4	3	0	17	11	6	15	W W D D W
Witney 1	7	4	2	1	20	14	6	14	W W W W D
Oxford Hawks 1	7	4	2	1	14	8	6	14	L W W W D
Exe Women	6	3	2	1	10	9	1	11	W W W D D
Team Bath Buccaneers Women	7	3	2	2	13	13	0	11	L D L W W
Basingstoke 1	7	2	3	2	12	13	-1	9	L D W L D
Cheltenham 1	7	2	2	3	9	10	-1	8	W L L L D
Penarth Women 1	7	1	3	3	10	12	-2	6	D L L W D
Clifton Robinsons W2	7	0	3	4	6	13	-7	3	D L D L L
University of Bristol 1	6	0	0	6	8	16	-8	0	L L L L L



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After a positive start to the season, the Men's 1s have had to settle for two points across their last three games, albeit only losing one game to a solitary goal. This leaves the team 4th in the league, but not far off the top of the table. Conversely, today's visitors Cheltenham were hugely disappointed with the way their season began, losing 6 on the bounce. However, they appear to have turned a corner, winning 2-1 against high-flying Isca last weekend. Both teams have featured in close games to this point, and it is difficult to see anything but a tight affair tonight!



In Conversation With: Fraser Henderson, M1 Coach

Ahead of the match tonight, the M1 Head coach sat down with Programme Editor Alex Kirkpatrick to discuss all things hockey and Clifton Robinsons related.

Hi Fraser, nice to chat with you! How have you found your first few months with us at Clifton Robinsons?

Hi, and yourself, good to catch up! The first few months have been full on, lots happening! I've settled in well having known a few faces from previous hockey encounters and have felt very welcomed by all that I have come across. The club is in a big drive-forwards stage with many teams pushing for promotion. Of course, this makes it an extremely exciting time to be here!

For those that don't know you, what's your involvement with hockey - how were you introduced and how did you get here today?

I was introduced at school from early years and my love of the game grew from there. I went through the Scottish hockey system playing junior international and then finished off my playing career at Cheltenham. On the other side, I started helping out coaching from when I was 15, and have been involved with clubs and schools ever since. This is where I first met the M1s' captain Jamie at Clifton College, and he was the one that contacted me about the role which I am thoroughly enjoying.

I've seen your sessions and been to some of the games but for the fans watching your team for the first time tonight - how would you describe your hockey philosophy and ideal team?

Our philosophy is fluid attacking hockey, and I want to allow the players to be creative going forward! We work hard as a unit, and never stop pushing. Hopefully if things go to plan you will see it clearly tonight!



What about the season so far - how would you evaluate the results and performances?

We started off strong and put together a good 3 wins in some very competitive matches. We haven't been our outright best yet and we have started slow and been behind early in games but recently this is changing which is a positive step. I believe we have another few levels to go up still! It fair to say that we have been hit by our fair share of injury and illness and I believe tonight is the first game we have a full squad available to pick from. As I said before, the club is pushing towards new heights, as well as having a lot of new faces including myself, so there is always going to be a few teething issues now and then as we find the right direction. A couple of good performances between now and the Christmas break and we'll be right up there fighting for the top spots at the end of the season.

Any standout players for you? Who should we have our eyes on?

There are a few young, raw, talented players to keep your eyes on, such as Scott Davidson in the back line...

On a serious note, as a team I would like to say we have no star player but a lot of quality across each line. Max Liebenschutz-Jones, Ollie King, Bill Springett can all turn people inside out with their quick hands!

Go on then - give us a prediction! How do you think tonight is going to go?

We are looking to bounce back from a disappointing draw and show the rest of the teams in the league that we are here to contend for the top spot.

Cheltenham will set up well defensively and always have a threat on the counter which we will need to be careful of. I don't want to predict an exact score line but can see more than a few goals happening tonight if things go well for us! And of course, a bumper crowd to help push us over the line.

Thanks for your time and good luck in the game. I think it'll be an exciting one!

No problem - thanks for the support!



Last Time Out:

Clifton Robinsons M1 3 - 3 Plymouth Marjons

The Clifton Robbies boys made the long trip to Plymouth nursing an ever increasing injury list. Despite the missing fun bus, and yet more team members falling under the spell of the rarely spotted triple sausage and egg McMuffin meal, the boys took an early lead through Jersey's finest export Nick Robilliard. It was just the second time in 7 games that Robbies had opened the scoring and perhaps this was the reason that some slack marking allowed Marjons an instant response with a back post tip in.

'Friendly' marking appeared to be the order of the day as Robilliard doubled his tally for the day after a barnstorming run from Ken 'James Milner' Gainsford from left back. Rumour has it Ken might have smiled after this one but those reports are unconfirmed at the time of writing. No one in blue was smiling at half time however, as Plymouth scored two quick fire goals to lead 3-2. One was a penalty corner, I think, not really sure, think I've willingly deleted the last ten minutes of the half from my memory.

After an 'animated' half time talk from coach Fraser, where he picked up from last week and displayed his extended adult vocabulary, Robbies came out for the second half a different team. D penetrations came thick and fast with the majority of play deep inside the Marjons half. However, it took until the final quarter for Robbies' pressure to pay off. After an intense period of play in the Marjon D, Skelly, returning to his home club, found space to square for Jake Rowe to equalise for his first national league goal and secure the coveted 'big stick moment'.

Both sides had goals disallowed in a frantic final few minutes before the final whistle signalled the end to a game which both sides will feel they could have won. In an entertaining end to the boys time in Plymouth, Nick 'rubbish chat' Robilliard beat Bill 'big coat' Springett in the first ever CRHC Heaven Crunch challenge to save himself from DoD, after votes were drawn.

Previously in Bristol:

Clifton Robinsons M1 1 - 2 Bristol University

It was a big game for the boys this week with Robinsons looking to keep their unbeaten start to a brilliant season against Bristol Uni in a top of the table clash. Reaching game day and tensions were high, settled only by Nicko's tunes in the changing rooms and a big pre-match chat from Conor. The lads headed out onto the pitch to hear some questionable tunes from the Bristol Uni lads, who looked like a young yet competitive side.

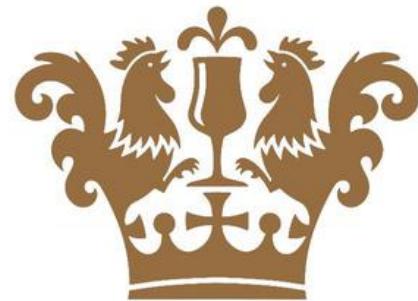
The game started, both teams firing on all cylinders, with a lovely run from Ollie King in the first few seconds to see him just flash one wide – this set the tone for the game as the spectators settled into their seats to watch what would be a spectacle of a game. A team goal, deflected in by Uni's centre mid saw them go 1-0 up. The fans then watched with baited breath as the rest of the half battled out, with the score staying 1-0 at Half Time.

An enthusiastic yet frustrated Clifton Robinsons coach finally came of age as he said his first swear word, sending us back on to the pitch with fire in our hearts. A brilliant team goal finished off by Mr William Springett (first national league goal) saw the game all tied 2 minutes to the second half. Some 50/50 decisions from umpires left the spectators with questions and coming to the last 5 minutes the game was right on a knife's edge. A short corner that was somehow bundled into the goal by Bristol Uni gave them a 2-1 lead, nearing the dying minutes of the game. Robinsons poured on the pressure, but sadly couldn't find a goal to even up the game ending in a 2-1 loss.

Let this not takeaway from what was a marvelous display of hockey from our boys who came off the pitch disappointed but eager to come away with 3 points next week away at Marjons. Congratulations especially to Reef French for his first National League MOM at 18 for a tenacious performance. A huge thank to all our supporters, our 12th man on the day, and a class day of hockey polished off by a tasty lasagne and chips at Redland Green Tennis Club (still the best teas going).



Clifton Robinsons Men's 1st team are very pleased to have the support of Cockburn's Port. Cockburn's do things their way and that is something we are also very proud of at Clifton Robinsons.



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A bottle of Cockburn's Port will be presented to the opposition player of the match at each home game, as decided by the Clifton Robinsons Men's 1st team management group. In our last home fixture, Will Penrose from Bristol University HC was the lucky recipient. Coach Ben Dudley is shown below receiving a bottle of Cockburn's from M1s' captain Jamie Mortimore on his behalf.





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Colours	Clifton Robinsons M1s
	Royal Blue/Navy - Navy - Navy
5	Ollie KING
6	Conor PINNELL
9	Mike MACDOWELL
10	Nick ROBILLIARD
11	Jakob SZPOJNAROWICZ
12	Jamie MORTIMORE (C)
13	Andy HUGHES (GK)
14	Bill SPRINGETT
15	Rory THORBURN
17	Micah SMITHARD
19	Scott DAVIDSON
131	Jake ROWE
133	Toby ROWLINGS
134	Ken GAINSFORD
141	Max LIEBENSCHUTZ-JONES
174	Toby SAMPSON

Coach	Fraser HENDERSON
Manager	Rod NAUGHALTY

Cheltenham M1s
Colours White - Black - White

3 Chris LAIRD
4 Josh MILL
5 Rich BAKER
6 Dan MARSHALL
7 Rob DENT
9 Bertie WYATT (C)
10 Luke COLE
11 Ed STEVENS
12 Fred NOTMAN
13 Morgan POWELL-JONES
15 Rick BURR
16 Jonno COBBOLD
17 Alex HOWELL
24 Artur NASH
29 Sam CATHIE (GK)
40 Rich HARTLEY

Coach Tom COLE

Today's Umpires: Luke Rees

Jon McCall

Match Official: Jenny Hollman



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Last Weekend: **Clifton Robinsons L1 1 - 0** **University of Birmingham**

Saturday's match at Coombe Dingle was a game where both teams were looking to take away the three points with the hope climbing up the table.

The whistle blew and Clifton Robinsons started the game on the front foot, with good build-up play to enter their attacking D, creating chances and winning some immediate penalty corners. Despite the pressure, Birmingham coped well, defending resolutely to keep the game goalless. Going into the second quarter, they had some lovely attacking plays leading to some chances for them as well. Despite this exciting hockey, neither team could score.

Half time and three-quarter time came and went with the score still being 0-0, Birmingham putting a lot of pressure on the home side's defence. In the final quarter, Clifton found a string of momentum and several beautiful attacking plays which resulted a penalty corner. Keeping their composure, the ball was slipped left to Holly Munro who fired the ball towards goal. This shot was saved by the keeper and Carmen Ansley found herself positioned perfectly to fire the rebounded ball into the back of the net giving Clifton the 1-0 lead with nine minutes to go.

Clifton managed to hold onto this 1-0 lead until the final whistle and they came away happy with the win and 3 points.



Last Weekend:

Clifton Robinsons L2 1 - 2 Team Bath Buccaneers

The Ladies' 2s are still searching for their first win following a tightly contested match vs Bath Buccs on Saturday 6th November. A strike from Bath in the first 4 minutes went wide, as our defence responded robustly to continued pressure. Counterattack came hard and fast from Clifton, giving us a penalty corner in the 11th minute, but the Buccs defence denied us a conversion.

An evenly matched second quarter saw both teams keep the ball in midfield, defence on both sides refusing to let anyone break through. Then, shortly before halfway through Q3, Buccs took their chance – going 0-1 up at about 7 minutes in. They retained their pressure at the start of Q4 with another goal. But at 0-2 down, Clifton didn't give up and only a few minutes later a phenomenal cross from Zoe Leach, clinically put away by Carla Dunnett, put Clifton back in the running. The score was 1-2 with still 12 minutes to play.

Despite pressure from both sides, there were to be no more goals and the match concluded at 1-2 to the visitors. The 2s meet bottom of the table Bristol University this weekend, with both sides looking for their first win of the season.



Next Weekend: 500 Not Out!



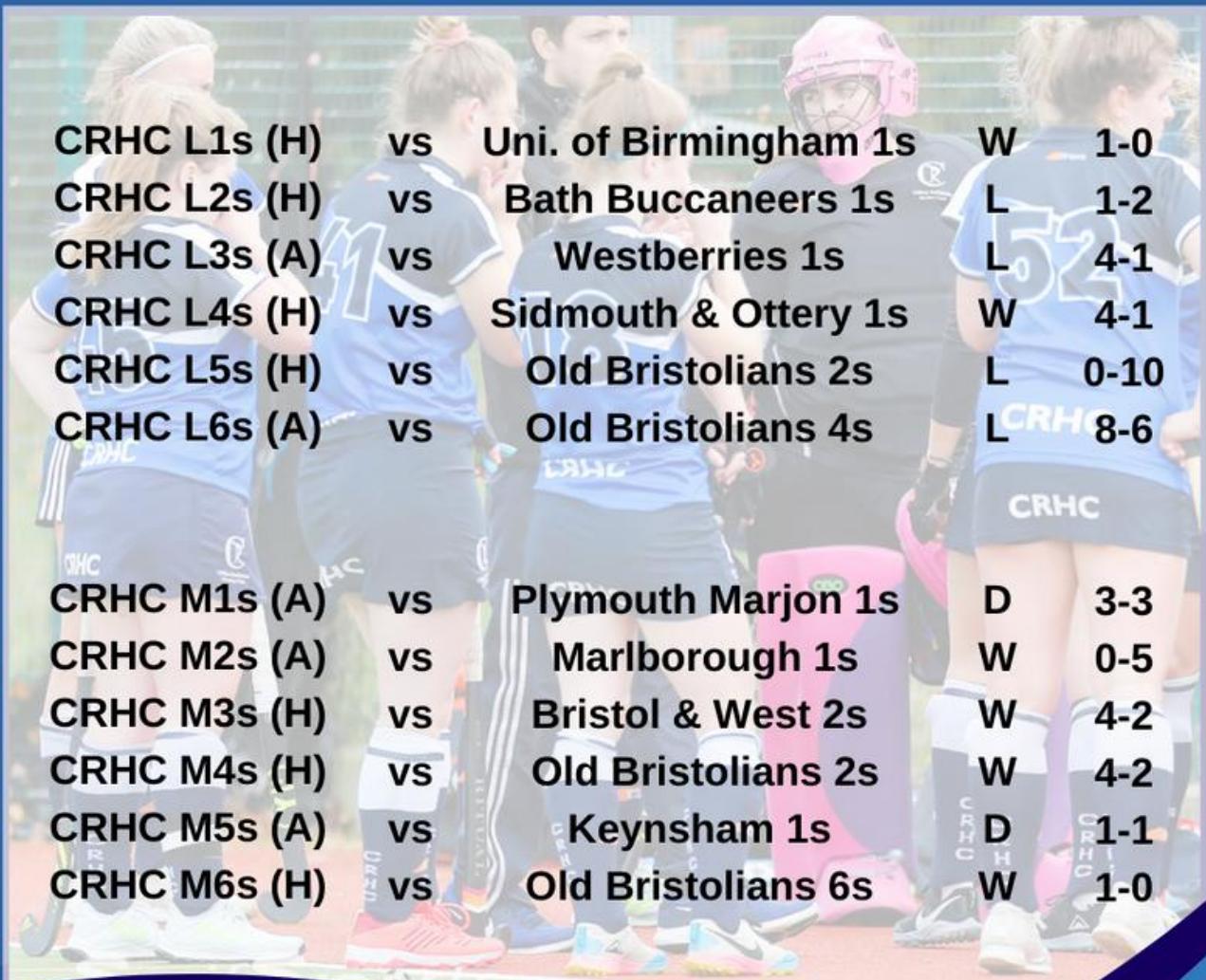
This weekend, the L1s play away at Beeston in what is the Club's 500th game in the Premier Division. Joining in the inaugural season in 89/90, they have been ever present, bar one season in 06/07. They are the first team in the country to achieve this extraordinary feat!

Come down next week to help celebrate the big 500 - 2pm at Coombe Dingle vs Wimbledon.

There is a fancy dress social after for those keen to take the celebrations into the night! See you there!

Club Results

SENIOR'S WEEKEND RESULTS



CRHC L1s (H)	vs	Uni. of Birmingham 1s	W	1-0
CRHC L2s (H)	vs	Bath Buccaneers 1s	L	1-2
CRHC L3s (A)	vs	Westberries 1s	L	4-1
CRHC L4s (H)	vs	Sidmouth & Ottery 1s	W	4-1
CRHC L5s (H)	vs	Old Bristolians 2s	L	0-10
CRHC L6s (A)	vs	Old Bristolians 4s	L	8-6
CRHC M1s (A)	vs	Plymouth Marjon 1s	D	3-3
CRHC M2s (A)	vs	Marlborough 1s	W	0-5
CRHC M3s (H)	vs	Bristol & West 2s	W	4-2
CRHC M4s (H)	vs	Old Bristolians 2s	W	4-2
CRHC M5s (A)	vs	Keynsham 1s	D	1-1
CRHC M6s (H)	vs	Old Bristolians 6s	W	1-0



Club Fixtures



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THIS WEEKEND'S SENIOR FIXTURES:

Friday:

M1s - (H) 8pm vs Cheltenham 1s

Saturday:

M2s - (H) 2pm vs Gloucester City 1s

M3s - (A) 2:30pm vs Yate 1s

M4s - (A) 1pm vs North Somerset 2s

M5s - (H) 2:30pm vs Bristol Firebrands 5s

M6s - (A) 5pm vs W. & U. B. Wanderers 1s

L1s - (A) 2pm vs Beeston 1s

L2s - (A) 1:15pm vs University of Bristol 1s

L3s - (H) 2:30pm vs Yate 1s

L4s - (A) 12pm vs Taw Valley 1s

L5s - (A) 10am vs Winscombe 2s

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CRHC 1st XI Home games

coming up:

- **Sat 20th Nov. 21 - L1s vs Wimbledon**
2pm @ Coombe Dingle (Lower Pitch)
 - **Sun 13th Feb. 22 - M1s vs Cardiff University**
2pm @ Clifton College Sports Complex
 - **Sun 6th Mar. 22 - M1s vs Fareham**
2pm @ Clifton College Sports Complex
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Who are we?

The premier hockey club in the South West with over 650 members across the Mens, Ladies and Juniors Sections. Playing in the Investec Premier National Division our Ladies' 1s play at the highest level in UK hockey, with our Mens' 1s and Ladies' 2s playing in the West and South Wests Premier Divisions. We are a volunteer run club who every year strive to maintain a high quality and affordable club for our members, which is why club sponsorship is so important to us.



Why Sponsor Us?

With an excess of 650 members plus supporters, a strong parent network, family and friends, CRHC could offer you exposure to a wide range of future clientele, particularly in the local area. In addition, our 1st and 2nd teams, who travel further afield, could help advertise your organisation to a wider market. Our 1st team travel as far as Manchester and London, with International pre-season fixtures (having travelled to Belgium, Dublin and Holland). There is the possibility of further European exposure should our Ladies' 1s reach our target of a top-4 finish, and European qualification via the play-offs. European matches are also broadcast live on TV, creating further advertising opportunities. Last season we reached the Investec Cup Final, for the 5th time in succession, winning gold. This year, there is a new rule that every Premier game must be filmed, which we hope will lead to more above the line coverage e.g on BBC/Sky TV. CRHC boasts a number of International players, who could offer further scope for publicity for your company or organisation and we'd be happy to discuss any ways we could help promote your company or organisation in the community.

Sponsorship Options

- Match ball sponsor - £30
- Individual player sponsor + logo in match program - £100
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- Club Sponsor - Logo on website and promotion in monthly newsletter - £150
- Pitchside Banner - from £500

We would also welcome any discussions regarding custom or bespoke sponsorship opportunities



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