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Clifton Robinsons M1 - Plymouth Marjons

20th March 2022 - 2pm



Welcome back!

Welcome to our penultimate Men's 1s home fixture of the year!

Last weekend marked a fantastic occasion - a second Friday Night Lights fixture of the season against local rivals Bristol University. While the result a 1-0 loss, was unideal, the performance against the side at the top of the table was a positive sign. Today however, the team face a different test. Plymouth Marjons, today's visitors, sit 2nd bottom in the league and a win will see them leapfrog Clifton Robinsons. A win for the boys in blue, on the other hand, will leave them needing just two points to be sure of a place in next season's Conference West. It doesn't get much more tense than this!

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 league visitors this weekend – Plymouth Marjons playing our Men's 1s (Sunday, 2pm at Clifton College). We also welcome our match officials and all members and supporters of Clifton Robinsons HC ("The Blue Army").

Our Men's 1s went under the lights on Friday night at Coombe Dingle against high flyers the University of Bristol in what, as promised in last week's notes, was a feisty local derby. UoB showed what it takes to be top of Conference West and ground out a result, in front of a raucous crowd. I'll be hoping we get the luck we were missing last week and put a few goals past Marjons today! It also saw a first for our growing media empire - a live stream with commentary by Mike MacDowell and Alex Kirkpatrick, which was broadcasted to over 700 viewers. I also took part in some 'Media duties' this week, with an interview on BBC Bristol's Sports Store programme on Wednesday evening: just two more examples on how our club is ever growing!

Elsewhere this weekend, our Women's sides are on the road, with tricky fixtures against high flying and GB packed Surbiton and Bath Buccaneers respectively. The 2s in particular have really picked up recently, and I hope their goal-scoring form will see them climb up the table in their fight for survival!

I'd like to pay tribute to our W1 and M1 managers this week. Both Al Kilfoil and Rod Naughalty are unsung heroes of the club who do a huge amount of work wider than their management remit to ensure the club functions. Al is a past club President and current Vice President and remains very active on the Women's Committee and general running of that section of the club. I think it's fair to say that he, along with several others, have been the backbone of the women's section for years and years. He's also seen regularly coaching on the pitch. Please continue with the good work Al!

Rod, well what can I say. As a 14 or 15 year old I used to travel up to Coombe Dingle from WSM to watch Brean HC play in the old national league – late 1980s/early 1990s. There wasn't an astro in WSM back then so you had to travel for home games! Former Robbies legend Paul Wonnacott was also in the Brean side. The Brean programme profiled their players – "Rod Naughalty; Lives for: Hockey". 32 years later and certainly nothing has changed. Rod's life revolves around hockey – playing, managing, umpiring, watching his kids Joe and Alex (who are both great players), managing the CRHC kit, sitting on the club Executive Committee, all the men's admin, you name it!! Keep it going Roddy!

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

This weekend's Men's Conference

West fixtures:

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



This weekend's Women's Conference West fixtures:

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



This weekend's Women's Premier Division Top 6 fixtures:

East Grinstead v Beeston
Hampstead & Westminster v Wimbledon
Surbiton v Clifton Robinsons

Men's Conference West

Name	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Against	Difference	Points	Form				
University of Bristol	15	10	2	3	35	18	17	32	D	W	W	W	W
Isca 1	15	9	1	5	53	29	24	28	W	W	L	W	W
Fareham	15	8	3	4	38	34	4	27	D	L	W	L	W
Ashmoor	15	8	2	5	37	30	7	26	L	D	W	W	L
Chichester	15	7	4	4	33	32	1	25	D	W	D	D	W
Clifton Robinsons M1	15	4	5	6	30	34	-4	17	L	L	L	W	L
University Of Exeter 2	15	3	6	6	30	34	-4	15	D	W	W	L	W
Cardiff University	15	4	3	8	34	46	-12	15	W	L	L	D	L
Plymouth Marjon	15	4	3	8	29	46	-17	15	W	D	L	L	L
Cheltenham	15	2	3	10	20	36	-16	9	L	L	D	L	L

Women's Conference West

Name	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Against	Difference	Points	Form				
Witney 1	15	8	6	1	43	28	15	30	W	D	W	W	D
Team Bath Buccaneers 1	15	8	5	2	32	22	10	29	D	D	W	W	W
Bristol Firebrands 1	15	7	5	3	34	29	5	26	L	D	L	W	W
Exe 1	15	7	4	4	36	32	4	25	W	D	W	L	L
Oxford Hawks 1	15	7	3	5	33	23	10	24	W	L	W	L	L
Cheltenham 1	15	6	4	5	29	25	4	22	D	W	L	D	W
Penarth 1	15	6	3	6	29	26	3	21	L	W	W	W	L
Basingstoke 1	15	3	7	5	25	31	-6	16	D	D	L	L	D
Clifton Robinsons W2	15	3	3	9	22	29	-7	12	L	L	W	L	W
University of Bristol 1	15	0	0	15	14	52	-38	0	L	L	L	L	L

Women's Premier Division Top 6

Name	Played	Won	Draw	Lost	For	Against	Difference	Points	Form				
Surbiton W1	16	12	4	0	48	17	31	40	D	W	W	W	W
East Grinstead W1	16	12	0	4	46	23	23	36	L	W	L	W	W
Hampstead & Westminster W1	16	11	1	4	41	27	14	34	D	L	W	L	W
Wimbledon W1	16	10	2	4	43	15	28	32	W	L	W	W	L
Beeston W1	16	5	2	9	24	38	-14	17	D	W	L	L	L
Clifton Robinsons W1	16	3	4	9	23	44	-21	13	D	L	L	L	L



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3 games to go, and everything is in the balance at the bottom half on the West Conference. With 3 teams on 15 points and Robbies just 2 ahead on 17, the battle against the drop could not be closer, with both teams in action today feeling the pressure. Plymouth made it 4 without a win last week, while the boys in blue have only won once in the last 5 - albeit against a high flying Fareham side.

They need to make home advantage count today, and drag themselves away from what is looking like an almighty scrap!



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Our Last Meeting:

Plymouth Marjons 3 - 3 Clifton Robbinsons M1

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.



Last Time Out:

Bristol Uni 1 - 0 Clifton Robbinsons M1

Friday night saw the second Friday Night Lights game of the season, this time away to Bristol University. A raucous crowd of around 200 fans was evenly split between jaded Robbies fans after a tough week of work, and a lively bunch of students fresh out of doing nothing but eating pot noodles and watching 8 out of 10 Cats does Countdown all week. This animosity extended from the terraces to the pitch, where the contrast in styles forced a gritty midfield battle with chances at a premium.

With Bristol University playing fast front-to-back counter attacking hockey, Robbies dominated possession, albeit in the defensive and midfield lines. When it came into pockets, tackles flew in. Captain on the night Conor Pinnell was particularly on the front line, taking a cut to the head which required him to sport a thick bandage for the majority of the game. While images of his hero Terry Butcher no doubt filled his mind, he appeared more of a budget Mr Bump to the spectators, particularly after Rory Thorburn nailed one Bristol Uni player in the face, who made sure to show Mr Pinnell what real blood was (no but seriously, best wishes to both players, head knocks are a big issue) (Insert Frank Lampard meme here). Nevertheless, he got his revenge later in the game, when he took advantage of a flailing leg and tumbled, earning his opposite number a yellow card.

As the game wore on, Robbies took their opportunity to press forward and gain territory, at one point camping around the opposition D. It was this more gung-ho attitude which eventually led to their downfall. As the ball was conceded in the final third, University players streamed forward at pace. The tactical nous of a backline featuring youngsters Sekula and Davidson saw the breakaway ushered unthreateningly out wide, but inexplicably a lone midfielder found himself unmarked at the top of the D. The ball was fed to him and he had enough time for tea and biscuits before placing a backhand into the goal amid celebrations from the youngsters who had just looked up from their 'Snapgram' and 'TokTik' in time to see some real life action.

This wasn't to be the end of Robbies night, however, as they pressed forward in search of an equaliser. Sliding efforts from Veteran Tom Jarvie and strong carries from Toby Rowlings seemed to be in vain, until with a minute to go, Robbinsons were awarded a penalty corner. Feeling no pressure, Ollie King stepped up. His effort snuck under the keeper and bounced in for a certain goal... but the postman was on hand to block it! A scramble followed, and the rebound was put wide of the gaping net. Gasps all round were met with the umpire blowing for full time, a narrow loss for the visitors.

Overall, a tough fixture, yet one the boys will feel unfortunate to not have taken at least a point from. It won't be first on Match of the Day, but it is a results business - AC Milan won the 93/94 Serie A title despite scoring less than a goal a game after all! 3 games to go, with 2 massive home fixtures; the Robbies boys will be hoping the club get behind them for these make-or-break ties!



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Clifton Robinsons M1s

Colours Royal Blue/Navy - Navy - Navy

5	Ollie KING
6	Conor PINNELL
10	Nick ROBILIARD
12	Jamie MORTIMORE (C)
13	Andy HUGHES (GK)
15	Rory THORBURN
16	Tom JARVIE
17	Micah SMITHARD
19	Scott DAVIDSON
31	Pete SEKULA
40	Rich ELSTON
133	Toby ROWLINGS
134	Ken GAINSFORD
141	Max LIEBENSCHUTZ-JONES
174	Toby SAMPSON
204	Sam SKELTON

Coach Fraser HENDERSON

Manager Rod NAUGHALTY



Plymouth Marjons M1s

Colours Red - Black - Red

1	Evan COX
3	Ross LAUNCE
4	Harry WOOLWAY
5	Oliver RUNDLE
7	Matt SMITH
11	Ben HEDLEY
13	Tom CANDY
15	Matthew BUTT
16	Jack FIRTH
17	Jon TEW
20	Rory COLES
21	Matt PUTTOCK
22	Ashley HOUGH
26	Joe TAYLOR
34	Freddie BUSH

**Todays Umpires: Michael McCARTNEY
Jon McCALL**

Match Official: Alex KIRKPATRICK

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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Last Weekend:

Clifton Robinsons W1 1 - 5 Hampstead & Westminster

On Saturday the Clifton Robinsons Ladies 1s were looking to bounce back from their previous game and secure a win vs Hampstead and Westminster.

The whistle blew and the game got off to a quick start, with Clifton gaining possession quickly and creating opportunities in the D. It was Hampstead however who scored first, converting from the back post putting them ahead.

Hampstead scored another shortly after, however Clifton were not giving up and a reverse delivery from Phoebe Richards was put in at the back post. Unfortunately this goal was disallowed so the score remained 2-0 to Hampstead.

Hampstead scored two more goals putting them 4 goals ahead. After the fourth goal Clifton reacted with a swift movement of passes and a ball into the goal from Maria Jones that was finished by Livvy Hoskins.

Hampstead however managed to score again and the final score was 5-1.



Club Results



L1s	vs Hampstead & Westminster HC	L	1-5
L2s	vs Oxford Hawks HC	W	3-0
L3s	vs Firebrands HC	W	2-1
L4s	vs Somerset Gryphons HC	D	2-2
L5s	vs Burnham-On-Sea HC	L	4-0
L6s	vs Somerset Gryphons HC	D	1-1
M1s	vs University of Bristol HC	L	1-0
M2s	vs <i>No fixture</i>		
M3s	vs Cardiff University HC	W	3-1
M4s	vs <i>No fixture</i>		
M5s	vs Firebrands HC	W	6-0
M6s	vs North Somerset	W	0-9

M6s promoted as champions



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Club Fixtures



THIS WEEKEND'S SENIOR FIXTURES:

HOME:

- M3 vs Gwent HC @ 14:00
- W4 vs Minehead HC @ 15:00
- M4 vs Bath Buccaneers HC @ 15:30
- W5 vs W.S.M. HC @ 16:30
- M6 vs Bristol & West HC 13:30
- M1 vs Plymouth Marjon HC @ 14:00 (Sun)

AWAY:

- W2 vs Bath Buccaneers HC @ 12:00
- W1 vs Surbiton HC @ 13:30
- M2 vs Bristol & West HC @ 12:00
- W3 vs Chippenham HC @ 11:30
- M5 vs Old Bristolians HC @ 09:30



CRHC 1st XI Home games coming up:

- **Sat 26th Mar. 22 - L1s vs East Grinstead**
2pm @ Coombe Dingle Sports Centre
- **Sun 3rd Apr. 22 - M1s vs Isca**
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.



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