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# 2022/23 OFFICIAL PROGRAMME



**Clifton Robinsons**

**VS**

**Beeston W1**

**Chichester M1**

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# Clifton Robinsons W1 - Beeston

15th October 2022 - 12pm



# Clifton Robinsons M1 - Chichester

16th October 2022 - 2pm



## Welcome back!

Welcome to a double header home 1s weekend for the first time this season!

Both Men's and Women's sides have started this season brightly, knocking up 2 wins from 3 fixtures to see them sitting at the right end of the table. The W1 nearly made it 3 from 3 last weekend, before conceding twice late on. They'll be looking to put that to bed against Nottingham outfit Beeston, a familiar sight at Coombe Dingle.

The M1 on the other hand remain unbeaten, with perhaps their standout result since returning to the National League last weekend seeing them defeat Fareham on the road. They welcome West Sussex based Chichester to Clifton College on Sunday.

More information on the 2022-2023 league structure can be accessed [here](#).

Enjoy the games!



# Men's Chair's Welcome

Welcome to Clifton Robinsons Hockey Club.

A very warm welcome to our visitors this weekend - Beeston making the journey down from Nottingham to play our Women's 1s on Saturday (12:00 start at Coombe Dingle) and Chichester who travel up from the South coast to play our Men's 1s on Sunday (14:00 start at Clifton College). We also welcome our match officials and all members and supporters of Clifton Robinsons HC ("The Blue Army").

Given the early stages of the season I want to formally welcome all of our new members both at the performance end of the club and those who are now turning out for our the 13 senior teams we put out each week on a Saturday. Welcome to the Blue Army!

The women have made a solid start and I know that Ju & Micah will be aiming for the team to bounce back to winning ways this week against Beeston. It promises to be a competitive match.

The men have made a promising start under the new coaching partnership of Hacks and Fraser and currently sit top of the table alongside Havant after the opening two matches. Rumour has it that Cressers has flown in from Italy simply to watch the 1s play so let's hope for a good performance and another 3 points!

It was my first season at the helm of the club last year, admirably supported by Izzy Palmer and the Executive Committee members. We had a very successful season on the pitch and off it as we achieved numerous promotions, England Hockey Club Mark status, and became an accredited England Hockey Talent Centre. I must highlight the work of Phil Bailey and Mike Leatt in particular who helped keep us on track to achieve the off pitch accolades. We have also seen a number of the younger generation step forward over the summer to become more involved in club operations. It's great to see and it will hopefully allow Izzy and I to refocus on all things hockey - on the pitch and in the bar! We are really looking forward to another successful season in the Clifton Robinsons world.

We hope you enjoy the hockey and our hospitality.





Best wishes,

Duncan Long ("Longer")

# Women's Premier Division Results

Home Team	Score	Away Team
 <b>BEESTON</b>	<b>V</b> <b>3 - 1</b>	<b>READING</b> 
 <b>HOLCOMBE</b>	<b>V</b> <b>3 - 1</b>	<b>BUCKINGHAM</b> 
 <b>LOUGHBOROUGH STUDENTS</b>	<b>V</b> <b>0 - 4</b>	<b>EAST GRINSTEAD</b> 
 <b>HAMPSTEAD &amp; WESTMINSTER</b>	<b>V</b> <b>1 - 3</b>	<b>WIMBLEDON</b> 
 <b>UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM</b>	<b>V</b> <b>2 - 1</b>	<b>CLIFTON ROBINSONS</b> 
 <b>SURBITON</b>	<b>V</b> <b>4 - 0</b>	<b>UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM</b> 

# Men's Conference West Results

Home Team	Score	Away Team
 <b>CARDIFF UNIVERSITY</b>	<b>V</b> <b>1 - 4</b>	<b>UNIVERSITY OF EXETER 2</b> 
 <b>CHICHESTER</b>	<b>V</b> <b>1 - 1</b>	<b>ASHMOOR</b> 
 <b>FAREHAM</b>	<b>V</b> <b>1 - 2</b>	<b>CLIFTON ROBINSONS</b> 
 <b>ISCA</b>	<b>V</b> <b>1 - 4</b>	<b>CARDIFF &amp; MET 2</b> 
 <b>PLYMOUTH MARJON</b>	<b>V</b> <b>2 - 2</b>	<b>HAVANT</b> 

# Women's Premier Division Table

	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1	Surbiton W1	3	3	0	0	12	0	12	9
2	Beeston W1	3	2	1	0	7	4	3	7
3	Wimbledon W1	3	2	1	0	6	3	3	7
4	University of Birmingham W1	3	2	0	1	7	5	2	6
5	East Grinstead W1	3	2	0	1	6	4	2	6
6	Clifton Robinsons 1	3	2	0	1	5	3	2	6
7	Hampstead & Westminster W1	3	1	1	1	9	6	3	4
8	Holcombe W1	3	1	1	1	6	6	0	4
9	University of Nottingham 1	3	0	1	2	4	10	-6	1
10	Loughborough Students W1	3	0	1	2	2	11	-9	1
11	Reading 1	3	0	0	3	2	6	-4	0
12	Buckingham W1	3	0	0	3	2	10	-8	0

# Men's Conference West Table

	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1	Havant	3	2	1	0	13	5	8	7
2	Clifton Robinsons 1	3	2	1	0	6	3	3	7
3	University Of Exeter 2	3	2	0	1	9	6	3	6
4	Plymouth Marjon	3	1	2	0	10	7	3	5
5	Isca 1	3	1	1	1	6	7	-1	4
6	Chichester	3	1	1	1	5	6	-1	4
7	Ashmoor	3	0	3	0	5	5	0	3
8	Cardiff & Met 2	3	1	0	2	5	7	-2	3
9	Fareham	3	0	1	2	8	10	-2	1
10	Cardiff University	3	0	0	3	3	14	-11	0



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## Clifton Robinsons W1 - Beeston

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Second-placed Beeston, having one of their best starts to a Premier Division campaign, travel to Bristol to play Clifton Robinsons, having won on their previous two visits to Coombe Dingle. The Blues will be confident however, having had a positive start themselves. They'll be looking to overturn April's Cup semi-final defeat with an attack which is looking sharper than in the last campaign.

Elsewhere in the league, early league leaders Surbiton, the only team yet to concede across the whole of the Vitality Women's Hockey League, travel to Buckingham. The home side will be falling back on past home form against Surbiton to produce an upset in their first visit to Stowe School since February 2020, when they won 5-1; Surbiton lost on their two prior visits to Buckinghamshire.

Having won against Clifton Robinsons last week, the University of Birmingham return home to host Wimbledon for the first time in the top flight and for the first time since February 2006, when both teams were in Division One.

After losing to Wimbledon last week, Hampstead & Westminster travel to West Sussex to face East Grinstead, having faced defeat on their previous meeting at Saint Hill.

The University of Nottingham entertain Loughborough Students in a varsity battle at the Nottingham Hockey Centre in the first meeting at the Premier Division level for the two sides seeking their first win.

Reading welcome Holcombe to Sonning Lane as the clubs meet for the first time since March 2017 in Kent, where Holcombe won 4-0. Holcombe have won five out of six meetings, only dropping points at home in a goalless draw in March 2015.

# Last Time Out:

## Birmingham Uni 2 - 1 Clifton Robinsons W1

Clifton Robinsons were on the road for the second week in a row up against a skilful and fit University of Birmingham team. The visitors were travelling without a number of key players due to injuries picked up in the week but were still confident due to the quality and depth of the squad this season.

Clifton started tentatively, feeling their way into the game with little to show for the first quarter. The second quarter was a different story; Clifton came out in a different gear with a flurry of quality attacks, neatly switching the ball from one side of the pitch to another. This allowed the likes of Eloise Laity and Jess Lea to show their speed and drive down the outside to win a number of penalty corners in quick succession. The decisive moment came for Clifton in the 24th minute with a silky carry on the baseline by SJ Thornburn, who got the better of the home side's defence to pull the ball back for Phoebe Richards who darted in front of her defender to thunder the ball into the top of the net.

Clifton took the lead going into half time but University of Birmingham's continued pressure in the second half forced Clifton to make some last ditch tackles from the defensive back three and fine saves from Goal keeper Aline De Visser. Clifton conceded a number of circle entries and penalty corners and with 12 minutes to go the equaliser came for the home side from a hit at the top of the circle. Clifton responded with some fine attacks but failed to capitalise, leaving University of Birmingham to catch them on the counter and upgrade to a penalty corner. A familiar hit took a big deflection into the top of Clifton's goal and sealed victory for the home side.



# Previously:

## Reading W1 1 - 2 Clifton Robinsons W1

After a great win in the opening weekend for Clifton Robinsons, they were looking to back up that result with a win on the road away to newly promoted Reading.

Clifton Robinsons started on the front foot with two penalty corners in the first quarter but were unfortunately unable to capitalise with a solid Reading corner defence showing no way through. Clifton Robinsons continued to dominate with a smart move from Livvy Hoskins stealing the ball from the Reading defence to provide a clear shooting opportunity at the top of the circle for Phoebe Richards which was tucked away nicely; unfortunately the goal was disallowed.

Reading responded with four penalty corners in quick succession which needed Captain Aline De Visser to pull out a number of smart saves. With both sides failing to find the back of the net in the first half Clifton Robinsons needed to step up a gear, which they did seeing two goals coming within 6 minutes of the second half.

A finely worked penalty corner routine saw Eloise Laity score her 2nd of the season in the 37th minute. The second goal came from a tidy counter down the left hand side for Catherine Macaulay to show her poacher's instinct to poke the ball towards goal 1 yard out in the 41st minute. A lapse in concentration for the Bristol side in the final few minutes of the game saw Reading claim a goal back with a smart penalty corner routine, but the team hung on to secure a 2-1 victory.







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## Clifton Robinsons L1s

Royal Blue / Navy / Navy

1	Aline de Visser (GK) (C)
2	Holly Munro
3	Kat Gierak
7	Eloise Laity (VC)
8	Ashley Mainwaring
9	Phoebe Richards
10	Catherine Macaulay
11	Sara Davies
14	Izzy Webb
15	Amy Burton
16	Carmen Ansley
17	Abi Porter
18	Clemmie Houlden
19	Jessica Lea
21	Louisa Bell
23	Sarah-Jayne Thorburn
24	Livvy Hoskins
25	Emily Drysdale

Coach	Juliet Rayden
Assistant Coach	Micah Smithard
Manager	Alistair Kilfoil

**Today's Umpires:** Karen Fynn  
Rebecca Woodcock

**Match Official:** Nicky Atkinson

## Beeston W1s

Colours

White - Black - White



1	Steph Tirrell (GK)
3	Nic Moss
4	Julie Read
5	Ella Cusack
6	Cerys Miller
8	Jane Kilpatrick
9	Lauren Burrell (C)
10	Hannah Grieve
11	Charlotte Harmer
12	Charlotte Watson
13	Bea Bell
14	Maddie Pendle
17	Sophie Robinson
18	Lucy Millington
19	Alice Cobb (GK)
20	Jess Hood
21	Mads Newill
22	Nadia Benallal
23	Erin Anderson
24	Sylvia Rose
25	Sophie Edgington
26	Lauren Dunn
28	Rosy Stephens
30	Paige Gillott
35	Vi O'Neill
40	Harriet Dougan

Head Coach: James Sordillo

Team Manager: Zoe Hainsworth

Assistant Coach: Andy Partridge

Video Analyst: Gareth Ikin

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## Clifton Robinsons M1 - Chichester

16th October 2022 - 2pm

7 points from their opening 3 games, the M1 are flying high after a positive start. They'll be looking to continue against a Chichester side who have had a more stuttering start, with a win, a draw and a loss to their name already.

The visitors are no strangers to National League action, and have already experienced two gruelling away days this season. They'll be looking to use that experience today, while looking forward to their derbies against Fareham and Havant later in the season.

The Blue Army will no doubt however be relishing the visit of a team they picked up valuable points against last season. Will we see a repeat of last year's 'goal of the season', scored by a marauding Max Liebenschutz-Jones. The spectators will be hoping so.



# Last Time Out:

## Fareham 1 - 2 Clifton Robinsons M1

Clifton Robinsons were on the road for their 3rd fixture in the England Hockey National West league and faced Fareham HC who are yet to beat Robinsons at their home ground this decade.

Clifton were unbeaten and looking to continue their run of fine form to show their dominance of the league. The Blues started the game with intensity and grit showing promise as Nick Robiliard broke through the defence, his eyes lighting up for the potential to score his first goal of the season. It seemed to be a clear opportunity of a 1V1 with the Fareham keeper only to be held up by a backtracking defender.

The game was end to end and unfortunately for Robbies, Fareham finished the quarter 1 goal to the good with a neat breakaway goal.

Coach David Hacker Identified the lack of speed in the Fareham defence and devised a plan to capitalise on this. Clifton then dominated Q2 and Q3 with a smart baseline run from Bill Springett, wobbling through the Fareham defence and feeding newcomer and top goalscorer Isaac Hocking who scored from 1 yard out; a vital touch to level the game.

The game remained close until the 61st minute when last season's Player of the Season, Top Goalscorer and author of this report Micah Smithard showed his class with a delicate touch to deflect the ball over the Fareham keeper's pads. 2-1 Clifton Robinsons with 9 minutes to go. A defensive masterclass from Scott Davidson, Quin Turner and Sam Stevens helped Clifton seal the game and take 3 more points off the South Coast team. The Robbies are now joint top of the league and host Chichester in their next fixture at Clifton College.





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## Clifton Robinsons M1s

Colours Royal Blue/Navy - Navy - Navy

1	Andy HUGHES (GK)
3	Hugh MIDDLETON
5	Alfie SMITH
10	Nick ROBILLIARD
11	Isaac HOCKING
14	Bill SPRINGETT
17	Micah SMITHARD
19	Scott DAVIDSON (C)
28	Quin TURNER
36	Leo NORWOOD
80	Josh DELL
116	Will SHARDLOW
123	Sam STEVENS
133	Toby ROWLINGS
134	Ken GAINSFORD
204	Sam SKELTON

Coach David HACKER

Coach Fraser HENDERSON

Manager Rod NAUGHALTY



## Chichester M1s

Colours White - Navy - White

1	Bristow (GK)
2	Davies
4	Emmett
5	Bell
6	Thakore
7	Baxter O
9	Baxter A
10	Steel
11	Bloomfield
12	Budgen
15	Gibbons
16	Leleu
17	Scott
18	Brown
23	Frost

Coach Alex THAKORE

Manager Neil PENDLE

**Todays Umpires: Dougal PERFITT  
Steve CRONIN**

**Match Official: Ben REDWOOD**



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



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# World Record Attempt!

This Sunday, Men's Mixed Captain and club stalwart Ian Martin is attempting to break the world record for the **fastest half marathon - in hockey goalkeeper kit!**

This is all for a good cause, with half the donations going to Hockey for Heroes and half to the Bath Rugby Foundation.

To break the record, Ian has to finish in under 2h45 - good luck Ian!

To donate, please follow the Link to Ian's justgiving:  
<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/ianmartin-gwr>

Read his story below:

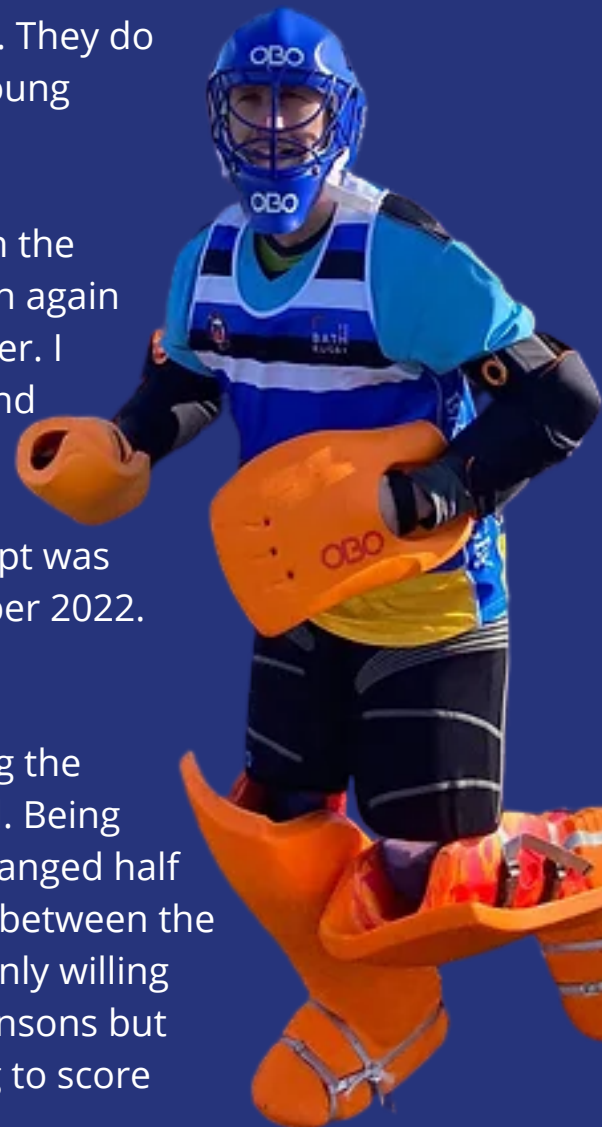
I first became involved with Bath Rugby Foundation, the charity side of Bath Rugby Club, through my work. I regularly sell raffle tickets in the hospitality suites, offering fans of the Blue, Black and White the chance to win a home shirt signed by one of the Bath squad.

The Foundation believes every child in Bath and North East Somerset deserves an equal opportunity, and therefore the chance to succeed. They do this by using the core values of rugby to help develop young people mentally and physically.

Having run the Bath Half in a giant rugby ball in 2018, on the 15 March 2020, I intended to run the Bath Half Marathon again in fancy dress, but this time as a Field Hockey Goalkeeper. I have also been in touch with Guinness World Records and have logged it as an attempt to run the "Fastest Half Marathon wearing Field Hockey Goalkeeping Kit".  
**Unfortunately** due to the Covid-19 outbreak this attempt was postponed and now will be taking place on the 16 October 2022.

## *WHY FIELD HOCKEY GOALKEEPING KIT?*

I took up field hockey many years ago whilst undertaking the physical section of the Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award. Being new to the team I was placed in defence. This quickly changed half way through my first season when I made the move to "between the sticks" when our keeper became injured and I was the only willing candidate. Today I'm still playing hockey for Clifton Robinsons but have moved out of goal and now play on the wing trying to score goals rather than keeping them out!



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# CLUB FIXTURES

## HOME

L1 VS Beeston 1 @ 12:00PM

M3 VS Bristol Uni 2 @ 2:00PM

L4 VS Corsham 1 @ 2:30PM

M2 VS Wotton Under Edge 1 @ 2:30PM

M5 VS Old Bristolians 3 @ 3:30PM

L2 VS Gwent 1 @ 4:30PM

M7 VS Wotton Under Edge 5 @ 5:00PM

M1 VS Chichester @ 2:00PM (Sunday)

## AWAY

M6 VS Old Bristolians 2 @ 9:30AM

L3 VS Bristol Firebrands 2 @ 12:30PM

L5 VS Mid Somerset 2 @ 1:30PM

M4 VS Gwent 1 @ 2:30PM

L6 VS Bristol & West 4 @ 3:00PM

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# CLUB RESULTS

# Grays

W1s	vs	Birmingham Uni	L	2-1
W2s	vs	ISCA & University of Exeter 3s	W	4-1
W3s	vs	Cheltenham 2s	W	1-7
W4s	vs	BAC 1	L	1-2
W5s	vs	Firebrands 5s	W	0-2
W6s	vs	Old Bristolians 5	W	4-0
M1s	vs	Fareham	W	1-2
M2s	vs	Truro 1	W	2-3
M3s	vs	Cheltenham 2s	W	0-3
M4s	vs	Cardiff Uni 2s	W	2-0
M5s	vs	Clifton Robbings 6s	D	2-2
M6s	vs	Clifton Robbings 5s	D	2-2
M7s	vs	Bristol & West 5	W	0-1



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# CRHC 1st XI Home games coming up:

- **Sat 22nd October - W1s vs East Grinstead**  
12pm @ Coombe Dingle Sports Ground
- **Sun 30th October - M1s vs Cardiff & Met**  
2pm @ Clifton College Sports Complex
- **Sat 12th November - W1s vs University of Nottingham** 12pm @ Coombe Dingle Sports Ground
- **Sun 13th November - M1s vs Havant**  
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?

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