

MHL Conference West

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2022/23 OFFICIAL PROGRAMME



Clifton Robinsons
vs

Cardiff University

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Clifton Robinsons M1 - Cardiff University

5th February 2023 - 12pm



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Welcome back!

It's been a long winter but the England Hockey season is back underway with the M1 hosting Cardiff University.

While the action in the West leagues has been back for a month, the Men's and Women's 1s have had to keep busy with indoor action and playing in the National Cup.

Today, they are back with a bang against a Cardiff University side who sit just one point below them in the table.

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

Enjoy the games!



Men's Chair's Welcome

Hello everyone and welcome along as we kick off the second half of the National League outdoor season at CRHC.

I hope you all had an enjoyable and restful Christmas period and suitably over-indulged. However, it is back to work for our Men's 1st team who welcome Cardiff University to Clifton College this weekend in what should prove to be a very entertaining game.

It didn't turn out to be the easiest first half of the season for the Men's 1s. After a number of strong results early on, the boys suffered with injuries and unavailability and struggled to pick up points - despite some positive performances and a number of tight games with those teams above them in the table. However, with some good miles in their leagues following January games with Oxford Uni, Bristol Uni and Teddington in their legs, and a couple of new recruits in the form of Chris Wiseman and Tim Atkins, it is shaping up to be a much stronger second half of the year under coach Hacker. Welcome to the #BlueArmy Chris & Tim!

I also want to take this opportunity to extend the sincere thanks of everyone at CRHC to Fraser Henderson, who has decided to step away from his role as 1st team coach alongside Dave Hacker. Fraser helped guide the Men's 1st team to their highest ever finish in National League last year and was instrumental in guiding the other men's performance squads to their promotions last year. Thank you for the time, effort and energy you have put in Fraser, and we hope to be lucky enough to have you back in the fold at some point in the future.

It hasn't been such a late start for the rest of the club, with all other Men's and Ladies' (bar the 1s) teams re-starting their campaigns a few weeks ago. There have been some really strong results across the club and a few very nearly moments - however as ever, my thanks and the thanks of the entire club must go to the volunteers who turn out to manage, coach, umpire and support our wonderful club week in week out.

Best of luck to everyone playing this weekend and hopefully see as many of you as possible at the social next week.

Cheers,

Andy Hughes (Boy)
Men's Chair

Women's Premier Division Table

	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1	Surbiton W1	11	10	0	1	43	4	39	30
2	Wimbledon W1	11	7	4	0	21	9	12	25
3	Hampstead & Westminster W1	11	7	2	2	35	13	22	23
4	East Grinstead W1	11	6	3	2	28	16	12	21
5	Beeston W1	11	5	3	3	18	18	0	18
6	Clifton Robinsons 1	11	4	2	5	17	21	-4	14
7	Reading 1	11	4	1	6	15	20	-5	13
8	Loughborough Students W1	11	3	3	5	16	25	-9	12
9	University of Birmingham W1	11	2	3	6	13	25	-12	9
10	University of Nottingham 1	11	2	3	6	27	41	-14	9
11	Holcombe W1	11	1	4	6	15	28	-13	7
12	Buckingham W1	11	1	0	10	10	38	-28	3

Men's Conference West Table

	Team	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost	For	Against	GD	Points
1	Havant	9	5	3	1	25	11	14	18
2	Chichester	9	5	2	2	23	16	7	17
3	Isca 1	9	5	2	2	24	20	4	17
4	Plymouth Marjon	9	3	5	1	30	25	5	14
5	University Of Exeter 2	9	4	1	4	20	17	3	13
6	Ashmoor	9	2	6	1	16	14	2	12
7	Fareham	9	2	4	3	22	23	-1	10
8	Clifton Robinsons 1	9	2	1	6	12	17	-5	7
9	Cardiff & Met 2	9	2	1	6	10	20	-10	7
10	Cardiff University	9	1	3	5	15	34	-19	6



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What a game to come back to. With two sides relegated at the end of the season and only two wins separating the bottom half, the stakes couldn't be higher as the second half of the season commences. The Blues, a point ahead of today's visitors, picked up a useful win in the reverse fixture.

As injuries began taking their toll results tailed off towards the end of the year, with a number of near misses ultimately not resulting in points. However, players are now returning including from some longer term injuries to key players yet to play this year. Alongside a couple of new additions including a league debut to Wiseman (Cambridge City), there is belief in the camp that results will be stronger in 2023 and the team will repeat a successful second half of 21/22.

Eyes elsewhere will be on the South Coast, with Fareham in action against Plymouth and high flying Havant playing Cardiff & Met. All 3 games will play a massive part in the battle at the foot of the table!



Over the Winter

Indoor Championships

After the outdoor action, the indoor began. After a couple of training sessions an indoor focused squad was formed, with a good hybrid of 1s, 2s and 3s players making the cut to play at the West Regional Championships.

Up against it from the very beginning, Clifton Robinsons were drawn in an incredibly strong group with Bristol University, Isca and Yeovil & Sherbourne. Despite the tough draw, the team competed well, but weren't helped with competition ending injuries to Scott and Bill within the first half of the first game.

Ultimately despite some promising performances, the team bowed out at the group stage. Notable mention to Toby Rowlings making his CRHC captaincy debut, with an great performance in the middle of the park throughout.

Bristol Uni 4 - 2 Clifton Robinsons (Dec Turner, Tim Atkins)

Isca 4 - 3 Clifton Robinsons (Dec Turner, Tim Atkins, Alex Kirkpatrick)

Yeovil & Sherbourne 0 - 2 Clifton Robinsons (Dec Turner, Alex Kirkpatrick)

Tier 1 National Cup

After a short Christmas break, Clifton Robinsons embarked on their long awaited cup run.

Up first was the home match against Oxford Uni. A strong start from both teams set it up to be an exciting match. With both teams defending well, neither could seem to find a way through. Ultimately, the deciding goal was scored on debut by Chris, following up on the short corner routine to put the ball in the back of the net.

After the win vs Oxford, Clifton Robinsons travelled away to play an in form Teddington side who currently sit 2nd in Div 1S, featuring plenty of current and former internationals. The game started excitingly with both teams scoring within the first 5 minutes.

Clifton made some great phases of play throughout the match, but unfortunately couldn't stop the strong corner routines and attacks from Teddington. Notable mentions to Chris, Toby and Bill for their performances and composure in the matches.

Clifton Robinsons 1 - 0 Oxford University (Chris Wiseman)

Teddington 7 - 1 Clifton Robinsons (Tom Salmon)



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- 1 Andy **Hughes** (GK)
- 9 Tom **Salmon**
- 10 Nick **Robilliard**
- 11 Isaac **Hocking**
- 14 Bill **Springett**
- 17 Micah **Smithard**
- 19 Scott **Davidson** (C)
- 36 Lewis **Francuz**
- 37 Chris **Wiseman**
- 55 George **Brown**
- 98 Quin **Turner**
- 123 Sam **Stevens**
- 133 Toby **Rowlings**
- 134 Ken **Gainsford**
- 204 Sam **Skelton**

Coach David **Hacker**

Manager Rod **Naughtly**



- Will **Hunter** (GK) 1
- Chris **Hudson** (C) 36
- Louie **Vian** 15
- Ben **Baillache** 33
- Ashlea **Payne** 8
- Chris **Bennett** 2
- Giles **Hocking** 109
- Aidan **Benger** 7
- Charlie **Slaven** 59
- Dan **Carr-Hill** 3
- Freddie **Colclough** 14
- Tobias **Chan** 11
- Freddie **Smith** 21
- Mathew **Cooper** 111
- Arthur **Prior** 28
- Euan **Jones** 13

Chris **Marriott** **Manager**

Today's Umpires: Nick **White** & Mike **McCartney**
Match Official: Richard **Barter**



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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CLUB FIXTURES

HOME

L1 VS Buckingham 1 @ 12:00 PM

M2 VS Firebrands 1 @ 1:00 PM

M3 VS Leominster 1 @ 2:00 PM

L4 VS Keynsham 1 @ 2:30 PM

L2 VS Lydney 1 @ 2:30 PM

M5 VS North Somerset 2 @ 3:30 PM

L6 VS Wick 3 @ 4:00 PM

M7 VS Old Bristolians 5 @ 5:00 PM

M1 VS Cardiff University 1 @ 12:00 PM (Sunday)

AWAY

L3 VS Old Bristolians 1 @ 1:00 PM

M6 VS Team Bath Buccaneers 6 @ 2:00 PM

M4 VS University of Bristol 3 @ 5:00 PM

L2 VS Isca & University of Exeter 3 @ 2:30 PM (Sunday)

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CLUB RESULTS

Grays



L3s	vs	Bristol Firebrands 2s	W	4-0
L4s	vs	Corsham 1s	L	2-1
L5s	vs	Mid Somerset 2s	W	5-0
L6s	vs	Bristol & West 4	D	0-0
M1s	vs	Teddington	L	7-1
M2s	vs	Wotton Under Edge 1s	L	2-1
M3s	vs	Bristol Uni 2s	L	2-1
M4s	vs	Gwent 1s	W	5-1
M5s	vs	Old Bristolian 3s	W	6-0
M6s	vs	Old Bristolian 2s	L	3-2
M7s	vs	Wotton Under Edge 5s	D	0-0



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CRHC 1st XI Home games coming up:

- **Sat 18th February - W1 vs Wimbledon**
12pm @ Coombe Dingle Sports Ground
- **Sun 19th February - M1 vs Fareham**
12pm @ Clifton College Sports Complex
- **Sat 25th February - W1 vs Surbiton**
12pm @ Coombe Dingle Sports Ground

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CLIFTON ROBINSONS HOCKEY CLUB

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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
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