

 **Clifton Robinsons Hockey Club**

# MATCHDAY PROGRAMME

**WEEK 2 - 23/24 SEPTEMBER 2023**

**SATURDAY 23 SEPTEMBER 2023**

**EH Vitality Women's Premier Division**



CRHC Ladies' 1s v Wimbledon 1s  
PB 12:15  
Clifton College Sports Ground

**SUNDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2023**

**EH Men's Conference West**



CRHC Men's' 1s v Ashmoor 1s  
PB 12:00  
Clifton College Sports Ground



# MEN'S CHAIR'S WELCOME

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Happy weekend one and all and welcome along to the start of another season of hockey for the Men's side of the mighty Clifton Robbies, and a welcome home to the Women.

The Women's and Men's 1s are kicking off our home proceedings this weekend, before the wider club begin their campaigns next weekend. This follows a winning start to the campaign for the Women's 1s, who beat Isca & Exeter Uni 2-0 in their season opener last weekend.

On behalf of the whole club I want to extend a warm welcome to the players, staff and supporters from both Wimbledon and Ashmoor for what will hopefully be two thoroughly entertaining games.

The season is starting after one of the strongest and most competitive pre-season campaigns in recent memory. Thanks have to go to the coaches, captains and volunteers who have helped make that happen, and hopefully it will show with a strong start to the season for teams across the club and allow us to build on a very successful season of consolidation last time around.

It has also been a very strong summer in terms of recruitment, with former Senior Irish international Stu Loughrey joining the mighty Robbies from Team Bath Buccs alongside his Buccs team mate Ben Stone, who rejoins the club after a spell with us during the 2017/18 season. Welcome also to Eddie 'The Eagle' Evans, a capped Welsh Senior international, who has joined the club from Reading. The recruitment on the Women's side has been equally as strong, with fellow Welsh representative

Rebecca Daniel joining from Durham, and England youth player Evie Grindal rejoining us after a short spell away. These are but a few of the many new starters across the club - we're delighted to have you all with us and hope you enjoy being part of the #BlueArmy.

We know that finances are tight for a lot of our members at the moment, however we are actively looking for sponsorship through a range of packages to help continue to provide the best for our members whilst protecting their pockets. To that end, I'd like to take the opportunity to thank Jamie Mortimore, Tim Atkins and Scotty Davidson, who have done some really great work in promoting the club and reaching out to potential sponsors so far. With that in mind, thanks must also go to our club kit sponsors Grays, as well as Cockburns Port, who are continuing to sponsor the Men's 1s with a bottle of Port to be given to the opposition Man of the Match for each home game.

That's enough from me for this week. Welcome back one and all. Another season incoming. Look forward to seeing you all on the side of the pitch or at the clubhouse at some point soon.

**- Andy 'Boy' Hughes, Men's Chairman**





# CLUB UPDATE

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Well, after a Summer that has been more work than fun for many involved in the club, we are happy to be back playing! The W1 got their season off to a winning start last week, while the M1 and W2 start this week. The rest of the club is not to be forgotten, with a full roster of pre season fixtures today before the competitive stuff starts next week!

We've been plenty busy despite the lack of games though. We had a huge **Club Day** at Clifton College, with 1st team fixtures, junior games and a 'hockey for all' session, before an evening takeover of Channings Hotel.

There was our biggest **Junior Summer Camp** yet, with plenty of senior members passing on their experience to over 100 youngsters. Many thanks to Jamie Mortimore for his hard work pulling it together.

We had an incredibly well attended **End of Season Dinner**, with food, drinks and many shapes cut. We also raised **over £1000 for Blood Cancer UK** in memory of our friend Ben Dudley

Juniors and Seniors alike **represented their countries** in various competitions over the summer too. So although we've been quiet, we've not stopped! Read more detail about everything in the Summer Newsletter on the website.

And finally - a congratulations to **Al Kilfoil**. He has retired from the W1 Manager role after 20 years in the role. We wish him all the best!





# SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

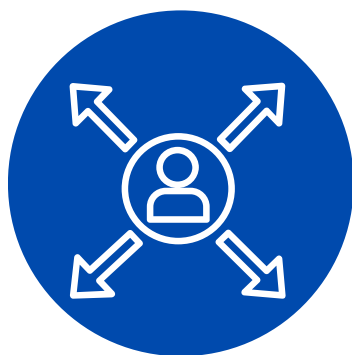
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# LADIES' 1s v WIMBLEDON 1s

EH Vitality Women's Premier Division | 23/09/2023  
12:15 PB | Clifton College Sports Ground



VS



**1** DE VISSER (GK) (C)  
**2** MUNRO  
**3** GIERAK  
**7** LAITY (VC)  
**8** MAINWARING  
**9** RICHARDS  
**10** DANIEL  
**11** DAVIES  
**15** BURTON  
**16** ANSLEY  
**17** PORTER  
**18** HOULDEN  
**19** GRINDAL  
**23** THORBURN  
**24** HOSKINS  
**25** DRYSDALE



COCHRANE (GK) **2**  
EADIE **5**  
TOMAN (C) **6**  
NAISMITH **7**  
CHILTON **8**  
JONES **9**  
MANTON **10**  
PETTY **11**  
HOLDER **12**  
CROWSON **14**  
BINGHAM (C) **15**  
LEWIS-WILLIAMS **16**  
MACDONNEL **17**  
LEE **18**  
PEARNE-WEBB **20**  
CRACKLES **21**  
REYNOLDS **22**  
REES **24**  
BOWEN **25**  
BURNET **27**  
PEEL **28**  
GILLOTT **30**

## STAFF

J. RAYDEN - HEAD COACH  
M. SMITHARD - ASSISTANT COACH  
P. BAILEY - MANAGER

C. COOPER - CO COACH  
A. DANSON-BENNETT - CO COACH  
L. MCCLOSKEY - PHYSIO  
T. DULLAGHAN - MANAGER



# LAST TIME OUT

## ISCA & EXETER UNI 0 - 2 CRHC

The W1s traveled to Exeter for a West Country Derby in Week 1 of the Vitality Premier League, marking the opening match of the Premier League season. CRHC had high hopes to build on their excellent fourth-place finish from the previous year, while Isca/Uni of Exeter was making its debut in the top flight. Clifton featured two debutants on the day: Welsh International Rebecca Daniel, who recently joined from Durham University, and England age-group player Evie Grindal.

As anticipated, Isca came out strong, aiming to make a statement, but CRHC's side, with its greater experience, gradually took control of the game. CRHC demonstrated confidence in possession, initiating their plays from the back and seeking opportunities in the attacking D. The first quarter ended without any goals, but Clifton finally broke the deadlock in the 27th minute after a brilliant run from Ellie Laity set up Livvy Hoskins for a close-range conversion.

In the 44th minute, Livvy extended the lead with a precise drag flick into the left corner of the goal. During the second half, both Ellie Laity and Evie Grindal came close to scoring, putting pressure on the Isca goalkeeper, who made two crucial saves. In the final quarter, Isca launched an all-out assault on Clifton and earned several penalty corners before the final whistle. However, Clifton's defense held firm, with some impressive saves made by our captain and goalkeeper, Aline de Visser. Special congratulations to Player of the Match, Emily Drysdale, for her outstanding performance.

As we move into the second weekend of fixtures, CRHC W1s currently sit at the top of the league table, enjoying their early-season success.



# MEN'S 1s v ASHMOOR 1s

EH Men's West Conference | 24/09/2023  
12:00 PB | Clifton College Sports Ground



VS



**1** HUGHES (GK)  
**2** APPLEBY  
**5** LOUGHREY  
**6** PINNELL  
**14** SPRINGETT  
**15** ROBILLIARD  
**17** SMITHARD  
**19** DAVIDSON (C)  
**20** HOCKING  
**23** EVANS  
**37** WISEMAN  
**123** STEVENS  
**133** ROWLINGS  
**134** GAINSFORD  
**204** SKELTON  
**257** SALMON



SAXBY (GK) **1**  
WAKEHAM **2**  
TURNER **3**  
BARNETT **4**  
DINNIE **5**  
BLOOMFIELD **6**  
BISHOP (C) **7**  
ANDREW **8**  
SEARLE **9**  
ASHWORTH **10**  
FISHER **11**  
COLLISON **12**  
NAISBETT-JONES **13**  
BROWNLOW **14**  
PALMER **15**  
FOREY **16**

## STAFF

D. HACKER - HEAD COACH

R. NAUGHALTY - MANAGER

J. DINNIE - HEAD COACH

S. DINNIE - MANAGER



# ELSEWHERE IN THE CLUB

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## CRHC Men's 1s Pre-Season

The M1s and wider performance group have welcomed some returning players alongside plenty of new faces - we all know Clifton Robbies is the place to be! This is an incredible position we find ourselves in - yet at the same time a real headache for selection, but what a great problem to have.

With the number of players in the performance group we have a very competitive environment and that has helped us raise our level once again. Let's continue to relish the competition, improve as individuals and collectively this will improve the club as a whole - what an exciting time to be a player at CRHC!

As for the pre-season build up and games:

Coach, David Hacker, and M1s captain, Scott Davidson, wanted to provide a number of challenges in pre-season. Not just in training but also the opposition for pre-season matches. We started off with games versus Bath Buccs 1st XI and recently promoted Cardiff & Met 1st XI; two games that would test our skills, fitness, determination and resilience. Bath Buccs was a closely contested match where the game ended a 1-1 draw. Cardiff & Met ended a loss of 3-7 with the visitors showing their fierce counter attack and clinical finishing.

Following that, the M1s had an overnight away trip to Stourport. In some scorching temperatures and back to back games on Saturday versus Leek, a win of 4-0 then Stourport, a loss of 4-2. The rehydration was enjoyed in the evening along with Jamie, Nick and Toby re-enacting The Mighty Morphin Power Rangers. Sunday saw the M1s face Lichfield and CRHC walked away victors with a 2-0 win. Overall a successful weekend and cracking pre-season to get us set.

Now the season commences....woof!

**Scott Davidson**

## CRHC Ladies' 2s return to National League

Following their unbeaten 22/23 season, our ladies' 2s return to the EH National League today and take on Oxford Hawks away! Bring home those 3 points ladies!



**OXFORD HAWKS L1s v CRHC L2s**  
Vitality Women's Conference West  
Banbury Road North | 12:00



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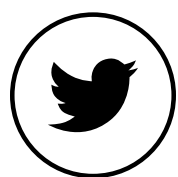


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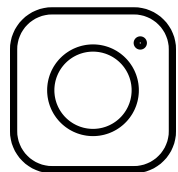
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