



The Veterans Squash Rackets Club of Great Britain

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EUROPEAN MASTERS 2017 – POLAND 12 MEDALS FOR GB VETS!

This biannual Tournament took place at the Hasta la Vista Club in the magical city of Wroclaw in Poland from 30th August to 2nd September. The Club, probably the largest in Europe, boasts 32 squash

courts under one roof, and extensive sports and leisure facilities. The whole event was extremely well organised and we understand the World Masters Championships will be held there in 2020.

In all 24 GB Vets competed in these Championships and half received a medal - 4 Golds, 5 Silver and 3 Bronze!



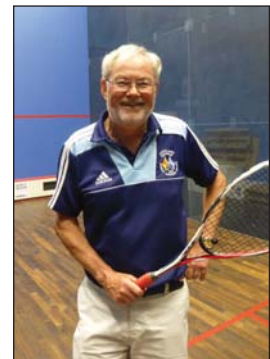
Keeley Johnson (left)
O40 winner



Mark Woodliffe (right)
O55 winner



Mark Cowley O60 winner



Jim Dougal (RU) O65.
John Rae winner not in pic!



WO55 Mandy Akin, WO60 Karen Hume,
MO 65 Jim Dougal, MO70 Rod Boswell,
WO70 Bett Dryhurst.



WO50 Rachel Woolford, MO55 Ian Bradburn,
MO70 Barry Featherstone.

A fuller report and more pictures will appear in the Autumn 2017 Newsletter.

GLEN RAGOU MEMORIAL CUP



Whilst Glen was never a GB Vet he was known to many members for his always smiling face and his infectious enthusiasm for life and for squash. He died 2 years ago after a long battle with cancer aged just 46.

The second Memorial Cup attracted 35 matches, North vs South, at Sutton Coldfield Club on 9th September. Whilst the North won the squash the South won the party games!

GB Vets representatives: **North:** Mike Clemson, Ray Burke MBE, Lesley Sturgess, Ian Bradburn, Sue Pynegar. **South:** Karen Hume, Mandy Akin, Robert Smith, Rachel Woolford, Ripley Oyler, Andy Murray, Nigel Belle, Mark Cowley, Steve McLoughlin.

Chairman Martin Pearse retires



Martin has been Chairman of England Squash Masters since its inception in 2004. Under his excellent leadership the Regional event has grown from 250 competitors to over 800 and is now recognised as the largest and most successful Masters circuit in the World. He also established the Masters Home Internationals Tournament. He is succeeded by Jonathan Gliddon from Devon who recently captained the England Home International O45 team to success in Dublin.

For more information on Martin, see the Spring 2017 Newsletter – The Masters Master, and the England Squash Masters website.

NEXT REGIONAL

East: East Anglia Tennis & Squash Club, Norwich, 22/24 September.
Entries close this week!

YOUR LAST CHANCE!

To advise the Hon. Sec. of change of address etc. for inclusion in the 2017/18 Handbook.

FESTIVAL OF SQUASH

RAC Woodcote Park, Epsom Sunday 5th November. Come and enjoy a days squash or if interested in playing contact any Committee member.