



The Veterans Squash Rackets Club of Great Britain

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GB VETS VS CAMBRIDGE UNIVERSITY SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER

A day for important 15 a-side games

England v the All Blacks in the semi-final of the Rugby World Cup from 9am kept the country glued to their screens - well done England. Follow that you say---well Cambridge v GB Vets provided another nail biting 15 a-side contest from 1pm.

Match Manager and Coach for the day **Nick Sheppard** marshalled his team in true Eddie Jones style. Ruthless in his selection, he had to pitch the skill and experience of his team versus youthful energy and enthusiasm. Unfortunately, this youthful enthusiasm was mixed with skill as well, perhaps the Japanese

rugby coach had taken a moment to add this dimension to their game plan?

With the matches going 7/6 in favour of the home side, numbers one and two were on court, how would it finish? Despite valiant efforts from the GB Vets it went to the wire with Cambridge squeezing an 8/7 victory.

More friendly games were quickly arranged and put on court, both singles and doubles, a flurry of new arrivals from Cambridge adding to the fun, this is what

squash is about!

Should we pick out the exceptional games? No, it was a team effort with players from both sides taking part with true grit and sportsmanship-no red cards!

Cambridge Students presumably from the Maths Department had kept the scores and marked, several games went to 15/13 possibly stretching them, calculators were allowed though?!

Thank you, Cambridge, for an excellent afternoon's squash.

The GB Vets look forward to returning next year.

England V The All Blacks huh follow us we say!

Robert Smith



Nick Sheppard (L)
lost to Josh Loyd 1/3



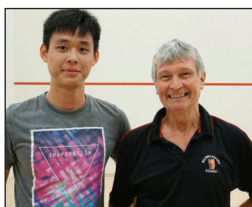
Martin Miller (R)
lost to Nick Chorley 0/3



Mandy Akin (L)
beat Dom Atherton 3/2



Karen Hume (R)
lost to Ben Chesser 2/3



Geoff Redfern (R)
lost to Mark Tan 0/3



Nigel Bacon (L)
lost to Jacob Coxon 1/3



Rachel Woolford (L)
beat Nick Taylor 3/1



Jamie Goodrich (L)
lost to Andy Muran 1/3

Other Results:

Andy Murray beat Reuban Morris 3/2

Dave Smith beat David Roper 3/0

Reka Gay beat Armaan Kamerker 3/1

Tony Gay beat Zain Faheem 3/1

Sarah Howlett lost to Charlie McClean 1/3

Sarah Howlett beat Noah Porcelli 3/1

Duane Harrison lost to Ed Wheeler 1/3

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2019 FESTIVAL OF SQUASH

The seventh annual Festival of Squash organised by the GB Vets was held at the RAC, Woodcote Park, Epsom on Sunday 3rd November.

By 9.30 a.m. groups of keen players, with ages spanning from 25 to 85, representing the GB Vets, the Army and the Escorts, began arriving to join the players from the host RAC team.

The Army team was somewhat down on numbers given the absence of Phil and Yvette Ashman. The former has left the Army but has taken on the job of running the Army's overall sports- so squash is now only one of his sports... However, in the spirit of the Festival of Squash, the GB Vets loaned **Nick Sheppard** for the Singles, and (**Lt. Col**) **John Woodliffe** and **Lance Kinder** for the Doubles! John and Lance won one of their two matches with a large gallery impressed by the amazing staying power of a pair now aggregating over 168 years!!

Richard Green and Len Westover (The Army) were the overall stars in the Singles, winning all three of their matches. In the Doubles, **Mandy Akin** and **Karen Hume** (GB Vets) won all three of their matches, whilst **Alan Thomson** and **Dave Clarke** played four matches and won them all! Mike Stewart and Karl Newland (RAC) won two of their Doubles matches whilst James Dubois (RAC) won three of his Singles matches... although he essentially played Nick Sheppard twice- with Nick representing both GB Vets and the Army in the same match! That really is the spirit of the event! Shayne Baillie

(RAC) had a fine day, narrowly losing to Richard Green whilst winning her other two matches. **Dean Newberry** (GB Vets) and **John Goodrich** (GB Vets) again performed strongly with both winning two of their Singles matches, whilst Jeremy Wilcox (Escorts) did likewise.

However, perhaps the tour-de-force for the day was Rick Prior (Escorts) who played four Doubles and two Singles for the Escorts scoring 9 points!

Over the whole of the day, 86 games were played in the 24 Singles matches, and 64 games in the 18 Doubles matches.

The result of the overall competition went down to the wire with large galleries watching the final matches which proved to be key to the final positions.

After the splendid **Jane Belle** and **Di Hendry**, who had managed the timetable through the day, had reckoned up all the points, the result showed another close competition

with the Army turning the tables on the 2018 winners GB Vets by just FOUR points:

The Army: 60

GB Vets: 56

R.A.C: 43

Escorts: 21

Shortly after the final matches finished, hot and cold canapés, were served with wine for both players and the guests who came to support their teams. Finally, the GB Vets Chairman, **Tom Hendry**, thanked **James Dubois** and the RAC for their generosity in making it possible for the event to take place in such fine surroundings. Tom then thanked Jane and Di for their hard work orchestrating the matches for the four courts throughout the day. He also thanked **Berge Kay** (Escorts), **Phil Croager** (The Army), **Nigel Belle** (GB Vets) and **James Dubois** (RAC) for assembling their players and congratulated everyone for both turning out and exemplifying the spirit of the event - **that participation was much more important than the result!**

The Festival of Squash Trophy for 2019 was then presented to Phil Croager. Finally, Phil thanked his players, opponents and the organisers for another great event and spoke for all present, stating that they could not wait for the next festival when we can celebrate our great sport.

See you all on Sunday November 1st 2020. Put it in your diary!

Tom Hendry, Chairman, GB Vets.



Tom Hendry presenting the Trophy to Phil Croager of the Army



The GB Vets team: Alan Thomson, Mandy Akin, Dave Clarke, Karen Hume, Nigel Belle, Robert Smith, John Goodrich, Nick Sheppard. Inserts: Brian Dobson, Dean Newberry.





2019/20 CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

If you haven't entered yet – do it now!
the closing date is 31st November

All entries must be done via the G.B.Vets website: www.gbvs.co.uk
via League Master

Select tournament(s) you wish to enter
Pay by Paypal

Finals weekend – 14/15 March 2020

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT November 2019

It is an especial pleasure to report the progress that our Club has made in 2019. Our membership has shown a net increase during the year and now sits at well over 500, which has remained pretty stable over the last 5 years or so.

In February it was the turn of the GB Vets to travel to Ireland for the annual fixture with the Dublin based Fitzwilliam Club with **Steve Jackson** leading our team.

However, we have to fast-forward to October and November to celebrate a substantial leap forward in our friendly activities. On the final weekend of October, we were able to turn out over thirty of our members to fulfil two events - in York and Cambridge.

Friday and Saturday 26-27th of October saw a much-enjoyed return for a York weekend organised by **Adrian Wright** after a year off in 2018. On Saturday 27th, October also saw the launch of a new GB Vets event in Cambridge- against the full force of the Cambridge University Squash Club- including the best of the University's men and women. This was organised by our tenacious Fixtures Manager, **Nick Sheppard** who, after grappling with several possible dates, ensured that this finally took place in the superb University Sports Centre with over 15 per side! Our feedback from the Cambridge organisers was very positive and we have agreed that this will become an annual event. Nick



Tom Hendry, Chairman

has also arranged an equivalent event with Oxford University Squash Club next spring. You can see the full reports of both matches in this Newsletter.

Moving back home, many of our members continue to excel in Regional, National and International Masters (including the 2019 British National Masters) events. All these details are recorded in Nigel's splendid Club Newsletters.

You might remember that, at our last AGM, I announced that I would give up the Chairman's role of the GB Vets Club after the 2020 AGM when Di will also resign as Treasurer. I am pleased to report that **Robert Smith** has volunteered to take over the role of the GB Vets Treasurer after the 2020 AGM.

However, so far, no one has come forward to take over from me! I have been on the GB Vets Committees for 21 out of the last 27 years- including 13 years as Hon. Secretary, and 6 years as your Chairman. There must be someone out there that is both younger and more accomplished than me. **Please come forward!!**

We have seen very positive signs of our Club moving forward. Let's ensure that our Club continues to flourish. In the meantime, thanks for all your continued support.

Tom Hendry, Chairman

BUS TOUR

Groups of Americans were travelling by tour bus through Switzerland. As they stopped at a cheese farm, a young guide led them through the process of cheese making, explaining that goat's milk was used. She showed the group a lovely hillside where many goats were grazing. "These," she explained, "are the older goats put out to pasture when they no longer produce." She then asked, "What do you do in America with your old goats?" A spry old gentleman answered, "They send us on bus tours!"



Fixtures 2019/20

Below is a list of all fixtures for the coming season.

These can also be found on the website www.gbvs.co.uk

All players are urged to let Match Managers know asap of their availability.

Please do not wait to be asked to play in a particular match if you are available.

Please note also that fixtures are sometimes rearranged so check the website for up to date information.

DATE	VENUE/OPPONENTS	MATCH MANAGER	CONTACT DETAILS
OCTOBER 2019			
25-27 October 2019	York Tour	Adrian Wright	ade@silver-fox.co.uk
Saturday, 26 October 19	Cambridge University	Nick Sheppard	jnshepp.home@hotmail.com
NOVEMBER 2019			
Friday, 1 November 19	Bromley Cricket Club	Karen Hume	karen.hume999@hotmail.com
Sunday, 3 November 19	Festival of Squash - Woodcote Pk	Tom Hendry	twhendry@gmail.com
Thursday, 21 November 19	Camberley	Graham Chambers	grahamchambers@dixonwilson.co.uk
JANUARY 2020			
09 January 2020	Roehampton	Graham Chambers	grahamchambers@dixonwilson.co.uk
FEBRUARY 2020			
01 February 2020	Oxford University	Nick Sheppard	jnshepp.home@hotmail.com
01 February 2020	Eton College Boys	Dave Smith	bigd1102@hotmail.com
12-16 February 2020	BRITISH NATIONAL MASTERS		Nottingham
MARCH 2020			
Monday, 9 March 20	Hurlingham	Graham Chambers	grahamchambers@dixonwilson.co.uk
11 March 2020*	Bourne Farnham	Dave Smith	bigd1102@hotmail.com
19 March 2020*	Park Langley	Robert Smith	Robert.Smith@sgsmithproperties.co.uk
Friday, 20 March 20	Purley	Nigel Belle	belles@waitrose.com
24 March 2020	Dorking	Nigel Belle	belles@waitrose.com
APRIL 2020			
10 April 2020*	Beckenham	Robert Smith	Robert.Smith@sgsmithproperties.co.uk
Monday, 13 April 20	RAC Pall Mall	Nigel Belle	belles@waitrose.com
14 April 2020*	Ashstead	Dave Smith	bigd1102@hotmail.com
22 April 2020*	Surrey Sports Club	Dave Smith	bigd1102@hotmail.com
Friday, 24 April 20	Oxshott	Nigel Belle	belles@waitrose.com
26 April 2020*	Bromley/Nuffield Health	Robert Smith	Robert.Smith@sgsmithproperties.co.uk
MAY 2020			
20-24 May 2020	BRITISH OPEN MASTERS		Hull
OTHERS TBA			
TBA	Army	Nick Sheppard	jnshepp.home@hotmail.com
TBA	Bexley	Karen Hume	karen.hume999@hotmail.com
TBA	Birmingham University	Nick Sheppard	jnshepp.home@hotmail.com
TBA	Bishops Stortford	Nick Sheppard	jnshepp.home@hotmail.com
TBA	Cambridge Squash Club	Nick Sheppard	jnshepp.home@hotmail.com
TBA	Limpsfield	Nigel Belle	belles@waitrose.com
TBA	Escorts	Graham Chambers	grahamchambers@dixonwilson.co.uk
TBA	Cumberland	Robert Smith	Robert.Smith@sgsmithproperties.co.uk
TBA	Woodford Wells	Nick Sheppard	jnshepp.home@hotmail.com

* = TBC

DON'T WAIT TO BE ASKED TO PLAY – TELEPHONE THE MATCH MANAGER NOW!



GB VETS TOUR TO YORK

25-27 OCTOBER

This year's tour was scheduled to coincide with the Wigginton Club 40th Anniversary Dinner held at the York Race Course.

Unfortunately, from a starting line-up of 23 or so, we finished up with 3 old hands, who know what a good weekend it usually is, and fortunately **Allen Barwise** and **Polly Woodward** who showed extreme enthusiasm from the start. Without these 2 it is unlikely that tour would have gone ahead. The weekend was dampened slightly due to the atrocious weather on the Saturday.

I intend starting the story at the end rather than the beginning, because the last match on Saturday afternoon proved to be the deciding battle as whether we became outright winners or not. Possibly having to resort to a countback. Having won 3-2 on Friday night, The Friday Night's winners were losers and the losers, Winners, so the Last Saturday tie was at 2 all With Nick Clifford scheduled to play **Martin Wright**. On Martin's first appearance at the York venue he did lose to Nick when I had won about 5 years ago.

But when I do rarely get the chance play my son these days there is usually only one winner, and I had confidently stated to a member of the opposition that I felt that Martin would be too strong and we would win. I was later forced to eat my words. Having lost myself on Friday night to Nick, for the first time I did not give Nick enough credit. Apparently out for 12 months and only having had 3 games since, we perhaps underestimated him. His game with Martin proved to be the game of the weekend. Losing the 1st drastically being well down, Martin then recovered but lost 11/9. He then took the next 2 only 2 lose the 4th and left the tie hanging in the balance. Nick had beaten me with some superb lob serves, never far away from being perfect. And Martin had the same trouble, but in the end he just had the edge to finish off a cracking game, many of whom thought was the best of the weekend.

Polly's debut on Friday night got off to a brilliant start going 7 up in the first to a very strong looking youngish Chris. Polly managed to hang on and win that game and had some deft finishes to keep in the next 3 but eventually lost.

Allen on at the same time took on another fit looking and younger Angus. This was a very close game with some excellent squash by both players Allen winning in the 5th

Tommy the Elf had 4 close games before edging out Mark. Martin had his first 5 setter after going 2-1 up before winning the 5th 11-7

With the pressure off, were winning 3-1. My regular game with Nick was the end of the tie. A struggle in the 1st but then 2-1 up I made the mistake of underestimating my opponent when he was finishing stronger and I lost the 4th 12-10 which proved the end of me in the 5th. But still A 3-2 win for the vets.

On Saturday Allen came up first against the current club champion. After losing 3-0 Allen admitted that he never comes across anyone that could hit the ball so hard. A very strong 40 year old who I thought might do well on the circuit. No disgrace for a 62 year old to lose.

Polly had a lady to play for her match and she reversed her defeat on Friday with a 3-0

victory. I again missed Tommy's game to a much younger player to whom he lost 3-0 and I managed to reverse my Friday defeat beating Mike 3-0. Which left Martin to bring us home winning both days 3-2.

Nick did a splendid job matching up the players as well as organising the weekend. I think it was Rob Cooper and his wife who prepared the Friday meal of Chilli and rice finishing off with 2 superb sweets. I selected the barrel of beer for the night "Yorkshire Terrier" – This had gone by time we got back to the club on Saturday for a pre-dinner drink – had to make do with Guinness. The first time a barrel had disappeared in a day I was told. A preamble by Nick Clifford to the assembled 140 dinner guests, in which the GB Vets got a mention, was followed by 2 buses operating to the Race Course for the Annual Dinner Celebration.

There were numerous raffles and speeches, all proceeds going to local charities, one of which was to Parkinson's disease. Appropriate as Nick's wife Shelia has recently been diagnosed with it. In private on behalf of the GB Vets I passed on our sympathy and best wishes for which inevitably will be a strain on both of them. My wife's sister had it for nearly 30 years before passing away last year unable to speak, walk and bent over like a hunchback in the end. An awful disease. The dinner dance went well and dancing by some, allowed the joys of relative youth to flourish. Personally, I could not stand the noise and showed my age by moving to the back of room.

Allen Barwise and Polly enjoyed the event so much he felt a desire to express his own thanks and on behalf of the GB Vets as part of the speeches. I have expressed my wish and now confirm my desire to stand down from my duties in respect of this tour and hope that I have primed Allen to take over.

One suggestion was not to overkill the event by making it bi-annual.



Adrian Wright (lt) & Nick Clifford



Polly Woodward (rt)



Tommy Elves (lt)



Allen Barwise (lt)





GOLF DAY REPORT

On a fine late Summer afternoon, 11 members of the Vets Club assembled at Surbiton Golf Club for the 5th Annual Golf day. Bacon rolls and coffee were consumed to provide energy for the task ahead and we set off to compete on one of the finest courses in Surrey. (With apologies to members of Royal Wimbledon and Royal Mid Surrey).

Although we were competing as individuals there was also a secret team prize, to be drawn at the conclusion of the round. With Longest Drive, Nearest the Pin on 2 holes there were prizes galore to play for.

Groups were chosen and off we set.

Some 4 hours later assembled back in the bar with a glass in our hand, the stories of the day were recounted. The lost balls, bad bounces, missed putts and the usual golfing "If only".



Enjoying the apres golf meal

A delicious meal of Chicken in red wine, with more red wine, was followed by the presentation of prizes. Being a small group, there was an opportunity for everyone to receive at least one prize and so it proved.



Steve Jackson (Lt)

Wine was won by **Nigel Belle** for the longest drive, **David Johnson** and **Philip Ayton** for nearest the pins and the main winners, 4th **John Galt**, 3rd **Stuart Hardy**, 2nd **Garry Williams** and for the second time 1st was **Steve Jackson**.

The draw was made for the teams and **Garry Williams** and **Derek Lyons** had the greatest combined total. No names, but we had a wooden spoon prize and all other participant also received a sleeve of balls.

We finally headed home, all agreeing to try and help increase the numbers for next year. So if you're a golfer you're welcome to join us in September 2020 (date to be confirmed) then keep a lookout for the entry form which will be sent out in the spring.

Geoff Howes

GLEN RAGOU TOURNAMENT 10th AUGUST

It doesn't seem possible that it is 4 years ago since our good friend Glen Ragou died of cancer at the age of 54.

This year's memorial tournament took place at the Sutton Coldfield Squash Club on 10th August and attracted over 80 players, a testament to his lasting legacy. Masters players from the "North" played against masters players from the "South" and the final points were:

SOUTH 85 NORTH 74

Since its inception therefore the North have won 2 and the South have won 2 so roll on 2020!

Thanks to the organisers Andy Murray and Alison Goy and to the Tournament Organiser/Manager Brian Brock.



Apres match fun: Jane Belle, Robert Smith, Karen Hume, Candy Wilton, Geoff Redfern, Rachel Woolford, Mandy Akin, Albert Akin

GB Vets players taking part:

North: Jane Law, Polly Woodward, Allen Barwise, Andrew Beeston, Neil Harrison, Ray Burke MBE, Steve Johnson.

South: Nick Sheppard, Lynne

Davies, Brian Donnelly, Mark Cowley, Geoff Redfern, Ripley Oyler, Nigel Belle, Mark Taylor, Karen Hume, John Parkes, Mandy Akin, Jeremy Krzystyniak, Rachel Woolford, Andy Murray, Tammy Bennett.



GB VETS vs BROMLEY CC

DOUBLES 1st NOVEMBER

It doesn't seem a year ago that the GB Vets were patting themselves on the back for having secured their first victory over Bromley Cricket Club in their annual doubles match. Unfortunately, the result this year was reversed, the Vets going down 2 matches to 6. This didn't deter the team from enjoying themselves and thanks must go to BCC for another enjoyable evening, despite having to decamp to a local hostelry, namely the Crown & Anchor, as a youngster's 40th birthday party took precedence in the bar at the clubhouse!

Vets teams: **Fergus Burnett and Andy Davis; Mandy Akin & Karen Hume; Nick Wise and Nick Shepherd; Nigel Belle and Roger Sulley/ Robert Smith**



*Nigel Belle, Nick Sheppard, Nick Wise, Karen Hume, Fergus Burnett
Mandy Akin, Andy Davies, Robert Smith.*

REGIONAL MASTERS RESULTS

NORTH – CARLISLE 13-15 SEPTEMBER

WINNERS

MO50 **Andy Murray**
MO65 **Mark Cowley**
MO70 **Barry Featherstone**
WO75 **Adrian Wright**

RUNNERS UP

MO70 **Ian Ross**
MO55 **Sarah Howlett**
MO60 **Lesley Sturgess**
MO65 **Bett Dryhurst**

SEMI-FINALISTS:

John Parkes (MO50), Allen Barwise (MO60), Rachel Woolford (WO45/50)

EAST – GRANTHAM 4-6 OCTOBER

WINNERS

MO55 **Eamonn Price**
MO65 **Stuart Hardy**
MO70 **Barry Featherstone**
WO35/40 **Keeley Johnson**
MO50 **Mandy Akin**
MO60 **Lesley Sturgess**

RUNNERS UP

MO60 **Neil Harrison**
MO65 **Geoff Redfern**
MO70 **Larry Grover**
MO75 **Leo Kingston**
MO45 **Sam Mueller**
MO60 **Karen Hume**

SEMI-FINALISTS:

**Jamie Goodrich (MO35), Andy Normile (MO50), Andy Murray (MO50), Darren Withey (MO55)
David Wright (MO65), Rachel Woolford (WO50), Bett Dryhurst (WO60), Lesley Sturgess (WO60)**

MIDLANDS – WOLVERHAMPTON 8-10 NOVEMBER

WINNERS

MO35 **Jamie Goodrich**
MO40 **Jonathan Gliddon**
MO65 **Geoff Redfern**
WO70 **Ian Ross**
WO75 **Adrian Wright**

RUNNERS UP

MO50 **Andy Murray**
MO60 **Neil Harrison**
MO65 **Stuart Hardy**
MO70 **Barry Featherstone**

SEMI-FINALISTS:

**Steve McLoughlin (MO50), Ray Burke MBE (MO55), Ian Graham (MO70), Leo Kingston (MO75)
Reka Gay (WO35/40), Rachel Woolford (WO50), Lesley Sturgess (WO60), Karen Hume (WO60)**

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NEW MEMBERS

We warmly welcome the following new members who have joined since the last Newsletter:

- David Grant** – **Hirwaun Squash Federation**
- Polly Woodward** – **Lancaster**
- Tony Gay** – **Cambridge**
- Reka Gay** – **Cambridge**
- Duane Harrison** – **Canterbury**
- Fiona Pearson** – **Nuffield West Byfleet**
- Cavin O'Driscoll** – **Roehampton**
- Nigel Bacon** – **Hamptons**
- Mark Shildrake** – **Hamptons**
- Dawn Robinson** – **Hamptons**

'LOST' MEMBERS

Do you know the whereabouts of any of the members below? If so please contact the Hon. Sec. Nigel Belle:

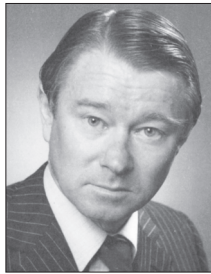
- Alf Barker** **Rob Hamilton** **Aubrey Smith**
- Tim Higginson** **T. Peter Jones**
- Robert McIntosh** **Geoffrey Mortimer**

OBITUARIES

It is with much sadness we report the following have gone to the great squash club in the sky:

Sir Michael Edwardes.

Sir Michael died on September 15th 2019 at the age of 88 having been a member of the GB Vets since 1980. On the business side he will be remembered as being the pugnacious Chairman of British Leyland in the late 1970's. On the squash front he will be remembered for many reasons. His enthusiasm for Doubles Squash was exemplified by inventing and designing (with the help of his Doubles partner Toddy Berman) the Doubles courts that we know today. They are a great success, encouraging a huge surge of new players being introduced to the game. In 1984 he and Toddy presented the 'Edwardes & Berman Doubles' Trophy to the Club. His achievements included winning the 'Warlingham Decanters' trophy in 1987, The Birch Trophy in 1996, with partner Toddy and the Leo Melville trophy in 2001, with partner Frank Crowley. He was also Chairman of our Club for many years and was awarded the Burrell trophy in 2010. Many members benefited from his generous hospitality, especially at his home in South Africa (where he built 2 doubles courts) and the RAC. Michael will be sorely missed both on and off court and our sincere condolences go to his wife Sheila and his family.



Keith Spurgeon

Keith died in March this year. Although tennis was his main game (he holds the all-time record of 53 trophies for tennis in Kent) Keith was a keen player and supporter of the GB Vets having joined in 1986.

John Rae

John joined the GB Vets in 2016 and was our Scottish representative. He was a talented player and won a number of Regional Tournaments. He was competitive, social and although had been ill for a long time always had a smile on his face. He died in October with his family by his bedside. As Jonathan Gliddon, Chairman of England Squash Masters, remarked 'Not just a good guy – but one of the best.'

CHAMPION KNEE!

Do you recognise this handsome knee? Well it could be Robert Smith's, it could be yours but it actually belongs to the 2019 British Open O70 Champion – Howard Cherlin. Howard's story and remarkable recovery are explained in an article under Phil Newton's 'physio's therapy' in issue No.3 2019 of the Squash Player Magazine edited by Ian McKenzie.



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

REGIONAL TOURNAMENTS

- West** **Winchester**
30 Nov/1 Dec 2019
- South** **Colets**
17/19 January 2020

BRITISH NATIONAL (CLOSED) CHAMPIONSHIPS

Nottingham
11/16 February 2020

JESTERS AMATEUR TOURNAMENT

RAC Pall Mall
1/3 February 2020

GB VETS CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS (FINALS W/E)

Colets
14/15 March 2020

WORLD MASTERS

Poland
23/29 August 2020

BRITISH OPEN

Hull
20/24 May 2020

ANNIVERSARY BOOK

This magnificent record of the GB Vets '50 Years On' is still available to purchase. You can buy it now for just £10 inc p&p. Order from Nigel Belle 01959 565444 OR email belles@waitrose.com OR purchase from any Committee member. Pay options available.

