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The PSUK Squash & Racketball Section Newsletter

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**Welcome to the latest issue. The first set of Representative matches were played since the pandemic at Wolverhampton on 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> February 2022 with the Men's Team winning both matches, the Ladies unfortunately losing and the Veterans drawing.**

It was great to see familiar faces again with thanks to Club Coach Mike Harris, players and staff from the prestigious Wolverhampton Lawn Tennis & squash Club who made us feel most welcome. The Men's team was led by PSUK Champion Paul STROUD (Leics), ably assisted by Tony WEBB (Met), Adam BAGLEY (Leics), Andy BEEL (Leics) & Rory JUSS (West Mids).

The Ladies were led by Gemma BARBER (Dorset) who won both her matches and must surely be the favourite for the Nationals now that defending Champion Elin HARLOW has left the organisation. Chrissie McMULLEN (GMP), Joyce LEACH (Kent), Debbie BOWEN (Lincs) & Alicia CARTER-JONES (West Mids) battled hard against a strong Wolverhampton team.

The Vets were led by Nick FALLOWFIELD (Met), Rob VIVIAN (Leics), Matt UREN (Cheshire), Adrian BUNTING (Essex), Rick PRIOR (Met) & Graham SAVILLE (Sussex). Well done all.

During the weekend a Committee meeting was held and the final touches were being added by Zoe WELLICOME who along with the South West Region Squash Section are organizing the Nationals this year to be held at **The Devon & Exeter Squash & Racketball Club** in Exeter between 8-10<sup>th</sup> April 2022. For entry forms please contact Zoe on 07764 211176 or email

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**IMPORTANT UPDATE** regarding the Nationals. The committee has agreed to a new Age Group Event for Ladies, Over-45. The qualifying age is now from the start of the event as opposed to the 1<sup>st</sup> Jan. and finally you can enter more than one event but cannot enter the Plate competition if you do so. So, why not give Squash 57 (Racketball) a go too!

*CONGRATULATIONS to Nick FREER (Met) who won the GB Veterans Jesters National title for amateur players at the world famous RAC Club in Pall Mall in London in January 2022. He beat Nick STAUNTON from Ireland 5/9 9/2 6/9 9/6 9/1.*

*In other recent Masters events, namely the British Open held in December 2021 at Colets, Ian COX (Norfolk) reached the Men's Over-45 Final, coming runner up; Terry BELSHAW (Cumbria) came runner up in the Men's Over-70 final; Tony WEBB won the Over-35 Plate event and former PSUK Men's Champion (in 1996) David AYERST, now representing Ireland, won the Men's Over 50's competition. Very well done to you all.*

*In the recent Welsh Masters Championship event, Andrew NEAL won the Over-45 category and Tony SMITH won the Over-60's. Congratulations to all.*

In September 2021, the Crown Services Quadrangular event was

played at Edgbaston Priory, Birmingham, the first Official matches after the pandemic. Unfortunately, no Ladies were available to play but the Men's Team were beaten into third place by the UK Armed Forces (Winners) & the Civil Service. Thanks to Joe GREEN (Met) Paul STROUD (Leics) Tony WEBB (Met), Ian COX (Norfolk) who won all his matches 3-0, Andy BEEL (Leics) & Matt UREN (Cheshire) for putting in a valiant effort after being away for so long.

For more pictures and footage of the PSUK Squash Section go to our Facebook page



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## Forthcoming Events

9<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> September 2022  
Crown Services  
Quadrangular at Edgbaston Priory Club in BIRMINGHAM.

21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> October 2022  
Representative matches at Finchley Manor Squash Club in LONDON.

Further information on any of the above from National Secretary Jim Hay [jim@fitnessjim.com](mailto:jim@fitnessjim.com)