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Great Step ups - and most of all Great Banter - and News as the Transfer Window  
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Big Night tonight for the Hasi Massive, we had our first ever **3000 point player** step on court in **Gordon** - a feat that has taken him nearly 8 years to achieve and oddly enough against the club he made his debut against in Bury ( Debut made on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2010 with an initial ranking of 1600, Of course playing at 1 on debut ) losing to Darren Hope of Bury ( Darren has long gone ) and the following season 2010/2011 he also lost to one **Tim Metcalfe 3-0 and 3-2 and Simon Latham 3-0 and John Corteen 3-2 in march 2013 !** Not Anymore - **Well done Gordy.**

In addition, January is the transfer window and after tonight's monumental effort we finally bid farewell to one of our stalwarts and wish them all the best for the future. Having discovered his illusive 6<sup>th</sup> finger our very own **Wayne Rooney, Muck Hodgson** (Hasi's **most capped player at 157 appearances to date** ) will be returning to where it started for him at St Peters from the summer on a Free transfer. We say farewell at the end of the season to ever reliable Muck Hodgson who introduced team squash to Hasi following the demise of Burnley, making his and indeed Hasi's debut on 24/09/2009, the first ever team game which helped shape the future for us, I was also fortunate enough to be part of that night - a team along with **Rod Taggert, Brenden Spencer Hall and Keith Robinson**. As a 5 we travelled to Wigan and oddly enough won against a load of juniors before finishing the season in Div. 5 firmly at the bottom losing 21 matches out of 22. The foundations for what we have now were set. - Thank you Mick for all you have given (**nope you will have no favours when facing the Hasi Massive next year**) Will let you arrange the leaving do ☺

## On with events

### **Hassy 1 v BURY 2 match reports 4 -1 win 19 - 5 Hasi 6<sup>th</sup> in the table**

Great team performance at home Me ( Skipper Major Tom) up first at 2 and a win **yippee 3-0** Great start next up **Mr ( 3 f in 2 ) Holland** with a dodgy ankle at 3 against in my opinion Burys best player 2-0 up and cruising unfortunately Harry just wouldn't go away great gritty performance pal 3-2 loss ,ladder game should be interesting might need a marker for that one anyway 1-1 matches **Gordon** at 1 to steady the ship no problemo well played pal next up foxy **Mr Corteen at 5 sporting a nice new Hasi shirt** and the flu from hell to bring the bacon home some great touches tonight pal 3-0 win job done well played pal so up last **Tim at 4** no pressure against a tricky customer 2-1 down at one point until **Gordon** reminding him how much ranking points he could potentially loose winning 3-2 in the end happy days great night good banter no injuries and a great result need to know who's available no Gordon so massive home game against **Cheating Hill** who are just above us massive effort required who's up for a scrap aaaggrrraahhh.

### **Top of the Table clash Hasi 2 vs Clayton Green - Loss 10 -14**

Despite only playing once for Hasi 2 which is a big surprise to me (Simon H ) I can say

with 100% certainty what a great team Hasi 2 is and wonderful banter and stewardship from on the night skipper and ever reliable **Muck Hodge** and the Wizard himself **Dumbledore Scurlock**, brilliant to watch the interactions and commitment from all only one observation from the balcony, **play with the confidence you deserve to and wave farewell to doubt**. If you have faith and commitment in yourself others will follow. **(Unless you keep hitting the tin that is ☺ as the role of Tin Tin is currently filled!)**

Against top of the Table Clayton Green we couldn't have got off to a better start, **Dumbledore** was inspirational and focused, and he demolished his opponent. Let's put that in perspective, **Dave's opponent** was until tonight undefeated, played 9 won 9 and only lost 3 games in that period. Ranked 100 points ahead of **Dave** he never had a prayer- **Dave** had taken out their Banker at 4 with ease 3-0 - Their team Rocked.

Next up **Muck Hodge**! Fair play nothing was left on court - **Mick** may have lost 3-2, granted the marking a little suspect at times yet Mick still does believe he is the fastest man on 2 legs, absolutely nothing was left on court, and when you are giving nearly 25 years on your opponent cannot fault ya 2 points gained not 3 lost - Inspirational - still you know what you get with Mick.

Match 1-1 , Up Next **Super Mick Wright** - cheer up fella narrow margins a 3-2 loss -( have been there, in fact a lot and still there ! ) could have been and as you know should have been but sadly wasn't. Mick W's loss not due to fitness or effort just simple belief and trust in own ability (Welcome to hassy Mick you are in good Company there. If in doubt play off the front foot and hit it and follow through with the shot. Job done you are way better than your ranking suggests. Match finely balanced at 2-1 to CG.

Up Next **Ben** who despite losing the first was warming up nicely to a win before the centre received a call from Mrs N and the game was swiftly and correctly interrupted, thanks to the Sports centre and our opponents for their understanding Ben correctly defaults and loses 3-0 match lost.

Up Step the **Maestro Latham on loan from Hasi 1** indeed **Grandad Maestro Latham** as of today. As **Dumbledore** did with his opponent **Simon** totally dismantled their nu 1 inflicting his first defeat in 10 matches, a masterclass in calm and effective squash 25 minutes 3-0 job done. Lot of People at Hasi would have enjoyed watching that ☺

( If you also look at the scores for the evening it appears that Crowe wood have capitulated and Hasi 2 have a 56 point lead although have played a game more.

### **Clayton Green 2 ( 20 ) Hasi 3 ( 3 )**

After the euphoria of last week's fun with the 2nds it was back down to earth with a bump this week.

Even though the 1st team were at full strength, we had 7 people unavailable for the 2nds and 3rds.

But never fear, Danny played his first match for several months and Jason and Si Foster were eager to show us that the 4ths are right on our tails.

I (Derek) up first, and I didn't even last the first game. At 5-5 I felt a pull in my back and that was it, no sense in making it worse. You are at a real disadvantage in squash if you can't (a) Run and (b) bend down, so that was it.

Simon Foster up next and he never really got going, all over, 3-0.

Stepping into the hot seat at #1 Tom English lost the first game having spent most of it ranting at himself. He won the next with a bit more control but then lost the next two even though they were close.

Match lost.

Danny played quite well, especially when he remembered squash is best played down the walls. But another 3-0 loss.

Last on Jason who looked awesome in the first game. Then lost the next two but came back to take the fourth. Final game was a cracker, unlucky to lose out 16-14 in a nail biter. Have asked Simon Foster if I can have Jason in the January transfer window but he's having none of it.

So only 3 points for us tonight but we are still 2 points ahead of Wigan after 14 games, 10 more to go.

And it's Wigan at fortress Hasi next week.

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