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Another guest appearance to cover Pippy Long stocking's absence, whilst he plays with big hoses with groups of large hairy men in uniform
I'm humming YMCA as I write the report....

Distictinctly worried that H2 had been snatched by Alien invaders,(no reports this season as yet) but they have found their voice and we have a report. It did look a bit like they getting a rectal inspection over on the show court, more of that later

Cheating Hill v Hassy 1 All stars

Performance of the night Tan the man first on, great win we played pal

Next up Foxy John playing a young buck who had his nose in front first two games (Ed's note, I always see John in those Scrooge McDuck glasses when I picture him), but somehow losing, dug in but not enough in the end losing 3-1

Captain Tom

Or Donkey of the night (Ed's note, he aw, he aw, he always says that), simply not at the races, 3-0 , enough said

Gordo

Up against a guy who beat him 3-0 last year. 2-1 up and had his chances in the 4TH to put it to bed, losing 3-2 in the end. Fantastic match well played pal

Last up Mr Latham

Against a young buck (Ed's note it is rutting season!) with more skins than an onion, retrieving everything, losing 3-0

So that's 4 out of 4 loses, not happy but we dust off our shorts and we go again and keep grinding

Cheers lads and good night (hee hoo hee hoo)

Haslindgen 2 Find their voice

Squash abuse

Nick v Gary

Great first game with nick actually Scoring more points in this game than the whole of last weeks match at Monton !!

Game of two half's - nick was truly nick / Nick running like forest Gump all out huff & puff and even a game point ... tried the ultimate cross court drop just missed out game gone - unlucky nick out - very own boy band member. Playing solo Game 3 all over too quickly. First match down 0-3

7-11,12-14,5-11

Mad Mick Wright v Alex

Well after a bit of a shocker first game losing 4-11, quick team talk by yours truly
And guess what we have a winner - game to Mick 11-9 and that might be the talk of town

later let's wait and see5-11, 7-11 ok a 1-3 defeat BUT first team game tonight !!!! Well done Mick !!

Shelly v Sam

Come on Shelly make Nuttall's match count !! Set of well with some great touches and pure class (lots !! Of years practise) but alas this lot are quick - ridiculously quick and only now so they tell me they came down this year FFS !! Pulled tummy muscle and the game swung Shelly losing out to a relentless SAM

5-11,6-11,2-11.

Me next - nuts v Tom

Nothing to play for - cone on Nuttall enjoy it ! First game ok - losing out 6-11 actually got a compliment off court - nice drives - get in !! Ok then he woke up 2-11. So game 3, really so soon ! But all these guys are super quick - even the drives you think you've got - come back - early shower for the greying ginger ☺

David. V Goliath

Our very own David (aka Simon 5'5 closer to the floor Watkinson) v Goliath (6'4 Assad) well what do you know bilbo bagging nipped in grabbed the ring and was straight back home with the treasure 11-9 !!! Yes playing at number 1 !! 11 flipping 9 get in !!!! So the giant had definitely fallen of his beanstalk (ok different giant ref I know) but now with his slumber gone and blood in his eyes our man loses 3-11.

Commentary is ruining out our Simon is running hard but no cigar 5-11

Let's see where game 4 goes Nearly half way there 5-5 c'mon Simon - although the pies are calling go get another game. Gamesmanship creeping in - Si could fit a full set of braces in between each serve - Well not this time but what a bloody good effort 7-11

0-5 on the night but we will be standing tall next week as per usual !!

Hassy 3 Team report

A trek to back and beyond tonight. (Ed's note apparently Dan and co all went on the Jubilee fun bus, these boys are bonding)

Nigel v Si Fo

First up and started well taking the first game, contested well but struggled with Nigel's length game 3-1

Jonathan v Danny Boy

A well contested match but Danny fell short when it mattered. Lack of court time by his own admission 3-0

Tony v Chris Walshy

This is a game that Chris should have won, was more than a match, but like Danny and I failed to capitalise 3-1

Eric v Andy

Didn't see this one as watching SiB on other court .But the crew told me routine win , well done mate points in the bag 1-3

Wayne v SiB

Game of the night .Playing on the Glass backed show court SiB started like he had no idea which end of the racquet to use , before you know it 2-0 down, accusing the marker of bribery

Suspect he then sneaked a can of spinach along with some good guidance from Fizzy,

Proceeded to turn it around .Next thing he's got his opponent flapping and won 3 on the bounce. Brilliant

Haslingden 4 v Markland Hill 3 : WON 20 points to 3

A magnificent performance by all concerned.

An epic win for Dermot on his team debut, 16-14 in the fifth against the newest of the Muller family to hit the leagues. He seemed pleased judging by the scream he let out at the end.

After a slow start, Kieran received some sage advice from Dumbledore Scurlock and then cruised to a win against the immovable object that is Andrew Coope.

Steve R didn't let Gary P get close enough to worry him and kept him moving nicely. Again benefiting from Professor Scurlock's wisdom.

Bruce cruised to a 3-0 win despite some appalling serving in the first half of the first game. But once his service return found its groove Chris had no answer to it.

Derek 'demolished' Muller Senior (his words not mine) to assuage the frustration of not closing out last week's match when I should have.

So, a good night and the season is now truly up and running.

Next week it's the long overland trek to the far side of Lancashire to play Tame Valley. Put the brakes on just before you see the signs for Yorkshire.

Bruce is captain for the night. Go on, make his day guys.

So I hand back the mantel, we seem to be in a good place, just need a few results to go our way

Onwards and upwards into next week

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