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Welcome to 2019 , so itâ€™s the same but different the report, the players are the same but different, this report very much proves the world is as you see it from a perspective. I found that in a cracker and have been dying to use it ever since !

Picture the scene the quickening gathering [at @ 7pm](#), there can only be one What I want to know if when there is a Derby, Why Derby never win ?

Judging by the Lycra at max, either there has been an a dryer issue generally in Rossendale, or this panther thing is the new vogue

Anyway in the Pub afterwards we were treated to a superb exhibition of Festive hang over, (drunk who was ready to take on the world), being somewhat disgruntled by my game and lack of chips, I was off into the night in search of the magic green gin bottle and solace in kicking the cat up the rear

First team view of life

H1 WON 4-1 OR 18-5

With guest reporter John â€œfattyâ€ Corteen in the chair, and the first game of 2019, it was the eagerly awaited Return Match of the fierce local derby, with Hazzy 2 looking to perform the double over their illustrious rivals Hazzy 1. With both sides desperately in need of points, it promised to be even more tense than the concurrently running Man City v Liverpool match, which did unfortunately have a negative effect on crowd numbers. There was a hostile pre-match atmosphere on the Pickup Stadium balcony with Hazzy 2 players throwing their considerable weight about to set the tone for the evening. So here we go, first up:

Simon Baynes v Simon Latham (5th string) The two Simonâ€™s slugged out a lively opener, but Latham took the first game relatively comfortably 11-5. A rejuvenated Baynes played some glorious (lucky?) squash in the second to take that 11-5, and set things up for a great finale at one game all. However, it was not to be for the panther ðŸ† as Latham showed some classy strokes to take the next two games 11-2, 11-6, to complete a fine 3-1 win.

Chris Nuttall v John Corteen (4th string) With some team order skullduggery I managed to avoid the young gun awaiting at number 3, only to find I was landed with sweet hitting, potential world number 1 Chris Nuttall. Corteen managed to take the first 11-5, but after a stern talking to from Simon â€œeven bigger manâ€ Holland, Chris evened things up at 1-1 with a 12-10 win in the

next. Game on! However a twisted ankle in the next game slowed Chris down, and an unsympathetic Corteen used that to his advantage to take the next two games 11-6, 11-7, to complete a 3-1 win.

Simon Watkinson v Gordon Gilchrist (2nd string) A solid performance from Gilchrist, the former Hazzy No 1 now in the twilight of his career, against a plucky opponent Watkinson. Simon showed great guts and promise in all three games, especially the second which went to deuce, but alas, succumbed to the veteran Gordon 11-6, 12-10, 11-4.

So, match won already with Hazzy 1 in an insurmountable 3-0 lead, and revenge was sweet, but the show must go on...

Ben Nelson v Tom McVicker (1st string)

Ben has had a difficult season, and was clearly distracted by Liverpoolâ€™s dismal showing against Man City, but also came up against the Rolls Royce McVicker, who just trundles smoothly on and on, and won with a very competent 11-7, 13-11, 11-9 victory. As the scoreline suggests, Ben came close in all 3 games, but Tom just possessed the killer touch when it was needed most on those crucial later points.

Nick Cooper v Tan â€œTonyâ€ Hussain (5th string) Game of the night this one, with the brash youngster Cooper sporting thunder thighs and flashy haircut, against our resolute and dogged Tan the Man; it was a great clash of styles, and produced some thrilling squash. Nick took the first two games 11-7, 11-4, but a great comeback from Tan saw him take the 3rd game 11-7. However Nick just edged the 4th game 11-7 to take a 3-1 win, and end the evening on a high for Hazzy 2, with their only win of the night.

So there we have it, revenge for the first team with a 4-1 (18-5) victory, and we all retired to the pub for beer, pies, and a particularly annoying drunken football fan who I thought Chris N was going to take out at any moment! A good night had by all!

Subject: H2 v h1 (h2 version)

So H1 did what H1 should do to H2 - they beat us. Proud are you ?

Simon B v Simon L

Some great running & personal commentary from our Mr B. Highlight was game 2 which our simon won 11-5, get in point on the board ! Definitely upset Simon No2 as he came back like a strutting peacock, chest out, ear plugs in, no mind games ruining him this time, match over 1-3

Chris v John C

Well the last time I was touched so many times from an old person was at â€œ grab a grannyâ€ night at the Carlton - this man is pure filth and the racket between the legs was just rude ! That

said I ran, I tried I lost the first. Quick team talk by the ginger stalker and what do you know a game on the board ! Not to be tonight though john had done his numbers and was super steady as usual coming out on top 1-3

Nick v Tan

Game of the night ! Like watching 2 young gazelles. So much running I was getting tired watching. First time I've seen Tan outrun ! Both played some great squash but the superlatives have to be kept for the retrievals - the ball was like a boomerang at times always coming back ! Well played guys great game with our Nick winning 3-1

Simon W v Gordon

Was never going to be easy for simon playing Flash - moved Gordon round really well but never quite found his distance. Almost found a win in the middle losing the second game 10-12 but not to be eventually losing 0-3, so without further ado Simon you are here by awarded match œW for lowest number of points !

Ben v Tom

Some quality squash on show here by Ben creating several œtaxi moments for captain cock sorry captain socks (aka Tom) but never quite got there. Even a sneaky racket change to the œspecial one didn't phase Tom - mr consistent brought home the win 0-

H3 perspective on life (THEY GOT A VALUABLE POINT, this might be the one that saves them at the end of the season)

Team 3 report.

Away v village hotel

Joe v Dave Scurlock

Straight in an straight on. The rust was showing and i think the injury isn't fully gone.
3-0

Sam v Chris.

Chris gave it his all and gave me some fearsome stares as well but Sam is a level above.

3-0

James v John k

The only match of the night you could call a match.

Our only point of the night(nice one John)

3-1

Steve v Olly

First game goes to tie break then olly steps on the gas and unfortunately left Steve eating dust.

3-0

Lloyd v me.

Had to wait 45 mins for Lloyd to turn up then got walloped in about 15.

Shouldn't of been on court with him as he's certainly div 3 / div 2 standard.

3-0

Sorry it's a blunt report tonight but man flu and getting seriously spanked has somehow made me grumpy ; wonder why?

Never mind the crack was good and so was the food.

H4 Point of view (LOST 4-1, BUT MIGHTY CLOSE)

It's a New Year and what better way to start than with a match against the league leaders (gulp!) Last minute team re-arrangements were needed with Andy Wray joining us to replace Alan Outen.

First up Bruce against former Hasi old stager Jason. Now Jason is known for sometimes letting his opponent get to him. And boy did Bruce do his best to upset him. Sometimes he may have gone a little too far. But maybe Jason is made of sterner stuff nowadays cos he held his nerve to win 17-19 in the fifth game. It could have been a glorious win for Bruce but not tonight Josephine.

Ray , making his long awaited comeback to team squash almost took the first game, but lost it 15-17 in the end. The other games were not as close but still competitive and good to see Ray come out of it in one piece after 3 months out.

So, 2 down, could we make a game of it?

Step forward Mr Daniel Allen, winner of the Star Baker award this week. His opponent Peter Gill is an elegant player but a tad on the lazy side shall we say.....

Danny lost the first and third games but at 2-1 down was given specific instructions by not 1, not 2, but 3 of his team mates. That's the spirit.

One of us must have been right cos Danny turned it around , stuck to the plan, executed it to perfection and never looked like losing from then on.

Fantastic effort ! Deserved win.

As Hannibal says " I love it when a plan comes together".

Andy then on against a refugee from their first team. Never really in it, I didn't know what advice to offer between games. The final game was as good as it got, but sometimes you just have to say you were beaten by a better player.

Finally, me against Karl Smith. I've played him once before but I don't remember him having an afro then?

Karl is known to be a slow starter, and somehow I won the first two games, 15-13, 18-16.

He was telling his teammates how knackered he was. He was lying. He just kept bloody going and eked out a 3-2 win.

So a 1-4 team loss on the night but 19 points to 7 is a massive 6 points better than we managed against them in the first half so well done boys.

Next week it's the posh Dingles away , very winnable.

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