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A tough season indeed, and its stumbling to its final conclusions. As it stands we have some relegations on the cards and some stabilisations Some of the opposition mid table mediocrity have already given up, and we see more MC events by the week The spirit in the camp is good, and we should still be content with putting out and completing our fixture lists

Hope springs eternal, and I recall in the good old days when Dad used to get his belt off and hand out some abuse, that its good character building stuff this shellacking lark, just leaves you with a throbbing pain a few welt marks and makes you a more rounded person apparently.

Like the phoenix we are ready to rise again !

Summer league anyone?

H1 Lost 20-2

Hassy I v fairways away team report no Gordon ,Simon Latham, crooked Simon Holland resting, John corteen flued up, Tim just landed from Poland my first game back writing on the wall we got battered 20-2 ,Chris nuts up first lost 3-1 need to stay calm and stop telling yourself off should have won in my opinion valuable point, unfortunately me and tan played at the same time tan loosing 3-0 close first game but not to be, I lost 3-1 tough first game back and even tougher for Chris nuts who marked all good experience enough said, Tim lost 3-0 against gino tough opponent so up to foxy to get us a win not tonight unfortunately loosing 3-0 but a great effort pal, no injuries let me know who's available to play Thursday cheers lads

Subject: Hasi 2 v Monton 2 Lost 8-18

Everyone turned up on time - that's a bonus - the equivalent to being able to write your name at the top of the exam paper ! Little things but mean a lot !

5). Ken Dodd Dave s v Sam 3-0 to kd no match w tax this week !! 33 points !

Dave and his diddy men up first - dave always as deft as Ken's tax dodges - the poor lad didn't know where the ball was going ! Great result and start to the evening. 33 points to ds

4). Del trotter v Ben Gibson u15 lances

Del was out the blocks quicker than his mouth down the market, 1-0 up happy days the Russian videos were flying out !

The next games the brakes on the three wheeler were applied swiftly and plumes of smoke filled the air - del had be done like a kipper ! This lad sent del packing off back to the flat in Peckham tout suite ! 22 points ! Lost 3-1

2). Next up Si b v ash

Started off well 1-0 up - felt good ! Then sb started to snatch ! Ken Dodd came down to offer tax dodging advice ! Obviously k2 schemes weren't on sb's agenda in between games ! 3-1 loss sb 22 points

1). Simon w Angus young acdc v Scott c

At the start of the game someone had mixed up the play sheets as Angus was playing different songs than the lead singer ! After a couple of games ken Dodd got to grips with the sheets, angus got back on track - hells bells - one game back !

Happy days for a millisecond as Angus's strings broke and all was over 3-1 down ! 31 points

3). The messiah next Andy w v Paul d

Jesus turned up with his locks cropped and a woolly hat on - seems like he prophesies a change in the weather ! Another storm is due with epic proportions ! Maybe Andy was on the way up !

First game Andy walked on water ! 2-0 up in the second ! Thoughts were of him walking the channel at this stage ! Mmmm hold that thought - down a game but still 2-1 up - thoughts were moving away from water and feeding the 5000 with bread a fish next mmm pot noodle more like 2-2 ! Pot noodle with cold water 3-2 loss !

All in all we didn't have a token ginger player this week - this was our downfall ! Onwards and upwards !

Match w goes jointly to Alan and SB.

H3 - Took a bit of a doing 20-2

Early start tonight. Good job 2 of us couldn't get there early or we'd have been done by half 7. Never mind here we go.

Kiwi Richard v Bruce

Promoted to 3 and did himself proud. Had Richard on the ropes but unable to find the knock out punch.

Great effort and cheers for answering the early call.

3-0

Paul E v boss man

All I can say is that I've come away from a game knowing the next time I meet him things will be different.

First 2 were tight then fell away in the 3rd.

3-0

Tim v Les

What can I say about Les. Over looked for most of the season but answers on dime.

No complaints here about the result but a few about Les's rugby tactics 🍷🍷 all in good humour.

Cheers for turning out Les.

3-0

Mike v Steve

This is the one we should of won. Tit for tat all the way through but I think mikes lob serves early on made the difference (they were equal to Alan Outons and came down with snow on) Tight all the same.

3-1

David v Chris

Chris looked great in his new hi vis outfit. (Thank god the wall paper shorts have gone)
Came up against another lefty (must be catching 😊)
Chris played some really good stuff but come up against a classy opponent.
Effort though was top drawer.

3-0

Got hammered tonight but the total fitness boys are good eggs and had a good time along with the Dingles also getting walloped.
Know how it feels 😊

Thank you and good night 😊

H4 Lost 7-19

I booked the 630 session on court 2 personally to give us a fighting chance of starting and ending on time.

We were all ready at 650 (thanks team). Some Monton players arrived at 655. It's looking good.

Their #1 disappears to the changing rooms and doesn't re-appear until 715.

God knows what he was doing, sort of defeats the object.

Off we go. We somehow ended up playing in reverse order.

#1: Mick v Keith Adams.

Strange match, very scrappy squash. Keith is a better squash player than he looks. Mick 1-0 up, then 1-1. Mick 2-1 up, then 2-2.

All close games, all double figures.

Mick finally gets some clear water in the 5th and holds on to it to win 3-2.

All seemed amicable until Keith storms upstairs and has a rant at me about one of my marking decisions. Eh? 😊

#2: Derek v Tom Staff

It was clear right from the off that Tom was a stylish player. And quick. And young (aren't they always ?) He played last season in div 4 for Ellesmere and did pretty well (then again I played last season in div 4 too, just without the 'pretty well ' bit).

Oh well , always behind , never really close enough to put pressure on him. Lost 0-3.

#3: Steve v Daniel Rigby.

The youngest of the many squash playing Rigbys, cruised to a 2-0 lead and then Steve started to play. Maybe it was the advice from Obi-wan Scurlock?

Won the third 15-10 and looked like he was going to take it to a decider but went down 15-17 in the 4th. Close!

#4 : Finley v Andy Ambler

Making his long awaited comeback from injury and swanning off to India Fin played well given his nearly 3 month absence. Andy played above his 700 point ranking in my opinion. The scores were consistent , 15-9 in every game. It's good to have you back! I think Fin missed his pep talks from Ray.

#5 : Dave v Scott

I suppose Scott is what you'd call a character 😊

Very noisy on court giving off lots of foul language (and I mean LOTS) which I asked him to tone down as we had 2 juniors on the balcony.
Throwing his racquet high in the air, just missing the lights. I warned him about that too.
Am sure it was off-putting for Dave.
Dave won the first two but couldn't finish him off. Time was running out so they played the last 2 games to 11. Lost 2-3.
No showers for either of them.
Seems to be a new tactic by RLT, putting a notice on the changing room door at 10pm saying showers are out of service.
We really did do our best to get finished on time.
An unsatisfactory night in all. Didn't seem to have the usual friendly banter between teams. Pity really.

Next week it's the long trek to Tame Valley, get your excuses in now guys.

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