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Tonight had High expectations for the Hasi Massive, After the 20-0 mauling that Hasi 1 got last week, thankfully no game for those boys as busy licking their wounds still. So a weekend of selection nightmare for the Captains of 2,3,4 given the high standard of players available, trying in vain to achieve our team goals, of Hasi 2 promoted, Hasi 3 or 4 promoted and the other happily winning, We put out tonight on paper the strongest teams you could and despite the late withdrawal of Ben Nelson managed to fill the subsequent vacant spot with a winner, so How did we do ?

**Hmmm, maybe a few changes going forward**, the tinkermen tinkered wth mixed results

**Match report for hasi 2 written by Simon W and Chris N not sure if it was punishment for their performance or not !**

### **Fairways (2) 14 Hasi 2 ( 8)**

Another amazing road trip with H2 Marines ! Team bus collected Mr H & our resident Junior adult aka Simon W. Isofix in place, Simon strapped in good to go. (good job team bus Nuttall has an auto boot close as there was no way our little man was reaching the button !) arrived at Fairways in the pouring rain and parked in the spot left available for those less fortunate than ourselves (**EDITORS NOTE** tut tut tut slapped wrists), and really that set the tone for our little outing ... so on to the squash

#### **Simon W v Steve Loss 3 bloody nil !**

#### **6-11, 9-11, 13-15**

Not our usual polished Mr W tonight and indeed early signs of the coveted match "W" award heading his way ! Simon ran and ran but unfortunately every time he retrieved, he simply but it back in the middle for the other guy to have another go. First game went way to quick (bit like your first 1 pound in the school tuck shop ) but little boy blue finally turned in some style in the second - and it really looked as though a turnaround was in the cards. Blooming useless - completely lost the plot, toys officially out of the pram, became a fully-fledged member of the Tin Tin club and gets duly awarded match "W" ! Cot sides put up - Simon takes his position in the viewing gallery, Hasi 1 down

Next up

#### **Mark vs Chris ( 3-1)**

This game was anything but subtle. It took Chris a couple of games to work out that despite the fact his opponent was not on the small side he was quick. In the third he annihilated Mark and the comeback was on. Unfortunately, in the 4th he reignited his relationship with the tin. Even despite his attempt to feign injury he was unable to claim the game. Lost 3-1. **\_ Hasi, previously undefeated and table toppers now 2 down**

Next up, would you believe it Tom English, Haslingden's own Rambo, fearless, fit and a lean mean just married machine vs Jeremy Corbyn's elder brother pensioner Neil, what could possibly go wrong ! - \*\*\*\*in everything !

### **Neil Rodda vs Tom E ( 3-1)**

Looked easy at first as the slim tom glided round the court, movement good, patience good, timing Good, 1<sup>st</sup> game won, happy days. After that nothing of any interest happened, out witted and outfoxed by an individual that has accounted for a few of the hasi lads in the past with a deft touch and knowledge of the rules, willing to play for strokes and lets, needless to sat Tom was to ring rusty to deal with that and consequently failed. Match Lost, empty feeling what's the point eh lets just go home – Not at all points to play for

### **Simon H ( 3) vs Rob ( 0 )**

2 points in he's panting and looking like a heart attack in waiting. But like a Duracell bunny he just keeps going and going. Every time I watch Simon, I learn something. Tonight's lesson learnt was to bring a luminous green towel to blind both marker and opponent alike! Excellent touch and inspirational determination and it's 3-0 to our leader!

### **Tan vs Mike**

As Tan sipped on his children's sugary milkshake (despite his daily advice for kids to avoid such products) he could reflect on a job well done. Comfortable win as he glided round the court like a gazelle. 3-0.

Tan and Simon H let down by the rest a complete shower of \*\*\*\*e - Back to reality after 2 easy wins.

## **Team 3 report home v Fairways 3**

### **Simon B v Pasquali**

Note to club don't eat soup before squash as it makes you useless 😊.

Tale of 2 halves. Simon by his own admission was useless in the first 2 games as his opponent didn't have to move more than a stride to gain a point.

Then the penny dropped, and his momentum upped, and it was one way traffic from the third.

Nearly match W if I did it 😊

**3-2**

### **Steve v Niall**

According to fin this lad was good but hasn't played for a long while and it showed. Steve made short work of him.

**3-0**

### **Fin v Tom Bailey**

Match up of the promising youngsters.

(Our youngster is more promising 😊)

Wish I could have seen this but was occupied with the younger bailey.

Suffice to say that fin came out well on top.

**3-1**

### **Boss v Edward B**

All I can say is that nothing was gained in playing a child who shouldn't be playing at this level in my opinion.

Tantrums, head butting the wall, smashing racquet after and bursting into tears.

Tried to be nice and it cost me a game and a whack on the leg ☺

### **3-1**

#### **Mick (cousin to the hairy bikers ☺) v Josh**

A leisurely stroll in the pickup stadia for Mick.

Not a lot to say really as this was too easy, but we like easy ☺.

Maximum points and top of the league ☺

#### **Cheetem HII ( 9) Haslingden 4 ( 14)**

**That's a win for Hasi 4 against top of the league - Brilliant performance**

#### **#3 Andy Wray v Paul Derbyshire**

Never in doubt, wham, bam, thank you Ma'am. Bish, bash, bosh , **3-0 to Andy.**

#### **#2 Chris Walsh v Zwi.**

Regular readers will know that Zwi is unorthodox to say the least. He's ambidextrous. So he's all forehands, there is no backhand. But he's only got one shot, a tight boast, which Chris did his best to negate. Even though Zwi won 3-0 every single game was a 2-point difference. On a different night it would have been 3-0 to Chris, just not on this one.

#### **#5 Danny v Adam Zoyek (J ).**

2 very close games to start, first blood to Danny, then Adam responded. 3rd game went more in favour of Adam. So, 1-2 down I told Danny we needed him to win ( see later). A win was a must.

"Cometh the hour, cometh the DAN" ( with apologies to Andy for stealing his great line, but I thought it was well worth repeating ).

4th game 15-8 to Danny, now we're cooking.

Final game Dan builds a healthy lead and never lets his young opponent get back in, 15-8 , a great comeback, and a fine win.

Great performance from Danny which effectively won us the match, fantastic.

#### **#4 Derek v Volve**

Knowing this was effectively for the match I got off to a good start, but he kept coming back at me. Managed to nudge ahead and win first 15-12. Second was a much tighter affair but clinched it 18-16. 3rd game started well, built up a gap and held it. Job done, bacon brought home, match won.

#### **#1 Nick Cooper v Gary Woods.**

A great return was destined for Nick, however he unfortunately hurt himself in the warm-up and was unable to continue. He was in a lot of pain, but bravely agreed to go on court before sadly having to stop after the first point, subsequently needing medical attention

we await to hear how he is.

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