# HAND OUT The PSUK Squash & Racketball Section Newsletter POLICE SPORT UK

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# <u>Congratulations</u> <u>Peter Upton</u>

Congratulations to Peter Upton who became the 2013 National Over 55 Squash Champion beating Duleep Adhietty from Middlesex 9/4 9/7 9/7 in the Final held at Manchester National Squash Centre in February.



Peter Upton (right) and Duleep Adhietty

"It's a fantastic feeling" remarked Peter after the Final.



Peter Upton

Peter, a retired Police Inspector from Lancashire beat former World Over 50 Champion and defending British Over 55 Champion Peter Alexander from Suffolk in a competitive semi final. Peter was winning 9/1 and 7/6 in the second game when Alexander was forced to retire due to a blood injury.

In the quarter-finals Peter beat Stuart Hardy from Middlesex 9/2

9/6 9/2. Stuart is also a retired Police officer originally from Wiltshire.

This was a fantastic achievement for Peter having previously won the National Over 50 title in 2007.

Peter has won the PSUK Veterans title a record 9 times and is going for a remarkable tenth title this

Speaking of which here are this years...

# Mens Veteran contenders

## **Peter UPTON**

Police Force: Lancashire Job Title: Retired Years in the Job: 30 Left Handed

Racket: Used, Tax evasion mainly.
Best Ever (Nationals) Event: Many
years ago in Cardiff when I could
start enjoying myself from Saturday
afternoon onwards.

Which do you prefer? Point or rally or traditional scoring to 9 (PAR or HiHo): **Traditional** 

Pedigree: W 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2011, 2012 RU 2010

#### Russell HUNTER

Police Force: **Northumbria Police**Job Title: **Neighbourhood Beat** 

Manager Years in the Job: 29 years service

Left handed

Racket: Black Knight

Best Ever (Nationals) Event: Exeter 2011 when I managed to beat the legend that is Peter Upton 3-2 in the final

Which do you prefer? Point or rally or traditional scoring to 9 (PAR or HiHo):

Traditional scoring

Pedigree W 2009 & 2010 RU 2011

# **Rob Vivian** (No pic available)

Police Force: **Leicestershire**Job Title: **Detective Inspector**Years in the Job: **27 years** 

Right handed

Racket Used: Harrow

Best Ever (Nationals) Event: Belfast



Andy Hall (right)

Which do you prefer? Point or rally or traditional scoring to 9 (PAR or HiHo): **Point a rally** 

# Andy HALL

Police Force: West Yorkshire Police
Job Title: Youth Offending Team
Officer

Years in the Job: 28 years and 1 month Right handed

Racket: **Head Youtek xenon (the first version)** 

Best Ever (Nationals) Event: Last year losing finalist vets (again!!!)

Which do you prefer? Point or rally or traditional scoring to 9 (PAR or HiHo):

Much prefer traditional scoring......game lasts longer, which was part of the game (not the new scoring 30 mins matches)

Pedigree RU 2009 & 2012

# Vintage (Over 55) Contenders

# Terry BELSHAW

Police Force: Cumbria Constabulary
Job Title: Crime prevention Design
advisor

Years in the Job: 13 in this one (Joined the Constabulary as a cadet in 1967 and regulars in 1970), took it when it was civilianised in 2000. Right handed

Racket Used: I use a PRINCE racket - I wish they would keep making the ones I like - more bloody progress! What was wrong with the Dunlop Maxply?

Best Ever (Nationals) Event: Have only been playing in the National's since 45, every one has been good

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and I've never qualified for the plate! Keeping a standard to represent the team is foremost! Won the O55s last year at the National's.

Which do you prefer? Point or rally or traditional scoring to 9 (PAR or HiHo): Definitely traditional scoring to nine something I have grown up with and it gives me a chance to make mistakes without losing a point!

Pedigree: W 2012

Terry Belshaw (Right)

# **Ladies Contenders**

Steph BRIND

Police Force: Met Police Job Title: Police Constable Years in the Job: 5

Right handed Racket Used: **Head** Best Ever (Nationals) Event: My first one in Brighton

Which do you prefer? Point or rally or traditional scoring to 9 (PAR or HiHo):

PAR so I have a chance of getting a point!

Pedigree: W 2007, 2008, 2009, 2011, 2012



Steph Brind (Right)

#### Ailsa POLWORTH

Police Force: Northern Constabulary Job Title: Force Instructor, Training Dept

Years in the Job: 22yrs (11 with the Met, 11 with Northern so far!) Right handed

Racket Used: Prince Extender 03 Black

Best Ever (Nationals) Event: Essex 2003 (mainly because I won :-) but also great weekend!)

Which do you prefer? Point or rally or traditional scoring to 9 (PAR or HiHo): Have to say I prefer traditional to 9.

Pedigree: W 1997 & 2003



Chrissie McMullen

## Chrissie McMULLEN

Police Force: Greater Manchester Police Job Title: **Detective Constable, Serious** 

and Organised Crime Group

Years in the Job: 16 Right handed Racket Used: Oliver

Best Ever (Nationals) Event: Edinburgh Which do you prefer? Point or rally or traditional scoring to 9 (PAR or HiHo): HiHo

(traditional)

Pedigree: **W 2004, 2005, 2006, 2010** 

RU 2007, 2008, 2009

# Racketball Contenders

#### **Matt PUGH**

Police Force: West Midlands Police Job Title: **Detective Constable** Years in the Job: 10 years service Right handed Racket Used: Ektelon Red

Best Ever (Nationals) Event: Last year (2012) Winning the inaugural event and coming back from 0-2 down in the final. Which do you

prefer? Point or rally or traditional scoring to 9 (PAR or HiHo): 11 points American scoring, gives a 'hacker' like me a fighting chance.

Pedigree: W 2012

### Dave MOORE

Police Force: Hampshire

Job Title: Manager Hants Police Lei-

sure Sport

Years in the Job: 3 but 30 as old bill!

#### Right handed

Racket Used: Pointfore 480 Best Ever (Nationals) Event: Mens National O45 Plate winner 2009 / Qtr finals 050 Main draw 2010

Which do you prefer? Point or rally or traditional scoring to 9 (PAR or HiHo):

PAR to 11 Best of 5 Pediaree: RU 2012

# Mens Contenders **Andy HYNES**

Force: **Essex** Job Title: Sergeant Years In: 12 Right handed Racket used: **Dunlop** 

Best event: 2012 - due to fact have not won it for 4 years and was maybe

seen as an underdog PAR or HiHo: HiHo

Pedigree: W 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2011 RU 2002 & 2008



Nick Freer (Left)

# **Nick FREER**

Force: Met Police

Job Title: Police Constable

Years in: 10 1/2 Right handed

Racket Used: Technifibre Best Event: Winchester PAR or HiHo: PAR

Pedigree: W 2009 & 2011 RU 2005,

2006 & 2010

#### Paul STROUD

Police Force: South Yorkshire Job Title: Police Constable Years in the Job: 5 yrs

Right handed

Racket Used: Black Knight Ion Storm Best Ever (Nationals) Event: 2011 - Winchester - losing to Nick 3-2 in the final after beating Tony Webb 3-2 in the semi-final and Jason Foster in the quarter final.

Which do you prefer? Point or rally or traditional scoring to 9 (PAR or HiHo): PAR

Pedigree: RU 2011