

## SPORT 2 HOCKEY

## Gibson hat-trick lifts Hampstead

Staines 4, Hampstead 5 (aet)

HAMPSTEAD needed extra time to finally dissolve the stubborn challenge of Staines in Sunday's nine-goal Nationwide Anglia Cup thriller at Feltham.

Short corner striker Jeff Gibson helped himself to a hat-trick with two of the goals coming in added time.

But Staines, who play in a lower league than Hampstead in Middlesex Division One, almost levelled in the final minute.

Hampstead had goalkeeper Cunliffe to thank with a terrific double stop following a short corner.

It was always going to be hard for Hampstead who went down 1-0 to Cambridge University in Saturday's Pizza Express London league clash at Paddington.

Staines stunned Hampstead with two early goals. The first came from open play and the second from a short corner.

However, Gibson finally got the Hampstead show on the road, slotting home from a rehearsed short corner move just before the break.

But Staines extended their lead early in the second half when lax marking allowed a Staines player to drill home for 3-1.

Hampstead cut the deficit with a goal from Greg Carr and were really motoring when substitute Dion McConnell — on for Derek Stone — made it 3-3 from open play. And so to extra time.

However, if Hampstead thought it was going to be easy they were badly mistaken. Staines regained the lead with a splendidly worked goal from a short corner routine.

It was then that Gibson came to the rescue. A good attack on the right saw the

ball crossed into the middle. It broke loose and Gibson rifled home.

Hampstead looked set to take a 5-4 lead five minutes into the second period when they were awarded a penalty flick. But Paul Wilkinson's effort was saved by the Staines goalkeeper.

But Gibson was not to be denied. Hampstead forced another short corner and Gibson after exchanging passes with Kevin Galen, completed his hat-trick.

**Hampstead 0, Cambridge University 1** GIBSON had a goal disallowed in Saturday's disappointing defeat by the students of Cambridge University on the artificial surface at Paddington.

The first half incident came at a short corner. Gibson drilled home but the referee ruled that the ball was not stationary before the strike.

Hampstead enjoyed most of the possession up to the 22 but they were anything but decisive enough in front of goal.

It was a similar story in the second half with Hampstead having a lot of the ball and they were punished mid way through the half.

Cambridge broke down the right and a good cross from the bye line was converted with a first time shot.

Tomorrow Hampstead entertain Cheam in the Pizza Express League at Paddington

HAMPSTEAD CC drew 2-2 with Southgate Adelaide firsts in a friendly on Saturday. The goal scorers were Andrew Perry and Tim Pendered.

The second eleven beat Tilehurst 2-0 with goals from Martin Beck and Roger Booth but the ladies went down 6-3 in a high scoring match against Hayes.



● Hampstead's Dion McConnell forces the ball into the D against Cambridge on Saturday.

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## Simons keeps Chasers title

PAUL SIMONS retained his Mornington Chasers senior road championship when he finished eighth in the Cabbage Patch 10 mile road race at Twickenham on Sunday.

Simons set a club record time 52 min 15 sec to finish well ahead of runner-up Neville Swatton (54m 39s) who also ran a best for 23rd place. David Winter (55m 36s) was third and 37th overall.

Mark Oakes (56m 24s) came 47th ahead of John Clegg (1hr 01m 16s) 140th. While Brian Chapman (1hr 01m 43s) grabbed the Club's veteran title finishing 154th.

Steve Lelliott (1hr 01m 46s) was 155th ahead of John Smith (1hr 02m 09s) 169th. Steve Knattress's time of 1hr 03m 34s meant that the first nine Chasers home all recorded bests for the distance.

Julian Fulbrook (1h 09m 04s) finished runner-up in Chasers veteran championship, recording a new personal best time. Fulbrook eliminated last year's veterans champion Brian Simons (1hr 10m 14s) to third place to inside the final mile and a half.

Walter Fairweather (1hr 13m 58s) retained the club veterans over 50s title.

In the team event Mornington Chasers (63pts) finished a very creditable

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fourth out of 30 teams behind Herne Hill Harriers (22pts), Ranelagh Harriers (50pts), and London Road Runners (55pts).

**HIGHGATE HARRIERS** Mark Driscoll and Alan Brown crossed the finishing line together to share the Harrison Cup at Parliament Hill on Saturday.

The duo clocked 24min 31sec for the three and a half mile handicap road race. They both received a minute's start. Third man home was John Jameson (24m 59s) who had a 66 second

The fastest time was recorded by Ian Manners who broke Karl Palmer's 1985 course record with a time of 18m 07s. Palmer's old mark was 18m 26s.

Second fastest was Chris Bailey (19m 22s) ahead of third placed runner Phil Reynolds (20m 55s).

**HIGHGATE WOMEN** finished sixth in the Southern road relays at Aldershot.

Lisa Webb (13m 02s) gave Harriers the best possible start by winning the first leg and was only one second off the fastest time.

Webb's time, equalled later by Paula Fudge was faster than several other internationals including Ruth Partridge (13m 05s) and Ann Ford

(13m 30s). Nicky Morris (13m 01s) recorded the best time.

Hilary Baxter, making a welcome return to Highgate colours, ran 14m 17s while Cathy White clocked (15m 07s).

Highgate's girls team of Sarah Andrews (7m 14s), Anya Smith (7m 15s) and Kristine Monaghan (7m 39s) finished 16th.

Eleene Monnett (65m 42s) improved her best by 2min 42sec in the Nescafe 10 mile National championships at Copthall. She was followed home by team mates Jane Arme (65m 45s); Fiona Smith (70m 29s); Pegg Schaefer (74m 21s) and Val Boyd (93m 00s).

**MUSWELL HILL Runners'** Clive Taylor (26m 53s) finished 19th in the Chingford League meeting at Trent Park on Saturday.

Next Runner home was Clive Harris (28m 17s) ahead of Kabir Kemp (29m 10s) 70th; Roger Kunes (29m 46s) 81st; Robert Raynor (30m 15s) 98th and Paul Cheek (30m 19s) 99th.

Runners came tenth overall behind the winners Victoria Park Harriers. On Sunday in the Cabbage Patch ten mile road race Bob Steward (59m 41s) won the over 50s race.

Meanwhile, Henry Galvan (32m 10s) finished third in the Croydon ten kilometres race also on Sunday.



● Hampstead's cup hero Jeff Gibson finds the Cambridge defence a little harder to

## Hawks fly so close

## Duo on singles march