

HAMPSTEAD & WESTMINSTER HOCKEY CLUB



Gulsh Mandair Captain. Position: right half. Age: 26. Honours: UAU, Middlesex. Chartered accountant with NatWest Markets. Likes: fast cars, good beer, eating at Kettners and chatting about Schedule B (woodland) tax assessments. Conversation severely limited since its recent abolition. Dislikes: tax reform.



Greg Pierce Coach. Position: centre half. Age: 35. Honours: New Zealand. Accountant with Pizza Hut, but prefers Kettners pizza, with its crispier base and fresh toppings. Likes: chatting to Mandair about who they're going to drop and Schedule B tax. Dislikes: getting drunk.



Rob Bloomer Position: right half. Age: 21. Honours: Sussex. Chartered surveyor. Likes: ACAS, international diplomacy and working for the Samaritans. Believes that with a little more mutual love and support the team can become greater than the sum of its parts. Dislikes: bad tackling, rudeness and negativity of any kind.



David Bott Position: forward or midfield. Age: 21. Honours: Middlesex U21, Australian U17 squad. Advertising executive with Peter Boizot Miscellaneous Enterprises Ltd. Likes: Arthur Schopenhauer and 19th century German philosophy. Sees the ideal state of man as one of contemplative freedom seen through art. Dislikes: 20th century philistinism and getting caught in conversations with Mandair and Pierce about Schedule B tax.



Charlie Brougham Position: goalkeeper. Age: 22. Honours: UAU. Stockbroking clerk with Brewin Dolphin. Likes: The Three Musketeers, tequila and Andy Thompson's bird. Dislikes: punching his teammates and the social divisiveness of the hereditary honours system.



Mark Crowley Position: left wing. Age: 12. Honours: Middlesex, South Bagshot Ull squad, East Wilmslow U10 (captain), Blue Peter badge. Medical student. Likes: scoring, winning, Take That, Take That posters, Take That pyjamas, Robbie and Blue Peter. Dislikes: not scoring, tomatoes and people who criticise Take That because actually they write all their own lyrics and if you really listen to them they make more sense than anything Schopenhauer wrote and they're in English.



Dave Grady Position: inside right. Age: 23. Honours: Warwickshire. Chartered accountant. Likes: being an accountant, talking about accountancy and calculating deferred tax provisions. Dislikes: being mistaken for Valerie Singleton.



Dave Dixon Position: sweeper. Age: 79. Honours: Middlesex, South. Data processing manager with Sonwa bank. Likes: Cliff Richard, antiwrinkle creams, 1st team hockey and whistling the theme tune from 'Bridge over the River Kwai' on his way to work. Dislikes: listening to his boss whistling the theme tune from 'Tora! Tora! Tora!', birthdays, drinking, drugs and being reminded of how he used to behave when he did like them.



Graham Hill Position: forward. Age: 24. Honours: Devon, Middlesex. Banker with Citibank. Likes: Babes, food and skiing. Dislikes: English winters, bad drivers and loud, rude people (sorry Mark).



Nigel Land Position: forward. Age: 24. Honours: UAU, North U21. Trainee chartered accountant with Coopers and Lybrand. Likes: tequila, falling over and talking to Mandair and Pierce about Schedule B tax. Believes that it should have been retained and that only the Schedule D election, whereby the taxpayer could choose to have any profits from woodland management taxed as Schedule D income, abolished. Dislikes: people who aren't interested in tax reform.



Colm O'Shea Position: Goalkeeper. Age: 24. Honours: Cambridgeshire U21. Money market dealer with Citibank. Likes: sailing, dancing, AC/DC night-clubs and dressing up as a woman. Dislikes: stitches, prudes and being a woman trapped in a man's body.

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Adrian Rogers Position: midfield or forward. Age: 26. Honours: Middlesex. Marketeer with Telephone Information Services plc. i.e. runs all those dubious 0898 numbers which are so difficult to explain on your itemised phone bill. Likes: complaining and breathing heavily on the phone. Dislikes: having nothing to complain about and people who think he's in charge of dirty phone lines, because he isn't and anyway it's a free country and anything that keeps perverts in their own home by the phone off the streets must be a good thing.



William Saxby Position: right wing. Age: 27. Honours: Middlesex. Chartered surveyor with Weatherall Green and Smith. Likes: Bob Dylan, good books, banana custard and his wife. Dislikes: London Underground in rushhour and being shouted at and people finding out that his first wife was a Kalahari pygmy called Inubobuta, which means 'daughter of a speeding antelope'.



Derek Stone Position: centre-back. Age: 30. Honours: Middlesex. Solicitor with Cameron Markby Hewitt. Likes: hedonism. Dislikes: having the ball, being sober, drug rehabilitation clinics and failing to pull a bird on a Saturday night.



Chris Swallow Position: midfield. Age: 24. Honours: once nearly shook hands with Prince Charles. Product manager with Sainsburys. Likes: red wine, fast cars and the new range of easy-to-cook pasta available at Sainsbury superstores everywhere. Dislikes: international travel, five star hotels, Tesco's tagliatelli and anyone playing at inside right.



Brian Tenner Position: left half. Age: 26. Honours: Middlesex. Chartered accountant with Price Waterhouse. Likes: being insane, number 4, the green green grass of home, bridge, cheese biscuits and chatting to Mandair, Pierce and Land about Schedule D tax assessments. Dislikes: numbers 1 to 3, numbers 5 to 16, unpunctuality and fighting with team-mates.



Andrew Thompson Position: centre-forward. Age: 24. Honours: Warwickshire, Midlands. Law student. Likes Jimmy Hill, American women, the hereditary honours system and one day hopes to become Lady Andrew Brougham. Dislikes: dancing, well-endowed American men, dancing with well-endowed American men and being compared unfavourably to his older brother Daley.



Rob Turner Position: left half. Age: 26. Honours: Nottinghamshire. Insolvency practitioner with Finn Associates. Likes: coin collecting, philately and train-spotting. Dislikes: people who are not interested in trains and modern fashion's abandonment of the Parker anorak.



Daniel Williams Position: midfield. Age: 29. Honours: Scotland. Chartered surveyor with Weatherall Green and Smith. Likes: Training, cable TV companies, Brian Tenner collecting fine money and lending a sympathetic ear to the whingers. Dislikes: sailing his yacht up from the Mediterranean and missing pre-season training.



Harry Watson Manager. Age: 82. Honours: Oxfordshire. Futures trader. Likes: meditation and competing in the South Hampstead Temperance Society's weekly beetle drive. Believes that the route to spiritual enlightenment lies in bodily purity. Dislikes: strong shandy, talking nonsense and sleeping in the gutter.



Sam Taylor Liaison officer. Age: 37. Honours: once nearly shook hands with Chris Swallow. Trading standards officer with London Borough of Sutton. Likes: booking hockey pitches and having his hair styled by Vidal Sassoon. Dislikes: walking home, liaising with people and anyone who doesn't take a bit of trouble with their appearance.



Pat Curtin Position: forward. Age: 21. Honours: Surrey U21. Shop assistant. Likes: Arsenal, Mohamed AlFayed and hiding naked in the cold meat counter at Harrods. Dislikes: going to his elocution lessons and being reported for misconduct when it's not his fault and anyway no-one would have noticed if they hadn't run out of Italian salami.