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Dear Nick

HAMPSTEAD AND WESTMINSTER CENTENARY TOURNAMENT
16th-18th September 1994

Arrangements are well advanced for the above tournament and this bulletin is designed to update you with the background, ensure you keep the weekend free, and advise you of the proposed financial contribution we need from our members to ensure the weekend is a success.

Tournament

The tournament will cover three categories: -

Veterans

This will consist of eight teams in two pools of four. There will be two matches of 25 minutes each way played on Saturday and Sunday, of which the second match on Sunday will be a play-off game. The proposed pools are as follows (may be subject to alteration):

Pool A

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Hampstead Veterans | <input type="checkbox"/> Liverpool Sefton |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Icen Rex | <input type="checkbox"/> Llamas |

Pool B

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Maidenhead | <input type="checkbox"/> Travellers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> De Alster | <input type="checkbox"/> Dulwich Vagrants |

Super Veterans

This will consist of four teams who will all play three 25 minute each way matches against each other. The teams will play two games on one day and one game on the other, with the exception of the Puritans who are only coming on Sunday and will, therefore, play three matches on that day. The teams are: -

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Spaniards | <input type="checkbox"/> Puritans |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Leominster | <input type="checkbox"/> Liars |

Other

The club mens first eleven will play a triangular tournament on Saturday against Whitchurch and Anchorians and on Sunday will have a single match against Whitchurch. There will also be a match for the ladies first eleven on each day.

Hockey will start on Saturday at 9.30 am and finish at 5.00 pm and on Sunday will start at 9.30 am and finish at 4.00 pm at which time there will be a formal presentation.

Umpires are being invited by Tony Elliott and Morley Pecker will act as technical delegate.

A licensed bar and catering for both days will be operated on a cash basis by City Centre Leisure who have the franchise for the management of Paddington Recreation Ground.

Entertainment

Hamptons Wine Bar in Whitcomb Street will be the meeting point on Friday evening from 7.00 pm onwards. This is not a formal occasion but it will be an opportunity for us to welcome all the visiting teams.

Nigel has kindly agreed to make some draft beer available for this evening.

Saturday 17th September

Arrangements have been made to take over the whole of the Groucho Club in Dean Street for our principal Saturday night party. We will be catering for approximately 250 people and operating on a running buffet basis. We have also managed to acquire through Peter Boizot's auspices, the Laurie Chescoe Jazz Band who will play three 50 minute stints during the course of the evening. The total cost of this evening, including the equivalent of a half bottle of wine and a bottle of mineral water per head, is approximately £30. Whilst it is anticipated that the participating hockey teams and partner will give their full support to this function, it is hoped to have the facility to invite a number of other members of the hockey club to come along just for the jazz and drinks and this would be on a £10 per head basis.

Accommodation

Accommodation has been arranged for those who require it at the Regent Palace Hotel at Piccadilly Circus at the very advantageous rates below: -

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Triple Room | £21 per person for bed and breakfast |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Twin Room | £24 per person for bed and breakfast |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Single Room | £32 per person for bed and breakfast |

Due to the structure of the Regent Palace Hotel, there are only four on-suite bathrooms in a total of 900 rooms. However, baths are easily available by picking up the telephone and having a maid running the bath and escorting the individual to the said bathroom!

Costs

In order for this tournament to be a success and to repay some of the vast hospitality that we have enjoyed in the past, it will be necessary to subsidise the costs from our own members. I would like to propose the following tariffs: -

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Touring Vets | £100 per head |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other Veterans | £50 per head |