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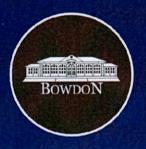


HAMPSTEAD & WESTMINSTER

**SOUTH DOWNS ROAD** 

**12TH OCTOBER 2024** 

6:30PM





MATCHDAY PROGRAMME 2024 / 2025





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#### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

Good evening and welcome once again to South Down's Road for tonight's Premier League encounter between Bowdon and Hampstead & Westminster. Like our previous visitors East Grinstead, this is Hampstead's first visit to South Down's Road since the 2011/12 season. We hope the trip up north wasn't too arduous! Welcome too to our umpires Hannah Harrison and David Monger as well as match official Peter McInulty. Useless fact of the day – on Hampstead's last trip to Bowdon one of the umpires was Hannah's husband Matt!

It won't have any bearing on today's match, but Hampstead's last visit ended in defeat as Bowdon ran out 3-2 winners! However, the season ended with relegation for Bowdon. Since then Hampstead have continually proved themselves to be one of the strongest clubs in the country, winning the Premier League play-offs in 2019 and finishing runners-up in 2018 and 2020. Their current campaign has however got off to a mixed start, with a win against East Grinstead, a draw against Beeston with last minute goal saving them from defeat, and last week a narrow defeat to a strong Holcombe side. So results suggest the London side aren't firing on all cylinders but they will still be confident of defeating a Bowdon side still searching for their first points. Lining up against Bowdon today is Ted Graves who was a stand-out performer in Bowdon's league winning side last year. It's great to see him back at Bowdon!

It's been a tough start to life back in the Premier Division for Simon Egerton and his team. No points from the first three matches underline just how big the difference is from Division One. As a number of players have commented the big difference is how much quicker the game is and the intensity with which the game is played. Last week's loss to East Grinstead was proof of this. Bowdon started well, weathering early pressure before taking the lead through Rob Creffier from a well-worked short corner. But Bowdon were unable to capitalise, and Grinstead came back into the game equalising from a corner just before the break. This resulted from a turnover on their own 23. A lightning quick transition, a corner won and from a promising field position of their own Bowdon ended up conceding themselves. Grinstead scored again after 10 minutes of the 2<sup>nd</sup> half and whilst Bowdon had chances in the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter they were unable to convert their corners. In the last quarter Grinstead noticeably upped their game as Bowdon tired and scored a 3<sup>rd</sup> from open play.

Bowdon have shown they can compete at this level, but know they need to improve their fitness and try to match the intensity shown by the opposition for the full 70 minutes. Hampstead will definitely be favourites today, but Bowdon are capable of getting something from the game before next week's double header down south. Two crucial matches against Richmond and Southgate – a glance at the table will tell you how important those games are!

Jez Allen





Men's Hockey League Premier Division 2024/25

## BOWDON v HAMPSTEAD & WESTMINSTER Saturday 12th October 2024 6.30pm

UMPIRES: Hannah Harrison, David Monger

PITCH MANAGER: Roger Dawson-Smith

MATCH OFFICIAL: Peter McInulty

VIDEO/LIVE STREAM: Jasper Kuijper

BOWDON (from)

Shirt

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Creffier

Campbell

Egerton

McAuliffe

Rogerson

Ainsworth

Bellin

Pidcock

Halfhead

McAuliffe

Miles

Parry

Carter

Henshaw

Gladwin

Rakkas

Creed

Dolado-Hollyman

Wyndham-Smith

Cooke (Capt.)

Dawson-Smith

Grant (GK)



Forename

Will

Rob

Dan

Sam

Jack

Simon

Richie

Ollie

Tom

Matt

Cole

Steven

Carlos

Jack

Will

Lee

Chris

Nikash

Duncan Zach

Maks

Brendan

HAMPSTEAD & WESTMINSTER (from)



Shirt	Surname	Forename
1	Reynolds-Cotterill (GK)	Toby
4	Guise-Brown	Timothy
5	Oates	James
7	Cross	Timothy
8	Crowson	Tom
9	Shipperley	Rupert
10	Graves	Ted
11	Hutchinson	Dale
13	Guise-Brown	Matthew
14	Jones	Hywel
15	Morgan	Jolyon
16	Sharp	Joe
17	Vaughan	Toby
18	Kelly	Josh
19	Swanepoel	Dylan
22	Robson	Michael
23	Steffens	Nicholas
24	Turnbull	Jordan
25	Kaeppeler	Kei
26	Richards	Matt
27	Crowe	Ryan

MANAGER: Bill Ball COACH: Simon Egerton ASST COACH: John Dixon COLOURS: Shirts: Red/Black Shorts: Black Socks: Black/Red top MANAGER: Andrew Harrington COACH: Rhett Halkett ASST COACH: Danny Newcombe PHYSIO: Ashleigh Abbott COLOURS: Shirts: White/Navy/Sky Shorts: Navy

Socks: White/Navy/Sky

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### Men's Hockey League Premier Division Review

Men's Premier Division leaders Old Georgians made short work of promoted Richmond recording a 12-1 win on Saturday evening. This included a second hat-trick in as many weeks for Sam Ward and braces for Tom and James Carson along with Alan Forsyth. Richmond are finding the step up challenging having lost all three games to date whilst OGs have now won 20 successive Premier Division matches. Holcombe are the only other team with three wins out of three after a hard fought 3-2 victory at Hampstead & Westminster with Tim Neild hitting the winner and Holcombe holding out for the last 12 minutes. Unbeaten Beeston go third thanks to a 2-1 win over Cardiff & Met with Henry Croft's 53<sup>rd</sup> minute goal decisive. Croft has scored in all three of Beeston's games so far this season. Oxted secured a second win of the campaign, running out 4-1 winners at Southgate. Lucas Ward scored twice for the visitors in their first top- flight win against Southgate. Southgate are another team without a point this season and the third of this group are Bowdon who went down 3-1 at home to East Grinstead. Robert Creffier gave Bowdon the lead, but EG came back with goals from Holland, Pembroke and Knight.

Pos	Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Pts
1	Old Georgians	3	3	0	0	26	3	23	9
2	Holcombe	3	3	0	0	12	6	6	9
3	Beeston	3	2	1	0	7	4	3	7
4	Surbiton	2	2	0	0	12	2	10	6
5	Oxted	3	2	0	1	10	7	3	6
6	Hampstead & Westminster	3	1	1	1	7	6	1	4
7	Wimbledon	2	1	0	1	9	5	4	3
8	East Grinstead	3	1	0	2	6	8	-2	3
9	Cardiff & Met	3	1	0	2	5	7	-2	3
10	Southgate	3	0	0	3	3	15	-12	0
11	Bowdon	3	0	0	3	2	15	-13	0
12	Richmond	3	0	0	2	2	23	-21	0

#### PREMIER LEAGUE HOCKEY AT BOWDON



ivien's (Premier)		
Saturday 26th October	v Holcombe	18.30
Saturday 9th November	v Surbiton	18.30
Women's (Premier)		
Saturday 19th October	v Uni. of Birmingham	13.30
Sunday 20th October	<b>V Sutton Coldfield</b>	.14.30
Saturday 9th November	v Surbiton	13.30
Saturday 16th November	Hampstead & West	13 30

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