

**GLOUCESTERSHIRE
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GHA AGM – 2024

Men's Masters Report (O60's)

Masters Activity in Gloucestershire

We had 42 players, representing 10 different clubs, register and attend trials for the EH Cup squads, aged between 60 and 69.

EH Masters O60's Championships

Two teams were entered into the England Hockey Masters Cup this season. The B team got to the quarter finals of the T2 cup and the A team to the semi-finals of the T2 cup, losing only after a penalty shoot-out.

West Masters

Several of this squad play for West Masters in their respective EH Regional Tournament age groups (O60, O65) but we lack the leadership/organisation/time to get involved in more of the West local tournaments.

International Masters

Several of this seasons squad represented England A, England B, England LX and Wales at last year's European championships in the O60 and O65 age groups. Four players winning gold or bronze medals (Dave Webb, Steve Foster, Steve Mumford, John Partridge).

Future

There are more Masters players out there in the county at all age groups but as ever the barrier is leadership and organisation to get them mobilised and involved. Changes to the EH Cup rules may result in the competition returning to a Club (as opposed to County/Region) basis which may help get more players involved. Cirencester is one club which may also field an O50's Masters team next season in the EH Cup.

Steve Foster

GHA Men's O60's Masters

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