

# AGSB SPORT

## Half Term Review

Issue 4 – Easter 2023



### Old Boys and Senior Sports Awards

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> May, saw the annual Old Boys fixtures followed by the Senior Sports Awards.

The day was a huge success. It kicked off with an indoor Hockey fixture officiated by 'Old Boy' James Mazarelo, which finished 5-5. The quality of the game was high, and Man of the Match was awarded to GK Josh Legg.

18 old boys turned up for the Football match. The game went end to end, with the old boys leading for much of the match. In the final minutes Ben Newey grabbed the winner. Final score 3-2 to the school. Man of the Match was awarded to LB Rory Hobbs

The Rugby fixture was a physical affair, both teams putting in substantial hits throughout the game. Both teams were inseparable in the first half where it finished 19-19. In the second half the old boys added size and weight from their first year at university showed, as they started to physically dominate the game, eventually running out 26-46 winners. Man of the match was awarded to James Legg.



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## Senior Sports Awards



Full and Half Colours were awarded to 29 AGSB pupils for their endeavours on the sports field.

During the evening the following awards were presented. Les Cope Memorial Trophy for Cricket, Rea Trophy for Hockey, Jon Hughes – Outstanding contribution to sport, JW Brown Trophy for Rugby, JR Thompson

The Awards Evening was well attended by over 130 people, made up of pupils, parents, old boys and staff.

Old Boy James Mazarelo was the guest speaker. Who gave great insight into his sporting achievements since leaving AGSB. He spoke about university sport, England and GB representation and what it takes to excel in sport.



## Senior Sports Awards

Memorial Trophy for Football, Esprit De Corps – Football, Esprit De Corps – Rugby, The Roy Coleman Team of the Year. The final award was the Dunkely Cup – AGSB’s Victor Ludorum.

Ted Graves was this year’s winner, playing senior school Cross Country, Hockey and Football and achieving England honours in Hockey.



## HOUSE CRICKET

During March, the Hindu Sikh, and Jain Society (HSJS) launched AGSB's inaugural Indoor House Cricket Competition for the whole school. As a part of our society's values, the tournament was designed to bring the school community together as well as encouraging Student leadership being one of the first house competitions to be organised by a student body. The tournament ran in a knock-out style format with the 4 houses competing for the crown.

The sixth form tournament was first up and in the Semi-Finals Bradbury Sixth form played Massey in what was a comfortable victory for Massey where they secured their place in the final after a clinical bowling performance as well as an outstanding show with the bat from Vishal Arun.

The second semi-final involved both Tatton and Stamford in what was a tight contest with Tatton managing to get over the line with only a few balls to spare. Consequently, an exciting final was set up for the upcoming week between Tatton and Massey.

The Final definitely didn't disappoint with Massey setting a massive 61 off just 7 overs thanks to some impressive hitting from Arthur Tazaki-Quayle, this therefore meant Tatton required 62 to win the tournament. Things started off well for Tatton getting 25 for the loss of only 1 wicket in 2 overs. The momentum they had then eventually carried them over the line with Naman Mudaliar taking his house across the line in the end.

The following week marked the start of the Year 11 & 10 competition which attracted a strong audience making for a fascinating 2 semi-finals.

The first match of the tournament was Stamford and Massey in what was an extremely dominant performance from Massey getting Stamford all out for 11 then proceeding to chase the score down in 4 balls taking them straight to the finals.

Second up was Tatton and Bradbury in what was another comfortable victory for the winning side as Bradbury set 37 after 5 overs and Tatton only managing to amass 28 off their allocated overs. Courtesy of an excellent bowling performance from Sheil Patel.

Once again, the final was set to be a great game with both teams dominating their semi-final matches and ready to take each other on. Massey won the toss and elected to bat first setting a strong 57 off their 6 overs with captain Dylan Parekh their highest scorer. Bradbury then went into bat requiring 58 off their 7 overs and with 2 overs left they required 21 to seal the game. The game as expected went to the last ball with Dominic Howard hitting the winning runs to seal the final for his house. In the end Bradbury edged out over Massey however with a balcony full of students and a last ball finish, cricket was the real winner.

This event wouldn't have been able to be made possible without the support of the Hindu Sikh & Jain Society volunteers as well as support in both umpiring and logistics from Mr Soulsby and Mr Meakin.

We now look forward to hosting competitions for Year's 7-9 who will have the opportunity to show their talents and take part in their own respective age group tournaments which are guaranteed to be as competitive as the years above.

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## County Success

AGSB Hockey has once again enjoyed a stella year in the county competitions.

In the U14's we played Kings Chester in the final. We knew this was going to be a tough game having played them already in the season losing 4-0. In the final AGBS defended superbly, frustrating the opposition. J Hickson in goal made some superb saves and at half time the score was 0-0.

Unfortunately, Kings managed to score twice in the 2<sup>nd</sup> half from short corners. Nevertheless the U14's had a great season and they should be proud on their achievements.

The U16's and U18's, county season culminated with a double header away at Kings Macclesfield. The U16's played first and were dominant from the off, racking up goal after goal. The game finished 7-1 in favour of AGBS and they were crowned county champions.

The U18's game was similar with AGBS putting the opposition under early pressure. Goals followed and AGBS were victorious 8-0. AGBS are U16 & U18 County Champions and the U14's runners – up. Well done to all involved!



## FOOTBALL – Greater Manchester Cup Final

AGSB 1<sup>st</sup> XI took to the field against a strong Canon Slade side. AGBS were quick out the blocks with an early goal by Oli Barber, who struck from the edge of the box into the top left corner. AGBS played the better football throughout the game but couldn't capitalise in front of goal. In the second half a long ball from Canon Slade unlocked our defence and they managed to score at the back post. The game went to extra time where AGBS continued to play good football, Canon Slade tried to use long ball tactics that the AGBS defence dealt with easily. Neither team were able to score so it went to penalties. AGBS held their nerve, and the first 4 penalty takers dispatched their opportunities: Ted Graves, Oli Barber, Luca Giovanni and Seb Dodd. The Canon Slade, fourth and fifth penalty takers failed to hit the target and AGBS ran out 4-3 winners on pens. The 1<sup>st</sup> XI have had a great season and truly deserved the silverware.

Well done to all involved!



## KHO-KHO

Meanwhile, in school, the society continued to train hard in preparation for the biggest event of the year for AGBS Kho-Kho, the exhibition match. This was a best of 3 series between 2 teams, captained by Arjun A (Yr11) and Rohan P (Yr11), played in front of the whole school to watch. The aim of holding this event was to spread awareness about the sport and try to expand the society further throughout the school. To do this, we had two professional commentators, Yuvan S (Yr 12) and Dhruv P (Yr 12), explain the game as it progressed.


The turnout for the event was incredible with students from all year groups, along with many teachers filling the balcony to watch this exciting match. The first match commenced with Rohan's team chasing first. They made a very strong start, getting out many of the opposing team and putting up a tough score for Arjun's team to try to beat. Arjun's team however were simply outplayed by the expertise of Rohan in the second half, giving Rohan's team a clear win in the first game. The second game had a similar pattern with Arjun's team doing better while running away but still lacking in points while chasing. After the second game Rohan's team went 2-0 up. Learning from their mistakes now, Arjun's team started very strong in the final game keeping the levels of energy constant throughout, almost reversing the flow of play from the first 2 games, sailing past Rohan's team with ease. Yet the game had already been won 2-1, with Rohan's team victorious from their earlier performances. Nevertheless, both teams played admirably, with the fixture ending closer than many people had expected.

Overall, the match was a great success in showing the AGBS community what Kho-Kho is, getting them interested in a sport that otherwise would have stayed unknown. Kho-Kho training sessions will continue till the end of the year, where we hope to see more and more students turning up and trying out the game. The match has given the Kho-Kho society a platform to present the true elegance of the sport, hopefully inspiring people who had never heard of it to come and have a crack. Sessions are on Wednesday lunch, and we are looking forward to seeing as many new faces as possible to build a stronger team for the next national competition.




TEAMS OF THE YEAR

**AGSB Rugby Team of the Year 2022-2023**




1	S. Dasgupta	Year 9
2	L. Sutton	Year 8
3	J. Ryan	1st XV
4	T. Ariyo	Year 10
5	A. Stewart	Year 9
6	D. Wheeler	1st XV
7	O. Good	Year 8
8	F. Sherman	1st XV
9	A. Aziz	1st XV
10	J. O'Brien	Year 7
11	Z. Awan	Year 9
12	A. Webb	1st XV
13	C. Sidwell	Year 8
14	R. Hatton	Year 9
15	F. Doyle	Year 10

**AGSB Football Team of the Year 2022-2023**



1	Krishav Rangaraju	Year 7
2	Ben Newey	2nd X1
3	David Udekwa-Amota	1st X1
4	Sikandar Choudhry	1st X1
5	Josh Parkin	Year 9
6	David Chen	Year 8
7	Jeremy Esan	Year 7
8	Ben Stevens	Year 7
9	Harvey Wolff	Year 10
10	Philip Sharp	Year 8
11	Charlie Simon	2nd X1

**AGSB Hockey Team of the Year 2022-2023**



1	J. Hickson	Year 8
2	R. Hatton	Year 9
3	S. Hill	Year 12
4	W. Johnson	Year 11
5	O. Hatton	Year 12
6	H. Small	Year 9
7	R. Hobbs	Year 13
8	T. Graves	Year 13
9	E. Lord	Year 12
10	B. Hawkins	Year 13
11	L. Boesley	Year 10