

City of Plymouth ASA  
Lamb's Trophy Water polo Tournament, HMS Raleigh  
Saturday 29th November 2014- 1100 to 1500

Match order and Results

1. Devonport Royal 12 v Royal Navy 4
2. Devonport Royal 8 v Barnstaple 7
3. Barnstaple 13 v Royal Navy 8

Goals Tally

Team	Devonport Royal	Barnstaple	Royal Navy	Goals For	Goals Against
Devonport Royal	X	8	12	20	13
Barnstaple	7	X	13	20	16
Royal Navy	4	8	X	12	25

Points Totals

Win=2 Draw=1 Lose=0

Devonport 4  
Barnstaple 2  
Royal Navy 0

**Tournament Winners**  
**Runners Up**

Devonport Royal  
Barnstaple

**City of Plymouth ASA Player of the Tournament**  
(Devonport)  
(to be awarded to a City of Plymouth ASA club member)

James Bowdon

Unfortunately the Royal Navy didn't quite have enough players to host a team so in the friendly spirit of the tournament Barnstaple lent them a player for the goal, and they dragged me in from the table. Thankfully Roger Bosom (of Devonport) had obviously had a premonition in this area and had brought reinforcements in the form of Mr. Wilson, and Mrs Sally Davies also lent a hand to make sure the match ran smoothly.

It was obvious from the start that the lack of substitutes and having a girl on the team was going to take its toll on the Navy team. Devonport went straight in hard, shocking the Navy into submission with the score at the end of the first quarter 3-0 to Devonport. The Navy finally got themselves together in the second quarter with both teams scoring two goals. With the Navy tiring in the third quarter Devonport took no prisoners with the Navy only managing to sneak one goal past the Devonport keeper, where the swimming speed of Devonport showed through scoring a further six goals this quarter.

The Navy worked hard in the final quarter however it wasn't enough to make back the eight goal lead that Devonport had accumulated, with another goal apiece in the final quarter the final score was 12-4.

The second match was a nail biting game right to the last second. Barnstaple had also only just managed to get a team together, as many had decided to take advantage of the good weather and go surfing, so they had no substitutes, compared to Devonport's three. However Barnstaple didn't let that deter them. Again Devonport went out hard scoring the first two goals, however Barnstaple rebounded before the end of the quarter to make the score 2-1 to Devonport. The second quarter started in a similar manner with Devonport scoring the first goal however Barnstaple made a convincing comeback half way through the quarter managing to score three goals before the whistle, pulling them into the lead with the score now 3-4.

The third quarter started badly for Barnstaple with Josh Simpson managing to give away two major fouls in the first minute and a half, the second of which was a penalty, scored by James Bowdon of Devonport making the score even. James Bowdon then went on to score another goal before Barnstaple pulled their trunks back up to score another two goals before the end of the quarter. Score now 5-6.

The last quarter really got everyone on the edge of their seats, Barnstaple scored the first goal putting them another goal clear. However it was obvious that Devonport weren't done yet, and they gradually wore Barnstaple down until the score in the last minute was even at 7-7. With thirty seconds to go both teams were playing hard. A little too hard in Barnstaple's case as a major foul put them in a man down situation. Devonport took good advantage of having an extra man, and managed to sneak the ball past the goalie with 15 seconds to spare. Final score 8-7 to Devonport.

The final match was Royal Navy v Barnstaple. The match started with a bit of déjà vu for the Navy team with Barnstaple scoring 3 goals in the first quarter to the Navy's none. Again the Navy managed to get themselves into the game in the second quarter although Barnstaple continued to dominate, score at the end of the second quarter 6-2 to Barnstaple. The third quarter and the Navy finally managed to find some weaknesses in the Barnstaple defence allowing them to score four goals, however this didn't prevent Barnstaple remaining on the offensive as they still managed to sneak three goals past the keeper. Score 9-6. The final quarter played back into Barnstaple's hand with a tiring Navy team, both teams managed to exchange goals throughout the quarter until Barnstaple scored an extra goal at the end of the quarter. Final score 13-8 to Barnstaple.

Thank you to the referees Roger Bosom, and Bill Baker, to Mr Gary Wilson and Mrs Sally Davies for helping with the table and Mr. Richard Davies for taking photographs.