

**C DSBS                      Blackburn's Welfare Club, squash section and                      1976-2004**  
**the Hull and District Squash League, records**

**Accession number:** 14/78

**Historical Background:** The Hull and District Squash League was founded in 1950, with six teams competing in just one division. A second division was added in 1954. One of the new teams in this second division was the squash section from the Welfare Club at Blackburn's, the aircraft manufacturers at Brough. Although they had had a squash court for some years, they would wait until 1954 to join the league. It was at this club, that, some years later, Tony Barker would first become involved in the sport. As squash became more popular, so the league began to expand and by 1979-1980, it had 94 teams in 14 divisions. With the advent of the Humber Bridge, 1981 saw teams from south of the Humber accepted for the first time, although there had been rumours that a Grimsby based team had wanted to participate in the league on its inception back in 1950. Individual women and teams of women had been competing in the main league for many years, but it was not until 1980-1981 that a seven team Ladies Division was established.

1987 saw the establishment of the Humberside Association of Squash Clubs and Centres, an umbrella organisation, which brought together the Hull and District Squash League and the developing junior and over 35s competitions. The junior events had been particularly promoted and sponsored by Humberside County Council. 1987 also saw Tony Barker become the association's chairman. 2000 saw another change in the league's organisation, when the Hull and District Squash League became a limited company after legal proceedings brought in 1998, by a player who had been disciplined by the league in 1983. Although the case went in favour of the association, it had demonstrated the difficulties for those running unincorporated organisations. The league continues today, with Blackburn's, now called Blackburn's Leisure Squash Club still active league members.

**Custodial history:** Records deposited by Tony Barker, former Hull and District Squash League chairman and member of the Blackburn's Welfare Club, squash section

**Description:** Annual reports, rules, Executive Committee minutes and agendas, fixtures, results and correspondence.

**Arrangement :**

C DSBS /1	Records of the Hull and District Squash League	1988-2004
C DSBS/2	Humberside Association of Squash Clubs and Centres	1981-2000
C DSBS/3	Rules of the Hull and District Squash League	1986-2002
C DSBS/4	Hull and Humberside Squash competitions	1979-1990
C DSBS/5	Blackburn's Welfare Club, squash section	1976-2004

**Extent:** 3 boxes

**Related material:** The Hull Daily Mail, which is available to view on microfilm at the History Centre, carries articles and results from the Hull and District Squash League. In addition, magazines, like The Journal, from January 2007, May 2015 and June 2016, have also featured the local squash scene.

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<b>C DSBS/1</b>	<b>Records of the Hull and District Squash League (H&amp;DSL)</b> 3 bundles	<b>1988-2004</b>
C DSBS/1/1	Minutes of the H&DSL and Association Ltd 2 bundles	1988-2001
C DSBS/1/1/1	Minutes of the H&DSL 1 bundle	20 Aug 1988- 11 Sep 1989
C DSBS/1/1/2	Minutes the Annual General Meeting of the H&DSL Association Limited 1 bundle	2 May 1990- 15 May 2001
C DSBS/1/2	Annual reports of the H&DSL Association 1 bundle	2001-2004
C DSBS/1/2/1	Annual reports of the H&DSL Association 1 bundle	2001-2004
<b>C DSBS/2</b>	<b>Records relating to the Humberside Association of Squash Clubs and Centres (HASC&amp;C)</b> 1 item 6 bundles	<b>1983-2000</b>
C DSBS/2/1	Minutes of the HASC&C 4 bundles	1987-1999
C DSBS/2/1/1	Minutes of the Executive Committee of the HASC&C 1 bundle	28 Sep 1987- 5 Sep 1989
C DSBS/2/1/2	Minutes of the Executive Committee of the HASC&C 1 bundle	20 Jan 1990- 3 Oct 1991
C DSBS/2/1/3	Minutes of the Executive Committee of the HASC&C 1 bundle	9 Apr 1992- 25 Nov 1999
C DSBS/2/1/4	Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the HASC&C 1 bundle	14 Jul 1987- 2 Jun 1999
C DSBS/2/2	Annual Reports of the HASC&C 1 bundle	1992-2000

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C DSBS/2/3	Club correspondence of the Yorkshire and Humberside Squash Rackets Association Includes 1 bundle	28 Sep 1986- 6 May 1994
C DSBS/2/4	The first Yorkshire and Humberside Squash Rackets Association year book 1 item	1983-1984
<b>C DSBS/3</b>	<b>Rules of the H&amp;DSL</b> 1 item 1 bundle	<b>1986-2002</b>
C DSBS/3/1	Rules of the H&DSL 1 item	1986
C DSBS/3/2	Rules of the H&DSL Includes the ladies and junior leagues. With related correspondence, a photocopy of a memorandum of association of the Hull and District Association and records relating to the appointment of an administrator. 1 bundle	22 Jan 2002- 2 Sep 2002
<b>C DSBS/4</b>	<b>Records relating to Hull and Humberside Squash competitions</b> <b>2 items 2 bundles</b>	<b>1979-1990</b>
C DSBS/4/1	Records relating to Hull and District Junior Squash Leagues 2 bundles	1979-1990
C DSBS/4/1/1	Correspondence relating to the Hull and District Junior Squash League Includes minutes of meetings 1 bundle	5 Dec 1985- 1990
C DSBS/4/1/2	Hull and District Junior Squash League competition records This item contains personal sensitive information and is not available for public inspection until January 2090 1 bundle	1979-1989
C DSBS/4/2	Accounts for the Humberside Open Squash tournament 1 item	1985
C DSBS/4/3	Records relating to Humberside Over 35s Squash League 1 item	Jan 1990

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<b>C DSBS/5</b>	<b>Records of the Blackburn's Welfare Club, squash section</b> 2 bundles	<b>1976-2004</b>
C DSBS/5/1	Minutes of the Blackburn's Welfare Society, squash section 1 bundle	1980-1989
C DSBS/5/1/1	Blackburn's Welfare Society, squash section minutes 1 bundle	30 Aug 1980- 19 Apr 1989
C DSBS/5/2	Correspondence of the Blackburn's Welfare Society, squash section 1 bundle	1976-2004
C DSBS/5/2/1	Correspondence with the H&DSL Includes copies of the minutes of the annual general meeting and aspects such as the School Sports Forum Report, the Northern Counties Squash League and other general letters 1 bundle	Sep 1976- 2 Apr 2004