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Girl Power Wins Maxey Battle of the Sexes

Maxey women and girls are the 2000 champions. They narrowly beat the village males in the first ever Battle of the Sexes - a challenge of sporting prowess and brainpower.

Six village teams - three of each gender, and in three different age categories - competed in five-a-side football and netball at Werrington Sports Centre on the morning of Saturday November 18. The highest points scoring teams from the preliminary rounds – females over 40 year-old and 18-40 year-old males – then represented their sexes in a tense play-off final on the netball court.

Despite creating numerous scoring chances, the males failed to get the ball in the net and the jubilant females took a 1-0 lead into the evening's Pub Quiz.

The male team had the chance to even the score in the 40-question quiz at the Blue Bell - and force a tie-decider. But although they put up a brave challenge, Girl Power made it a double-whammy on the day, winning by two points.



A clearly delighted, nay, 'over-the-moon' Pat Summers collects the trophy on behalf of womankind everywhere from Keith Elliott.

Charity is Day's Second Big Winner

The Battle of the Sexes raised £985 for the village's nominated charitable causes.

Profits from the Battle of the Sexes post-event fish and chip supper, the entry fees and a raffle with a difference raised over £492 for the village charity fund. This was very generously doubled by Peterborough-based British Sugar plc, making a superb total of £985.

Big thanks to our backroom teams:

- ☞ Kevin Butters, Jo Reynolds, Pat Summers and Di Markley for creating and organising the Battle of the Sexes.
- ☞ Ian and Louise Duncan for running the Pub Quiz and compiling the questions.
- ☞ British Sugar plc for doubling the amount raised for the village charity.
- ☞ Keith Elliott for organising the programme of events and keeping score.
- ☞ Football referee Terry Beckett plus netball umpires Julie Jessop and Ann Beckwith.
- ☞ Everyone who donated a prize for the 'raffle with a difference'.

The teams:

Females up-to-16 y-o

Becky Chown, Sophie Bond, Kim Robinson, Laura Exton, Katie Shaw, Grace Hazeldine, Kimberley Payne, Jessica Bradley

Females 17 to 40 y-o

Suzy Lamb, Theresa Marshall, Vanessa Crowson, Wendy Marsland, Sue Bond, Jo Reynolds

Females over-40 y-o

Pat Summers, Di Markley, Val Bell, Gill Chown, Mandy Whitehouse, Heather Purllant

Males up-to-16 y-o

Albi Bond, Ash Dewin, Rob Shaw, Eddie Robinson

Males 17 to 40 y-o

Martin Bloom, Kevin Butters, Harvey Bond, Steve Bailey, Ian Starkey, Jim Marshall

Males over 40 y-o

John Pearson, John Robinson, John Hickling, John Williams, Jon Lloyd, Kev the Paint, Neil Marsland

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The raffle prizes were generously donated by:

Hedge trim (Keith Elliott), Will Preparation (Martin Bloom), haircut (Jim Marshall), sporting clay pigeon shooting round (Sinclairs Shooting Ground), a day's fishing (Maxey Fisheries), a jet ski ride (Tony Crowson), a reclaimed hardwood picture frame made to measure (Nessa Crowson), a home-prepared Indian meal (Di Markley and Pat Summers), £15 voucher to be spent in the Market Deeping Antiques Centre (Sue Bond), £20 or free beer (Adrian Cook), overnight dog boarding (Wendy Marsland), various plants (Kevin Butters), a day's child minding (Jo Newbold), a day's motorcycling (Robin and Jenny Homewood|).

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