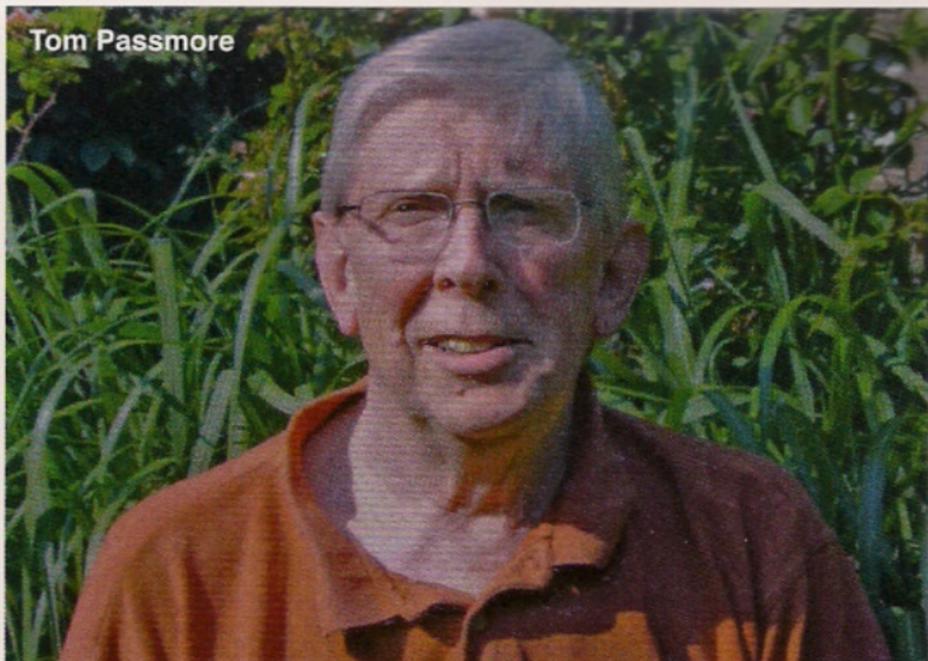


Tom Passmore



The RFA loses two stalwarts

The RFA is sad to report the deaths of two great supporters of Fives, Hugh Gurling and Tom Passmore.

Professor Gurling, who died in November, was best known for his work

as a pioneering psychiatrist, but was also a keen Fives player. Former RFA Club manager Denise Hall-Wilton recalls him organising tours against Scottish schools in the early 1990s.

Bill Gunyon, a veteran of several of those tours said: 'He always conveyed that he was a medical student struggling with his studies, an impression evidently very wide of the mark.' Tony Hamilton called Hugh 'an unassuming, gently jovial, powerfully interesting human being'.



Hugh Gurling

Tom Passmore, who died in September, was an indefatigable supporter of the UCS Old Boys Fives Club. He also won the 1976 President's Cup with David Hebblethwaite.

Tom's funeral was

attended by several Fives players, including former UCS Old Boys Hon Sec Clive Orpen, UCS Old Boys David Neal and Mark Bliss and honorary UCS men Peter Wingfield-Digby and Phil Atkinson. Chris Heron said: 'Tom's contribution to the club was huge – always willing to support it, even if that meant driving long distances. He was very good company, particularly during weekend tours, and I don't know of anyone who didn't positively like him. He'll be sadly missed.'