

# RFA Handbook 1999-2000

## FIRST FIVES OF THE MILLENNIUM ?

Fives at Giggleswick has been a regular event on New Year's Day for a number of years, so it was entirely understandable that play should resume on 1st January 2000 in what is claimed to have been the first game of the new Millennium. First on court were Chris Taylor and Ian Roberts, whose singles match was resolved 15-6 in Ian's favour. They were then joined by Bob Sandie for some games of "Yorkshire Threes". Neil Roberts spectated briefly but did not feel up to participating. Play was still continuing at noon as the chimes of the Millennium Peal were heard from the tower of nearby St Alkelda's Church, but the fives players retired shortly afterwards to the "Royal Oak" in Settle, to toast the new century. Our photograph (see over) shows Ian Roberts clutching the historic ball used in the first game of the Millennium, with Chris Taylor and Bob Sandie.



*Millennium Fives Players outside the "Royal Oak", Settle, 1st Jan. 2000  
From left: TI Roberts, CTJ Taylor, RG Sandie*