



## KEY POINTS FROM COMMITTEE MEETING

Held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Distribution: All Club members

In Attendance:	Barrie Izard (BI)	Club Chairman	<b>Chair</b>
	Steve Fudge (SF)	Club President	
	Debs Gemmell (DG)	Club Membership Secretary	
	Carl Bason (CB)	Club Treasurer	
	Di Darch (DD)	Ladies Club Captain	
	Claire McSevney (CMc)	Welfare Officer	
Apologies:	Jo Stevenson (JS)	Club Secretary	<b>Secretary</b>
	James Bell (JB)	Men's Club Captain	
	Alex Hayes (AH)	Head Coach	
	Leanne Lambert(LL)	Umpiring Co-ordinator	
	Charlie Webb (CW)	Social Secretary	

### SUMMER HOCKEY



Planning for the Summer Hockey Programme is underway and this year it will be run by the Club. It is proposed to run the following activities through the 'summer term' from the **end of April until mid-July**:

**Back-to-Hockey for Men and Women** - Monday Evenings - 7:00 to 8:00pm **Starts 29<sup>th</sup> April**

**Summer League** - Tuesday Evenings – 6.30 to 9:30 pm

Please let your captains or Club Secretary know if you are interested in playing in the summer league so we can decide if this is going to be an internal club activity or if we are going to invite other clubs to take part. Help will also be needed to organise the Summer League programme and captaining teams.

**Pay and Play for Juniors** - Wednesday evenings - 6.30 to 7.30pm. **Starts 1<sup>st</sup> May**

**Pay and Play for Adults** - Wednesday evenings - 7.30 to 8.30pm **Starts 1<sup>st</sup> May**

### CLUB BUSINESS

#### Important Dates for your Diaries

- Annual General Meeting - Westlands Pavilion - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 7:00pm for 7:30 pm
- Junior Party - Oxley Centre - Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> April at 2:00 pm - book places via FullOnSport
  - Awards Evening & Dinner Dance - Northover Manor - Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> AprilDinner tickets and menu choices via FullOnSport
- Second Saturday Social - The Globe, Yeovil - Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> February from 7.30pm.



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**TESCO**  
Bags of Help

The Club has received £2,000 from the **Tesco Bag for Help Scheme** which - along with a very generous donation from the **Graeme McKinnon Memorial Educational Fund** - will be targeted at providing specialist hockey training for local schools and providing coaches to run appropriate sessions - after school, holidays, weekends. Thanks to everyone who has contributed to this scheme. It is particularly timely as England Hockey are set to re-launch the **QUICKSTICKS** programme in schools during 2019.



All of this will help our club to develop and grow, however, to be able to deliver this we need coaches, volunteers, umpires and lots of publicity ...  
**.... YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOUR ACTIVE SUPPORT**

**Communications Officer.** Responsible for implementation of the Club's Publicity Strategy with regular updates to the Paper/Website/Twitter feed and distribution of advertising info to local community groups and schools. This is becoming a particularly important role as the club develops and introduces new initiatives which we want the local community to know about so please let us know if you have any expertise/interest in this area. It is a role that could be carried out by a Communications Team with individuals taking on different aspects of the role.

**Volunteer Coaches for Senior or Junior sessions?** The best starting point is to just volunteer to come and help the Lead Coaches at one of the training sessions. We welcome any offers of support from players and parents and you will have the opportunity to see if it meets YOUR needs too. In particular:

We need some additional help at our U10 Saturday morning sessions at 8.45am-9.45am. We now have over 40 children attending this session and want to split them into an U8 and U10 group. The Lead Coaches are in place for these sessions but need some assistance managing the activities. This is an ideal opportunity for younger members of the Senior section who are perhaps considering a career in teaching or doing the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme next year. It is also an opportunity for other senior members (or ex-players who are currently parents of younger players) who are considering joining the coaching team to come and see if this is something they would enjoy. You can also brush up on your own basic skills by watching the Lead Coaches working with the children. This does not have to be a regular commitment, as it is appreciated you have your own matches to get ready for or family needs to be met, but anyone who can come when they are available to help would be welcomed at this session.

We now have 15 U14 girls moving up to the Senior section and they are attending the Ladies 3/4's session from 6.30-8.00pm on Tuesdays. It would be great if there are any Ladies 1's and 2's who are able to come early and support the Coaches at these sessions as you all have skills to share and it is good to get to know players in other teams a little better. Again this does not need to be a regular commitment.

**Umpires.** We have much appreciated parents and players who have volunteered to help umpiring Junior tournament or friendly matches for the club. We would like to encourage more of you to have a go but we are aware you may need some more understanding of what is required. With this in mind, an Introduction to Umpiring course is planned to cover the basics of umpiring, including the different levels and route to qualification. This would be a great opportunity for anyone who is interested in becoming a qualified umpire, or just to help-out at junior tournaments and friendly matches. There will then be an opportunity to have a go at umpiring more junior and friendly matches with support from qualified coaches. The club then plans to host an England Hockey Course for you to qualify as a Level 1 Umpire in September/October and develop your confidence and skills further. **Do let Leanne Lambert or Jo Stevenson know if you are interested in attending the Introduction to Umpiring Course and doing some umpiring for the Club.**

Please contact Jo Stevenson ([stevenyeov@gmail.com](mailto:stevenyeov@gmail.com)) if you can help out with any of these roles OR if you have any ideas for the development of the club OR would like anything discussed at the next committee meeting.

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