

Welcome back & Welcome to Newcastle Hockey Club (NHC)!

A huge thanks to all our members and Brian, our coach, who attended the preseason training sessions. I hope you enjoyed them. With number growing as the weeks went on it suggest that people are loving the running aspect of Brian's training! It has been great to see you all.

This season will be very different to previous ones, as Northumbria Uni pitch was deemed unplayable due to its age and current condition and the fact that Northumbria University is very opposed replacing the hockey pitch we found ourselves looking for a new home at the end of last season.

We are pleased to say we have found a new (very temporary) home for the club. There is currently a group of members working hard behind the scenes to create/find/make us a permanent new home for the season 2022/2023 and forever more! We will need help over the coming months and we will be in touch.

We would love all our members to return to playing for the club this year when they feel safe enough to do so.

When you do feel confident to do so, below is everything you need to know (Hopefully!)

Covid

Everyone must fill in the England Hockey participation form in order to play, coach or umpire hockey this season.

https://forms.office.com/FormsPro/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=NvkYmuiQxU--asEa8eSc6g-NqKCAUipGoe_luyiEaiZUMIE4NUVKRDZENzJGNUtNVEE5NVIXME9ETC4u

Please keep up to date with all the Covid Guidance on the Club Website and attached to club emails.

Due to track and trace and GDPR we are asking everyone to register on the club website before attending any session.

<https://www.newcastlehockeyclub.com/>

Club Member

After you are registered on the EH list and on the club website you can attend training. You may attend 3 sessions to 'give it a go' then you must pay a club membership. After the 3 sessions you are no longer covered by the club insurance.

If you are brand new to our club then get in contact so we have a heads up you are coming along and can suggest the right session to attend.

Juniors New Members – Contact Elaine elaine.langman@blueyonder.co.uk or
Adult New Members - Contact Fi clubcapt@newcastlehockey.co.uk

Membership Subs

The price of the membership has had to increase by £10 due to the estimated pitch hire increase this year of, approximately £8000 additional expenditure.

Subs for Season 2020/2021

Adult Annual Membership £120

Concession Annual Membership £80

Junior Annual Membership (7-13 year olds) £80

This membership payment covers all of your pitch hire for training, coaching at training, affiliation to England Hockey and insurance.

Match fees

Due to increases in payment methods there has been a slight increase in match fees.

Fee for playing a fixture 2020/2021

Adult £7.50

Concession £5.50

Junior tournaments will be confirmed by the organisers prior to the event.

This payment covers pitch hire, umpires, and admin fees for matches.

All subs and match fees must be paid online through the club website.

As a club we would like as many of you to play the game we all love. Finances shouldn't get in the way of this. If you are finding it difficult to find the funds please contact us directly so we can arrange something manageable. clubcapt@newcastlehockey.co.uk

The Training Plan.

Training has been arranged to fit in with pitch times and coaching availability.

Training for all squads will be a **Wednesday Night**.

Juniors (7 - 13 year olds) 6pm-7pm, at Jesmond Park Academy (JPA, *formally known as Heaton Manor*)

Men's 1st & 2nd squads 7pm-8:30pm, Jesmond Park Academy (JPA, *formally known as Heaton Manor*)

Women's 2nd & 3rd squads 7pm-8:30pm, Jesmond Park Academy (JPA, *formally known as Heaton Manor*)

Women's 1st and 4th/development squads 8pm-9:30pm, Newcastle University, Stan Calvert Pitch, Longbenton

All squads are receiving 1hour 30mins pitch time. This is an increase from previous years and all sections of the club are receiving coaching from level 2 qualified coaches.

Still fancy hanging out with us??!

Here is a handy reminder of the steps

1. Register with EH
2. Register on the Club Website
3. New to the club? let us know you want to attend the session so we have a heads up and direct you to the correct session.
4. Fill in your training availability.
5. Come along to the training session you are directed to by captains or a member of the committee. (*bring the email confirmation on your phone from EH if it is your first session*)
6. Love it!!!!
7. Pay Membership Subs online (*do this before attending if you know you love it already*)
8. Get in the squads WhatsApp group
9. Attend sessions all the time
10. BOOM!!! And then a wait for fixture updates.