



WELCOME TO THE 2013 – 14 SEASON AT TIMPERLEY HOCKEY ACADEMY

# Timperley Hockey Academy Newsletter August 2013

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## Welcome back to hockey !

Join us on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September** for our Registration / Club Day. This year we have linked up with England Hockey's Harvester National Club Weekend taking place across the country. We've got **100 EH bracket watches to give away** to the first players to register & pay their subs!

**Registration: 10.00am – 12.30pm**

**Training will start at 11.00am**

Parents will need to attend to:

- Complete and sign parental consent forms
- Collect Parent / Player Handbook 2013 – 14
- Pay subs !

There will also be the chance to meet the coaches and committee who will be on hand to answer questions and tell you more about the Academy's plans for the coming season.

### Academy Kit

SilverFX our kit suppliers will be on site on 8<sup>th</sup> September with examples of academy kit along with range of hockey equipment for sale.

Place your Academy kit orders with Sarah Marsh by Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> September for orders to be delivered by the end of October.

Take a look at the full range on line at: [www.silverfx.info/acatalog/timperley-hockey-club.html#](http://www.silverfx.info/acatalog/timperley-hockey-club.html#)

Purchasing Club kit is not compulsory, however we do encourage all players in Year 7 and above to purchase a playing shirt and have a squad number allocated.

### Mouth guard

Mouth guards are strongly recommended for all players. You can buy relatively cheap DIY ones from sports shops or custom fitted type available from Dentists.

We have arranged a local dentist to come to the Club and take impressions for custom fit mouth guards on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September from 6.00pm. There are a full range of colours and design options at competitive prices.

### Coaching Sessions 2013 - 14

Sophie Robinson will again be leading the coaching team this season. We welcome a number of new coaches, including Michal Nowakowski, a Polish international player, hot from playing in the European championships, who will be joining the Mens 1<sup>st</sup> team in September and assisting the Academy with coaching.

Coaching will be at the same times as last season EXCEPT for our youngest group – the Cubs.

Cubs coaching will now run Sunday's 11.00 am – 12noon with no break.

## Coaching times

### Sunday's (all age groups)

Players to arrive from 10.50am to sign in at the administration desk. Please try to arrive promptly to enable sessions to start on time.

### Green Pitch

Cubs: (from age 5) 11.00 – 12noon

Rabbits & Otters: 11.00 – 12.30

### Blue Pitch

Under 14's & Under 16's boys and girls: 11.00 – 12.30

Sessions for the older groups do not include a planned break. Players must bring a water bottle / drink with them to have pitch side. Coaches may decide to have short break depending on the weather.

### Tuesday's (blue pitch)

School years 7 – 9 (boys & girls):

18:30 – 19:00

School years 9 – 11 (boys & girls)

19:00 – 20:00

Year 9 players to attend the earlier group unless Sophie/coaches confirm that they should attend the later group

### Senior training

Some Academy players may be invited to attend senior mens or ladies training sessions held on Tuesday / Wednesdays.

The senior sections will be working closely with the academy to continue to develop our younger players. Decisions regarding the progression of individual player to senior section hockey will take a number of factors into account, the coaches will discuss these with parents and players to support the transition from junior to senior hockey.

If a player is invited to attend senior section training then he or she will not be

expected to attend the Tuesday Academy session unless preparing for specific Academy matches.

## Teams and matches

We will again be running teams from under 10's to under 16's for boys and girls !

The majority of our teams use an on line team management tool called Teamer ([www.teamer.net](http://www.teamer.net)). Coaches/team managers will explain how it works.

There will be a wide range of opportunities for players to gain match experience including:

**Mini Tournaments** held at Timperley once a month from October for:

- Under 10's (up to school year 5)
- Under 12's (up to school year 7)

**Greater Manchester Junior Hockey League (aka Belle Vue!)**

Held monthly for under 11s (up to year 6); under 13s (up to year 8) and under 15s (up to year 10).

Timperley were 2012 -13 champions in the Under 13 and Under 15 boys league. So we are hoping for another good season

### England Hockey competitions

We have entered the EH Under 14 and 16 boys and girls championships and north west round games commence in November.

In March 2014 it will be the turn of the under 10's and 12's to enter the EH minis starting with the Cheshire tournament.

### Badgers and Beavers

Playing on a Saturday afternoon, the badgers and beaver have over 20 fixtures each across the season and the opportunity to develop their 11 a side game. Both teams are mixed.

This year the sides will be coached by:

**Badgers: Matt Curnow**

**Beavers: Andrew Foster & Ruth Maddocks**

They will be helped by Parent Managers: Tricia Booth (Badgers) and Steph Ashworth and Claire Taylor (Beavers)

For the latest fixtures information for all teams go to:

<http://w.fixtureslive.com/club/830/teams/Timperley>

## Volunteers

We couldn't run any of our teams or coaching without the help and commitment of our dedicated band of volunteers. Any help is greatly appreciated and we are always looking for parents to join the team.

However limited the time you have available every little really counts ! Whether it's helping with transport to games, selling cakes or helping with team administration or taking on one of our committee roles everyone is welcome!

The most important role all parents can help with is to support your child and attend as many matches and tournaments as possible.



### Bookmakers Angela and Kieran at the RACE NIGHT

To thank all our 2012 – 13 season volunteers we held a highly successful RACE NIGHT and Curry evening in May and it was good to see the competitive spirit of our volunteers alive and well betting with horse, sheep and pig racing !

## ACADEMY FEES 2013 – 14

Academy Fees vary by age group and having not increased fees last season we have had to make a small increase this year to cover increased costs. We have also tiered fees by age group to reflect the amount of coaching / matches available to each group.

Players in year 2 and above are required to join Timperley Sports Club (TSC) as a junior member and this fee covers all sports played at the club (lacrosse and cricket).

The Academy operates from September until mid-May and our fees are competitive compared to other local clubs. We also offer the best on site facilities of any local club.

We also offer a discount to families with 2 or more children of £5 discount for the second and subsequent children.

Please make cheques payable to: **TIMPERLEY HOCKEY ACADEMY** and write your child's names and DOB on the back of the cheque.

### 2013 – 14 fees

Reception & year 1 : **£45 or £3 per session**

**Year 2 – 6: £95** (£45 academy fee & £50 TSC membership)

**Year 7 – 11: £105** (£55 academy fee & £50 TSC membership)

**Match fee** for all matches / tournaments except mini Timperley Tournaments: **£3**

### ACADEMY FEES MUST BE PAID BY 30<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER

All under 16's (up to year 11) need to register and pay the academy even if playing senior hockey.

A split payment can be arranged for a small administrative fee and details will be available at Registration.

For new members we offer two free taster sessions prior to having to join the Academy

## 2012 – 13 HIGHLIGHTS

We had over 160 young players taking part in the Academy last season and over 40 volunteers!

From those just starting the game through to those young players making their senior hockey debuts through snow and rain and sun another enjoyable season was had by all!

With the help of players, coaches, volunteers and coaches were looking forward to another action packed season in 2013 -14 !

*Celebrating 125 years of mens hockey and 90 years of ladies hockey at Timperley the Academy mixed it up with a tournament with a difference!*



*with Under 10's to under 16's making up 7 a side teams !*



*Surviving the wet, cold, snow and rain at Belle Vue the Under 13 boys continued their winning run to become league champions. Many of the team also won the Under 11 league in 2011 -12.*

The Under 15's boys won their league too so this year we are hoping the girls will pick up a trophy !



*Last season over 20 under 16 girls played senior hockey at Timperley. The majority played for the new ladies 5<sup>th</sup> XI and stormed through the league to become Cheshire Womens Division 6 champions. The girls enjoyed a well-earned end of season celebration at Manley Mere!*

Many of our Under 16 boys also made their senior debuts too.

Congratulations too to all players that won Awards at our 2012 – 13 presentation evening and all those who played representative hockey for Greater Manchester or East Cheshire.

## ACADEMY COMMITTEE

Chair : Shelagh Entwisle

Secretary: Ruth Brown

Treasurer: Tricia Booth

Lead Coach: Sophie Robinson

Parent Rep: Mike Innes

Sunday Admin: Pippa Ravenscroft

Kit: Sarah Marsh

Ladies Section Rep: Angela George

Mens Section Rep: Matt Curnow

Tournament coordinator: Jo Nicholson

Child Welfare Officers: Sophie Robinson & Sarah March

Communications support: Phil Marsh

Fixtures: vacancy

General Committee roles: vacancies

