



Timperley Hockey Academy Newsletter October 2013

CATCH UP WITH THE LATEST ACADEMY NEWS !

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September has been our busiest start to a new season ever and we now have **over 180 young players registered with Timperley Hockey Academy!**

Coaching sessions have been busier than ever and all age groups are getting involved in matches from the under 10's to the Under 14's/16's playing in the England Hockey National competitions.

It's fantastic to see so many new and old players enjoying their hockey. However, from registration, to kit orders, fixtures and coaching this we now have a major operation to manage through our volunteer team of coaches, parents and young leaders that help run the Academy. So more than **ever we need to find new volunteers to join the team** and there are lots of different ways parents can help.

Academy Kit – XMAS ORDER

SilverFX our kit suppliers will be on site on **Sunday 3rd November** with examples of academy kit along with range of hockey equipment for sale. Timperley branded stick bags and bags have now been added to the range



This will be **the last chance to place orders for delivery prior to Christmas.** Orders will arrive for 18th December.

See Sarah Marsh for more information.

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

XMAS KITS ORDERS

WEBSITE

COACHING

SAFETY AND CONDUCT

TEAM and FIXTURES UPDATE

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 by Sarah Marsh

INFORMAL SOCIAL !

The Ladies section will be holding a season informal social **on Friday 1st November from 6.30pm** as we they have at this time of year for the last couple of season ! Academy players and parents are welcome. So Hold the date is note away for half term and more information to follow !

NEW WEBSITE !

The new club website will go live anyday ! The new site is much more flexible and interactive than the old one, and whilst there is still work to do, it will provide a much better way to keep in touch with matches, event and news from the academy !

Bookmark the website to make sure you keep up to date with all the latest news:

www.timperleyhockeyclub.com

There is an area for each team and lots of information about the academy in the CLUB INFO section.

Parents and players can sign up to the site to get alerts and information and add a parent profile. We will be able to load up regular match reports, photos and the team pages have fixtures and contact details for coaches/managers.

Once the site goes live we will send out more information.

Don't forget to follow @Timperleyhockey on Twitter too.

COACHING TIMES

Sunday's (all age groups)

With so many players now involved please try and arrive ready to sign in from 10.50am at the administration desk. Please try to arrive promptly to enable sessions to start on time.

Parents and players are also reminded that if playing in tournaments on a Sunday should not attend Sunday training as well. Older players involved in matches may be required to attend training and coaches will confirm.

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 – 19:30

School years 9 – 11 (boys & girls)

19:00 – 20:00

Players arriving for the 7.00pm session must wait in the clubhouse and not warm up on the pitch until their allocated time.

Players are not supervised before 7.00pm and they must regard the safety of younger players on the pitch and respect their pitch time / space allocated to the year 7 – 9 group.

TEAMS AND MATCHES

With so many players across all age groups coaches and managers are working through ensuring as many players as possible are invited to play in tournaments or matches.

The majority of our teams use an on line team management tool called Teamer (www.teamer.net). For parents/ players this is a free service and can be used on line or via a downloadable App

Beavers

We have over 50 players in years 7 – 9 and this is creating a challenge for coaches to manage balancing fielding a team with structure and experience and giving new players an opportunity to play 11 a side hockey on a Saturday. There are matches every weekend through until April and the team coaches are usually at Tuesday training and can provide more information. **Beavers: Andrew Foster & Ruth Maddocks**

PLAYER / SPECTATORS CONDUCT

It is fantastic to see so many young players now taking the opportunity to come along and watch wither academy or senior hockey before they train or play – or just when visiting the club.

We want to encourage Academy players to take an active interest in watching hockey and enjoy their time at the club.

We do need to reinforce to parents and players a **few basic rules and courtesy's** and would ask parents to support the Academy in endorsing these !

- Parents are responsible for academy players when they are not in formal coaching or matches. The academy are not responsible for supervision
- Academy players must not play (with a stick / ball) on the side of either pitch when matches are being played or training is taking place. This is both dangerous and disrespectful to those playing and distracting
- When spectating players / parents need to pay attention to the play to avoid injury and stand on the side lines not behind the goal or back line.

WEATHER & PITCHES !!

As the weather starts to get chillier parents should be aware of arrangements for cancellation. We rarely have to cancel training and matches due to weather main reasons are frozen pitches and snow.

This season we will be using the new website and twitter to provide updates and if in doubt parents should check before they set off. No message means the pitches are fit !

FIXTURES

For the latest fixtures information, venues, directions and latest timings for all teams go to:

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

SUNDAY MATCHES AND TOURNAMENTS COMING UP !

Sunday 20th October

Greater Manchester Junior Hockey League (belle vue)

- Under 11 boys and girls

England Hockey Championships

- Under 14 Girls away at Devisdale 2.30pm and Under 16 Girls away at Neston
- Under 16 Boys are at Home 11.00am and 2.00pm

Sunday 27th October

Greater Manchester Junior Hockey League (at Timperley)

- Under 15 boys and girls

Sunday 3rd November

Greater Manchester Junior Hockey League (at Belle Vue)

- Under 13 boys and girls

Timperley Mini Tournament Under 12's

Sunday 10th November

Greater Manchester Junior Hockey League (belle vue)

- Under 11 boys and girls

England Hockey Championships

- Under 14 Girls and Under 14 Boys at home
- Under 16 Boys and Under 16 Girls away

Sunday 17th November

Timperley Mini Tournament Under 10's

Sunday 24th November

Greater Manchester Junior Hockey League (belle vue)

- Under 11 boys and girls

England Hockey Championships

- Under 14 Girls and Under 14 Boys away
- Under 16 Girls at Home and Under 16 Boys away

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

DRAG FLICKING – SPECIAL COACHING SESSIONS

For players in year 9 and above our new resident Polish International player Michal is running a limited number of additional coaching sessions to work on this specialist technique. More details of dates will follow and there is an additional cost of £5 per session payable on the day.