



KETTERING HOCKEY CLUB - March Newsletter

KHC welcomes you to....

ANNUAL DINNER DANCE & PRESENTATION OF AWARDS EVENING

WICKSTEED PARK - CELEBRATION SUITE

SATURDAY 14[™] APRIL 2018, 7.00 FOR 7.30PM

TICKETS £25.... WHICH INCLUDES....

REAL ALE BAR!
THREE COURSE MEAL
AT 7.30PM

Only 110 tickets available
First Come-First Served
Contact your Captain
Cash, cheque or online

PRESENTATION OF AWARDS AT 9.00PM

We ask that no tickets are issued without payment.

Account no. 00998207 Sort code 30-94-68 Ref 'Your name + Dinner' BIG BOPPER DISCO 9.30PM-12.30AM

Non-players contact secretary@ketteringhockeyclub.co.uk for tickets.





A huge thank you must go to ex-player Sian Hughes Jones who has kindly sponsored the Awards Dinner with the princely sum of £250

Nominations for Club Awards

Who do you think deserves to win this season's club awards at the Awards Dinner, who has gone the extra mile? - we want to hear from you!

There are 7 awards up for nominations including a BRAND NEW trophy kindly donated this year by Bishop Stopford School for coach of the year.

Fran Davis Clubwoman of the Year

Clubman of the Year

Jean Smith Junior Girl of the Year (U18)

Michael Wren Junior Boy of the Year (U18)

Marie Phillips Goalkeeper of the Year

Jaime Cox Umpire of the Year

Bishop Stopford Coach of the Year

Please send your nominations and reasons why to:

nominations@ketteringhockeyclub.co.uk







Trophy Return

Congratulations to all of last years award winners, I hope your mantelpiece has been beautifully adorned with your fabulous prize, but now we need your trophy back to be re-presented at this year's awards presentation.

Last years winners:

Fran Davis Club woman of the year	Amy March
Clubman of the year	Neil Manley
Jean Smith junior girl of the year	Emma Storey
Michael Wren junior boy of the year	Matt Hill
Marie Phillips goalkeeper of the year	Matt Coe
Jaime Cox umpire of the year	Nathan Thomas
Men's top goalscorer	Grant Carlin
Ladies top goalscorer	Kirsty Smith
Ladies 1sts player of the year	Sophie Reynolds
Ladies 1sts most improved	Stacy Hall
Ladies 2nds player of the year	Kirsty Smith
Ladies 2nds most improved	Emma Storey
Ladies 3rds player of the year	Eleanor Izzard
Ladies 3rds most improved	Eleanor Izzard
Ladies 4ths player of the year	Caroline Fanthorpe
Ladies 4ths most improved	Carla Bennett
Men's 1sts player of the year	Grant Carlin
Men's 1sts most improved	Lewis Pywell
Men's 2nds player of the year	Adam Duell
Men's 2nds most improved	George York
Men's 3rds player of the year	James Hogg
Men's 3rds most improved	Ben York
Men's 4ths player of the year	N/A
Men's 4ths most improved	N/A

Please return your trophy to your Captain or Jan Randle by

<u>Saturday 24th March at the latest</u>









And what a night!

Yet again we had a packed Clubhouse and it was wonderful to have so many members of the Cricket section joining us for the evening.

A huge thank you to all the organisers and our sponsors and many, many thanks to those of you who bought horses and jockey's. With your input and with the help of our fabulous sponsors...

...we raised in the region of £500!!!

Kettering HC would like to say a big thank you to our race sponsors

RICHARD MIDDLETON - Kettering Hockey Club Super Star who kindly agreed to sponsor the Men's 2nd team race named the 'Knackers Yard Handicap'. And we're still not sure if he is referring to the horses...

MARK HAWKINS -

specialising in Business



Development for SME's and is part of ibd Business Advice Group. The founder and living hockey legend, Mark Hawkins, has extensive knowledge of helping businesses launch products to market in the EU and UK, covering both Retail and commercial channels. Mark is also very experienced in developing a business's profitability, improving service and helping you maintain competitive advantage. LaunchPad can provide practical advice for start-up & established businesses seeking funding and direction for growth.







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RACE NIGHT WINNERS

	Winning owner	Winning Jockey
L1's	Laura Beacon	Laura Beacon
L2's	Helen Keyworth	Michelle Tanser
L3's	Beth Hardy	Tom Sellers
L4's	Kate Jones	Stanley Randle
M1	Paul Donnelly	Barry Coe
Open race	Chris Hales	Adam Mills
Auction race	Simon Turner	





HALF MARATHON NEWS UPDATE

Jan and Suzie Randle were in luck(?) as the snow melted just in time for them to run the Cambridge half marathon last Sunday 4th March in aid of this season's two charities Wren Spinney Community Special School & Johnny's Happy Place.

"seemed like a good idea at the time... never again" Jan Randle 2018



Thanks to everyone who has donated so far towards a magnificent running total of £374.00!

However, if there is anyone whose arm Jannie is yet to twist and feels they could spare a pound or two, please hand in some pennies to your captain or use the a/c details below to pay online

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It would be great to hit the target of £500 and be able to donate £250 to each worthy cause

So, get donating people!!





JUNIOR TEAM NEWS by Emma Storey

Both Kettering's U12 and U10 girls teams recently qualified into their respective age group regional finals which will be held at Beeston Hockey Club on separate dates in April. All details are in the process of being sent out to the necessary players. Well done to the girls who performed brilliantly at the qualifiers; bring on the next round!

The junior presentation evening has been booked for **Friday April 27th** at the clubhouse, further details to be confirmed so please keep the date free. There are many awards to be given out and it will be the perfect opportunity to celebrate this year's successful season.

Finally, towards the end of the season we are hoping to enter an U18 mixed team into a fun tournament so keep your eyes out for when the details come through.

Editor note - Our junior section has been extremely active during the season with fixtures and tournaments practically every Sunday. A huge thank you goes to Emma and Louise Storey and their dedicated band of helpers who are ensuring the future of our fabulous club.

MENS SUMMER LEAGUE by Barry Coe

The men are looking to run an internal seven a side League in the summer. Four teams, six weeks, everybody plays everyone else twice. Twenty minutes each way.

This is a great opportunity to mix all the players up. Once we have gauged interest we will have an American style draft system to sort out even sides.

Cost will get to just cover the pitch hire and a bit of Umpiring.

If you are interested make sure you contact Ant Paton anthonypaton@hotmail.com







VETERANS NEWS

Our Men's Veterans team have reached the **EH Cup semi-finals** and will play Marsden Russets on the 11^{th} March at the Marsden Russets pitch near Tonbridge wells in Kent. Their final practice for this game was an exciting game against the LX over 65 team which ended with a 1-1 draw.









...you could have just said if you wanted a rest Geoff!

We wish them the best of luck in their semi as we're looking forward to another away day for the final!





<u>UMPIRES - Executive news</u>

The Executive Committee, in response to a proposal from one of our lovely members, has agreed to purchase umpiring shirts as a reward for our dedicated umpiring team. Backdated to the start of this season if you do 10 games you qualify for a free umpiring shirt in a colour we choose (it'll be yellow or green I guess, we haven't decided). When you do another 10 you will qualify for another one. Now, some lightweight umpires (that's you Tom) may prefer a jacket. Because of that we will give the umpire the option to upgrade their 'shirt' to a jacket with the umpire making up the difference in cost.

The Exec think this is a great opportunity to reward our hard-working umpires. I'm sure you will agree that we obviously can't play without our umpires and they do a sterling job in all weathers. This will make our umpires stand out for all the right reasons. Opposition teams often complement our umpires and long may it continue.

<u>Upcoming club nights – get your party on!</u>

17th March – Beer Barrel evening – 2 barrels of real ale at the Club – tuck in!
 24th March – Informal club night – End of season, relax and socialise!
 14th April – Awards Dinner at Wicky's – dust off your glad rags!

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Music Magpie

Thanks for all your donations of bric-a-brac, sadly it only raised £20 (looks like MM are getting more picky!)

Never mind, all is not lost as we donated all the outstanding items to Cransley Hospice who will hopefully benefit from them.





LAST TRAINING DATES:

Mens 1sts
Mens 2nds
Mens 3rds
Mens 4ths
Ladies 1sts
Ladies 2nds
Ladies 3rds
Ladies 4ths

Last training Wed 21st March Last training Tue 20th March Last training Tue 20th March Last training Wed 21st March Last training Tue 20th March

But keep your eyes peeled for more information regarding summer hockey playing opportunities...

KHC AGM

A reminder the hockey AGM is on Tuesday 24th April 7.30pm at the clubhouse.



Easy fundraising is up to an amazing £563.48 still with only 49 supporters. With a membership of around 250, come on join in and raise much needed funds for your club.





Women's World Cup

July-August 2018 London



Fixtures:

July 21st 14:00 England vs India

July 25th 20:00 USA vs England

July 29th 19:00 England vs Ireland

KHC will be putting together some social events to celebrate the Women's world cup on home soil. Watch this space!

Over 75's tournament

Will take place over weekend of Fri/Sat/Sun 6th/7th/8th April 2018.

We are looking for volunteers to help with manning the kitchen during the day. If you could spare some time to cover a 2 hour slot at some point during the weekend, please contact jan.randle@yahoo.co.uk

We are also on the lookout for umpires, players to help teams and general dogsbodies! Let Jan know!







And finally....

Spot the ball? Any ideas Tom???

