



## KETTERING HOCKEY CLUB – APRIL NEWSLETTER

# ANNUAL DINNER DANCE AND PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

**Many congratulations to all our award winners**

### TEAM AWARDS

LADIES 4<sup>th</sup> TEAM MOST IMPROVED PLAYER

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TEAM OF THE YEAR

ANNIE GOODCHILD LADIES LEADING GOAL SCORER

MENS LEADING GOAL SCORER

EVIE WHARF

OLA BEDNARCZYK

DAN CARTER

LEE PARIS

ELEANOR IZZARD

KATE METCALFE

WALLACE CAIRNS

ADAM MILLS

HARRIET DRAKE-LEE

SUE RUSSELL

ARCHIE COLWILL

JASON CLARKE

HARRIET GRAHAM

MEG FORADER

DOM CUSK

PAT CAWLEY

LADIES 2<sup>nd</sup> X1

KIRSTY SMITH

GRANT CARLIN

& GEORGE YORK

## CLUB AWARDS NOMINATED BY YOU

MARIE PHILIPS GOALKEEPER OF THE YEAR

MATT COE

JAIME COX UMPIRING AWARD

MEG FORADER

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD *Representing England O 50's*

BARRY COE

SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD

TOM SELLERS

BISHOP STOPFORD COACH OF THE YEAR AWARD

ANDY SELLERS

& BEN MILLS

JEAN SMITH U18 PLAYER OF THE YEAR (GIRLS)

HARRIET DRAKE-LEE

MICHAEL WRENN U18 PLAYER OF THE YEAR (BOYS)

ED JENNINGS

FRAN DAVIS AWARD CLUBWOMAN OF THE YEAR

LOUISE STOREY

TOM SELLERS CLUBMAN OF THE YEAR

JUSTIN SMITH

and many thanks to our sponsor for the evening Sian Hughes-Jones









## Our Chosen Charities

It was wonderful to welcome representatives from our two nominated charities to our end of season celebrations. Emily and Cheryl from Wren Spinney School and Charlotte and Denise from Johnny's Happy Place joined us for the evening and we were able to present each with a cheque for an incredible £601 04!!!

Thanks go to all members of KHC for all for your support of our social events throughout the season which made this amazing donation possible.



Many thanks to all our sponsors this season

Jacamo - Jake Randle Musical Instruments and Repairs - Steve Metcalfe  
Midland Mechanical Engineers - Tom Sellers IT Consultant - Launch Pad -  
T James Electrical Ltd, Richard Middleton, Sian Hughes-Jones

Thank you - we couldn't have done it without your help

## But that's not all....

*Resident club nutcase Telf single handedly raised £400 on the night by having her head shaved adding an incredible £200 to each of the charities funds. Telf, you are officially insane, we mean amazing!! Thanks for donating!*



*Before*



*During*



*After (plus an appointment at the hairdressers...)*



We were also able to celebrate of the outstanding contribution to both Kettering Hockey Club and Kettering Sports Club made by

## **TOM SELLERS**

Tom is stepping down after many years of faithful service to both committees and his input will be hugely missed.

Tom was honoured with “Life membership” of Kettering Sports Club together with a Silverfx Jacket, certificate, canvas and blow up zimmer frame!

As special recognition, our prestigious Clubman of the year trophy has been officially renamed the  
**Tom Sellers Clubman of the Year award**

And the icing on the cake was that his presents were presented to him as a surprise by his lovely wife Margaret!



Thanks Tom for all your hard work and everything you have done for the club over many years



## KHC Annual General Meeting AGM

This is your chance to have a say about how the club is run.  
If you are unhappy about any aspect of KHC now is your  
chance to put things right.  
Don't be a moaner and do nothing about it!

So come on folks  
**put your name forward.**

If you would like to make changes or think you could help  
out in any way to improve the running of our club  
**put your name forward.**

If you would like to run social events, help with coaching or  
umpiring or support the Juniors  
**put your name forward.**

If you just want to be part of the decision-making  
executive

**put your name forward.**

You want to make changes?

**put your name forward!**

**Message received?!**

The hockey AGM takes place on **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April**  
**7.30pm start at the clubhouse.** Please make sure you  
attend.





## AGM

All committee and club officer posts are vacated at the end of each season and people can nominate themselves or someone else for any of the roles, make sure you have their permission though!

As always, we are looking for new people to help run the club so please put your name forward. Where there are two people nominated for the same position it will go to a vote on the night.

Send your nominations to  
[nominations@ketteringhockeyclub.co.uk](mailto:nominations@ketteringhockeyclub.co.uk)  
by Friday 20<sup>th</sup> April

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## FITNESS SESSIONS

Mondays at the clubhouse from 7.00 – 8.00pm

£2 a session

This is the start of our outdoor post season training sessions so if you haven't been before or are a little be reticent about coming along now is a good time to start.

Sessions are varied and very much related to playing Hockey so if you feel you need to speed up a bit or improve your overall stamina come and give it a go.



## **75+ TOURNAMENT**

We were a little disappointed at the number of members who offered to help out at this incredibly enjoyable and very prestigious three-day tournament, but to those who did,

### **THANK YOU**

Well done to Bill Greenwood and Jan Randle who were the driving force behind the organisation of the weekend.

Thanks to the helpers in our café Amy March, Laura Beacon, Beth Lewis & Jill Livingstone, Jake Randle and our esteemed president Jean Smith, Carla and Charlotte Bennett, Pam Farr, Jen Mason and Caroline Fanthorpe for the awesome Cupcakes!

Chris Hales and Mark Stevens for umpiring over two days each & Liz Metcalfe and her students from Leicester university for much needed physio cover.

Our U14 boys and girls, mens team and ladies 4ths who played were a credit to the club showing superb skills, impeccable behaviour and an excellent attitude throughout

The evening buffet at our clubhouse was a great success with over 70 players enjoying the superb food supplied by Gloria of Classic Catering and thanks go to Tom Sellers for setting up the room and organising the Bar.

The results seem fairly irrelevant after what proved to be a fantastic three days of fun and friendly competition between young and very, very old!

However, FYI the East won the 75+ regional competition contested between teams from the East, West, South, Midlands, Over 80's and two LX Ladies teams.

The other competition saw an LX ladies team, Wales o70's, Scotland o70's, LX Men, Alliance, KHC U14 Boys & KHC Men battle for the trophy and this competition was won by LX on goal difference from Alliance









## END OF SEASON RESULTS

What a season for the club with three teams promoted!

### KETTERING LADIES 2<sup>ND</sup> TEAM

1<sup>st</sup> of 10 finished on 49 points with Daventry 1 point behind on 48



### KETTERING MEN'S 1<sup>ST</sup> TEAM

1<sup>st</sup> of 12 finished on 52 points 2 points ahead of second place

### KETTERING MEN'S 2<sup>ND</sup> TEAM

1<sup>st</sup> of 12 finished on 47 points only 1 point ahead of 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> placed teams.



Well done also to

KETTERING MEN'S 3<sup>RD</sup> TEAM 2<sup>nd</sup> of 12 finishing on 40 points





Finally, well done to the rest of our teams who can be very proud of putting in extremely competitive performances throughout the season even if results didn't always go their way.

KETTERING LADIES 1st TEAM

8<sup>th</sup> of 10

KETTERING LADIES 3<sup>RD</sup> TEAM

9<sup>th</sup> of 10

KETTERING LADIES 4<sup>th</sup> TEAM

4<sup>th</sup> of 6

KETTERING MEN'S 4<sup>TH</sup> TEAM

9<sup>th</sup> of 10

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Congratulations to Club Chairman Jaime Cox  
who became a Level 3 National Umpire

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Have a good summer and don't forget we still  
have Ladies 7-a-side fixtures taking place at  
Wrenn School on Tuesdays starting in May

and

Skymoos Mixed Hockey taking place at  
Moulton College starting soon



## Our Amazing Juniors!

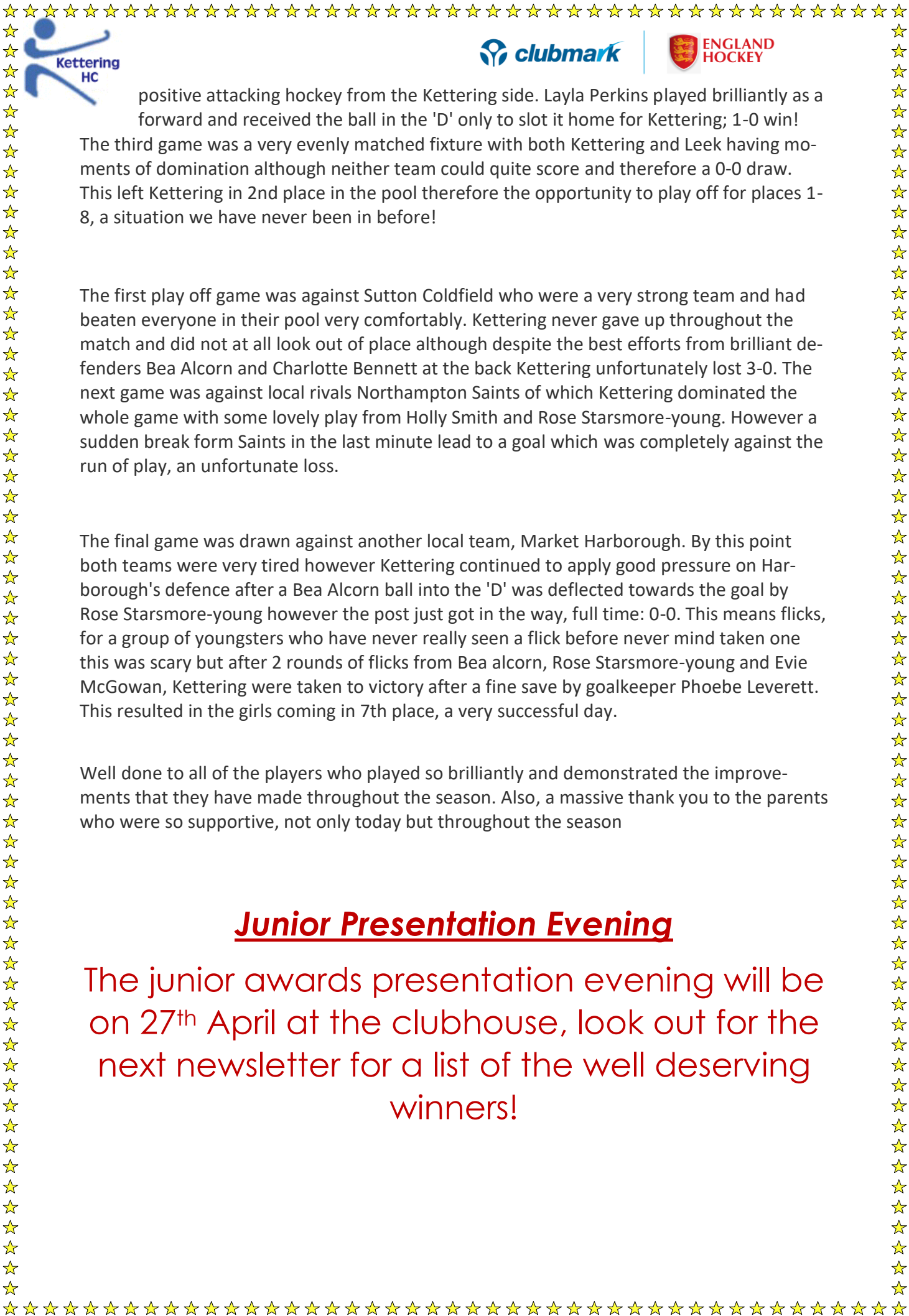


The future is bright for the Ladies as our current crop of Under 10s produced some great results against some of the Midlands 'big' clubs

Kettering U10 girls came 7th out of 16 at the regional finals in Beeston, the highest position by far for a Kettering side to ever achieve at this event.

Kettering took a strong girls squad to Beeston for the regional finals with all of the girls being very motivated and ready to win some games! The team was Phoebe Leverett (GK), Bea Alcorn (C), Charlotte Bennett, Rose Starsmore-Young, Evie McGowan, Millie Brading, Lilly Cockburn, Holly Smith and Layla Perkins

The girls went into the first pool game of the competition strong holding off a well drilled Belper side however just before the final whistle the ball sneaked past Phoebe Leverett in to the goal and the girls lost 1-0. This didn't matter though as they soon picked themselves up and went out all guns blazing in the second game against Worcester this lead to much more



positive attacking hockey from the Kettering side. Layla Perkins played brilliantly as a forward and received the ball in the 'D' only to slot it home for Kettering; 1-0 win!

The third game was a very evenly matched fixture with both Kettering and Leek having moments of domination although neither team could quite score and therefore a 0-0 draw. This left Kettering in 2nd place in the pool therefore the opportunity to play off for places 1-8, a situation we have never been in before!

The first play off game was against Sutton Coldfield who were a very strong team and had beaten everyone in their pool very comfortably. Kettering never gave up throughout the match and did not at all look out of place although despite the best efforts from brilliant defenders Bea Alcorn and Charlotte Bennett at the back Kettering unfortunately lost 3-0. The next game was against local rivals Northampton Saints of which Kettering dominated the whole game with some lovely play from Holly Smith and Rose Starsmore-young. However a sudden break form Saints in the last minute lead to a goal which was completely against the run of play, an unfortunate loss.

The final game was drawn against another local team, Market Harborough. By this point both teams were very tired however Kettering continued to apply good pressure on Harborough's defence after a Bea Alcorn ball into the 'D' was deflected towards the goal by Rose Starsmore-young however the post just got in the way, full time: 0-0. This means flicks, for a group of youngsters who have never really seen a flick before never mind taken one this was scary but after 2 rounds of flicks from Bea alcorn, Rose Starsmore-young and Evie McGowan, Kettering were taken to victory after a fine save by goalkeeper Phoebe Leverett. This resulted in the girls coming in 7th place, a very successful day.

Well done to all of the players who played so brilliantly and demonstrated the improvements that they have made throughout the season. Also, a massive thank you to the parents who were so supportive, not only today but throughout the season

**Junior Presentation Evening**

The junior awards presentation evening will be on 27<sup>th</sup> April at the clubhouse, look out for the next newsletter for a list of the well deserving winners!