



Mansfield HC Newsletter



Welcome & Reflection on 19/20 Season & Summer

Useful Dates:

Preseason Friendlies:

5th – 26th September

Hockey League Season

3rd October – 12th December

9th January – 20th March

Useful Contacts

Chairman - Martin Gardner

07970 389 335

Secretary – Jason Ward

07711 295 438

1st XI Captain – Richard Younger

07909 541 064

2nd XI Captain – Paul Reeves

07825 893 313

3rd XI Captain – Neil Goddard

07800 547 538

4XI Captain – Dave Smith

07837 664 923

5XI Captain - Peter Denley

07976 754 948

Participation & Development –

Lloyd Stanway

07854 102 158

Child Welfare – Steve Dalby

07974 305 289

The 2020/21 session is a very special one for Mansfield Hockey Club as we celebrate our 70th year of existence. Founded in 1950, the club have many ups and downs over the past 70 years; but are most definitely 'on the up'. We have a very dedicated committee who lead the club with integrity, passion, professionalism and most of all, dedication to the club and sport that we all love. With just over 2 weeks until the first set of friendlies are planned for, it felt the ideal time to send a message to all members to set out numerous things for this season. Within this newsletter, you will find information about training, friendlies, membership costs & pitch fees, along with contact numbers for key officers within the club.

I would like to start by welcoming the new members of the club who have joined us over the summer: Mark Bertolla, Patrick Ryder, Chris Heseltine-James, Shaun Quibell, Mike Christie and Liam Carrington-Morris. We hope you settle in quickly and enjoy your hockey with us.

The spring and summer of 2020 has been like no other for every member of this club. As a club, we stand together and our offer of support for anyone affected by COVID-19 will always stand. For some, COVID-19 has had a significant impact on their lives; for others, it has been less. Either way, our offer for support stands. As a club, we have continued to hold meetings and plan for the future using video conferencing and teleconferencing to continue the day to day running of the club. Our AGM was held over Microsoft teams and saw the election of new members to the committee, finalise the financial statements for the club and charges for the 20/21 season, as well as set our ambitions for the 20/21 season.

One of the big successes of the summer was the socially distanced hockey training which we ran at Goosedale on Friday evenings. With strict rules set by England Hockey, designed to keep players & coaches safe, the committee mobilised exceptionally organised training sessions in less than 5 days. A big thank you to Roy Greasby, Lloyd Stanway, Olly Weston & many others for their coaching during these sessions. I must also thank Pete Denley for organising the pitch, and to Dave Smith, Pete Denley, Neil Goddard and Nigel Bowskill who all made donations which contributed to the pitch hire costs. On behalf of all players who benefited from the training sessions, thank you. I have had many unprompted bits of feedback about these sessions from parents, coaches and players who have all praised the organisation, professionalism and consideration put into place for these sessions. During the summer, we have also had a number of volunteers achieve QA Level 2 award in life support and safe use of Defibrillators. There is 1 player per team who have completed this recognised qualification, allowing us to ensure our players are kept as safe as possible during the upcoming seasons. These members are: Roy Greasby, Dave Smith, Jake Easom, Lloyd Stanway, Phil Allen, and Pete Denley.

COVID19 will continue to be a part of our lives for many months to come, if not years. The economic recovery of the country may take a long time, but let's hope that we are able to move to stage 5 of England Hockeys plan in coming weeks. This would allow for full competitive matches to commence. We are currently at stage 4, which allows friendlies and interclub games to take place. As a club, we have elected 5 COVID19 officers (details further in the newsletter) who are accountable for ensuring we stay safe and comply with the rules and guidelines set out by England Hockey. If you have any questions, please contact any of them who will be able to assist.

As we move into the start of the 2020/21 season, I wish you all good luck in your respective leagues. Attend training, volunteer to umpire and respect the opposition and official when we are able to play. Enjoy yourselves, represent the badge, and most of all, look after yourselves and your families. We will share another newsletter throughout the season

Martin Gardner
Mansfield HC Chairman



Membership Fee's:

Employed – £40.00

Student / Junior - £20.00

Match Tax:

Employed – £10.00

Student / Junior - £5.00

All Payable Via Captain
or Bank Transfer To
Club Account

Useful Websites:

www.mrha.co.uk

League Fixtures & Tables

www.mansfieldhc.co.uk/

Mansfield HC Club Website

www.kukrisports.co.uk/teams-hop/mansfieldhockeyclubstoc-kshop/

Kukri Club Shop (Training Kit)

www.englishockey.co.uk/

England Hockey Website

COVID-19 & Return To Play

Mansfield HC are excited to be able to return to playing the game we all love and enjoy. However given we are still surrounded by times and uncertainty under COVID-19, the club will be implementing the measures dictated by England Hockey to ensure that we can provide a safe environment for our members, oppositions and officials to enjoy the game.

These measures will be briefed to all members prior to playing and the club has issued copies of the clubs COVID Risk Assessment. We expect all members to follow these control measures to ensure our compliance and protect the safety of others.

Any queries please contact the COVID officers below.

The club has implemented a COVID committee to deal with the legislative and administrative requirements of complying to EH regulations and should you have any queries please contact them.

COVID Committee:- Mark Greasby 07834 791171, Martin Gardner 07970 389335, Paul Reeves 07825 893313, Nigel Bowskill 07446 846828 and Adam Denley 07976 256842

Upcoming Games & Training

Training returns to Kingsway in the coming days and will continue to be led by Lloyd Stanway. Lloyd's organised coaching, combined with his friendly approachable manner has been incredible successful over recent seasons and has received excellent feedback from players of all ability. Training is free, and will run on Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:30 and 8:30 - 9:30. More information is available from your captain.

Preseason friendlies are currently schedule to commence from 5th September for 4 Weeks (pending we can find suitable clubs for Friendly fixtures). Captains will advise these fixtures in due course. The Season is currently proposed to commence from 3rd October however will require confirmation from England Hockey & MRHA.



HOCKEY'S BACK!

HERE'S WHAT TO REMEMBER

AT HOME



SIGN A PLAYER AGREEMENT*
(ONLY THE 1ST TIME YOU PLAY)
BRING HAND SANITISER
WEAR YOUR PLAYING KIT
SELF-ASSESS FOR COVID SYMPTOMS



FOLLOW THE GOVERNMENT TRAVEL ADVICE
CHECK IN WITH YOUR ORGANISER FOR TRACK & TRACE PURPOSES
SOCIALLY DISTANCE AT 2M IN GROUPS OF 6 MAX
CLEAN YOUR HANDS DURING BREAKS
FOLLOW THE FACILITY RULES WHEN ACCESSING INDOOR SPACES

OUTSIDE OF PLAY

DURING PLAY



RESPECT YOUR OPPOSITION & UMPIRES
TAKE PENALTY CORNERS & FREE-HITS AROUND THE D PROMPTLY
ONLY TOUCH THE BALL WITH YOUR STICK/ GK EQUIPMENT
USE YOUR OWN PPE OR DISINFECT BEFORE USE
SOCIALLY DISTANCE WHEN PLAY STOPS
NO HANDSHAKES WITH OTHER PLAYERS OR CLOSE CONTACT DURING GOAL CELEBRATIONS
AVOID SHOUTING EXCESSIVELY AND SPITTING
AVOID RUNNING EXERCISES THAT INVOLVE OVERLY REPETITIVE CLOSE CONTACT



CLEAN YOUR KIT OR LEAVE FOR 72 HOURS
IF YOU DISPLAY ANY SYMPTOMS AFTER PLAYING CONTACT YOUR HOCKEY PROVIDER'S COVID-19 OFFICER IMMEDIATELY

AFTER



PLEASE NOTE THAT GUIDANCE MAY CHANGE AT SHORT NOTICE AND RESTRICTIONS MAY BE REINTRODUCED TO A DAY UP TO DATE WITH ENGLAND HOCKEY RETURN TO PLAY GUIDELINES VISIT WWW.ENGLANDHOCKEY.CO.UK/COVID19 TO STAY UP TO DATE WITH GOVERNMENT SOCIAL DISTANCING GUIDELINES VISIT WWW.GOV.UK/COVID19GUIDANCE



For The 20/21 Season
Mansfield HC Have Constructed
An Entire Member Whatsapp
Group For Communication
Please Contact Your Captain or
Jason Ward For Access To This
Group If Required



Discipline & Conduct

All members are being asked to complete registration forms. Part of this form includes acceptance to the club discipline policy which I encourage you all to read in detail. Over the past 18-24 months, our discipline record across all teams has significantly improved and we haven't had any issues to deal with. As the person who deals with any significant issues, I thank you all for your dedication to fixing this as it ensures I can enjoy my Saturday evenings.

This season, the club has also adopted a social media policy. Full details of this can be found on the website. Again, I encourage you to read this. The purpose of this policy is to ensure the protection of all club members and the club in the social media world. Please do not post anything online about individuals, whether players or officials, positive or negative.

Playing Shirts & Training Kit

For the last few years, we have been partnered with Kukri for all club kit (Excluding playing shirts). These can all be purchased directly with Kukri using the club shop link on this newsletter, or a direct link from the Mansfield HC website. You pay Kukri directly and have the goods shipped to your home address making it as efficient and quick for you as possible. Orders tend to take 4-5 weeks.

Playing shirts are obtained by Martin Gardner. We have a number of new numbers in stock for players who don't have a registered club playing number. Any new members, please contact Martin ASAP to secure your kit. Any existing players who need new shirts with their club number, please contact Martin by 5th September. I will order new shirts on the 6th. These shirts come from Sabre sports and tend to take 8-10 weeks so should be ready before Christmas. We do one order a year so if you don't need this year, you can always order next year.

We Wish All Involved Have An Enjoyable & Successful Season Whilst Celebrating The 70th Year of Mansfield HC

