## NORTHAMPTON HOCKEY CLUB

## **The History of Northampton Hockey Club's Mixed Section**

Up to 1998, the Mixed Section was a club on it's own. It began in the late 1970's as a community club in and around Kingsthorpe.

We were then called Kings Mixed Hockey Cub and we played at Kingsthorpe Upper School Astro. The club was run by the then headmaster, David Maw, who was an ex-Saints Men's player. Several other Saints Men followed his lead, Bob Bennett, John Wellstead and Pete Austen to name but a few. Pete and Phil Letts encouraged many youngsters to take up hockey, as they were both teachers and encouraged their students to "come and try" hockey instead of football etc.

Many of the current and ex-Saints players started their hockey careers at Kings.

In 1998 we joined with Saints Hockey Club when it became a club with Mens, Ladies and Mixed Sections.

The rest is History