

Telford & Wrekin HC



Newsletter No 2—June 2020

Welcome to our 2nd Newsletter—I hope you are all still keeping well and staying safe during these very strange times. Hopefully, we will start to see a future plan soon. Meanwhile a few more club updates, just to keep in touch.



Pitch In update

A brief update on our PitchIn project. The aim is still to replace our pitch for the 2021/22 season.

NHF funding has been approved.

Veolia—A draft stage 1 application has been submitted and has been successful in that initial stage. We now move on to a more detailed stage 2 application process.

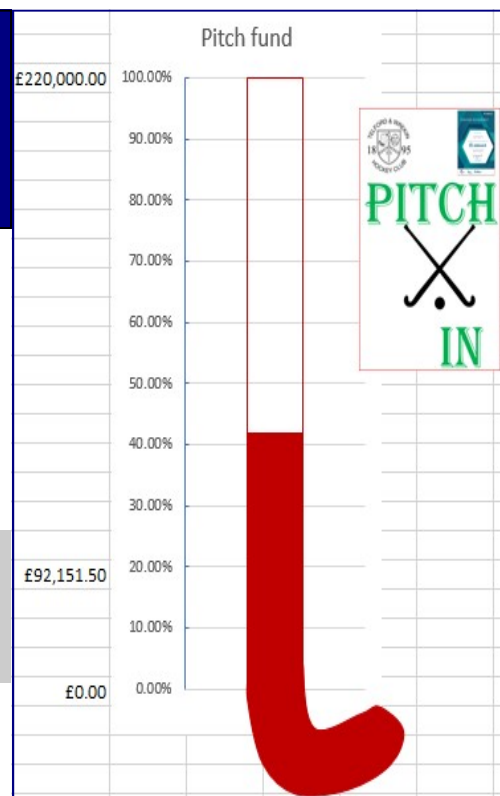
Pitch Squares - we have sold **94 of the 640** squares, raising £1340 out of a possible £6,540) -

If you haven't bought a square—why not, it's quite simple. Let's get past the 100, **The 100th square bought will get an ADDED £5 BONUS square** donated by AP So be quick.

Just contact Alan, and I'll explain how to buy a square.

Pitch replacement proposals - we are aiming for 5 or 6 proposals., we currently have 2, and are awaiting one from TigerTurf If you want to be involved in the selection process, please come forward. We need people with knowledge and drive to help.

Our Club Pitch_In thermometer shows our progress and eventual target—we still need help from everyone in the club—if you can run with something, please get in touch.



By Alan Parham

Latest news on returning to play 2020/21

England hockey have now recently issued a guidance statement which can be viewed here :-

<http://www.englishhockey.co.uk/news.asp?itemid=49274&itemTitle=Latest+news+on+returning+to+play§ion=22>

At the current time, we are not opening the pitch for individual practice or safe distance training, so if you do have keys to the pitch, DO NOT be tempted to pop up and have a knock around.

We are working on some guidance, and will keep you posted through ClubBuzz as soon as that is finalised.

Latest news purchasing club kit



Get in touch today



15 Market Square
Wellington
Telford
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Running

Cricket

Embroidery/Printing

Football

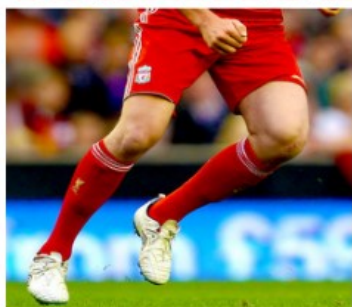
Ebay Store

Contact

SEATON
SPORTS

INTERSPORT

Teamwear Printing and Embroidery



Our 20/21 kit supplier will be Seaton Sports in Wellington. We have had a long standing relationship with Dave Seaton the owner, and are confident that he is in a position to supply our needs in the coming season(s)- - <http://www.seatonsports.co.uk/> . We are currently working with Dave to work out arrangements for provision, so please bear with us a little longer.

2020/21 Subs

With regards to subscriptions we are recommending that we keep the same fee structure for the coming season with no increase, but please note that we will have to make a small increase next season to cover extra expenses, costs and our intended new pitch maintenance

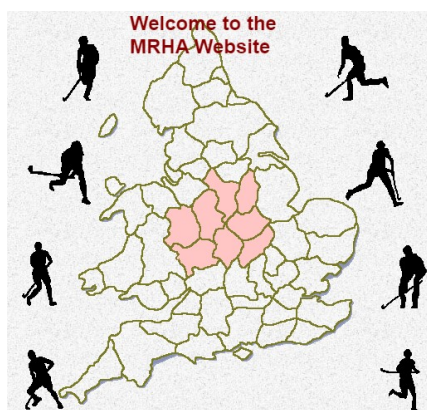
Team News

Congratulations to the Men's 1st team, who by finishing 3rd last season, and with a League restructure, have been promoted.

They enter a very challenging Midlands 1 league

Midlands 1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	D	Pts
Bournville 1	0	0	0	0				0
Chesterfield 1	0	0	0	0				0
Edgbaston 1	0	0	0	0				0
North Stafford 1	0	0	0	0				0
Northampton Saints 1	0	0	0	0				0
Olton & West Warwick 2	0	0	0	0				0
Stourport 1	0	0	0	0				0
Streetly 1	0	0	0	0				0
Sutton Coldfield 1	0	0	0	0				0
Telford & Wrekin 1	0	0	0	0				0
Warwick 1	0	0	0	0				0
Worcester 1	0	0	0	0				0



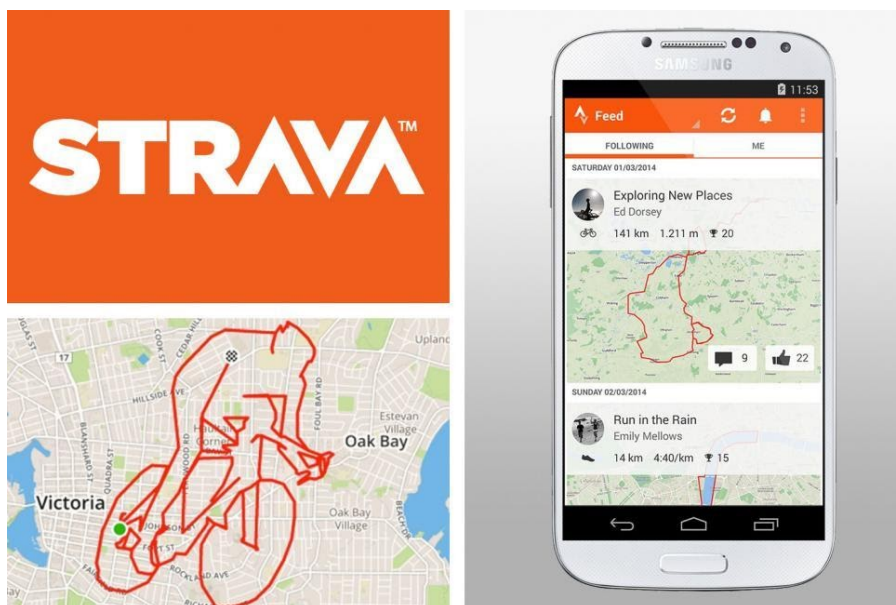
TWHC Strava



Telford and Wrekin Hockey club joins Strava.

If you missed the club buzz email at the end of April, we have created our own “Club” on Strava to create our own little community. Strava is a fitness app that allows you to track your workouts on your phone or smart watch, you can even manually add a workout you have done if you don’t have a fitness tracker. As part of the hockey club community you get to view and encourage each other’s workouts, join challenges, get workout ideas, comment and post content. Both the men’s and ladies’ sections have members joined up so far from all different playing levels. You get to see a variation on different styles of workouts so I’m sure there is something on there you’ll be able to use yourself.

You don’t have to take in the world and top the leader boards, make the fitness suitable for you. You can set your own targets, view another person’s progress and challenge yourself. Strava allows you to view weekly and monthly summaries, all you have to do is try and beat your previous week or month and you’re making progress.



To join download the app or visit the Strava website to create an account then just search for Telford and Wrekin Hockey Club. You will need a Strava account to be able to join hockey club.

<https://www.strava.com/clubs/twhc>

We are keeping it as an invite only club so that we have some form of control on who sees data, but all members of the hockey club are invited to join.

Good luck

By Alex Johnson

TWHC Relay weekend—run, walk, bike

See below for the write up of the relay from the weekend.

'The weekend of the 30th-31st May saw Telford and Wrekin Hockey Club and St Georges Cricket Club join forces in an attempt to complete a virtual relay to Lords, a distance of 154 miles, to raise money for the NHS and the respective clubs. Participants had a hour (give or take) to walk/ run/ cycle as far as they could, with their distance being added to the grand total.

The event was well supported, with a total of 32 members from both clubs participating, which given the high temperatures over the weekend showed a great commitment. Day one saw an impressive 94 miles completed, breaking the back of the target and putting the relay well on its way. However day 2 was even more impressive, with event gaining momentum and an increasing number of volunteers joining in to add their miles to the cause. The original target of 154 miles was smashed by mid afternoon and passing 200 miles looked like a possibility. Participants continued to dig deep and put the miles in their legs. Thanks to a late burst, at the end of the day when the miles tallied up, not only had the relay managed to pass 200 miles, but also the 250 mile mark, finishing with a staggering 277.7 miles.

Many thanks to all those who contributed, be that by completing a leg of the relay or donating to the causes. To date the club has raised **£230 towards the new pitch**, with the NHS Charities Together also receiving donations. There is still time to donate, and if you feel able to please follow the links below.'

[gf.me/u/vuvf6p](https://www.gofundme.com/u/vuvf6p)

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/fundraiser-display/showROFundraiserPage?userUrl=ClapForOurCarers&pageUrl=2&fbclid=IwAR0bODn-3a8LJ58khjIGugy-ZERp4XOtog3NfWNDLlkuVsTVDlP3Ze9yAro>



NHS CHARITIES
TOGETHER

By Neil Davies

TWHC – the Hockey Blues



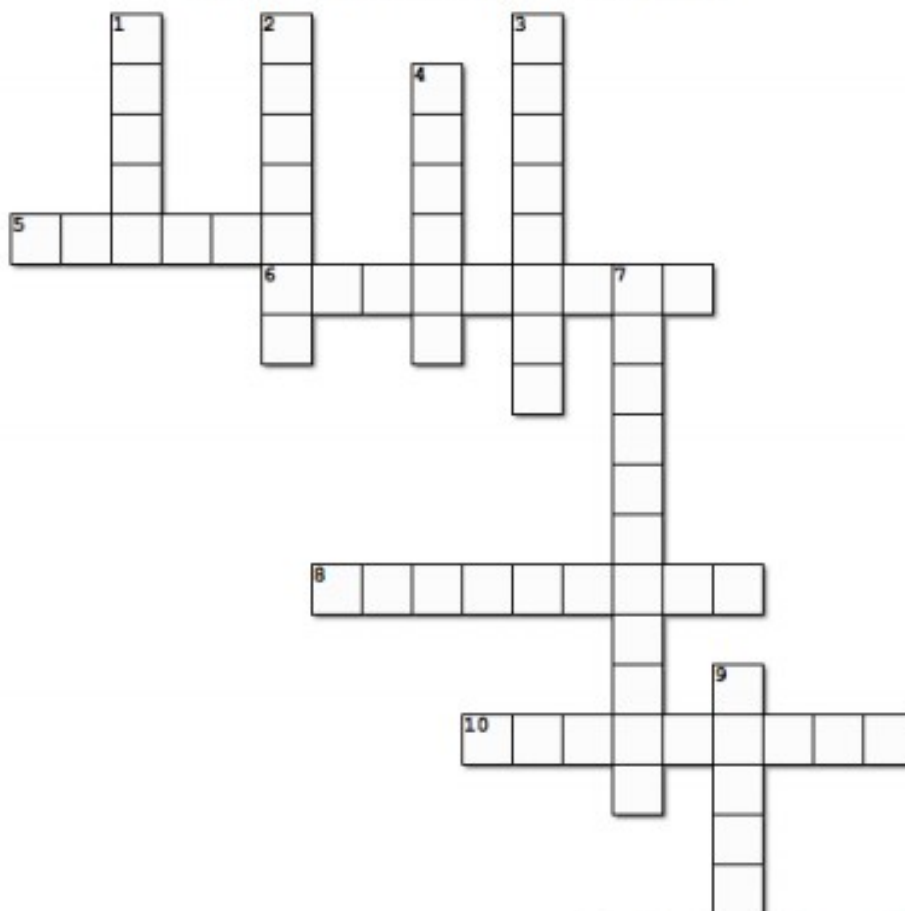
As the sun shines high we reflect on the season ending
 Would we have won those games still pending?
 Covid nineteen Telford nil, that's the final score
 Without touching the ball, that's poor!
 Whilst health and safety must come first
 Has it really quenched our thirst
 For our return to the hallowed ground
 Where Billy marking lines can oft be found.
 And are we deprived of Gwynne shouting 'play on!'
 Long after the ball has already gone.
 Do we miss the comments from the side-line
 Like 'surely ump it must be full time'
 Or better still 'would you like my glasses?'
 As he misses again the back stick passes.
 So now we must look to the new season
 When might it start and what is the reason
 If delay follows delay and still no date
 Who will be the first to open the gate
 On training and matches and yes our family fun day
 For those who haven't yet sold their sticks on E-bay.
 Pitch-in of course continues to chase money
 And that must be our focus not being funny.
 To get that new surface will give us the lift
 But no-one's going to donate us that precious gift
 So as we come out of lockdown – hockey deprived
 Let's consider our future – all plans revived.
 Well done Alan, the newsletter reborn, what a bloke
 But come September will he award us the stroke?
 Let's hope for good news and games for all
 I'm missing my time with that little white ball!

By our hidden poet—
 Bob Yetzes

Club Crossword

Hockey crossword

Complete the crossword puzzle below



Created using the Crossword Maker or

Across

- 5. England striker who has recently retired after an unfortunate head injury
- 6. National team with nickname of The Lions
- 8. Eddie Ockenden is currently their most capped player
- 10. Surname of previous Telford player to gain full international

Down

- 1. Current England captain
- 2. Mentioned in our club name
- 3. Won Gold at 1984 Olympics
- 4. England Keeper
- 7. Most successful women's international side
- 9. England Keeper

Answers on Page 8
By Chris Chiverton



Our ladies have
always know how
to party

In so many
different ways



Caption competition

What was Duff
saying/thinking ? Send
to AP.

Winner announced
next issue.



Quiz answers:-

1. Dixon
2. Shifnal
3. Pakistan
4. Pinner
5. Danson
6. Argentina
7. Netherlands
8. Australia
9. Hinch
10. Goodfield

Chairman's footnote

Hi

First up my congratulations to the Men's 1st team in gaining promotion to Midlands 1 and to all the club members who took part in the Telford to Lords event raising valuable funds for the club. If you can donate just a small amount I know that will be greatly appreciated.

I know many of you will be hoping to get on the pitch as soon as possible to play some hockey and we are evaluating the guidance issued by England Hockey and hope to issue an update towards the end of next week. It is important that we are able to put in place the right procedures so everyone can return to a safe environment.

I continue to work with Alan on the Pitch-in project and we will know by early September whether our application to Veolia for a grant of £75000 will be successful. In the meantime we will continue to work with potential suppliers to evaluate quotes but we are working hard to make sure we have a new pitch for the start of the 21/22 season. The Veolia grant application will be key to our plans.

Keep safe and well

Gwynne

Next issue

In our next issue, we intend to cover
the following:-

- What DO YOU want?

Anything you would like to see?



What would you like to Contribute ???

Send to Alan by 30/6/2020