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Spalding Hockey Club Junior Newsletter

September 2020

Welcome to the new season. Due to the Covid 19 situation, we have had to make considerable changes to the way that we run the junior sessions in order to comply with Government and England Hockey regulations. We ask for your co-operation in order to help us comply with these guidelines.

Overview

Dates: The autumn programme will start on Saturday 12th September and run weekly until 12th December. These sessions are for boys and girls in school years 1 to 8 as from September 2020.

Times: Years 5 to 8 - 9.15 to 10.45am. Years 1 to 4 – 9.30 to 10.30 am to stagger intake and exit.

Cost: £3.50 or £35.00 for the 14 weeks.

Preferred payment by Clubbuzz (Direct Debit through the SHC website); alternatively pay by cheque (made to Spalding Hockey Club) or cash (correct change only).

Before the day.

England Hockey Participation Agreement. All players, coaches, umpires and volunteers must complete the online form before participating in any Club sessions. Forms have been emailed to all members so please complete if you haven't done so already.

[England Hockey Participation Link](#)

Selection.

We plan to send out a weekly selection email which will invite you to the following Saturday's session. To assist with our organisation, we ask that you respond – either accept or decline – promptly each week please. Numbers will be limited so please ensure you accept the select asap to ensure you have a place.

Saturday mornings.

Registration. This will be **pitch-side at the usual place** and we are delighted that Helen and Alan Gleave have kindly offered to cover this important role. Please confirm your attendance with them on arrival.

For existing members, we do not plan to ask you to complete a registration form. However, it is important that we have accurate contact information so please check that your details on the club website are correct. Last season's forms will be available if required. Newcomers will be asked to complete a registration form on arrival at their first session, and complete the EH Participation Agreement at the earliest opportunity.

Please log in to your SHC website (Clubbuzz) account and check all of your contact and medical details are correct. Any issues please see the guidance on the club's website.

Pitch layout. It will be impractical for us to use the normal maroon and blue boards and so the pitch will be divided into three with the netting. Area A, far end, will be for those in years 7 & 8. Area B, the middle section, is for years 1 to 4 and goalkeepers. Area C near end is for years 5 and 6. After you have registered, please take all of your equipment over to the far side of the pitch within your area.

All players and coaches will leave the pitch by the double gates at the far side by the play area.

FAR END OF PITCH	
U13 (A)	U13 (A)
U9	GOALKEEPERS
U11 (C)	U11 (C)
PLAYGROUND/CEMETERY END OF PITCH	

Goalkeepers. There are vacancies for goalkeepers. If you would like to have a go, please shout up and we will get kit and coaching sorted.

Shirts. We cannot use bibs and so ask that you bring both light and dark coloured tops.

Equipment. Please note that only the coaches are allowed to handle balls and equipment on the pitch. No sharing of equipment.

Spectators are now permitted within the compound and we ask that you observe the social distancing rules.

Tonic 44. A lot of work has been done on Tonic 44 during the lockdown and will be open for refreshments and toilets.

Competitions. We hope to be able to run the tournaments at u11 and u13 age levels with local clubs, Bourne Deeping, City of Peterborough and Long Sutton at some stage during the season but have no firm plans as yet.

Club contacts

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Please note that Spalding Hockey Club's risk assessment will apply on all occasions.

[Current SHC Risk Assessment for Step 4](#)