

# GMS Communications

## September 2022

### Improvements to the Game Management System

Over the last few months, we've been working hard to make significant improvements to the game management system (GMS). There are new and improved features which are now live for you to see on GMS itself and on the England Hockey and Area websites.

The websites are mobile first and will form the longer-term home for all hockey fixtures and results. This includes all tables, clubs, teams and matches which are all visible for you to navigate between. You can move easily between the England Hockey and Area websites to get a view of all leagues and results.

You can find your Area website [here](#).

The new features on the websites allow you to see results from leagues or competitions and to dive into your team's upcoming fixtures. You will also be able to add your team fixtures to your calendar ensuring they're always synced and up to date.

Within GMS itself the results entry process has been improved to be mobile friendly with match sheets similarly improved to make the experience of entering results better.

### Looking ahead

More features and enhanced upgrades will be released over the coming weeks and months to ensure we continuously improve your GMS experience throughout the season.

We're also working on an archive project, with support from key volunteers, that will migrate match records from Fixtures Live and other league systems to the websites through GMS. Almost 1 million historical fixtures and results have already been obtained which will make GMS the most complete single source for club matches in England. These will be added to the websites in due course.

For help and support, the user guides have been updated and can be found [here](#). We'll continue to add to these as new features are released.

Our helpdesk [gms.support@englandhockey.co.uk](mailto:gms.support@englandhockey.co.uk) will continue to provide answers and support to help resolve issues and ensure GMS continues to be developed and improved.

**Specific information for different users can be found below.**

### **Players & Parents – [Information here.](#)**

- Players **not registered** on GMS will need to register for the 2022-23 season. You can do that here: <https://gms.englandhockey.co.uk>
- If you registered last year you may want to log in again to ensure your details are up to date and complete your full profile: <https://gms.englandhockey.co.uk>. You can find out how to do that [here.](#)
- Find your fixtures and results on the new websites [here.](#)
- Transfers – if you need to transfer clubs, or you are transferring to or from overseas, contact [gms.support@englandhockey.co.uk](mailto:gms.support@englandhockey.co.uk).

### **Team Admin – [Information here.](#)**

- If you are a new team captain or team manager contact your Club Admin to ensure you have the necessary permissions on GMS.
- Ensure your panels are up to date so you can easily create Teamsheets. Your Club Admin can help with this.
- Follow the guides for submitting results and completing Match Sheets [here.](#)
- Share your website league URL with players in your team.

### **Club Admin – [Information here.](#)**

- Fixtures are being released in GMS for adult and junior fixtures. You can update your match venues and times - guide [here.](#)
- Approve players and organise them into panels so they can easily be added to teamsheets – guide [here.](#)
- Update your Team Admin contacts to ensure that captains and managers can enter results in GMS.
- If you need to update your club contacts, change Club Admins, or have other queries email [gms.support@englandhockey.co.uk](mailto:gms.support@englandhockey.co.uk)
- A Club Admin can add the club logo to the new league websites by going to the England Hockey Club Portal [here.](#) Click on club tools, update club details and add your logo where it says display club crest.

### **Umpires & Match Officials**

- Sign up for England Hockey Officiating (EHO) [here](#):
  - o Existing members of EHO have until mid-October to renew their members with current insurance remaining valid until then.
  - o Full details of Bronze, Silver and Gold Membership can be found [here.](#)
- Appointed officials can log in to GMS and give their availability.
- Area Officiating Committees will be in touch with you throughout the season with upcoming development sessions & member meetings, plus opportunities for you to officiate in local competitions.