

Welcome

This is the thirty second Newsletter in the current format. It covers start of the 2021-22 season and offers a brief résumé of the summer. There are grounds for optimism given, first, the completion of the several installations at Paddington Recreation Ground and the improved facilities there, including the practice area, lighting and fencing, secondly, the establishment of the Carlton Tavern following fitting out and the tenants' preparedness to welcome the Club, thirdly, the setting up of arrangements with Mill Hill School (with the prospect of greater use of their facilities) and, fourthly, the recent confirmation of further coaching appointments and the Club's pursuit of England Hockey's Talent Centre accreditation.

Shaffiq Amin

Tony Pereira and Chris Somes-Charlton write:

On 14 August 2021, we lost a much-loved H&W Vet, Shaffiq Amin, to cancer.

Shaffiq played regularly for H&W Vets from 2000-2006, after having moved across the river from Croydon to Finchley. Later, he moved back to south London but he continued to play for H&W whenever he could. He was also an enthusiastic tourer and he participated in the Vets' tours to Temse in 2007 and nearby Beerschot, in 2008.



Shaffiq is here photographed, crouching directly behind the outstretched goalkeeping pad, three places from the left

He started playing hockey while at Selhurst Grammar School. His skill and ability were soon recognised and he was invited to play for the London School Boys teams in the early 1970s. After graduating in Law, Shaffiq played for Blackheath HC for a number of years before he joined Spencer HC. Later, he also played for Goan HC. He also played regularly for a number of invitation teams, including London Indians and Lusitanians.

As well as being a first-class player technically, Shaffiq always had a hugely positive temperament. Indeed, he was a gentleman both on and off the pitch and his premature passing is a terrible loss, not just to his family and friends, but all those who were privileged to have played with or against him in the hockey world.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Club's AGM is to take place at 6.30pm on Wednesday 8 September, 2021, via Zoom.

All members are encouraged to join the meeting, to learn more about how the Club operates today and to give an opportunity to ask questions and provide feedback. If you will be joining the meeting, to help assess the number expected, please let Jonny Witt know (via email to jonathan.witt@icloud.com). The Zoom details to join the meeting will be circulated beforehand.

Olympic Games

We must salute Lily Owsley, Grace Balsdon and Sarah Robertson, the three Club members who won a hockey Olympic medal, the second occasion on which three have been achieved in the Club - but with a century between them. Lily and Grace have announced that they will now be moving to clubs in Europe.

In the Men's competition, the Welsh duo, Jacob Draper and Rupert Shipperley played for Great Britain, with Harry Martin as an accredited reserve. Will Calnan was a travelling reserve and attended the Games. Jacob and Harry have similarly announced moves to play next season in Belgium and the Netherlands, respectively.

Matt Guise Brown demonstrated his prowess at short corners, with three strikes for goal for South Africa, including the result of the group matches, when they defeated Germany 4-3.

2021 Olympic Games Women

The 11th Olympic tournament for women was held at the Oi Hockey Stadium in Tokyo between 24 July and 6 August 2021, behind closed doors. The Netherlands won the gold medal from Argentina and Great Britain took the bronze medal after defeating India 4-3.

Group A

Netherlands 5 India 1

Ireland 2 South Africa 0

Great Britain 1 Germany 2

Netherlands 4 Ireland 0

South Africa 1 Great Britain 4

Germany 2 India 0

Netherlands 5 South Africa 0

Great Britain 4 India 1

Germany 4 Ireland 2

Great Britain 0 Netherlands 1

South Africa 1 Germany 4

Ireland 0 India 1

India 4 South Africa 3
Germany 1 Netherlands 3
Ireland 0 Great Britain 2

Netherlands 15 pts, Germany 12, Great Britain 9, India 6, Ireland 3 and South Africa 0

Group B

Australia 3 Spain 1
Japan 3 China 4
New Zealand 3 Argentina 0
Australia 6 China 0
Argentina 3 Spain 0
Japan 1 New Zealand 2
New Zealand 1 Spain 2
Japan 0 Australia 1
Argentina 3 China 2
Spain 2 China 0
Japan 1 Argentina 2
New Zealand 0 Australian 1
China 3 New Zealand 3
Japan 1 Spain 4
Argentina 0 Australian 2

Australia 15 pts, Spain 9 (GD +1) Argentina 9 (GD 0), New Zealand 6 (GD +1), China 6 (GD -7) and Japan 0

Quarter Finals

Netherlands 3 New Zealand 0
Spain 2 Great Britain 2 (0-2 shoot out)
Germany 0 Argentina 3
Australia 0 India 1

Semi Finals

Netherlands 5 Great Britain 1
Argentina 2 India 1

3rd place

Great Britain 4 India 3

Final

Netherlands 3 Argentina 1

GB top scorers: Hannah Martin 4 goals, Grace Balsdon and Elena Rayer 3 goals
142 goals scored in 38 matches

2021 Olympic Games Men

The 24th tournament was held between 24 July and 5 August 2021, also at the Oi Hockey Stadium. Belgium won their first title, defeating Australia in a shoot out and India took the bronze medal when they defeated Germany, their first medal since the 1980 Games.

Group A

Japan 3 Australia 5
New Zealand 2 India 3
Argentina 1 Spain 1
India 1 Australia 7
Japan 1 Argentina 2
Spain 3 New Zealand 4
Argentina 2 Australia 5
India 3 Spain 0
Japan 2 New Zealand 2
Japan 1 Spain 4
Australia 4 New Zealand 2
India 3 Argentina 1
Australia 1 Spain 1
Japan 3 India 5
Argentina 4 New Zealand 1

Australia 13 pts, India 12, Argentina 7, Spain 5, New Zealand 4 and Japan 1

Group B

Netherland 1 Belgium 3
Great Britain 3 South Africa 1
Canada 1 Germany 7
South Africa 3 Netherlands 5
Germany 1 Belgium 3
Great Britain 3 Canada 1
Germany 5 Great Britain 1
Belgium 9 South Africa 4
Netherlands 4 Canada 2
Belgium 9 Canada 1
South Africa 4 Germany 3
Netherlands 2 Great Britain 2
Canada 4 South Africa 4
Germany 3 Netherlands 1
Belgium 2 Great Britain 2

Belgium 13 pts, Germany 9, Great Britain 8, Netherlands 7, South Africa 4 and Canada 1

Quarter Finals

Australia 2 Netherlands 2 (3-0 shoot out)
Germany 3 Argentina 1
India 3 Great Britain 1
Belgium 3 Spain 1

Semi Finals

Australia 3 Germany 1
India 2 Belgium 5

3rd place

Germany 4 India 5

Final

Australia 1 Belgium 2 (2-3 shoot out)

Rankings

5th Great Britain 8 pts (GD -2) [fewer conceded]

6th Netherlands 8 (GD 0)

7th Argentina 7

8th Spain 5

9th New Zealand 4 (GD -5)

10th South Africa 4 (GD -8)

11th Japan 1 (GD -8)

12th Canada 1 (GD-18)

Top scorer: Alexander Hendrickx (Belgium) 14 goals

209 goals scored in 38 matches.



Rupert Shipperley & Jacob Draper

EuroHockey Nations Championships

The 18th EuroHockey Nations Championship was held at the Wagener Stadium in Amstelveen in the Netherlands between 4-12 June 2021. The top five teams qualified for the 2032 FIH Hocket World Cup. The Netherlands won its sixth title beating Germany in a shoot out after it was a 2-2 draw in regulation time. Belgium defeated England 3-2 to take third place.

In Pool A

England 5 Russia 0

Belgium 4 Spain 2

Spain 5 Russia 1

England 2 Belgium 1

Belgium 9 Russia 2

Spain 2 England 3

England 9 pts, Belgium 6, Spain 3 and Russia 0

In Pool B

Germany 8 Wales 1
Netherlands 3 France 0
France 2 Wales 3
Germany 2 Netherlands 2
France 5 Germany 6
Netherlands 6 Wales 0

Netherlands 7 pts (GD +9), Germany 7 (GD +8), Wales 3 and France 0

Fifth to Eighth
Russian 5 France 6
Spain 6 Wales 1
Spain 2 France 3
Wales 3 Russia 3

Spain 6 pts (GD +8), France 6 (GD +1), Wales 4 and Russia 1

Semi Finals
England 2 Germany 3
Netherlands 2 Belgium 2 (3-1 shoot out)

3rd Place
England 3 Belgium 3

Final
Germany 2 Netherlands 2 (1-4 shoot out)

Top scorers: Sam Ward and Tom Boon 6 goals. 121 goals were scored in 30 matches

EuroHockey IIs

The ninth Men's EuroHockey Championship II was held at the Alfonsa Flinika Hockey Stadium in Gniezno, Poland between 15-21 August 2021. The participants qualified through their final rankings in the 2019 competition.

Austria were champions, their first title, after a 7-6 success in a shoot-out with Scotland that followed a 1-1 draw in normal time. Ireland defeated Poland 4-2 to take third place. The top five teams, Austria, Scotland, Ireland, Poland and Italy, therefore progress to the Europe grouping for the 2023 FIH Hockey World Cup qualifiers.

In Pool A
Italy 4 Croatia 1
Ireland 2 Poland 2
Italy 1 Ireland 1
Poland 4 Croatia 2
Ireland 6 Croatia 0
Poland 2 Italy 0

Ireland 7 pts, Poland 6, Italy 4 and Croatia 0

In Pool B
Austria 0 Switzerland 2

Scotland 4 Ukraine 4
Ukraine 5 Switzerland 1
Austria 2 Scotland 1
Scotland 6 Switzerland 0
Ukraine 1 Austria 2

Austria 6 pts, Scotland 4 (GD +5), Ukraine 4 (GD +3) and Switzerland 3

Fifth to Eighth
Croatia 0 Switzerland 4
Italy 1 Ukraine 0
Italy 2 Switzerland 2
Ukraine 5 Croatia 3

Italy 7pts, Ukraine 6, Switzerland 4 and Croatia 0

Semi Finals
Ireland 2 Scotland 3
Austria 0 Poland 0 (3-2 shoot out)

3rd Place
Ireland 4 Poland 2

Final
Scotland 1 Austria 1 (6-7 shoot out)

Alan Forsyth scored seven goals, including hat tricks against Switzerland and then Ireland in the semi-final.

EuroHockey IIs Women

The ninth Women's EuroHockey Championship II was held at the home of SK Slavia Prague in the Czech Republic between 15 and 21 August 2021. The top five teams qualified for the European qualification event for the 2022 FIH World Cup.

Belarus won their second title, with a 1-0 defeat of France. Poland came third after defeating Wales 4-1.

In Pool A
Russia 0 Wales 2
Poland 2 Lithuania 0
Wales 5 Lithuania 0
Poland 2 Russia 2
Russia 5 Lithuania 0
Wales 1 Poland 3

Poland 7 pts, Wales 6, Russia 4 and Lithuania 0

In Pool B
Belarus 1 France 2
Czech Republic 2 Austria 2
France 1 Austria 0

Czech Republic 1 Belarus 3
Belarus 2 Austria 2
France 1 Czech Republic 0

France 9 pts, Belarus 4, Austria 2 and Czech Republic 1

Fifth to Eight Places

Lithuania 0 Czech Republic 3
Russia 3 Austria 0
Russia 2 Czech Republic 2
Austria 5 Lithuania 1

Russia 7 pts, Czech Republic 5, Austria 4 and Lithuania 0

Semi Finals

Poland 1 Belarus 5
France 2 Wales 1

Third Place

Poland 4 Wales 1

Final

Belarus 1 France 0

70 goals were scored in 20 matches.

Elite Development Programme

GB EDP is a Great Britain-centric programme that aims to maximise opportunities for GB players, first formed for the 2017/18 season, it is funded by UK Sport and designed to provide players who have the potential become Olympic medallists of the future the best possible opportunity to achieve their international hockey ambitions.

The GB EDP is made up of players from all of the home nations and the England U21 programme is embedded within it. We congratulate James Oates, Matthew Ramshaw and Toby Reynolds Cotterill of H&W on their inclusion.

Several players have stepped up to the senior GB squads having featured in the GB EDP. Ollie Payne and Fiona Crackles are the latest to have made the transition in 2020. The priority over the coming months will be to prepare players to move into the senior teams, following the conclusion of the Tokyo Olympics.

In spite of the pandemic, the programme has been able to continue thanks to the government's Elite Dispensation Scheme, with players able to take part in camps, as well as making the most of online sessions.

With no junior international hockey having been played in over a year, it is also hoped that players will enjoy a full programme of international competition in 2021, depending on Covid. This includes the Junior World Cups for England's U21s later in the year.

EuroHockey League 2021-22

For the teams who originally qualified for the 2020/2021 season's EHL Cup a replacement competition is set to take place in late September and early October 2021. The men's competition is being hosted by Belgium's national champions, Dragons and the women's competition will be held at UHC Clubanlage in Germany. Covid-19 restrictions meant that the original competition had to be reduced to a Final4 format at Easter, which meant that many qualified teams missed out.

The draw provides for Surbiton's women to take on Irish side, Pegasus in the Final4 on Saturday, 2 October 2021, with the final set to be played the following day.

Meanwhile, H&W will face Mannheimer HC in a repeat of their last European adventure and Surbiton have been drawn against KHC Dragons of Belgium in the men's KO16, both to be played on Saturday, 2 October 2021.



Mannheimer HC v Matt Guise-Brown

Photo credit: World Sport Pics/Frank Uijenbroek

Matt Guise-Brown commented, "It will be fantastic to actually compete again, the Y1 Cup we recently took part in was so, so enjoyable after not playing any hockey for so long. Playing hockey again in October will be just great.

"For the club's progress, events such as this are very important. To pitch yourself against some of the best clubs in Europe is a huge challenge but a very enjoyable one. The EHL that we played in Barcelona a couple of years ago was exactly that.

"The quality of the league in England is obviously good, but then it is a big step up when you start playing clubs from other countries and it is really nice to test yourself against some really good players and really good teams.

"It is obviously a challenge after a busy summer. Some of the guys are off to the Euros and various other things. With club hockey, even if you get to the finals of the England League, you only play 20 league games, so to add another four games is an exciting prospect. Yes, it is a challenge but the

excitement of playing far outweighs the challenge. And to play with the team again is something we are all looking forward to.”

The Men’s teams are: Mannheimer HC (Germany), Rot-Weiss Köln (Germany), SV Kampong (Netherlands), HC ’s-Hertogenbosch (Netherlands), La Gantoise HC (Belgium), KHC Dragons (Belgium), Club de Campo de Madrid (Spain), Surbiton, H&W, Dinamo-Ak Bars (Russia), Dinamo Elektrostal (Russia), Saint Germain (France), Three Rock Rovers (Ireland), HC Minsk (Belarus), SV Arminen (Austria), Grange (Scotland).

30 September 2021	1245	Grange v SV Arminen
	1500	Dinamo Elektrostal v SV Kampong
	1715	HC ’s-Hertogenbosch v Saint Germain
	1930	La Gantoise HC v Club de Campo de Madrid
1 October 2021		Losers and Winners matches
2 October 2021	0930	HC Minsk v Three Rock Rovers
	1145	Mannheimer HC v H&W
	1400	Dinamo-Ak Bars v Rot-Weiss Köln
	1615	KHC Dragons v Surbiton
3 October 2021		Losers and Winners matches

On the Pitch

Y1 Championship

H&W won the Y1 men’s Hockey Championship beating Wimbledon 2-1 win the final, held at Southgate HC. Holcombe finish third, beating the hosts 4-3 in a shoot-out after the score was 2-2. Goals from Seb Buddle and Joe Hillyer saw Hampstead & Westminster take the trophy.



The Y1 Championship aimed to provide six weeks of competitive top-level hockey and to fill a void after the Men’s Hockey League was curtailed. The clubs welcomed the chance to play in a structured

competition. The absence of the GB players also enabled the clubs to use it for development and the chance to use players on the periphery of their regular squads.

Organiser Simon Parker, of Southgate, said “despite the unseasonable weather, it was still great to play in generally warmer conditions without the need for 10 layers at training.”



Sam French retaining control in the final

Photo Simon Parker SP Action Images

Vets and Shovellers

The Vets (as in over 50s, with three players 45+) playing as The Shovellers, had a successful summer, competing in a Covid regulated tournament at Broadwater Farm, Godalming that was organised by Guildford HC, in which ten teams played, namely Fleet, Epsom and Bagussies, Satellites, Guildford, Haslemere, Old Georgians Phoenix, Windsor, All Stars, H&W Shovellers and Exiles. Each side was guaranteed four games, with semi finals and a final. The Shovellers only went and won it!



The squad was: Andrew Harrington (GK), Chris Hovington, Jimmy Marsom, Gulsh Mandair, Greg Lavery, Jules Cogdell, Warren Pereira, Colin Cooper, Dan Williams, Edmund Papworth, Jay Daluchandu, Ian Hammond, Mark Crowley, Will Saxby and Dom Richardson.

And there was an opportunity for a reunion of five 1st XI H&W players from the 1990s, (from left to right) Dan Williams, Pat Curtin (playing for OGs), Gulsh Mandair, Mark Crowley and Will Saxby.



The Vets then took part in the EHA 040s Tier 1 Cup competition. Reaching the quarter final, which was scheduled for 27 June 2011, opponents Norwich conceded, allowing H&W to a semi final against Guildford. Guildford buried the first goal of the game and the Vets had to dig deep to level, through Björn Schwarz. Then unstoppable in front of goal, Björn took just 10 minutes to score his next goal before the half time whistle.

In the second half H&W received several cards and had to power through with ten men on the pitch for most of the remainder of the game. However, the lead was maintained and the match ended with a 2-1 win to reach the Tier 1 Cup Final. Guildford were playing to raise awareness of cancer through Foxtrot Oscar Cancer, raising funds for Prostate Cancer UK.

The final was played at Beeston HC on 10 July 2011, when the Vets were without their strongest line up and lost narrowly 3-2 to Khalsa Leamington Spa. In the conditions of the summer, a place in the final was probably against expectations.



The EHA Tier 1 Cup Competition was also concluded in the summer. H&W Men no longer take part, along with the majority of the Premier Division clubs. For the record, the scores were:

Q Finals	27.6.21 Oxton 1 Bowdon 9
	27.6.21 Beeston 5 Repton 2
	26.6.21 East Devon 1 Fareham 9
	27.6.21 Oxted 3 Norwich City 0
Semi Finals	4.7.21 Fareham 2 Oxted 7
	4.7.21 Bowdon 7 Beeston 3
Final	10.7.21 Oxted 3 Bowdon 2

National League 2021-22

The teams for the Vitality Women's Hockey League and Men's Hockey League (EHL) Premier Divisions, Division One and Conferences for the 2021/22 season have been confirmed.

Without promotion and relegation in the 2020/21 season, which was nullified, the same 11 teams will compete in the Premier Divisions this season. The make-up of Divisions One North and South is also unchanged.

Eight Area Leagues now sit below the EHL national divisions this season, with a Midlands Conference added to the existing North, West and East Conferences.

The 30 teams who competed in the Conferences last season have been joined by two teams from each of the five Regional Leagues. With the pandemic, they have been included based on their final positions at the end of the 2019/20 season. This means a place for the H&W Men's 2nd XI in the East

Conference. Three clubs, Beeston, University of Durham and H&W have four teams in the National League.

With the four Conferences, a clear promotion/relegation process will be in place, with each Area League winner promoted and the bottom two teams in each Conference relegated.

The Premier Division games in the Vitality Women's Hockey League and Men's Hockey League will start on the weekend of 18 and 19 September, with all other Divisions starting the following weekend. The new league season will mark the debut year of Vitality as Women's League title sponsors.

The Premier Divisions each feature eleven teams, owing to curtailment of the 2019-20 and 2020-21 seasons. The teams will again play a two-phase fixture list. All teams play each other once in the first half of the season (Phase 1) before splitting into two new sections at the mid-season break, a top six and lower five (Phase 2). Teams will play each other twice in Phase 2 with points carrying over from Phase 1. This will determine the league winners. No decision has yet been made on the make-up of the Premier Division for the 2022-23 season.

Premier Division fixtures sit alongside a busy scheduled international calendar including Junior World Cups in late November/early December and FIH Hockey Pro League matches in the first half of 2022. The England Women's team will form part of their build up to the World Cup in early July in The Netherlands/Spain, and for both teams the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham in late July. In addition, the U21 European Championships will be held in July 2022 at the same time as the Commonwealth Games.

Women's Division 1 North

Belper, Ben Rhydding, Bowdon Hightown, Brooklands Poynton, Gloucester City, Leicester City, Stourport, Olton & West Warwick, University of Durham and University of Nottingham

Women's Division 1 South

Cambridge City, Canterbury, Isca, Harlestone Magpies, Reading, Slough, Surbiton 2, Sevenoaks, Trojans and Wimbledon 2

Women's Conference North

Alderley Edge, Didsbury Northern, Doncaster, Fylde, Leeds, Neston, Pendle Forest, Timperley, Wakefield and University of Durham 2

Women's Conference East

Barnes, Basingstoke, Bromley & Beckenham, Chelmsford, East London, H&W 2, Horsham, London Wayfarers and Southgate

Women's Conference Midlands

Bedford, Beeston 2, Broxbourne, Cannock, Ipswich, Khalsa Leamington, Loughborough Students, Sutton Coldfield and University of Birmingham 2

Women's Conference West

Bristol Firebrands, Clifton Robinsons 2, Cheltenham, Exe, Penarth, Team Bath Buccaneers University of Bristol, University of Oxford and Witney

Men's Division 1 North

Bowdon, Cambridge City, Cardiff & Met, City of Peterborough, Deeside Ramblers, Olton & West Warwick, Loughborough Students, Sheffield Hallam, University of Birmingham and University of Durham

Men's Division 1 South

Brighton & Hove, Canterbury, Havant, Old Cranleighans, Oxford Hawks, Reading, Sevenoaks, Southgate, Team Bath Buccaneers and Teddington

Men's Conference North

Alderley Edge, Belper, Beeston 2, Didsbury Northern, Doncaster, Leeds, Preston, Wakefield, Timperley and University of Durham 2

Men's Conference East

[resembling a London League?]

Bromley & Beckenham, H&W 2, Indian Gymkhana, London Edwardians, London Wayfarers, Old Loughtonians, Richmond, Spencer, Wapping and West Herts.

Men's Conference Midlands

Barford Tigers, Bedford, Cambridge University, Harborne, Harlestone Magpies Loughborough Town, Khalsa Leamington, Lichfield, St Albans, University of Birmingham 2

Men's Conference West

Ashmoor, Clifton Robinsons, Cheltenham, Chichester, Fareham, Isca, Plymouth Marjon, University of Bristol, University of Cardiff and University of Exeter 2

NATIONAL LEAGUE FIXTURES

Now with four National League teams, the list for H&W grows longer. Some of these dates are likely to change, as clubs make alternative arrangements sanctioned by the League's administrators.

Men's Premier Division

19 September 2021	Wimbledon (a)
26 September 2021	East Grinstead (h)
3 October 2021	[EHL weekend] [Surbiton (a)]
10 October 2021	University of Exeter (h)
17 October 2021	Beeston (a)
24 October 2021	Holcombe (h)
31 October 2021	Brooklands (a)
7 November 2021	Old Georgians (h)
14 November 2021	University of Durham (h)
21 November 2021	bye
28 November 2021	Oxted (a)

Men's East Conference: 2nd XI

26 September 2021	Bromley & Beckenham 1 (a)
3 October 2021	West Herts 1 (h)
10 October 2021	Indian Gymkhana 1 (a)
17 October 2021	Old Loughtonians 1 (h)
24 October 2021	Spencer 1 (a)
31 October 2021	Wapping 1 (h)
7 November 2021	Richmond 1 (a)
14 November 2021	London Edwardians 1 (a)

21 November 2021	London Wayfarers 1 (h)
6 February 2022	Bromley & Beckenham 1 (h)
13 February 2022	West Herts 1 (a)
20 February 2022	Indian Gymkhana 1 (h)
27 February 2022	Old Loughtonians 1 (a)
6 March 2022	Spencer 1 (h)
13 March 2022	Wapping 1 (a)
20 March 2022	Richmond 1 (h)
27 March 2022	London Edwardians 1 (h)
3 April 2022	London Wayfarers 1 (a)

Women's Premier Division

18 September 2021	Wimbledon (a)
25 September 2021	East Grinstead (h)
2 October 2021	Clifton Robinsons (a)
9 October 2021	University of Birmingham (h)
16 October 2021	Buckingham (a)
23 October 2021	Holcombe (h)
30 October 2021	Loughborough Students (a)
6 November 2021	Beeston (h)
13 November 2021	Swansea (h)
20 November 2021	bye
27 November 2021	Surbiton (a)

Women's East Conference: 2nd XI

25 September 2021	Chelmsford 1 (a)
2 October 2021	London Wayfarers 1 (h)
9 October 2021	Ipswich 1 (a)
16 October 2021	Barnes 1 (h)
23 October 2021	Southgate 1 (a)
30 October 2021	Horsham 1 (h)
6 November 2021	East London 1 (a)
13 November 2021	Bromley & Beckenham 1 (a)
20 November 2021	Canterbury 2 (h)

5 February 2022	Chelmsford 1 (h)
12 February 2022	London Wayfarers 1 (a)
19 February 2022	Ipswich 1 (h)
26 February 2022	Barnes 1 (a)
5 March 2022	Southgate 1 (h)
12 March 2022	Horsham 1 (a)
19 March 2022	East London 1 (h)
26 March 2022	Bromley & Beckenham 1 (h)
2 April 2022	Canterbury 2 (a)

Talent Accreditation Centres

Talent Centre accreditation aims to recognise those clubs that can provide exceptional early talent development environments, building exceptional hockey basics and an understanding of the game through enjoyable experiences. The subject was covered initially in Newsletter 30 in December 2020.

Following consultation and engagement with clubs during the development phases, in June 2021 clubs were invited to express interest in being one of the first to undertake the accreditation process to become a Talent Centre. There were more than 120 submissions. Each club was considered against a set of principles and 37 clubs have been offered the opportunity to work towards Talent Centre accreditation in the first year. H&W is one of them.

Two sets of workshops will be hosted in November 2021 and February 2022 for clubs interested in being part of the second cohort, which is currently scheduled to begin in September 2022.

Talent Centre Accreditation is part of the Club's long-term strategy to emulate the success of its senior teams at junior level as a natural progression for the Club's Junior Performance programme. To bolster the Club's participation, Andrew Wilson has been appointed as Junior Performance Director. He is the former Head Coach of the Canadian International women's team, Support Coach of the Canadian men's team, and Assistant Coach of the Spanish international women's team. He also has past experienced coaching U12 – U18 juniors at Club Egara in Spain.

Andrew will also act as head coach role for the Men's 2nd XI in their inaugural season in the Men's Hockey League Conference East this season. His remit extends to working closely alongside the Club's 1st team coaches, Kwan Browne, Sarah Kelleher and Kate Richardson-Walsh, to help bring together coherent and consistent coaching principles throughout the Club.



Andrew is also an accredited FIH Coach Developer and will support Club and parent coaches to consistently improve and develop young players.

Olympian Nicola White will also continue to coach HWHC Juniors, alongside the enthusiastic team of Club and parent coaches. The Club is also working closely with Active Westminster to offer more opportunities for young people to start their hockey enjoyment.

The Club will continue to be a home for players of all ages and ability levels with a clear pathway for everyone, regardless of their experience and when they decide to pick up a hockey stick.



LONDON HOCKEY LEAGUE

Founded 1969

The London League will come to an end in September 2021. Not before, with great sadness, news of the death of Jim Jarrett in July 2021.



Jim's work for the League spanned four decades, with 27 years as Chair, latterly as President. Through these years he oversaw numerous radical and innovative improvements. These included the League going 'open', and the introduction of regular Masters League hockey – now with seven divisions – helping players extend their hockey careers.

David Lloyd-Williams said, "Jim was the leading light of the League for so many years. He encouraged clubs to sit down and debate and agree their issues and would never impose 'committee' views. This made the League a shining example of democracy in the domestic hockey community. He supported the governance changes that are currently taking place – because they reflect clubs' wishes – as we transition to a new London League. He will be missed."



Jim received a standing ovation at the League's AGM in 2018, as he stood down as Chairman after 27 years.

He was a long-term playing member of St Albans HC – a goalkeeper – and their President from 2005 to 2007. In recent years, he played masters hockey for Southgate HC.

Jim had been hoping to attend the final event of the League at Southgate on 12 September 2021 and to play in the final game. The event will be the League’s swansong. This match is to be played on grass at 11.30, followed by a lunch, with entertainment and awards.

Roger Dakin will be MC. Speakers will be Simon Mason and the League’s Chairman, David Lloyd-Williams. Gifts will be awarded to the past administrators of the League. To mark the closure of the League, the Watson Bowl, named after the League’s founder, Robert Watson, will be presented to The Hockey Museum.



The Watson Bowl



Robert Watson (at the 1996 Olympic Games)



ENGLAND HOCKEY LEAGUE

New Structure

For adult hockey, there are eight new regional Areas across the country, East, London, South Central, South East, Midlands, North West, West and Yorkshire & North East. They are in addition to the two national Leagues. H&W is in the London Area. Matches are due to start on 25 September 2021.

The London Area has Grades 2 to 5 and within them various divisions, in ranking pyramids.

Women

Grade 2: Premier; Division 1
Grade 3: Division 2 North, Division 2 South; Division 3 North and Division 3 South
Grade 4: Division 4 North West, Division 4 South West and Division 4 South East; Division 5 North West, Division 5 South West and Division 5 South East
Grade 5: Division 6 North West, Division 6 South West and Division 6 South East; Division 7 South West

Men

Grade 2: Premier; Division 1
Grade 3: Division 2 North, Division 2 South; Division 3 North and Division 3 South
Grade 4: Division 4 North West, Division 4 South West and Division 4 South East; Division 5 North West, Division 5 South West and Division 5 South East
Grade 5: Division 6 North West, Division 6 South West and Division 6 South East; Division 7 South West and Division 7 South East.

Club Teams

WOMEN

WOMEN'S DIVISION 1

Hampstead & Westminster 3

Opponents: Teddington 2, West Herts 2, Barnes 2, Eastcote 1, Wimbledon 3, Richmond 1, West Hampstead 1, Harrow 1, London Wayfarers 2, PHC Chiswick 2, Surbiton 4

WOMEN'S DIVISION 2 NORTH

Hampstead & Westminster 4

Opponents: Wanderers 2, Wapping 3, East London 4, London Academicals 1, Richmond 2, West Hampstead 2, University College London 1, East London 3, London Wayfarers 3, Southgate 3, PHC Chiswick 3

WOMEN'S DIVISION 3 NORTH

Hampstead & Westminster 5

Opponents: Richmond 3, Wapping 4, Eastcote 2, Harrow 2, Barnes 3, Winchmore Hill & Enfield 1, Teddington 4, West Hampstead 3, East London 5, Old Merchant Taylors' 1 [+ another]

WOMEN'S DIVISION 4 NORTH WEST

Hampstead & Westminster 6

Opponents: Richmond 4, Southgate 4, West Herts 3, Eastcote 3, Ealing 1, Ealing 2, PHC Chiswick 4, West Hampstead 4, East London 6, Hendon & Mill Hill 1

WOMEN'S DIVISION 5 NORTH WEST

Hampstead & Westminster 7

Opponents: Eastcote 4, Old Merchant Taylors' 2, PHC Chiswick 5, Old Uxonians 1, West Herts 4, Harrow 3, Hendon & Mill Hill 2, Winchmore Hill & Enfield 2, Southgate 5, West Hampstead 5 [+ another]

Premier Division?

WOMEN'S PREMIER

East London 2, Wanderers 1, PHC Chiswick 1, Tulse Hill & Dulwich 1, Spencer 1, Wapping 2, Surbiton 3, Southgate 2, Teddington 1, King's & Allyn's 1, Wapping 1 and West Herts 1

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MEN'S DIVISION 1

Hampstead & Westminster 3

Opponents: London Wayfarers 2, Richmond 2, Spencer 2, Bromley & Beckenham 2, King's & Alleyn's 1, Old Merchant Taylors' 1, Croydon & Old Whitgiftian 1 Surbiton 3, Ashford (Middlesex) 1, Barnes 1, Crostyx 1

MEN'S DIVISION 2 NORTH

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Opponents: London Wayfarers 3, Richmond 3, Harrow 1, East London 2, East London 3, Southgate 3, Wapping 4, West Hampstead 2, West Herts 2, Indian Gymkhana 2, Wanderers 1

MEN'S DIVISION 3 NORTH

Hampstead & Westminster 4

Opponents: London Royals 1, PHC Chiswick, West Herts 3, Wapping 5, Wapping 6, London Wayfarers 5, Old Merchant Taylors' 2, Southgate 4, Barnes 2, Crostyx 2 [+ another]

MEN'S DIVISION 4 NORTH WEST

Hampstead & Westminster Thirsts

Opponents: PHC Chiswick 3, Winchmore Hill & Enfield 1, East London 4, West Hampstead 4, Wapping 7, Southgate Flagons, Osterley 1, West Hampstead 3, Indian Gymkhana 3, Richmond Griffins [+ another]

MEN'S DIVISION 5 NORTH WEST

Hampstead & Westminster Spaniards

Opponents: West Hampstead 6, PHC Chiswick 4, PHC Chiswick 5, Old Merchant Taylors' 3, Southgate 5, West Hampstead 5, West Herts 4, Indian Gymkhana 4, Imperial Medicals 1, Southgate Sabres, West Hampstead 6 [+ another]

MEN'S DIVISION 6 NORTH WEST

Hampstead & Westminster Colts

Opponents: Eastcote Eagles, Harrow 2, Harrow 3, Old Merchant Taylors' Demons, West Hampstead 7, West Hampstead 8, PHC Chiswick 6, Winchmore Hill & Enfield 2, Indian Gymkhana 5, Ealing 1 [+ another]

Premier Division?

MEN'S PREMIER

East London 1, West Hampstead 1, Epsom 1, Purley Walcountians 1, PHC Chiswick 1, Southgate 2, Surbiton 2, Wapping 2, Wapping 3, Tulse Hill & Dulwich 1, London Academicals 1 and Wimbledon 2

MEN'S O40 PREMIER

Hampstead & Westminster Masters

Opponents: Guildford O40, Old Georgians Fire, Spencer Masters, Wimbledon Masters 1, Reading Rustlers, Old Cranleighans Stormers, Surbiton Jokers Epsom Embers and East Grinstead Masters

MEN'S O50 PREMIER

Hampstead & Westminster Supervets

Opponents: Southgate Titans, Old Loughtonians Supervets, Tulse Hill & Dulwich Musketeers, Epsom Old School, Chelmsford Supervets, Indian Gymkhana Tigers, Reading Redsox, St Albans Praetorians and Spencer Supervets

MEN'S O60 PREMIER

Hampstead & Westminster Grand Masters

Opponents: St Albans Centurions, Southgate Magnums, Reading Rustics, Eastcote Past Masters, Amersham & Chalfont Grand Masters, Surbiton Vintage, BromBeck O60, Wimbledon Wimbledonians, Spencer Grand Masters, Chelmsford Evergreen and Indian Gymkhana O60s

[Masters Hockey](#)

Masters Invitation Event

Nottingham Hockey Centre recently played host to two weekends of action in a Masters Invitational Event.

Women's O35

Teams from England, Scotland, Wales and an England Universities squad played in this tournament. England began with a 7-1 win over Scotland as Kate Costin scored twice, with seven others adding their names to the scoresheet. Amelia Dunn scored twice for Wales in the following game to give them a 2-1 win over the England Universities team, for whom Renee Ojikutu was on target. The students hit back in style the next day though as they beat Scotland 3-2 thanks to goals from Fiona Small, Sophy Stonehouse and Ojikutu.

The penultimate fixture saw England score twice in the final ten minutes through Lucy Field and Sarah Cokayne to come from behind to beat Wales 2-1, after Eve Bower had given the Welsh side the lead. Wales and Scotland then played out a 1-1 draw in the last game, with Dunn scoring her second goal for Wales, while Ruth Cox did the same for the second time in as many games for Scotland.

Women's O40

England, Scotland and Wales were joined by an England South O35 team for this event. Kerry Luckett opened in style by scoring four times in a 9-0 win for England over Scotland in the opening game before Claire Bowman and Nicola Burrige scored two late goals to see England South O35s to a 2-0 victory over Wales.

Kate Woolridge and Helen Stubbs repeated the feat for the South team to another 2-0 win the following day, this time against Scotland, before goals from Nicole George and Elizabeth Wheelhouse led England to a 2-1 win over Wales.

The two English teams then met to determine who would emerge victorious and it was England who claimed the gold with a 5-0 win, Luckett scoring two more goals to finish as the tournament's top scorer. Wales secured a third-placed finish as they beat Scotland 4-0 as four different players putting their names to the scoresheet.

Women's O45

Alongside the home nations, an England Midlands O40s team also took part in this tournament. They opened their campaign with a 2-0 victory over Scotland, with Lucy Shepherd and Linda Kotta scoring within two minutes of each other in the opening quarter. That came after England had beaten Wales 6-2 in the first game as eight different scorers found the back of the net.

The Midlands team recorded a second successive win the next day as they beat Wales 3-2, with Shepherd and Kotta scoring again while Lorna Burns was also on target. Rachel Doherty then scored a hat-trick for England to help them to a 4-1 win over Wales.

Doherty was also on the scoresheet in an intense battle for gold, with England emerging 3-2 winners over the Midlands O40s outfit. Wales secured third place as they beat Scotland 2-0 thanks to goals from Claire Salisbury and Eluned Smith.

Women's O50

An England North O45s team joined the three home nations in this age category.

England started with a 6-0 win against Wales. Sarah Impey stood out with a hat-trick. Scotland and the North O45s then played out a gripping match shortly after, the two teams were only separated by Suzie Venters' late winner for Scotland as it finished 1-0.

The North O45s hit back with a 5-1 win over Wales the following day as five different players scored before England overcame Scotland 2-1 in another close encounter, with early goals from Debbie Chalcraft and Sarah Bamfield enough to hand them the victory.

England then took the gold with a third successive win, as they beat North O45s 2-1, Lorraine Connetta and Impey scoring either side of a strike by Diane Bellin for the North. That came after Scotland had earlier claimed silver with a second win as they beat Wales 5-0, Venters opening the scoring for her team before four other players also struck.

Women's O55

Alongside England, Scotland and Wales, an England East O50s team participated in this competition. They suffered a 3-2 defeat to Wales in their opening game though, having come back from 2-0 down to level proceedings in the second half only for Meinir Thomas to hand the Welsh the win. The other game on the opening day saw Scotland beat England 3-1, with goals coming from Maureen White, Lil McNab and Pat Lindsay.

Scotland and the East O50s then played out a 0-0 draw on the second day before England secured their first victory by beating Wales 3-0, Shazz Holton scoring twice and captain Pippa Bull also on target.

A 3-0 win over Wales in their final match saw Scotland claim the gold medal, with goals in the second half coming from White, Susan Sloan and Ann Menzies. England took silver, as they beat the East O50s 3-1 with Bull and Holton again on the scoresheet, alongside Linda Webb.

Women's O60

The highest scoring event of the weekend was contested by four teams - England, Scotland, Wales and an England O65s outfit.

England began with an 8-0 victory over Wales. England O65s also began with a win as they overcame Scotland 3-2 in a close encounter. They were beaten 4-1 by Wales the next day though, as four different players scored for the Welsh, before England thrashed Scotland 12-0, with hat-tricks for Crake and Sue Merry. Elaine Basterfield and Gail Gerrard also scored twice.

They then put another 10 answered goals past England O65s in their final with Merry hitting four and Gerrard another two, to take the gold, without conceding a single goal in their three matches. Wales claimed the silver by beating Scotland 5-2 as Jan Poulton scored twice.

The second weekend of action witnessed 30 matches at the Nottingham Hockey Centre. In total, 155 goals were scored across three days of exciting action and we've provided an overview of each tournament below.

Men's O35

England, Scotland and Wales were joined by an England Lions team for this event, who beat the Welsh team 7-2, with Will Musgrave scoring a hat-trick. That came after England had beaten Scotland 8-1, with seven different players having scored. England then beat Wales 7-0. Gareth Andrew scored four times. Later England Lions beat Scotland 5-2. The two English teams played out a 2-2 draw in their final game and Scotland beat Wales 4-1.

Men's O40s

Each of the four nations contested this age category. England enjoyed the best possible start as they beat Scotland 6-0, with Ali Ghazanfar and Tejinder Hanspal both scoring twice. Ireland won their first game as they defeated Wales 4-3.

On the following day, England beat Wales 3-0 before Ireland emerged 5-2 winners over Scotland. England finished with a 100% record as they beat Ireland 7-1 in their final game thanks in part to a hat-trick from Ghazanfar. Wales beat Scotland 3-2 in their final match.

Men's O45s

Squads from the four nations also contested this event, with England starting things, with an 8-1 win against Wales. Scotland drew 1-1 with Ireland. England made it two wins from two the next day as they beat Scotland 2-0 before Ireland beat Wales 6-0.

Andrew Cook scored twice in three minutes for England in their final match, beating Ireland 3-1. Earlier Scotland recorded their first win by beating Wales 3-0.

Men's O50s

England began with a 3-1 win over Wales. Nick Morris scored twice, before Scotland overcame Ireland by the same scoreline.

Chris Duerden then put in a characterful performance in England's second match as he scored, received two green cards and also picked up a yellow card as they beat Scotland 2-0 while Wales and Ireland played out a 2-2 draw. Duerden scored again in England's last game against Ireland that they won 3-1. Scotland had beaten Wales 6-1.

Men's O55s

England, Scotland and Wales were joined by an England B team for this competition, with both the English teams winning their opening matches. England B began proceedings by beating Wales 3-1 and then the main England squad overcame Scotland 4-0, Paddy Osborn scoring a hat-trick.

Three goals in a 10-minute spell saw England win again the next day, beating Wales 3-1, before England B recorded the same scoreline against Scotland, with their goals all coming inside seven minutes.

England emerged on top however in the clash against England B, with both Rob Britton and Richard Purchase scoring twice. That came after Scotland had beaten Wales 3-1.

Men's O60

England began the tournament with a 12-1 defeat of Wales as Michael Pell notched a hat-trick and four other players scored twice. In the other game of the opening round, Scotland beat Ireland 2-1. Arthur Robertson scored the decisive goal in the second half.

Wales hit back by beating Ireland 2-1 in their second game, with Riccardo Tomassoni and Adrian Williams on target. England then beat Scotland 3-0 for their second win. In their final game they secured gold by overcoming Scotland 5-0, Rob Leach setting the tone early on with two goals in the first eight minutes. Wales then claimed the silver with a second successive 2-1 victory, this time over Scotland.

Men's O65

England, Ireland and Wales were joined by an England O60s B team for this competition.

England and the O60s team played out a 1-1 draw in their opening game before Scotland and Ireland drew 0-0. The England O60s team then beat Ireland 9-0 the following day, Gurmail Chana scoring a hat-trick and Stuart Petty also scoring twice.

England then beat Scotland 5-1 before defeating Ireland 4-2 on the final day. Captain Graham Skinner ended on the scoresheet twice.

Men's O75

England and a Welsh Dragons team contested a one-off fixture in this age category, with the team from Wales emerging 1-0 victors thanks to a goal from Rod Cochrane.

3G

The *Hockey Paper* has consistently reported on the strains felt by the surge of 3G replacement pitches and the threat to hockey clubs. It recently covered the story of PRG's struggle with the second pitch, a subject close to the heart of Chris Somes-Charlton, in particular.

Looking back to the Summer of 2019, the *Paper* said that Paddington Recreation Ground had "become a swamp of inch-thick sludge and decay. The HWHC 1s routinely check for mud on their shoes before entering the pitch. Their shoes are clean. Stud marks on the water-based *astro turf* betray the real offenders. Now, the pitch is new and beautiful, but the scars of football trampling hockey remains intact".

In 2013, the Football Association provided £1,000,000 to the Paddington Recreation sports facility, under a 21-year covenant with Westminster Council, allowing them to convert from a 'hockey-friendly' sand surface to a 3G when the second pitch was re-laid in 2018/2019.

Chris warned: "If this is the way the former England National Champions are treated, other clubs will be easy pickings. No club has the financial muscle to compete with the FA." He suggested alternative local public campaigns as a better form of action. He pointed to the case of the Carlton Tavern, describing how it was reinstated after an unlawful demolition, through an "impressive display of community activism".

Both Mendip HC and Newquay HC have lost their singular original home pitch to 3G surfaces. *The Hockey Paper* made a comparison with Dutch hockey, where top clubs can boast four or more competition-grade water-based pitches. "The Netherlands' superior FIH ranking becomes profoundly understandable".

"In theory it's simple. Build the best facilities. Attract the best players. Create the best hockey. Develop the sport for everyone. In practice, 3G pitches are a roadblock on the journey to success. Give a player slow ball pace and uneven bounce. Suddenly they won't play. Their club will be underfunded. 3G pitches multiply and the vicious cycle repeats".

The *Paper* suggests that football and hockey do not have to be adversaries. It was reminded that the former Premier League football club, QPR, ran an initiative from 2014 called *Premier League for Sport* which provided younger players at HWHC an opportunity to be trained by elite internationals. "Creating a multi-surface for all rather than a 3G pitch in 2018/2019 would have continued this vein of integration, but unfortunately the opportunity was missed".

The *Paper* spoke to Owen Headley, boys U18 captain at HWHC, who said, "Footballers want to play their sport just like we want to play ours. I have no problem with that. It's when they disregard hockey by destroying the pitch with their boots, that's when I get annoyed."

Yesteryear



How games used start: Hampstead v Staines: at least 110 years ago



Not a hair out of place; in the same match



GOAL! HAMPSTEAD SCORE AGAINST SOUTHGATE.

[85 years ago](#)

[From *The Times* 25.9.36](#)

Although it was hoped that the International Hockey Board would amend the rules by abolishing the hooking of sticks, nothing has been done, and in fact there has been no alteration of the least importance in the rules since last season. The question of " sticks " is still the subject of much discussion but once again it will be left to the various umpires to be strict or otherwise according to their own ideas

[70 years ago](#)

[Start of the season](#)

The First Eleven started the second season after the re-formation of the Club, with a match, once again, against the Teddington 2nd XI and the Second Eleven faced National Physical Laboratory, both on 6 October 1951. The Club's officers that season were:

1 st XI Captain	W J Fletcher
Vice-Captain	A T Grieve
2 nd XI Captain	G P Walker
Vice-Captain	A Reid
Fixture Secretary	J C Sankey
Team Secretary	A Reid
Committee	(additional to office holders) I R Eiloart, R H Matthews, R L Milsted, D J Morgan, S J Saunders

From *The Times* 19.9.51

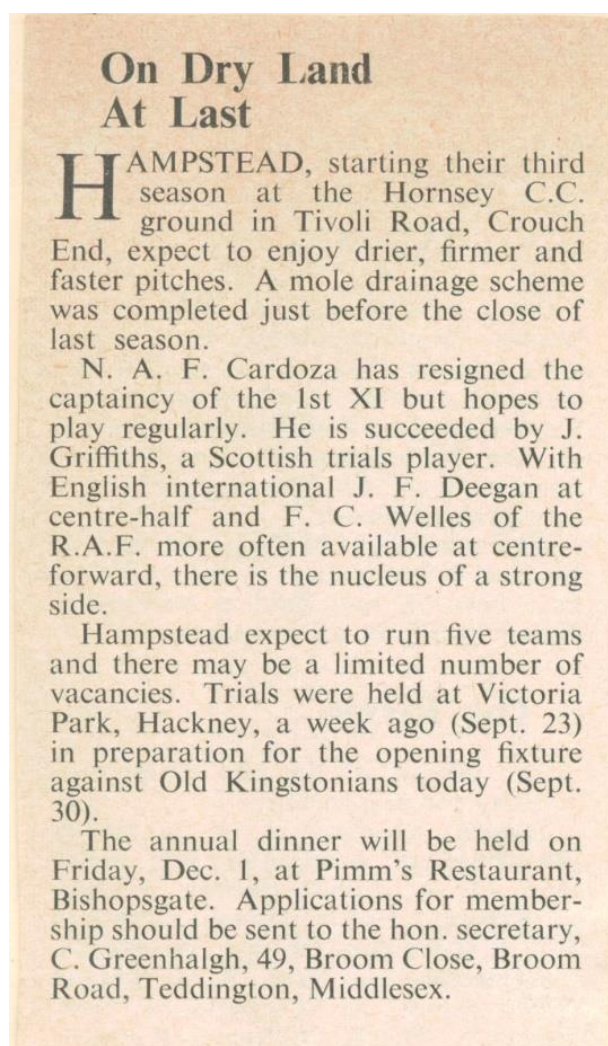
There is no real alteration in the rules of the game, although the International Hockey Board have confirmed the extension of the striking circle to a 16-yards radius, which last season, although not compulsory, was used in all games at the request of the Board and is now embodied in Rule 5.

The plan of the ground has been redrawn and shows in every detail how the ground should be marked. Last season more than one club overlooked the fact that the front of the goal posts shall touch the outer edge of the goal line and not be on the goal line.

One or two notes on the rules have been somewhat altered, the most important being on "Timekeeping" and the "Ball." As regards Timekeeping, it is recommended that "If the umpire primarily responsible is seriously over-running the time, his colleague shall stop play" and to avoid any error the umpires should exchange an agreed signal approximately one minute before the end of each half. Cases have occurred of watches stopping and play proceeding over the allotted time before it was noticed.

As regards the Ball, two makes of plastic covered balls, the *Chingford* and *Somerset* are considered by the International Hockey Board as suitable for general use, if agreed upon mutually by the respective captains.

60 Years Ago



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HAMPSTEAD HOCKEY CLUB

BULLETIN TWO

MONDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER 1981

RESULTS v Broxbourne 1stX1 won 3-0 (Brian Guest 2, Hugh Smith 1)
2ndX1 drew 0-0

Two useful workouts with the 1stX1 goals coming in open play with super-fit, 'qualified' Guesty in sparkling form (I enjoyed the champagne). Nigel Fletcher astounded everyone whilst Geoff Wilmot will have to be dropped for keeping a clean sheet.

Norman Borrett was satisfied with the 2ndX1 performance, especially as they were trying a new system. It was interesting to see Tony Fawley as sweeper and Rod Jones at centre-half, moves by Norman which looked successful (I'm not sure Tony will agree)

The trials at Market Rd were very useful and it gave us a chance to see a number of new members as well old ones.

NEXT BULLETIN/AVAILABILITY This bulletin only has teams for this coming Saturday for matches v Welwyn G C. The next bulletin(3) will be issued on Monday, 28th September and will include teams for the following two Saturdays(3rd/10th October). Please make sure your availability is known

SELECTION COMMITTEE Please note that selection will now start at 8.00 at the clubhouse, the next meeting being on Monday 28th September.

TRAINING / HIGHGATE WOOD SCHOOL GYM Starts on WEDNESDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER (8.15-10.15). Training is run by Nick Coleman and Norman Borrett (coaches) and follows the format of fitness work/skill training/ indoor match (b..... exhausting/'educational'/ and fun).

As training is part of the Evening Institute would you please observe the following. 1) Tape the bottom of your stick 2) Sign the attendance register 3) Bring 50p to the Gym each time you attend. (For use of the Gym we have to pay £350+, so we are having to introduce the 50p (very cheap)...(10 fags).

Change at the club or gym.

Dates 30th Sept, 7th, 14th, 21st October (not 28th), 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th November, 2nd, 9th December...starting after Xmas on 13th January.

UMPIRING/NEW RULES Brian Owles (SCHUA) will be at training on the 30th September and it is intended to have a short seminar at which Brian will expound on the umpire's interpretation of the new rules, and he will also answer questions.

WORK PARTY There will be a work party this coming Sunday 27th September at 10.30. The sand has to be moved from the car park (we've ordered a machine), deposited by the cricket scoreboard, then most importantly sand has to be put in the slits on the newly drained pitch. As many of you who can help the better. If possible bring spade and/or shovel.

MANY THANKS to the following who have paid their subscriptions early. Messrs Collins, Marshall P, Ramsey, Chapman, Dixon, Borrett, Mason, Tipping, Coleman, Benson, Flack, Fleming, Barnes, Hillel (Hurray), Woodgate (new member), Stobart, Burleigh, Burton, McCabe, Francis, Butcher, Marmion, Graham, Krajewski, Elliott, Goodwin, Holman, Cresswell, Garrett, Elgar, S-F, Tom, Shaw, Hart.

The following non-players have also paid Messrs Wickham, Saunders, Kurtz, Owles and Soares. Many thanks to all those mentioned.

Full details on subscriptions and general finance please see overleaf.

FIXTURE CARD You should all have received a fixture card by now, if not phone me up (263 0753) and I'll post one to you immediately. Old members will notice that they are different than before. The biggest difference being that these cost £76 whereas last seasons would have cost £310.

If during the season you find any errors in the travelling directions to other grounds please let me know so that I can make the necessary amendments next year.

RESULTS LAST YEAR V WELWYN

1stX1..7-1 2ndX1..4-1 3rdX1..5-1 4thX1..2-0 5thX1..3-2
(I hope this year's results follow a similar pattern)

20 Years Ago

HAMPSTEAD 0 CANNOCK 1

Sunday 16th September 2001

Hampstead opened their Premier Division season with a narrow loss to one of the fancied teams in the Division, who were grateful for the three points after a positive and combative performance by the home side.

Hampstead opened brightly for a change. The tone set by an interception by Matt Hetherington deep in the Cannock half within 50 seconds of the start and his shot cannoned off the keeper's midriff. Craig Carolan was then prominent deep on the right and crosses from Mike Williamson and Mark Darbon skimmed across the goal with no one available to take advantage.

Steve Dodson in the Hampstead goal then pulled off two saves from short corner flicks from Welsh international Simon Organ. With plenty of crisp tackling in the increasingly tight battle of midfield supremacy, Hampstead found it hard to create clear chances and there were few short corners opportunities until the 23rd minute when Jimi Lewis in the Cannock goal saved from Hetherington's flick. Mike Williamson rose to the challenge with a series of deep runs showing good stickwork. Cannock earned four more short corners to end the half but Dodson held firm (once with a stick stop) and aided by resolute defensive work.

The second half opened with a Carolan shot on the reverse and Cannock began to exert even more pressure driving forward through the efforts of England international, Chris Mayer and his rapid skills. Making his Hampstead debut Dave Sellick pulled off a memorable save on the line from Cannock's seventh corner after Steve Dodson had blocked the shot with his hands. Another darting run from Mike Williamson earned Hampstead a second corner in the 51st minute but Hetherington's flick was wide of the right post

Cannock's controversial goal was scored with ten minutes to go after a break that appeared to hit a Cannock foot but was not seen by the umpires. The ball passed rapidly down the Hampstead right and the resultant corner taken by Simon Organ as flicked in over Dodson's right shoulder, high into the goal.

Hampstead mounted a series of counter attacks and a chance opened for Mark Darbon at the top of the circle but his speculative deflected shot went wide of the post. Cannock then held on to the game with two final corners, which the Hampstead defence dealt with well.

This was Hampstead's first home League defeat since March 1999 and the first time they have not won at least a point on the opening day of a national League game. Undeterred coach Soma Singh was generally pleased with the way in which the team had battled on and taken the game to opponents with such a good League pedigree. Next Sunday Hampstead travel to Guildford coached by the redoubtable Ian Jennings, the game to be played at Broadwater School Godalming with a 12-noon start.

TEAM: Dodson: von Mayer, Boucher, Sellick, Sully; Hetherington, Singh, Williamson; Bhatti, Carolan, Darbon
SUBS: Land, Maier, Turner, Matthews

Next edition

All being well the next Newsletter will cover the mid-way point of the season.

If you have any news or comment, please direct it to disvelwell@gmail.com (the new address for these purposes).