

COLTS NEWSLETTER

The latest news and updates from Old Cranleighan Hockey Club



Another week - another fabulous win as the U12 boys win the Surrey B Cup

What a weekend!

It's a bumper newsletter this week, with match reports from across the club and exciting news about the appointment of a Director of Junior Hockey. Highlights of yet another incredibly busy fixture weekend were the U12 boys Orange team winning the Surrey B Cup and our U16 girls finishing their England Hockey Tier 2 campaign unbeaten, earning them a spot in the final early next month!

The Kingston Breakfast run will pass by the entrance to the club on Sunday 15th March - please read on for more details about accessing the club.

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New Director of Junior Hockey

As the Junior section of the club continues to expand and our ambition for our players grows, we have decided to appoint a Director of Junior Hockey, who will work closely with George Pettitt, the club's Director of Hockey. The aim of this new role is to ensure our Junior Hockey programme is the best it can be, to help our players grow and develop, whilst retaining that all important nurturing inclusive spirit that OC's is so well known for.

We were delighted with the level of interest this new role created when we advertised it with England Hockey and following a very competitive interview process, we are thrilled to announce Lauren Moors as our Director of Junior Hockey with immediate effect.

Some of you will already know Lauren, as she joined OC's at the start of the season as a coach for the older girls' teams and ladies' teams. Lauren had a hugely successful National League hockey career before injury moved her focus towards coaching. Her time at OC's this season has given her a great insight into the club and over the next few weeks, Lauren will be trying to get round to as many of the training sessions as she can to say hello.

As the new season starts, you'll see Lauren leading training sessions, providing hands on coaching support to age group coaches and working behind the scenes to develop training plans and help manage players transition through the club.

Lauren will also lead the holiday hockey camps at OC's - read on to find out about the forthcoming Easter camps, with more information to follow shortly about summer hockey and summer camps.

I'm sure you will join me in wishing Lauren every success in her new role, we are delighted to have her as part of the Junior Hockey team.

Gavin Adair, Colts Chairman



OCHC EASTER HOCKEY CAMPS Tuesday 14th & Wednesday 15th April

An opportunity to have fun, play and perform on the hockey pitch. OC's individual approach offers a nurturing environment, where players can learn and develop at their own pace. Led by Lauren Moors, players will be inspired to try new things and be part of innovative game play, benefitting from the wide range of skill sets our coaches bring from over a decade of delivering high quality hockey camps across the country.

Academy Camp U8, U9, U10

This camp is designed to build technical ability and refine skills, whilst having fun. With expert coaching, players will be encouraged to have a go and complete challenges created specifically for their age group.

10am - 4pm

£50 1 day / £90 2 days

Advanced Camp

U11, U12, U13, U14

As players begin to show more game sense, this camp is focused on encouraging players to be fast, aggressive and skilfully smart. Players will work on advanced movement patterns and be put through their paces in competitive environments.

10am - 4pm

£50 1 day / £90 2 days

Performance Camp

U15, U16, U17, U18

Focusing on specific skills, this camp is designed for those players looking to reach the next level of performance with their hockey.

Coached by current and exNational League players, this camp requires focus and engagement for players to achieve the next step in skill refinement.

4:30pm - 7pm

£25 a day

Log in or register with Love Admin at www.ochockeyclub.org/colts

Open to OCHC members & non-members

Costs: £50 a day or £90 if both days booked or 2 siblings attend on the same day
Register: Please log in to your Love Admin account and select the correct Easter Camp
option. When booking, please ensure medical details are up to date in Love Admin.
Please bring snacks, drinks and a packed lunch for full day camps, further details will be
sent out following booking. Any questions, please email ochccolts@gmail.com

Action round up

A round up of some of the action from the weekend

U12 Boys

The Oranges team were crowned winners at the Surrey B Cup tournament after some tense play, including penalty flicks against Surbiton. Well done boys!





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U8 Mixed

The U8s hosted a tournament against Oxted (with Addiscombe sadly pulling out) and we fielded 3 teams, all of whom won against our visitors 5-2, 4-1, 3-1 and had a set of very competitive matches amongst themselves. A very impressive showing from our U8s - they seem to be really enjoying their hockey!



U8 Cheetas

U8 Wildcats



U8 Pumas

U10 Girls

The U10 girls entered 4 teams into a 2 pool red / yellow team festival at Surbiton, with Spears in the red pool, Cannonballs, Javelins and Mortars in the yellow pool.



The Spears had an awesome morning of hockey, they played 5 games, drew one 1-1 and the rest 0-0. Awesome defence team work and a big shout out to Phoebe - Surbiton GK - who helped out.

The Cannonballs had a great day with 3 wins 1-0 3-0 and 5-0 followed by a narrow loss 1-0 in the last game. Great play by Sophie, Isla and Kate with some excellent tackling by Jade, Rebecca and Ella who never stopped running.





The Javelins (who also couple borrowed a of played players) four games with a win, a draw and two narrow losses. girls really The are improving with good performances from all.

The U10 Mortars enjoyed a great tournament. In the first game, Surbiton Swans narrowly won 0-1 and it's fair to say the Mortars used this game as a warm up for the remainder of the tournament. After a tactical switch to a 3:3:1 formation, Mortars were then unbeaten for the rest of the tournament. A 2-2 draw against Surbiton Hawks saw goals from Leah and Jessica, fantastic defensive stops by Martha and great midfield passes from Alex.



The Mortars then decided to 'pump it up' and won 2-0 against Surbiton Doves and 1-0 against Guildford, with more goals from Leah and some great defending by Emily. Well done to all the girls, they put in a lot of work and should be proud of themselves.

U11 Girls

The U11s made it to the quarter final of the Surrey Plate competition with some fantastic hockey. They lost to a very strong Guildford side who we pushed the whole way. Great energy from the girls, well done.



U12 Girls

The U12 girls entered the Surrey A Cup, Surrey B Cup and Plate tournaments. Unfortunately none of the teams got out of the initial rounds, despite some quite intensive efforts to prepare. Lots of good quality hockey played by all and plenty of fun (final team photo missing due to torrential rain!).





U14 Girls

The U14 Typhoons beat Chertsey 5-3 in a great match.



U16 Girls

The U16 Vipers finished their unbeaten cup run in the England Hockey Tier 2 competition with a 3-0 win against Richmond, meaning they finish top of the table and qualify for the finals on the 5th of April. Fantastic performances from both Hattie and Molly stepping up from the U14s.



The U16 Cobras also won 8-0 against Cheam - no team photo due to hailstones at the final whistle!

Apply to be part of the ball patrol at the 2020 FIH Hockey Pro League!





England Hockey is looking for young people to be part of the Ball Patrol Team for the Great Britain FIH Pro League Home Matches at various dates from 2nd May to 14 June 2020. The Ball Patrol Team must be:

- · Between the ages of 15 to 18 years
- Born between 1 Sept 2001 to 1 Sept 2004

You can apply as an individual or as a group from a club, school or other organisation. A group can be 4 to 8 participants. This opportunity is open to UK residents only. Ball Patrollers must be fit, have a good knowledge of hockey and the rules, be able to follow play, understand umpire decisions, and have good concentration levels during a match.

For more information, please visit the England Hockey website news section:

<u>www.englandhockey.co.uk/news.asp?</u> <u>itemid=48984&itemTitle=Ball+Patrol+at+the+2020+FIH+Hockey+Pro+League&s</u> ection=22

Diary dates & updates

Coronavirus COVID-19 update

Like many organisations and sports clubs, we want to reassure our OCHC family that we are continuing to monitor the situation. Based on the latest advice, we currently see no reason to change any plans in place for training or fixtures this week or coming weekend. However we will continue to closely monitor the latest government advice. We know of course you'll be doing the same, particularly with regard to advice about particular areas you may have recently travelled to/from.

If for any reason your child needs to self-isolate, we request you contact the Club Captain, Helen Hawes (helen.hawes@btinternet.com) directly and your Lead Coach as soon as possible and NOT send a message on your age group WhatsApp. This will enable us to work together to manage any communications or actions.

Lead Coaches - www.ochockeyclub.org/colts-contacts/

Whilst not in the spirit of ending a hockey match, we would also recommend that players refrain from shaking hands at the end of their matches. We acknowledge there is no edict from the government but we feel it is a sensible approach to adopt.

For more information, please visit the government website www.gov.uk/guidance/coronavirus-covid-19-information-for-the-public

Thank you for your time and cooperation.

Helen Hawes Club Captain

Diary dates & updates

U12s & U11s Training Session - Sunday 15th March

On the 15th March, the Kingston Breakfast run comes come past the main Portsmouth Road entrance to the club. The race starts in Kingston at 9am and therefore we have been advised to expect runners from 9.25am to 10.55am which is covers our peak entrance and exit times, alongside the rugby club.

We are therefore insisting everyone uses the one way system i.e. entrance via Portsmouth Road and exit via Weston Green Road. The feedback regarding this arrangement has been hugely positive and is something that the rugby club, hockey club and management of the OC Club are looking to adopt on a more permanent basis next season. Please approach the club slowly and allow more time, plus there will be no parking on Portsmouth Road. Thank you for your cooperation with this, we have to put safety first.

Last Sunday of training - Sunday 29th March

Easter camps - Tuesday 14th April and Wednesday 15th April - available to book now!

Summer hockey

We intend to run a Summer Hockey programme after the Easter holidays on a similar basis to last year, more details to follow

Next season

Time flies! We are currently finalising the timetable for the 2020/21 season. We anticipate sending out membership renewal information at the end of March/start of April with places being opened up to our waiting lists towards the end of May. Detailed information will be sent out with the membership renewals.

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