
GORE COURT HOCKEY

PRE-SEASON NEWS

Covid-19

Please familiarise yourself with the England Hockey Participant Advice to help members getting back on a hockey pitch safely. For more detail got to http://www.englandhockey.co.uk/core/core_picker/download.asp?documenttable=libraryfiles&id=20831

With the recent outbreak of confirmed Covid cases in some Sittingbourne Schools we ask all our members to be considerate to others members and perform:-

SELF-ASSESSMENT CHECK - We require our members to check before attending each hockey session (training and/or matches) and declare that they are symptom free and haven't been in contact with anyone with suspected or confirmed Covid symptoms within the past 2 weeks. If you have, **STAY AWAY**.

Track & Trace

You are required to endorse a register for your training / matches. Captains will forward this to the CLUB COVID OFFICER - Paul Birch after each session / match.

Details will be kept for maximum of 21 days.

Sign Up to train / play

- To be eligible to train or play, members are required to renew / sign up to **Clubbuzz**. Email links have already been sent out. If you've forgotten your username / password you can reset these. You will be chased by your Captains to ensure this is done as soon as possible. There is no 'All Inclusive Membership' this year. You will receive email on 15th of each month providing you with an Invoice for fees owed. Please set up a direct debit or pay online each month. Any issues / questions contact Graeme Jonas or Maggie Nicholls.
- Members also need to complete the 'England Hockey Player Participation Agreement' prior to training / playing matches. **You will be turned away if you haven't completed it.** Visit https://forms.office.com/FormsPro/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=NvkYmuiQxU--asEa8eSc6g-NqKCAUpGoe_luyiEaiZUMIE4NUVKRDZENzJGnUtNVEE5NVIXME9ETC4u

Membership Fees

Adult	£150
U18 / FTE.	£ 53
U16	£ 44
12 & Under	£ 20

* Friendly fixtures charged at lower fees

Match Fees

Men £12 / Ladies £11
Men £6 / Ladies £7
Men £4 / Ladies £5

Junior Training Fees (Sunday)

To be confirmed - Junior training may resume on Sunday 26th September

First Session £3

Second Session £3.50

Fundraising

We are still required to meet our fundraising target set by GCCC (Main Committee). In light of the Covid-19 Pandemic and being unable to hold any events, each Junior member will be charged £5 whilst each adult member will be charged £10. These will be added to each members Clubbuzz account on 1st October.

Midweek Training

Men's 1st / 2nd XI Training - Tuesdays 7.30pm - 9pm

Men's Development Training resumes on Tuesday 15.09.2020. 6.30-7.30pm at Westlands Astro.

Ladies 1st XI Training - Wednesday 7.30pm - 8.30pm

Ladies 2nd / 3rd XI Training - Wednesdays 7pm - 8pm

Upcoming Fixtures

League fixtures are to commence on Saturday 26th September 2020.

Pre Season Friendlies arranged to date are:-

- 12.09.20 - Ladies 1st & 2nd XI v Marden
 - Men's 1st XI v Herne Bay and Maidstone
- 19.09.20 - Ladies 1st XI v Sevenoaks
 - Men's 1st & 2nd XI v Folkestone
 - Men's 3rd XI v BBHC
 - Men's 4th / 5th XI (Inter Club Game)

Covid Compliance / New Umpire Guidance

Player Spitting & Nose Blowing

Spitting or nose blowing (where there is no handkerchief or tissue is used) is a practice that unfortunately occurs in our sport and must stop as it poses a significant risk to other participants.

New Guidance for the 2020/21 Season

A 2-minute suspension (Green Card) to be issued to any player or participant caught spitting or nose blowing without a handkerchief or tissue. These areas should be cleaned by the offending player before play can continue.

Repeat offenders (i.e. player(s) offending more than once) subject to further personal penalties as prescribed in section 14 of the 2019 FIH Rules of Hockey.

Consistent repeat offenders will be subject to due process under the England Hockey Code of Ethics and Behaviour, Red Card, MMO and/or Disrepute policies.

Match Day Experience

- No changing facilities
- We must use the outside toilets
- No shower facilities
- No teas
- No spectators allowed within Westlands Astro outer perimeter fence
- Players are NOT to enter outer perimeter fence to Westlands Astro until the game before has concluded and the players left the pitch.
- No post match hospitality with opposition
- The bar at Gore Court Cricket Club is open to Gore Court members only. The Hockey Committee are asking GCCC if home teams can book an 1hr slot in which we can socialise as a team whilst maintaining social distancing. Will report back once more detail is known.