

NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to the first edition of the Slazenger Hockey Newsletter. Hopefully, this finds you well and looking forward to the league starting soon.

These newsletters will be published after the monthly committee meeting to bring you news on what's going on in the club, along with a roundup of news, results and anything else which people want to include. If you know of any members not receiving this list, please encourage them to subscribe on the website homepage. If you want to post anything, send it through to Clubhouse@slazengerhc.co.uk, or simply reply to this email – simples!

START THE SEASON!

It's that time of the year again, so expect captains to be coming for your wallets, as membership subs are due.

Senior section players:	£70
Full time students & U18's playing regular senior section hockey:	£35
Juniors players not involved with senior or development hockey:	£20

Fees can be paid by cash, cheque (made payable to "SLAZENGER HOCKEY CLUB"), or using a standing order form to pay monthly (available from the clubhouse, or website - please ensure all standing orders begin before November 1st).

For families with more several playing members, subs are 25% off for the third family member, and 50% for any subsequent members. Speak to your captain or section treasurer for more information.

EACH PLAYER IS REQUIRED TO REGISTER. EITHER USING THE PAIN FREE ONLINE FORM (www.slazengerhc.co.uk/about/club-registration) OR USING THE GOOD OLD FASHIONED PAPER VERSION AVALIABLE FROM THE CLUBHOUSE

OTHER MONEY MATTERS

Match fees have been altered slightly for the coming season:

Senior section (men's & women's):	£7
Full time students & U18's playing regular senior section hockey:	£4
Juniors players not involved with senior or development hockey:	£2.50

Senior section driving payments have been increased to take into account rises in fuel costs. Figures are now based on 40mpg and £1.40 per litre.

The new money collection form for senior section captains is available on the club resource page - www.slazengerhc.co.uk/about/resources for future reference

TRAINING

We have continued to see good training numbers for the start of the season across the sections. For those of you not down, here's a reminder so there's no excuse!

Ladies 1st XI Training:	Wednesday 8pm-9pm
Ladies 2nd & 3rd XI:	Thursday 7:30pm-8:45pm
Men's Section:	Thursday 8:45-10:00pm
Junior (U10 & U12):	Sunday 9:15am - 10:30am
Junior (advanced U12's, U14 & U16):	Sunday 10:30am – 12:00pm
Junior Advanced Training:	Monday 8pm – 9pm

SHC NEEDS A NEW PITCH!

As many of you may be aware, the current astro is starting to look a little long in the tooth and will need replacing in several years time.

The cost to replace the pitch will be around £150,000 given that the shock pad (the layer under the carpet itself) is in relatively good condition. The sports club, along with the Hockey Club are



currently looking into how that money can be raised. If you have any fundraising ideas, skills, or time you can volunteer (or know a rich philanthropist...), then let us know. The more involvement from members on this, the better position the club will be to raise the money.

EVENTS COMING UP...

Saturday 17th September 2011 – NORTH CHALLENGER CUP – As winners of the Ladies Yorkshire Premier League, Slazenger's is hosting this years North Challenge Cup. This is an invite only 6 team ladies tournament for the best teams in Yorkshire. The games start from 10am and are played until around 5pm. It will be a day of high quality hockey, and all those not playing on the day are welcome to come and watch. Juniors are especially invited to come down and watch some great hockey on your doorstop!



Saturday 29th October 2011 – HALLOWEEN – Mark your calendars for the first social of the season – a night for all the club; juniors and seniors. Fancy dress is required. Further details and tickets will be available soon!

ALSO coming up in December will be the <u>SUPER SEVENS CHRISTMAS TOURNAMENT</u>, the <u>TRADITIONAL BOXING DAY GAMES</u>, and <u>NEW YEAR EVE CELEBRATION</u>. The club is planning to run further socials in the future and hope to get your support. If you have ideas on things the club could do – why not email us?

GROW YOUR OWN/ NEW MEMBERS PUSH

The junior section is looking for new players to fill the ranks, especially in the younger age groups. To help introduce new players and in conjunction with the England Hockey "Grow Your Own" Initiative, Slazenger's is providing a coaching session FREE to new members on Sunday 18th September 2011 at the normal training times. Additionally, for any current junior member who bring



along a new player, they will also get the session free!

If you work in schools, or youth groups of any kind, we hope you can pass on the details.

The ladies section is especially looking for older juniors and adults to play regularly for the squad. If you know anyone interested, why not drag them down to training!

Finally, the men's section is looking for a full time 3rd Team keeper. If you know anyone who is looking for a team, or has never played but wants to give it a go, pass their details through this email address.

LONDON OLYMPIC TICKETS



SHC has received an allotment of Olympic Hockey Tickets. They are for the group stages of the competition, for Monday 30th July 2012 7pm-10:45pm. This will allow you to watch two matches of international standard hockey. Tickets are £20 each, and will be distributed on a first come, first serve basis.

Tickets can be purchased in groups for families/friends.

Please contact Tony Walker at anthony.walker1@ntlworld.com to get hold of tickets.

SLAZENGER CLUB KIT

In order to standardise the kit available to all sections through the club, a kit list has been compiled <u>on this page</u>.

We don't expect everyone to be rushing to kit up through the club, however as the new season starts, hopefully this will serve as a guide to anyone unsure of club colours.

The sizing and costs of team kit (including new club hoodies) available through the club is currently being revised and details will be published soon.

GOALKEEPER VIDEO TRAINING

As part of delivering the brand new <u>England Hockey Bronze Award Goalkeeper Training</u>, Steve Wood will be showing a DVD on key keeper skills for all coaches on Wednesday 21st September at 7.00pm – 8.00pm in the clubhouse. Senior section players are welcome to attend, especially goalies. There will be a separate session for junior keepers & players at a later date, once the new coaching has been incorporated into schedules.

2G2G EQUIPMENT RECYCLING

The Junior committee are very aware of the amount of training equipment players go through every season, either through wear and tear or simply because they have grown out of it.



Replacing items can not only become something of a financial burden, but it is not always easy to find local suppliers of good quality, hockey specific equipment at a reasonable price. This is especially so at the end of the hockey season.

We understand that a lot of items that could be recycled and reused often go straight into the bin and 2G2G is a way of recycling items that are no longer needed. Anyone will be able to donate items such as sticks, trainers, shin pads, etc to us so that we can make them available to other parents.

A full catalogue of kit will be available on www.slazengerhc.co.uk/junior/2g2g/ as it becomes available.

If you have any clothing/equipment, please contact Sarah Jane Ritchey at sarahjaneritchey@googlemail.com.

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