

Slazenger Junior Hockey

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Time to brush the cobwebs from your sticks and enjoy the new season of hockey at Slazenger HC.

“Training starts” Dates

Although included on the “Diary” I confirm first training dates: Sunday 5th September U10/12 Boys & Girls 9.15 – 10.30. Followed by England Hockey Single System JDC Skills programme (available to all). These sessions will run from 5th September until 21st November. More info is available at the following address: <http://www.englishockey.co.uk/page.asp?section=68> Upon completion of the JDC programme Sunday’s will revert to the normal U14/16 Boys and Girls training sessions. Monday 13th September (U14/U16’s) 19.45 – 20.00 (warm up – off pitch) 20.00 – 21.00 (drills etc. on pitch) Not on the “diary” but of interest to juniors currently playing senior hockey. Senior Training starts Thursday 2nd September. Times are as follows:

Ladies 7.30pm till 8.45pm.

Men 8.45pm till 10pm.

Coaching Vacancy (Urgently needs filling!!)

Due to our expanding coaching dates Slazenger HC requires a qualified Hockey Coach to coach our U14/16 mixed age groups on **Monday evenings - 8pm to 9pm** commencing 13th September 2010.

If you have a minimum level 1 qualification, have been CRB checked and are over 18 please make application with CV to: Steve Wood - Junior Hockey Chairman stevewood17@gmail.com ASAP.

Diary for the 2010/11 season

With this newsletter you should find a “Diary” for the season. All tournament dates are as communicated by the Yorkshire Youth Hockey League, also we have made early bookings for both pitch and clubhouse therefore other dates should remain unchanged. Additional dates may be added for any further events to be held by either the senior club or ourselves, watch for these on the notice board.

Membership for 2010/11

All past and new members should find a membership form for next season enclosed. Please return your form with payment to the treasurer John Brearton (before the start of the season would help with administration), if not on first attendance.

Group E-Mail

This newsletter plus copies of all documents mentioned in this newsletter will be sent to all e-mail addresses we have on file (including some senior club and outside contacts F.I.). If this mail arrives somewhere it is not wanted, or doesn’t arrive where it is, please drop me a mail so I can amend the files to ensure future communication is improved. aperry@talktalk.co.uk

Kit Available From The Club

The sale of personalised “Slazenger” Hoodies from the same supplier as previously will continue, as will green socks (the latter being a “stock item”).

New this year is a Stanno Jacket (see photo). A high quality, water resistant, 100% polyester all weather jacket in a durable ripstop material. The jacket has a full length zipper with a windstopper. Jacket has two side pockets with zippers and comes with a drawstring waist with stopper. The jacket will have Slazenger HC on the back with players initial and Club logo on the front. Cost of jacket £20 inclusive. Available in all sizes, Juniors to Adult.

Any interested party should contact: Claire Mills Clairemills33@hotmail.com, or 07815 966331



Membership Drive/Flyers

New members or indeed anyone wanting to try the excellent game of Hockey are welcome at the club at any time throughout the year. However, the earlier in the season they start the more chance of them progressing to a higher level of play.

Any new starter can experience up to two training sessions f.o.c. You will find a few copies of a flyer with the newsletter (more are available), please use them to help “spread the word” about what your club has to offer.

Can I please make a special plea on behalf of the U10’s and U12’s both Boys and Girls. Although currently we have a membership of around 80 boys and girls we are particular short of players for these teams, so whilst thinking big consider “little”.

“Change” of Events for the festive season

Your committee has suggested a change to the format of events we have run for the past few years around Christmas & New Year. Instead of holding the Parents v Kids tournament in the new year we intend to hold it from 3pm till 5pm on the 12th of December, and follow this with a Christmas Party of a similar format as in the past but starting and finishing slightly earlier. Please offer your feedback/thoughts with regard to this.

Personal Equipment

Slazengers will provide balls, sticks and other training aids to facilitate the coaching sessions. In addition to this, members should bring the following:

For training:

Essential: Shin pads, “Astro” trainers (trainers designed specifically for hockey are available and are worth investing in), Good size bottle of water or sensible drink, suitable weather protection against sun, rain or cold. Please don’t wear blades on the astro pitch as it damages the surface and you will be asked to remove them.

Preferred additions: Gum Shield, lots of energy!

For Tournaments: All of the above are essential, plus more energy and lots of supportive family or friends!

Preferred additions: (Although team shirts are provided) Our recognised strip is green socks and white shorts for Boys, green socks and blue skirts for Girls. We ask that all participants adhere to the club strip when participating in hockey tournaments.

We are more than happy if you wish to train in these colours.

Link to “New Rules”;

www.englishockey.co.uk/news.asp?section=22§ionTitle=News&month=3&year=2009&itemid=5263