

Harpenden Hockey Club Junior Section

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Dear Parent/Player,

JUNIOR HOCKEY COACHING SESSIONS will be held on Sunday mornings at OA's, Woollam Playing Field, Harpenden Road, St Albans.

- Under 9s and Under 11s (year 6 and below): 10.00 - 11.00 am
- Under 13s Boys and Girls and Under 15s Boys: 11.00 - 12.30 pm
- Under 15s Girls and Colts Girls: 12:30 - 1:30

Training will run between Sept 9th 2007 and March 16th 2008. There will be no training on the first Sunday of each half term holiday (October 21st and February 10th) and a break over Christmas period (the last session in 2007 will be December 16th and the first session in 2008 will be on January 6th). *If you have any friends that may be interested, please let them know too.*

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORMS are attached, please bring them with the subscription (**Cheques to be made payable to "Harpenden Hockey Club"**) on your first or subsequent coaching session or post them to Niall McAlister, HHC Colts Coordinator, 9 Fallows Green, Harpenden, Herts AL5 4HD

JUNIOR SUBSCRIPTIONS for the season are £50 for all ages, regardless of whether a parent is a member of Harpenden Hockey Club. However, if you pay before 1 October 2007, the rate will be discounted to £35. If the child is already a member of the Men's or Ladies' Senior club for 2007-08, there is no need to pay for any further junior annual membership. Once this is paid, your child will be covered under the club's public liability insurance but this will not cover personal accident.

FEES are £2.00 per session, payable on the day.

UNDER 11's - Children will be carefully looked after, however it is a condition of admission to the coaching sessions that parents/guardians of Under 11's must be "on site" in the unlikely event of an emergency. Under no circumstances will coaches leave children unattended to care for a child who is injured, sick or distressed for any reason. If the parent/guardian cannot attend the session they should appoint a substitute adult who is identified to the head coach prior to commencement of the session.

SAFETY/INSURANCE - Please do not forget that it is a wise precaution to take out Sports Insurance. If you are at a school in Hertfordshire, the County Council operates Personal Accident Insurance Scheme for pupils (Details can be obtained from Herts County Council on 01992 588549). It is also recommended that you invest in a gumshield, as many players wear them now (your dentist can fit them), a padded hand guard (left hand) and shin pads.

KIT AND EQUIPMENT - Should you need any kit for the coming season you can contact The Hockey Centre at 200 Beech Road, St Albans - Phone 01727 865264.

VOLUNTEERS - If any parents would like to lend a hand in a training or administrative role, please let me know.

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CLUB WEBSITE - The club website can be found at www.harpendenhockeyclub.co.uk. It features a separate juniors section.

PARENTS' E-MAIL ADDRESSES - Where email addresses have been provided, we will circulate information (Coaching days etc) to addressees. Please advise me if you change your address.

BAD WEATHER - In the event of extreme weather (ie. heavy rain, snow etc) during a training session or match, we would ask parents to collect their child from the sports grounds. There is also a risk that heavy frost (especially in January/February) can cause cancellations. If possible, we will try to give advance email notice should this occur.

For the record, Paul Wise is the club's welfare officer and in accordance with the Hockey Association he has the required CRB (Criminal Records Bureau) Clearance. All of our coaches either have or are currently going through the CRB clearance system. If you have any queries in this regard please speak to one of us.

Finally, any ideas you may have in how we can improve the juniors system, on or off the pitch, please let us know.

Yours faithfully

Niall and Sarah McAlister

HHC Juniors Co-ordinators

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Junior Section: 2007/8 Season Membership Form

Please complete this form even if you were a member last season.

Name _____

Address _____

_____ Post Code _____

Home Phone No _____ Parents' Mobile No(s) _____

Parents' Email Address(es) _____

Date of Birth _____ Age at 1.9.2007 _____ School Year _____

School _____

Played Hockey before? YES/NO*

If YES, which positions? _____

Allergies/Relevant medical history _____

Other information _____

I (name) _____ wish to join Harpenden Hockey Club's coaching sessions and enclose a **cheque** made **payable to "Harpenden Hockey Club"**. If you are already a Colt member of the Men's or Ladies' club there is no need to pay for any further junior annual membership.

Signed _____

As parent/guardian* of _____ I give my permission for him/her to take part in hockey under the auspices of the Harpenden Hockey Club.

Name _____ Signature _____

* Please delete as appropriate