

2010-11

NEW SEASON

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Ladies' 1s Win the Kent Cup 2010

Winners

SO...MORE WINNERS THIS SEASON!

Last season saw some successes, and some end results that should have resulted in promotions. This season - everything to go for.



News

Ladies

Ladies train every **Wednesday** evening, at Armstrong Road:
 1s & 2s.....7.45pm to 9pm
 3s & 4s.....7pm to 8.30pm
 Open Day & B-B-Q on -
Saturday 4th September
 Registration 2.30, Games 3.30
 B-B-Q (for all) 5pm.
 First Ladies' friendlies are on 4th September.

Men

Men train on **Mondays and Tuesdays**, at Armstrong Road:
 3s, 4s, 5s, & 6s.....Mon 8.30pm
 1s & 2s.....Tues 7.30pm
 First Men's friendlies are on 11th September.

Juniors

The Junior Section of the Club has coaching and matches on **Sunday** mornings, at the following times split into two age groupings:
 * 9am.....5 to Under 12s
 * 10.30am.....12 to 18
 This all starts with registration in the Clubhouse on (same times) -
Sunday 5th September.
 All at Armstrong Road.

NOTES FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Welcome back to another season at Maidstone Hockey club.

As always there is a lot to look forward to and we enter the season with hopes high for an even more successful and enjoyable season on and off the pitch.

For some, summer has been a break from hockey but for others a great deal of effort has gone in to all sorts of initiatives to set up a great season. All our thanks should go to the small army of people who have worked hard since the last games back in April.

This pre season newsletter draws your attention to some of those activities.

This is a great hockey club and it is your hockey club so please get involved in any way you can.

Roger Daniels

Annual Report

The Club's Annual Report for 2009/10 is now (or soon will be) on the website. It's on the 'document library' page (under 'rules', and can be downloaded. This document is sent to all our partners (existing and prospective) to show how we progress. It's also an essential document to send in when seeking money.

OTHER CHIT CHAT

Clubhouse

A team has been into the clubhouse & given it a real 'summer' clean. The kitchen has been cleaned thoroughly, and tiles have been put up to protect the 'splashback' area, above the base units.

The work team have managed to give all the walls and windows in the Club room a new coat of paint. The Dartboard that Billie donated is up now. A new mat will be provided for us to roll out.

They have put up as many photos/items of interest, that they could find, on the red area wall - but they need more. Dig out those old photos - especially embarrassing ones!



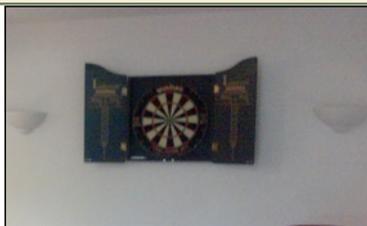
The Bar - they have put up two chalk boards which will allow us to publicise drink prices and offers. There is also a chalk scoreboard and a collection pot for new clubhouse items (see below).

They also popped into the cellar and saw that it needed a clean and a tidy up. It is now much better and organised.

The celebrity boards in the corridor have been given the treatment and are now fully up to date.

All in all, special thanks to Swaff (the leader), Jane, Lesley, Mike, Matt, Will & Baz - they all turned up to help in their own ways!

If you want to help, speak to Swaff.



Socials

Lizzie Daniels is putting together a cool list of 'to die for' social events for the coming season. It will appear soon on the website. If you have any ideas, want to join her 'socials' team, or are prepared to help out in any way - contact her.

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New Coaches

There has been much activity in the close season on agreeing who coaches whom.

Tom Nissen is the Ladies' 1s coach, with Wendy Carter looking after the rest.

Chris Brinn is the Men's 1s player/coach, supported by Chris Bassano-Harper. Jeremy Swaffer takes on the 2s.

More News

Indoor Training

The club now has two weekday slots at the New Line Learning Academy (formerly Oldborough School) in Boughton Lane, Loose. The Academy has a brand new large sports hall, which we will use for fitness training for our top squads - to replace other venues we have been to in the past. It's great that we now have access to such a great indoor facility near us. The Ladies are there on Tuesday evenings and the men on Wednesday evenings

Time to Pay Up

A huge thank you to nearly everyone for registering as a member and setting up monthly fee payment. BUT there are still some stragglers, and new members will not be selected until this is in place. Speak to Roger Daniels to check your status.

Fixtures

All the fixtures are on the website - under 'home and about' go to 'full fixtures and events'. Any changes, please let Mike Evans know.

Club Kit

Ladies' and Junior kit available from Chris Daniels.
Men's kit from Jeremy Swaffer.

Website

The website looks good, but it needs stories, reports and photos from you. So please feed them in.

Raise Some Money

Our usual annual fundraising effort providing marshals to the Maidstone Half Marathon returns on 17th October. Make a note in your diary to support this easy way to raise two grand - 50 marshals wanted for Sunday morning help.

