

# NEWSLETTER

## MHC

## MAIDSTONE HOCKEY CLUB

### Christmas Fest

**Saturday 11th December**

will be a really fun pre-Christmas evening for the Adult Section of the Club.

Following the physical exercise in the afternoon, there will be Christmas tunes, Wii Sports, games, mince pies and enjoying a glass or two of mulled wine with your team mates.....what more could get you in the spirit for Christmas!

The fun starts at 6pm. Come dressed as Father Christmas, his little helper or dressed in tinsel if you fancy, or just as yourselves!

The more the merrier, friends and family welcome. Hope to see you all on the 11th!



**Ladies' 3rd Team 2010/11**

### Ladies 1s Kent Cup

The Ladies are the holders of this County Cup, winning in 3 out of the last 4 years. Their first match of this year's

Kent Cup campaign is against East Premier rivals BromBecks, to be played on **Sunday 12th December**, push back at 12.30pm. Please come and support.



**JUNIOR SOCIAL** - An event for everyone in the Junior Section will be held on **FRIDAY 10th DECEMBER**, at 6pm. In the Clubhouse. Drinks, Nibbles, Music, Thrills, Spills etc. Likely to end at 8.30pm.



**FILMING** - Maidstone Borough Council are coming to film our Juniors in action on **SUNDAY 12th DECEMBER**. The film will be aired at the MBC Youth Sport Achievement Awards Ceremony for 2010/11. This is on Friday 28th Jan.

## JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT CENTRE (JDC) U13s TOURNAMENT

During the afternoon of Sunday 21st November, the club hosted 16 U13 teams from the JDCs across Kent.

In the end, South West 'B' won the Girls event, and Metro (Bromley) 'A' won the boys'. The weather stayed fine which always helps, although it was pretty cold.

Thanks to all the umpires, especially those from our club - Matt Emery, Mick Emery and Jeremy Swaffer. And special thanks to Jody Goodwin and 'Sully', who manned the bar and provided hot coffee and tea to frozen parents!

On 28th the club was due to be hosting the U12 JDC teams, but unfortunately the weather was very cold and the pitch could not be used.

At the Mid Kent JDC the coaches were: - U13 & U14 Girls = Lizzie Daniels & Louise Cassey; U13 & U14 Boys = Ollie Mitchell & Jeremy Swaffer; and for U12 Girls & Boys = Richard Shelton (Sutton Valence HC) & Scott Moen (Marden HC). Our grateful thanks to all of them for their hard work and commitment.

All the JDCs (and there are 8 in Kent) have undertaken coaching for about 10 weeks before the tournaments.



## WINTER'S HERE

Well the Winter cold hit us with a vengeance on the weekend of 27th/28th November, and has done so for 4th/5th. As a result, there were/are no matches on the MHC pitch at all, because it is frozen and covered with a lot of snow.

As a result, we have re-arranged fixtures for SATURDAY 18th DECEMBER, Indeed it's a full fixture list - certainly at home. It's likely that there will be more re-arrangements to come - most likely on SATURDAY 8th JANUARY 2011.

The situation is changing by the day, so please look at the club website (fixtures) or FixturesLive website. If in any doubt please check with your captain.

## 2011 JUNIOR ACADEMY CENTRES (JACs)

Those nominated by their JDC coaches will progress to the County level JACs. U15 girls and boys to Holcombe, U14 boys to Tonbridge, and U13 boys to O Bordenians - all on Friday nights. The U13 & U14 girls will be at Maidstone on Sunday afternoons. This all starts on Sunday 9th January 2011. After about 8 weeks of coaching they play matches against other counties. At Maidstone, the L2 coaches include our own Lizzie Daniels and Ollie Mitchell - so well done to them.

Following these, the best youngsters will be nominated for the SE Junior Performance Regional Centre (JPRC), etc. It's all part of England Hockey's Single System.

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