



# Tring Hockey Club Newsletter



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❄️ ❄️ **S'no Hockey is S'no Fun!!** ❄️ ❄️

Just as we were all giving thanks that the holiday season was finally over and that we could all get back to the serious business of playing hockey and winning some glory for Tring, it snowed! Not a little but a lot, putting paid to any thoughts of running off the seasonal excesses.

So carrying a few extra pounds after the gorge-fest that is Christmas, a few more were added from having the additional weekend off! Still the prospect of having to run for 70 minutes on Saturday, whilst not sounding too appealing, should at least kick-start the annual New-Year resolution of wanting to return to the usual fighting weight! I hope we get out this weekend, or we seriously run the risk of those pounds sticking! Good luck in your games. **ED**



Please don't forget this is your weekly newsletter so if you have any burning issues or topics you would like to raise or share then, please let me know! The editor-in-chief can be contacted at [wallim3@hotmail.com](mailto:wallim3@hotmail.com). NJW

## Training Recommences (or does it?) Snow & ice permitting!!

Everyone please remember that club training continues on Wednesday evenings at Tring School Astro. The timings are - Developments 7-8pm while the main Club training follows immediately after at 8-9pm.

Senior XI training for both Ladies and Men is held Thursday evening at the Halton Astro 8-9.30pm.

Junior Coaching is held on Sunday mornings at Tring School Astro from 9.30am.

## Where to catch the action this weekend – 16 January

Saturday	H	L	Opponents	Venue	Pushback
Mens 1	A	L	Eastcote 2	The Eastro, Eastcote HA4 7JZ	1330
Mens 2	H	L	OMT 2	Tring School	1645
Mens 3	H	L	Witney 3	Tring School	1515
Developments	A	L	Phoenix 3	Rivermead Leisure Centre Reading	1300
Veterans	A	L	Old Cranleghians	Thames Ditton, Surrey. KT7 0HB	1645
Supervets	H	L	St Albans Cent	RAF Halton	1030
Ladies 1	H	L	Bedford 2	Tring School	1345
Ladies 2	A	L	Bedford 3	Chester Rd, Bedford. MK40 4HL	1200
Ladies 3	A	L	Letchworth 4	Whitethorn Lane, Letchworth. SG6 2DN	1030
Ladies 4	A	L	Stevenage 5	Hitchin Road, Stevenage. SG1 4AE	1230

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## THE SATURDAY REVIEW

**Well this is the season restart part 2, after last weekend's white-out. Again with weather permitting, hopefully it is back to league action for all our sides and it should be a veritable feast of hockey action for those of you not wanting to venture to far away from Tring with the school hosting 3 games back to back.**

Our Ladies 1s will kick start the action at 1345 with the visit of Bedford, followed by the Mens 3s who host Witney at 1515, and the day is rounded off with the Mens 2s taking on OMT at 1645. Meanwhile over in Halton, it is an early start for the Supervets with a 1030 pushback for their clash with St Albans Centurions. Elsewhere it is road trips for the Mens 1s & Developments as well as the Vets, while all the 3 other Ladies teams are travelling.

Looking at the Tring School action, the day starts with the Ladies 1s. Bryony Bennett's squad will be champing at the bit to continue their quest to top the Premier Division tree come the end of March. With just the one slip-up pre-Christmas against current league leaders Shefford, they will be out to avenge that defeat when they lock horns on 6 March. First-up however, it is bottom place Bedford, who the girls narrowly defeated 4-3 at the start of the campaign, and Bryony will be hoping for a much more comfortable victory this time around.

They are followed by the Mens 3<sup>rd</sup> XI led by Ben Holman. A difficult first half to the season, saw them finish before the break in the top half of the table following a win over Wallingford. Ben will be hoping to build on this as the race to the finish line well and truly hots up. A top half of the table finish is not beyond the squad, albeit the visit this Saturday of Witney, who sit second, will be a stern test.

The day's final game sees the much improved Mens 2's in action. Sharpie's XI made a sluggish start to their league campaign but finally came good in the latter weeks and currently on a 3-game win streak. Whilst OMT are sitting third, the 2's will hopefully not be in fear of them.

Amongst the other games the Mens Senior squad will be visiting Eastcote. Whilst they sit second in the league, their run of 6 wins was ended by Ramgarhia just before Christmas and Matt Hyde will be hoping for better things in the New Year. Eastcote can be difficult opposition but hopefully the 1s have enough in their locker not to be put off their stride. The Development squad has the difficult and long trip away to Phoenix. Never a happy hunting ground for me, lets hope the trip is a positive one and they bring home the 3-pts.

Tracey Hockley's troops had a slow start to the season with 4 draws and 2 defeats before registering a win. They will be hoping they are not as slow out of the blocks after the break with the trip to mid-table Bedford. The Ladies 3<sup>rd</sup> XI line-up at Letchworth who Kate Stokes side have already defeated this season and will be looking to claim a league double as they seek to end a current winless streak of 4 games. The Ladies Development had a good start to their 2<sup>nd</sup> league campaign and will be hoping to add to their tally of 3 wins in 7 with a repeat win over Stevenage.

Beast's Vets will be hoping for a change of fortune in 2010 and add to the 2 victories so far gleaned in their league campaign. Old Cran's are the first New-Year opposition. Unlucky in the opening fixture where they lost out by the odd-goal in seven they will be out for revenge and show the tenacious fighting spirit they are famed for!!!

Here's hoping the snow and ice doesn't impact too much, or it is yet another weekend of vegetating on the sofa. I may just have to get the Wii Fit out and take that dreaded post Christmas Fitness Test!!

Anyway, good luck everyone if you play.

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***That's all folks***



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