



Tring Hockey Club Newsletter



ALL THE LATEST NEWS AND RESULTS FROM THE HOME OF HOCKEY IN HERTS.

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Don't forget this is your weekly newsletter so if you have any burning issues you would like to raise or share then please let us know! The editor-in-chief can be contacted at wallim3@hotmail.com. NJW

Where to catch the action this weekend



Saturday	H		Opponents	Venue	Pushback
Mens 1	A	L	Mill Hill	Tba	Tba
Mens 2	H	L	West Hampstead 4	RAF Halton	1030
Mens 3			No game		
Developments	H	L	Swans	Tring School	1645
Veterans	H	L	Old Cranleghians	Tring School	1515
Supervets	A	L	St Albans Centurians	DAO School, Potters Bar EN6 2DU	1630
Ladies 1	A	L	Bedford 2	Bedford HC MK40 4HL	1100
Ladies 2	H	L	Bedford 3	Tring School	1345
Ladies 3	H	L	Letchworth 4	RAF Halton	1200
Developments	A	L	Queenswood	Queenswood School AL9 6NS	1530
Sunday					
Veterans	A	C	Lincoln HC	Lincoln Yarborough School LN1 3SP	1400

INAUGURAL LEAGUE OUTING FOR OUR U14 GIRLS

Tring 0- 4 Marlow (sob-sob)

On Sunday 4th October Tring's u14 girls made history by being our first team to play in the Bucks Girls u14 League. This was a big step up for most of those who played as it was their first real taste of competitive 11-a-side hockey.

The team assembled were excited at the prospect of playing together. After a number of smelly sock changes (thank you Tom Burrows and yes apparently they did stink!)... girls you do need blue socks....Tring got off to a slow start. Despite some good play throughout the half Tring were 3 down by half-time, essentially due to the physical strength and skill of the Marlow midfield and forwards.

However, Ruth Harding was doing a sterling job as the Tring keeper and the second half saw the girls with renewed spirit and tactics. A number of good runs down the left and right wings were complemented by several attempts at the Marlow goal that saw them repeatedly having to clear their lines. Tring really did deserve something out of the game with the final score not truly reflecting the full game as quick counterattack from Marlow saw them clinch a fourth goal.

Overall there were too many star performances to mention, but a lot of really positive play and things to work on. Player of the match nominated by her peers was Megan Sawh, or is that 'mighty Megan'!!

Team - Ruth Harding, Milly Jones, Harriet Holderness, Ruth Hart, Amy Chaplin, Amy Proudfoot, Ellie Burrows, Livy Vize, Molly Beard, Rachel Perkins, Christina Slater, Megan Sawh, Hannah Prentice (Capt), Abi Lawlor.

Thanks to Liz and Tim for whistle blowing.

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Last Weekend's Action



JOY UNCONFINED FOR BRYONY

Ladies 1 @ West Herts 2 - W3-2

In their second league game of the new season, the ladies 1st XI secured another victory with a fine team effort that enabled them to beat West Herts 3-2. The Tring goals came from a fierce strike by Jenny Wrench, a penalty stroke that was confidently converted by Holly Glover, and the winner was a shot to the back post by Claire Forth. For the second weekend it was goalkeeper Jess Hudson who won the plaudits with a fantastic game that gave her defence lots of confidence and won her colleagues admiration with the man of the match accolade.

KATIE STRIKES

Ladies 2 @ Harpenden 2 – D1-1

Following the previous week's draw with rivals Aylesbury, the 2nd XI set-off for Harpenden in the good spirits with much anticipation of collecting a first league win of the campaign.

From the outset Tring pressured their opponents with some determined play in midfield. Good ball movement throughout saw Tring in the ascendancy. Some excellent inter-play between Sarah and Esther saw the ball reach Zoë who drove down the right wing and her cross found Katie free in the circle only for

her shot to hit the post. Tring persevered though and soon after a further attack on the Harpenden goal saw Mia and Tracey passing between each other to again set up Katie who didn't need a 2nd invitation and coolly slotted home the opening goal. Harpenden woke up and put Tring under a lot of pressure for the next 10 minutes as they attacked hard. Strong defence from Mel, ably assisted by Hazel and Claire managed to keep them out with some superb defending.

The proverbial game of two halves that Tring seem to specialise in then followed with Harpenden coming out strong and, on the attack, pushed Tring back. Defensively Tring worked hard to keep the ball at bay, Charlotte & Vicky shining, but the inevitable happened with Harpenden attacking from a free-pass to score the equaliser. The last 10 minutes of the game had both teams fashioning play to score the winning goal, which Harpenden thought they had done only for the umpires to rule out for foul play in the build-up.

In the days other game, the 3rd XI put their 8-1 mauling behind them with a 3-1 win over Stevenage 4. The goal scorers for the 3rd XI were Amy Moores, Charlotte Kearvell and Emma Boddington.



Remember – Respect your umpires!



LONDON HOCKEY LEAGUE

The Phoenix Fire Stifled

Developments 2 -2 Phoenix & Ranelagh 3

In front of a packed house at the Halton Astro, where the grandstand was standing room only, word must have got out that the Hitman was making his first public foray since his 4 goal outing a fortnight ago. In this the first league game of the season for the Development team, they made an excellent start. The combination of youthful pace and 'old-heads' experience resulted in a 2 - 2 draw with a strong Phoenix side.

The strong back line of Eric Granger, Ed Lewis, Bruce MacAlpine and Hugo Manson marked and tackled consistently throughout, but despite this an early goal meant the team was behind 1-0 at half time. In the second half the Developments fought back and started to up the pace of the game, Greg Roach and Johnny Mee battled in midfield creating some good chances that could not be converted. It was a Chris Hail strike that saw the boys even up the score midway through the half. About ten minutes from the end Phoenix scored again making for a nail biting last few minutes. Then up stepped Dan Thompson, our 4-

goal hero from a fortnight ago, oblivious to the pressure of the clock counting down and following a tenacious run or two eventually got a shot off to equalize. He even had a chance at the death to steal all 3 points but his goal bound shot was blocked as the whistle went to conclude the game. In the end a fair result from a close game where Phoenix may think it points dropped against a much younger side.

In other results opening league day was not a successful venture for Tring. The Mens 1st XI lost to Eastcote 4-1. Ash opened the scoring for Tring who then promptly went off the boil as Eastcote notched up 4 goals without reply. Mens 2nd XI suffered a 5-0 defeat to OMT 2, while our 3rd XI lost 4-0 to Witney 3. The day's only other game saw the Supervets follow-up an opening day league win with a goalless draw at home to Old Loughtonians and remain unbeaten.

Don't Forget All Memberships are Now Due

MEMBERSHIP FORMS

Forms are available from your captains for membership or downloaded from the club website, address is at the foot of each page. Please fill in fully and return ASAP. Don't forget you need to pay by the end of October to qualify for the discount.

Training Continues

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 & Mens 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.

Up and Coming Social and Fundraising Events

14th November - Comedy Club Night

31st January - Comedy Club Night

The Remaining October Fixtures

Please ensure your captains are informed of your availability as this will hopefully make selection easier!!

Mens 1			Mens 2		
10/10	Mill Hill 1	(a)		West Hampstead 4	(h) 1030
17/10	Aylesbury 1	(h)	1030	Marlow 2	(a)
24/10	Wokingham 1	(a)		Maidenhead 3	(h) 1200
31/10	Amersham & C	(a)		Windsor 1	(h) 1200
Mens 3			Mens Development		
10/10	Gerrards X 4	(h)	1645	Swans 1	(h) 1645
17/10	Windsor 2	(a)		PHC Chiswick 6	(h) 1000
24/10	Reading Uni 1	(h)	1515	West Hampstead 7	(a)
31/10	Bracknell 3	(a)		Eastcote Eagles	(h) 1030
Vets			Supervets		
10/10	Old Crans	(h)	1515	St Albans	(a) 1630
11/10	Lincoln	(a)			
17/10	Oxted	(h)	1200	Bromley & Beck	(a) 1200
24/10	HAC	(a)	1400	Southgate	(h) 1645
31/10	no game			Hampstead & Westm	(a) 1330
Ladies 1*			Ladies 2*		
10/10	Bedford 2	(a)	1100	Bedford 3	(h) 1345
17/10	Letchworth 2	(h)	1215	Berko & Hemel	(a) 1345
Ladies 3*			Ladies 4*		
10/10	Letchworth 4	(h)	1200	Queenswood 3	(a) 1530
17/10	Welwyn 4	(a)	1000	Stevenage 5	(h) 1045

**Weekends of 24 & 31 October are free weekends for the Ladies leagues.*

All timings are subject to change so please refer to your captains.

That's all folks



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