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County Newsletter - April 2026

Welcome to the new look County Newsletter

This newsletter will update you on various County and England Hockey activities- if there is anything you want to have added for next month's newsletter, email county@englandhockey.co.uk



England Hockey Awards 2026

The England Hockey Awards deadline for nominations has passed and all Areas have submitted their proposed winners – thank you if you submitted nominations on behalf on your County. We have had more nominations this year that previous years which is fantastic!

Junior County Finals Proposal

An email has been sent to County Chairs, Secretaries and attendees/sign ups to about a proposal of a Junior County Finals for 2026/27 season. This is a reminder that counties can vote on this proposal via Microsoft Form by the 9th June. Check the email and presentation for further details.

Stephen Barlow Retirement

Stephen Barlow is retiring with his last full day taking place on 30th April. A reminder that if you would like to send a message to Stephen for his retirement then you are able to do this here - https://www.thankbox.com/app/thankbox/dl5NLgup

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EuroChamps 2027 - Volunteering

With the build up for the EuroChamps 2027 in full swing, there is a great opportunity to get involved with supporting a major hockey tournament!

Our volunteers, Hockey Makers are a dedicated team of people who go the extra mile to make an invaluable contribution and commitment to running our events and will be crucial in the successful delivery of EuroChamps27.

For more information and to sign up to be a volunteer at EuroChamps2027 here

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Pitch Together Fund - Introductory Forums

The Pitch Together Fund to support development of pitches and facilities is well underway.

We're hosting some informal on-line drop-in sessions for anyone interested in finding out more about the Pitch Together Fund. Whether you have a project in mind or just want to learn more about how the fund works, come along and chat with us.

We won't be going into the detail of individual projects on the day, but we're happy to answer any questions you have about the fund and can arrange follow-up conversations where appropriate.

Date: **Wednesday 20 May 12.00noon - 1.00pm**
Register here prior to the event to get the joining link

Date: **Wednesday 17 June 12.00noon - 1.00pm**
Register here prior to the event to get the joining link

Date: **Thursday 16 July 12.00noon - 1.00pm**
Register here prior to the event to get the joining link

Recent Communications

Catch up on the essential updates sent to our community over the last month

We know inboxes get busy, so we've rounded up all the recent essential updates sent to club contacts and players over the past month.

Club Development and Learning - April 2026

Club Together - April 2026

Hockey Maker - The Extra Mile - April 2026

Areas and County Portal Link Here

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