



SOUTH CENTRAL HOCKEY NEWS

APRIL 2026

Welcome to the April 2026 Newsletter

This issue of the South Central Hockey Newsletter contains updates from:

- England Hockey Award
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In order for us to help you we would like to remind you all to please keep all your contact details up-to-date on [GMS](#) and for those who are committee members through the [England Hockey Club portal](#). It is this method that allows us to communicate information to you.

England Hockey Awards



This is a reminder that there is just 1 week to go before the nominations close for the England Hockey Awards.

If you haven't done so already, check out the Award categories available for nominations. The awards give the opportunity to tell people's stories and successes over the last year and beyond. The England Hockey Awards looks to highlight these and celebrate the work that is carried out across all levels of the game.

Thank you to those who have put forward nominations already – there is still time to do so if you haven't already.

Deadline for nomination is Sunday 12th April at 23:59.

Information of the various awards and the nomination form can be found below: <https://www.englishockey.co.uk/competitions-and-events/england-hockey-awards/categories-for-the-2026-england-hockey-awards>

League Play-Offs

The South Central Hockey Play-off Day will take place at the Aldershot Garrison Pitches on 18 April 2026, featuring the second-placed Open/Men's and Women's teams in the Division 1 North and South, and the top divisions in Cherwell, Thames, Forest and Solent. The South-Central Board and the Adult League Management Committee will be in attendance:



1. The postcode for the pitches is **GU11 2EY**
2. What3Words - [///liked.album.loose](https://www.what3words.com/#!/liked.album.loose)

Pitch 1(Left of Pavilion)	Pitch 2 (Right of Pavilion)	Timing
Oxford 5 v Yateley 3 O/M	Eastleigh 1 v Winchester 4 W	1030-1230
Oxford Uni 3 v Marlow 4 W	Romsey 4 v Winchester 5 O/M	1230 -1430
Wallingford 1 – Trojans 2 O/M	Oxford 2 – Basingstoke 2 W	1430-1630

[Details can be found on our website](#)

South Central Website

Regular visitors to our website will have noticed a few updated to the navigation on the **home page** with text boxes beneath the 'Latest News' element.

This we hope helps you navigate to the the pages you need most.

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In2Hockey Area Finals

Date: Sunday 26th April 2026

Venue: Reading Hockey Club (RHC), Sonning Lane, RG4 6ST

Parking: At RHC and Berkshire County Sports Ground (same postcode, entrance opposite Blue Coach School). See 'MAP' tab in the attachment playing schedule. Please ask everyone to park courteously to allow as many people as possible to park. We may be able to secure more parking at the 'nursery' also shown on the map.

Playing Schedule: Boys and Girls Under 10s and Under 12s is attached. We will use hard copy notices and Tournify* on the day for the results.

Under 10s: MORNING across 2 pitches "SLS" and "SON".

Warm up on 2 pitches from 9.00am. Pitches will be available from 8.45am

First match push back: 9.30am

Matches: 15mins 1 way, 5 min change over to allow for 3 cheers and vacate pitch,
Plate/Cup play-offs: penalty shoot-out as required

Coaches briefing at 9am by the central desk situated between SLW and SLS

Finish time: 1.15pm

Under 12s: AFTERNOON across 3 pitches "SLW", "SLS" and "SON"

We suggest Under 12 teams arrive after 1.30pm to allow the car parks to partially clear.

Warm up: space is available on all 3 pitches from 2pm

First match push back: 2.20pm

Matches: U12 -10min each way, 2min HT and 3 min change over, Plate/Cup
play-offs: penalty shoot-out as required

Coaches briefing: 13.50pm by the central desk situated between SLW and SLS.

Finish time 6.15pm