

MIDLANDS ADULT LEAGUE

Newsletter January 2023



Club Forum

We talked earlier in the season about a **Club Forum**, I would now like to announce the next step.

We will be scheduling an online Teams Meeting(s) early in the February, to which we would like to invite all clubs to attend and identify areas of concern and improvements to the execution of the Adult Leagues. More details to follow in the next couple of weeks.

I'm hoping that some Clubs will be willing to form part of sub-groups, supported by a League Committee member to cover the following subjects.

- League Structure
- Development Teams
- Regulations
- Anything else that is seen as a focus item (this will NOT include GMS).

GMS Updating

A thank you to all Clubs that have completed the outstanding Teamsheets, Timeline (Matchsheets), from the start of the season. Unfortunately, there are some still not completed and no reason given for their non-completion. I have just sent out another list to those affected Clubs and will check again on Monday 16th January and reluctantly be issuing fines for non-completion.

From the start of the second half of the season fines will be issued for infringements of the following deadlines.

Deadlines Reminder – please make sure all Captains are aware

- Team Sheets and Scores by 22:00 on the day of the game for all Grades.
- Timeline, Scorers and Cards, by 22:00 the day after the game for Grades 2/3. (This is so Appointed Umpires can check the details entered are correct.)
- Timeline, Scorers and Cards, by 22:00 two days after the game for Grades 4/5.

Can you please ensure cards, Green, Yellow and Red are shown as well as Scorers.

Also ensure each game shows the names of two umpires, either two home or one home and one away.

All Venue and Times to be complete for the second half of the season **by 1st December**, Regulation 5.2.1, there are still some outstanding.

As GMS uses Start and End time in its Deadline calculations can you ensure both Times are present in all Fixtures? I'd like to remind Clubs the time is 24hr clock. At least one Club is using 12-hour times.

Please email the support team at gms.support@englandhockey.co.uk for help and advice.

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Umpires Reports

All teams with Appointed Umpires should be providing an Umpire's Report after each game.

Missing e-mails and phone numbers on Team part of a Fixture

You can add your details to the Teams page of any fixture, by following the guidance around minute 40 of the training video here: <https://www.englishhockey.co.uk/deliver/gms-club-admin>

Club Umpiring

I have received a number of complaints about the standard of club umpiring, whilst the League does not get involved in these complaints, it is important that Clubs endeavor to provide competent umpires.

Promotion/Relegations

There is now a document on the Midlands website that shows the expected Relegations/Promotions at the end of the 2022/2023 season.

<https://midlands.englishhockey.co.uk/adult-leagues-competitions/regulations-supporting-documents>

Regards,



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