

#### SOUTH CENTRAL HOCKEY NEWS

**OCTOBER 2024** 

## Welcome to the October 2024 Newsletter



This is the October 2024 newsletter for South Central Hockey. It includes information on various hockey-related activities and events such as:

- Indoor Hockey: Details about a seminar on techniques and tactics from the EuroHockey Club Championships, scheduled for October 14, 2024.
- Flyerz Hockey: Information on sessions for disabled and neurodivergent under-18s organized by Newbury & Thatcham HC, with session dates and times listed.
- 3. **Masters Hockey**: Information about the Over 65's men's matches and the organisation of county teams for the new Over 65 Championship.

Additionally, it reminds members to keep their contact details up-to-date for effective communication by updating their details on GMS and for those who are committee members though the England Hockey Club portal. It is this method that allows us to communicate information to you.

#### **Indoor Hockey**

### Learning from EuroHockey Club Championships

The EuroHockey Club Championships seminar is a free event organised by the coaches from Buckingham Hockey Club.

It aims to share their experiences and the techniques and tactics employed during the EuroHockey Club Championships.

The seminar will cover:

- Techniques for Indoor Hockey
- Defensive structures
- Attacking principles

The seminar will use video clips from the tournament, which featured 10 of the top club teams in Europe.

It is scheduled for October 14, 2024, from 7 pm to 9:30 pm at

Marlow Sports Club,

Pound Lane,

Marlow, SL7 2AH.

To register attendance, participants are asked to email

kevin.mayles@outlook.com.

#### **Newbury & Thatcham HC**



The purpose of the Flyerz sessions is to inspire the next generation of Olympic and Paralympic champions by providing hockey sessions for disabled and neurodivergent under-18s.

These sessions aim to create a fun and inclusive environment where children can enjoy the sport, regardless of their experience level. Carers, parents, and guardians are also encouraged to participate alongside the children with the help of fantastic volunteers. The sessions are free and take place every other Sunday at 5 pm at Nuffield, coached by Nicky McMillan.

If you're interested just message nickybtn@gmail.com

Session	Date	Day	Time	Location	Coach
Flyerz	Oct 20	Sundays	16:30 - 17:30	Nuffield	Nicky McMillan
Flyerz	Nov 03	Sundays	16:30 - 17:30	Nuffield	Nicky McMillan
Flyerz	Nov 17	Sundays	16:30 - 17:30	Nuffield	Nicky McMillan
Flyerz	Dec 01	Sundays	16:30 - 17:30	Nuffield	Nicky McMillan
Flyerz	Dec 15	Sundays	16:30 - 17:30	Nuffield	Nicky McMillan

#### **Masters Hockey**



## EH National MO65 County knockout competition.

This season, the Over 65's men are organising match's around the county areas.

County sides are being organised as England Hockey have designated the new Over 65 Championship as County teams only, no Club sides can enter.

Hampshire are combining with Dorset to form a side, with Berkshire forming another and Oxfordshire combining with Buckinghamshire to form 2 team from each county.

Trail dates will be confirmed to all those player who are interested and contact the organisers listed below.

The competition draw, timetable, is yet to be agreed but will be published soon.

Des Legg is organising the Hampshire/Dorset squads and can be contacted by email at: <a href="mailto:deslegg@yahoo.co.uk">deslegg@yahoo.co.uk</a>

Colin James is fulfilling a similar role for Oxfordshire/Buckinghamshire. His email address for getting involved in the squads is: Colin James cjmes555@hotmail.co.uk

# New Director joins South Central Hockey

South Central Hockey is excited to announce that Mark Cumming has agreed to join the Board of Directors as the Governance Director. He is taking over the role from Steve Hills, who stepped down at the AGM held on Thursday, July 18th, 2024.

We want to express our gratitude to Steve for his dedicated work in overseeing the Governance of the South Central Area during his tenure.

Mark joins us and brings a wealth of experience, not only in Hockey but also in his professional life gained in a senior career in Human Resources.

In a short time you will be able to find out more about Mark by reading his Biography on the

South Central Website

#### **Junior Hockey**

Junior Leagues started last weekend 6/10 please ensure that results are entered as soon as possible after the match and that if the match didn't happen or has been changed please let us know on the following email addresses.

U14leagues@southcentral.hockey
SC.juniorleagues@southcentral.hock
ey U16 and U18 leagues

All fixture details should now loaded onto GMS so that your opposition can see the time and venue, ideally 2 weeks before the match.

If your club needs to change or cancel a match please give your opposition as much notice as possible. If they have booked a pitch and are unable to cancel it your club will be liable for the cost.