

# Old Cranleighan Colts Newsletter 2014/5

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Season 3

Week 7

## Week 7 – A Warm and wet (!! ) Welcome Back...!

Half term has been and gone, Halloween and fireworks has also passed us by and the big “C” word is around the corner with a Ho...Ho...Ho....!! This week we braved the elements, well most of us did and played underwater hockey in the morning, with torrential downpours in the morning leaving our sparrows diving for cover. One of the wettest sessions in OC Colts History, a testament to all players and coaches who were out on the pitch!! Hope you have all dried off!! You all deserve player of the day awards!!

This week we have plenty of activity both home and away as the fixture list is red hot, and everyone has been in touch. Also some important announcements this week as well as the match report from our U9's and U10's teams who want to Barnes Hockey Club.



**This week is Remembrance Sunday – We will be paying our respects with a small ceremony at 11am**

## FIXTURES THIS WEEK...!

U12 – Girls v Guildford HC – (Home – TD) – MEET 8.30am

U10 Boys – Wimbledon Tournament (AWAY – Raynes Park High School) – MEET 8.30am

U12 Boys – Cheam Tournament (AWAY – Non such High School, Cheam) – MEET 12noon at Cheam or 11.30 at OC's

## NEXT WEEK'S FIXTURES

U8's – Mixed Tournament – Woking Hockey Club (Goldsworthy Park, Woking) – 8.45am

U11 – Girls Tournament – Richmond Hockey Club (Quinton Hogg Memorial Ground, Chiswick – 9am)

U12 – Girls Tournaments – Chertsey Thames Valley Hockey Club (Salesian School, Chertsey – 12 noon)

## LAST WEEK

### OC's U10's Girls – Barnes HC Tournament

Thanks to the parents and supporters for conquering the rain and traffic to Chiswick so that the epic U10 OC 1's and 2's could play in our first tournament of the season....

Both teams started well and attacked and defended in equal measure with both matches resulting in 0-0 draws. The following two matches saw our OC 1's draw one and lose the other 3-0, with the OC 2's losing to both Barnes and Wimbledon whilst again having a good share of the ball. Neither of our teams were able to find the final killer pass or shot but we fought well and had fun. We ended the tournament as 2nd equal for the OC 2's and 3rd equal for the OC 1's but all games were incredibly close with near goals from Harriet James, Amy Crabtree and Holly Quinton. While all the girls played very well, a special shout out goes to our two keepers Evie Tanner and Tess Goddard who saved several goals and to Evie Heath, Anaya Patel, Amy Smith, Kitty Swing, Georgia White, Alina Mir and Georgia Vernon for some outstanding play. We also had several girls who had never played a match before and congratulations should go to them for holding their own.

We will spend next weekend practicing our shots on goal and special positioning, but until our next match we will continue to have fun and work hard so the results continue to improve...well done girls!

Deb Scott and Chris James.



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## Player of the Day...!

This week, everyone deserved the medals due to the bravery and the attitude of all who decided to 1. Turn up, and 2 get out on the AstroTurf. That includes all of the coaches and the admin teams. Well done to all, and it was only a bit of rain...!! Some great performances all round, with our longest distance medal going to our guest all the way from Canada – Lucas Nutting – However due to a technical error we did not get the photo – it was too wet – Ed!! (NB – Please bring guests from warmer countries so they can bring the warmer weather with them!!) Keep up the good work guys and girls and get your name added to the Hall of Fame...!



**Henrietta  
Oxley**



**Freya  
Scott**



**Ed  
Cruthers**



**Ollie  
Taylor**



**Ellie  
Hauck**



**Alice**

## Coaches Corner - Dean Wheeler (Director of Hockey) – Competitive Hockey

With matches and competitions against other clubs coming thick and fast teams in different age groups at the club are getting a really good experience of match/game play in competitive situations.

We need to try and remember things that have been taught to us by your coaches in training sessions on Sunday mornings. It's really important to start understanding how to play team and how you play your position in matches. Getting used to and knowing the rules really help as well in your development as a hockey player.

We need to try and use the space better when playing matches and not all just follow and chase the ball. When we get the ball in a game the 1st thing we should think is "where next pass" and "who is free on my team I can pass to" before we think about dribbling. We need to try and get the ball into a good position in the D (scoring area) where we can then take a shot at goal.

Good luck to everyone playing in matches and tournaments from now till Xmas!



Elf Helen is passing on instructions to Father Christmas for OC Clothing soon and he has told her he must have her letter sent to the North Poll by 1st December so orders in the preceding Sunday.



### OC's KIT SKORTS

Following a number of requests Navy Blue skorts (girl's skirts with shorts) will go on sale this weekend for £15. Limited initial stock but more can and will be ordered if there is interest.

### Playing Shirts

OC Shirts are on their way and will be with us in a few weeks. These will be on sale and available at a nominal price (TBC). We will be taking sizes shortly and allocating numbers....watch this space for more details in the coming weeks!

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