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**Hartlepool
Caledonians Hockey
Club**

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Wise move for Sponsor

Wise Financial Consultancy are now the club's main sponsor. Earlier this year we were approached by our renowned senior player Gav Wise, who has established his own financial consulting company.

The sponsorship is over 3 years, to be reviewed at the end of each season. The committee were asked to put forward ideas for significant projects that may require further funding beyond the normal purchasing of strips.

The main contender was to support the development of a coaching team and development of a youth team.

The sponsorship will help to purchase a new strip each season, support the training of coaches from within the club and in the first year pay for an equivalent to a level 2 coach.

In return you will all be festooned with the Wise financial consulting logo, the Mens first team and Ladies team will sport a brand new style of strip which

will eventually be rolled out to the other team

One of Gav's requests is that we represent his company in a professional way. We will all be required to wear the same shirts, shorts and socks at all times. We are currently devising a system of fines for transgression of the dress code. Oh and Hoggy, no East 17 fluffy j a c k - e t s !!!



There will also be 2 boards around the cricket pitch which have

been generously allocated to the club by the Cricket Club Committee.

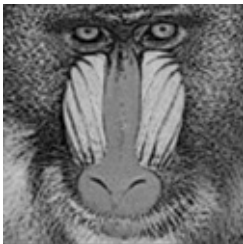
Any one interested in gaining Coaching qualifications, please contact our Head Coach, Matt Bradwell, or your captains, so we can set the ball rolling.

There are coaching courses coming up for both Level 1 and

Your Newsletter !!

Here it is, the first edition of the Caledonian's newsletter. It is intended that we will publish pre-season, a number of times during the season and then at the end of the season. For all of those who have supplied me with an email address, in the interest of saving paper and postage you will receive your copy by email. Paper copies will be available to those who do not know the ways of the internet.

It will also be posted on the Club website.



We realize there are not many opportunities to let the players not involved in the committee what is going on in the Club, hopefully this will help

If you have any interesting articles or photographs, especially of Jackie, please send them in and I will publish them in the next edition.

Andy Bell

New Coach Heads up Training

The Club welcomes David Messham as our new Coach.

David comes to our club as part of the clubs strategy to develop youth hockey in Hartlepool and its schools with the much appreciated support from Hartlepool School Sport Partnership and Tees Valley Sport.

David is an experienced coach and is in the final stages of obtaining his Level 2 qualification, which he is planning to complete in the early stages of this season.

David will initially be running Club Training for HCHC and an Academy style session to develop hockey in the age range 12 to 16 There are plans for David to go into local schools and promote hockey through taster sessions,

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Coaching Courses in North East

HCHC is committed to developing a coaching base for the future, are you interested in gaining a coaching qualification? If you feel you would like to and could give some of your time to coaching HCHC will sponsor you.

Here are the details of 2 courses planned locally, (Level 1 is the Assistant Coach Course)

Level 1 Coaching Course

Durham School
Thursday 6th (eve), Sunday 9th & Sunday 16th November

Limited places £140

Level 2 Coaching Course

Centre for Sport Newcastle
Sat & Sun 16th-17th May 2009
Sat & Sun 6th-7th June 2009

Limited Places £390

Both of these courses will be booked up quickly, if you are interested contact Andy Bell on 07967398377 or email andy.bell@industryforum.co.uk

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Special points of interest:

- New Club Sponsor
- Club going for Clubmark award
- Legend's BBQ 23rd August—open invitation to players and partners
- New Club Officers and Captains elected see details in this Newsletter
- Ladies to introduce Jugs trophy for profound failure and stupidity

Club Officers for next season

Yet again a very successful Annual General Meeting was held on 3rd May. I define success as good attendance, lots of volunteers, good buffet and of course short.

From last season's volunteers there have been a number of graceful retirements and an encouraging number of new faces stepped up to spread the work out, if many do a little it's a doddle. A truly combined club next year!



Matt Bradwell is declared Dick@~# for the season, His mum is alleged to have said 'from a young age Matthew showed such potential, and now he has peaked, we are so proud'.*

Here are the club officers for the next season:

President: Brian Harkness

Vice President: Sue Tose

Hon. Secretary: Andrew Bell with Michelle Hewson aiding with ladies admin

Hon. Treasurer: Dave Thorman

Hon Fixture Secretaries: Men – Robin Hart; Women – Michelle Hewson

1st XI Captains: Men – Matthew Bradwell; Women – Lisa Ingham

2nd XI Captain: Men – Andrew Hart

Mixed Captain: Avril Hall (RH/MH to arrange fixtures)

Senior Club Coach: M Bradwell

Junior Representatives: Peter Dickerson

Men's 1st XI Vice Captain: Richard Hogarth

Men's 2nd XI Vice Captain: Tim McArdle

Women's 1st XI Vice Captain: Jaki McAleavey

Mixed Vice Captain: Andrew Lowrie

Men's Indoor Captain: Gavin Wise

Ladies' Indoor Captain: M Hewson

Publicity/Social Secretary: A Lowrie with L Ingham to assist

Child Protection Officer: T McArdle, assisted by Adele Norris on the Ladies' side

Statesman Bill Ash, has also volunteered to help the club attain

Discount Gym Access

Adele Norris has managed to organise special discounts for HCHC members at Brierton Sports Centre Gym.

Each new member will have to undergo an induction.

The gym inductions would be £7.00 per person, the membership would then be free as a special offer, every session after that would be at a concession rate and would be £1.90,

If you are interested contact Adele, your captain or me, Andy Bell



Peter Dickerson receives the end of season 'Best Fringe award',

Dates for your diary

The Season is on its way, time to blow the dust off your stick. So here are some dates for your diary until you get the official fixture card.

Club Training

Tuesday 19th August

6pm—7pm English Martyrs School Cost—ZERO
Coach—David Messham

'Academy' (under 18 yrs)

Tuesday 9th September

5pm– 6pm

Legend Match

23rd August—Annual Legends Match, past masters of the men's game pit their skills against the best that youth can bring. Push back **13.00** at English Martyrs. Always an entertaining match to watch

Post-match Celebrations 15.00 23rd August—35 Nuthatch Close, Hartlepool

Open invitation to post-match celebrations, to players, officials and their partners to a **BBQ** hosted by the Captain (self proclaimed Legend, Gav Wise) of the Legends XI. Free Bar and Food, entry donation in aid of NSPCC

Date	Men's 1st XI	Venue
30/8	A E Wilson Memorial Match v Stockton	H
6/9	Billingham 1 (F)	H
13/9	Durham County Cup (13/14th Sept)	
20/9	North Shields 1 (F)	
27/9	*North St George's 2	A

Date	Women's 1st XI	Venue
30/8		
6/9		
13/9	Beginning of Season Tournament	
20/9	KO Cup 1	
27/9	*Bishop Auckland	A

Date	Men's 2nd XI	Venue
30/8		
6/9	Durham County Cup (6/7th Sept)	
13/9	Billingham 2 (F)	H
20/9	North Shields 2 (F)	
27/9	*Norton 3	H



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which is where as a club we have struggled since Brian Harkness retired.

Details of coaching sessions are listed in Dates for your diary on page 2

Club Coaching Sessions are Free !!

Club training will start up Tuesday 19th August 6pm for 1hr

Training is now free to all !! Yes that is true, no charge for training, new nearly level 2 coach. What's your excuse for not being there ? All club captains are looking for a good attendance at training

SUBS are due

Subs for this coming season are as follows:

Full £17 Junior FREE

Match Fees for this season are:

Men Training

£10 full FREE

Ladies

£9 full

Unemployed

£4

Junior (under 18)

£2.50

Your Subs give you

Membership of Hartlepool Caledonian Hockey Club

Discounted Access to Brierton Sports Centre Gym (details available soon)

Membership of Hartlepool Cricket Club

Insurance while playing hockey (details of cover are available on request)

An excellent excuse to not go shopping on Saturdays !!!!

Olympic Fixtures—Timetable on BBCi

Date	Start	End	Fixture	Live/Delayed
13-Aug	1400	1530	GB (m) v Netherlands	Live
13-Aug	1900	2030	GB (m) v Netherlands	Delayed
14-Aug	1400	1530	GB (w) v New Zealand	Live
14-Aug	1730	1900	GB (w) v New Zealand	Delayed
15-Aug	1400	1530	GB (m) v South Africa	Live
15-Aug	1730	1900	GB (m) v South Africa	Delayed
16-Aug	1330	1500	GB (w) v Japan	Live
16-Aug	2200	2330	GB (w) v Japan	Delayed
17-Aug	1030	1200	GB (m) v Canada	Delayed
18-Aug	1100	1230	GB (w) v USA	Live
19-Aug	1330	1500	GB (m) v Australia	Live
19-Aug	1830	2000	GB (m) v Australia	Delayed
20-Aug	1100	1330	Both (w) Semi Finals	Live
20-Aug	1915	2215	Both (w) Semi Finals	Delayed
21-Aug	1100	1300	(m) Semi Final 1	Live
21-Aug	1330	1530	(m) Semi Final 2	Live
21-Aug	1845	2145	Both (m) Semi Finals	Delayed
22-Aug	1100	1300	(w) Bronze Medal	Live
22-Aug	1330	1515	(w) Final Live	

New strip for next season

New strip, thanks to our sponsor and the efforts of fashion guru Dave Thorman and the designers at Moette. Initially the Men's first XI and the Ladies will be robed in the

new strip , but over the next few seasons all players will be attired. The shirts are made from a 'wicking' material which attempts to keep the moisture away from the skin. How-

ever science has its limits so some of the more sweaty amongst us may only benefit partially. Teams will also be issued with shorts , likely to bear the club logo and socks, which will be solid bottle green

Those who attended the AGM were given a peak preview of the design, it seemed to go down quite well, but the so was the beer at this point, especially with Tim's mate , who was that russet topped drinking machine? I counted 9 trips to the mens during my speech alone.

The big debate for the ladies is Skirt, Skort or Short, how will they decide, but decide they must ?

Note to all players who have taken a current shirt home, we need them back so we can get them printed up with the new sponsors logo for the next season, and to give a full set to the Men's 2nd XI, give em back !!!



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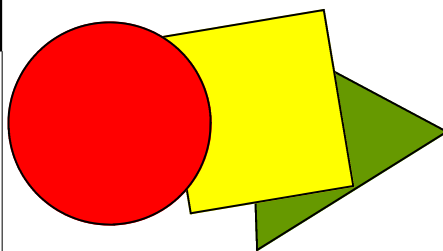
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Dissent Umpiring

Following a massive training effort in the last 2 years, a new blood of trained umpires will be officiating next season's matches.

There is a big drive to improve on field conduct, so, it is important to remind all players that the only person allowed to enter into a polite and courteous discussion regarding an umpire's decision is the Captain. Questioning the ability, impartiality or parentage of any umpire could and should land you on the sidelines or worse, on a Red Card or Post Match Conduct report. As a club it is important that we do not get a reputation as a dissenting side. Your restraint would be appreciated.

The Committee



Matt Bradwell Passes Umpiring Assessment— Somme Mothers Do have 'em

Congratulations to Matt who has joined the illustrious ranks of qualified Level 1 umpires. He passed his assessment part of the qualification during the early part of this year's men's summer league.

However I am sure he owes someone some money as I do remember him claiming

"It'll all be over by Christmas"

A foolhardy claim made by countless great men in history. So in that way he also stands alongside the leaders of the British Expeditionary Force in 1914 heading to France to drive back the Hun, leading to Infamous battles such as the Somme, Passchendale and a further 4 years of pointless slaughter and demoralization. Not too dissimilar to the match against Newcastle Uni when Matt broke that lad's nose, won't mention the result.

However, once again Caledonians are showing the entire league the way forward, we now have 7 level 1 umpires with 3 awaiting final assessment. A fantastic number for a club of our size. Go Callies !!!!!

Life Member Awards

Every now and again there is an individual who consistently and with out failure commits their time and effort to our sport and to our club. When this happens it is important that it is recognised. This recognition being in the form of Honorary Life Member .

This year it was decided by the committee that we had 2 such persons.

One of these , Ailsa Reid until recently was ladies hockey in Hartlepool and our club Vice President.. We were sorry to see her go and have missed her, but wish her every success in the future.

The other being Dave Thorman, our current

Treasurer. It surprised me at the AGM how many people had never met Dave before. Which is a good thing in that we have such an influx of new people. However it also reminded me that Dave has been keeping our club going for a long time, having stopped playing in 1930s. Dave is also Secretary of the Mens league and Teasurer for Durham County Hockey Association. I know our club is never far from his mind when decision are being made. Frankly the leagues would not be what they are if he were not involved.

I would like to once again thank Dave and Ailsa on behalf of the club for their dedication and achievement in keeping Hockey alive in Hartlepool.



Reminder of his wager Hits Bradwell Hard



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Mens 1st XI

23rd August 13.00 English martyrs School

Can they win back their pride

After match celebrations from 15.00 bring your partner, free beer, free bbq in aid of NSPCC