

Dear All,

We're delighted to be getting back to hockey and hoping to see you all on the pitch soon. We'd like to particularly welcome our new members and those moving from our junior section to the senior section.

Our 1st team have been keeping fit and are back out on the pitch, most of our other senior members will be back this week for trials and selection (cue sore legs), and our junior section are back to training on September 12th.

This welcome pack should include most of the information our senior members will need to get the season started, including information on ClubZap (please download it now!), our current pre-season days / times, information on how to pay your subs and a full list of our committee members.

Our 'Pay to Play' policy will again be in place this season and all players must have registered and paid at least a portion of their subs to get on the pitch from September 6th, as these funds are vital at the beginning of the season to cover the various costs.

There's a full list of all committee members and officers below so please take a look and get to know everyone. As Club Captain, I'd like to thank everyone for volunteering and for giving their time and energy this season as without the hard work of everyone involved we would not succeed as a club.

We are still looking for a Designated Liaison Officer and a Marketing and Sponsorship Chair, along with a few people to sit on this standing committee, and a few people to join Mary Gorman on the Social and Fundraising Committee. We're also looking for volunteers to manage our 1st team, and other teams. Please let us know if you, or someone you know, would be able to help us out this season.

We will provide a social and fundraising update soon but we would ask that you all start thinking of new and innovative ways we can raise money this season and please put your hand up to help out with at least one fundraiser or social event. Without these events Genesis would not be the club that it is, and to make sure we continue to thrive, we need everyone to help out and to attend the events organised.

Finally, thank you to all of our coaches, managers and volunteers this season; everything you do is greatly appreciated and you are a huge part of what makes Genesis the club that it is.

I hope this coming season proves to be our most successful yet, both on and off the pitch, and that we get to play a lot more hockey than last season. Best of luck to all teams this season and please come out to support other teams and cheer each other on.

From Ciara Duffy, Club Captain and your Management Committee.

PRE SEASON TRAINING TIMES

All Teams: Fitness with Alva Tuesdays: 19:00 - 20:00

1sts/2nds*:

Mondays 19:30 - 21:30pm Wednesdays 19:30 - 21:30pm

3rds/4ths/5ths/7ths*:

Tuesdays: 20:00 - 21:00pm Thursdays: 19:30 - 21:00pm

6ths & Vets*:

TBC

*Days / times are applicable for the next couple of weeks and are subject to change



TRAINING LOCATION

All of our Senior training takes place at St. Raphaela's Secondary School, Kilmacud Rd, Stillorgan.

COMMUNICATIONS

Email, ClubZap and Whatsapp groups will be used to communicate with members throughout the season. Email will be used to communicate with playing and non-playing members about what's going on in the Club whereas ClubZap will be used to circulate messages to playing members about training and matches. Team captains / managers can set up Whatsapp groups to communicate within the team.

Download ClubZap

If you're playing this season, please make sure you download ClubZap onto your phone, ask to join Genesis HC and have your notifications turned on. Once teams have been selected, you will be allocated to the correct team in ClubZap and this will be used to confirm attendance and notify you if training or matches are cancelled.



SEASON FIXTURES

Leisnter Division 1 matches will commence from September 25th. All other divisions are due to commence from October 2nd. Exact dates will be confirmed once finalised by Leinster Hockey, and final teams have been selected.





GENESIS UNIFORM

The Genesis home kit consists of a red polo top, grey skort and red socks. Players can purchase the full Genesis Home kit from **O'Farrell's Uniform Shop in Stillorgan.** Players will need to wear their own navy, or white socks when an away kit is required. Genesis wear navy tops for their away kit, we do not ask players to purchase these - they will be provided ahead of the required matches.

UMPIRING DUTIES

With the added challenges of COVID this year, it is so important that everyone gets involved in umpiring as it's impossible for Genesis to function without every member being involved.

We are going to be operating an umpiring rota for the season and each team, for one month, will organise umpires for all teams. Each captain will nominate a player from their team to be umpire coordinator during their teams designated month. Rebecca Russell, as Umpire Officer, for the senior section, will be the point of contact for the umpire coordinators.

We will send out the full umpire schedule once fixtures are set and the more people who get involved the easier this will be for everyone this season. We will try to organise an umpire night to give everyone some practice with the whistle.



There will be an option again this season to pay in four monthly instalments. Your first instalment is non-refundable, but if for some reason you need to stop playing /attending training, future instalments can be cancelled.

As last season was curtailed, we are offering fully paid up members of the 20/21 season, the option of a 25% discount on this season's subs. Just scroll down once you click the ClubZap link to see discounted membership options for all membership types.

ClubZap link https://genesishockeyclub.clubzap.com/membership-products

Please contact our treasurer, Jenny McGovern at **genesisIhctreasurer@gmail.com** in the strictest confidence to discuss extenuating circumstances or if you have any questions in relation to membership.



POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Our top priority is that each player feels they are playing hockey in a safe environment while developing their hockey skills to their maximum potential.

Genesis Hockey Club abides by a number of policies to safeguard this principle. We have just highlighted two below but a full list of policies are available on our <u>website here.</u>

Code of Ethics

Genesis Hockey Club has adopted Hockey Ireland's Code of Ethics to ensure that the club's young people are safe guarded in their participation in hockey in the Club. The Code additionally protects coaches, managers, and leaders in addition to the players themselves and ensures that we are up to date with current best practice and legislation within Ireland.

Code of Conduct

Genesis Hockey Club wants to provide the best possible environment for all people involved in the sport. All players deserve to be given enjoyable, safe sporting opportunities, free of abuse of any kind. These participants have rights, which must be respected, and responsibilities that they must accept. All players, coaches and volunteers should be encouraged to realise that they have responsibilities to treat other participants and sports leaders with fairness and respect. We ask each player, coach and volunteer to adhere to our guidelines and codes of conduct and you sign up to this as part of your club registration.

All members will have to accept the Club Policy when registering and paying their subs. If you have any questions and/or concerns throughout the season, please do not hesitate to contact our Members Welfare Officer.



MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Club Captain: Ciara Duffy
Club Secretary: Fiona Hickey
Club Treasurer: Jenny McGovern

Membership & Registration Officer: Nielu Melrose Volunteering Development Officer: Rachel Robertson

Communications Officer: Carla Bass Coaching Officer: Beth Fortune Junior Committee Chair: Aoife Orton

Policies & Procedures Officer: Niamh Faller

OTHER OFFICERS

Fixtures & Results Officer (Senior): Suzanne Murphy

Umpire Officer (Senior): Rebecca Russell

Welfare Officer: Roisin Walsh Children's Officer: Orla Dunlea

Designated Liason Officer: Laura Barrie (ACTING)
Equipment & Facilities Officer: Aoife Corcoran

Veteran Officer: Anna Kane

STANDING COMMITTEES

Coaching Committee: Beth Fortune (Chair), Annette Fortune Social & Fundraising Committee: Mary Gorman (Chair), TBC

Marketing & Sponsorship Committee: TBC

Policies & Procedures Committee: Niamh Faller (Chair), Jantien Findlater, Ali Moore

JUNIOR COMMITTEE

Chair: Aoife Orton, Claire Walsh, Carol Gormley (Rotating)

Treasurer: Jackie Tehan

Membership Officer: Mary O'Callaghan Communications Officer: Katie O'Neill Operations Officer: Sarah Probert

If you have an questions and/or concerns throughout the season, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the Management Committee or the relevant officer.

CONTACT US:

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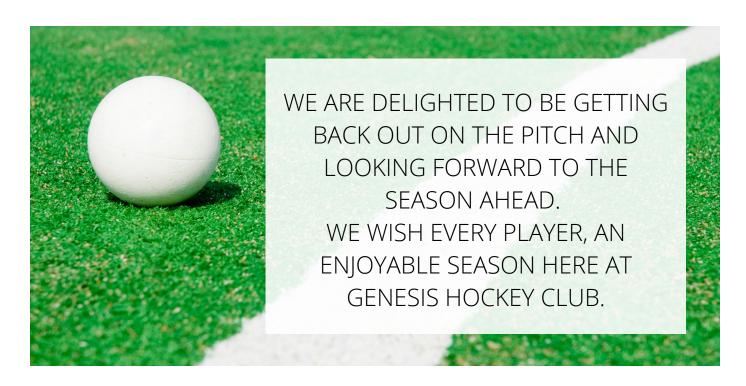
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*Please note that if your contact relates to the Junior Section of the club contact:

Junior General Enquiries - genesiscolts@gmail.com Junior Membership - genesiscoltsmembership@gmail.com Junior Fixtures - genesiscoltsfixtures@gmail.com





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