

# VARWICK HOCKEY CLUB

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## The 'W' (03/17)

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# PUSH BEFORE WE SOCIALISE & RE-ENERGISE!

Hi All,

Welcome to the 14th edition of **The 'W'** and the first for 2017. Wow! This season seems to have sped by, as we only have one month of games left to play before: the **End Of Season Dinner**, the AGM and then Summer League starts!

However, there is still much to play for, as all the Women's teams are at present languishing near the base of their respective league tables, fighting for survival. C'mon Ladies! On the Men's side, the 1s, 2s and 3s are all in the top four and the 4s and 5s like the Ladies are fighting to stay up and gain mid-table mediocrity. Our Badgers side though are doing the best of all, second in their league, but look likely to be pipped to the title by Welford. So let's all 'Go For It!' in these last few weeks of this memorable 2016/17 season. You hadn't forgotten: Hannah Macleod and our beautiful new blue pitches had you?

#### We're Looking Forward to...

#### Club Night – Saturday 4th March – 7.00pm

David Bryce, our Head Coach and Clubman extraordinaire has very kindly offered to organise a Club Night this saturday at the Clubhouse. The fun starts straight after your game (most are at home this week), so stay behind enjoy a drink or two in the bar before the games start at **7pm**, followed soon after by fish & chips!

Badgers End Of Season – Saturday 25th March – 7.00pn Andy Griffin, our Chief Badger, is organising a Badger's End Of Season Ten Pin Bowling Night on Saturday 25th March at the Leamington Tenpin (Shires Retail Park, Tachbrook Road, Learnington Spa CV34 6RH) starting at 7.00pm, followed by awards, finishing about 9.30pm. Contact: andygriffin78@hotmail.com if you would like to attend. All welcome.

#### End Of Season Dinner – Saturday 1st April – 7.30pm

This year we will hold our **End Of Season Dinner** at the **Episode** Hotel (64 Upper Holly Walk, CV32 4JL) on Saturday 1st April. No Joke! Tickets are £35.00 per person (which includes: a welcome drink, three course meal, awards ceremony, disco and dancing until 12.00am, with the bar staying open until 1.00am), tables of ten. Our 13-16 year olds are welcome too, but we respectfully ask that you leave the venue by 10.00pm. At the event the Clubman Of The Year, Team Of The Year and the Player Of The **Season** for each team will be announced, along with a few more surprise awards - no doubt! Get your tickets off your Captain or

Tim Williams-Ellis and Harriet McCormick our social secretaries. The **Spot The Ball Competition** is back again this year with the winner getting the cost of their ticket back – so don't forget to bring your ticket to the event!

Junior End Of Season – Saturday 8th April – 6.00pm **Liz Holding**, has very kindly offered to organise this year's **Junior** End Of Season event which will be held at Jump-In (Hermes Close, Warwick CV34 6NW). This is open to all paid-up Junior members up to 16 years. They must be accompanied by an adult, please. Cost: £8.00 per child, plus £2.00 for jump socks, if required. Free soft drinks and snacks will be provided by the Club.

Please book your place by emailing: party@warwickhockey.co.uk by 31 March latest.

Disc Golf & AGM – Saturday 6th May – 2pm onwards

This year's **AGM Day** is planned to be a more inclusive, social and family orientated day. The agenda is a follows: to meet en masse at the **Quarry Park Disc Golf Centre** (Old Milverton Lane, Leamington Spa CV32 6RW) at **2pm** where we can ALL (yes parents too!) play disc golf, enjoy a barbecue, before returning back to the Clubhouse at **6pm** to start the **AGM**. At the AGM we will award the remainder of the trophies, discuss the Club's affairs and decide upon who our Club officers will be for the 2017/18 season.

#### Other News in Brief...

- **Back To Hockey** this is planned to start again in June.
- World Record Attempt The Most Players In A Hockey Exhibition Match. This will take place on Saturday 16th **September** at Warwick School between 11.30am and 4.30pm, this event will also incorporate our annual Club Open Day.
- Friendly League due to there being an excess number of willing players on a Saturday, we plan as a Club to set up a 'Friendly League' team which can consist of Junior and Senior players, playing other similar standard sides in the area as and when it suits both groups. Watch this space for more news.

There will I'm sure be more plans and topics discussed at the next Committee Meeting on Thursday 16th March. For now, enjoy the rest of the playing season, support our social activities off the field and if you can please help out or volunteer to keep our Club running smoothly and efficiently. Your Club needs YOU!

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#### **Dan Honey-Smith**

Chairman, Warwick Hockey Club

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