



Karori Junior Hockey Club

Newsletter #2 – Feb 2014

New website

We are pleased to announce the launch of our new website: <http://kjhc.org.nz>. Please take some time to go and have a look around it.

One of the most exciting things about the new website is that it allows us to introduce electronic registration and payment, which is going to:

- make running trials and selecting teams a much smoother process;
- help us track payments more easily; and
- save the many volunteer hours spent chasing payments (40 hours last year alone!)

We can also bring you photos, breaking news, information about upcoming events, training schedules, and so much more! Check out the link to the article about our pre-season programme in this week's Independent Herald under "News".

We are incredibly grateful to webmaster Mark Wright for organising the new website at short notice, and in time for the new season – thanks Mark!

Registrations

Registrations are now open at <http://kjhc.org.nz/register>.

Please note that 11 aside registrations must be in by **9 March 2014** to allow the selectors time to organise their programme. All other registrations (Fun Sticks and 6 aside) close on **28 March 2014**.

Please help us out by registering (and paying) as soon as possible. Payment must be made at the time of registration unless arrangements have been made with the treasurer, Caroline Wallace (cwallace@doc.govt.nz), and is required before your child can be placed in a team.

2014 pre-season training

We have been overwhelmed by the amazing turn out at the pre-season training programme. Thank you to all those who have supported this new initiative.

For those who have registered, we still have 2 sessions to go. Note, times differ from the first 3 sessions, and are as follows:

February 23	NHS2	2.15-3.45
March 2	<i>No training – Wellington hosting the NZ Masters tournament</i>	
March 9	NHS2	2.15-3.45

If you haven't yet paid (there are only a few of left to do so, so thanks to those who have) we would appreciate payment from you next weekend.

Trials

Trials for children in years 7 & 8 who want to play in an 11 aside team, plus invited players in year 6, will take place on 15 & 22 March. Further information and dates are available on the website.

Please let us know if your child will be unable to attend either or both trials (by email to convenor.kjhc@gmail.com). While, obviously, an inability to trial will make things more difficult for the selectors, we do have until the 3rd playing weekend in the season to submit final team lists to the WHA, and we are committed to ensuring that every player ends up in the team that is best for them.

A reminder that we will NOT, at this stage, be running trials for 6 aside teams.

Transitioning from 6 aside to 11 aside

The Club will be holding an information evening for all players transitioning from 6 aside to 11 aside in 2014, to explain and explore the 11 aside positions and roles.

When: Saturday, 1 March 2014, 6-8.30pm
Where: Karori West Normal School Hall
Cost: Free
Bring: a supper plate to share

Please register for this event by emailing convenor.kjhc@gmail.com.

In-season training

Training times for 6 aside have been set and are available at <http://kjhc.org.nz/playing>.

Training times for 11 aside will be posted as soon as teams and coaches have been finalised.

Wellington Representative Nominations

The committee currently finalising a policy regarding nominations for Wellington representative teams and programmes. Thanks to Player Development Convenor Tina Mitchell for putting this together.

We aim to have the policy available to read/download from the website by the time teams are finalised (in April).

Uniform returns

We are still missing a few playing tops ...

If your spring cleaning revealed a Karori playing top hiding in the drawers, or any other gear for that matter, please deliver that to 7 Plymouth St, Karori (leave it on the front porch) – no questions asked!

Subs 2014

Subs will remain unchanged for 2014. As a reminder these are:

Fun Sticks	\$75.00
6 aside	\$100.00
11 aside	\$140.00
Ball contribution*	\$10.00
Fundraising opt-out*	\$60.00**

If you are experiencing financial hardship where support for your child's fees would enable their involvement in hockey, please talk to us as soon as possible by sending a confidential email to convenor.kjhc@gmail.com.

If you would like to sponsor a child's sub for 2014, please email convenor.kjhc@gmail.com.

* Optional

** The form and extent of the fundraising that will be undertaken this season will be determined following registrations, once our likely running costs vs projected income are known.