

# Hockey

## Midland in Inter District Action

Midland District girls & boys were in competition at Peffermill on 8th/9th and 15th/16th November.



### Midland Volunteer Roles

Midland Hockey Union are looking for a new Boys' Convenor and a new Youth Convenor. Ialene Mitchell is stepping down from these roles, after making a significant contribution. If you would like to find out more about the roles, get in touch.

### Long Term Player Development

Scottish Hockey have progressed consultation on their LTPD paper. A workshop will be held in Midland early in the New Year. You can request the paper and will be distributed to anyone who attends the workshop.



The girls competed on the first weekend and both teams improved considerably over the course of the two days. The U18s finished 5th and the U16s were unlucky to finish in 7th - losing 3 games by the odd goal.

The boys competed the following weekend against East, West, & North. The U16s had an emphatic 5-2 win over North in the pool games and beat them again (4-1) in the playoff to secure 3rd spot. The U18s missed out on 3rd spot losing the playoff to North on penalty strokes.

The main aim of the tournaments is to allow National Coaches to see the potential Scotland players of the future. Initial indications are that there will be 16 Midland players in the U16 & U18 squads. These players will also join the Tayside & Fife Performance Squad.



## Monarch Hockey Club Gain Accreditation

Monarchs have achieved the Silver level of Angus Council's club accreditation scheme (ACE).



To gain this, the club had to prove they are a safe and welcoming club and the award now shows prospective players and parents that the club is a good option. Congratulations to Monarchs and those involved in the work to gain the award.



## Coach Education

Thirteen candidates attended a Hockey Leaders in Arbroath on 23rd November. Further dates for Leaders Awards are planned for Perth & Kinross early in the New Year. The Award is open to anyone over the age of 14 & can be run subject to demand so if you have a group who would like to do the course, please get in contact with the Hockey Development Manager.

## Dunfermline Carnegie Development Squad

DCHC have created a development squad within the club to provide talented players with individually focussed training. Based on the model of potentials programmes in Dundee and Perth & Kinross, it is hoped this programme will help to progress talented young Fife players. Once there is significant hockey activity in other areas of Fife, the aim is to create a Fife-wide development squad.

# Coaching

## Coaching Development Seminar



The National Coaching Network gathered at sportscotland's National Sports Centre, Inverclyde on the 26th and 27th of November.

The two day seminar was staged to create momentum for moving forward. A core group of Officers was selected to represent the Network as the 'Coaching Network Task Group'. The group will create and establish a vision of best practice in the delivery of the nine key actions set out by Coaching Scotland.

A series of workshops were facilitated to create clarity and where potential strength and weaknesses lie, with regards to current delivery in a variety of organisations.

A 'Developing Fundamentals Skills' workshop was provided by Tommy Dowens, current Scottish Volleyball Director of Coaching.

Day two acknowledged the outcomes of the previous day and a 'Route Map for the Future' was agreed by everyone. This will allow all the Coaching Network to work more effectively to deliver the nine Coaching Scotland Actions. A vision to action was presented by Jock Peggie, SRU Coach Education and Development Manager.

To close, Billy Bell, Lead Manager, **sportscotland**, provided an information and consultation exercise to shape the agenda for the UK Coaching Summit, to be held in Glasgow during April 2009. The Conference will be delivered in conjunction with SportsCoach UK, with planned topics including: The Coaching Workforce 2009-16, Building a Leading Coaching System, School Sport Coaching, Creating CPD for High Performance Coaches. A further Coaching Network Seminar will be held during May 2009.

**Any information for inclusion in the next newsletter should be submitted by Monday 16th February 2009.**



### Research Seminar Series

A series of seminars will be presented at University of Stirling, the Department of Sports Studies. For further details contact: Karen Caldwell on 01786 466498 or go to [sports.stir.ac.uk](http://sports.stir.ac.uk)

### Coach Education

Jan 13th - How to Coach Disabled People. Contact P&K on 01738 637129 **clubgolf** Level 1. Contact Martin Ritchie on 01382 431851 Rugby Foundation and Referee Courses. Contact Doc McKelvey on 01382 431 829 or Paul Hunter on 08451 555555 Ex: 402599

### Coach Awards

The Dundee Sports Awards were held on November 25th, with 7 **SportTayside & Fife** Scholarship Coaches being nominated. Beate Petersen, a previous Scholarship, won Coach of the Year, with Pam Bowie receiving the award of Community Coach.

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