

hornby happenings

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The 2011 Hockey season officially came to an end last week. It was finished off in fine style for Canterbury with the Canterbury U/13 team coming out winners at the Collier Trophy Tournament the national tournament for Primary Girl players. Hornby had 5 players in the team this year from our Primary A girls Tigers and also supplied the manager. Winning a 24 team tournament is no mean feat and our congratulations go to the team and particularly our 5 Hornby representatives Lucy, Georgie, Millie, Jess and Laura. Congratulations to you all.



The Canty Hockey end of season dinner and awards presentations was held last Wednesday and Hornby once again figured prominently. Pictured are our group with their respective trophies. Ali, Colleen and Tania from the Grass Grade Cheetahs and Connor from the Youth Boys Dragons.



These teams were Championship winners. Carolyn Tooby in the middle was awarded the Sportswoman of the year trophy for her efforts in playing, coaching and umpiring. Next are Jen, Wendy and Ruggie [Lyn] representing the Hornby Masters Women who cleaned up the Masters Championship and at the end our very own Blackstick Amelia who was named Canterbury U/21 player of the year. All in all it's been a pretty commendable effort from our mem-

bers and we congratulate you all.

Looking back it was a wonder we got any hockey at all considering the carnage and mayhem we have been through. A special thanks has to be given to those who laboured valiantly away to ensure we were able to complete a season with a minimum of disruption. To our coaches, managers, umpires, committee members and supporters and sponsors you've all been fantastic. Thanks a million.

Competition Review

A forum to discuss Canty hockey competitions was held in September and attended by all clubs and schools. It has identified several areas in our competitions that can possibly be improved, maybe not immediately but over a period of 3—5 years.

As a result you can expect a few changes in the way things will be done starting next season.

We'll keep you posted.

Masters 2011/2012.

The Masters Competition kicked off a couple of weeks back. Whilst we've had a women's team playing in this competition for several years, we now have a men's team as well. They had their first win last week and I hear the celebrations lasted well into the night. It's great to see this initiative get under way. They wouldn't mind another player or two to help them along though. Only requirement is to be 35yrs or more and a bit of enthusiasm.

Wycola Activity

As well as the Masters comp we also have activity going on at Wycola.

Each Wednesday at 4.30 there is Junior summer League. This starts with a half hour of skills coaching then games till 6.00pm.

There is still room for more players here [boys or girls] and the only fee is a one off payment of \$2.00.

Just rock on up if you're keen.

Also on Fridays we have a **Senior Social Summer League**. This kicked off last week and features a range of players and abilities but all keen to give it their all. Only hope the weather warms up a bit.

And so we look forward to next season. As mentioned there will probably be some small changes to what we have traditionally done. Maybe you would like to be part of our committee and have some input. You would certainly be welcome.

We are always on the lookout for coaches and managers in all grades. Please give it some thought.

In the meantime there is a summer to look forward to. I hope you all have a great one and you come back again next season all refreshed and ready to go. Thanks for being part of us this year.