

Girl's Hockey

2007/8



Senior Girls Hockey

The season started well with a 9 - 1 win for the Under13 IX against Bodiam Manor. This was followed by three tough matches for the 1st XI whilst we experimented with different positions and formations. As the season progressed the girls' resilience and perseverance with change started paying off. Gradually their individual versatility began to emerge resulting in some very determined team efforts in matches. Towards the end of the season they looked a far more solid team and were able to hold their own against stronger opposition.

We had greater success playing VII's with the 1st VII providing one of the highlights of the season when they played themselves into joint 1st place with Marlborough House at the Bodiam Manor Tournament. We were up 10 - 7 on goal average! However, the tournament was to be determined by penalty strokes in the event of a points draw. Sadly, we lost the penalty shoot out. Annie Caffyn had some wonderful shots at goal during the day and managed to score 5, with Hannah Manton netting 3, Lilian Hazael 2 and Romilly Ellis 1. It was a whole team effort and everyone played with great determination, passing well and using good stick work to win the well deserved silver medals they were presented with. The team squad were, Rebecca Ingrouille, Charlotte Thompson, Lilian Hazael, Ellie Judd, Romilly Ellis, Annie Caffyn, Ella Willis Fleming, Pim Canetty-Clarke, Maddie Kowitz and Hannah Manton.

The Under12 VII had a great day at the Eastbourne College festival where they beat teams from DCPS 2 - 0, Great Walstead 3 - 0, Newlands 8 - 0 and St Bede's 2 - 0. They drew 1 - 1 with St Andrew's B and lost 1 - 0 to St Andrew's A and 1 - 0 to Windlesham. At the end of the day they were placed 3rd overall having scored 16 goals in total with only three against them, which was a real credit to the solid defending and great goal keeping from Heloise Buxton, and also the terrific goal scoring ability of Hannah Manton (5) Madeleine Kowitz (5) Ella Willis Fleming (3) and Pim Canetty-Clarke (3). The girls all had a wonderful day and gained great experience of match play as well as a real taste of success which really spurred them on to having greater confidence to succeed as a team. Eastbourne College proved to be the perfect host, treating us all to a wonderful lunch and a tour of the school. The team squad were, Heloise Buxton, Ella Willis Fleming, Madeleine Kowitz, Hannah Manton, Polly Gregory, Pim Canetty-Clarke, Freya Maynard, Helen Butcher and Juliet Birrell.

Congratulations to Annie Caffyn who was awarded the Hockey Cup together with her full colours, along with Rebecca Ingrouille, Romilly Ellis and Lilian Hazael. 1st team badges were awarded to Rebecca Ingrouille, Charlotte Thompson, Annie Caffyn, Romilly Ellis, Eleanor Judd, Lily Hazael, Roo Whittaker, Ella Willis Fleming, Pim Canetty-Clarke, Maddie Kowitz, Polly Gregory and Hannah Manton. The player of the season was Lily Hazael, Under13 and Freya Maynard, Under12. Certificates for the Most Improved Player were awarded to Ellie Judd, Under13 and Pim Canetty-Clarke, Hannah Manton and Juliet Birrell, Under12.

So with another season wrapped up it only remains for me to say how delighted I was with the progress achieved by the girls and how encouraged I have been by their growing confidence and determination. I look forward to helping the girls build upon the experience the present Year 7s will bring to form the backbone of next years 1st and 2nd XI's and VII's.

I would also like to thank the hockey captains, Annie Caffyn, Romilly Ellis, Lilian Hazael and Rebecca Ingrouille for all they have done to encourage harmony, support and positive team spirit in the ranks. Last, but definitely by no means least, a huge thank you to both Mrs Callard and Mr Larkin for all their help, particularly during my unexpected absence through illness right at the beginning of the season, which I must add, did not annoy and frustrate anyone more than it did me!

Dalene Viljoen



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Under 11 Girls' Hockey

The Under 11s had a mainly successful season in which the A squad won the majority of the matches played. There was an increased number of B team fixtures this year and virtually all those not in the A squad had a match in the Bs. The A team took part in two tournaments, one in the Michaelmas and one in the Lent term; on both occasions the eventual winners were in our section and, though we had close games, we narrowly failed to go through to the semi-final stage. In most of the games we had the major share of possession but were sometimes unable to co-ordinate that vital last move to put the ball into goal. The defence played solidly throughout and the forwards improved as the season went on.

Squad : P. Baker, I. Bearcroft, S. Carr, A. Harriman, C. Hunt,
C. Jeremy, I. Powell, C. Ward. *J.A. Gorrie*

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The girls had an enjoyable season with only three narrow defeats. Sound goal keeping by Jesse O'Shaughnessy and intrepid defending by Ruby Russell, Yolanda Morley was matched by vigorous attacking by Freya Cramp, Katie Orr, and India Condon all of whom were goal scorers. Lydia Butler was tireless at C.H. and Freddy Condon and Anna Campbell also played for the team. The girls were runners up in the St Andrews Tournament with some excellent, spirited play. Well done everyone.
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