



Farnham Unihockey & Floorball Club

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Floorball for the British Army

We were approached by some PT Instructors for the Army earlier this year who were looking to run a floorball tournament as part of a PTI passing out exam. We loaned various equipment and the event was a great success, despite the Army's reputation there were no injuries and everyone agreed it was a great sport for fitness.

New Date for Closing Farnham Sports Centre

The work on the swimming facilities at FSC is nearing completion and soon they will start on the sports hall. So from Saturday 5th June until the end of the summer term we will be playing at Ash Manor Sports hall (postcode GU12 6QH). These weeks are key for us in the run up to the National Cup which both the Fireballs and the Shooting Stars are playing in, so please make an extra special effort to make the extended trip over the Ash Manor for our training sessions. It's only 10 minutes from FSC according to Google Maps. Please ask around amongst other parents if you need transport.

They have now included a new coffee/café area into the plans for the refurbished FSC so it should be a much more pleasant environment for parents and players alike from September.

Annual Club Meeting

This is the chance for parents to provide feedback from parents and players to the staff on how the club is run and is your chance to suggest improvements. Copies of the club accounts will be available in case you are interested in finding out how we spend all the money collected. More details will be announced soon but please make an effort to attend as it takes much less than an hour and is necessary so that we can apply for more grants in future.

Floorball for Universities

As you may have seen in the Herald last week there was a floorball session for Farnham University for the Creative Arts recently. Two staff from the GB Floorball Association came to Farnham to run the session and by all accounts it was a great success. There is talk of a regular university team being set up. The coach for the event was a teenager who has qualified through his work with the GBFUA and gets paid out of grants for running coaching sessions like this. Teenager referees also get paid for running matches which is all part of GBFUA policy of developing young people to take on responsibility.



Farnham in the League

Due to the ice and snow some of the junior league fixtures were postponed until May which means that we now have two fixtures in one month, which makes it a very busy month. The Shooting Stars and the Fireballs are playing on Sunday 9th May and only the Fireballs are playing on the 23rd. These are the last dates of this year's season. The only remaining event is the National Cup on the first weekend in July when we will again be staying at the St Briavels Castle.

Please let us know as soon as possible if your child would like to play.

FUFC Annual Ice Hockey Trip

Our trip to see the Guildford Flames' in March was a great success which is more than can be said for the score line, unfortunately the Flames lead right up until the last 5 minutes when they conceded a few goals leading to a draw and extra time. In a sudden-death playoff Sheffield Scimitars scored and so won the match. Our Finnish coach Rami, who is currently stuck in China due to the volcano, guessed the right answer to an ice-hockey question in the program and donated the prize to Archie who then got to meet the Flames personally and be photographed with a top player of his choice.

Club Sweatshirt offer

The club sweatshirts proved a great success and we have sold almost 20. There are a few of the larger sizes left as well as an XS size suitable for a 11-12 year old. We sold them on at cost and so need to try to sell all of them to break even.

Important Dates

We start back after half term on Saturday 24th April and finish the Spring Term on 17th July, missing 29th May and 4th July due to half term and the National Cup. From 5th June to the end of term we will be located at Ash Manor. You can always see when we are playing and when we are not via our IMPORTANT DATES file on the website: www.fufc.net



Please try to bring a water bottle to all training sessions as we encourage players to drink plenty of fluids during matches to avoid dehydration. If they are named they can be returned more easily if you ever forget to take them home afterwards.

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