



Welcome to the 2019 hockey season!

With premier trials completed and the teams up on the website we are well and truly underway. Open division trials commence this weekend and junior and youth registrations are open, and in the case of some of the junior grades, already closed.

New Executive Committee

I introduced our new committee in my December newsletter but for a refresher if you have any questions here are the club captains and other officers;

President	Jo	Hazard
Vice President	Andy	Wright
Treasurer	Simon	Joyce
Secretary (TBC)	Kim	Grenfell
Men's Club Co-Captain	Glyn	Clarke
	Mark	Pooley
Women's Club Captain	Rebecca	Maurice
Youth Club Captain	Jen	Pooley
Youth Girls Co-ord	Monica	Pearce
Junior Club Captain	Sarah	Hills
	Amanda	Burn
Committee	John	Etherington
	Bruce	Catley
Club Council Rep	John	Etherington
Patron	Graham	Norton
Auditor	Stephen	Hazard
Solicitor	Deborah	Miller

Most questions can be answered by having a look at our club website www.somervillehockey.org.nz. Of particular interest is the club calendar, that if you use the tabs along the bottom, can answer some of those burning questions – when does the season start and when are the no play weekends, quite quickly. It also covers international fixtures and rep trials too.

Welcome Barry and Beckie to Somerville. We are very proud and delighted to have Barry and Beckie Middleton to Somerville for the 2019 season. Both are former Great Britain international players. Beckie is joining our premier ladies team in the midfield or defence, and Barry is the coach of our premier mens side. By all accounts everyone is enjoying their company and expertise already. The premier teams are shaping up to play some excellent hockey this year which will be well worth the watch during the season. We will keep you informed of up and coming games.

Subs for 2019 season are as follows

	Full Subscription	Early Payment Discount*	Tertiary Discount	Family Discount
Adults Premier	560	476	476	
Prem Reserve	535	455	455	
Division Grades	475	404	404	
Youth	300			275
Junior	275			250

The \$10 increase in the subs is due to a raise in the association fees from New Zealand Hockey. It has been passed on directly from the AHA to us. We have kept our early payment and tertiary discounts. If you are keen to pay this in instalments please contact sjoyce@sharp.net.nz.

Somerville Players represent.

I hope you have been following and supporting our girls and Shea playing in the Pro League. There has been some excellent hockey to watch. Also congrats to Katie Glynn who has also been seconded in to help the Black Sticks coaching staff.

Black Sticks: Men – Shea McAleese. **Women:** Sam Charlton, Frances Davies, Rose Keddell, Grace O’Hanlon, Amy Robinson, Liz Thompson, Tarryn Davey.

Best of luck to all those participating in the **National Masters tournament** in Hamilton over the coming week.

Seeking coaches We are looking for expressions of interest for a number of coaching roles. Please pass this on to those in the hockey community who this may be of interest to and direct them to our website or email Simon Norton at CoachingDirector@somervillehockey.org.nz.

Seeking Accommodation Our Scottish International goal keeper Rory is returning to New Zealand to play for us again, as he had such a good time last season. He is however looking for accommodation. If you can help with this, have a spare room in your flat, or need a place house sitted we would love to hear from you. Contact myself or Simon Norton.

A new scoreboard for AGS – with the 150th Anniversary of AGS this year old boy, player and parent of students and our Youth Club Captain until recently, Ash Ready has got approval from the school to fundraise for an electronic scoreboard for our home turf. If you wish to donate and get behind this great cause use this link <https://givealittle.co.nz/cause/hockey-scoreboard-at-auckland-grammar-school-1>. The grand total is currently at \$5050. Just \$8950 to go.

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Second hand sticks and gear – Have your kids grown out of their sticks or shin pads? Do you want to trade up? We are going to have a second hand gear sale 10th March, 1-3pm, at Ngatira Tennis Club. Nothing will be over \$5. So drop off your old gear to Justine at 20 Pukenui Rd, Epsom. All monies raised will go towards the new scoreboard.

Coming up this weekend; The Premier and Premier Reserve women are participating in a pre-season mini tournament at while the Prem men are in Tauranga for the weekend sharpening their game.



Stop the Press! Once again the **Somerville Centurions** have kicked off the season winning the Masters Summer grade! Well done to the team. I hope there are enough of you left without injuries to go on to the field in the winter.

Best of luck to you all at trials and we'll see you around the turf.

Jo Hazard,
President

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