

# **Valkyrs Hockey Club Newsletter**

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## 2010-11 Season Review

Congratulations to all on another very successful and enjoyable season for Valkyrs HC. I'm sure everyone will agree that it's been a really positive season for the club.

Plenty of social events took place, including the race night, Christmas pub crawl, Styx Cup and most recently, the Awards Night.

The season has seen Valkyrs
Junior hockey go from
strength to strength. A new
school link at Kirk Michael
Primary School was setup and
there is an abundance of
promising talent attending
Wednesday training.

A new sponsorship deal was signed with Paragon Recruitment, giving the club fantastic support and financial assistance over the next 3 years.

Most importantly, the following achievements were made

on the pitch:

#### MEN'S

Men's Indoor Winners

Men's Cup Winners

#### **MIXED**

**Indoor Cup Winners** 

Mixed Cup Winners

Premier League Runners-up

#### **LADIES**

Premier League Runners-up

#### **JUNIORS**

Mixed U16 Rounders Champions

U11 Girls Runners-up

U11 Boys Runners-up

Everyone associated with the club should really proud of these successes and here's to even more victories during the 2011-12 season!







# **Hockey Leadership Course**

The MHA are running a Hockey Leadership course on the 29th and 30th of July—9.30am to 4pm & 9.30am to 2pm.

This course is aimed at anyone interested in learning a bit more about the following key areas of hockey; coaching, umpiring and managing. It's a really fun course, which requires no qualifications and is open to anyone aged from 13 years old.

The course will take place at the NSC Astro & Sports Institute and costs £35. The club will be subsidizing this course by £5 per juniors session that the attendee assists with, so it really is a great opportunity to save some money off the cost of the course and to put the skills learnt in to practice. For more information contact

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# **Awards Night 2011**

The Annual Valkyrs HC Awards Night took place on Saturday 7th May at Peel FC.

A brilliant evening of awards celebrations, Thai curry and some awe inspiring raving, charity shop suits and pirate outfits was enjoyed by all.

Particular mentions away from the awards have to go to Greg Miller and Michelle Poyzer for their truly inspirational worm & jazz splits (or so I'm told that's what they're called) dance-off. Bernie Dunn's stamina at

chair raving also deserves a mention.

The focus of the evening however, was on the awards and the recipients that worked so hard all season to deserve them.

Congratulations to everyone that took home an award. and a big thanks to everyone that helped organise the evening. Thanks also to Enty for his impeccable compering skills!



# **Tesco Vouchers for School & Clubs**

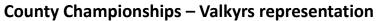


A really big thanks has to go to all of the people that posted vouchers, brought them to games and really pushed the collection in their offices.

A special mention has to go to the 'Cooil Park voucher-off' which took place between Kneeno at the MEA and Lisa Pugh at Manx Telecom - this collection has well and truly proven that employees at both of these companies spend far too much money and time at Tesco - good work ladies!

We'll be ordering the FREE equipment over the summer, so thanks again to everyone that helped. Let's build on this and try to aim for 5,000 vouchers next year!







The IOM Men's squad was in Essex competing in the C division and after two days of matches, they ended up second in their group. This qualifies them for a finals weekend in Sheffield on 4th

June. Well done to Will Margot, Greg Miller, Steven Lowe and Gareth Morris for their selection and especially to Greg & Gareth who scored a couple of goals each.

Meanwhile, the IOM Ladies squad was in Liverpool competing in the "Cock of the North" tournament. England Hockey have discontin-

ued the traditional County Championships for Ladies hockey so this event is run for any counties still wishing to play in an unofficial tournament. Our sole representative from Valkyrs was Andrea Kneen who had a very good time by all accounts!

