

Changing Rooms

Another reminder that the changing rooms at The Croft are gender specific, **without** exception.

As a result of continued misuse of the changing rooms, SSHC have been requested to remind all members that under no circumstance are males of any age allowed in the female changing rooms and vice versa.

Should any player need assistance with getting changed, then please speak to a member of staff, who will ensure appropriate facilities are made available to you.

We have been informed by Swindon Borough Council that if our members continue to show disregard to this rule, then our suitability as a club to use the facilities at The Croft will be reviewed.

Dates for the Diary

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| Fri 19th Dec 2008 - | Last Junior Training session |
| Sat 20th Dec 2008 - | Last Rookies / Pewee & Youth session |
| Sat 3rd Jan 2009 - | Rookies/ Peewee and Youth training resumes. |
| Tues 6th Jan 2009- | Senior training resumes |
| Thurs 8th Jan 2009 - | Junior Training resumes at The Link. |
| Sat 17th Jan 2009- | SASH Managers / Coaches meeting at The Croft 1200hrs—1400hrs |
| Sat 31st Jan 2009 - | SSHC AGM at The Croft, see separate notice for further details. |

Finally, the SSHC Committee, Managers and the coaching staff would like to thank everyone for their continued support throughout 2008, and wish all members and their families a merry Christmas and a happy and prosperous new year.

We look forward to seeing you all in 2009



Teams for 2009

As result of the open team trials, SSHC will enter the following teams in the SASH league for 2009:

Peewee Flames
Youth Flames
Junior Reds
Junior Flames
Senior Reds
Senior Flames

The Committee are seeking applications for the role of Team Coaches and Team Administrators for all the above teams.

The Committee is keen to encourage and welcome assistance from everyone, and where appropriate, full support will be given to volunteers.

Any person wishing to assist with the running of the above teams need to complete the short application form, which is available from any current team manager / committee person.

The Committee will meet over the weekend on Saturday 20th and Sunday 21st December to consider the applications.

Changing Room Security

As a result of a recent theft of a mobile telephone from the changing rooms at The Croft, a quick reminder to all players that they should not leave any valuables in the changing rooms.

Most team manager will assist in looking after valuables during training sessions and lockers are available at all the training locations that SSHC use.

Player Registration Forms 2009

Saturday 20th December is the last day for renewing BiSHA membership at the 2008 prices. All completed forms, together with payment (Cheques made payable to SSHC) need to be handed to your team manger.

Pleas note that SASH have increased their membership fee for 2009, from £10 to £12. Please amend the total payments as follows:

Peewee	£35.00 (£45.00 if play up)
Youth	£52.00 (£62.00 if play up)
Junior	£58.00 (£68.00 if play up)
Senior	£68.00

As the SASH league is scheduled to start at the beginning of February, all registrations will need to be submitted by Saturday 17th, to guarantee registration for the first weekend.

Saturday Training Times

Rookies	1200hrs- 1300hrs
Peewee	1300hrs- 1430hrs*
Youth	1430hrs- 1600hrs*

*Each age group is entitled to 1 hour training per week. It is the intention of the Coaching Staff to utilise the extra hour created on the Saturday as a result of only having a single peewee team for specialist training i.e. net minder and/or power skating. Until such time as these sessions start, the Peewee / Youth team sessions will be 1 1/2hours. Advance notice will be given to changes in training times.

Junior Team Training Times

As a result of feedback received from the Junior players, the Committee has for sometime been looking to change their training times from the Friday evening slot. The demand for block bookings of sports halls within Swindon is at an all time high, and when enquiries were first made earlier this year, there were no slots available within Swindon. At this time, the Committee put the club on several waiting lists at different venues.

At the end of November, The Link Centre approached the club, and offered a Thursday night block booking from 2000hrs—2200hrs. Having consulted with the Junior players, and taking in to account the opportunity to showcase our sport at another high profile venue within the town, the Committee have accepted the block booking.

With effect from Thursday 8th January 2009, Junior training sessions will be on Thursday nights at the Link Centre:

Junior Reds -	2000hrs—2100hrs
Junior Flames -	2100hrs—2200hrs

The Croft were unable to assist the club on this occasion, due to the demand throughout the week for use of its facilities. Despite this move, The Croft remains the home of Swindon Skater Hockey Club.

Keep up to date on all team results, latest SASH league tables and all the latest club news & events at:

WWW.SWINDONFLAMES.COM