



NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2011



Merry Christmas



Extra General Meeting - Saturday 10th September 2011

At the EGM on Saturday 10th September 2011 the new Board Structure was passed and the following were appointed:

Chair	Julia Taylor
Treasurer	Fiona Gee
Communication and Secretariat	Charlie Biggar
Mens	Keith Robertson
Women's	Jane Gardiner
Development	Louise Livingstone

Rathbones

We are delighted to announce the up and coming events in the Scottish School Season. Our partner Rathbone Brothers will be supporting these events and invitations will be sent to all members over the next few months. We hope you can join us and please do put these dates in your diary.

If you have any questions please contact the Lacrosse Scotland office.

Saturday 4th February, Scottish Open Tournament	Loretto School
Thursday 15th March, Scottish Closed Tournament	Glenalmond
Sunday 18th March, The Rathbones Junior Home International Tournament 2012	Edinburgh, Venue TBC

Scotland Women's News

The Senior Squad have had a very successful start to the 2011-12 season. Numbers are extremely strong and they are touring to Florida in February in preparation for both the Senior Home Internationals in April and the European Championships which take place in Amsterdam in June. 2012 promises to be an exciting year as they continue to build towards the World Cup in Canada in July 2013.

Scotland Men's News

Men's lacrosse in Scotland has come a long way since November 2007 when John Kenney saw his first training session in Edinburgh. Almost 4 years on, after 4 major international tournaments and several tours, Scotland is now ranked 7th in the world. Further, the domestic Scottish league will this year expand to 8 teams. Finally, our first ever High School programme had an outstanding year with many of its players being named to the squads below. Men's lacrosse in Scotland is without a doubt at its strongest ever.

Thank you to all those who have participated in the trial process for the 2012 Senior European Championships and the 2012 Junior World Championships.

After considerable deliberations the coaching staff has selected the squads.

Congratulations to those who've made it and commiserations to those who didn't this time.

Senior Squad:

Goal:

Andrew Shen (St. Andrews University)
Ethan Harris (UMBC / CW Post)
Ian Bolland (Stevenson)
Stefan W (Glasgow Lions)

Defence:

Al Mott (Glasgow Lions)
Bobby Hetherington (Whistler Layabouts)
Calum Watson (Timperley)
Conor McLaughlin (Muhlenberg College)
Graham Higgins (St. Andrews University)
Jamie Fleming (Stirling University)
Jim Huntingdon (Timperley / Stirling University)
Nye Gordon (Aberdeen University)
Shaun Cruse (Edinburgh City)
Tommy Kirkland (Timperley / Stirling University)

Midfield:

Brendan Healy (University of Maryland)
Colin Gill (Glasgow University)
Gavin Ingram (Aberdeen University)
Hal Jones (Glasgow Lions)
Iain Vickars (Simon Fraser University)
Jordan Coffey (Ajax Rock)
Kenny Dunn (Glasgow Lions)
Malcolm Kent (Stirling University)
Marc Watson (Edinburgh City)
Mark Currie (Glasgow University)
Matthew Carey (Jacksonville Armadillos)
Paul Tracey (Glasgow Lions)
Peter Muench (St. Andrews University)
Resham Panesar (Timperley / St. Andrews University)
Ric Heighway (Heaton Mersey)
Rory Marsden (Timperley / Stirling University)
Troy Kachor (Red Deer Rednecks)

Attack:

Dan Heighway (Heaton Mersey)
Ian Healy (University of Maryland)
Jesse Fehr (Duke University)
Martin Crawford (Edinburgh City)
Myles Bonnar (Timperley / Stirling University)

Junior Squad:

Goal:

Andrew Bolland (Washington College)
Trevor Jackson (Huntington Beach HS)

Defence:

Alastair Lee (Glasgow University)
Bradley Breadon (Vancouver)
Euan Bean (Stirling University)
Iain Dunlop (Glasgow Lions/Mearns Castle HS)
Matthew Hill (Glasgow Lions/Mearns Castle HS)

Midfield:

Adam Kee (Welwyn)
Adam Sinclair (Glasgow Lions)
Ben Matthews (Aberdeen University/Mearns Castle HS)
Bruce Leishman (Aberdeen University)
Connor Howe (Glasgow Lions/Mearns Castle HS)
Corrie Bruce (Aberdeen City)

Craig Lambie (Glasgow Lions/Mearns Castle HS)
Derek White (Stirling University)
Johnny Davis (Edinburgh University)
Johny Shaw (Glasgow Lions/Mearns Castle HS)
Josh Gray (Glasgow Lions/Mearns Castle HS)
Liam Doran (Glasgow University)
Louis Osman (Stirling University)
Nathan Collingwood (Glasgow University)
Rory Halsey (Glasgow Lions)
Stephen Cochrane (Glasgow Lions/Mearns Castle HS)
Tom Russell (Stirling University)

Attack:

Brenton Cosden (HD Jacobs HS)
Jamie McHarg (Ponyton)
Kevin Archer (Glasgow Lions/Mearns Castle HS)
Kurtis Fotheringham (NESLL)
Nick Davis (Heaton Mersey)

Umpiring News by Lorna Powell

A lot has happened since the last newsletter went out. Unfortunately the umpiring course in October had to be cancelled due to a lack of numbers, however it has been onwards and upwards since then. Aberdeen University hosted a Preliminary Umpiring course at the beginning of November, which Lorna Powell ran. It was well attended and we were lucky to be able to spend most of the day outdoors in the glorious sunshine. Well done Aberdeen for organising the weather too!

Forthcoming umpiring courses include a Preliminary Umpiring course at the beginning of December, hosted by Edinburgh University and a scheduled Lacrosse Scotland Preliminary Umpiring course at the beginning of February. In addition, there will be an improver's course for P umpires who are interested in brushing up and developing to the next level. This improver's course will only be run if there is sufficient interest. Details can be found on www.laxrules.co.uk. Please get your names down early and feel free to suggest areas that you would like covered. If people find this useful, it is possible that we can do this each year, so please let us know if you would like this added to the calendar.

A number of people have passed their theory test – well done to all;

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| ➤ Ewan Bain | Aberdeen City |
| ➤ Rachel Smart | Aberdeen City |
| ➤ Bianca Aye | Aberdeen University |
| ➤ Fiona Duncan | Aberdeen University |
| ➤ Katie Yarrow | Aberdeen University |
| ➤ Kirsty Henderson | Aberdeen University |
| ➤ Madeline Deacon | Aberdeen University |
| ➤ Martha Dlaboha-Morrison | Aberdeen University |
| ➤ Myrtle Macpherson | Edinburgh University |

Special additional congratulations go to Ewan Bain who passed with distinction by getting a pass rate of more than 90% – well done!

Thanks go to Jenny Pearson for testing the following people who passed their Preliminary Umpire (practical) test

- Myrtle Macpherson Edinburgh University
- Sophie Rajska Edinburgh University
- Charlie Wills Edinburgh University
- Caroline Lubbock St Andrews University
- Congratulations to all. Please encourage all new / trainee umpires, and help them to get as much practice as possible.

Referring News

Men's Refereeing - newly qualified officials

This year's Men's Refereeing course took place on 15th & 16th October, and was at Glasgow City's new ground at the West of Scotland Cricket Club. The course tutor was, FIL Chair of Officiating, Don Blacklock.

On the Saturday Don helped referee a top league match, and also coached several current Level 1 officials.

On Sunday we saw the biggest ever Men's Rules & Refereeing course held in Scotland, with 30 attendees. Don went through the laws of the game, and the basics of how to administer them. The day ended with an opportunity to take the Level 1 Theory exam.

Congratulations to the following, who passed:

Aidan Bundy	Glasgow University
Nathan Collingwood	Glasgow City (Distinction)
Iain Dunlop	Glasgow City
Chris Ferguson	Glasgow University
Jamie Fleming	Stirling University
Matthew Hill	Glasgow City
Nikke Kangasmaa	Glasgow University
Michal Kvapil	Aberdeen University (Distinction)
Ben Matthews	Aberdeen University
David Nicolson	Aberdeen City

Andy O'Donnell	Edinburgh City
Louis Osman	Glasgow City
James Pate	Glasgow University
Josh Schuwer	Edinburgh City (Distinction)
Tomas Vagner	Aberdeen University
Marc Watson	Edinburgh City

Following the weekend, Glasgow City's, Keith Robertson, was also awarded his Scottish Level 2 Refereeing award.

Tournaments

Mixed Clubs Tournament

This tournament was held in St Andrews on 29th October. Out of the ten eligible teams only 5 teams entered – Edinburgh Thistle, Capital, GHK, Dundee and St Andrews. Congratulations go to Edinburgh Thistle who won the tournament having won all their matches.

Thank you to St Andrews for running the tournament and also to all the umpires.

Mixed Non University Tournament

The Non University Clubs Tournament was held in Aberdeen on 19th November. The tournament was run as a triangular with GHK and Capital combining to form a team as they were unable to field a full team for this event. Edinburgh Thistle won both their matches 17:3 against Aberdeen City and 14:3 against GHK/Capital. Aberdeen (Who had borrowed a couple of Thistle players to make up their team) won the final match 8:7 against Capital/GHK. Congratulations go to Edinburgh Thistle for winning the tournament.

Thank you to Aberdeen City for running the tournament and thank you to all the umpires.

Mixed Universities Tournament

Unfortunately this tournament has had to be cancelled but will hopefully be rescheduled later in the season, possibly 17th March 2012. A big thank you must go to our organisers Glasgow University for efforts to date on this tournament and to Colin Gill particularly for his hard work with the issue of trying to find a venue.

League Results 2010/11 as of ¾ December 2011

Mixed League

Weekend	Match	Home	Away	Score
8/9 Oct	1	Aberdeen City	Stirling	3-0
	2	Capital	Edinburgh Thistle	5-14
	3	Glasgow	Aberdeen Uni	3-0
	4	St Andrew's	GHK	6-14
15/16 Oct	5	Dundee	Aberdeen Uni	
	6	Edinburgh Thistle	Stirling	
	7	Glasgow	Capital	
	8	GHK	Aberdeen City	
5/6 Nov	9	Aberdeen City	Edinburgh Thistle	3-17
	10	Capital	GHK	11-4
	11	Stirling	Dundee	
	12	Aberdeen Uni	St Andrew's	
12/13 Nov	13	Edinburgh Thistle	St Andrew's	21-3
	14	Glasgow	Stirling	
	15	Aberdeen Uni	Aberdeen City	4-12
	16	GHK	Dundee	
26/27 Nov	17	Dundee	Glasgow	
	18	St Andrew's	Aberdeen City	
	19	Stirling	GHK	
	20	Aberdeen Uni	Capital	
3/4 Dec	21	Capital	St Andrew's	5-8
	22	Dundee	Edinburgh Thistle	0-3

Men's League

Weekend	Match	Home	Away	Score
1/2 Oct	1	Aberdeen Uni	Glasgow Lions A	7-9
	2	Edinburgh City	Glasgow Uni	24-4
	3	Granite City Gladiators	Glasgow Lions B	3-0
	4	Stirling	St Andrew's	1-11
8/9 Oct	5	Edinburgh City	Glasgow Lions B	3-0
	6	Glasgow Uni	Aberdeen Uni	9-8
	7	Granite City Gladiators	Stirling	

	8	St Andrew's	Glasgow Lions A	9-5
22/23 Oct	9	Edinburgh City	Aberdeen Uni	3-0
	10	Glasgow Lions A	Stirling	
	11	Glasgow Lions B	Glasgow Uni	6-5
	12	Granite City Gladiators	St Andrew's	3-12
29/30 Oct	13	Edinburgh City	Stirling	3-0
	14	Glasgow Lions A	Granite City Gladiators	
	15	Glasgow Lions B	Aberdeen Uni	
	16	St Andrew's	Glasgow Uni	0-3
5/6 Nov	17	Aberdeen Uni	St Andrew's	
	18	Glasgow Uni	Glasgow Lions A	1-15
	19	Granite City Gladiators	Edinburgh City	2-24
	20	Stirling	Glasgow Lions B	3-0
12/13 Nov	21	Aberdeen Uni	Granite City Gladiators	5-8
	22	Edinburgh City	St Andrew's	
	23	Glasgow Lions A	Glasgow Lions B	
	24	Glasgow Uni	Stirling	
19/20 Nov	25	Aberdeen Uni	Edinburgh City	6-8
	26	Glasgow Uni	Glasgow Lions B	3-0
	27	St Andrew's	Granite City Gladiators	
	28	Stirling	Glasgow Lions A	5-5
3/4 Dec	29	Aberdeen Uni	Glasgow	
	30	Glasgow Lions A	St Andrew's	
	31	Glasgow Lions B	Edinburgh City	0-3
	32	Stirling	Granite City Gladiators	

Coaching Courses

The next Level 1 Development course will take place on Sunday 12th February at Craigholme School, Glasgow

FIL NEWS

The FIL Board is looking for a skilled individual with web design and development expertise to deliver a variety of functional enhancements to the FIL website. The Board recognizes that the skills necessary to complete this program could be available from any of our Members Nations individuals.

TIMELINES

Event	Date
RFP released	Monday 21 November 2011
RFP response deadline	Friday 16 December 2011 by 5pm EST
Short listed vendors contacted	Friday 6 January 2012
Winning vendor notified	Monday 23 January 2012

Anyone wishing to bid for this project should return the Appendix A to Feffie Barnhill and upon receipt; a more detailed functionality document will be sent. If anyone requires Appendix A or more information please contact feffie.barnhill@filacrosse.com FIL Administrative Assistant.

Facebook

Lacrosse Scotland now has its own Facebook page which will have regular updates. This will be used to let people know about league results etc.

Items for Sale

Stuck for a Christmas present what about:-

Rule books - 'Federation of International Lacrosse 2011-2014 Women's Official Rules' for sale at £5.00.

Beanie hats in blue with Lacrosse Scotland logo - £10.00

If you would like to purchase any of the above items please contact the office office@lacrossescotland.com.

Can anyone help? Volunteers required

The office is in the process of setting up a Volunteers database and would love to hear from anyone who could help in any way, for example: helping at tournament with teas, selling T shirts etc, administration, fundraising/events organisation. Or any other help that anyone can provide however big or small greatly appreciated.

Member's Directory

It is hoped to get a member's directory out in February, this will only contain the names of members who have returned their forms for this season and have agreed to being included. If you have not returned your form and wish to be included in this directory please return your membership form asap. A form can be downloaded from the website or contact office@lacrossescotland.com

Future Events

2011	Men's World Box Lacrosse Games – Prague, Czech Republic. Scotland will not participate.
February 2012	Women's trip to Florida
June 2012	Women's European Championships in Amsterdam
2012	Men's World Under 19 Championships – Turkey, Finland Men's European Championships – venue Netherlands.
July 2013	Women's World Cup
2014	Men's World Games – 10 th to 19 th July 2014 – Denver, USA.

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the newsletter. If there is anything you want included in the next newsletter (September) please send it to office@lacrossescotland.com. The newsletter can only contain information received.