

**GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
HOCKEY  
ASSOCIATION**

2021 - 22 Junior Competitions  
Framework meeting

# Meeting conduct

- Good evening and welcome to the this Gloucestershire Hockey Association Club Forum on the Junior Competitions Framework 2021 - 22
  - Please can all participants please type their name and Club affiliation into the chat box so we have an attendance list?
  - Everyone is going to be muted at the start
  - To ask questions, just “raise your hand” or type in the chat box you want to speak and when asked unmute yourselves
- Presenters:
  - Paul Westgate – West Junior Competitions Committee
  - Ian Harvey – GHA Junior Festival organiser

# Agenda (1)

- 1. New Junior Competition Framework – clarification & questions (see presentation on website)
- 2. GHA Junior Festivals & Tournaments – County Organiser
  - Dates, format & venues
- 3. AOB

# GHA Festival and In2Hockey dates

GHA Junior Festivals		
U12s	U10s	U8s
03-Oct-21	10-Oct-21	10-Oct-21
21-Nov-21	28-Nov-21	28-Nov-21
05-Dec-21	12-Dec-21	12-Dec-21
16-Jan-22	23-Jan-22	23-Jan-22
13-Mar-22	27-Mar-22	27-Mar-22
GHA Clubs In2Hockey		
U12s	U10s	
06-Feb-22	06-Mar-22	
WHA Clubs In2Hockey		
U12s	U10s	
20-Mar-22	03-Apr-22	
GHA Clubs possible extra events		
U12s A teams	U14s	
17-Oct-21	17-Oct-21	
07-Nov-21	14-Nov-21	
19-Dec-21	None	
09-Jan-22	30-Jan-22	
None	06-Feb-22	
None	06-Mar-22	

# GHA Festival questions

1. Club contact details for 2021 - 22
2. Are the dates for U8s mixed, U10 and U12 Festivals alright and will you be entering teams?
3. In the case of Gloucestershire clubs the In2Hockey County (Sub-Area) rounds for U10 and U12 are very early, but this is dictated by the EH calendar and the West Area rounds. Please let me know if you will be entering these?
4. Would you be interested in U12 A team tournaments? I am aware the dates are not ideal (see spreadsheet), but the difficulties are the length of the half terms when state and private schools are considered, Remembrance Sunday and the early In2Hockey dates.
5. Would you be interested in an U14 7-aside competition? This would be aimed at the smaller clubs who struggle to raise enough players for 11-aside and the weaker players in the larger clubs who would not often be playing competitive hockey. Again apologies for the dates.
6. Would anyone volunteer to run these extra events as we have insufficient resources to manage it all, just the aspiration to offer more opportunities for competitive hockey?
7. What do you think to the idea of a different format for U8s mixed? EH are encouraging 4 v 4 Quicksticks rules and ball on a small pitch. This would mean probably 8 pitches on one full size pitch and require investment in extra kit, but if clubs feel it worthwhile we can explore this with Bournside.