

Saturday 21st March 2009

Tunbridge Wells V 2 Brombecks V 1

Wells came to this match against the champions elect having lost narrowly in the home match in September. The match started evenly and Wells were disappointed to gift Brombecks a soft goal with a missed tackle and a poor attempt at a save by the goalie. Wells hit back immediately with Elisabeth Floyd finishing off a neat attack.

Before half time Wells had taken the lead. After a series of short corners, Alison Holme exchanged passes with Helen Taylor and eventually forced the ball home.

Either team could have scored again, but Wells defence held firm against a series of shorts, the ailing Hannah Rowe powering the ball away to relieve the pressure.

With this result, Wells moved into third place in the league, with an outside chance of promotion.

U14 Girls Season Champions

Tunbridge Wells U14 Girls Hockey Squad confirmed their place as Kent Champions with a top-of-the-table 2-1 win on Sunday against Canterbury. In Sunday's match, T Wells came out fighting for possession, and managed to go 1-0 up in the first half but they knew that they would have to fight all the way to maintain their tenuous lead. In the second half, player of the match Lucy Lawson managed to slot home her second goal of the match to consolidate the lead. A momentary drop of the guard did in fact allow Canterbury to score, making it 2-1, but T Wells started to dominate the game mid-way through the 2nd half. There followed a long period when the Canterbury defence was put under enormous and continuous pressure, although the girls failed to convert numerous short corners and shots into well deserved goals. In the dying minutes Becky Lennon hit the left hand post and the ball the ricocheted across the face of the goal, (behind the Canterbury goalie), eventually going out of play beyond the right hand post. How it didn't go in remains a mystery! The final result was decisive and wraps up a great season of fantastic hockey.

Particular credit for a successful championship campaign goes to stalwarts of the side, Lucy Lawson, Harriet Barker, Holly Turner, Lucy Woodward, Ciskey Wooley, Charlie Wood, Lily Richards.

Coach, Quinton Wood, paid tribute to the depth of talent at Tunbridge Wells Hockey Club. "With 20 players in County Squads and attaining high levels of achievement, the club is naturally a great place to join. Our independent Goalie Coaching Academy allows tailored coaching specifically for the important Keeper role. Importantly though, we welcome anyone of any ability".

Squad

Holly Turner Capt, Lucy Lawson, Georgia Nokes, Kate Yandle, Becky Lennon, Harriet Barker, Laura Bartley, Anna Stoughton, Ciskey Wooley, Lucy Woodward, Lily Loveland, Olivia Harbig, Charlotte Wood, Lily Richards Goalie