

FUNDRAISING

Thanks to Fay and all helpers for a tremendous fundraising effort in the first part of the season. Here's a summary of what has been raised so far.

Sept 2017	Fundraising tournament	£874
Sept 2017	Easy fundraising	£51
Oct 2017	Obstacle course	£75
Nov 2017	Under 11's nhlc (no food)	£119
Nov 2017	Under 13's nhlc (no food)	£112
Dec 2017	Bag packing	£1264

FUNDRAISING TOURNAMENT

Letchworth Under 13 Rink Hockey team hosted its first Annual Fundraising Tournament on Saturday, 2 September 2017. The event was held at Knights Templar Sports Centre, Baldock. Five teams competed: Letchworth fielded two sides, Whites and Blues; Sheffield; Middlesbrough; and Soham. A series of exciting matches saw Letchworth Whites emerge as the overall winners.

In addition to the rink hockey, sideshows included; fastest shot competition; BBQ; bar; tombola; bouncy castle; and face painting.

The weather was kind, we had a fantastic turnout and a good time was had by all. A great success for our first event of this type.



BAG PACKING AT SAINSBURY'S

On December 22nd, 2017 some willing members of the club took part in a charity bag packing event at our local Sainsbury's, in conjunction with Letchworth Garden House Hospice Care.

The event was a huge success, with local shoppers donating in their droves, raising a massive £1,800+ in total which will be split between the club and the local Hospice.

Well done all involved in the organisation and delivery of this much-valued fundraiser!



EASY FUNDRAISING - Did you know that whenever you buy anything online - from your weekly shop to your annual holiday - you could be raising a FREE donation for Letchworth Roller Hockey Club?

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- Enter Letchworth Roller Hockey Club in the search box
- Click Join Us and enter your details and click on Create My Account

Choose from over 3,300 retailers, do your online shopping as normal and our cause will receive a free donation at no extra cost to you for every purchase you make.

Thank you for your support, you'll be helping to make a real difference to Letchworth Rink Hockey Club.

EUROCKEY

Letchworth Under 15 Rink Hockey team represented the UK, along with Herne Bay, in the European Under 15 Championships in Vilanova, Barcelona, Spain.

Letchworth were runners up in the National finals held at Middlesbrough in July and were invited to participate in the European finals.

The Eurockey cup was held over four days from 28 October to 31 October. 16 teams from all over Europe participated.



We knew we would face some excellent club sides – and we were right. We lost our first 5 matches against Irlandesas, Sporting Lisbon, St Omer, Tomar and Herne Bay. (We were unlucky and should have beaten Herne Bay.) We won our last match 2-0 against a French side, Dinan Quevert. We fielded the youngest team by some distance and although we suffered a few heavy defeats in the early rounds, our play improved as the tournament progressed and the team acquitted themselves very well.



The team, coaches and supporters all had a fantastic time in Vilanova. The weather was great, the hotels were comfortable and the food was good. The hotels were by the seafront and a 5 minute coach ride or 30 minute walk from the 2 stadiums used for matches. The walk took us through Las Ramblas, the main dining and shopping area. The evenings here were lively and the restaurants tempting.



The quality of play overall was excellent. The final was a great match played by 2 outstanding teams. Sporting Lisbon beat Barcelona 2-1 in a very close game.

The team and coaches should be proud of an excellent showing by a young and very promising group of players. It was no mean feat to score 3 goals (Freddie, Jensen and Kieran were the scorers) against the best teams in Europe. Well done to all the boys and roll on Eurockey 2018.



THANKS TO **F B CHAIN** FOR SPONSORING OUR EUROCKEY KIT

NEWS and MATCH REPORTS

First ND1 tournament of the season for our Senior team at Soham. 3 games, 3 wins: 6-4 Colchester; 6-4 Invicta; 10-3 Soham.

LRHC EC1 Seniors had a good first tournament. We played Soham, Norwich, and ECU, which saw us lose to Soham prem side and beat the other two teams convincingly, with some very good team play. Especially the old boys.

Great start to the season!



EC2's first tournament resulted in 4 wins from 4 against Cottenham, Norwich, ECU and Skaters.

In the 2nd EC2 tournament of the season we had 2 wins and 1 loss. 6 wins out of 7 so far this season - a great return.

Our Eastern Counties U15 team played in their first 2017-18 tournament at King's Lynn with 2 wins out of 3.

An encouraging start to their rink hockey season!

A full weekend of hockey for the club started with our Eastern Counties U11 'Blues' team hosting, and playing in, their first ever tournament, with 2 wins out of 4.

A fantastic start to their rink hockey season/careers! Really pleasing and encouraging to see new players and faces coming into the sport!!

Also in attendance at the Eastern Counties U11 first 2017-18 tournament, were our 'Whites' team who finished the day with 3 comfortable wins out of 3 with no goals conceded.



Well done to all LRHC players who attended the recent **National Christmas Camp** at Soham, including our starlet Lily, who was deservedly selected as overall **Player of the Camp**.

The clubs U13s started their Eastern Counties League Campaign today with their first tournament at North Herts Leisure Centre. 4 games and 4 comfortable wins for the team, as follows: Peterborough - 5-0; ECU Gold - 10-0; Kings Lynn - 9-0; Skaters - 17-2.



TRAINING

The new training schedule from 8th January is as follows: Wednesdays (North Herts Leisure Centre):

- 19.00 - 20.30 - All U15s and invited U13s
- 20.30 - 22.00 - All U15s and invited Seniors

Thursdays (Knights Templar Sports Centre):

- 18.30 - 20.00 - All U11s and All U13s
- 20.00 - 21.45 - All Seniors

TABLES

ND1

Team	P	W	L	D	GF	GA	Pts
Letchworth Seniors	3	3	0	0	22	11	9
Soham RHC Seniors (2)	4	2	0	2	11	16	6
Herne Bay Seniors	3	1	1	1	10	9	4
Colchester Seniors	3	1	0	2	9	11	3
RHC Invicta Seniors	3	0	1	2	8	13	1

EC1

Team	P	W	L	D	GF	GA	Pts
Soham	8	8	0	0	59	7	16
Peterborough	7	5	2	0	37	27	10
Kings Lynn	4	4	0	0	34	4	8
Letchworth	7	3	3	1	23	30	7
Norwich	11	2	7	2	26	52	6
ECU	7	2	5	0	22	29	4
Colchester	10	1	8	1	13	65	3

EC2

Team	P	W	L	D	GF	GA	Pts
Cottenham	12	10	2	0	76	19	20
Norwich	9	4	4	1	35	32	9
Letchworth	4	4	0	0	26	10	8
Kings Lynn C	6	3	2	1	19	21	7
Colchester	4	3	1	0	21	8	6
Cambridge	7	2	3	2	24	24	6
Kings Lynn B	7	2	4	1	15	18	5
ECU	6	1	4	1	20	31	3
Skaters	9	0	9	0	8	81	0

U15

Team	P	W	L	D	GF	GA	Pts
Peterborough A	9	7	1	1	50	9	15
ECU Blue	4	4	0	0	22	2	8
Cottenham	6	3	2	1	24	8	7
Kings Lynn	6	3	3	0	22	18	6
Soham	3	2	1	0	22	4	4
Letchworth	3	2	1	0	16	3	4
Peterborough B	4	1	3	0	11	25	2
ECU Gold	9	1	8	0	13	71	2
Guest	4	0	4	0	0	40	0

U13

Team	P	W	L	D	GF	GA	Pts
Cottenham	6	6	0	0	39	8	12
Peterborough	9	5	4	0	38	30	10
Letchworth	4	4	0	0	41	2	8
Kings Lynn A	4	3	1	0	24	15	6
ECU Blue	4	2	2	0	13	10	4
ECU Gold	9	2	7	0	15	50	4
Soham	3	1	2	0	13	11	2
Skaters	6	1	5	0	5	45	2
Kings Lynn B	3	0	3	0	0	17	0

U11

Team	P	W	L	D	GF	GA	Pts
Letchworth Whites	3	3	0	0	34	0	6
Skaters	4	3	1	0	22	10	6
Letchworth Blues	4	2	2	0	20	16	4
Cottenham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECU Blue	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ECU Gold	3	0	3	0	0	30	0
Kings Lynn	4	0	4	0	0	40	0