



# SOUTHERNS CHRONICLE

**Southern Gauteng Hockey's latest news, reviews and events**

MAY 2020

5th EDITION

Dear Southern Gauteng Hockey Clubs

Trust you are all doing well, the lockdown must by now be frustrating you all and it seems to be never ending. Hopefully, we will be back on the astro soon.

We glad to release our 5th edition of the Southern Chronicle and hope it will be a good read keeping you updated with regards SG issues.

## LEAGUES

Lona Graaff – [League@sgha.co.za](mailto:League@sgha.co.za)

It is now confirmed, and all Club Chairpersons have been notified that the 2020 SG League has been cancelled.

The decision has been based on various concerns listed in our letter to Club Chairperson's.

Despite the league being cancelled, we will be running various events later in the year and will keep all clubs posted.

## FINANCES

Ryan Milella – [ryanmilella@gmail.com](mailto:ryanmilella@gmail.com)

We glad to say that Clubs and individual players owing SG have been sticking to payment plans and we want to encourage all to continue.

League credit notes have been issued.

Week 1 match invoices have been invoiced.

## RULES & TECH

Peter Caulder – [peter@ump-uni.com](mailto:peter@ump-uni.com)

Whilst in lock down we have been working on streamlining certain aspects of the administration behind Rules & Technical. Moving forward, all umpires and technical officials will have to log their games on an online platform. This platform can be found at <https://ump-uni.com/> or the more direct registration link is [Register](#).

Once registered, the Southern's Time Sheet will be linked to their profile so that after each game the umpire registers their match. Payments will be made monthly based off this time sheet.

To all umpires out there, hockey will return so keep fit and mentally strong so you can provide an excellent service to the game.

## CHAIRMAN'S ZOOM MEETING

Josie will be sending out an invite for another zoom session so we can catch up with all Club Chairpersons.

Keep a lookout for the mail.

## EVENTS

Justin Rosenberg – cutmasterjay1979  
Southern's Cup  
Weekend tournaments  
1-day tournaments

Once finalized, all invitations will be sent to all clubs for all leagues.

Fantastic events for Club hockey, with semis and finals to be played and creating a good Hockey atmosphere at all club venues.

We will be running these events for each league and will allocate host venues with once off fees per event being paid to SG with a portion will be paid over to the host club/venue.

## ONLINE WORKSHOPS

At Present we have no dates available for  
Coaching  
Level 0  
Level 1  
Level 2  
Level  
Umpire courses

## WEBSITE

Keep checking out the site and send comments on how we can improve things.

## ADMIN OFFICE

Josie Milella – [Josie.milella@gmail.com](mailto:Josie.milella@gmail.com) / [ops-sgha@sgha.co.za](mailto:ops-sgha@sgha.co.za)

Available from Monday and Friday to help you with all your admin issues.  
This is the best time to get all our admin resolved.

## DEVELOPMENT

Mervyn Mooi - [development@sgha.co.za](mailto:development@sgha.co.za)

SG Development gave a small donation to the Rhulani Mabasa foundation that uses hockey as the spearhead physical activity. The foundation is part of our hockey development and Modified family.

## COVID-19

1ST June 2020

Level 3

Regulations and Guidelines – Coronavirus Covid-19

Please visit <https://www.gov.za/coronavirus/guidelines> for any additional updates or guidelines

## SAHA

The South African Hockey Association has noted the directions as issued by the Honourable Minister of Sport, Arts and Culture Mr Nathi Mthethwa. These directions issued on Saturday 30 May 2020 are further to the Alert Level 3 Regulations as announced by the National Command Council on Thursday 28th May 2020 and thereafter gazetted.

The directions announced by the Sports Minister seek to clarify how sport will be permitted under Alert Level 3 which starts on 01 June 2020. As announced by the Minister these directions are currently in draft and will in due course be gazetted and published.

What we know so far from Saturday's briefing:

- That professional or elite athletes involved in non-contact sport may resume matches.
- That professional or elite athletes of non-contact sport and contact sport such as Hockey will be permitted to train under strict conditions.
- These athletes are those that are in preparation for the Olympics, International Championships, National Qualifying Championships, Local Professional Leagues at Club, Provincial and National Level.

- These athletes and staff are to train under strict health conditions, which include but not limited to testing for COVID-19, daily screening and register kept, use of hand sanitisers, social distancing, a regularly sanitised venue & equipment as well as all touch points at the venue.

The directions further note that training cannot take place just yet even though Alert Level 3 starts on 01 June 2020. The Minister announced that once the regulations are gazetted that SA Hockey as a National Federation submits within 14 days, the intended date to resume training, the operational guidelines that will be followed as well as affidavits.

SAHA will await the Gazetted regulations and make the submissions as required. SAHA Members and owners of hockey facilities will be informed of the return to training protocols once directed and approved by the Minister.

### RETURN TO PLAY

Please keep a look out for the documents that we will all need to return to play.

1. Venue
2. Turf
3. What format will be allowed
4. Coaches
5. Players
6. Supports / Parents
7. What is needed and required – Sanitizers etc.

### CLUB EVENTS

Pirates and MCC will be selling alcohol from their venues and this can be ordered online or via websites, log onto their websites to find out more info

Stay safe and stay healthy!!!

**From the President**  
*Allistar Fredericky*