



Temporary club relocation

starting 14th Feb 2010



Dear players, parents and guardians,

We have at last been given a date for the tatty Brickfields astroturf surface to be replaced – unfortunately this is to be started this coming Monday, and potentially until the 15th March! To ensure that the training can continue we have now made arrangements to temporarily relocate the training sessions to the Stonehouse Barracks Astroturf, which is the home pitch for one of two parent clubs (PGSOB).

This note contains directions, access requirements and PGSOB official club guidance about Stonehouse.



We appreciate that for the next 3 – 4 weeks there will be some inconvenience, but at last we can look forward to a pitch that should be the best in Plymouth. We will keep you informed of the latest dates for the return to Brickfields through the club website on www.ddjhc.org.uk

Regards

Steve Wherry
Chairman of Devonport Dragons Junior Hockey Club

Key points

Stonehouse Barracks is an active MOD base and therefore all access to the Astro turf is managed by MOD personnel via the security gate. The PGSOB club has been based there for a number of years and our club's U14 boys' team also train there, so we are well versed on access requirements.

1. All players / parents/guardians will need to have their names registered in advance with the base. DDJHC will provide these from the normal DDJHC registration forms. Any new names must be provided by the previous Thursday to Robin, preferably by email to mail@ddjhc.org.uk
2. There is no general car access to the base. This has a number of implications:
 - a. Security guards are sensitive to cars 'loitering' at the security gate so we ask that you do the drop off of players outside the security zone, club officials will be there to assist this.
 - b. There is often only limited parking directly outside the security area, however, there is a car park nearby with limited spaces and some on-street parking
 - c. You must not wait for your child in the security zone after training (you will be moved on). The club will arrange for all players to be brought down to the security gate at 11:45. We suggest the nearby car park is used or on street parking. Those parents/guardians on the membership forms may come and collect their children from the astro turf.
3. Club officials will be at the gate between 9:50am and 10:10am. No entry will be allowed before this time, however, if you arrive after this time you will need to escort your child to the Astro turf.
4. As the security guards will only let those enter the site where the names are recognised, YOU MUST NOT LEAVE your child until the access has been confirmed – there have been issues with the name lists at times – however club officials will be on hand to assist the process.
5. If there is a need to contact your child or club officials during the training sessions then Robin's 07790 696072 and Colin's 07813 160976 mobiles will be on throughout the session.
6. Cameras may not be used on the base
7. Players/parents must remain within the Astro turf area, club house and road that leads from the gate to the Astro turf – **NOWHERE ELSE.**

So on the Sundays, we would expect the following sequence:

9:50 - 10:10

Players will arrive at the security gate and Club officials will assist in the check-in process (there is no need for proof of names), and once the player is on the other side of the gate you may leave (if you want) as they will be escorted to the Astro turf

9:50 - 11:30

The training will take place as usual (and very securely!), and Robin's 07790 696072 and Colin's 07813 160976 mobile phones will be on in case you need to contact us/your child during this time

11:45

All players will be escorted to the security gate, awaiting pickup from parents/guardians. Cars may not wait within the security area outside the security gate (and will be moved on)