# **GHA Player Pathway Report January 2022 - March 2022**

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### 2021 - 2022 Season update

- The season for AC ended on the 13th March at the final county matches. The AC squads played 20 matches (won 13, drew 6 and lost 1).
- DC v AC matches were a success showing very fine margins between some DC and AC players
- On 13th March we had around 200 players on pitches in Bristol and Gloucester
- There is one more DC session on 28th March for under 12s in readiness for next season
  - o 107 under 12 players were nominated, 31 coming from Cheltenham Junior HC.

This our first full season since Angie Atherton retired and the administrative burden has been pretty continuous throughout with over 10,000 emails dealt with since December 2018

- We will not run any DCs over the summer in the past, these have been disconnected with AC hockey and we need a break.
- We have probably made a slight loss over the season which was expected and planned for. We will work with this season's figures to review prices for next season.
- We do not know what the impact of the new Talent Strategy will be yet it is likely that some players will come back to AC there are over 25 Gloucestershire nominated players at PC or beyond.

## **Indoor Hockey**

At the last committee meeting, the committee was asked to ring fence funds for indoor hockey. Investigations have revealed that this requirement is likely to be around £1,000, not £5,000. We will assume that the Committee does not need to approve this level of spend unless we are told otherwise.

#### The England Hockey Player Pathway System

Our last report stated that we were going to try to move away from the England Hockey Player Pathway System. On reflection and following comments at the last committee meeting, we have decided not to do this at this stage for the following reasons

- A new system would require a lot of time and effort to develop which we simply don't have.
- We have not been given any indication that England Hockey will deprecate the system in the near future
- It sort of works if we supplement it with an improved website which could be hosted at **glos-ha.space** we would like to transfer this domain into Google Domains on the admin@glos-ha.space account **ACTION Shaun?** 
  - This domain is not the same one as the glos-ha.org.uk one which does not need to change
  - The glos-ha.space account is Google based and therefore can be a fully integrated Google Site relatively easily

#### **Next season**

Planning is already underway for next season - we will provide a full update at the AGM in May

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