

Boys report end of season 31st May 2021

This past season, as we know, was a strange one. No matches or blitzes were played and the vast majority of the season was non contact, but the boys turned up each week enthusiastic and ready to play hockey. Over the season their skills set and level of play has progressed regardless.

The enthusiasm of the boys and their eagerness to play was in no small part due to the approach and enthusiasm of the coaches they had throughout the year

- Matt Bentley, Herbie Fowler Hudson, Andrew Meagher, Brian Cleary, Conor Murphy, Daragh Grogan, Jay Menalaou –

and I would like to thank them for all their hard work this year.

I would like also like to thank Jamie Lawlor and Susie French for their pitchside assistance.

Congratulations to both Harry Dagg and Conor Murphy, current U16 players, who have achieved Irish Schoolboy International status at U16 and have been recipients of the new Avoca HC International Player Bursary Programme. Harry is now a member of the Leinster U18 squad.

This month has seen the return of play and matches for the boys and the U12, U14 and U16 teams will play TRR at the end of June in matches to finish the season.

We finish the year with 74 registered junior boys. We had hoped to start a recruitment drive during the 20/21 season but Covid19 restrictions hampered this. Our aim for the new season is to reach 100 boys in Avoca HC.