

The 14th Dutch Open SIX-A-SIDE Easter international hockey tournament Drachten 2nd , 3th and 4th of April 2010

Hockey Club "de Graspiepers" in Drachten, the Netherlands

Dutch open six-a-side

At Easter 2010, DMHC "de Graspiepers", will stage its 14th Dutch Open Six-a-Side Tournament.

Six-a-side is a fast game played by teams consisting of 5 players and a goalkeeper. The pitch measures one third of a regular field and is marked out by a solid boarding.

Our tournament is traditionally characterized by competitive hockey, international teams, pleasure and great fun. Mixed hockey club "de Graspiepers" is well known in the Netherlands for its typical friendly and family atmosphere, many enthusiastic members and activities. With artificial grass pitches and a brand new clubhouse at our disposal we are able to ensure a perfect combination of fun & competition.

Participating teams

Due to the intense character of the six-a-side game, at least two or more substitutes are strongly recommended. This means that, per team, you need at least eight participants. The categories that are open for registration are: ***Men's seniors & Women's seniors, Men's veterans & Women's veterans***. For all categories the level of hockey will be rather competitive, while the atmosphere will be one of fun and good time. We hope to welcome 30 teams, including teams from Poland, England, Germany and Austria.

Pitches

Matches are played on six artificial grass pitches; three sand-filled pitches and three water pitches. As the pitches have a solid boarding, the game can be described as indoor hockey with the pleasure of being outdoors. The possibility to bounce the ball against the boarding results in a fast and spectacular game with many goals. Exciting to play and watch.

Fun, food & drinks

We start on Friday with an informal welcoming and party (snacks available). Lunch-baskets and a semi-formal wining and dining on Saturday are inclusive in the tournament fee.



"Be a star for a night!"

Parties at "de Graspiepers" have a reputation of their own. This year we will roll out the red carpet with a special tournament party on Saturday night in **Hollywood style** in our new "Crib" (clubhouse).

Accommodation

We have arranged two 'get together' hotels - the Emjee Hotel (**basic**, 200 meters from the pitches) and Van der Valk Motel Drachten (**well-equipped**, about 4 km from pitches), both of which you can book directly. Please contact us for more information on booking.

Registration

To register please mail to ippt.dutchhockey@hotmail.com . Note that the number of participating teams is limited - registrations will be dealt with in order of arrival. As soon as we have received your registration, a preliminary booking is made. This becomes final after your full payment has been received. If the tournament fee is not received within reasonable time -3 weeks- after registration, we feel free to accept the next team in line.

When you register we need the following information:

- Team, Town, Home Club, Level of Hockey, Number of Participants
- Contact person, Street, Postal code, Town and Country, Email, Phone number

Costs

You can book your team for € 320, - (8 members). Every extra player for the team will be charged at a special discount rate of € 25, - . This includes lunches on Saturday and Sunday and a dinner on Saturday (with wine and coffee/tea).

Payment

Full costs are to be paid in advance in order to confirm your application. After your registration and full payment have been received, we will confirm your booking by e-mail.

Contact and information

If you need any support, assistance etc., feel free to contact the organizing committee. We will help you wherever we can.

- Website: www.graspiepers.nl/ippt
- E-mail: ippt.dutchhockey@hotmail.com
- Contact: Rieks Buitenhuis, 0031- (0)6- 1947 21 57

We hope to see you in Drachten at Easter 2010.

Kind regards,

The Dutch open 2010 organizing committee

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