

3rd Men's Junior AHF Cup

23-31 July 2011 – KP, HK

Throughout my 10 years of hockey, I have represented the KCC mini and youth teams and worked my way through the D, C, B and A teams of the KCC men's league. Every team guided me on my path to representing the Hong Kong National Junior Team. Others may find a different route to the same destination but KCC have shown once again its dominance in the junior scene with 8 players representing Hong Kong in the 3rd Men's Junior AHF Cup, a number restricted by the unfortunate withdrawal of Anthony and Clement.

It was truly a pity that in my final tournament for the Hong Kong Junior Team we were unable to replicate our first 10 minutes for the rest of the tournament. Our aim of finishing in top four was unfortunately unachievable when it became apparent our team was unable to sync together due to the misfortune that some of our players had examinations and some studied overseas. That, combined with our lack of game-time against competent opponents, led to our collapse as teams showed Hong Kong the rewards of professional discipline.

Having said that, the only team in our group to impress me was our team in our first 10 minutes against Chinese Taipei. Passion, belief and desire were all there and beautiful hockey was played. Like a dream we rose on the assumption that passion, belief and desire trump understanding and experience. And we were right... for about 10 minutes. Timothy Cheung fired a drag flick to the top corner to show the crowd the future after Arif Ali as the crowd clapped and cheered.



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But our fall was as spectacular as our rise. As Taipei, and subsequently every other team, showed signs of resistance, we collapsed faster than the American housing market. Never has the phrase 'they didn't win, we lost' been more literal as our lack of exposure to international hockey tournaments left us reeling from mistakes from which we would not recover.

We were however awarded the Fair Play Award of the tournament in recognition of our sportsmanship and fair play qualities.



Fair Play Award

Our team has untold potential. Hockey is a team sport where every extra synchronised player gives an exponential advantage. Of the 7 KCC outfield players, 6 started in those 10 minutes. We had 2 in defense, 2 midfielders and 2 attackers. The linkup play was honed after many years of mini, youth and men's matches. If our team stayed a team for longer, I feel we may not be world beaters, but we would be over-achievers.

That's why I feel a certain affinity towards KCC. They offered me not just a team to



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play for but a chance to compete amongst the best. They understood the importance of not only nurturing our skills and teamwork amongst my peers in the youth league but also the importance of experience with and against different styles of hockey in the men's league. The art of adaptation is a lesson that has spanned 10 years and one I feel I will not be graduating from soon.

I strongly hope that the Juniors manage to build on the glimpses of flair shown in this tournament. We were fragile yet capable, all we need is support. I am now moving on to a new stage in hockey, but I'll always appreciate my dad, Arif, Harry, Amo, Chappie, Guv, Sarwar, Chas, Joe, Phil and all the uncles and teammates who gave me advice when I played in their teams.

Hopefully, despite the recent disappointment, the Hong Kong Junior players will see a brighter future and those able will help realise it.

Siddick

Players: Siddick Khan, Melvin Yu, Ravdeep Sethi, Dev Dillon, Timothy Cheung, Jasdeep Sethi, Marco Yu and Fahim Khan from KCC including Amritpal Singh, Ming Cheung, Gabriel Tsoi, Don Ng, Felix Iu, Silas Poon, Oliver Roberts, Jason Wolf, Jagroop Singh and Sukhmit Singh.

Winner: China

1st Runner-up: Singapore

2nd Runner-up: Iran





Hong Kong hosted Macau in the Annual Hockey Interport

Three hockey matches were played against Macau on Sunday, 19 June 2011 at King's Park hockey grounds.

The Hong Kong National Men's Hockey Team overwhelmed Macau 8-0. KCC players Kieran Smith, Zaki Dad, Jimmy Singh,

Aman Dillon and Harry Bal contributed to the victory.

Earlier on the day, Hong Kong Junior Team lost 3-2 while the Veterans recorded a 4-3 win over Macau in the closely contested matches.



KCC players represented in the Hong Kong National Hockey Team



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