

News

Legacy of Covid could threaten the future of historic hockey club



A Filton hockey club with historic links to the early days of aircraft manufacture in the town is facing the threat of closure.

BAC ladies hockey club have two teams and play Saturday home games and train every week at Abbeywood Community School.

The club has suffered a drop in membership since the pandemic with players not

returning to the sport and now there are real fears that, unless they can field two teams each week, the club could fold.

Spokeswoman Rachael Oliver said: "The history of our club is important to us and our tie with the local area dates back to the early British Aircraft Corporation days when we were a team founded by the workers.

"To this day, we proudly wear



the Concorde on our club badge.

"However our fabulous club is in real danger of folding due to dwindling numbers and spiralling costs.

"We have suffered a series of setbacks since coming back from COVID, unexpectedly losing players to other clubs and

to new hobbies, and of course, pregnancy!

"This leaves us almost unable to field two complete teams each week.

"Dropping to and running a one-team club is all but impossible due to rising costs and we want to try everything

possible to raise awareness of our club's predicament so we don't just vanish."

The club has tried door-to-door appeals with leaflets but is now seeking players to join.

This could be experienced players looking to come back to the sport, younger players

who enjoyed hockey at school or other women seeking a fun, competitive sport in a friendly environment. BAC Ladies Hockey Club also offers lots of social activities for members.

To find out more, contact baclhc@gmail.com or call 07825 126 570.

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