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COVER STORY • MASTERS SERIES 3

Nakuru Masters crowned Series 3 champions

A goalless final at Dashmesh Stadium was settled 2-0 in a shootout. Full report on page 8.

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SECRETARY-GENERAL'S MESSAGE

Strategic update: managing league growth, operational resilience and governance

WYCLIFFE ONGORI · HON. SECRETARY GENERAL, KENYA HOCKEY UNION

As our sport continues to experience rapid expansion and an influx of new participants, our league is reaching an exciting and critical juncture. Scaling up, however, brings distinct operational headwinds. To protect the integrity and momentum of the competition as we approach the final stretch of the season, we are addressing several structural challenges head-on with a clear, proactive strategy.

1. Venue optimisation and schedule integrity

Securing reliable pitch availability at the business end of the season has exposed vulnerabilities in our current scheduling model. These disruptions stem primarily from:

- **Institutional constraints:** academic calendar disruptions and facility closures at university grounds.
- **Reactive planning:** gaps in advance coordination by club leadership.
- **Facility overlap:** conflicting events and functions at core venues.

OUR STRATEGIC RESPONSE

We are actively developing a more robust, long-term fixture framework. Moving forward, we will tighten schedule management to minimise disruptions, reduce last-minute accommodations that compromise league flow, and work proactively with clubs to build greater operational predictability.

2. Disciplined calendar management and tournament protocols

Our competitive roadmap is built on collective governance. At the start of each season, the Union Executive Board, club Team Managers and Captains mutually agree on the operational calendar.

- **The protocol:** external tournaments must be channelled through the respective County Hockey Associations, adhering to the established one-month planning window at the beginning of the season.
- **The directive:** unsanctioned or ad-hoc events disrupt league continuity and feed sensationalised misinformation across the community. We urge all clubs and stakeholders to adhere strictly to the agreed calendar to protect our shared ecosystem.

3. Financial sustainability

Institutional and programme growth requires strong fiscal foundations. To ensure the Union can effectively execute its operational programmes, support stakeholders and maintain administrative efficiency, we request that all clubs remain up to date on their financial obligations. Timely compliance directly fuels the resources and stability our sport needs to thrive.

Thank you for your continued partnership, commitment and constructive engagement as we build a stronger, more resilient future for the league.

Wycliffe Ongori

Hon. Secretary General, Kenya Hockey Union



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Hockey Fraternity,

LT. COL (RTD) NASHON RANDIEK · PRESIDENT, KENYA HOCKEY UNION

Let me start by once again congratulating our U18 boys and girls, and their technical benches, on qualifying for the inaugural FIH Hockey5s Youth World Cup in Egypt this December. This remains a historic and proud moment for Kenyan hockey. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the players, coaches, parents and schools whose unwavering dedication made this milestone possible.

To ensure our youth teams are fully equipped for the global stage, we have embarked on a comprehensive training programme to complement their ongoing preparations; the detailed schedule will be shared shortly. At the same time, our Senior National Teams continue their intensive training as they prepare systematically for upcoming continental test matches and future Africa Cup of Nations campaigns.

U21 National Team Trials: Junior Africa Cup (JAC) 2027

As we look ahead, the foundations of our future are being laid this month. The official call-up for the Under-21 National Team Trials has been issued, in preparation for the prestigious Junior Africa Cup (JAC), which Nairobi is proud to host from 22 to 30 January 2027. As the sole continental qualifier for the FIH Hockey Junior World Cup, the tournament gives Kenya a historic home-pitch advantage.

While our senior teams guard our present, this newly assembled U21 unit will secure our future. The trials will be held at City Park, Nairobi, over two weekends. Full details, with the official call-up poster, are on the next page.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE · CONTINUED

U21 Open Trials: the call-up

KENYA HOCKEY UNION
OPEN CALL FOR PLAYERS

CALL UP

U21 OPEN TRIALS

BOYS & GIRLS

VENUE
CITY PARK STADIUM

DATES
24TH & 25TH OCT 2026
31ST OCT & 1ST NOV 2026

SESSIONS
9AM - 12 NOON
2PM - 5PM

ELIGIBILITY
BORN ON OR AFTER 1ST JAN 2006
AT LEAST 15 YEARS OF AGE

SHORTLISTED PLAYERS REPRESENT KENYA AT THE
JUNIOR AFRICA CUP · NAIROBI · 22-30 JAN 2027

U21 OPEN TRIALS · BOYS & GIRLS

VENUE	City Park Stadium, Nairobi
WEEKEND 1	Saturday 24 & Sunday 25 October 2026
WEEKEND 2	Saturday 31 October & Sunday 1 November 2026
SESSIONS	9am – 12 noon and 2pm – 5pm
ELIGIBILITY	Open exclusively to players born on or after 1 January 2006, and at least 15 years of age.
THE PRIZE	Shortlisted players represent Kenya at the Junior Africa Cup, Nairobi, 22–30 January 2027.

Unwavering focus on discipline

Discipline, on and off the pitch, remains foundational to our collective success. Dissent or hostility directed toward match officials cannot and will not be condoned under any circumstances.

Umpires freely give their time, passion and expertise to keep our game fair, structured and safe. They deserve absolute respect from players, coaches, team officials and spectators alike. The KHU maintains a zero-tolerance policy for abuse, and offenders will face swift disciplinary action under official KHU regulations.

Thank you for your continued dedication, sacrifice and support. Let us keep working hand in hand to build Kenyan hockey together.

Warm regards,

Lt. Col (Rtd) Nason Randiek

President, Kenya Hockey Union

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DEVELOPMENT

Nakuru hockey revival: a new dawn for a new generation

KHU MEDIA



Young players at the Nakuru Hockey Academy August Holiday Training Camp.

Following a pivotal club meeting on 21 June 2026, the Rift Pirates (RP) Hockey Club made a definitive vow: to revive, reshape and relentlessly pursue the Nakuru Hockey Academy initiative. This past August, that vision burst into life on the pitches of Nakuru Day Secondary School.

The 2026 August Holiday Training Camp had a clear, threefold purpose: to spark a lifelong love for hockey in local youth, to provide a positive, structured athletic environment during the school holidays, and to lay the long-term foundation that will sustainably feed talent into the Rift Pirates’ main senior teams. Thanks to energetic outreach and sensitisation campaigns at Menengai High School and Freehold Primary School, the response blew past all expectations.

A vibrant influx of talent

The camp welcomed 62 eager young players, from a fearless four-year-old taking their very first steps on the pitch to seasoned 18-year-olds sharpening their competitive edge. A small clerical error in the field logs temporarily registered a grade total of 68; the verified, official breakdown of the future stars who completed the camp is below.

ACADEMY	PLAYERS	BOYS	GIRLS
Under-10	14	06	08
Under-15	36	23	13
Under-18	17	16	01

DEVELOPMENT · NAKURU HOCKEY ACADEMY, CONTINUED

Safeguarding, supporters and the road ahead

Guided by a team of nine dedicated instructors, including RP Head Coach Barnabas Ochieng, Coach Alex (H.C.N Coach), Coach Fortune (Rift Pirates Women's Coach) and Coach Alela (Rift Pirates Men's Coach), the pitch came alive with technical drills, teamwork and tactical growth.

SAFETY FIRST: OUR CHILD SAFEGUARDING COMMITMENT

At Rift Pirates, talent development never comes at the expense of safety. On 31 July 2026, ahead of the camp's launch, the club formally adopted a comprehensive Child Safeguarding Policy. Every coach was sensitised on the safeguarding guidelines and required to sign the policy document before stepping onto the pitch. These standards ensure a secure, positive and nurturing environment where parents can confidently trust their children to grow.

The village behind the vision

An initiative of this scale thrives on community backing. The Nakuru hockey fraternity stepped up to ensure players had daily snacks and proper gear. We extend our deepest gratitude to our cornerstone supporters:

- **Nakuru Day Secondary School** for generously hosting the camp as official venue.
- **The Kenton College community** (courtesy of Thomas) for equipping our youth with 35 hockey sticks.
- **The Nakuru Masters family** (courtesy of Ruth) for supplying 26 hockey balls to keep drills seamless.
- **The Bansal Family, Gary Jean Louis, The Patron GHF and the extended RP Club family** for financial support, equipment and fruit donations.

Navigating challenges, building the future

Even the most successful launches reveal hurdles still to climb. The Nakuru Hockey Academy is seeking solutions to several core challenges: modern training facilities (specifically an astro turf pitch), age-appropriate training equipment and more specialised development coaches. A major focus will also be parent outreach, particularly for young girls, whose attendance lagged behind the boys this holiday. Nakuru's young women deserve equal opportunity and parental support to excel in the sport.

The roadmap ahead is ambitious. The Academy is analysing data from the August camp to formalise a designated Long-Term Athlete Development (LTAD) pathway aligned with national standards. Its immediate goals are to establish fully functioning, permanent U14 and U18 teams for boys and girls, to form strategic partnerships with more primary and secondary schools, and to train a new wave of youth-focused coaches.

A golden trajectory

Kenya has a storied history of producing international-calibre hockey talent. The trajectory of the Nakuru Hockey Academy shows that the next chapter of that story is being written right here in the county, a robust talent pipeline that will feed both the Rift Pirates and the Kenyan national team database. As Head Coach and Development Coach Barnabas Ochieng notes, the dream is big and the foundation is set. The academy calls upon the Kenya Hockey Union and county associations to keep building the structures and infrastructure needed to support grassroots academies nationwide.

The future of Kenyan hockey is bright, young and running hard on the pitches of Nakuru.

DEVELOPMENT

St Luke's Kimilili: a pipeline from school pitch to national colours

KHU MEDIA



Players and coaches of the St Luke's Kimilili Hockey Academy, Bungoma County.

In Bungoma County, a quiet transformation is happening on the pitches of St Luke's Boys High School. Founded in 2021, the St Luke's Kimilili Hockey Academy is proving that sport can be a powerful vehicle for social change and education.

Operating under the motto "We Train for God and Talent Exhibits Itself", the academy uses field hockey to keep vulnerable children in school, build discipline and open doors to higher education.

2021

Academy founded at St Luke's Boys High School

39

Young talents: 24 boys and 15 girls

15

Players with education scholarships won through hockey

U18

Caleb Korir selected for Kenya U18 Hockey5s, bound for Egypt

Changing lives against all odds

The academy nurtures its players through a structured pathway from grade school to senior high. What makes the project extraordinary is its leadership: Team Manager Khisa Amos, Boys Coach Sammy Simiyu and Girls Coach Abby Nanjala run the entire academy on a voluntary basis, sacrificing their own time and personal resources. Their sacrifice is paying off, with 15 players already securing life-changing education scholarships through hockey, and product Caleb Korir earning a place on the Kenya U18 National Team (Hockey5s) for international duty in Egypt.

The urgent hurdle: we need your help

While the talent is undeniable, the academy faces a severe lack of funding. To keep these children safe, equipped and in the classroom, they urgently require:

- **Training gear:** hockey sticks and balls.
- **Safety and apparel:** goalkeeper kits, playing uniforms and shoes.
- **Academic support:** school fees sponsorships.

HOW YOU CAN PARTNER WITH US

The academy's five-year vision is to build strong partnerships with sponsors so that every player receives a quality education, while feeding talent directly into Kenya's Men's and Women's National Teams. Any amount or equipment donation helps keep a child with a stick in hand and a seat in class.

Direct contact: Khisa Amos, Team Manager, St Luke's Boys Kimilili

Location: Kimilili, Bungoma County, Kenya

Thank you for being part of our journey to empower the next generation of Kenyan champions.

MASTERS LEAGUE · THE VETERAN CHRONICLES

Nakuru Masters clinch Masters Series 3

Shootout glory at Dashmesh Stadium as the veterans put on a masterclass.



The two sides line up before kick-off at Dashmesh Stadium.



The winners' trophy is presented to Nakuru Masters.

What a weekend of hockey! The KHU Masters Tournament Series 3 took over Nairobi on 3–4 October. Hosted at the pristine Dashmesh Stadium of the Sikh Union, the event brought hockey legends from across the country together for two days of relentless action, nostalgia and top-tier competition.

Powered by a generous KES 150,000 sponsorship from the Mukuru app, the tournament drew passionate crowds to the edge of the turf to watch Kenya's hockey icons battle for glory.

Play-off action: Impala Vets clinch third place

Before the main event, the classification matches set the turf ablaze. In the battle for the final podium spot, Impala Vets met Wazalendo Vets and showed clinical efficiency in front of goal, breaking through Wazalendo's defence for a decisive 2–0 victory.

The grand final: drama at the death

The final between GI Blues and Nakuru Masters was a tactical masterclass. Both teams went toe to toe, trading fierce attacks and stubborn defence, and neither side was willing to blink. After a gruelling regulation time in which the defences reigned supreme, the scoreboard was locked at 0–0 at the final whistle.

The destiny of the Series 3 trophy was decided by the ultimate test of nerves: a shootout. With the pressure magnified under the Nairobi sky, Nakuru Masters held their composure. Their goalkeeper stood like a wall while their attackers executed flawlessly, winning the shootout 2–0 to walk away as champions.

MASTERS LEAGUE · SERIES 3 RESULTS

Final standings and tournament awards

Final standings

After two days of elite competition, the final order for Masters Series 3:

1	Nakuru Masters	8	Blue Ocean Chiefs
2	GI Blues	9	Kisumu Veterans
3	Impala Veterans	10	Western Masters
4	Wazalendo Veterans	11	Kisumu Masters
5	Parkroad Lions	12	Impala Veterans B
6	Greensharks Masters	13	GI Blues II
7	Sikh Union Veterans		

Celebrating individual brilliance: tournament awards

While the team battles kept us gripped, several players stood out for their individual skill, grit and brilliance throughout the weekend. Congratulations to the award winners:

AWARD	LADIES	MEN
Most Valuable Player	Caroline Guchu, Impala Veterans	Brian Otieno, Kisumu Veterans
Best Goalkeeper	Brenda Wangila, Blue Ocean Chiefs	Michael Obuya, Nakuru Masters
Top Scorer	Charity Juma, Blue Ocean Chiefs	Collins Liyayi, Western Masters



MVP · LADIES
Caroline Guchu
Impala Veterans



BEST GK · MEN
Michael Obuya
Nakuru Masters



MVP · MEN
Brian Otieno
Kisumu Veterans



TOP SCORER · LADIES
Charity Juma
Blue Ocean Chiefs

Congratulations to Nakuru Masters for taking home the gold, to GI Blues for an incredible run to the final, and to all our individual award winners, who proved that class is permanent. Our thanks to the Mukuru app for making Series 3 possible (see the sponsor spotlight that follows the photo pages).

Stay tuned for the official dates and location of Masters Series 4 as the veteran hockey journey continues.

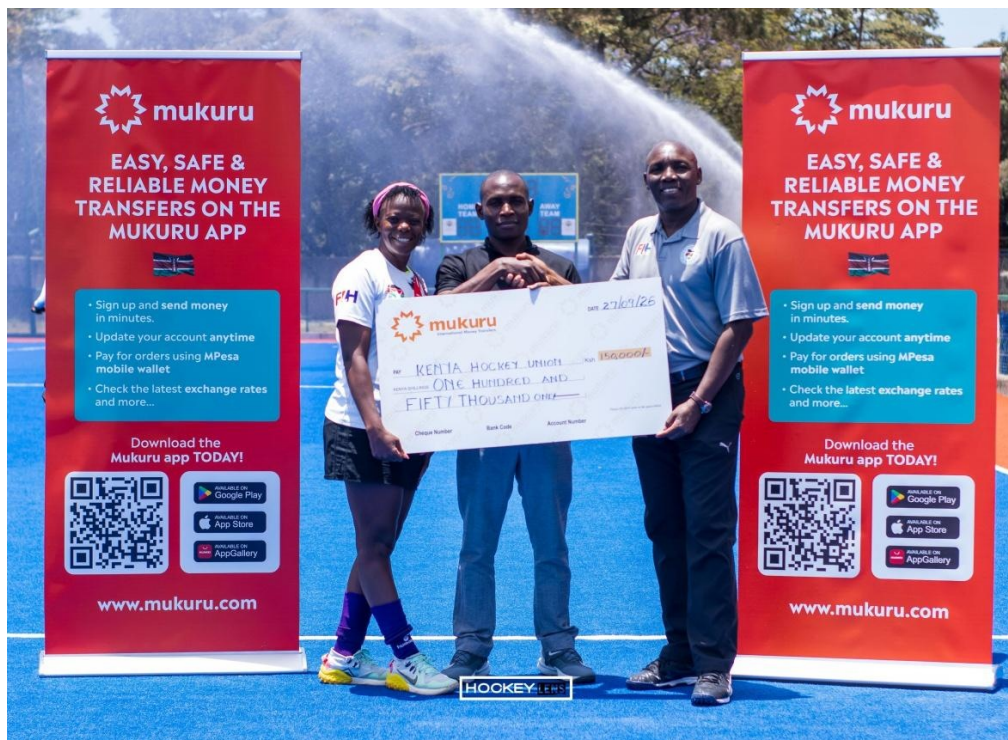
MASTERS LEAGUE · PHOTO FEATURE

Masters Series 3 in pictures



MASTERS LEAGUE · SPONSOR SPOTLIGHT

Mukuru app backs Masters Series 3



The KES 150,000 sponsorship cheque handover for Masters Series 3.

Kenya Hockey Union, in conjunction with the Kenya Hockey Masters, was delighted to partner with the Mukuru money transfer app for the Kenya Hockey Masters Series 3 tournament, held on 3–4 October at the Sikh Union's Dashmesh Stadium.

The KES 150,000 sponsorship cheque was presented by Mukuru Regional Director George Maselo to KHU Secretary General Wycliffe Ongori. From cricket in Zimbabwe to rugby in Uganda, and now hockey in Kenya, Mukuru continues to back the games that bring communities together.

"We sincerely thank Mukuru app for this sponsorship. It goes a long way in supporting the smooth running of the tournament. We are also delighted that Mukuru coming on board shows that corporates are starting to see KHU as a worthy partner."

WYCLIFFE ONGORI · KHU SECRETARY GENERAL

About the Mukuru app

The Mukuru app is a digital financial services and international money transfer application that lets users send money to more than 60 countries across Africa, Europe and Asia. Key features include 24/7 transfers directly to wallets and bank accounts, order tracking, recipient management, paybill management and access to services such as the Mukuru card.

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PREMIER LEAGUE

Premier League: Warriors and Blazers set the pace

Men's (PLM 2026) and Women's (PLW 2026) standings, plus the week's key results.

The KHU 2026 season has reached boiling point, with crucial head-to-head clashes reshaping the leaderboards across the country. Here is your fast-paced digest.

Men's Premier League (PLM 2026)

#	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Warriors	15	9	5	1	21	32
2	Western Jaguars	16	10	2	4	18	32
3	Sikh Union Nairobi	15	8	4	3	15	28
4	Wazalendo	15	7	4	4	9	25
5	Parklands Sports Club	14	7	1	6	-3	22
6	Kenya Police	14	5	5	4	2	20
7	Daikyo Heroes	14	6	1	7	-4	19
8	Kisumu Youngsters	17	4	2	11	-16	14
9	USIU-A	10	4	0	6	-15	12
10	Greensharks	14	0	0	14	-27	0

Rows 1–3 reflect the latest live standings from [kenyahockeyunion.org](#); the remaining rows are from the most recently published full table and may have moved slightly since.



Warriors clear at the top

- **The big clash:** Butali Warriors HC consolidated first place with a 2–0 victory over Western Jaguars HC, finishing the weekend on 32 points (+21 GD), ahead of the Jaguars on goal difference.
- **The chasers:** Sikh Union Nairobi holds third (28 pts) after a one-win, one-loss weekend. Wazalendo HC climbs to fourth (25 pts), while Parklands HC stays fifth (22 pts).
- **The gridlock:** Kenya Police (20 pts), Daikyo Heroes (19 pts), Kisumu Youngsters (14 pts), USIU-A (12 pts) and winless Greensharks (0 pts) round out the table.

PREMIER LEAGUE · WOMEN

Women’s Premier League (PLW 2026)

#	TEAM	P	W	D	L	GD	PTS
1	Blazers Hockey Club	11	10	1	0	+32	31
2	Strathmore University Ladies	13	6	5	2	+16	23
3	Lakers Hockey Club	11	6	3	2	+10	21
4	Kisumu Queens	13	5	6	2	+7	21
5	Amira Sailors Hockey Club	12	4	3	5	0	15
6	USIU-A Ladies	9	3	3	3	-7	12
7	Sliders Hockey Club	15	3	2	10	-18	11
8	UON Ladies	11	2	4	5	-3	10
9	Kenyatta University Ladies	10	2	2	6	-11	8
10	JKUAT Ladies	9	1	1	7	-26	4

- **Blazers masterclass:** Blazers HC put on a clinical show, demolishing JKUAT Ladies 9–0 to sit comfortably on top with 31 points (+32 GD).
- **The big jump:** Strathmore University Ladies surged into second (23 pts) after a 4–0 win over JKUAT, dropping Lakers HC (21 pts) to third.
- **The field:** Kisumu Queens hold fourth (21 pts), followed by Amira Sailors (15 pts) and USIU-A Ladies (12 pts). At the bottom, Sliders HC climb to seventh (11 pts), leaving UON Ladies (10 pts), Kenyatta University Ladies (8 pts) and JKUAT Ladies (4 pts) fighting relegation.



ACROSS THE LEAGUES: WALKOVERS AND MATCH FORFEITURES

Behind the scenes, the leagues face logistical hurdles. Administrative challenges and travel constraints have triggered a concerning spike in match forfeitures, with several clubs struggling to secure pitch availability or to manage the financial and logistical realities of cross-country travel. The growing number of costly walkovers is a trend administrators are working to address, to preserve the competitive integrity of the lower tiers.

KHU LEAGUES

Super League and National League: the engine rooms of Kenyan hockey

The second tier of Kenyan hockey is providing just as much drama as the Premier League, with high-tempo youth set-ups, tactical physical battles and explosive goal-scoring sprees. Below the Super Leagues, the National Leagues (here National League Men, NLM) are the bedrock of the Kenya Hockey Union, divided into regional zones that feed raw talent into the upper echelons of Kenyan hockey.

League leaders at a glance

LEAGUE	LEADERS	RECORD	IN PURSUIT (POINTS)
Super League Men	KCA University	19 pts · 9 played	Strathmore University (15); Mvita XI (11)
Super League Women	Twinkle HC	17 pts · 7 played	Wazalendo Pearls (13); Lakers HC B (11)
NLM · Western Zone	Kitale Hockey Club	31 pts · 12 played	Fire Flickers (18); Western Jaguars Dev. (18)
NLM · Southern Zone	Kisii Falcons	23 pts · 10 played	Bay Club (18); Kabianga University (8)
NLM · Eastern Zone	Ulinzi Patriots	18 pts	Gorillas (17); Black Tigers (16)
NLM · Central Zone	JKUAT	12 pts · 7 played	Egerton Uni Sharks (8); GHF Rift Pirates Men (8)

Super League Men (SLM)

KCA controls the chaos. KCA University remains the team to beat, sitting comfortably with 19 points from nine matches. Their vulnerabilities were exposed in a breathless 3–3 thriller against Kenyatta University Men, proving that mid-table teams can disrupt the leaders on any given day. Chasing them are Strathmore University in second with 15 points from just seven games and coastal powerhouses Mvita XI in third with 11 points. GHF Blue Pirates are also climbing, fresh off a disciplined 2–0 shutout of UOE Men.

Super League Women (SLW)

Twinkle HC’s dominance. Twinkle Hockey Club has hijacked the narrative this month, firing home 13 goals in a single weekend: an 8–0 rout of Kisii Uni Ladies followed by a 5–0 win over Gorillas Hockey Club. That form has rocketed them to first place with 17 points from seven games. Wazalendo Pearls hold second with 13 points, while Lakers Hockey Club B guard the final podium spot with 11.

National League Men (NLM)

Western Zone: Kitale’s ruthless run. Kitale Hockey Club is putting together an untouchable campaign. They are the most dominant side in the entire National League system, boasting 31 points from 12 matches. Fire Flickers and Western Jaguars Development trail far behind, tied for second on 18 points each.

Southern Zone: Falcons flying high. The Nyanza and Western region battles are being dictated by the Kisii Falcons, who sit on top with 23 points after 10 games. Their closest challengers, Bay Club, are second with 18 points from only seven matches, setting up a game-in-hand showdown later in the schedule. Kabianga University sits third with eight points.

Eastern Zone: the military versus the wild. This zone is a cutthroat, physical dogfight. The military side, Ulinzi Patriots, holds a razor-thin lead on 18 points. The Gorillas are one point behind on 17, while the Black Tigers remain a dangerous threat in third with 16.

Central Zone: the academic battleground. Characterised by university rivalries, JKUAT leads with 12 points from seven games. Egerton Uni Sharks are second with eight points, tied with GHF Rift Pirates Men, who have three games in hand and could yet usurp the leaders.

TOURNAMENTS AND FESTIVALS · MOMBASA

Pakistan Community / MSC International Hockey Festival 2026

KHU / MCHA



BHC Simah, women's champions, with the Pakistan Community / MSC International Hockey Festival 2026 trophy.

The coastal breeze met high-octane sporting action as Mombasa hosted “the biggest hockey party on the Coast”: the Pakistan Community / MSC International Hockey Festival 2026. Held on 10–11 October at the iconic Mombasa Sports Club, the tournament brought together elite teams, intense rivalries and an incredible celebration of culture and sport.

Across 30 fast-paced pool-stage matches, powerhouse squads locked horns to secure slots in the high-stakes knockout stages. The men's quarter-finals saw fan favourites Simah and Daikyo eliminated. In the women's division, the semi-finals set up a blockbuster line-up: MSC Ladies against Tunza Sports USA, and BHC Simah against Twinkle. On the men's side, Taskforce overcame Wazalendo and Mvita XI edged past the Ulinzi Patriots to set the stage for an explosive final.

The finals

LADIES' CHAMPIONSHIP

BHC Simah

defeated Tunza Sports USA 3–0 to crown themselves queens of the coastal turf.

MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

Taskforce

proved stronger than fierce rivals Mvita XI, winning the final in a **post-match shootout** to claim the ultimate bragging rights.

TOURNAMENTS AND FESTIVALS · MOMBASA, CONTINUED

Big rewards and individual glory

- **The stakes:** champions in both categories took home a grand prize of KES 50,000, while the runners-up received KES 25,000.
- **The hat-trick bonus:** to spice up the attacking action, a special KES 3,000 cash bounty was awarded to anyone who scored a hat-trick in a match.
- **Elite goodies:** hockey brands Kasvicar and Performance Hockey were on site all weekend, awarding individual achievers with gear and merchandise.



The men's champions celebrate with the trophy and the winners' cheque.

Asanteni sana! A massive thank you goes to the Mombasa County Hockey Association (MCHA) for running a seamless, highly successful tournament, and to the Pakistani Welfare Community for coming out so strongly in support of our beloved sport.

With the 2026 edition in the history books, the bar has been raised for coastal hockey. Congratulations to all the participating teams, the tireless organising committees and the fans who turned up in droves to make Mombasa roar.

OFF THE PITCH

NCHA: new officials after SDT-ordered election re-run

KEY POINTS VIA MOZZART SPORT



File photo: NCHA officials before the 17 October elections.

The Nairobi County Hockey Association (NCHA) has announced its new leadership team following a repeat election on 17 October 2026 at the Parklands Sports Club. The re-run followed a Sports Disputes Tribunal (SDT) decision to nullify the previous election results because of voting irregularities.

The newly constituted Executive Committee is tasked with restoring administrative stability and driving regional growth.

OFFICE	OFFICE-BEARER	VACANCY
President	Peter Njoroge	—
Deputy Presidents	Lucy Wangechi (female) & Dancun Murunga (male)	—
Secretariat	Clayson Luvanda (Secretary General) & Jedida Zawadi (Deputy Secretary General)	—
Treasury	Agunda Catherine (Deputy Treasurer)	Treasurer
Fixtures	Ian Orunga (Assistant Fixtures Secretary)	Match & Fixtures Secretary
Committee members	—	Two posts

KEY POINTS

Under Article 20(f) of the NCHA Constitution, the mandates of the elected officials took effect immediately upon the close of the 17 October meeting.

To fill the four empty slots, the association will rely on Article 33, which gives the council absolute power to nominate individuals directly to any vacancy on the Executive Committee. With the tribunal dispute resolved, the focus now shifts to filling these critical administrative gaps and unifying stakeholders.

WHAT'S NEXT · THIS WEEKEND

Upcoming: the Nyota International Hockey Festival

Kenyan hockey enters the last quarter of the year with an international festival that promises to be fun-filled, with health awareness as its robust undertone.

8 A SIDE HOCKEY

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Full team lists and the match format will follow in the next issue.

FORMAT	8-a-side hockey festival
VENUE	Dashmesh Hockey Stadium, Sikh Union Club, Nairobi
THE CAUSE	Together against breast and prostate cancer
EVENING HOCKEY	Games run until midnight on the first two days. Come and watch floodlit hockey at its best.
REGISTER	twinklehockey.com/nyota