

## RATIONALE

This programme has been designed to develop your levels of Strength and Conditioning to enhance your sporting performance.

If followed correctly, this programme will develop your speed, strength, power and endurance whilst reducing the likelihood of injury.

We look to strengthen the whole body from head to toe, spotting and improving weaknesses along the way. We strive for longevity and constructing a body that is going to last a lifetime, not just a season.

The Strength part refers to getting you stronger in order for you to handle the physical demands of your sport safely and competently.

This is partnered with Conditioning: increasing your capacity for exertion through movement, so that you can perform better for longer.

## **TESTS**

- Height and Weight
- 10m Sprint
- 20m Sprint
- T-Test
- Vertical Jump Test
- YOYO Test
- Sit and Reach Test

Ian Jones

Head of Strength and Conditioning Fitness Centre Manager Gordon's School ijones1@gordons.school

# STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING GOOD TO GREAT PROGRAMME FOR HOCKEY PLAYERS

# Prep Work / Warm Up / Glute Activation

The importance of this cannot be ignored. We use this section to get the body fully ready to train at optimum level – this is to allow individuals to achieve maximum performance and progression.



## Speed / Power

Speed and power is vital for any hockey player regardless of their position. The ability to accelerate, decelerate and change direction away from opponents is a huge advantage to today's game.

### Strength / Power

Lower and upper body strength is imperative in hockey. A strong core and lower body gives any player the strong base required when performing the mechanics of the game. Amongst other things, a strong upper body allows players to hold the stick easily, while holding off opponents and keep the ball for their team.



## Flexibility / Cool Down

Flexibility is an important part of hockey; as good flexibility allows players to get down lower to the ball with good technique, taking the pressure off the spine, allowing athletes to perform at a high level. Constantly stretching and cooling down properly after each session can aid injury prevention, to allow the muscles and ligaments to recover in the correct manner.

## STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING

### HOCKEY PREP WORK / WARM UP Pulse Raiser of your choice Yoga mobalisation sequence: Press up, Downward dog, Cobra x5 Complete glute activation activiation work Build up of speed/power work from 50%-100% SPEED / POWER % of 1RM Exercise Sets Reps 1 Ladder Single Step 100% 3 100% 2 Ladder Double Step 100% 3 Ladder Double Step (2 Sq. For, 1 Sq. Back) 100% 10 3 100% 5 Single Leg Pogos 5 (Each) 3 6 Broad Jumps 5 100% 3 100% 7 MB Horizontal Shot 3 100% 8 Sprints - 10m, 20m, 30m 1 (Each) STRENGTH / POWER Exercise Sets Reps % of 1RM 10 1 KB Swings 60-70% 3 6-8 2A Box Squat 2-3 80-90% 2B Pull Up (Horizontal if needed) 10-12 2-3 70-80% 2-3 80-90% 3B Alt Dumbell Chest Press 2-3 10-12 (Each Side) 70-80% 4A Lateral Bear Crawls 2-3 10m-20m 70-80% 4B Resistance Band Low to High Woodchop 2-3 10-12 (Each Side) 70-80% **CORE / STRETCHES** Hamstrings 2x45s Side Plank Rotations Quadriceps Calves 2x45s Cable Pallof Press Hold Glutes NOTES Squat and Deadlift variations are to be judged on the technical ability of the athlete All athletes must complete pre-screening demonstrating variations of squats before adding any additional weight Any efforts of 80% and over must have a spotter IF YOU ARE UNSURE ON ANY EXERCISES PLEASE SPEAK TO MR JONES

## STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING

### HOCKEY PREP WORK / WARM UP Pulse Raiser of your choice Yoga mobalisation sequence: Press up, Downward dog, Cobra x5 Complete glute activation activiation work Build up of speed/power work from 50%-100% SPEED / POWER % of 1RM Exercise Sets Reps 100% 1 Ladder Single Step 100% 2 Ladder Double Step 100% 3 Ladder Double Step (2 Sq. For, 1 Sq. Back) 100% 4 Pogos 10 3 100% 5 Single Leg Pogos 5 (Each) 3 6 Broad Jumps 5 100% 3 100% 7 MB Horizontal Shot 3 100% 8 Sprints - 10m, 20m, 30m 1 (Each) STRENGTH / POWER Exercise Sets Reps % of 1RM 10 1 KB Squat to High Pull 3 60-70% 2A Romanian Deadlift 2-3 6-8 80-90% 2B Alt Dumbell Shoulder Press 8-10 (Each Side) 2-3 70-80% 3A Bulgarian Split Squat 2-3 10-12 (Each Side) 70-80% 3B Single Arm Row 2-3 10-12 (Each Side) 70-80% 4A Single Leg Hip Thrusters 2-3 6-8 (Each Side) 80-90% 4B Single Leg RDL 2-3 10-12 (Each Side) 70-80% **CORE / STRETCHES** Hamstrings 2x45s Bicycle Crunches Quadriceps Calves 2x45s Leg Raises Glutes NOTES Squat and RDL variations are to be judged on the technical ability of the athlete All athletes must complete pre-screening demonstrating variations of squats before adding any additional weight Any efforts of 80% and over must have a spotter IF YOU ARE UNSURE ON ANY EXERCISES PLEASE SPEAK TO MR JONES

