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*Club Disciplinary Officer – George Collen*

Firstly, I'm pleased to report another season with no red cards. This is always a good opening.

The club has had its fair share of yellow and green cards as per the table below (information recorded on Teamo).

<b>Team</b>	<b>Green</b>	<b>Yellow</b>	<b>Total</b>
<b>Men 1</b>	17	15	32
<b>Women 1</b>	16	3	19
<b>Men 2</b>	20	7	27
<b>Women 2</b>	4	0	4
<b>Men 3 / Dolphins</b>	3	0	3
<b>Club</b>	60	25	85

Men 1 have a fair percentage, and I think they got caught out with promotion to division 1 in the weeks leading up to Xmas. In the weeks post Xmas there has been a real improvement in terms of cards on the pitch and culture off the pitch.

Good to see the Men 3 and Women 2 have very few cards as they harbour the development side of the club.

Away from cards and pitch discipline I have had to address a couple of internal issues, and again I think the culture of the club has moved forward significantly in the second part of the season and I have had no issues raised since Xmas.

I think the new policies in place will ensure behaviour, discipline and inclusivity are forefront of the club's ethos.

We had one external unsavoury incident, and one I hope nobody has to endure again. I felt most disappointed in the club where we dealt with who were at fault. However, I cannot be prouder of the way Poole Hockey club players and officials dealt with the matter.

The club has a real community feel and I hope this continues on and off the pitch, which we all have the power to influence.