

Women's hockey – top event set for Glasgow



Glasgow's National Hockey Centre

Scotland captain Kaz Cuthbert has welcomed the news that the women's EuroHockey Championship II will be staged in Glasgow from August 4 to 10 next year (2019).

Cuthbert, who is in the Gold Coast preparing for next month's Commonwealth Games, said there was nothing like playing in a top tournament at home in front of a highly-partisan crowd.

And the experienced, Paisley-born physiotherapist, who plays for Western Wildcats, added: "The girls will be extremely excited and it's such a great boost for Scottish Hockey and for Scotland, to see an event like that hosted in Glasgow."

Scottish Hockey has a history of delivering multiple international hockey tournaments.

Last year the men's EuroHockey Championship II was held in Glasgow and in 2016 men's World League 1 and boys' and girls' under-18 EuroHockey Championship II were also hosted in the city.

And next year Glasgow will host the Pakistan men's squads' home FiH Hockey Pro-League matches.

Edinburgh-based David Sweetman, CEO of Scottish Hockey, said: "We set out to make Scotland a home for hockey and it's fantastic that we have attracted such high-profile hockey tournaments to Scotland.

"Next year will be another incredibly exciting year for hockey in Scotland."