## Field hockey – students face three tough games



Edinburgh University in a previous fixture against Bromac Kelburne at Peffermill. Picture by Nigel Duncan Media

Edinburgh University may have reached the Scottish Cup Final on Saturday, May 5, but they have other concerns currently.

The students now face three huge Division One games in four days as they bid to climb out of the drop zone.

The first challenge is a visit to Hillhead, who are one place below the sixth-placed students, on Thursday (19.45, Anniesland).

Then they host champions Bromac Kelburne, the current Division One pace-setters, at Peffermill, Edinburgh, on Saturday (16.00).

And Edinburgh are at fifth-placed Clydesdale on Sunday (15.00, Titwood).

Currently, the students have 15 points from 14 games, the same points as Hillhead who have also played the same number of fixtures. Edinburgh's goal difference is minus two against Hillhead's minus seven.

Kelburne hold a two point lead over second-placed Grange and the West of Scotland club have 36 points from 15 starts.

Clydesdale have 18 points from 15 fixtures and have a goal difference of minus ten.

Former Scottish international Chris Duncan, one of Edinburgh's most experienced players, said the games were crucial.

He acknowledged that they had let points slip away after the Festive break.

But the club have been boosted by road wins at third-placed Grove Menzieshill in the Scottish Cup quarter-final followed by an away win over Western Wildcats in the semi-final to book their place in the Scottish Cup Final on May 5.