

Hockey – Edinburgh sides seek Scottish Cup glory

Five Edinburgh hockey sides go for glory in the Scottish Cup Finals at Glasgow's National Hockey Centre on Saturday.

Grange Hockey Club have four teams pressing for silverware. The thirds and fourths, play each other for the Reserve Cup (push off 10am) and the seconds are in the District Cup and they play Kelburne (noon).

The first team, coached by David Knipe (pictured) defend their Scottish Cup title (push off 4pm) and if they are successful then Grange will claim a domestic treble after winning the Division One crown and the play-off title.

Ed Irvine, Grange's first team manager, said: "Obviously, this is a good day for all associated with Grange.

"In terms of the firsts, we look forward to another match against Grange Menzieshill who have benefitted from their recent EuroHockey League experience.

"They demonstrated this in the semi-final win against Edinburgh University (Grove won 6-1).

"We have a full, injury-free squad and the top two sides in the league are competing in the winner takes-all match.

"Whether league form is anything to go by will be seen on the day in what we expect to be a fast-paced, tough final."

Edinburgh University women square-up to Dundee Wanderers (push-off 4pm) in their final seeking to complete a domestic double having already won the Division One title for the fifth

straight season.

Coach Sam Judge has injury concerns and Wanderers, with evergreen Vikki Bunce an inspirational leader, have come into form late in the season and pose a serious threat.