CUPC Head Coach

The Cambridge University Polo Club (CUPC) invites applications for the provision of services as the Head Coach for the 2019/2020 University Season and beyond. We are seeking a qualified, committed and focussed individual with a passion for coaching polo from beginners to advanced players, and for building great teams and results. This person will work with us to build the Club membership and continue the CUPC legacy of great polo players and polo experiences for our students. In return we offer a globally recognised and prestigious brand, the opportunity to build and grow a well-supported and recognised polo performance programme, the opportunity to attend prestigious tournaments as Head Coach for the Club and access to the Cambridge alumni network.

Role Requirements:

* Core coaching commitments:
  + Club lessons 6-8hrs per week x 24 weeks approx, depending on matches and other Club activities
  + Matches: coaching and umpiring matches at beginner, novice and intermediate levels throughout the year
  + Winter SUPA Nationals: Team selection and training plan
  + Varsity: Team selection, training plan and preparation matches
  + Varsity: Coaching over Varsity Weekend
* Develop a performance programme for the Club, with key skill requirements and standards per level set, and a plan on how to grow members through this programme to be competitive at all levels at SUPA Nationals and at Varsity.
* Shape the CUPC polo environment through positive student-coach relations, an inspiring and motivating atmosphere and strong leadership decisions.
* Invitation to attend Club social events representing CUPC.

Skill Requirements:

* HPA Coach qualified (level 2 minimum) and registered including up to date first aid and Child Protection and Safeguarding certificates
* Qualified Umpire, confident in umpiring both grass and arena matches on their own
* Experience leading teams
* Experience managing and building a successful polo programme
* Interest and capability to build a long-term competitive Nationals (through all levels) and Varsity-focussed polo performance programme
* Proactive creation of growth opportunities for the Club
* Organised and good at time management
* Experience working with 18-35 year olds
* The ability to reflect on and adapt behaviour to increase performance of self and the Club
* Enjoyment of encouraging beginners in to polo

Applicants should send a brief CV and supporting statement as to why they would be suitable for providing coaching services to CUPC to [Captain@cupoloclub.com](mailto:Captain@cupoloclub.com) by 5pm Friday 30th August. Please note, we are advertising for coaching services – applicants will be self-employed and will not be entitled to employment benefits such as sick pay or paid holiday. If you would like further details or have any questions please email [Captain@cupoloclub.com](mailto:Captain@cupoloclub.com) and we will be happy to help.