



Newsletter of Newtown City Hockey Club Inc.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

- April 11 – Hockey Geelong season launch
- April 13 – Just Hockey at Stead Park
- April 17 – winter season starts
- April 24 – Joeys programme starts
- May 8 – Pizza at the Pavilion

SEASON LAUNCH TOMORROW

Hockey Geelong will officially launch the 2010 season on Sunday April 11. The day will feature the inaugural conduct of the "Tou Shield", a contest between Hockey Geelong and Werribee Hockey Association.

- 10:00am: SL3 Women vs Werribee
- 11:00am: Pennant C Women vs Werribee
- 12:00pm: Pennant E Men vs Werribee
- 1:30pm: SL2 Men vs Werribee
- 3:30pm: Hockey Geelong Season Launch – including announcement of Hall of Fame inductees, Life Memberships, announcement of representative teams, details of Hockey Geelong Sports Foundation and the future development of hockey and Stead Park.

- 5.00 pm – Hockey Geelong U15 vs Collie Hockey Association (WA) U16 Touring Team

JUST HOCKEY AT STEAD PARK

Just Hockey will be at Stead Park, on Tuesday April 13, from 5pm till late. If you require any specific items please email jeroen@justhockey.com.au
Check their sales items online at www.justhockey.com.au

HOCKEY GEELONG WORKING BEE

Hockey Geelong Executive have passed on their thanks to all members who attended the working bee last week. Many hands on deck did make light work of all the jobs on the list. Windows cleaned, cobwebs dusted, cage area cleaned up and floor mopped, showers cleaned, kitchen cleaned, ceiling fans cleaned, trophies polished and cabinets cleaned, broken toilet seats replaced, sweeping in the seating area, shutters dusted and washed down and the list goes on.....

It was very productive and it shows that we all take pride in "our clubrooms".

FIXTURE

The season commences next week for most teams. Fixtured matches are:

Saturday April 17 - Stead Park

8.15 U13 Saints vs Newtown M
2.00 D1Men Saints vs Newtown Falcons
3.30 D1Men Corio vs Newtown M
5.00 D1Women Geelong vs Newtown
6.30 D2Men Newtown W vs Geelong

Saturday April 17 - Lloyd Reserve

9.00 Minkey M vs Minkey W
9.00 Minkey Go vs Geelong
Minkey players should be at Lloyd Reserve by 8.30 am.

10.45 U11 Newtown M vs Newtown W
10.45 U11 Newtown Go vs Newtown Gr
U11 players should be at Lloyd Reserve by 10.15 am.

Sunday April 18 - Stead Park

8.45 U13 Newtown W vs Newtown Go
9.45 U15 Newtown M vs Newtown W
10.45 U17 Newtown M vs Newtown W
U13 – Newtown Green BYE
Members will be notified of selected teams by email and at training. If you are unavailable please advise the Teams Convenor ASAP.

Men – David Fitzgerald, 5241 9354
Women – Claire Barnes, 0417 015130
Junior – Claire Barnes, 0417 015130

Saturday April 24 - Lloyd Reserve

10.15 – Joeys programme begins.

CANTEEN HELPERS

Helpers are required for the canteen at Lloyd Reserve and at Stead Park. Junior teams at Stead Park are rostered to provide 1 canteen helper during their match, while senior teams are rostered to provide 1 helper per team for the match after their own.

PRACTICE MATCH FOR SENIORS

All senior players are encouraged to attend the practice matches today, Saturday April 10 at Stead Park.

- 1 – 2.30 pm – women
- 2.30 to 4 – men

Bring a white shirt and a dark shirt.

TRAINING TIMES

All players are encouraged to attend training where possible.

- **Minkey** – 9 am Saturday April 10 at Lloyd Reserve. And then from April 17 onward - 8.45 am Saturday at Lloyd Reserve (before the match start at 9.00 am).
- **U10/U11** – 10.30 am Saturday April 10 at Lloyd Reserve. And then from April 17 onward - 10.15 am Saturday at Lloyd Reserve (before the match start at 10.45 am)
- **U13** – Wednesday 5.30 to 6.30 pm at Stead Park
- **U15/U17** – Thursday 5.30 to 6.30 pm at Stead Park.
- **Senior Men/ Senior Women** – Thursday 7.30 to 8.30 pm at Stead Park.
Enquiries:

NEW PLAYERS WELCOME

New players are welcome for all teams, but we particularly need more players for:

- Joeys - for children turning 4 and 5, providing fun games and skills, without playing matches.
- Minkey – for children turning 6 and 7 with modified rules and ¼ size field.
- U17
- Senior Men

So if you have a friend interested in playing, please pass on their details to Claire Barnes, 0417 015130, or abarnes@pipeline.com.au

UNIFORMS

Uniform may be purchased and orders collected from Lloyd Reserve, Newtown on each Saturday in April from 10 am to 12. There is also a small supply of second hand uniform, boots, shin pads, sticks and bags for sale. Donations of second hand uniform are welcome.
Contact Dianne Fitzgerald ph: 5241 9354, fitzgeraldj@bigpond.com

SAVE AT REBEL SPORT

All club members will be issued with a **Rebel Sport MVP Discount Card**. Save 5% on your purchases from Rebel Sport and earn rewards for Newtown Hockey Club. MVP discount cards are now available from your team manager. Simply present your free MVP card at Rebel Sport and receive 5% off your full priced purchases of anything in store. Every time you present your card, Rebel Sport will also deposit 5% of the total sales back to Newtown City Hockey Club in the form of a credit to be used at Rebel. Rebel Sport will also have special promotion days where the MVP discount will be increased to 20%. Keep your eye on the newsletter for further information and updates.

Members are encouraged to purchase hockey items from Just Hockey but the MVP card can be used for clothing, footwear and other sports items at Rebel.

GOOD NEWS

It's good to hear that Charlie Martin is making an amazing recovery, after suffering a major stroke recently. Charlie is reportedly fully functioning, in good spirits and apart from a very sore chest, is feeling terrific.

SCHOOL COACHING CLINICS

In the next few weeks, we will be continuing visits to local primary schools to conduct hockey clinics for grade 3 and 4 students and hopefully recruit more new members. We will be visiting Bannockburn, Clairvaux, Christian College and Geelong College primary schools. If you have an hour to spare during school hours & would like to help (no experience necessary), contact Claire Barnes, 0417 015130 or abarnes@pipeline.com.au. Helpers will receive a discount on fees.

SOCIAL CALENDAR

Mark these dates in your diary. Come and meet your fellow club members and have some fun.

- May 8 – Pizza night.
- June 5 – Wine Tasting

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- July 17 – Xmas in July
- August 14 – Trivia Night

PIZZA AT THE PAVILION

Saturday May 8 – Pizza night at the Pavilion at Lloyd Reserve. All club members, family and friends welcome. More details next week.

GEELONG ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS SELLING FAST

The 2010 | 2011 Entertainment™ Books are now available. The Entertainment™ Book is a local restaurant and activity guide providing hundreds of 25% to 50% off and 2-for-1 offers from the finest restaurants, cafés, attractions, activities and accommodation. Selling for only \$55, the Books are filled with offers worth well over \$10,000. We are hoping to improve on the \$330 profit we made from these books in 2009.

The 2010 | 2011 edition features great new inclusions such as:

At the Heads, Chris's Restaurant, The Drysdale Hotel, The Portarlington Grand Hotel, Leura Park Estate, The Grand Ballarat, Shell Club, Michel's Patisserie, Reading Cinemas, Endota Spa

We have orders for 24 Entertainment Books so far, so still have 6 available for immediate collection. This means we are heading for a profit of \$330 so far. Order your Entertainment Book now from Claire Barnes, abarnes@pipeline.com.au or ph 0417 015130.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED

- Men's Teams Co-ordinator or assistant – responsible for overseeing the entry, selection, training of men's teams and appointment of coaches and team managers. Contact David Fitzgerald for details, 52419354.
- Line markers – people needed to mark the fields at Lloyd Reserve for junior matches. Contact Chris or Peter Stuart for details, 52418836. Reimbursement available.
- Helpers to approach businesses & potential sponsors.
- Helpers to organise social events during the year. Your involvement could be for a one-off event or a number of functions.
- Helpers to operate the BBQ at Lloyd Reserve on Saturday mornings. Contact Peter Stuart or David Fitzgerald if you can help.

FEES FOR 2010

There has been a change to the U11 fees previously published for this year. As the U10 and U11 teams will be playing in one combined competition, the fees will be averaged. This means that some players may now be in credit and some players may need to pay an extra \$10.

Fees for 2010 are

- Membership fee \$20

Plus playing fees

- Joeys \$25
- Minkey \$70
- U10/ U11 \$80
- U13 \$120
- U15 \$130

- U17 \$145
- Senior student \$250
- Senior \$300
- Student playing senior & junior \$330

Fees may be paid in installments. See registration form for details.

Discounts will apply for fees paid by May 30.

- Junior teams (Minkey to U17) \$10
- Senior teams \$30
- Plus **discount** for 2nd & successive family member \$10

The membership fee covers Public Liability insurance, power & water costs for the pavilion, newsletter, administration & committee costs. If you have already paid your membership fee during the summer season, it does not need to be paid again for the winter season.

The Playing fee covers umpires costs, equipment costs, team entry & affiliation fees, personal accident insurance, ground hire, synthetic match fees.

Contact the Treasurer, Peta Hanley, 52439935 (phanley@deakin.edu.au) to discuss any other arrangements.

UNPAID FEES

If you have any unpaid fees (e.g. summer or last winter season), please pay these ASAP. Contact the Treasurer, Peta Hanley (phanley@deakin.edu.au) to check your balance or to discuss other arrangements.

UMPIRES WANTED

Would you like to learn to umpire? To gain accreditation as an umpire, go to www.hockey.org.au for more information on Hockey Ed and how you can obtain your Community or Beginner Umpire Accreditation. When you have completed the registration process, please advise Claire Barnes, David Fitzgerald or Noel Russell. The club is always looking for umpires, & we will need 13 umpires every week for our junior teams. All umpires will receive a small payment as follows:

- U17 matches - \$15
- U15 matches - \$10
- U13 matches - \$10
- U11 matches - \$7

FIRST AID KITS & TEAM FOLDERS

If you have any club equipment, first aid kits or team manager's folders, please return them to Lloyd Reserve on Registration Night or to Claire Barnes when the summer season is finished.

PROTECT YOURSELF

All junior players **must** have a mouthguard & should have shin guards for use during matches & training. Senior players are strongly encouraged to do the same.

2010 JUNIOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Junior State Championships will be held in Melbourne from June 28 to July 3 for U13 and U15 teams, or October 1 to 3 for U17 Boys and Girls.

Hockey Geelong is now a part of Metro West Wildcats and no longer zoned to the Country Cobras which no longer exist.

Other clubs in the Metro West zone are Werribee, Altona & Footscray.

All players wishing to try out for a spot in a

Wildcats team **will need to submit a nomination form individually on-line via the Hockey Victoria website.** Go to:

- Hockey Vic Home Page
- "Events" across top of page
- "JSC 2010"
- "Click Here to Nominate"
- "Western Metro Wildcats" logo.

A Sporting pulse page will pop up.

- Click on "New Club Individual Sign-Up"
- Enter all fields required.

Trial Dates for U13 & U15 boys & girls are: Sunday May 2

- U13 boys, 8 – 10 am, Werribee
- U13 girls, 10 – 12, Werribee
- U15 boys, 8 – 10 am, Altona
- U15 girls, 10 – 12, Altona

Sunday May 9

- U13 boys, 10 am - 12, Werribee
- U13 girls, 8 – 10 am, Werribee
- U15 boys, 9.30 - 11 am, Altona
- U15 girls, 8 – 9.30 am, Altona

If selected for the Wildcats you will be required to attend for 6 weeks of Sunday morning training sessions from May 16th – June 27th prior to the Championships.

The cost to participate in the Junior State Championships will be approximately \$300 per player which includes all training sessions, tournament and uniform. For further details, contact Gwyn Hatton 0409 405 937 or at gale_force@bigpond.com

HOCKEY AUSTRALIA NEWS

Hockey Australia are proposing to run a new international invitational tournament under modified rules. In order to make the game even faster and more exciting, this new stand alone tournament will be played with modified rules and added entertainment to make the game faster and more exciting. What do you think about the idea of changing the rules and format of this once a year Hockey tournament? Give Hockey Australia your opinions by completing the survey at:

http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22_AGMYYBT6

The survey will be open until **Midnight (AEST), Wednesday 14th April**

New synthetic surface pitches are being installed using TigerTurf, in Bathurst, Brisbane, RMIT Bundoora and Greensborough are getting a second surface. TigerTurf will be carrying out the work and will install their WETT Dressed surface, a polyethylene monofilament sand dressed system over a 15mm insitu shockpad.

COMMITTEE FOR 2010

We welcome any comments or suggestions to improve the club & its organisation. Please contact a committee member if you have a suggestion or comment.

- President David Fitzgerald 5241 9354
- Secretary Peter Stuart 5241 8836
- Treasurer Peta Hanley 5243 9935
- Committee Andrea Crosbie 5243 9952
- Junior Teams Claire Barnes 0417 015130
- Womens Teams Claire Barnes 0417 015130
- Men's Teams David Fitzgerald 5241 9354
- Summer Teams Claire Barnes 0417 015130
- Property Peter Bartlett 0418 376430

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Publicity David Wyld 0423 121161
Sponsorship VOLUNTEER WANTED
Fundraising Peter Stuart 5241 8836
Ground & buildings Peter Stuart 52418836

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