



Welcome to the latest edition of *SCREECH*, Newsletter of the ACT Masters Hockey Association.

2024 HA Masters Championships

Hot Off The Press...

After several MORE agonising months The State Delegates and HA have accepted a number of recommendations from the State Delegates and returned the Men's Championships to the traditional two-week duration.



The adjusted dates are:

- ✂ 34+ to 50+ (incl): 12 to 20 Jul 24 (incl) (training in Hobart on 11 Jul 24 TBC)
- ✂ 55+ to 65+ (incl): 16 to 27 Jul 24 (incl) (training in Hobart on 16/17 Jul 24 TBC) (**Note:** HA have advised a staggered start. Final details will not be known until a draw is released)
- ✂ 70+ to 75+ (incl): 14 to 27 Jul 24 (incl) (training in HBO 13 Jul)


It is important for all those participating that the date of the first game in each age group cannot be confirmed until the draw is released. Just like all past years this occurs approx two months prior to the championship.

The Committee's advice is to always err on the side of caution when arranging your travel and accommodation.



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Got a story to tell? 
Send it to "Screech" at:
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ACT Masters Hockey respectfully acknowledges the traditional Custodians of the lands throughout the Australia on which we play our great game. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.



Playing Uniforms for 2024

As forecast early last year, in 2024 the Masters representative teams move to a common, unified, playing uniform bringing us in line with all Hockey ACT representative teams. All players will be required to have the new playing shirt, shorts, and socks. Sizing will be different to previous styles and ALL those intending to represent the ACT should head into the Hockey Shop and use the samples available to confirm sizes, etc. For those outside the ACT, Team Managers and the Uniform Coordinator, Clive Sear, will provide assistance in coming weeks.

Those with the existing (current) track suit, and other off-field apparel may continue to wear those until the end of 2026. If you need new off-field items then you will be required to purchase the Hockey ACT 2024 items, available for order shortly. Try-ons are also available at the Hockey Shop.

Need help? Email uniforms@actmastershockey.com

Clive is always happy to help you 😊

APPROVED OFF-FIELD APPARELL 2024



Canberra Cup

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This year's Canberra Cup was held in high spirits and hot weather. Hats and sunscreen were at a premium, as well as plenty of bottled water. Saturday started with each team playing four 35-minute games, to place them for Sunday's finals series. There were a few high scoring games, but most were pretty even, with sudden death penalties deciding more than a few. The day ended with the announcement of the pool positions and the make-up for the finals draw. This was followed by a BBQ dinner and drinks for the teams and a time to rest and catch up with friends from the other teams.

Sunday games were a bit more serious, with positions in the finals at stake. As the semifinals played out, teams were either relegated to playoffs for 3rd and 4th or preparing for playing for a trophy. Both finals were great games, with Barton successful over ACT Gold in their hunt for the Canberra Cup and Macarthur happy to have travelled to Canberra to beat Eagles to get their name on the Plate.

Thanks go to our sponsor for this year's event, Village Building Company, as well as the teams who made the weekend such a carnival of great hockey.



See you all next year 😊

Brett Wallace

Chair
Events Sub-Committee
ACT Masters Hockey





No professional photographers lost their job as a result of the taking of these photos 😊





LifeNight 2024

- LifeNight is an initiative of the ACT Masters Hockey Association to promote men's & women's health amongst the ACT hockey and wider sporting community.
- LifeNight includes short duration games in age groups representing *Northside, Southside, Outside and Women's*.
- The night includes a social function raising funds for local cancer support groups.
- There are **\$5000+ in prizes** to be won on the night.
- Watch for details from team coordinators and the Events Sub-Committee



- When: Monday 8th April 2024
- Where: National Hockey Centre
Mouat St, Lyneham
- Function: Pick Up Stix Café



Keep up to date on our website www.actmastershockey.com



LifeNight 2024 Raffle

SIGNED BY THE KOOKABURRAS 2023 TEAM
ANZAC DAY TEST MATCH v. NZ BLACKSTICKS,
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Includes 4 x ACT Players
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All proceeds go to ACT & Region Cancer Support Groups



LifeNight 2024 Sponsors

We are very fortunate in 2024 to have a range of fantastic local businesses providing sponsorship for our fundraising to support our three Cancer Support groups in the ACT.



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One Flew Over The Cocky's Nest

... or Never let the truth get in the way of a good story



Introducing the newest member of the ACT Masters Hockey mascot family

..... **Nigel Cockington Screech III**

After several months of hard training at Lyneham the third generation of Mascot for the ACT Masters Hockey Association has conducted a handover with his father and started work at a frenetic pace, helping promote a bunch of events.

Nigel the Third's trainers, Poppy and "Doctor" Codey Anderson enforced a rigorous program which included several Thursday Happy Hour Sessions to make sure Nigel III had a clear understanding of his heritage and the role he plays in maintaining the Masters' traditions in the ACT.

ACT MASTERS HOCKEY

Screech

Reporter-at-Large,
ACT Masters Hockey Assn



SCREECH FAMILY TREE



Nigel Cockington Screech I



Nigel Cockington Screech II






Nigel Cockington Screech III



Up Coming Events

Don't forget to mark your diaries with these upcoming events

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|  | Every Thu | Happy Hour Hockey (Lyneham) |
|  | 8 Apr 24 | LifeNight 2024 |
|  | 12-27 Jul 24 | HA Masters Championships (Hobart) |

2024 ACT MASTERS HOCKEY CALENDARS

The updated calendars of all Masters hockey events involving the ACT, NSW and HA is available on the ACT Masters Hockey website.

Follow the link to download the calendar in PDF format:

<https://www.actmastershockey.com/act-masters-calendars/>

The calendar now also includes a yearly planner, making it easy to see events across the year in a single glance.




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