



JANUARY AND FEBRUARY MANNING VALEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

Some important information for Members

1. Women's Masters Div 4 Champions for 2016

Congratulations to the team for their great result. Special thankyou to Club Taree who loaned the bus, Ben Ferguson Coach , Craig for Managing the team and Linda Ferguson and others for their organisation and the players and their supporters.

2. Sports Strapping Course at Forster

Sports Strapping Course on 2nd April 2016 at Club Forster

The Course will be run by Sport Medicine Australia.

It Covers Both Basic and Advanced strapping.

Cost \$140

Working on 20-25 Positions

Association Facebook has forms

3. Turf Fields Lights

We can't replace present bulbs with LED bulbs because of the type of starters. Remember that lights cannot be turned on immediately after being turned off as the bulbs will blow and each cost \$500 . Leave off for 20 mins before turning back on.

4. Managers for Under 15 and 18 Boys Rep Teams

These two positions are vacant.

U18 Boys State Tournament is at Bathurst from 29th April to 1st May

U15 Boys State Tournament is at Tamworth from 27 to 29th May.

5. Turf training

Doug Davidson and Tony Lewis have developed a Turf Training Roster under guidance from the Feb Presidents and Secretary's Meeting. This Roster has been circulated. Roster to begin on the 22nd February

6. Team Nomination Forms

The revamped Team Nomination Form has been circulated and they are now due 11th March at 5 pm. Our Duty of Care requires all teams must have a coach and team manager. Every coach must be aiming at getting level one this is because of insurance. Under 7 and 9 the basic is a community badge. The draws need to be finalised and umpire nominations will be due soon after.

7. Umpires committee

Umpiring is an essential component of our game and therefore we need to have a very active Umpires Committee chaired by the association's Umpires Director for 2016. Every club will nominate a member of their club to represent them at these committee meetings. The Committee will allocate umpires for all games for the 2016 season including semis and finals. Its functions need to be formulated.

8. **2016 Winter Competition**

Starting and finishing dates : Suggested starting date is the 31st March and finish 17th September 2016 (Grand Final date)

9. BOM Portfolios

Shane Green – Turf Director
Deb Monck- Umpires Director/Judiciary
Bronny Fuller Representative Teams
Shaun Muldoon WHS
Craig Colvin- WWC /Carnivals
Timothy Lestrangle- Assist Lyn Turner
Lyn Turner – Clubhouse

10. The mower has been serviced and repaired (including battery and blades)

11. **Hockey Australia – “Destination Hockey”**

On Hockey Australia Web Site

<http://hockey.org.au/DestinationHockey>

At the heart of Destination Hockey are the Hockey Hubs.

Registrations now open. Visit the registration portal at destinationhockey.org.au to register on behalf of your club or association

Those clubs and associations that register as a Hockey Hub will receive a complimentary Hockey Hub Pack* worth almost \$100 to help make their events and activities extra special

Hockey Hub Packs

Each pack contains a fence banner, bunting, a 2016 year planner, Hockey Hero posters and sticker sheets. PLUS...online access to downloadable posters and flyers, logos and marketing materials, media kit templates and advice, social media hints and tips, and the Destination Hockey booklet

12. **Joint Playing Rules Committee**

Bronny Fuller and Deb Monck who will co-chair a Joint Playing Rules Committee to review and complete the combined playing rules before next season. They want input from members.

Dates to remember

1st March Joint Match Committee Meeting 7p Clubhouse

11th March Team Nominations due

28th March Hunter Academy at Taree Hockey Centre

29th and 1st March Sports clean are at fields for maintenance

23rd March PSSA for both boys and girls are at Hockey Centre