

### MANNING VALLEY HOCKEY ASSOCIATION



# Alcohol and Smoking policies

## **Responsible Alcohol Management**

The Manning Valley Hockey Association has an ongoing commitment to responsible alcohol management and now holds a Level 3 accreditation under the Australian Drug Foundation's Good Sports Accreditation Program.

The program doesn't aim to "dry-up" clubs. It aims to assist clubs with the responsible management of alcohol through the development of a code of conduct. The association is determined to meet the criteria required for the Level 3 accreditation. The Manning Valley Hockey Association has a responsible alcohol management policy including the sale of low alcohol drinks and soft drinks. Our facilities are smoke free and we have developed safe transport strategies to ensure our members get home safely. We will provide food when serving alcohol and we will not have an emphasis on alcohol for player's awards or fundraising, functions and prizes. We are confident our efforts will continue to improve the environment at the Taree Hockey Centre. We're not perfect but we are trying hard to make it a better place to play and socialise for all members of the community. The association will be regularly monitored to ensure we comply with the program. This is the responsibility of all members to make sure we do the right thing while we're enjoying ourselves and having fun.

During any Manning Valley Hockey Association matches, and authorised events when underage children are authorised / represented, NO ALCOHOL is to be consumed around the ground or within the Taree Hockey Centre Clubhouse and its surrounds,

The Association does not wish to supply alcohol at any time to members who may be allowed to supply to minors under 18 years of age outside of the regulations enforced by the Liquor Commission. For more information about the accreditation program, contact Manning Valley Hockey Association on manningvalleyhockey.org.au.

### Safe Transport Policy

The Manning Valley Hockey Association recognises the importance in holding a liquor license in the value it adds to the club, enabling it to generate income and hold social functions. In doing so, the club shall also ensure our members are aware of this policy and are encouraged to make alternative transport arrangements when drinking alcohol at the clubhouse.

- Bar staff shall encourage members and visitors to make alternate transport arrangements if
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- Contact telephone numbers for taxi services will be displayed at the bar.
- In specific cases, where a designated driver who has been nominated by the club and that
  person has accepted the responsibility to drive others home safely, will be provided with nonalcoholic drinks free of charge by the club.

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Board of Management.

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## **No Smoking Policy**

The Manning Valley Hockey Association recognises that passive smoking is hazardous to health and that non-smokers should be protected at all times, where possible, from tobacco smoke.

The Committee hereby adopts the following no smoking policy which applies to all members, administrators, officials, players, coaches and visitors to the Taree Hockey Centre. The Following areas of all our grounds are to be Smoke Free:

- Administration and Office areas
- Club Social Rooms
- Change Rooms and Toilets
- Eating areas (including canteens)
- Coaches, trainers, officials and volunteers to refrain from smoking while they are acting in an official capacity
- Players to refrain from smoking while in uniform
- Cigarettes not to be sold (including vending machines)
- All social functions at Club premises to be smoke free
- All social functions outside of club premises to be smoke free where possible
- All coaches to discuss with players the effects on performance of smoking and actively promote this policy

Any person not complying with this policy will be asked by any committee or official of this club to refrain from smoking. If said person persists on ignoring this policy, said person, shall be asked to leave and summoned to appear before the Committee, to explain their actions. The Manning Valley Hockey Association will regard anyone who willfully disregards this policy with bringing the Association into disrepute, and it will take appropriate action.

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