



Waimak Summer Social Hockey

The Rangiora Hockey Club is organising a Summer Social Hockey League for 7 weeks during Term 4 of 2021.

The emphasis of this competition will be on fun social and family hockey so we are in particular looking for teams with a mix of ages, genders, experience and skill levels to participate. We are encouraging parents to play with their children and experienced players to team up with novices. However there are few hard and fast rules about the makeup of any team so just get your team mates together and enter.

If you would like to play in this competition but do not have enough people to form a team please contact the organiser who may be able to combine you with others.

This competition will continue to be open to anyone from Year 7 primary/intermediate age and older (with some restrictions). The reason for the age restriction is to ensure the safety of all players. If you have a younger player you believe would be capable of playing please contact the organisers to discuss. Players DO NOT have to be registered with a hockey club or have played previously to get involved in our competition.

We will do our best to grade teams accordingly so that those who want a higher level of competition have that option, though this may not be possible depending on the teams that enter and it will not be our priority. If you are looking for more competitive summer hockey you may like to consider the Canterbury Hockey Association's summer competitions.

Details for the Waimak Summer Social Hockey are below, along with a team registration form. Any questions please email to tkean@sportstrust.org.nz

Cheers

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Please be aware the North Canterbury Sport & Recreation Trust will be running it's summer hockey competitions for Yrs 3-8 students during term 4 so there will be opportunities for younger hockey players through summer. Details of this competition are available through your local school and the NCSRT (ph: 975 5560).

Format:

- Half turf / 6-a-side

Teams:

- No limit to the number of substitutes but we recommend no more than 10 players per team.
- Formal uniforms not required but teams MUST at least try to coordinate the colour of their tops. Bibs will be provided if colours clash

Grades & Ages:

- All open mixed grades (mixed ages and gender)
- Depending on make up of the teams entered and ability/number of umpires available we may be able to offer a more competitive social competition as well as the social social one.
- Year 7/8 intermediate students are able to play but only if in a team with adults (ie: no teams made up only of these age players are allowed). Younger players are encouraged to join the NCSRT summer hockey competition through their school, but if that is not convenient they may be able to play in this competition with special permission of the organiser.
- There are no rules around ages/genders on turf at any time however we encourage a fair and even mix and we ask players to play appropriately against opposition of any age or gender.

Game Times:

- 20 minute halves with 2 min half time & 3 minutes between games. Total 45 minutes per block
- First round will start at 6:30pm, second at 7:15pm, third (if required) at 8:00pm ending at 8:45pm

Dates:

- Monday evenings (with option to add another evening if team numbers are sufficient)
- 1 November – 13 December = 7 weeks

Cost:

- \$200 per team (includes gst).
- Individual players can register and we will try to find a team for them. Also if teams register but are a bit short handed we can assist them to find an additional player or two. It will then be up to the collective team to pay the entry fee.
- Complete teams must pay before the competition starts while make-up teams must pay before the start of the 2nd round of competition.
- Cost includes turf hire, umpire and venue supervisor fees (if any)
- In the event of a Covid Alert Level change to where we can no longer play hockey, appropriate team refunds will be provided to the team manager.

Rules:

- Usual hockey rules apply unless noted below.
- Full hockey turf will be divided in half with a tube across the centre line and down each end line to create 2 fields with no side outlines. NO outs if the ball hits the side tube – play on. Out lines will apply at end of each field only, or if the ball bounces over the tube.
- Six players on the field at any one time – unless both teams agree to allow additional players onto the field.
- Rolling substitutions will be from the side of the field at each end of the full turf.
- NO goal keepers or players with kicking rights.
- Mouthguards and Shin Guards MUST be worn by all players
- For safety reasons upright hitting of the ball is discouraged, and no “Tomahawk” hits are permitted, however sweep hits* are allowed provided they are not lifted. Reverse stick sweep hits* are also permitted if controlled and not overly hard. ABSOLUTELY NO FULL OUT UPRIGHT SLOGS WILL BE ALLOWED! Umpires will exercise discretion based on level of danger from any hit or lifted ball.

*Note: * A sweep hit is where the stick is swept along the turf surface before contacting the ball. This can be from an upright position with only the hook of the stick contacting the turf during the sweep, or from a lower position where a longer section of the back edge of the stick “sweeps” the turf before striking the ball.*

- Ball MUST NOT be lifted by any means other than a controlled lift just high enough to clear a stick while dribbling. Overhead flick passes may also be allowed if done in a safe and controlled manner – normal hockey rules regarding the receiving of overhead passes apply.
- Shots at goal must be kept low for the safety of any player defending the goal. Ball must cross the goal line no higher than width of a stick sitting flat along the ground (in other words ball can only be lifted high enough to just clear a defender’s stick and no higher – umpire’s discretion applies).
- Long corners are taken from approximately half way in line with where the ball crossed the back line.
- Four defending players behind the goal line at penalty corners. Defending teams other two players must retreat to inside the opposition’s goal circle until the PC is taken.
- Umpires will not call minor infringements except in the circle to allow for continuity of play. Advantage play is strongly encouraged – appealing for penalties IS NOT!
- Unsportsmanlike behaviour will NOT be tolerated. This includes swearing, appealing for penalties, over vigorous tackles/stick checks, sliding tackles, playing on after committing an obvious offence, unnecessarily goading opposition players, retaliation, etc.
- Umpire’s have discretion regarding any of these rules to promote continuity and safety.

Scoring:

- 1 point per goal from inside the goal circle as per normal hockey rules.

Umpires:

- We will endeavour to provide 1 umpire for every game.
- If this is not possible teams may be asked to supply an umpire for the game before or after their own game.
- It is expected that players will be honest with infringements such as feet and back of sticks, and exhibit good sportsmanship during games, and will support umpires with their decisions.
- All umpires, whether appointed or provided by a team, will be compensated for their time.
- We have a ZERO tolerance policy for dissent or abuse of umpires. Teams and or individuals will be appropriately punished for infringing this rule. Umpires may not have the confidence to take action at the time but they will report to the competition manager who WILL take action.

Notifications:

- Draws, cancellations and other notices will be communicated to team managers each week and if possible posted on the Rangiora Hockey Club’s Facebook page and website.

The competition organiser has discretion to change the structure of the competition at any time, and if this is done all team managers will be contacted about this as soon as possible and updates will be posted on the RHC website and/or Facebook page. It is team manager’s responsibility to pass on this information to his or her team members.

Registrations for teams or players looking for teams can be made on the form below, or online at...

<https://goo.gl/forms/wQaRNBxy1Jgt20ZG2>



Waimak Summer Social Hockey Registration Form Term 4, 2021

Complete Team (1) Team Looking for Players (2) Players looking for a Team (3)

Team Name (options 1 & 2): _____

Contact Person (all options): _____

Phone (all): _____ Email (all): _____

If looking for additional players (option 2) how many do you require? _____

Team Shirt Colour (1 & 2): _____

Grade: _____

(This may allow us to grade you against teams of similar ability, find players of similar skill or put you in the most suitable team)

Key: Grade A = Team has high level of ability and experience;

Grade B = Team has a mixed level of ability and experience

Grade C = Team has a majority of novices

Registration Fee: \$200 per team. Must be paid in full to Rangiora Hockey Club to complete team entry.

Payment can be made via internet banking: Account Name: Rangiora Hockey Club

Account Number: 03-0674-0064334-00

Please complete this form and email to: tkean@sportstrust.org.nz