



**Northern Sydney & Beaches Hockey Association
Women's Masters**

9 March 2022

Team Lists

Thank you all for your patience as we have been sorting out the teams.

Many thanks to everyone who turned out for the trials. You may have been aware that last season we had more players turn up to trials than we had available spots in the 4x NSB teams and unfortunately had to turn people away. For the 2022 season we were able to submit an additional NSB team in to the SWHL Masters competition, with SWHL giving us an extra Div4 team to make up a total of 5 teams to fill. We were confident that we would have the numbers to fill these 5 teams.

Once it got to the actual trials for 2022 we realised that the turn-up of players and the mix of levels was quite different, and that we had more players trialling in the Division 1 and 2 grades than for 3 & 4. This was a combination of players in the "young" 34+ age-group now qualifying as a "master", players returning from a season or 2 break, and quite a few 'new to NSB' players who just hadn't had time to play Masters in previous years. Obviously this is very difficult to predict and we do not get to pick and choose what division we can nominate teams in as it is based on placing of team results in the prior season. Luckily for us, there was a team who withdrew from Division 3 which left a gap, and SWHL allowed us to move one of our Div4 teams in to Div 3, meaning we were left with:

- Div 1 – NSB 1
- Div 2 – NSB 2
- Div 3 – NSB 3 White
- Div 3 – NSB 3 Blue
- Div 4 – NSB 4

The issue still remained that we had excess players wanting to play in Div 1 or 2 in the fortnightly Wednesday games, rather than the Weekly Div 3 & 4 Monday games. It meant that several players had to be named in teams lower than they were aiming for, and particularly in regards to the change of players from Div2 to Div3 it meant that a few of those players were no longer available on the change of night because of other existing commitments. The selectors tried as much as possible to assist with this but at the end of the day we have unfortunately had a few players who have had to withdraw, and a few remaining who will struggle to attend all games. Because of this the 2 x Div3 teams in particular is likely to still be changing before Round 1 while we lock in availabilities.

Please be aware that the teams may still be adjusted as coaches review the first games to make sure players are in the correct teams and that the teams themselves are well balanced. There may be some movement up or down (or sideways in terms of the Div3 teams) as the case requires.

If anyone has any queries about the teams please contact me by email or phone.

If your circumstances have changed and you are no longer able to play in the 2022 season can you please advise me ASAP.

Uniforms

Uniform details are included on a separate attachment to this email.

Link to the uniform shop: <https://www.xpresssportswear.com.au/field-hockey/nsb-hockey>

Please allow for up to 5-7 days for processing your order.

I will allocate shirt numbers to any new players so that these can be advised at the time of placing your order – you will get a separate email from me about this.

Registration and Fees

We are still finalising our NSB registration costs for the year – these should be available very soon, and once this is updated in the Revolutionise Sport portal I will send you a breakdown of our NSB playing fees 2022 by team, and the link to register which will need to be done prior to the first games and with instructions on how to do this. If you paid your full 2021 season fees and did not request a refund last year when the season was abandoned, you will receive a discount on the 2022 fees. If you have already registered for a pre-season tournament such as Freda Bennett or the Newcastle Invitational then you would have already paid your HA and HNSW annual fees and you will not be charged these when you register for the NSB Masters team.

Once the registration link is open and sent out I will be hounding you to get this done ASAP please!

SWHL Masters draw

SWHL have published the draw on the website – refer to the attachments under :

<https://www.swhl.com.au/news/fixtures2022andotherimportantdocuments/>

Important Dates:

Masters	Division 1 & 2	Division 3 & 4
Round 1	6 th April	11 th April
No play		18 th and 25 th April 13 th June 1 st Aug
Final series	Wed 24 th Aug (SF) Wed 7 th Sept (F) Mon 12 th Sept (GF)	Mon 29 th Aug (SF) Wed 7 th (Sept (F) Mon 12 th Sept (GF)

If you have any questions please email me at kimdunkx5@gmail.com

Many thanks

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