

# **UWA Hockey Club – Junior Division**

# Newsletter No.2 - March 2021

Great to see everyone getting to training and preparing for the season.

We have an exciting year of hockey planned for 2021.

We want all our players to love hockey and love UWA Hockey Club.

Season starts for all J5/6 to J11/12 teams on the weekend of 30/4/21 to 2/5/21.

HWA has advised that we have received all the grades we requested for the 16 J7/8 to J11/12 teams and we have just submitted our 3 x J5/6 boys teams and 4 x J5/6 girls teams.

The registrations for the J1/2 and J3/4 grades are still open so please get organized with school mates. Register yourself and get your mates to register as well. We are setting the teams in place now, particularly the school-based teams.

To register for J1/2 and J3/4 go to https://www.uwahockey.org.au/registration/

#### TRAINING AND PRACTICE GAMES

Training during school holidays will be confirmed by the age group coordinators.

The J1/2 and J3/4 teams will commence training as determined by the teams and their coaches.

#### AGE GROUP WELCOME DINNERS

Players - please register for your age group's dinner asap https://www.uwahockey.org.au/events/list/

#### **STATE U15 TEAM**

Best wishes to our state U15 representatives and coach Joel Bell who head off to Bathurst for the U15 National Championships immediately after easter. Play well and have fun.

# SKILLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

The first module of the Skills Academy has concluded. It's been a roaring success with 78 participants. Well done to organizer Shayni Nelson and all the coaches!! Registrations for Term 2 are now open – register at https://www.uwahockey.org.au/events/96735/

# **PARENT SUPPORT**

We need your help! The club relies on parents for the success of our junior division.

One of our aims is to have two coaches for each junior team particularly in the younger age groups. This is only possible if parents are willing to step forward and take on a coaching role. Please let the age group coordinator know if you are willing to assist and we will find a place for you and support for you to be successful in the role.

We particularly need parents to help coach the J5/6 and J7/8 boys teams.

If you do not have a formal role then we still need you to;

- 1. Be a cheer leader and supporter for your child's team.
- 2. Be an advocate for the UWA Hockey Club.
- 3. Support the club functions and events.







#### **SELECTION PROCESS FOR 2021**

The selection process is documented and available on the webpage.

Our aim is to finalise all teams with coaches, managers and umpire mentors during the school holidays. They will then be announced most likely by email to all players at the end school holidays or in the first week of term 2. All players are encouraged to seek feedback through the age group coordinator.

# **BUNBURY CARNIVAL (5 June-7 June 2021)**

Keep the weekend free. It is for J5/6 to J9/10 grades. Registration will be available 3 May 2021.

We want to encourage as many players as possible to come along for the weekend and to stay in the accommodation provided by the club. You will have lots of fun, play plenty of hockey and return home exhausted on Monday afternoon.

For this to be a successful weekend we need parents support including a willingness by parents to stay at the accommodation and enable us to provide this weekend for the junior players.

# **TEAM FEE:**

Just a reminder that once teams are announced we expect all players to pay a team fee. This is a once off payment, set by the club, that varies between teams and grades and covers costs that parents would normally be expected to pay weekly or at the end of the season. It provides for the following:

- 1. Turf hire charges for when a team plays on a turf. It varies between turfs and is generally about \$70/game.
- 2. Junior umpire charges junior umpires are not paid to umpire J5/6 games. However, once they progress to J7/8, J9/10 and J11/12 they are paid to umpire each game.
- 3. Senior players who coach or assist to coach a junior team do not pay senior fees. In addition, they are paid an allowance of \$250 for the season.
- 4. End of year gift for the team coach and manager.

# **CLOTHING SHOP**

The clothing shop will be open on Thursday evenings if you need to purchase club gear.

# HAVE YOU VISITED THE JUNIOR WEBPAGE?

Go to <a href="https://www.uwahockey.org.au/juniors/">https://www.uwahockey.org.au/juniors/</a> for:

Junior Contacts Junior Information Coach Development Junior Newsletters Junior Yearbooks

Lots of useful information e.g. need to find your first game? Junior Information has the UWA Sports Park Grass Fields map.

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