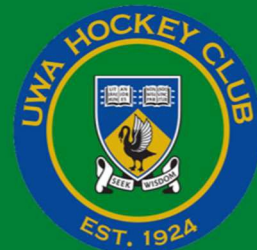


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Welcome to everyone for the 2022 hockey season. To date 413 players have registered for the competitive season so thank you for getting onto this early, it makes it much easier for the committee to get organised for the season.

## Registration

To register go to: <https://www.uwahockey.org.au/registration/>

**J5-12 – All age groups will close on the 27<sup>th</sup> February 2022. Some will close earlier as teams are filled.**

If you know someone who wants to register for a closed age group, please ask them to contact the Age Group Coordinator <https://www.uwahockey.org.au/juniors/junior-contacts/>.

J1-4 - There is still time to register. We will establish teams and start training later in term 1.

## Skills Development Program

Pre-season skills training sessions will commence Tuesday mornings on the 1<sup>st</sup> March and bookings are now open. We encourage all juniors to enroll as this program gives you a great opportunity to improve your basic skills and get more enjoyment from your hockey season. This is open to J5-12 UWAHC registered players.

Note that this program is designed to help individuals to improve their own game and does not form part of the player assessment process for 2022.

Go to the event link to book your place: <https://www.uwahockey.org.au/events/132574/>

## Galadent Mouthguard Fittings

Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March 2022 (11.00am – 3.00pm)

Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> March 2022 (10.00am – 2.00pm)

Our club receives a \$10.00 rebate per mouthguard so please support our club.

*Parents, please ensure that you have made your appointment/s and completed a mouthguard form.*

Detailed info and mouthguard booking is on <https://cdn.revolutionise.com.au/site/ijseqqi3zjnkf5vc.pdf>

## Training and Practice games

### J1-4

Training commences once teams are formed and generally at a convenient location and time for the team members. Many of the teams will be school based teams and therefore train at the school. There are no grading or practice games.

### J5-12

Training commences in the week starting Monday 28<sup>th</sup> February.

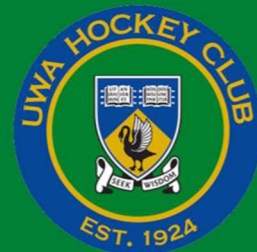
Practice games will be held over two weekends – 19/20 March and 26/27 March or unless notified otherwise.

Your AGC will email you with training and practice games details.



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## Player Grading Process for 2022

The purpose of grading is to form teams that are competitive in their grades and conducive to all players enjoying their hockey season. The grading process has three aspects (paper grading, training and practice/trial games) – see <https://cdn.revolutionise.com.au/site/x1knbhkuokzz8adr.pdf>

Please be aware of the following in relation to player grading;

If players have a request, the player should advise the age coordinator/coach at training. Note: The coordinators will liaise with parents as required. Please be aware that it is the **players and not the parents** who need to communicate their requests to the coordinators.

Players need to demonstrate their capabilities at training and practice games. That is up to each player. Teams have not been finalised during the practice games. Everyone has the opportunity to show their hockey skills and capabilities.

UWAHC does not consider existing friendship groups as part of team selection criteria. The hockey club is an opportunity to develop new friendships, as well as reinforcing existing friendships. Please remember one of our objectives is to **“provide an environment for players to develop a love for hockey and UWAHC and to establish strong lifelong friendships within the club”**

## Parent Support

The club relies on parents for the success of our junior division. Our junior committee has been working hard for months preparing for a successful season. Each junior team requires coaches, managers, umpires and umpire mentors. We need your active assistance and support to make this work. Please help us make this job of filling all these roles as easy as possible by offering your contribution and encouraging others who you know would do a great job to volunteer. You will be supported in these volunteer roles.

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

- Be a cheer leader and supporter for your child's team.
- Be an advocate for the UWA Hockey Club.
- Support the club functions and events.
- Put your hand up, there are always jobs to do!

## Uniform Shop

Open weekends: Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March, Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> March, Sun 27<sup>th</sup> March – Times TBA

Preseason opening hours (starting 1<sup>st</sup> March): Tues 5pm- 8pm, Wed 4pm-7pm, Thur 4pm- 9pm

For queries, contact Kerry Gallagher <https://www.uwahockey.org.au/juniors/junior-contacts/>

Second hand uniforms can be purchased depending on availability.

Players can also bring in good condition old uniforms in at the time they purchase their new uniforms for a credit towards their new uniform. Returned shorts will be credited \$20 and returned shirts will be credited \$25 towards the purchase of new items.



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## Bunbury Carnival (4 June-6 June 2022)

The junior club has been attending the June long weekend Bunbury Carnival since 1992. It is one of the highlights of the hockey year. A chance to get away with your hockey mates for a long weekend of hockey and fun.

The Bunbury Carnival is for girls and boys in J5/6 to J9/10 grades. Last year was amazing and we want to encourage as many players as possible to come along for the weekend and to stay in the club provided accommodation. You will have lots of fun, play plenty of hockey and return home exhausted on Monday afternoon.

Parent support is crucial for this to be a successful weekend and that includes staying at the venue to look after the kids, which is a really worthwhile experience. Without appropriate support the club is unable to provide this weekend for the junior players.

Parent Accommodation: Every year accommodation is booked fast so get onto making reservations now!

## Team Fee

Each player from J5/6 to J11/12 will pay a team fee in addition to the registration fee. This fee covers turf venue charges, coaches' allowance for senior players coaching a junior team or coaching goalkeepers, junior umpiring payments and end-of-season gifts.

The fee varies between teams depending on the number of turf games played and whether the team has a paid coach or not. Typically, older age groups and higher grades play more turf games, so fees are higher.

Team fees per player will be in the range below:

- J5/6 \$30-\$50 per player
- J7/8 \$90-\$135 per player
- J9/10 \$105-\$145 per player
- J11/12 \$140 per player

*This will vary between grades and teams and for this reason will be collected after teams are formed. Team fees are invoiced through Revolutionise.*

## Hockey International

Hockey International are a sponsor and have been a supporter of the club for many years. They are located at the intersection Brady/Main Street and Scarborough Beach Road. See them for all your hockey equipment needs.

## Social Media

We are active on social media and lots of useful information and commentary will be available:

- Facebook - UWA Junior Hockey
- Instagram - uwajuniorhockey

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