

Women's Veterans Competition Rules

Introduction

These rules were taken from the original rules that we added as an appendix to the minutes of the meeting in 2007. They have been amended and renumbered in an attempt to make them more readable. They have also been updated to show amendments and added rules since that time. These rules are kept as a separate document and each year update this as necessary, noting any changes in the minutes for that particular year, but keeping this as a "clean" document.

Voted in at 2013 meeting and carried forward as a separate document to be updated as HOCKEY ALBURY WODONGA Women's Masters Competition Rules

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1 Constitution and By-Laws

- 1.1 This document will be treated as the existing Hockey Albury Wodonga Veteran's Competition Rules and is an adjunct to the Hockey Albury Wodonga Constitution, By Laws and Local Rules with any exceptions from the Hockey Albury Wodonga Constitution, By Laws or Locals Rules to be listed in this document.
- 1.2 These rules are to be kept as a separate document and each year updated as necessary, noting any changes in the minutes for that particular year, but keeping this as a "clean" document.

2 Women's Veteran's Coordinator

- 2.1 There will be a position of Women's Veteran Coordinator and all issues will go through this Coordinator to the appropriate channel
- 2.2 The only exception to this rule is any umpiring issues which will be given to the Director of Umpiring, but a courtesy copy will be sent to the Women's Veteran Coordinator.
- 2.3 Each team is provide the Coordinator with two contacts, giving email addresses for regular correspondence as well as a mobile and home phone number so teams can be contacted at short notice.
- 2.4 Women's Veteran's competition is to be given a page on the Hockey Albury Wodonga Homepage to promote competition, encourage others to take up hockey and highlight the Masters competition. The Coordinator is to seek a volunteer to look after this
- 2.5 The Coordinator will seek volunteers to organise two social nights throughout the year. Volunteers can be nominated at the meeting at the beginning of the season or by talking to the Coordinator after this. All funds raised will go to a nominated charity.
- 2.6 Any request for a Permit is forwarded to the Coordinator who will coordinate and distribute to the nominated team representatives for consideration. Replies are returned to Coordinator to summarise and advise of the result. The Coordinator does not have a casting vote. The Coordinator is to provide a brief to Hockey Albury Wodonga Board, with an option for the team to appeal to the Board if necessary. This is separate to that of the Hockey Albury Wodonga Permits Committee.

3 Season Competition

- 3.1 Teams are to nominate their players prior to or at the first game to the Coordinator advising name and date of birth details. These details must be notified for any players joining the competition after the first round at the time they start to play.
- 3.2 Proof of age may need to be shown to the Coordinator upon request. Otherwise, proof of age is not required.
- 3.3 All teams will have nominated players. Whilst players can fill in for any other team throughout the season they are bound to their first nominated team.

- 3.4** All players must be registered with Hockey Albury Wodonga before playing. If they are registered with a club in another competition, this will suffice for insurance.
- 3.5** The competition is to have even rounds.
- 3.6** No games are to be played on the June long weekend or Anzac day, with a preference not to play any games on public holidays. It will include playing the Monday night after the Steakhouse Cup.
- 3.7** Scoring will be limited to a 5 goal difference. If a team wins 5-0 then the score is 5-0. If a team wins 10-0, then the score is recorded as 5-0. If a team wins 8-1 then the score is recorded as 6-1. Each team will have a "made up" player who all goals are awarded to.
- 3.8** Age rule will apply as at the date of play. Women qualify for the Veterans Competition at the age of 35 years. Each team is permitted up to two players on the field, and up to three players in total between the ages of 34 and 35 at one time. These players must be clearly identified by something visibly pink and are not permitted on the field for the first ten minutes of each half if there are age appropriate players available. Division 1 and State League players are not permitted to be under age players. Any player under 35 is to be asterisked on the match sheet and is not eligible for best and fairest votes.
- 3.9** An underage player who is a Goal Keeper is able to take the field at the beginning of both halves and play the whole game.
- 3.10** Spirit and intent needs to be remembered at all times, with particular attention to the age and skill levels of all players
- 3.11** If you share players then you are giving them a player for the game – win or lose, the result stands. This needs to be clearly stated prior to the game starting.
- 3.12** If you have five or less of your registered players then the game is deemed a forfeit but all players should play a "friendly" and the scorebook will show a 5:0 result and umpires must be paid.
- 3.13** Abuse from any players or any spectators will not be tolerated and should be dealt with, if possible by the club to whom the player belongs.
- 3.14** If any players play fills in for another team, both captains must agree prior to the person taking the field, and these players are to be marked as asterisk players on the match sheet and are not eligible for best and fairest votes in that game. Additional players from other teams are only allowed to the extent that the teams are evened up.
- 3.15** If any club has two or more Vets teams in the competition then they are not to play each other in the last round.
- 3.16** It is preferable that teams line up at the start of the game as in normal competition.
- 3.17** For privacy reasons there will be no photos or videos taken of players or games without consent from both teams

4 Finals

- 4.1** Players are only permitted to play in finals for their first nominated team subject to meeting eligibility criteria. Any variance is to be forwarded to the Veterans Permits Committee for consideration.
- 4.2** Players must play at least one third of the games of the season (rounded down) with their nominated Veteran's team to qualify for finals.
- 4.3** Finals will be played on one night only. The games will begin at 6.30 and 7.45 respectively. Games are 30 min halves with a 5 minute break at half time.

- 4.4 The games will be 5th versus 6th on Ground 2 and 3rd versus 4th on Ground 1 at 6.30. These games will not have extra time. The team higher on the ladder will be deemed to have won if the result is a draw.
- 4.5 This will be followed by 1st versus 2nd on Ground 1. This game will have 10 minutes each way of extra time, with the golden goal rule. If after this it is still a draw then the team higher on the ladder will be deemed to have won.

5 Uniform

- 5.1 Team colours apply, if club shirts were not available coloured t-shirts or something similar is acceptable
- 5.2 If possible shirts to have numbers so as to assist umpires with best and fairest votes.

6 Umpires

- 6.1 Support is sought from Hockey Albury Wodonga to provide panel/allocated umpires and this is to be organised with the Director of Umpiring on a yearly basis.
- 6.2 Captains are to assist the Umpires if necessary at the conclusion of games to confirm player's names for best and fairest nominations in the case where players are not identified with numbers.
- 6.3 If only 1 rostered umpire turns up, both teams are to try to find a 2nd umpire, who will be paid the normal rate. If no such 2nd umpire can be found, and the rostered umpire agrees to umpire the whole game, both teams will pay that one umpire.