

2023 Canterbury Hockey Association Confirmed

Competition Structures

Preamble

Canterbury Hockey is excited to be able to provide our season dates for the 2023 season! April and May are going to be an extremely busy couple of months of hockey, with the senior club season beginning, along with the region and association hosting both Pro League and the Trans-Tasman Master's Tournament.

The intention of the schedule is aimed at allowing the community to attend and support the Pro League as much as possible without disrupting the integrity of the senior competitions.

The main outcomes for the 2023 season structure were based on the feedback supplied in the 2022 CHA Community Survey. This survey had a really good response rate and based on these results and club feedback we believe we have landed in a really good place to have an exciting 2023 season.

Start date – Seniors

2nd April (Sunday) – Sunday Leagues

3rd April (Monday) – Mid Week Men

4th April (Tuesday) – Mid Week Women

15th April (Saturday) – Canterbury Premier League and Division 1 (Championships Begin)

Grass TBC

Start date – Youth and Schools

7th May – Platinum (Second weekend of Term 2)

10th May – SSL Girls (Third week of Term 2)

12th May – SSL Boys (Third week of Term 2)

19th May – SSP Boys and Girls (Fourth week of Term 2)

Juniors

Start date: 6th May – Second weekend of Term 2

Club Competition Structure

Canterbury Premier League

Championship Start Date: 15th April

End Date: 19th August

Non-Playing Dates: 29th April (Pro League), 3rd June (Kings Birthday) and 15th July Matariki

****Note:** Games on Saturday 22nd April will be played at 10am or 11.30am to allow completion before Pro League games begin.*

Hockey5s

Based on Survey feedback, CHA will continue to offer a preseason 5s format across Monday nights and the stand-alone weekend tournament. The Monday night Hockey5s competition will be held on the 27/02, 06/03, and 13/03 with a Hockey5s tournament being held Saturday the 18th of March (Saturday only). This also allows any teams wanting to play TOAST cup in Dunedin on the 25th/26th of March to be able to participate. Monday night - \$220 and 5s tournament \$250

Porritt Cup

A Pre-Season Porritt Cup 11-a-side Tournament is going to be held Friday the 31st March (evening) and Saturday 1st April (all day). This 11-a-side Tournament will see teams playing 3-5 shortened games in a tournament style format before having the following weekend off for Easter and before the CPL championship begins. Entry included in season fees.

Round Robin Winners

Two full round robins for the Presidents shield and Rose bowl.

Finals Championship Trophy

The top four will contest a 3 round final series as per below.

Round 1 Saturday 12th August

Top seed versus second seed (game one)

Third seed versus fourth seed (game two) – Loser of this game finishes 4th

Fifth seed versus sixth seed (5/6 playoff)

Seventh seed versus eighth seed (7/8 playoff)

Round 2 Wednesday 16th August

Loser of game one versus winner of game two (game five) – Loser of this game finishes 3rd

Round 3 Saturday 19th August

Winner of game one versus winner of game five (Final)

*** In the women's grade week round 1 the fifth seed will have the bye and sixth plays seventh and the winner will play fifth in round 3 and the loser will have the bye.*

Feedback around Heritage round was really positive and the date for the second edition in 2023 is Saturday the 17th of June to be hosted at Nunweek Park

Rule Changes 2023

- 1) All CPL teams will be able to name 18 players on the match card as long as two of them are fully kitted goalkeepers. If the goalkeeper does not take the field the match will still count as a play up game for the goalkeeper if they are named in that club lower ranked team (as per traditional play up rules).
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Division 1

Start Date: 15th April

End Date: 19th August

Non-Playing Dates: 29th April (Pro League), 3rd June (Kings Birthday), 1st and 8th of July (National Under 18 Tournaments).

Note* The round normally scheduled for Saturday the 22nd of April will be played **FRIDAY** the 21st of April due to Pro League on the Saturday.

Note** The weekend 13th of May will have a **double header** for all teams on FRIDAY the 12th and Saturday the 13th of May.

Note*** During the Under 18s National tournaments on the 1st and 8th of July there will be opt in Porritt Cup for both genders.

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The Championship beginning 15th of April is as follows

Part 1

Play one full round robin with all 10 teams

Part 2

Split into two pools based on your round one standing as follows

Pool 1

1st Place

4th Place

5th Place

8th Place

9th Place

Pool 2

2nd Place

3rd Place

6th Place

7th Place

10th Place

- Keep all your points earned in the round 1 full round robin.
- Play everyone in your new pool once
- When you have the bye in your pool you play a cross over game versus the team in the other pool with the bye. This match **WILL** be worth championship points and the matches will be based on the below standings after round 1

1st v 10th

2nd v 9th

3rd v 8th

4th v 7th

5th v 6th

The rationale behind this is we do not want to add in more friendly matches during these cross overs and by playing for points based on your round 1 seeding it rewards top qualifiers and makes it tougher for lower qualifiers.

Part 3

Playoffs round 1

Traditional semi finals with the first placed team in pool 1 vs second place in pool 2. First in pool 2 will play second in pool 1

The bottom three teams in each pool will play a one-off playoff match as follows

3rd pool 1 vs 3rd pool 2 (5th and 6th Playoff)

4th pool 1 vs 4th pool 2 (7th and 8th playoff)

5th pool 1 vs 5th pool 2 (9th and 10th playoff)

Playoffs round 2

The winners of the two semi-final matches will play each other in the final while the losers will play each other for 3rd and 4th.

Sunday League

Start Date: 2nd April

End Date: 20th August

Non-Playing Dates: 9th April (Easter), 30th April (Pro League), 4th June (Kings Birthday) and 9th July (Middle weekend of school holidays)

Format TBC once team entries are confirmed. The proposal is to remain with similar formats as in 2021-22. This will include a Premiership and Championship with mid-season promotion and relegation.

Platinum

Start Date: 7th May

End Date: 20th August

Non-Playing Dates: 4th June (Kings Birthday) and 9th July (Middle weekend of school holidays)

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Mid Week

Men

Start Date: 3rd April

End Date: 21st August

Non Playing Dates: 10th April (Easter) and 5th June (Kings Birthday)

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Women

Start Date: 4th April

End Dates: 22nd August

Non-Playing Dates: 11th April (Easter) and 11th July (Middle Weekend of school holidays)

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Grass Hockey

Format TBC

School Grades Season Structures

Secondary School Premier

Boys

Start Date: 19th May

End Date: 18th August

Non-Playing Dates: 2nd June (Kings Birthday), 30th June 7th and 14th July (School holidays and national under 18s tournament)

Season format TBC

Girls

Start Date: 19th May

End Date: 18th August

Non-Playing Dates: 2nd June (Kings Birthday), 30th June 7th and 14th July (School holidays and national under 18s tournament)

Season format TBC

Secondary School League Division 1-4

Boys

Start Date: 12th May

End Date: 18th August

Non-Playing Dates: 2nd June (Kings Birthday), 7th and 14th July (School holidays and national under 18s tournament)

Season structure TBC based on team entries

Girls

Start Date: 10th May

End Date: 16th August

Non-Playing Dates: 5th and 12th July (School holidays and national under 18s tournament)

Juniors

Start date: 6th May – Second weekend of Term 2

End date: 19th August

Non-Playing Dates: 3rd June (king's birthday), 8th July (Middle weekend school holidays) and 15th July (last weekend school holidays and Matariki)

Junior Hockey5s (year 7-8)

Following on from the positive feedback of the 2022 Junior (year 7-8) hockey 5s we will again run this in 2023. Due to Pro League this will be a 1-day event held Thursday the 20th of April at Nunweek park. This is week 2 of the school holidays and the price will be \$100 per team which includes BBQ lunch for all participants and coaches.

Mini Sticks Year 3-4

The 2022 pilot program of scheduling mini sticks boys on a Friday night received positive feedback from club and parent survey responses. To continue with this success, we are going to continue to run mini sticks both as a Friday and Saturday option with both playing days including both boys and girls.

Teams can be made up of a single gender or a mixture of genders on both playing days and will play grouped based on their ability to ensure suitable games as often as possible.

Kiwi Sticks Year 5-6

Will continue as per previous seasons with boys being in one division and the girls having both the Goalkeeper and No Goalkeeper divisions.

Super 7s Year 7-8

As per 2022 we want to ensure there is the opportunity for an 11-a-side transition period for those clubs that want teams to participate. The 11-a-side transition program will begin after the term 2 holidays from Saturday the 22nd July through till 19th August (5 weeks).
