

2025 Canterbury Hockey Association Competition Structures

Preamble

Canterbury Hockey is excited to be able to provide our season dates for the 2025 season!

As always, we aim to have a season which has good flow to it with minimal disruptions allowing teams to build momentum through the season. We look to balance high workload periods within our competitions and give teams clear playing and non-playing dates where possible. Some grades may change once entry numbers are confirmed. With High School tournament a week earlier than normal most grades start dates have been bumped forward by 1 week to allow for the same length season as 2024.

Start date – Seniors

Division 1 Men and Women	29 th March (Pre-Season) and Saturday 5 th April (Championship)
Canterbury Premier League Men and Women	Saturday 29 th March (Pre-Season) and Saturday 26 th April (Championship)
Sunday League Men and Women	Sunday 30 th March (Pre-Season opt in) and Sunday 6 th April (Championship)
Mid Week Men	Monday 7 th April (Championship)
Mid Week Women	Tuesday 8 th April (Championship)
Platinum	Sunday 27 th April
Grass	TBC

Juniors

All Juniors	2 nd and 3 rd May (First Friday and Saturday Term 2)
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Club Competition Structure

Canterbury Premier League

Porritt Cup: 29th March, 5th and 12th April

Championship Start Date: 26th April

End Date: 16th August

Non-Playing Dates: 19th April (Easter), 31st May (Kings Birthday) and 21st June (Matariki)

Double Header: Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd May

** Heritage Round will be held Saturday the 7th of June

Hockey5s

CHA will continue to offer a preseason 5s format across Monday nights and the stand-alone Saturday tournament. The Monday night Hockey5s competition will be held on the 03/03, 10/03 and 17/03 with a Hockey5s tournament being held **Saturday the 22nd of March** (Saturday only). Monday night - \$220 and 5s tournament \$250

Porritt Cup

A Pre-Season Porritt Cup 11-a-side Tournament is going to be held on the 29th March, 5th and 12th April.

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 9th August

Top place versus second place (game one)

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

Fifth place versus sixth Place (5/6 playoff)

Seventh place versus eighth place (7/8 playoff)

Round 2 Wednesday 13th August

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

Round 3 Saturday 16th August

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

Division 1

Pre Season Fixtures: 29th March

Start Date: 5th April

End Date: 16th August

Non-Playing Dates: 19th April (Easter), 31st May (Kings Birthday), 28th June and 5th July (National Under 18 Tournaments).

Playing dates: Matariki is a PLAYING day.

*During the Under 18s National tournaments on the 28th of June and 5th of July there will be opt in friendly games for both genders.

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Pre Season matches

Canterbury Hockey is going to hold division 1 pre season matches on Saturday the 29th of March. This will allow teams, coaches, and umpires to have one weekend of structured matches prior to the championship getting underway. These will be opt in matches with the registrations going out in early March 2025.

Championship for Division 1

The Championship beginning 5th 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. There will be no third and fourth playoff.

Sunday League

Pre Season Fixtures: 30th March

Start Date: 6th April

End Date: 17th August

Non-Playing Dates: 20th April (Easter), 1st June (Kings Birthday) and 6th July (Middle weekend of both High School and UC holidays)

Playing dates: Matariki is a PLAYING date currently. This is subject to change based on team numbers.

Platinum

Start Date: 27th April

End Date: 17th August

Non-Playing Dates: 1st June (Kings Birthday) and 6th July (Middle weekend of school holidays)

Playing Dates: Matariki is a PLAYING day. This is subject to change based on team numbers.

Mid Week

Men

Start Date: 7th April

End Date: 18th August

Non Playing Dates: This is subject to change based on team numbers.

Women

Start Date: 8th April

End Date: 19th August

Non Playing Dates: This is subject to change based on team numbers.

Grass Hockey

Start Date: TBC

End Date: TBC

Non Playing dates: TBC

Juniors

Start date: Friday 2nd and Saturday 3rd May

End date: Friday 15th and Saturday 16th August

Non-Playing Dates: 30th and 31st May (King's birthday), 4th and 5th July (Middle weekend school holidays) and 11th and 12th July (last weekend school holidays)

Mini Sticks Year 3-4

Mini Sticks will continue to be offered on both Friday nights and Saturday mornings.

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

Again, we will offer a Kiwi Sticks Year 5-6 grade on Friday nights! As per the Saturday divisions Friday night will also be separated into boys and girls grades.
