

**22 June 2015**

In 2014, Hockey NSW again experienced a significant increase in the number of teams participating in the 2014-15 Indoor State Championships. Due to this increase, the Championships Advisory Panel and Hockey NSW have had to continue the structure implemented in 2013 for the junior age groups as well as continue to source new venues that can cope with the increased demand for indoor hockey and want to continue to support our sport.

The structure for the U15 Boys & Girls and U13 Boys & Girls Indoor State Championships is outlined below, which as outlined in last year's memo, will be rotated yearly to ensure fairness:

- Friday, Saturday, Sunday (Morning) - Boys\*
- Saturday (Afternoon), Sunday, Monday –Girls\*

*\*Please note: these are estimated timings dependent on the amount of teams which nominate for these Championships*

The U18 Boys & U18 Girls Indoor State Championships will continue to be held in November so as not to interfere with the Higher School Certificate. The Open Men and Women Indoor State Championships continue to be held earlier in the season.

After discussions with various Indoor Sports Venues across NSW, Hockey NSW is happy to announce the use of the following Indoor Venues. Please see below the dates and venues for the 2015-16 Indoor State Championship season.

EVENT	DATES	HOSTING ASSOCIATION	ADDRESS
**U15 Boys & Girls	9-12 Oct 2015	Central Coast HA	Central Coast Youth Club 18 Washington Ave Niagara Park 2250
*Open Women	16-18 Oct 2015	Illawarra South Coast HA	Illawarra Credit Union Hockey Stadium Waples Road Unanderra 2526
*Open Men	23-25 Oct 2015	Illawarra South Coast HA	Illawarra Credit Union Hockey Stadium Waples Road Unanderra 2526
**U13 Boys & Girls	30 Oct- 2 Nov 2015	Central Coast HA	Central Coast Youth Club 18 Washington Ave Niagara Park 2250
*U18 Girls	6-8 Nov 2015	Illawarra South Coast HA	Illawarra Credit Union Hockey Stadium Waples Road Unanderra 2526
*U18 Boys	13-15 Nov 2015	Illawarra South Coast HA	Illawarra Credit Union Hockey Stadium Waples Road Unanderra 2526
Master's Women & Men	5-7 Feb 2016	TBC	TBC

\* Friday evening or day matches will be required

\*\* 4 day tournament with matches on Friday & Saturday to be played by Boys and Sunday & Monday to be played by Girls with a crossover on Saturday and Sundays.

Venues for the Master's Women and Men are currently being finalised. This announcement will likely be before the 31<sup>st</sup> July.

At this time Hockey Australia have not announced the dates and locations for this year's National Indoor Championships. Once these dates are confirmed, Hockey NSW will notify our members.

Kind regards,

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