
AUSTRALIAN UNDERWATER HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS



COMPETITION BOOKLET

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"Bringing sport, conservation and awareness to the underwater world"

The NSW Underwater Hockey Commission extends a very warm welcome to all states to compete in the 2020 Australian Underwater Hockey Championships to be held in January 2020 at the Knox Grammar School Aquatic centre.

Regards,

Ben Stepkovitch
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2020 Nationals Games Convenor
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Dates

19th - 24th January 2020

Venue

The Knox Grammar Aquatic Centre
Senior School Campus
7 Woodville Avenue, Wahroonga

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Schedule of events

Sunday 19th January:

- 9am – 1pm Referee's course (Lower ground classroom 1)
- 11am – 2pm Team training & gear checks
- 1pm-1.30pm Referee's Meeting (Lower ground classroom 1)
- 2.30pm - 3.15pm Opening ceremony (Great Hall)
Captains meeting – immediately following Opening Ceremony (Great Hall)
- 4pm Round robin starts (DAY 1)

Monday 21st January:

- 9.25am-9.45pm Round Robin Day 2

Tuesday 22nd January:

- 9.25am-9.45pm Round Robin Day 3
- 4pm Underwater Hockey Australia meeting (LG Classroom 1)

Wednesday 23rd January:

- 9.25am-9.45pm Round Robin Day 4

Thursday 24th January:

- 9.25am-9.45pm Round Robin Day 5 / Semi-finals

Friday 24th January:

- 9.30am – 2.15pm* Finals / Bronze medal matches
 - 2.30pm – 3.15pm* Australian Masters men & women selections
 - 3.15pm - 4pm* Australian Elite men & women selections
 - 4pm* Closing ceremony & prizegiving (Great Hall)
 - 6.30pm Doors for function @ Luna Park
 - 7pm-8pm Buffet dinner served at function
- *Times subject to change**

Draw

The most current version of the draw can be found at:

https://drive.google.com/open?id=1froIM_WqzP1zHRL9lq6DR4wSOkU5PQvc

NB: Referee assignments and timekeeping duties to be added – 15/01/2020

***Teams will have rostered timekeeping/scoring duties**

Team lists

ELITE OPEN

NSW A

- 1 Tom Milner
- 3 Max Campbell
- 4 Callum Rutherford
- 6 Jacko Smit
- 7 Ryan Heckenberg
- 8 Gary Rosewarne
- 9 Stewart Parkinson (VC)
- 10 Joel Hattie (C)
- 11 Mitchell Turner
- 18 Emmanuel Zapata Toro
- 19 Nick Herral

NSW B

- 2 Alistair Hickey (VC)
- 3 Alessandro Delli Paoli
- 4 Matthew McCartney
- 5 Alex Barnes-Keoghan
- 6 Ayden Roberts
- 7 Jamie North
- 8 Nick Barraclough
- 9 Simon Lee
- 10 Hamish Arthur
- 11 Ben Stepkovitch (C)
- 88 Andrew Grove

Queensland

- 2 Daniel Russell
- 3 Tim Senior
- 4 John Pickering
- 5 Jappy Parulan
- 6 Florian Stolz
- 7 Marco Roelfs
- 8 Regan Leong
- 9 Michael Gray
- 11 Sam Thomson (C)
- 12 Lyndon Rive

Western Australia

- 1 Tom Miller (C)
- 2 Josh Mackenzie (VC)
- 3 Hunter Jones
- 4 Shannon Griffiths
- 5 Amar Sarmiento
- 6 Rhys Milburn
- 7 Scott Mackenzie
- 8 Gav Wise
- 12 James Iredale
- 13 Mason Gillespie
- 14 Bailey Annear

New Zealand

- 2 Karl Brooks
- 3 Eric Hebener
- 4 Chris Walker
- 5 Alistair Ford (VC)
- 7 Ben Seaton
- 9 Mazen Rabih
- 11 Cameron Sisson
- 12 Kit Vining
- 13 Cameron Manuel-Arnold
- 14 Bruno Brosnan (C)

Tasmania

- 1 Isaac Bridley (C)
- 2 Callum Wishart
- 3 Cameron Lewis
- 4 Nick Yong
- 5 Rowan Bridley
- 6 Eddy Rand
- 8 Sean Conaty
- 9 Nathan Whelan
- 10 Jack Robert-Tissot (VC)
- 11 Ben Linton
- 12 Jack Cleary
- 13 Nick Martyn

Victoria

- 1 Rees Quilford (VC)
- 2 Leo Lines
- 3 Hamish Ride (C)
- 4 Steven Taylor
- 5 Ben Robinson
- 6 Tim Ogden
- 7 Todd Canavan
- 8 Angus Lamin
- 11 Dave Barry
- 15 Andrew Dunlop
- 17 Kevin Chisholm

ELITE WOMEN

Territory

- 2 Giulia Risorto
- 3 Kay Critchell
- 4 Denise House
- 5 Mathilde Castella (VC)
- 6 Caragh Hen
- 7 Leah Moore (C)
- 10 Aine Buckley
- 10 Suzy Beddow
- 11 Coby Brown
- 12 Fiona Game

NSW

- 1 Olivia Sanderson
- 2 Bem Lim
- 3 Andrea van Eyssen
- 5 Stephanie Coble-Runge
- 6 Jenny Wang
- 7 Rachel Hickey (C)
- 8 Claire Rocuet
- 9 Jenny Kennedy
- 12 JV Lim
- 14 Mariana Arujo
- 15 Marion Creser (VC)

Queensland

- 1 Jane Allan
- 2 Tania Hartley
- 3 Mikaela Davenport
- 4 Kate Howard (C)
- 5 Tanja Voser
- 6 Jess Morgan (VC)
- 7 Emma Pickstone
- 8 Bianca Molinari
- 9 Cindy Yang
- 10 Hollie Granger-Dee
- 12 Janet Meyer

Tasmania

- 1 Sasha Baudistel
- 2 Tori Wickham
- 3 Jana Talbot
- 4 Sunny Thompson
- 5 Hannah Robert-Tissot
- 6 Eliza Gaime
- 7 Briody Hilder (VC)
- 8 Dan Hunt (C)
- 9 Camille White
- 10 Mahala Fannon
- 12 Alyee Hancock
- 13 Alice Van der Woude

Victoria

- 1 Kasey Hoskins
- 2 Lucero Pudermo Cruz
- 3 Eden Brown
- 4 Amy Barry-Macaulay (VC)
- 5 Ella Davidson
- 7 Belinda Keeley
- 8 Romy Keppel
- 9 Megan Kepert (C)
- 10 Phoebe Stewart
- 11 Katelyn Tenbensel
- 13 Kirsteen Reid

Western Australia

- 1 Samantha Blackham
- 2 Clare Gleeson
- 3 Natalie Iredale
- 4 Bronwyn Mackenzie (VC)
- 5 Sarah Walker
- 7 Lilly Ladd-McGovern
- 8 Zoe Canavan (VC)
- 9 Kamila Reyes Perdomo
- 10 Jasmine Mann
- 12 Maggie Biffin
- 13 Jane Gilligan (C)

Chengdu

- 2 Han Zhilin (C)
- 3 Chen Nuo
- 4 Cui Lu Bing
- 5 Wang Jia Yi
- 6 Chen Jia Qi
- 7 Zhang Lin (VC)
- 9 Xie Rui Shu
- 10 Pan Ying Lin
- 11 Wu Ya Lin

Pacific Blue

- 2 Rachel Arbuckle
- 4 Tina Heir
- 5 Dani Gibson
- 6 Rachel Colquhoun
- 7 Sian van Dyk
- 8 Paige Moran (VC)
- 9 Gabby Hoskins
- 11 Maddy Foley
- 13 Georgia Child
- 14 Emma Rae (C)

Pacific Green

- 1 Rebecca Brosnan
- 3 Katelyn Smith
- 4 Caitlin Troy
- 6 Inge van Daalen (C)
- 9 Jess Huddart
- 10 Stella Mackrell
- 12 Electra Kalaugher
- 14 Carolyn Rohm (VC)
- 19 Sarah Apiti

MASTERS OPEN

NSW

- 1 Nat Marshall
- 2 Alistair Hickey
- 4 John Harrington
- 5 Jason Beck
- 6 Phil Ackerman (C)
- 7 Charl Pieterse
- 8 Darrell Campbell
- 9 Christopher Policarpo
- 10 Lee Thomas (VC)
- 11 Matt Terrey
- 12 Rob Papa

Queensland A

- 1 Gareth Janes
- 2 Ian Brown
- 3 Russel McCloy
- 4 Michael Du toit (VC)
- 5 Bruce Waldron
- 6 Andre Buck
- 7 Kieran MCGowan
- 8 Sean Hartley (C)
- 11 Adrian Houldey
- 13 Ben Armstone

Tasmania

- 1 Sam Oniell
- 2 Nadia Azzizabadi
- 3 Simon Talbot
- 4 Cris Bernardo
- 6 Chris Liang
- 8 Ange Nordstrom
- 10 Shaun Quin (C)
- 11 Lewis Mitchelmore
- 13 Dave Hilder

Western Australia

- 2 Greg Stinson (VC)
- 3 Rory Clifton-Parks
- 4 Pat Roberts
- 5 Jason Miezis (C)
- 7 Shane Blackham
- 8 Gareth Mann
- 9 Derek Dufall
- 10 Peter McGovern
- 11 Matt Hinchcliffe
- 13 Pat Kelly
- 31 Greg Bush

South Australia

- 1 Roy Binnekamp
- 4 Joe Tindal
- 5 Steve Rodda
- 6 Mark Mooney
- 7 Paul Manson (VC)
- 8 Nick Muecke
- 9 Rob McLean (C)
- 10 Karl Gehling
- 11 Barry Huston
- 13 Juan Castano

Chengdu

- 3 Liu Xiao Yi
- 5 Huang Yi Feng
- 6 Yang Hao Tian
- 7 Zhang Ling Lin (VC)
- 9 Wang Yi (C)
- 10 Li Kai Yu
- 11 Wang Kan
- 12 Hu Hao
- 13 Chi Xiao Song

Queensland B

- 1 Stefan Kruger
- 2 Todd Protheroe
- 4 David Riwoe
- 6 George Armstrong
- 7 Scott Thomason
- 8 Doug Morrison (C)
- 9 Steve Keegal (C)
- 11 Josh Poynton

U19 OPEN

Queensland A

- 1 Luke Williams (C)
- 3 Kai Wagner (C)
- 4 Hannah Fourie
- 5 Baden Adkins
- 6 Alex Barker
- 7 Cameron Johnson
- 8 Neave Fox
- 9 Quinn de Toit
- 10 Josiah Hartley
- 11 Jazmin Grainger-Dee
- 12 Sarah Hartley

Tasmania

- 1 William Grierson
- 2 Blair Shaddock
- 3 Rupert Hansen
- 4 Brumby Smalley
- 5 Edward Hepher (VC)
- 6 Sophie Williams (C)
- 7 Oliver Dalco
- 8 Gabrielle Larrison
- 9 Jessen Mitchelmore
- 10 Andrew Gregg
- 12 Jerry Eaton

Victoria

- 1 Kasey Hoskins (VC)
- 2 Darby Hoskins
- 3 Bradley Peters
- 4 Will Hopkins
- 5 Ben Robinson (C)
- 7 Tiana Krilcic
- 8 Isaak Campbell
- 9 Alexandra Dhar
- 11 Nathan Thatcher

Western Australia

- 1 Ethan Jones
- 2 Alby Rogers
- 3 Blake Jendrzajak
- 4 James Iredale (C)
- 5 Oliver Annear
- 7 Josephine Suryanto
- 9 Andrei Dufall
- 10 Jeremy Suryanto
- 11 Nickolas Zuideveld
- 12 Lachlan Suiter
- 14 Bailey Annear

Queensland B

- 2 Haydn Wilcock
- 3 Broden Protheroe
- 4 Lachlan Janes
- 5 Alice Allport
- 6 Jacob Brown
- 7 Harrison Brosnan
- 8 Savannah Frame
- 9 Amber Frame
- 10 Holly Thomas (C)
- 11 Maarten Dekeyser
- 12 Hollie Grainger-Dee (C)

U15 OPEN

Queensland

- 1 Beau Mittereger
- 2 Alex Huie
- 3 Braith Campbell
- 4 Alana Mehes
- 5 Willem Dekeyser
- 6 Jacob Brown
- 7 Rudi Kruger
- 8 Lien Dekeyser
- 9 Sue-Helen Van der Merwe
- 10 Augustus Tan
- 11 Mary-Anne Van der Merwe
- 12 Micky Protheroe

Victoria

- 1 Jack Borelli
- 2 Darby Hoskins (VC)
- 3 Jack Slattery
- 4 Taya Stringer
- 5 Dylan Shone
- 8 Claudia Tippett
- 9 Ella Berry
- 10 Freya Berry
- 11 Hamish Scothern (C)
- 12 Yvette Dhar
- 13 Lacey Phillips

WA Black

- 1 Eleka Marshall
- 2 Riley Stinson
- 3 Evie Stinson
- 4 Eli Garman
- 5 Jeremiah Barr (C)
- 6 Kaden Babich
- 8 Nellie Lee
- 9 Sienna Pike
- 10 Kya Digney (VC)
- 11 Ananda Dalenc
- 12 Ollie Rogers
- 13 An-né Pelsler

WA Gold

- 1 Jorja Horsfall
- 2 Kaspia Donovan
- 4 Kurtis Martin
- 5 Kai Cranfield
- 6 Tully Bligh (C)
- 7 Kaya Gilboa
- 8 Hamish Hiyard
- 9 Jess Babich
- 10 Liah Jones
- 11 Alex Weedon
- 12 Huon House (VC)
- 13 Ariana Lloyd

NSW

- 1 Bryan Matthew Jalleh
- 4 Chantal Brosnan (C)
- 5 Max Ernst
- 6 Rocco Thomason
- 8 Inez Tan
- 10 Elena Mooney
- 11 Shaena Perera
- 12 Sienna Thomason (VC)
- 13 Joel Powell
- 14 Jack Smit
- 18 Linaysha Perera

China

- 3 Tang Hao Tian
- 9 Feng Yu Tai
- 40 Yu Jing Han
- 55 Li Zhuo Yuan (C)
- 85 Tian Ling Ying (Vc)
- 89 Zhu Zi Ao
- 91 He Jun Rui
- 116 Yan Yao Ning
- 118 Yu Hao Dong
- 122 Zhang Yu Chen
- 130 Zheng Kai Ning

Luna Park Function

Crystal Palace, LUNA PARK, Friday 24th January

THEME: CIRQUE DU SYDNEY



The function for both Seniors and Juniors will be held at Luna Park Sydney. All U/18 tickets have unlimited rides included in their ticket.

Timings:

6:30pm	Function Opens*
7pm	Buffet Dinner is served.
8pm	Juniors must leave the function room. Juniors will not be allowed back in after this time. <u>Alcohol is not allowed out of the function room.</u>
10pm	Rides close.
10:30pm	Function closes.

**Those with 'All Day (unlimited) ride passes' can arrive at Luna Park before the official time of 6.30pm to go on rides early.*

Ride passes: A pre-purchased All Day (unlimited) Ride Pass costs \$29 (deadline Weds 22nd Jan or \$57 at the gate).

Sampler Pass costs \$15 (2 rides only).

The cost for ride passes is the same for Adults and Children.

Location and Transport

1 Olympic Drive, Milsons Point. It's incredibly easy to access by train, ferry, bus or car.

Car: There is on-site car parking facilities, Entry is via Paul Street. Pre-purchased discounted tickets are available on application.

Train: From Milsons Point station, it's an easy five minute walk to Luna Park.

Bus: Many North Shore bus routes pass the nearby North Sydney Station and/or terminate at Milsons Point.

Ferry: There are regular services to and from Circular Quay on the following routes; Darling Harbour/East Balmain, Woolwich/Balmain and Parramatta.

Pool & venue layout

Contrary to previous information packs, In water substitution will be employed in both courts.

Both courts will have temporary markings used for the duration of the tournament.

COURT 1: Used for all Elite Men's and Elite women's games and a few Masters Games

Court size: 21m x 15 m

Court Depth: 2.00 m

Court 1 will use three temporary side/end boundaries and one permanent side boundary.

COURT 2: Used for all U19, U15 and most Masters games

Court size: 18m x 15m

Court Depth: 1.80 m

Court 2 will use three permanent boundaries and one temporary side boundary

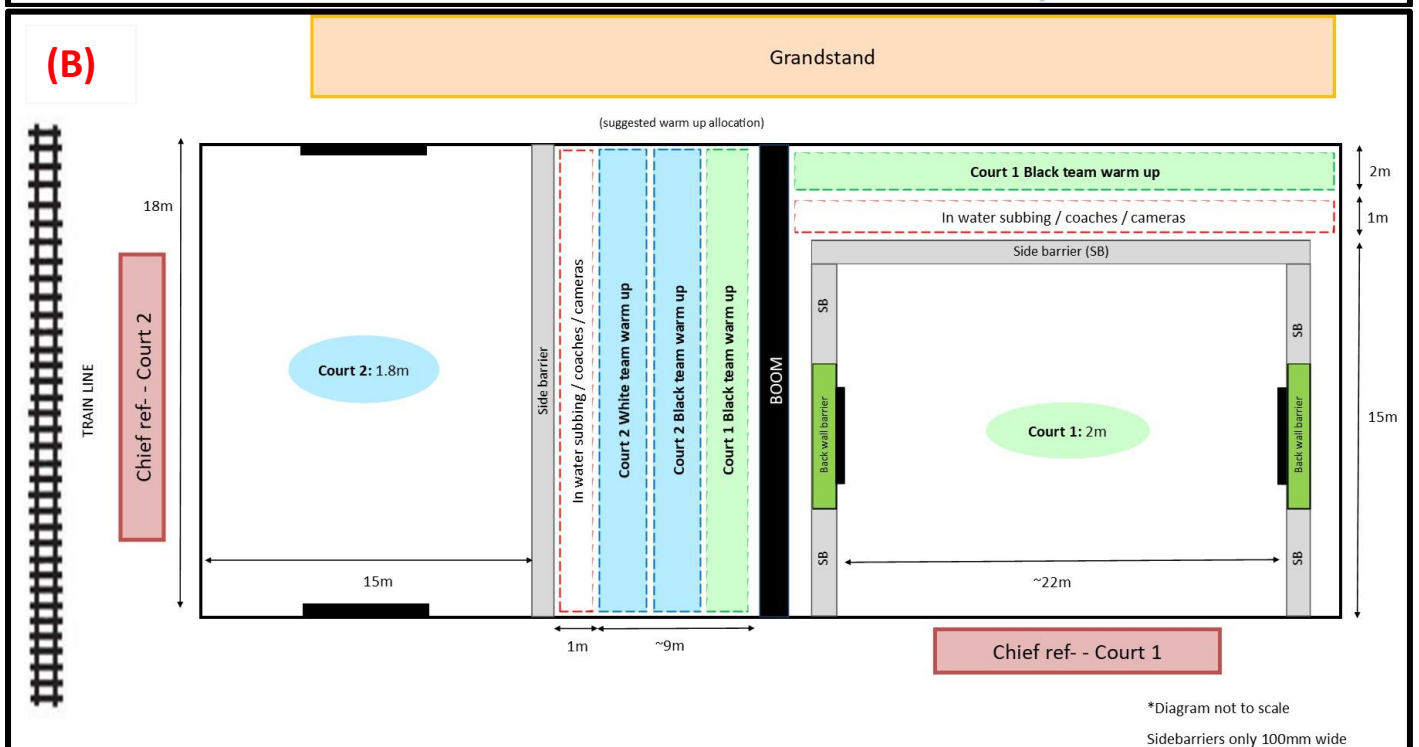
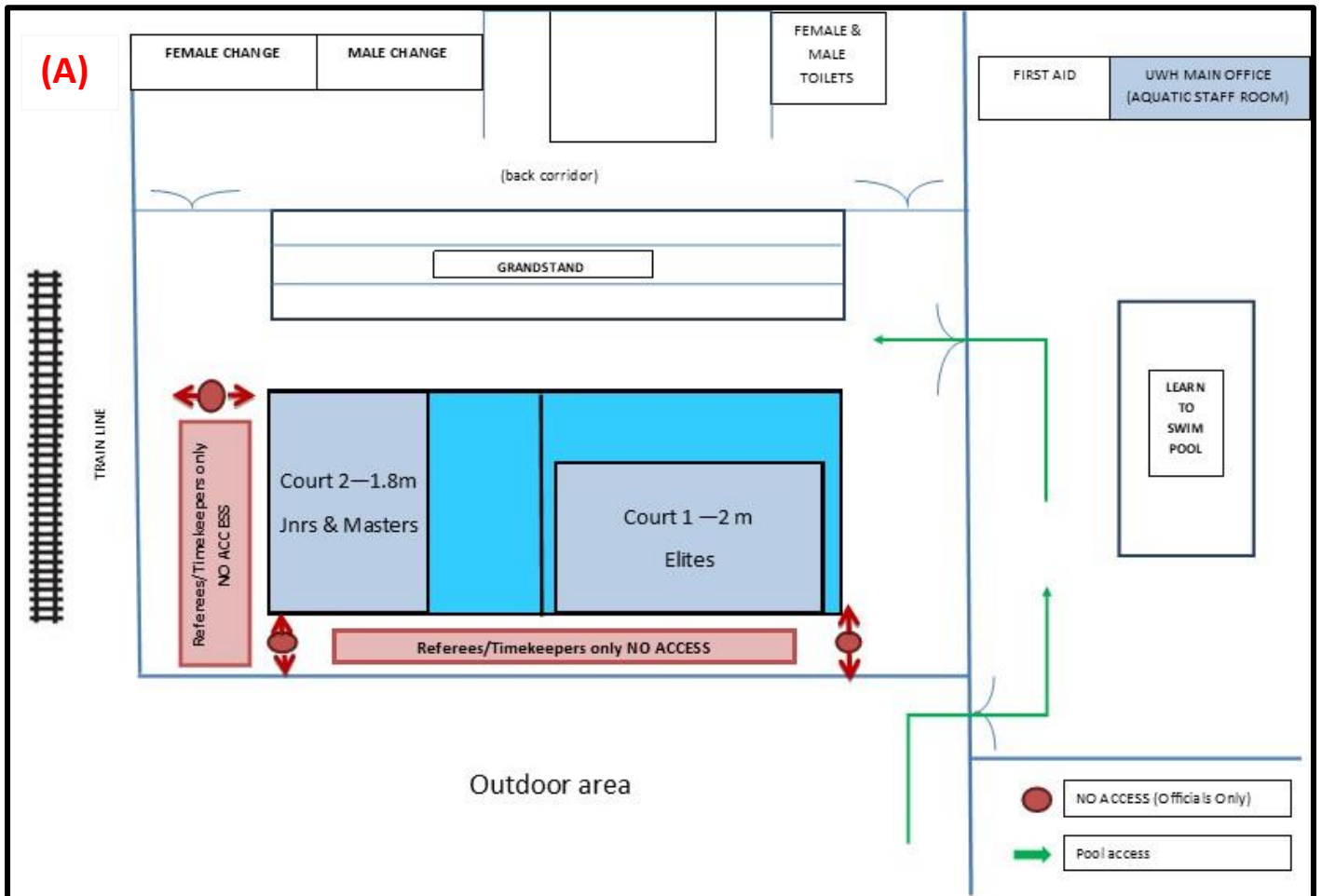


Figure 1. (A) Layout of Knox Aquatic Centre (access, toilets, first aid etc.) **(B)** Layout of pool setup. Note – diagrams not to scale.

Campus map

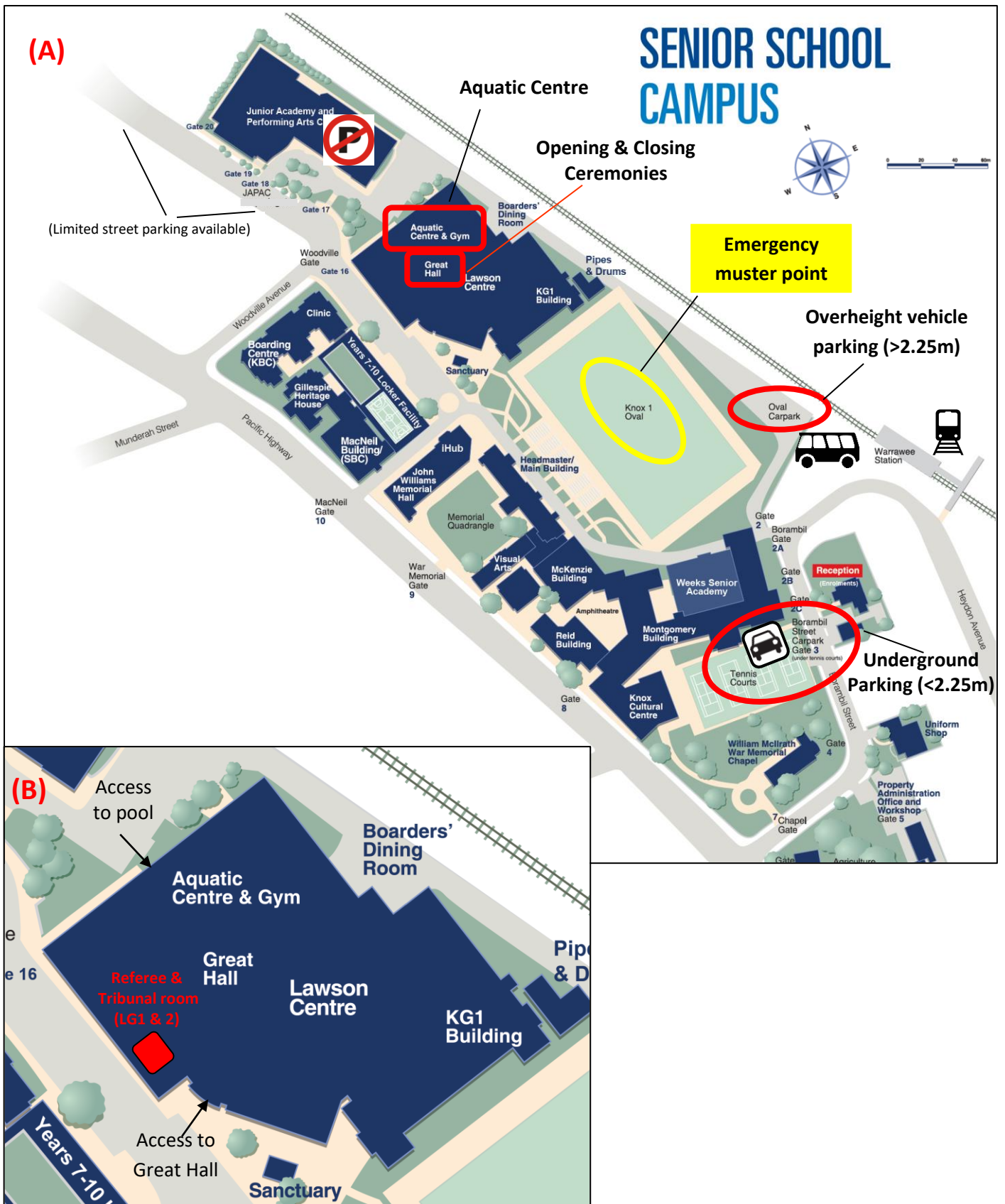


Figure 2. (A) Knox Grammar Campus Map (B) Inset of Aquatic Centre & Great Hall

HOUSEKEEPING

Gear checks

Gear checks will be conducted by tournament referees outside the front of the pool, from 11am – 2pm on Sunday 19th January. Every player in each team must have their gear checked before the competition commences. Please conduct the gear check as a team to streamline the process for our referees. **All players must bring some form of photo ID (licence, passport, school ID with DOB etc.). Photo/copy of a passport is fine.**

Kit Bags

Due to limited space within the pool complex only essential gear for a teams upcoming game will be allowed inside the pool area (including the grandstand). There will be marquees outside the venue to provide shade for those teams waiting in between games.

Any gear bags found in the pool area will be removed by tournament organisers and placed in the “Lost and Found” Area.

Warmup

1st slot of each session: Teams may enter the water after **ALL** the lane ropes have been taken out by the aquatic staff. This take place from 8.55am in the mornings and by 6pm in the afternoons. Reportedly it takes 15-20mins so all teams playing in the first game after a break should have a **minimum of 10 minutes in-water warmup**. We apologise for any inconvenience caused, however we can not extend our pool bookings any further due to swim squads training for their national championships.

Allocated warm up areas: For all other games, as you will see in Figure 1B, the space available for warming up once games commence is limited. We recommend teams follow **Figure 1.B**, whereby the black team for Court 1 warms up in the area behind the sub benches and the white team for Court 1 shares the remaining space with the Court 2 teams.

We understand that this may not be ideal, however it is a compromise to allow in-water subbing so coaches can communicate with their subs during the game in-lieu of no-timeouts during the round robin (also so players can follow the game from the sub-bench)

Game Times

The competition will be played with games in 39 minute time slots, therefore teams need to make sure that they leave the court area promptly at the conclusion of their games.

Game On App

The full draw and “real time” updating of scores throughout the competition, as well as each divisions competition ladder. Full details of how to use the app can be found at the end of this document (Appendix A).

B – Section Rules

The B-Section rules can be found at the end of this document (Appendix B).

Car parking

Knox have been kind enough to grant access to an underground carpark adjacent on campus (Borambil Carpark - underneath the tennis courts, **Fig. 2A**). Access is from Borambil St and has around 120 spaces. **Please note this is on the opposite side of the campus to where the carpark in 2015 was located, so please do not attempt to access the carpark in front of the pool.** It is not available to us due to construction works.

Access to the Borambil carpark is as follows:

Sunday 19th – Tues 21st: boomgates will be open from 8am onwards

Weds 22nd – Fri 24th: Knox staff return on the Wednesday and get priority. The boomgates will open from 8.15am and any spots not taken by staff will be available to competitors.

The height limit for the underground carpark 2.25m, so for any overheight vehicles, i.e. minibuses, there is parking available inside the school grounds, adjacent to the oval behind the pool ('Oval Carpark' **Fig. 2A**). Note – there is a large amount of construction on campus currently, so spots in the oval carpark may be limited.

If all else fails there is timed and untimed parking available on Woodville Ave. Don't risk parking on the Pacific Highway in case of clearways etc (if you are not familiar with Sydney's stringent parking rules 😊).

Sports Physiotherapy

A Voluntary Sports Physiotherapy Service will be available poolside during the 2020 Australian Underwater Hockey Championships. These services are independently supplied by Mr. Nick Stepkovitch – Sports and Musculoskeletal, and Australian UWH Physiotherapist, complemented by a team of qualified physiotherapist in addition to postgraduate and undergraduate students. This service is available to all UWH players, referees and support staff. They will be located in the Great Hall (location of the opening ceremony).

Nick can be contacted on 0412 167 976

The GAME ON Tournament App

(will be up and running by Sunday 19th January)

How to Download GAME ON

Step 1: Go to the website, <https://www.gameonmobile.com/>

Step 2: Choose to either view from your computer or download the app to view from your phone/tablet

Step 3: Search "underwater hockey"

Step 4: Select the league(s) you want to explore (open, ladies, masters, U19, U15)

How to get the most out of your GAME ON

I recommend that you take a few moments to set up your League and Team favourites by clicking on the Settings icon (a cog).

- By making a **League** your "favourite" you can ensure that the League will always appear on your dashboard when you open the App (ie, no more searching).
- By making a **Team** your "favourite" you can:
 - Access your Team Profile page which shows only your schedule, your results and your overall position
 - Set your Notifications (eg, choose to get result notifications for all your state teams' games or your oppositions)

Other things you need to know about GAME ON

1. The app is set up to have "home" versus "away" games, as opposed to black/white. The first team listed is WHITE.
2. The numbers after the team names (0-0-0), show a summary of a team's standing (wins-losses-ties).
3. We will be aiming to get close to real time data entry so that scores and team standings are always up to date. If there is a discrepancy between the score entered in GAME ON and the score entered on the signed scoresheet, then please let Wendy Stepkovitch know (nswuwhmgr@gmail.com or in the UWH MAIN OFFICE – **Fig. 1A**). Unless there is evidence to the contrary, the signed scoresheet will be treated as the correct version.

B-Section Rules

The Tournament Chief Referee shall be Mrs. Helen Canavan.

The rules for this competition will be read in the following order:

these “B” Section rules; and

version 11.00 July 2018 of the CMAS rules for Underwater Hockey - available from the CMAS web site at

<http://www.cmas.org/>

1. VENUE:

The site for the Competition shall be Knox Grammar School Aquatic Centre. Should an alternative site be required, teams will be advised by the Convenor.

All Competitors, Officials and Spectators will be subject to the Conditions of Hire imposed on the Host by the Pool Manager. These are available from the Convenor for viewing.

All tournament games will be played in two courts of the following dimensions. See Figure 1B.

Court 1 – Length: 22m* Width: 15m Depth: 2.0m (* +/- 0.5m, dependent on issues with pool setup)

Court 2 – Length: 18m Width: 15m Depth: 1.8m

Black team will start from the following:

Court 1: The BULKHEAD end of the Court.

Court 2: The GRANDSTAND side of the Court

Competitors, Officials and others attending the competition shall not fix signage or similar devices to any parts of the pool complex without the written approval of the Convenor.

Competition categories will be Open Elite, Women’s Elite, Open Master’s, Under 19 Open and Under 15 Open.

2. REFEREES MEETING:

A Referees meeting will be held on Sunday 19th January from 1:00 – 1:30pm (subject to change pending arrivals). It

is envisaged that the meeting will take approximately 30 minutes. The venue for the meeting will be the LG1

Classroom, Knox Grammar School (FIG. 2B).

All Non Playing Referees and individuals nominated as ‘playing referees’ (deck and water) must attend this meeting.

3. CAPTAINS MEETING:

A Captains meeting will be held on Sunday 19th January immediately after the opening ceremony (14:30 start) which should finish by 15:15. It is envisaged that the meeting will take 30 minutes. Coaches, Captains and Vice-Captains are expected to attend, and are responsible for the dissemination of information from the meeting to their teams. The venue for the meeting will be in the Great Hall Building, Knox Grammar School immediately following the official opening.

4. REFEREES, SCORERS & TIMEKEEPERS:

Competition refereeing duties have been allocated to non-playing referees wherever possible.

In addition, each team has been rostered to provide one scorer and one timekeeper for some games. Please note that where a State team is rostered to provide officials for any slot, that team does not have to actually DO the refereeing they are scheduled for, but it is their responsibility to find any replacements needed, and the replacements MUST meet all requirements detailed below (unless otherwise approved by the Australian Chief Referee). There will be tournament volunteers around the pool, and they **may choose** to take-over a team's rostered duty but it **is not** an expectation that they will fill in all requests to timekeep/score.

If any officials that a rostered team is responsible for supplying cause a game to start late, according to the main game clock, the rostered team will lose competition points as follows:

between 0 to 2 minutes late - lose 1 game point;

between 2 to 5 minutes - lose 2 game points;

more than 5 minutes late - lose 3 game points;

Don't show at all – lose 4 game points.

5. SCORESHEETS:

Pre-printed scoresheets for each game will be placed at the official's desk for each court on the morning of each competition day.

Team Captains are responsible for ensuring that their team details are correct on the game scoresheet prior to each of their games – including deleting the names of any players not participating in the game, and ensuring all cap numbers are correct on the scoresheet. Teams will lose 1 competition point if this is not done before the start of the game.

6. VESTS:

Vests need not be worn, but team colours must be approved prior to the competition by the Chief Referee, as detailed below.

7. TEAM COLOURS:

Team colours for each game shall be as indicated in the competition draw, GameOn App and draw at the pool. Teams may wear State colours unless these clash with colours already approved* for another team as determined by the Australian Chief Referee in accordance with the UHA Guidelines on Organising a National Underwater Hockey Tournament. Please be aware that if there is a clash with an opposing team (as determined by the Australian Chief Referee), then the team without prior approval may be required to wear vests, obtain new bathers - or forfeit games where they have not taken steps to identify and remedy the situation prior to playing a game.

** Approval may be sought up to 90 days prior to start of competition, from the Chief Referee.*

8. PLAYING COURT MARKINGS:

The playing court is completely marked as per the rules for underwater hockey but markings may be 'dashed' rather than solid lines. Details will be provided at the Referees and Captains meeting prior to the start of the competition. The markings are in chinagraph pencil where coloured pool tiles are absent.

9. PUCK:

During ALL activities comprising the Competition, the only pucks that may be used in the pool shall be the Simms Puck. **No uncoated pucks are to be used in the pool at any time.**

Due to potential for damage to the pool bottom, only approved "super soft" style pucks may be used in the pool and must be approved by the tournament organiser. Any unapproved pucks found will be confiscated and not returned.

There will be pucks available for team practice on Day 1 and warming up during the competition. These will need to be signed in and out at the score desk for each court.

10. AUF/UWHA:

All players must be current AUF/UWHA members, and it is the responsibility of each State to check this. Teams found to have played individuals who are not current AUF/UWHA members, will be deemed ineligible for points gained from any games where an offender has played.

11. THE SIDE BARRIER:

Where the side barrier or end wall of a court is not the actual pool wall, it will be an aluminium barrier secured to the pool bottom, with a floating canvas extension of approximately 500-600mm in height. Should an individual gain any advantage from holding this barrier, the offending team will have an advantage puck awarded against them. A time penalty may be awarded for repeated infringements at the discretion of the Water Referees.

See the **Figure 1B** for a description of court set-up.

12. THE GOAL TRAYS

Where the goal trays are not bolted to the pool bottom, heavy stainless steel goals will be used, weighing approx. 25 kg. Should an individual gain any advantage from intentionally moving or attempting to move the goal, the offending team will have an advantage puck awarded against them. A time penalty may be awarded for repeated infringements at the discretion of the Water Referees.

13. TOURNAMENT TRIBUNAL:

Abuse of any official by players, coaches, or any other member of an underwater hockey team will not be tolerated. Any instance of such behaviour during the tournament (whether during a game or not) may be reported to a tournament tribunal, and instances occurring during a game must be reported to the tribunal by the Match Referee (regardless of whether a penalty is given at the time of the incident or not).

The tournament tribunal shall be made up of the following individuals:

- a non-playing coach from one of the attending teams, to be selected by all individuals attending the pretournament Captains meeting;
- a player's representative from one of the attending teams, to be selected by all Captains attending the pretournament Captains meeting.

Where the team (not the State) of either the non-playing coach, or the player's representative is involved in a report, a replacement shall be selected by the Tournament Chief Referee, in consultation with as many coaches and players as can easily be located and spoken to.

The tournament tribunal shall have the power to determine the severity of any penalty for serious offences reported to them during the tournament, and depending on the nature of the incident such penalties may range from a suspended sentence, through to expulsion from the tournament.

14. PROTEST AND APPEALS:

Only the team captain in the water may protest to a Water Referee, and such protest MUST at all times be made politely (as deemed by the Referee), or a time penalty may be given against the Team Captain by the Referee. Any other player (or coach) addressing any Referee may be given a time penalty without warning for a first offence.

If a team so wishes, a written protest regarding the game result may be lodged with the Tournament Chief Referee after any game, but it shall not be considered unless received within 30 minutes from full time and accompanied by a non-refundable A\$50.00 fee. Any protests will be reviewed by the Tournament Tribunal, and again, should any of the tribunal members be 'related' to the protesting Team, a replacement member shall be found.

15. TOURNAMENT PARTICIPANT'S CODE OF CONDUCT:

The conduct of all participants in the 2020 Australian National Championships and any of their guests, at any time they are representing their State (i.e. training sessions, games, social functions etc.) must be of a standard that does not detract from the good reputation of Underwater Hockey Australia (or their State);

A player or official who unduly interferes with, assaults, strikes or uses abusive, threatening or insulting language or behaviour towards another player or official may be reported by any individual to any member of the 2020 Nationals organising committee, or the Tournament Referee;

Upon receiving a report, any member of the 2020 Nationals organising committee shall either take immediate action to have the offender(s) removed from the area, or caution the offender(s);

Within twenty four hours of any report of misconduct, a meeting of the tournament tribunal shall be convened with the following people present:

- The Offender(s)
- The Person making the Report
- Any Witness/es
- The Captain of the Offender's Team (if applicable)
- All members of the tournament tribunal (or their replacements if necessary).

Upon hearing all relevant details, the tribunal shall decide upon what action, if any, should be taken.

16. TIMEOUTS:

No teams will be able to call teams timeouts during the round robin, including the seeding matches for the U15s division. The only timeouts during these games will be referee timeouts. Once the finals commence, time has been allocated to allow for team time-outs to occur like normal. This is due to issues with pool availability and the amount of teams that expressed interest in attending this year, hence the decision was made in conjunction with Underwater Hockey Australia to have no timeouts so we could fit the minimum number of games required per division.

17. OTHER RULES:

A number of rules either replacing, or in addition to those in the CMAS rules for Underwater Hockey will be used during the 2020 Australian National Championships, as outlined below.

Any issues requiring a decision or interpretation during the course of the competition, over and above the items listed below shall be made by the Tournament Chief Referee.

(I) Referees

All non-playing referees are considered neutral. Therefore there will be times where non-playing referees will be refereeing the same state in which they play. Referees, where possible, will not be rostered to referee any games where any player from either team is related to the referee, or the referee has excused themselves from a game for any reasonable grounds, in consultation with the Australian Director of Refereeing. Playing referees will not be

rostered onto any games within their division, and where possible, will not be rostered on to referee the same state in which they play.

(II) In Water Sideline Substitution

15.2.2.1 Both team substitution areas will be marked on the same side of the playing area. The placement of the substitution areas will be the sideline opposite the Deck Referee and Timekeeper/Scorer so substitution can be easily observed.

15.2.2.3 Each team's substitution areas will be located along the sideline in the 4 meter long area **starting 2.5m** away from the end line containing the goal that the team is defending.

15.2.2.3.1 A taut floating rope will mark the edge of the team substitution area. There will be no loose floating rope above the sideline.

15.2.2.3.2 Players may not hang on the floating ropes delineating the team substitution areas.

15.2.2.3.3 It is forbidden for players to move any floating lines to gain an advantage. Doing so will result in a 2 minute unsportsmanlike penalty. There is no caution given.

15.2.2.4 A player exiting the playing area is deemed to be fully within the teams substitution area when his/her snorkel breaks the water surface within the substitution area.

15.2.2.5 The substituting player may not enter the playing area until the exiting player's snorkel breaks the surface of the water in the substitution area. The substituting player is deemed to have left the team substitution area when his/her snorkel submerges beneath the water surface in the team substitution area.

15.2.2.6 When substitutes enter the playing area after a goal is scored or following the playing of a penalty shot, they must touch their end line before re-entering play unless play has restarted the puck is 'in possession'.

15.2.2.7 The four substitutes may be used while a match is underway, i.e., substituting on-the-fly, or at any natural break in the play, e.g., puck out-of-bounds, penalty, goal, half-time or time-out period.

15.2.2.8 One, two, three, or four players may be substituted at a time.

15.2.2.9 Infringing substitute(s) will incur a one or two minute penalty. That team will play without players equal to the number of infringing substitutes.

15.2.2.10 When the Chief Referee cannot identify the infringing player, they will advise the captain of the infringing team to designate the infringing player. The captain or vice-captain has 5 seconds to do so. If the captain or vice-captain should fail to designate any team member within this period, the captain will be sent to the penalty box to serve the penalty.

15.2.2.11 Referees will not wait for infringing team substitutes to find their playing positions during an advantage puck.

15.2.2.12 Players who have left the court to allow a substitute to enter the play become substitutes and must wait in their team substitution area until required.

Time penalised players entering play must SLIDE into the water on release from the penalty area at all times.

(III) Penalty Area

Players receiving a timeout penalty will have their penalty time begin when they are completely out of the water on the side of the pool near the penalty box, at the discretion of the Chief referee. Players must slide into the water at the completion of their time-out from in front of the designated penalty box.

(IV) Time Penalties

In any time penalty situation where the game clock has been stopped, the time penalty timer/s shall also be stopped (or not started) until play is restarted;

(V) Time Outs

As well as the CMAS rules for time outs, the following shall apply:

At the discretion of any Referee, the failure of a penalised player to meet the requirements of *Section 14.2.6.4* may result in a further 2 minute time penalty being applied to them.

Where a coach fails to leave the playing area by the end of the time out period, a 2 minute time penalty may be applied to one of the offending team's players – to be selected by the Referee (to save time).

(VI) Penalty Shots

Where the court end walls are not the actual pool wall (Court 1) the following will be enacted to replace *Section 17.8.2.1* to ensure the rest of *Section 17* can take place. Defenders will need to drop down and touch the artificial back wall before the attackers touch the puck; once the play has commenced the defender may leave the back wall provided they were touching it before play resumed. Normal rules will apply in Court 2, to be clarified at the captains meeting.

(VII) Starting Play

Where the court end wall is not the actual pool wall (Court 1) the following will be enacted to replace *Section 15.1.1* so that the rest of 15.1 can take place.

“At the beginning of a match, after half-time, after a goal is scored, or after a Penalty Shot has been played, the starting positions of the players of each team are in the water behind their respective end-lines, **with each player having at least one hand in contact with the actual pool wall or bulkhead**. This hand must be visible to the Officials.”

(VIII) Coaching from the water

Coaches may talk to their bench players from the water, provided this is done as politely as possible. If any abuse (with or without expletives) or other derogatory language is noted by any tournament official or referee, then the individual concerned WILL be ejected from the game area for the remainder of that game.

A second occurrence by the same coach will result in that individual not being able to talk to their players from the water at all, for the remainder of the tournament

(XI) Player Numbering

Players are required to mark their cap numbers on both upper arms (or forearms) to assist in player identification during play. Numbers must have a minimum height of 7.5cm and be of a contrasting colour to the player's skin.

(X) Mouthguards

All athletes participating at the 2020 Australian National Underwater Hockey Championships must wear some form of mouthguard that will provide their teeth with adequate impact protection should they be hit by a foot, an elbow, a puck, or any of the other 'items' that occasionally contact individuals playing underwater hockey. If you are not sure what mouthguard type is best – consult a dentist for advice.

(XII) Recording Games

Filming other than that carried out by the official camera operators will be permitted during games provided:

- There is only one per team
- The camera operator doesn't interfere with official filming, game play or refereeing
- Remains outside the court boundaries
- Is clearly identified by not wearing any cap or colours
- Will exit the space immediately and without question if directed to do so by either an in water referee, chief referee or any other person officiating the game. Failure to do so will result in disciplinary action against the person and/or the team associated with that person.