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Information Pack 2019

The Sydney Kings Underwater Hockey Club are excited to announce that we are hosting Australia's first open club championships in one of the best pools in the world – in partnership with Gold Coast Underwater Hockey.

All Australian and overseas clubs are invited to join us on the Gold Coast in June to battle it out for the inaugural King's Cup!

Competition Schedule:

Saturday June 8th 2019: < 9am Opening ceremony/captains meeting
9am-5pm – Kings Cup

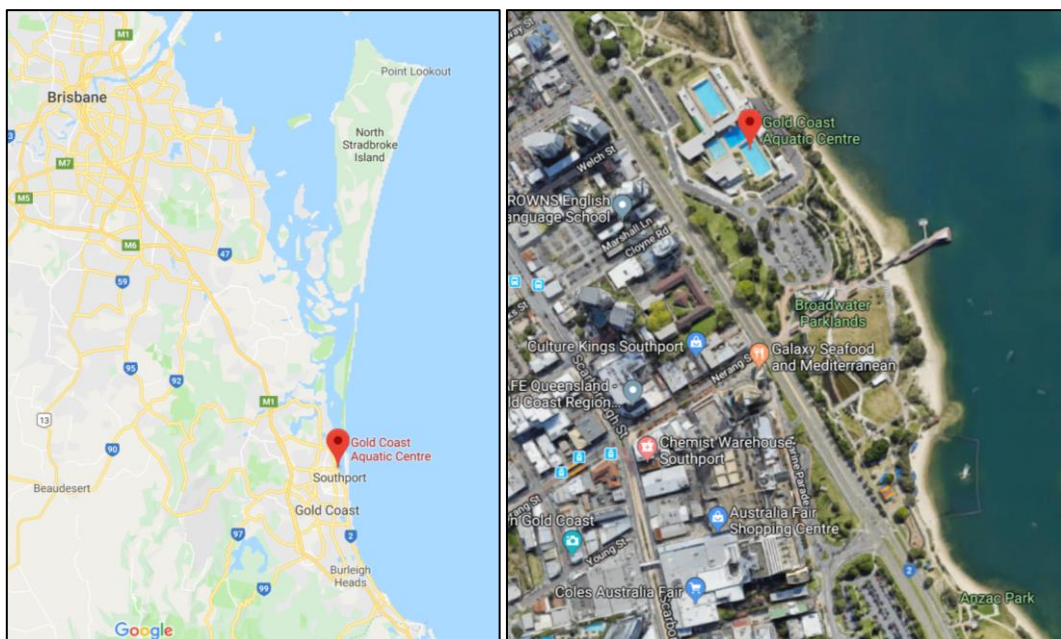
Sunday June 9th 2019: 9am-5pm – Kings Cup
7pm – 11pm Function (Location TBA)

Monday June 10th 2019: Queens Birthday Public holiday (NSW, VIC, TAS)

Venue:

Gold Coast Aquatic Centre, Marine Pde, Southport QLD 4215

Yes this is the same venue that will host the Elite and Masters UWH World Championships in July 2020. The courts are full competition size and play is width-wise across the pool with 3 walls and a barrier on the 4th side. Substitution will be in water. Warm up lanes will be provided between the 2 courts.



This is an outdoor venue with a grassed area, open grandstands and limited table and shaded areas next to the pool. The competition will be in the Queensland winter so mild temperatures are expected, however teams should still consider sun protection when planning. Marquees will be installed to shade teams while at the venue. There is a café attached to the pool (Café Catalina) which provides food and drinks. Australia Fair Shopping Centre is a 7 minute walk from the pool.

Divisions:

- A Grade (opens)
- B Grade (opens)
- Women's grade

All Australian and international club teams are invited to attend. Up to 12 players per team will be accepted. We understand that each club may not be able to field a full compliment of women's players, in which case they are encouraged to send regional women's teams.

Female athletes can enter in both the women's grade and A or B grade. U/19 players are encouraged to play as part of their club teams in a grade suitable to their development.

If any individual players would like to attend and are not otherwise affiliated to an Australian club, please message us (see contact details below).

Medal eligibility:

Please note that the non-resident player rule as per the Australian National UWH Championships will apply, whereby to be eligible for medals, teams can have no more than two non-resident players from outside their club*

- As per nationals, players who have been previous members of a club but are not currently living in that area do not count as a non-resident player
- Dispensations will be made for regional teams without a full complement of players to be able to send away a club team, i.e. women's teams

International and/or barbarian teams can compete in the finals but will not be eligible for medals for the Australian Club Championship.

Format:

- <5 teams per division – double round robin with finals
- 5-8 teams per division – single round robin with top 4 progressing to finals
- > 8 teams per division – 2 pools/groups, single round robin in each with top 2 teams (minimum) in each pool progressing to finals

Game length:

- 10 minute halves
- 3 minute half time
- 3 minutes in between games

Pucks: The SIMMS puck will be used.

Registration:

Competition fees (excludes function):

\$600 per team (up to 12 players)

A \$20 discount will apply for each junior* (U/19) on a team, i.e. for a team with 2 juniors, the team fee will be \$560

*Under 19 years of age on the 1st of January 2019

Team registration deadline: Friday 26th April 2019

Team lists and final player payments: Friday 17th May 2019

To enter a team please email sydneybookings@nswunderwaterhockey.com for the registration link

Function:

Location TBA, but likely to be at a surf club or pub somewhere close to Southport. Function not included in competition fees. Will be a mixed function (juniors and seniors).

Travel:

Gold Coast Airport – approximately a 40 minute drive from the venue.

Brisbane Airport – approximately 1 hour drive from the venue.

Helensvale Train Station – 1 hour, 40 minute train ride from Brisbane airport, 20 minute drive from the venue.

Accommodation:

There are plenty of accommodation options on the northern end of the Gold Coast ranging from cabins within camping grounds/holiday parks, family apartments to high-end hotels.

Competition and Game enquiries:

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