



**Dunedin Ice Hockey Association**

**Membership Booklet 2010**



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## From the President

Welcome to the 2010 Dunedin ice hockey season. This membership booklet, a new innovation for 2010, is your complete guide to ice hockey in Dunedin for the upcoming season. We're adding some additional practices and leagues to our offerings, and looking to simplify the process of paying for, practicing, and playing ice hockey.

One change you'll have already experienced. All registrations to the club are now handled via *ClubHub*, an online system that deals with registrations, organisation of players into teams and leagues, and communication with players. You can now register with the club via the internet, and transfer your money via online banking. We will still hold a registration night, which will again pair with a gear sale to enable members to sell their gear, and pick up some cheap deals.

The second innovation will kick off early in the season; a premier league, open to all players 16 and over of sufficient skill level. This league will provide a local venue for top level hockey, without players having to travel around the Southern Region, or play for Dunedin Thunder. It is designed to raise the skill level of a wider group of senior players.

The third will be the club's new brand, which is the completion of a process that began almost three years ago. Many people have helped move this process along, but we must particularly pay tribute to Mike Ivall, an amateur designer based in Toronto. He was willing to allow us to use his Penguins design for the club, and we are indebted to him for his generosity.

You will be seeing this design on all club materials from now on – ice hockey tops, merchandising such as hats, hoodies, stickers, posters. For the 2010 season, rather than the club provide tops for its rep (travelling) teams, members will have to buy their own tops and socks. This will enable them to choose their own number (as long as there are no conflicts), and put their name on their top. A price for this will be announced soon.

The fourth will be a new system for members to borrow gear. Due to successful fundraising in 2009 the club is now able to lend out gear to members for the length of a season or league, rather than handing it out and in each night, by simply filling in a gear form and depositing a bond. Talk to your manager or league coordinator about accessing gear for the season.

There are many things that make a strong sports club, but primarily the club is about the combined work of many volunteers, offering their skills in very many areas. For the club to grow, in numbers, talent, gear, we need more volunteers to offer their time to assist. Helping organise leagues or practices, handing out and fixing gear, managing teams, fundraising, or working in the scoreboard; there are a hundred jobs that the club needs done every year. Please let a member of the Board of Directors know if you are able to help in any way. What we need most above everything else is more players. Members show a tremendous devotion to travelling around the country to play ice hockey but increased numbers of players at all levels will mean that more and more we can offer a domestic ice hockey competition right here in Dunedin. Please bring future ice hockey stars along to kiwihockey, adult beginners, and our DIHL B league and encourage them to play the game.

I'd appreciate your feedback on all these developments, and the club in general. We always seek to take this into account both during the year, and as we plan for future years.

Kyle Matthews  
President 2010

## Dunedin Ice Hockey Association

The Dunedin Ice Hockey Association (originally the Dunedin Ice Hockey Club) was formed in 1990. Since 1992 the club has played under the name 'Penguins', and in 2010 the club will be adopting a new penguin logo, tops, and brand to continue this proud history.

In 2009 the association adopted a new constitution. This lists the objects of the association as:

1. To initiate, organise, conduct, foster and promote the sport of amateur ice hockey in the Dunedin area, making it accessible to all ages and skill levels.
2. To make Rules and By-Laws for the control of the sport and its administration in Dunedin, and to require all members to recognise the DIHA as having the final right to determine, whether by way of appeal or otherwise, all disputes in relation to the sport, this Constitution, Rules and By-Laws.
3. To initiate, organise and conduct programmes and competitions designed to develop the skills of its players, teams, coaches and officials.
4. To foster and promote good sportsmanship.

To fulfill these objects the association does the following:

1. Partnership in Ice Sports Dunedin, the incorporated society that manages the Dunedin Ice Stadium, with the Dunedin Ice Skating Club and Dunedin Curling Club.
2. Affiliation to the New Zealand Ice Hockey Federation through the Southern Ice Hockey League (all hockey clubs south of Christchurch).
3. Registration of players with the local, regional, and national association.
4. Organisation of practices, including coaches to develop player and team skills at all levels. Since 2007 the club has employed a professional coach to help drive player and coach development.
5. Organisation of local games and leagues, including Saturday club nights, Dunedin Ice Hockey League, Oldtimers League, Premier League, including provision of off- and on-ice officials.
6. Involvement with partnership ice hockey programmes, including the Dunedin High Schools Ice Hockey League, and the Dunedin Thunder team playing in the New Zealand Ice Hockey League.

In 2010, the club will be continuing its existing programme, and seeking to develop the following:

1. Promotion of Kiwihockey through primary schools into a programme that drives strong growth in ice hockey in Dunedin.
2. The development of high school hockey A grade into a competitive contact league that pushes player development to higher levels.
3. The creation of a Dunedin Premier League that helps players bridge the gap from youth or senior non-checking hockey, to the Dunedin Thunder.

The club will be seeking your help with these and its existing programmes. Both off- and on-ice, ice hockey in Dunedin is driven and made successful by volunteers. If you are at all able to help contact a member of the Board of Directors.

## Club Structure

The club Board of Directors is made up of seven people elected at the Annual General Meeting, which is held in November. The board has two distinct threads – an 'ice team', with Vice-Presidents of Youth Hockey, Adult Hockey, and Hockey Operations, and an 'executive team', with a Treasurer, Secretary, and Vice-President of Communications.

The board meets monthly and is responsible for controlling all aspects of club activity.

Beneath all of these positions sit the various managers and volunteers that make running the association and its various activities possible. These sub-groups will meet from time to time to discuss their particular aspects. Signing on to help organise DIHL hockey for example, might see you meeting with the Adult Hockey Vice-President before the league begins. Contact the relevant board member to get involved.

## Board Members 2010

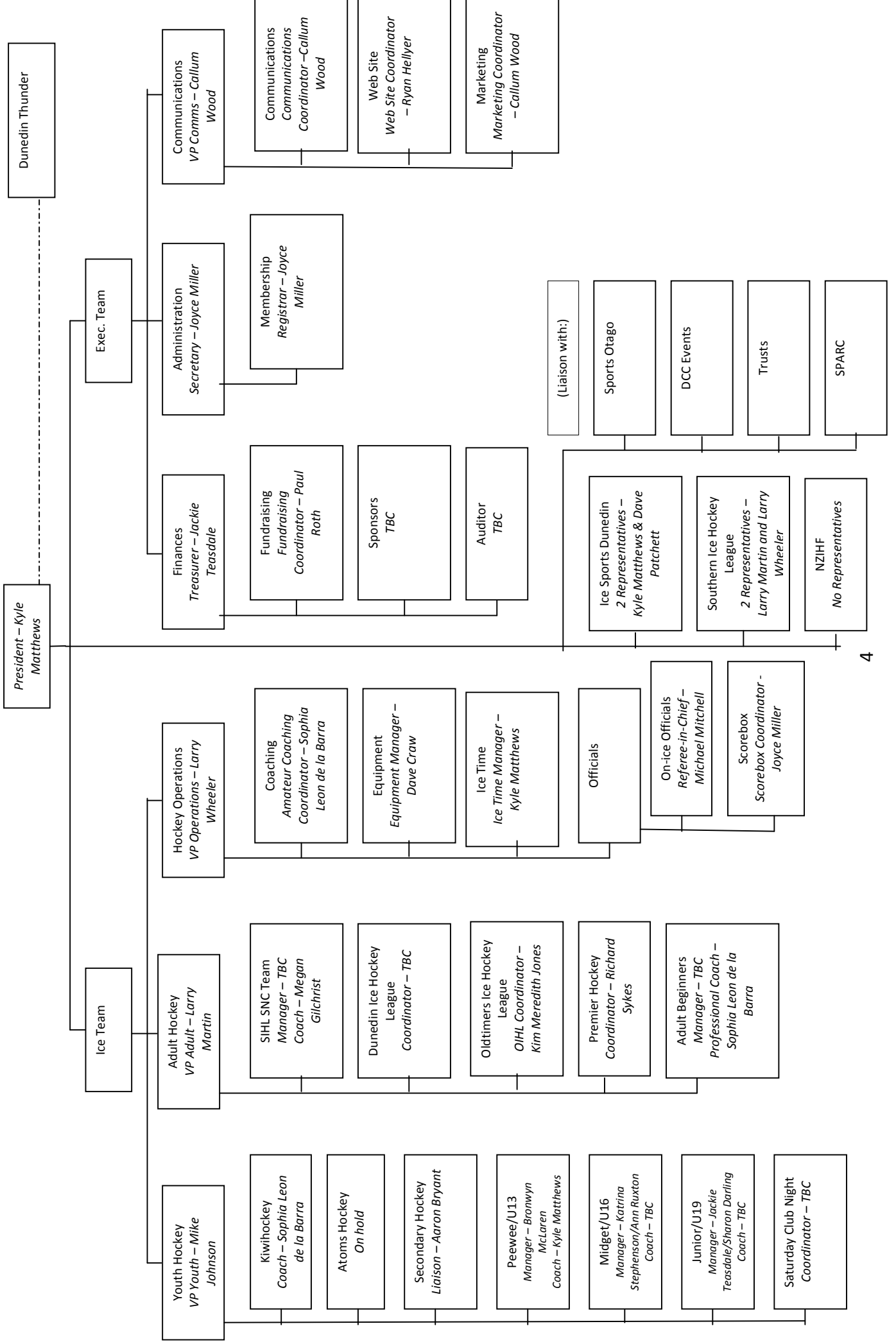
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Contact details relevant to your grade are included in the grade information.

Further information about the Dunedin Ice Hockey Association, including a copy of the constitution, is available on the web site, <http://www.dunedinicehockey.co.nz/>.





## Membership

Membership levies for 2010 are:

Senior Membership (19 or older in 2010)	\$100
Youth Membership (under 19 in 2010)	\$80
Social Membership (DIHL/Oldtimers only)	50
Associate Membership (off ice)	\$20

Senior, youth, and associate membership entitles members to participate fully in all the activities of the club, including practices, all relevant games and leagues, competition in the Southern Ice Hockey League, and attendance at nationals as part of a SIHL Representative team.

They also include membership of the New Zealand Ice Hockey Federation, who provide international representation, national representative teams (under 16, under 18, under 20, Ice Fernz (senior women), and Ice Blacks (senior men)), national coaching courses, training of officials, organisation of nationals, and support for clubs.

These membership categories also entitle members to compete in Dunedin-based Southern Ice Hockey League teams, which compete against teams from Alexandra, Gore, Naseby, Queenstown and Tekapo.

Social membership is a new category. These members are full members of the DIHA, and have full rights within the association. They are only associate members of the Southern Ice Hockey League and New Zealand Ice Hockey Federation. They may not, therefore, compete in games against any teams from other clubs, or compete in nationals.

Membership comes with a membership card, which entitles members to discounts around towns at various businesses that support ice hockey in Dunedin.

All members are entitled to vote at the Annual General Meeting of the club, which takes place in November each year. Senior membership entitles the member to one vote. Youth membership entitles the parent of the member one vote. Multiple youth memberships still only award the parent one vote.

Associate members are non-voting, their membership entitles them to assist with various volunteer activities and serve on the DIHA Board and other ice hockey committees.

At its Annual General Meeting the club also can award honorary life membership to people who have shown great commitment to Dunedin Ice Hockey. Life members pay no levy.

## Discounts

Being a member of DIHA will provide you with the following preferential discounts with our aim to add to this list as much as possible.

Contact [communications@dunedinicehockey.co.nz](mailto:communications@dunedinicehockey.co.nz) if you can add or suggest additions in any way.

Please support these businesses as much as possible and producing your current membership card is essential for the services quoted.

Finally note that each year we wish to hold a competition for the new photo for the front of the card. Save up those pictures and send through for the best one be voted on.

Sponsor	Location	Discount
Alibi, Bar and café, Octagon, Dunedin		\$6 Tap Beer & \$6 Doubles every day until 11pm
Velvet Burger, Stuart St, Dunedin		Free fries with every burger purchased 2pm - 5pm & 9pm - Midnight
R&R Sport Ltd, Lower Stuart St, Dunedin		10% discount on non-sale items, with some conditions.
Videoezy, Cnr of Frederick and Cumberland St, Dunedin North		Hire one, get one free.
Projenz Moray Place, Dunedin. Also Queenstown and Auckland		Contact Callum at <a href="http://www.projenz.co.nz">www.projenz.co.nz</a> for preferential rates for subdivision, planning and engineering work
Vital Colour, Dunedin		Contact Walter at <a href="http://www.vitalcolour.co.nz">www.vitalcolour.co.nz</a> for preferential rates for printing and web design solutions

## **Registration**

From 2010, the club will be using an online system called ClubHub to register and communicate with all members. Your first point of call for registration should therefore be the club web site, <http://www.dunedinicehockey.co.nz>, and enter the members area to register.

Payments can be made electronically (preferred), or in person. Make cheques out to *Dunedin Ice Hockey Association*.

Registrations will still be collected manually. The club will hold a registration evening and gear sale on February 21<sup>st</sup> at 5.30pm.

## **Finances**

Sadly ice hockey is an expensive sport. The club works hard to try and deflect these costs as much as possible. In a typical year we raise approximately \$20,000 in grants and fundraising to keep the costs of ice hockey down. These grants are reflected in cheaper ice time for practices, provision of professional and amateur coaching, cheaper games, and a room full of equipment for members to use while playing the sport.

In previous years the club has set a first half and second half fee for practices (for some grades no second half fee was necessary). In 2010 there will be one flat fee to be paid up front. The club will be carrying the responsibility for covering the remainder of costs.

Any member who has trouble paying for all the costs up-front, should contact the Treasurer ([treasurer@dunedinicehockey.co.nz](mailto:treasurer@dunedinicehockey.co.nz)) and make arrangements to make a regular payment.

The cost for each grade (plus any optional costs) are outlined in the grades section.

### **Fundraising**

Teams are encouraged to do fundraising to try and keep the costs of ice hockey down. The club will support this activity, for local or representative teams. Any money raised will be put towards costs or returned to members directly. Team managers will arrange fundraising opportunities.

### **Credits**

Some activities within the club attract 'ice time credits' as a method of payment for work done. Typically this will be work done coaching or officiating.

These credits will come in the form of a credit note which acts like money. Keep this note safe, as it will not be replaced if lost. The note may be used to pay for local (club only) ice time costs as if it was money.

In order to receive credits, fill in an amateur coaching form and give it to the Amateur Coaching Coordinator. These will be compiled each term and returned to you or credited against any money owing.

### **Second Hand Gear**

The club runs a second hand gear sale on registration night, which is an opportunity both to sell old gear, or to pick up gear cheaply.

## **Codes of Conduct**

The Dunedin Ice Hockey Association has adopted codes of conduct for players and parents, coaches, and officials. These codes are clear signals of club expectations of both the nature of ice hockey in Dunedin, and the required level of behaviour expected from individuals and teams.

All members of the Dunedin Ice Hockey Association must agree to abide by these codes of conduct in order to be a member and enjoy the benefits of membership.

Breaches of the code will be addressed by the relevant coach, manager, or league coordinator. More serious concerns may be raised at Board of Directors level.

Copies of the codes of conduct are attached to the end of this booklet.

## **Disciplinary Committee**

Serious matters arising from a game, where a player receives a Game Misconduct or Match Penalty, are automatically referred to a disciplinary committee.

Matters arising outside of a game, but still related to the club can be referred to a disciplinary committee. In order to activate this process a member must present a signed letter to the President, outlining their concerns and the member or members involved.

The disciplinary committee consists of three senior club members who hear from officials and players about incidents. They apply more serious punishments in the case of serious misconduct. A common punishment may be a ban for one or more games.

Decisions of the disciplinary committee may be appealed to the Board of Directors.

## Where do I fit?

### Age Grades

In ice hockey, you reside in a grade until the year that you turn the age of that grade. So you turn 12 this year, you are still an under 13. In the year that you turn 13, you are no longer an under 13, you move up to the under 16 grade. It does not matter where in the calendar year your birthday falls.

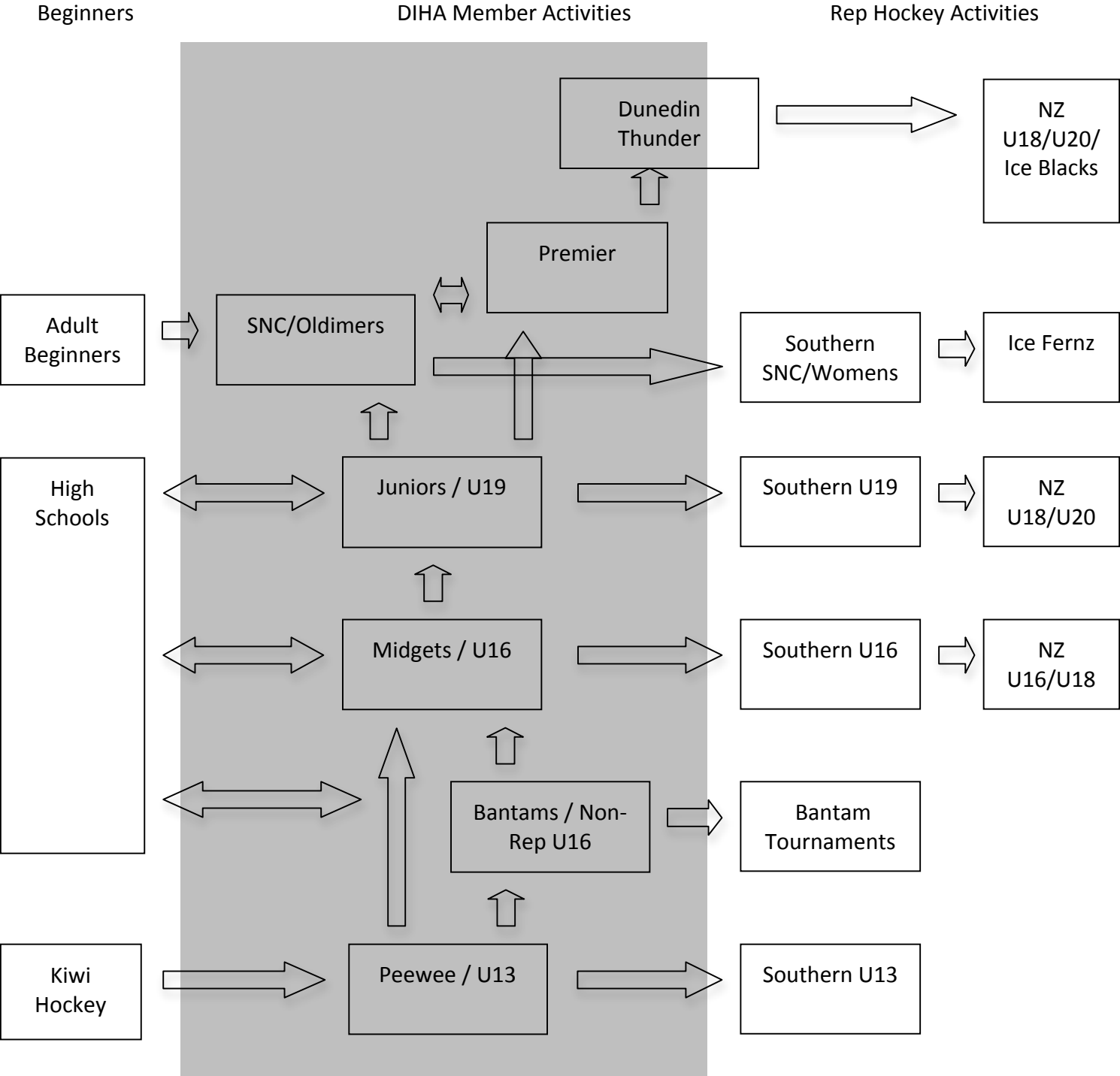
Years of birth are noted next to each age grade

### Skill Grades

Many grades allow players from all skill levels, but some are focused on beginners (kiwihockey, adult beginners), others are focused on higher skill levels (DIHA A Grade, Premier).

If, after reading this book, you are unsure which practice or league you should be attending, talk to the relevant coach or league organiser. They can normally direct you to an appropriate session for you.

# Grade/Team Structure



## Dunedin Ice Hockey Association Grades

### KiwiHockey

Ages	5 – 14 (In 2010 born in 1996 or later)	
Skill Level	Beginner	
Checking	Non-checking	
Time	Term time: Thursdays 5 – 6pm School holidays: daily, except summer holidays	
Cost	Membership	None
	\$5-6/practice	
Coach	Sophia Leon de la Barra	sophia@dunedinicehockey.co.nz
Manager	TBC	kiwihockey@dunedinicehockey.co.nz

KiwiHockey is a youth beginners ice hockey programme. KiwiHockey is taught using the "Learn to Play" programme, an international system, endorsed by the International Ice Hockey Federation, based on the philosophy of keeping kids active on the ice through the use of small area games, skills-based stations, and kids enjoying hockey.

KiwiHockey is coached by the Dunedin Ice Hockey Association and administered by the Dunedin Ice Stadium. Costs are subsidised by the stadium to help grow ice hockey.

KiwiHockey is primarily focused on under 10 aged children but it does accept children up to age 14 who are looking to accelerate their learning of hockey.

Full gear is available to borrow from the club gear room for the term. KiwiHockey players are not required to be members of the club. There is a deposit of \$50 required to borrow gear.



## Peewee Hockey (Under 13)

Ages	8 – 12 (In 2010 born in 1998 or later)	
Skill Level	All	
Checking	Non-checking	
Time	Practices	Tuesdays 6 – 7pm (March - September) Thursdays 6 – 7pm (March – September, every second week)
	Local Games	Saturdays evenings (semi-regular)
	Travelling Games	Saturdays/Sunday tournaments around Southern Region
Cost	Membership	\$80
	Practices	\$200 for 37 practices
	Local Games	\$50 for 10 games
	Travelling Games	Approx \$120 for 10 games
	Total Cost	\$450
Coach	Kyle Matthews	president@dunedinicehockey.co.nz
Manager	Bronwyn McLaren	peewees@dunedinicehockey.co.nz

Peewees are under 13s playing competitive hockey. The club has a team of about 12 – 15 kids that play both locally in intra-squad games, and at around six tournaments around the Southern Region each year.

In 2010 peewees will practice three times/fortnight. Every second week they will practice on a Tuesday and Thursday, splitting the ice with the midgets. Every other week they will practice only on a Tuesday, with the full ice. International experience shows that time on the ice skating and with the puck on the stick is the leading way to advance youth hockey skills. Splitting ice with another grade enables the club to give the peewees another twelve practices while not charging any more.

Thursday practices will take place on 11 March, 25 March, 22 April, 6 May, 20 May, 3 June, 17 June, 1 July, 29 July, 12 August, 26 August, 9 September.

Full gear is available to borrow from the club gear room for the season, but it is expected that peewee players will begin to purchase their own ice hockey gear. There is a deposit of \$50 required to borrow gear. Peewee players must be club members.

## **Bantam Hockey (Under 16)**

Ages	13 – 15 (In 2010 born in 1995 - 1997)	
Skill Level	Bantams are midgets that do not play rep (SIHL) hockey.	
Checking	Non-checking when playing as bantams, checking with playing as midgets.	
Time	Practices	As per midgets
	Local Games	Saturday evenings (semi-regular)
	Travelling Games	One-off tournaments and games will be organised for bantams.
Cost	Membership	\$80
	Practices	\$200 for 37 practices
	Local Games	\$15 for 3 games, plus some midget games
	Travelling Games	Some additional cost depending on tournaments
	Total Cost	\$300+
Coach	TBC	
Manager	Pete Wallis	<a href="mailto:bantams@dunedinicehockey.co.nz">bantams@dunedinicehockey.co.nz</a>

Bantams are non-rep midgets, players who are not yet old enough or strong enough in hockey to play at the top level (Southern Ice Hockey League Rep teams). Some may play for the Dunedin Midgets travelling team, others may only play bantams. Bantams will have a series of one-off games and a tournament in Tekapo organised for them to ensure they see competitive hockey. In Dunedin, they practise and play as midgets.

For all other matters to do with bantams, see midget hockey (below).

## Midget Hockey (Under 16)

Ages	13 – 15 (In 2010 born in 1995 -1997)	
Skill Level	All, though beginners should spend time in kiwihockey as well. The travelling midget team will be decided on skill level after a trial	
Checking	Checking	
Time	Practices	Thursdays 6 – 7pm (March - September) Tuesdays 6 – 7pm (March – September, every second week)
	Local Games	Saturday evenings (semi-regular)
	Travelling Games	Saturdays/Sunday tournaments around Southern Region
Cost	Membership	\$80
	Practices	\$200 for 37 practices
	Local Games	\$50 for 10 games, plus some may have bantams games
	Travelling Games	Approx \$120 for 10 games (selected players only)
	Total Cost	\$330 + \$120 if selected for travelling team
Coach	TBC	
Manager	Katrina Stephenson    midgets@dunedinicehockey.co.nz & Ann Ruxton	

Midgets are under 16s playing competitive hockey. The club has a team of about 14 kids that travel to play at around six tournaments around the Southern Region each year.

In 2010 midgets will practice three times/fortnight. Every second week they will practice on a Tuesday and Thursday, splitting the ice with the peewees. Every other week they will practice only on a Thursday, with the full ice. International experience shows that time on the ice skating and with the puck on the stick is the leading way to advance youth hockey skills. Splitting ice with another grade enables the club to give the midgets another twelve practices while not charging any more.

Tuesday practices will take place on 9 March, 23 March, 20 April, 4 May, 18 May, 1 June, 15 June, 29 June, 27 July, 10 August, 24 August, 7 September.

Full gear is available to borrow from the club gear room for the season, but it expected that midget players will own their own ice hockey gear. There is a deposit of \$50 required to borrow gear. Midget players must be club members.

## Junior Hockey (Under 19)

Ages	16 – 19 (In 2010 born in 1992 - 1994)	
Skill Level	All, though beginners should spend time in adult beginners as well.	
Checking	Checking	
Time	Practices	Thursdays 7 – 8pm (March - September)
	Local Games	Saturdays evenings (semi-regular)
	Travelling Games	To be arranged
Cost	Membership	\$80
	Practices	\$200 for 25 practices
	Local Games	\$25 for 5 games
	Travelling Games	Some additional cost depending on tournaments
	Total Cost	\$300+
Coach	TBC	
Manager	Jackie Teasdale & Sharon Darling	<a href="mailto:juniors@dunedinicehockey.co.nz">juniors@dunedinicehockey.co.nz</a>

Juniors are under 19s playing competitive hockey. Unfortunately there are no other Junior teams in the Southern region. The club will therefore be arranging a series of one-off games and tournaments for this team to play in.

Full gear is available to borrow from the club gear room for the season, but it expected that junior players will own their own ice hockey gear. There is a deposit of \$50 required to borrow gear. Junior players must be club members.

## Adult Beginners (15 plus)

Ages	15+ (In 2010 born in 1995 or earlier)	
Skill Level	Beginners	
Checking	Non-checking	
Time	Practices	Sundays 6 – 7pm (February – November)
	Local Games	Beginners are able to play in various local leagues – Dunedin Ice Hockey League, Oldtimers League
Cost	Practices	\$300 for 35 practices
	Local Games	Adult beginners may enter in the DIHL, but only upon becoming full members.
	Total Cost	\$300
Coach	Sophia Leon de la Barra	sophia@dunedinicehockey.co.nz
Manager	TBC	beginners@dunedinicehockey.co.nz

Adult beginners are any adults or older teens who wish to learn to play ice hockey with other beginners. Adult beginner sessions focus upon individual skills such as skating, puck handling, passing, shooting, and build new members towards being able to play social hockey.

Full gear is available to borrow from the club gear room for the season. There is a deposit of \$50 required to borrow gear. Adult beginners do not need to be club members.

## Senior Non-Checking Hockey (16 plus)

Ages	16+ (In 2010 born in 1994 or earlier)	
Skill Level	All, though beginners should spend time in adult beginners as well.	
Checking	Non-checking	
Time	Practices	Beginners Sundays 6 – 7pm (February – November) Senior Non-checking Thursdays 7 – 8pm (March - September)
	Local Games	Dunedin Ice Hockey League
	Travelling Games	If there is sufficient interest in a travelling team, the club will put a SNC team into the Southern Ice Hockey League SNC competition – five tournaments around the region.
Cost	Membership	\$100 (\$80 if under 19)
	Practices	\$250 for 25 practices
	Local Games	Saturday evenings (semi regular) + two DIHL competitions @ \$84 each
	Travelling Games	Some additional costs depending on tournaments
	Total Cost	\$350 + DIHL competitions + possible travelling games
Coach	Megan Gilchrist	megan@dunedinicehockey.co.nz
Manager	TBC	snc@dunedinicehockey.co.nz

Senior non-checking players are players at least sixteen years of age playing competitive or social non-checking hockey, locally or across the region. The club organizes a Dunedin Ice Hockey League which runs March – May and September – November.

If there is sufficient interest from members, the club will enter a senior non-checking team in the Southern Ice Hockey League Senior Non-Checking competition. This team will travel to around six tournaments per year.

Full gear is available to borrow from the club gear room for the season, but it expected that SNC players will begin to purchase their own ice hockey gear. There is a deposit of \$50 required to borrow gear. SNC players must be club members.

## Oldtimers Hockey (30 plus for females, 35 plus for males)

Ages	30+ for females (In 2010 born in 1980 or earlier), 35+ for males (In 2010 born in 1975 or earlier)	
Skill Level	All	
Checking	Non-checking	
Time	Practices	Beginners Sundays 6 – 7pm (February – November) Senior Non-checking Thursdays 7 – 8pm (March - September)
	Local Games	Dunedin Ice Hockey League
	Travelling Games	Oldtimers tournaments in Tekapo, Masters Games in Dunedin
Cost	Membership	\$100
	Practices	As per grade.
	Local Games	\$140 for 12 Oldtimers games Two DIHL competitions @ \$84 each
	Travelling Games	Some additional costs depending on tournaments
	Total Costs	\$100 + Oldtimers competitions + DIHL competitions
Coach	As per grade	
Manager	Kim Meredith-Jones <a href="mailto:oldtimers@dunedinicehockey.co.nz">oldtimers@dunedinicehockey.co.nz</a>	

Oldtimers are more mature ice hockey players, many still high in skill, but not so into the crash and bash of senior contact hockey. Oldtimers run a series of social competitions throughout the season, and are a great way for older beginners to transition to playing hockey. They also enter more competitive competitions, such as the Masters Games.

Full gear is available to borrow from the club gear room for the season, but it expected that Oldtimer players will begin to purchase their own ice hockey gear. There is a deposit of \$50 required to borrow gear. Oldtimer players must be club members.

## Premier Hockey (16 plus)

Ages	16+ (In 2010 born in 1994 or earlier)	
Skill Level	Advanced	
Checking	Checking	
Time	Practices	Wednesdays 7pm (on non-playing weeks)
	Games	Wednesdays 3 March – 21 April
		Final Saturday 24 April
Cost	Membership	\$100 (\$80 if under 19)
	Premier League	\$110
	Total Costs	\$210
Coach	A coach will be appointed for each premier team	
Coordinator	Richard Sykes	<a href="mailto:premiers@dunedinicehockey.co.nz">premiers@dunedinicehockey.co.nz</a>

Premiers are seniors and juniors playing senior contact hockey in a three team league. The league will run prior to the New Zealand Ice Hockey League season.

Skill, size and maturity will be the determining factors as to whether any player can play premier hockey. This will particularly apply to under 19 players, who will only be accepted if the premier league coordinator is happy that they are playing at the required level.

Full gear is available to borrow from the club gear room for the season, but it expected that premier players will own their own ice hockey gear. There is a deposit of \$50 required to borrow gear. Premier players must be club members.



## Female Hockey (all ages)

Ages	Various
Skill Level	All
Checking	Checking in midget and junior hockey, Non-checking in all other age grades.
Time	Various
Cost	Varies, see below

Females are able to play hockey at all ages. For youth hockey women play in their age group. Once females reach age 16, they may either continue to play checking hockey as a junior, or switch to Senior Non-checking hockey. Females may no longer play checking hockey once they are a senior, and youth female players may not play in a contact grade which involves senior males (premier league) except female goalies.

There are insufficient female players to run a womens ice hockey league in Dunedin or in the Southern Ice Hockey League. Senior players therefore play in a mixed non-checking league in Dunedin, and as part of a Southern Ice Hockey Womens team in the Southern Ice Hockey League Senior Non-checking tournament.

For all other matters to do with female hockey, see the appropriate youth hockey age group, or senior non-checking hockey (above).

## Goalies

Ages	All	
Skill Level	All	
Time	Sundays 10 – 11am, 6 – 7pm (dates TBC)	
Cost	Membership	\$100 (\$80 if under 19)
	Practices	Free if fully paid up for another grade's practice. Otherwise \$200.
Coach	Rick Parry	rick@dunedinicehockey.co.nz
Coordinator	Kara Ross	goalies@dunedinicehockey.co.nz

This is an additional practice which focuses entirely on goalies. Any goalie who is attending and fully paid up in another full year practice (eg, peewees, midgets, SNC, beginners) is entitled to attend these 12 practices for no additional cost. Any other goalie is entitled to attend them upon payment of the \$200 fee.

Please note, due to limited amounts of club gear, priority will be given to goalies from Dunedin rep teams and players with their own equipment.

## **Club Nights**

For the past three years the club has run Saturday night ice hockey. This provides regular game time for players at all levels. Club night activities tend to be a mixture of intrasquad games – splitting all eligible players into two teams to play each other in a friendly, one-off friendly games between club teams (eg, Oldtimers vs Dunedin SNC), and training slots used by rep teams visiting Dunedin for the weekend.

Club nights will continue in 2010. The price/hour will remain the same as it was in 2009: \$5/game for youth players, \$10/game for senior players.

From 2010 the club will be running a social area in the upstairs warm area. This is the ideal place to watch your children play hockey, or stick around to watch the seniors cut up the ice. Drinks and food will be for sale from the bar.

A full club night schedule for the year is at the end of this booklet.

## **Southern Ice Hockey League**

Several club teams compete in the Southern Ice Hockey League in a series of tournaments against teams from Alexandra, Gore, Naseby, Queenstown, and Tekapo. Being a part of this competition is a prerequisite for selection for Southern Ice Hockey League representative team selection, to play in nationals.

A full schedule for the year will be available in March.

## **Primary and Intermediate School Hockey**

Following our successful trial of a primary school ice hockey course in 2009 we are working with Sport Otago and other funding organisations to pursue either a primary or intermediate school grade with coaching and formal games. If you would or your school should be interested we would like to know as proactive schools will be the first to take advantage of this offer. Contact Callum Wood on [communications@dunedinicehockey.co.nz](mailto:communications@dunedinicehockey.co.nz).

## Other Related Teams/Leagues

### Dunedin High Schools League

Ages	High School (some intermediate aged players enter as an invitational team)	
Skill Level	All	
Checking	Non-checking	
Time	Practices	Teams practice in the two weeks before they play
	Games	Wednesday afternoon/evenings (May – August)
Cost	Membership	Teams play an entry free to the Otago Secondary School Sports Association
	Games	\$7.50/player/game

The Dunedin High Schools League is run by the Otago Secondary School Sports Association, but with the assistance of the Dunedin Ice Hockey Association and the Dunedin Ice Stadium.

Teams from local high schools compete in three different skill-based grades. Where players are playing out of their skill level, or a school does not have enough players to form a team, schools may combine to form teams.

For more information see <http://www.ossas.org.nz/> or contact your high school's Sports Coordinator.

### Dunedin Thunder (New Zealand Ice Hockey League)

Ages	16+ (In 2010 born in 1994 or earlier)	
Skill Level	Advanced.	
Checking	Checking	
Time	Practices	On ice Tuesdays 9 – 10.30pm, Thursdays 9 – 10.30pm off-ice work (April – August)
	Games	To be announced (June – August)
Cost	Membership	All Thunder players must be a member of a Southern Ice Hockey League club
	NZIHL	To be announced

Dunedin Thunder are the local entry in the five team New Zealand Ice Hockey League. Dunedin Thunder are not a Dunedin Ice Hockey Association team, but are closely linked to the club. Playing for a New Zealand Ice Hockey League team is important for selection to the New Zealand Ice Blacks.

For more information see <http://www.dunedinthunder.co.nz/>, or <http://www.nzihl.com/>. Interested players should contact James van Leeuwen, email [jmvl@clear.net.nz](mailto:jmvl@clear.net.nz). Trials will take place on 28 March at the Dunedin Ice Stadium.

# Calendar 2010

Month	Date	Kiwi hockey	Youth Practices (peewee, midget, junior)	SNC Practices	Adult Beginner	Club Nights	DIHL B	DIHL A	Premier	Oldtimers	B Checking	Thunder@Home	Dun. High Schools	Notes
Feb	8	■												
	15	■												
	22	■												
Mar	1	■			■				■					
	8	■			■				■					
	15	■			■				■					
	22	■			■				■					
	29	■			■				■					
Apr	5	■			■				■					High School/University Holidays
	12	■			■				■					High School
	19	■			■				■					
May	26	■			■				■					
	3	■			■				■					
	10	■			■				■					
	17	■			■				■					
	24	■			■				■					
	31	■			■				■					
Jun	7	■			■				■					
	14	■			■				■					
	21	■			■				■					
	28	■			■				■					University Holidays
Jul	5	■			■				■					High School/University Holidays
	12	■			■				■					High School Holidays
	19	■			■				■					
	26	■			■				■					
Aug	2	■			■				■					Nationals 6 - 8 August
	9	■			■				■					
	16	■			■				■					
	23	■			■				■					
	30	■			■				■					University Holidays
Sep	6	■			■				■					
	13	■			■				■					
	20	■			■				■					
	27	■			■				■					High School Holidays
Oct	4	■			■				■					High School Holidays
	11	■			■				■					
	18	■			■				■					
	25	■			■				■					
Nov	1	■			■				■					
	8	■			■				■					
	15	■			■				■					
	22	■			■				■					
	29	■			■				■					
Dec	6	■			■				■					
	13	■			■				■					

## Weekly Schedule 2010

The weekly schedule below indicates the times that activities take place during the year. Because at different times of the season, ice time is used for different purposes, multiple activities may appear in one time. Check the calendar (above) to see what is on any particular week.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday			
4.00			High Schools Games				Thunder Game			
4.30										
5.00				Kiwihockey Practice						
5.30										
6.00		Peewees / Midgets Practice	Premier League / High Schools Games	Peewees / Midgets Practice	Club Night / Thunder Game		Goalies Practice			
6.30										
7.00		DIHL / B Checking League / Oldtimers		Juniors Practice						Adult Beginners Practice
7.30										
8.00					SNC Practice		Social Drop-in Game			
8.30										
9.00		Thunder Practice		Thunder Practice						
9.30										
10.00										

## Gear

The club has a complete gear room, which provides full sets of gear for beginners, and members who are transitioning up to owning their own gear, as well as gear for goalies, coaches, officials etc.

If you wish to use some gear for the season, complete a gear form (available in the members section of the web site or from the gear room), and present this along with a form of adult ID (drivers license, university ID, passport) and \$50 bond to the gear room. You will then be given a full set of gear for the season.

At the end of the season, please return the gear to retrieve your bond.

Gear available includes:

- Helmets
- Sticks
- Gloves
- Elbow pads
- Shoulder pads (mostly youth)
- Shorts (limited numbers)
- Shin pads
- Skates
- Tops (only for certain grades)
- Bags

The following gear is not available:

- Mouthguard (required for all games, try The Warehouse)
- Box/shorts (highly recommended)
- Ice hockey socks

## Coaches

The Dunedin Ice Hockey Association runs a group of coaches who help players and teams grow. From kiwihockey to premier teams, all hockey players need coaching to help them develop, all teams need direction and advice. There is a role for all members to assist in the development of hockey, through taking responsibility for coaching a team, running a practice, or being an assistant coach either on the ice or on the bench.

The club is currently working on getting all its head coaches certified through the New Zealand Ice Hockey Federation, who run annual coaching courses. Anyone who is interested in attending a coaching course, email [coaching@dunedinicehockey.co.nz](mailto:coaching@dunedinicehockey.co.nz).

For 2010 the club will be assigning coaches and assistants to several teams. If you are interested in helping coach in this or future years, please email [coaching@dunedinicehockey.co.nz](mailto:coaching@dunedinicehockey.co.nz) and let us know.

## Officials

Officials, on- and off-ice, are essential for the sport of ice hockey. For each game of ice hockey to occur, we need people running the scoreboard, and referees and linespeople on the ice calling the game.

### Off-ice Officials

Off-ice officials serve as scorers and timekeepers in the scoreboard. Being an off-ice official is a great way for parents and friends to contribute back to the game without having to learn to skate or play hockey. Training is done in-house, and helpers are rostered on to regular games throughout the season.

If you are able to help by being an off-ice official, email Scorebox Coordinator Joyce Miller on [secretary@dunedinicehockey.co.nz](mailto:secretary@dunedinicehockey.co.nz).

### On-ice Officials

On-ice officials are the referees and linespeople who are essential to our game. Being an on-ice official is a crucial part of our sport, and means that you can contribute to the game and influence the quality of ice hockey in Dunedin. Training is done by the New Zealand Ice Hockey Federation (the next course in Dunedin will probably be run in 2011), and we are always seeking new officials to support our games.

If you are interested in being part of our on-ice officials roster, email Referee Coordinator Michael Mitchell on [referees@dunedinicehockey.co.nz](mailto:referees@dunedinicehockey.co.nz).



## Code of Conduct – Youth Players and Parents

Youth players are expected to meet the following standards of behaviour:

1. Play hockey for enjoyment above all other things.
2. Learn the rules of ice hockey, submitting to the rulings of officials without argument.
3. Be on time and properly equipped for all practices and games.
4. Aim for improvement in all aspects of their game.
5. Support their team and team members on and off the ice.
6. Respect opponents through good sportsmanship.
7. Respect coaches and listen to and follow their instructions.
8. Respect the rules of all sporting and other facilities.
9. Encourage others to play ice hockey through modeling and promoting the sport.

Players can have the following expectations:

1. Have fun on and off the ice.
2. Be able to ask questions and learn more about the game of ice hockey.
3. Have qualified coaching and develop as a player.

Parents are expected to meet the following standards of behaviour:

1. Support players in their ice hockey, not forcing them to play, having unrealistic expectations of them, or condemning them for making mistakes.
2. Respect officials and submit to their rulings without argument. Encourage players to follow the rules and to resolve conflicts without resorting to hostility, abuse, or violence.
3. Communicate with team coaches and managers about a player's availability and health.
4. Encourage and reward sportsmanship on the ice.
5. Provide a good example for fellow parents and players in their behaviour.
6. Respect coaches/managers and support their work. A parent's primary job at games is to support their child and their team, parental help will only be allowed if it is asked for.

Parents can have the following expectations:

1. Players to participate in a safe, supportive environment.
2. Players to have an opportunity to improve their ice hockey and play at a competitive level.
3. Be able to ask questions of the Association and its coaches and officials at an appropriate time and place.

The Dunedin Ice Hockey Association has a zero tolerance policy towards:

1. Verbal abuse, physical abuse, fighting, or any other unsportsmanlike behaviour
2. 'Hazing' or other team or rookie initiation rituals.
3. Performance enhancing or illegal drug use.
4. Alcohol consumption by members under the age of eighteen.

Any player, parent, coach or official who engages in this behaviour faces disciplinary consequences.

## Code of Conduct – Senior Players

Senior players are expected to meet the following standards of behaviour:

1. Play hockey for enjoyment above all other things.
2. Communicate with team coaches and managers about their availability and health.
3. Learn the rules of ice hockey, submitting to the rulings of officials without argument.
4. Be on time and properly equipped for all practices and games.
5. Aim for improvement in all aspects of their game.
6. Support their team and team members on and off the ice.
7. Respect opponents through good sportsmanship.
8. Respect coaches and listen to and follow their instructions.
9. Respect the rules of all sporting and other facilities.
10. Encourage others to play ice hockey through modeling and promoting the sport.

Players can have the following expectations:

1. Have fun on and off the ice.
2. Play in a safe, supportive environment.
3. Have qualified coaching and develop as a player.
4. Play the game at a competitive level.
5. Be able to ask questions and learn more about the game of ice hockey.
6. Be able to ask questions of the Association and its coaches and officials at an appropriate time and place.

The Dunedin Ice Hockey Association has a zero tolerance policy towards:

1. Verbal abuse, physical abuse, fighting, or any other unsportsmanlike behaviour
2. 'Hazing' or other team or rookie initiation rituals.
3. Performance enhancing or illegal drug use.
4. Alcohol consumption by senior members immediately before or during on-ice activities.

Any player, parent, coach or official who engages in this behaviour faces disciplinary consequences.

## Code of Conduct – Coaches

Expectations	Coach's Responsibilities
1. Respect the rights, dignity and worth of every human being.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Within the context of the activity, treat everyone equally regardless of sex, disability, ethnic origin or religion.</li> </ul>
2. Ensure the athlete's time spent with you is a positive experience.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• All athletes are deserving of equal attention and opportunities.</li> </ul>
3. Treat each athlete as an individual.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Respect the talent, developmental stage and goals of each individual athlete. Help each athlete reach their full potential.</li> </ul>
4. Be fair, considerate and honest with athletes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As stated.</li> </ul>
5. Be professional and accept responsibility for your actions.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Display high standards in your language, manner, punctuality, preparation and presentation.</li> <li>• Display control, respect, dignity and professionalism to all involved with the sport- this includes opponents, coaches, administrators, officials, media, parents and spectators.</li> <li>• Encourage athletes to demonstrate the same qualities.</li> </ul>
6. Make a commitment to providing a quality service to your athletes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintain or improve your current level of NZIHF Coaching accreditation.</li> <li>• Seek continual improvement through performance reviews and ongoing coaching education.</li> <li>• Provide a training program which is organised, well planned and sequential.</li> <li>• Maintain appropriate records.</li> </ul>
7. Operate within the rules and spirit of your sport.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adhere to the NZIHF Events manual as well as the IIFH Rules Book. Contact your Regional Body for a copy of its rule book, constitution, by-laws and policies.</li> <li>• Coaches should educate their athletes on drugs in sport issues in consultation with Drug Free Sport NZ (<a href="http://www.drugfreesport.org.nz">www.drugfreesport.org.nz</a>).</li> </ul>
8. Any physical contact with athletes should be appropriate to the situation and necessary for the athlete's skill development.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As stated.</li> </ul>
9. Refrain from any form of abuse towards your athletes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This includes verbal, physical and emotional abuse.</li> <li>• Be alert to any forms of abuse directed towards your athletes from other sources whilst they are in your care.</li> </ul>

10. Refrain from any form of harassment towards your athletes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This includes sexual and racial harassment, racial vilification and harassment on the grounds of disability.</li> <li>• You should also not only refrain from initiating a relationship with an athlete, but should also discourage any attempt by an athlete to initiate a sexual relationship with you, explaining the ethical basis of your refusal.</li> </ul>
11. Provide a safe environment for training and competition.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure equipment and facilities meet safety standards.</li> <li>• Ensure equipment, rules, training and the environment is appropriate for the age and ability of the athletes.</li> </ul>
12. Show concern and caution towards sick and injured athletes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provide a modified training program where appropriate.</li> <li>• Allow further participation in training and competition only when appropriate. Encourage athletes to seek medical advice when required.</li> <li>• Maintain the same interest and support toward sick and injured athletes.</li> </ul>
13. Be a positive role model for your sport and athletes.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• As stated</li> </ul>
14. Adhere to the Drug Free Sport New Zealand/NZIHf anti-doping policy	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Be knowledgeable of, and comply with, all applicable anti-doping policies and rules.</li> <li>• Use your influence to foster positive anti-doping attitudes.</li> <li>• Support anti-doping initiatives in the sport of ice hockey.</li> </ul>

Coaches have the right to:

- Be treated with respect and openness;
- Have access to self-improvement opportunities; and
- Be matched with a level of coaching appropriate to their level of competence.

## Code of Conduct – Officials

The International Ice Hockey Federation provides guidance to registered officials around the world. National Associations and their members should expect the highest possible standards of personal integrity, competence, sound judgement and discretion from National Association officials. The Official's Code of Ethics developed by the International Ice Hockey Federation Sport Development Program is a public declaration of an official's obligation to himself, his peers and the game. I will...

- do the best job I can in each game, no matter what the category of hockey.
- always show respect for my fellow officials, the players, coaches and fans.
- study and continue to improve my knowledge of the IIHF's playing rules, policies and procedures.
- represent myself and the rules of the game as fairly and as accurately as possible at all times.
- always be unquestionably impartial, keeping a professional and appropriate distance from teams.
- understand that the use of alcohol is not encouraged and is totally unacceptable on game days. The use of illicit drugs is against the law.
- uphold the philosophy and right of all hockey participants and penalize accordingly all violent acts.
- raise the standard of play in each game that I officiate.
- be supportive of my fellow on-ice and off-ice officials at all times, even when I am a spectator or player.
- accept the fact that I will make mistakes, but I will not get frustrated or let this learning process affect my performance or my professionalism.
- contribute to the continuing growth of the IIHF Official's Development Program and its officials within my National Association through support, encouragement and positive attitude.
- respect and accept constructive feedback from supervisors and the assignments I receive from my administrators.

## Club Night Schedule

Month	Date	Game 1 Home	Game 1 Away	Game 2 Home	Game 2 Away	Game 3 Home	Game 3 Away
March	13	Atoms		Peewees		Midgets	
	27	Peewees		Oldtimers	Bantams	Midgets	SNC
April	3	EASTER	EASTER	EASTER	EASTER	EASTER	EASTER
	10	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS
	17	Peewees		Midgets		Juniors	B Checking
	24	Peewees		Prem Final	Prem Final	Prem Final	Prem Final
May	1	SIHL		Midgets		SIHL	
	8	EASTON CUP	EASTON CUP	EASTON CUP	EASTON CUP	EASTON CUP	EASTON CUP
	15	SIHL		SIHL		Thunder	
	22	Atoms		Midgets	SNC	Thunder	
	29	SIHL		Juniors	Oldtimers	SIHL	
June	5	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL
	12	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL
	26	SIHL		Peewees		SIHL	
July	3	Peewees		Midgets		Oldtimers	SNC
	10	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS
	17	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS	HOLIDAYS
	24	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL
	31	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL	NZIHL
August	7	NATIONALS	NATIONALS	NATIONALS	NATIONALS	NATIONALS	NATIONALS
	14	Atoms		Peewees		Beginners	Bantams
	21	Peewees	Training	Midgets		B Checking	Juniors
	28	Midgets		Bantams	Beginners	SNC	Oldtimers
Sept	4	Peewees		Midgets		Juniors	Oldtimers
	20	Peewees	Parents	Midgets	Oldtimers	SNC	Juniors