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**CONGRATS TO STEF KINDON -
250 CL1 MATCHES (15/5/2026)**



HOOK IN2 HOCKEY HAS STARTED STRONG!



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PRESIDENT'S CORNER



“ The 2026 season is very much underway – seniors are roughly a third of the way through the season, our juniors have kicked off and our Hook in2 Hockey kids have hit the pitch. We have delivered a couple of club events for our members and raised a few dollars for the club via our start of the season raffle. Reconciliation Round is taking place at the end of the month – we look forward to seeing many of our teams in the Club’s indigenous tops.

St Pats is a big, busy club with a lot of moving parts. I hope you are enjoying your season and hopefully getting a win or two (or more) on the way!



THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS!!

Volunteers are the backbone of all community sporting organisations and St Pats is no different. Our history is built on the work of volunteers and continues to ensure our success and future.

To the many volunteers that support St Pats – including committee members, coaches, managers, umpires and other helpers – we thank you. Your work often goes unnoticed and unrecognised – but please know that we do see you and appreciate all that you do.

National Volunteer Week is 18-24 May. Please take a moment to thank the volunteers that give up their time to support your team and make sure it runs smoothly.

National 18-24 MAY 2026
Volunteer
YOUR YEAR TO VOLUNTEER **Week**

**THE 2026 THEME IS
'YOUR YEAR TO VOLUNTEER.'
IS 2026 YOUR YEAR TO
VOLUNTEERS?**

ST PAT'S INDIGENOUS ARTWORK

Do you know about the St Pats Indigenous Artwork?

St Pat's club member, artist and proud Wiradyuri woman Rechelle Turner was asked to create an artwork that represented our Club. The piece was created in 2022 and is called '**birri-manar**' which means to 'sit in circle together.' The artwork is intricate, personal and a stunning reflection of St Pats and our relationship with the broader community.

Reconciliation Round kicks off at the end of this month. We look forward to seeing many of our teams and plans wearing the St Pats indigenous top, inspired by Rechelle's artwork. Our

CLI teams are featured in the matches of the Round

- the men V Wests at noon,

followed by the women V NCE at 2pm.

For more information on the piece and the artist visit – <https://www.stpatrickshockey.com.au/indigenous-artwork>



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HOW UMPIRING IS MANAGED AT ST PATS & WHY ...



In recent years St Pats has worked to share umpiring allocations in an equal and fair way across the club. We all have a part to play when it comes to meeting the costs associated with umpiring, supporting umpires (even when we disagree with the call) and assisting St Pats meet our umpiring commitments. Even if you do not want to umpire you still have a responsibility.

Some commitments are allocated to umpires by our Umpire Coordinator and some are allocated to senior teams. Team managers work to ensure team commitments are met by a suitable individual from within their team or more broadly. Our Umpire Coordinator provides managers with contact info for umpires and is also available to provide assistance to managers and umpires.

If you would like more information, click the link below or contact Bec - our Umpire Coordinator - via umpiring@stpatrickshockey.com.au. And if you would like to give umpiring a go, please reach out to Bec - she would LOVE to hear from you!!

[MORE INFO](#)



OUTDOOR FEES ARE NOW DUE

If you have not paid your outdoor fees in full they are now due, unless you have entered into a payment plan with the Treasurer.

For more information on fees check out our [Outdoor Fees Policy](#). If you need a bit more time to pay your fees or would like to discuss payment of fees with our Treasurer we would love to hear from you. Please email treasurer@stpatrickshockey.com.au

Have you checked out our [Financial Support webpage](#)? It lists organisations that provide financial assistance and funding to players, coaches and officials.

COMMITTEE UPDATE

We welcome **Lee Dwyer** to the St Pats committee as our Uniform Coordinator. She has been busy working to provide uniform ordering windows and has gotten 2nd-hand uniforms off the ground - see below for more.

COMING SOON - beanies and scarves!

MINI-GOLF WAS FUN!

A very excited and keen group of juniors recently met for a hotly contested round of Mini-Golf. Lots of winners received prizes and plenty of fun was had.

Thank you to the Social Committee for organising the activity and the mums, dads and kids that attended and supported St Pats.



**JUNIOR PRESO FUNCTION:
23 SEPTEMBER 2026**

**SENIOR PRESO NIGHT:
16 OCTOBER 2026**

**SAVE
THE DATE**



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SPONSORSHIP SPOTLIGHT

JWC Constructions - Building and Construction Services

For exceptional building and construction services, contact JWC Constructions. From renovations and extensions to decks and pergolas, they'll look after all your construction needs.

Josh Chivers has played approximately 200 first grade games for St Pats and is the proud owner of JWC Constructions. Head to jwcconstructions.com.au to learn more. We thank JWC Constructions for being a multi-year St Pats sponsor.



THANK YOU TO ALL THE ST PATS SPONSORS FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN 2026

FOR MORE INFO ON OUR SPONSORS VISIT: [SPONSORS | STPATSHOCKEYCLUB](#)

HACT NEWS

Hockey ACT recently held their AGM and two new Board Members were elected following the resignation of Peta Derham (of St Pats) and Lachlan Yeend. Craig Sloan (Chair) has also completed a 9 year term on the Board and in accordance with HACT Rules will not be continuing. We thank Peta, Lachlan and Craig for their contribution and service to Hockey in the ACT. Sally Dorsett returns to the Board following her reelection and Cam Blaggdon was elected to join the Board.

CEO Rob Sheekey also recently advised the HACT community he will be stepping down. He finishes with us on 10 July after a 19 year association with Hockey ACT. St Pats acknowledges Rob's significant contribution and wishes him and his family all the best in the future.



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Congrats!

Way to represent St Pats!

Well done **Olivia, Lani and Caitlin** - our girls proudly represented St Pats and the ACT at the recent U16 National Championships. They picked up the bronze medal, coming third out of 12 teams! AND **Lani was selected in the Australian U16 Squad** following the Championships!!

Congratulations also to **Shay, Rory, Jonte, Jarrah, Olivia and Lani** who were picked in the ACT U18 teams and to **Annika** who was named a shadow.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

Each new St Pats member (there are roughly 80 of you!) was recently given a St Pats Welcome Pack. We want you to know we appreciate you choosing St Pats and hope you are enjoying the season.



If you have any questions please speak to your Team Manager or your Program Coordinator:

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women@stpatrickshockey.com.au
men@stpatrickshockey.com.au



We are a proud recipient of



Community Support Program 2025




PLEASE DONATE YOUR OLD UNIFORMS



This is our second hand clothing donations basket and it is located at the Hockey Centre at Lyneham. Do you have uniforms that no longer fit you? If so please consider donating them to the club. They will be used to support our members with the provision of uniforms on a short term basis and to support our club.

Thank you for your support!



LIVEHockeyACT is now delivering consistent, high-quality coverage of senior competitions across the region.

You can subscribe today via [LIVEHockey_](#).

The 2026 HockeyOne schedule has been locked in! The Canberra Chill's first match is 8 October and is here in Canberra.
More info to Come!



DRAWS, RESULTS AND LADDERS

These can now be accessed direct from the St Pats website - so easy!!

They are all available from the 'Draws and Results' button on Home Page.



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JOIN ST PATS ON SOCIALS

Have you joined St Pats on socials?

If you join us on Spond you will receive reminders and info direct to your phone via the app. Many of our teams are using it and find it easy and convenient to use. Scan the qr code to the right and enter the code TYOAG when prompted.

But we also have you covered on Facebook and Instagram!

Not on socials? - recent feeds are also published on our webpage at <https://www.stpatrickshockey.com.au/>.

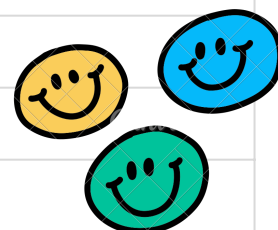
And remember

ACTION SHOTS ARE NOW ON FACEBOOK



KEY DATES FOR 2026

Event	Date	Details
Reconciliation Round	29 May 2026	Our CL1 teams will be featured in the Round matches
June Long Weekend	12 June 2026	Best of luck to all St Pats people involved
Grand Finals Weekend	18 Sept 2026	Lets' see how many Green & White Teams we can get!
Junior Presentation Function	23 Sept 2026	Save the date - more info to come
HockeyOne kicks off!	8 Oct 2026	Visit Hockeyone.com.au for more
Senior Presentation Night	16 Oct 2026	Save this date too!
Indoor Hockey Starts	23 Oct 2026	The best format of the game some might say 😊



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