

## 2016 NATIONAL WOMEN'S MASTERS CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS - HOBART 6TH TO 15TH OCTOBER

NSW's seven teams represented each age division at the recent Championships with the final National standings for each age division as follows:

**Over 35s:** 4<sup>th</sup>

**Over 40s:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Bronze Medal - NSW v VIC 3 – 0

**Over 45s:** 5<sup>th</sup>

**Over 50s:** 2<sup>nd</sup> Silver Medal - NSW v WA 0 – 1

**Over 55s:** 1<sup>st</sup> Gold Medal - NSW v QLD 1 – 0

**Over 60s:** 1<sup>st</sup> Gold Medal - NSW v WA 2 – 1

**Over 65s:** 1<sup>st</sup> Gold Medal - NSW v VIC 1 - 0

NSW was awarded the Meg Wilson Trophy, being the most successful State at the Championships.

## 2017 TRANS-TASMAN CHALLENGE WHANGEREI MAY 2ND - 9TH, 2017

The Trans-Tasman Teams, Coaches and Managers were selected during the Championships with the Teams announced at the Closing Ceremony. Congratulations to the following NSW players representing Australia in 2017:

**Over 35s:** Leeanne Kennewell, Amanda Meech **Shadows:** Sara Cleave, Renee Dunstan, Julia Wilson

**Over 40s:** Tracy Bradford, Sam Peitie, Kylie Myers, **Shadows:** Katrina Brown, Sarah Dredge, **Coach:** Tim Kelly  
**Manager:** Marlene Turvey

**Over 45s:** Denise Gersbach, Tracy Making, Leigh Rogers, Trina Tromp, Jo Springthorpe, Alison Wilson,  
**Shadows:** Sara Summers Tracey Preston **Coach:** Dave Mike **Assistant Coach:** Scott New

**Over 50s:** Kerrie Nealon, Carlyne Beresford, Helen Rankin-Jarvie, Michelle Kennedy, Cyndy Slade.  
**Shadows:** Karen Flynn, Barbara Rogers, Donna Parsons. **Coach:** Lindl Taylor **Manager:** Caroline Davies

**Over 55s:** Kirsty McIntosh, Amanda Beukes, Angela Carpini, Jo Crosland, Gabrielle Whelan, Tracy Hardie-Jones  
**Shadows:** Sharon Brown, Christine Hanbury-Brown, Cheryl Rutherford

**Over 60s:** Sue Briggs, Jenny Grey, Sue Bessell, Robin Gorton, Deb Orrock, Jane Spalding, Sue Thomas,  
**Shadows:** Lyn Dockrill, Janis Hutton, Maureen Massey, Kate Ryan **Manager:** Gretchen Gamble.

## COACH SUMMARIES OF 2016 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

**35s:** The NSW 35's had eight new players in the 2016 team. The 35's played a round robin competition against Tasmania, Qld, Vic and ACT with the NSW team playing competitive hockey with outstanding performances and a strong defence. Four draws, three losses and a well earned win.

**40s:** The NSW 40's played exceptionally well and scored the most goals in the 40s tournament – narrowly missing the chance to play in the final. Each and every player developed through the tournament and the significant contribution that each player made to the team's performance is what playing a team sport is all about

## COACH SUMMARIES OF 2016 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS (CONT'D)

**45s:** The 45's division was a very competitive one with every game a close encounter. NSW finished 5<sup>th</sup> but with a little luck could've finished higher. The team was a very harmonious and united group who worked hard to improve every game.

**50s:** The NSW 50s had a fantastic tournament being undefeated until the final vs WA. Every player contributed to the team's success which was reflected in seven players gaining Australian selection and further players announced as shadows.

**55s:** The NSW 55s successfully defended their 3<sup>rd</sup> successive National title. The 2017 success was built on strong structure defence, enabling the team to concentrate on their mantra of "only need to score one more goal than them".

**60s:** The NSW 60s saw a new coach a returned manager plus new players. This new and united team went through the tournament undefeated and where a pleasure to be involved with.

**Inaugural 65s:** The NSW 65s went through a double round robin undefeated. The grand final was a tough encounter against a very determined Vic team but the 65's drew inspiration and some determination from the grandstand which housed the whole NSW's contingent supporting them. The 65s success is a credit to the dedicated and talented hockey players who made the trip to Hobart.

### NSW WARATAH SERVICE AWARDS

For the service and promotion of Women's Masters Hockey in NSW

**10 years:** Rebecca Archer, Joanne Crosland, Lynette Dockrill, Sally Hunt, Kaylene Osborne, Cyndy Slade

**15 years:** Chris Eather, Cheryl Rutherford, Kerrie Wood

**20 years:** Julie Humble, Jenny Grey, Sharon Brown

**25 years:** Helen Taylor, Sue Bessell, Gloria McPherson, Robin Gorton, Kate Ryan

### 2016 HOCKEY AUSTRALIA AWARDS

**Chris Eather** for 15 years representing NSW and service to Far North Coast hockey – playing, coaching, umpiring and the promotion of State Women's Masters.

**Cheryl Rutherford** for 15 years representing NSW and service to Lithgow Hockey – playing, coaching, umpiring and the promotion of State Women's Masters.

### NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The Hockey NSW Board and office along the current Women's Masters Committee welcome both Kate Ryan (Newcastle) and Helen Rankin-Jarvie (Far North Coast) to the Committee. Both Kate and Helen bring extra skill sets to the Committee and ensure our reach is spread throughout our hockey community.

### HOSTING 2017 HALF-STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

We would encourage any Association wishing to host the Northern or Southern Women's Masters Half State Championships in 2018 to start thinking about putting in an Expression of Interest. EOIs will be called for in February 2017.

## DALE HODGES AWARD



2016 Dale Hodges Awardee Julie Humble, pictured with past award winners.

Sue Carney (2007 - not pictured), Sally Hunt (2008), Sue Briggs (2009), Michelle Kennedy (2010), Betsy Bewsher (2011), Kate Ryan (2012), Kirsty McIntosh (2013), Tracy Bradford (2014), Helen Lansdown (2015), Julie Humble (2016)

As is tradition, the Dale Hodges Award was selected and announced at Women's Masters National Championships. The criteria for the award is contribution and commitment; responsibility to the team; good sportmanship and courage; and providing an outstanding example of the ethos of Women's Masters hockey - that being participation, enjoyment, camaraderie and teamwork on or off the field. This award is chosen by NSW off-field personnel attending the National Championships and was this year awarded to Julie Humble.

## EOIs

Expressions of Interest for Team Coaches (7 roles - 1 year contract), Team Managers (7 roles - 2 year contract), Teams Technical & Assistant Coaches (7 roles - 2 year contract) and State Contingent Managers (1 role - 2 year contract) will be available on the Hockey NSW website next Thursday, 15th December.

## THANK YOU

On behalf of the Women's Masters Committee we thank all our Masters players and each Association for a successful and fulfilling 2016 season. We look forward to seeing everyone in the 2017 season.

Have a safe and happy holidays from the Women's Masters Committee.

## 2017 IMPORTANT DATES

DATE	EVENT
6th January	EOIs Due
24th June	State Trials - Newcastle
28th - 30th July	State Championships - Parkes & Grafton
28th September - 8th October	National Championships - Newcastle

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