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TOURNAMENT DATE & VENUE:

Dates: April 14th to 17th 2017.

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TEAM ENTRY FEES:

Team entries are now open for the 2017ACC and **must be submitted online** at www.stadium34.com.au/2017-acc.

Early Team Entry Fee: \$800.00 per team (Paid on or before 1st March 2017)

At Tournament Entry Fee: \$900.00 per team (Paid after 1st March 2017)

No team entries will be accepted after the 1st March 2017.

Included in the team entry fee is insurance coverage for all players provided by Skate Victoria. Any questions regarding insurance coverage should be directed to Gloria Hawken at the Skate Victoria office on (03) 5182 6816 or by emailing office@skatevictoria.com.au.

Team entries will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until the division in which they have entered has been filled. There are limited spots in each division.

PAYMENT DETAILS:

Payments can be made by bank transfer or over the phone via credit card.

Bank transfer details:

Account Name: Moe Indoor Sports Pty Ltd

BSB Number: 633-000

Account Number: 113091763

****Please clearly state which team(s) and division(s) you are paying for as the reference.***

Note: Team entry fees can be paid at the tournament but are subject to the 'At Tournament' entry fee (listed above).



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DIVISION'S EXPLAINED:

Pro Division – Reserved for players/teams of the highest calibre. This includes teams made up of highly experienced state and country representative hockey players.

Division I (Competitive) – Reserved for teams who play at a competitive level with prior tournament/competitive/representative league experience.

Division II (Semi Competitive) – Reserved for teams who play at a recreational level and are looking for a fun tournament to play in.

Division III (Social) – Reserved for teams who may be new to the sport and have not played in many tournaments before or a second division for older players. No state team representatives are eligible to play in this division.

Masters Division (35+) – Reserved for teams whose entire team is made up of individuals that are at least 35 years of age. Goalies and female participants are given a five year grace period and may participate at the age of 30 years or older.

INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION:

Players who wish to compete in the ACC (but do not have a team) can register to 'join a team' by emailing matt@stadium34.com.au. Please clearly state which 'division' you would like to participate in, as well as your 'name' and 'contact details' within the email.

AGE RESTRICTIONS:

To compete in the 2017ACC players must be age eligible for all divisions by the start of the tournament (14th April). The minimum age for any player (in any division) is 15 years.

TEAM ROSTERS:

The maximum number of players a team roster can consist of is 12 skaters + 2 goaltenders. In previous years, most teams have consisted of 6-8 players and 1 goaltender.

A maximum of 3 coaches are allowed on the player benches, in addition to players.

TEAM/PARTICIPANT ELIGIBILITY:

The tournament director reserves the right to place a team in a different division to which they have registered (if he sees fit).

Players can play in a maximum of three divisions, as long as the following team rules are adhered to:

Pro Division Teams: No player restrictions.

Division 1 Teams: A maximum of ONE Pro Division player is allowed per roster.

Division 2 Teams: A maximum of TWO Division 1 players are allowed per roster.

** No Pro Division players are allowed to play in this division.*

Division 3 Teams: A maximum of TWO Division 2 players are allowed per roster.

** No Pro Division or Division 1 players are allowed to play in this division.*



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Masters Teams: Masters is considered a completely separate division and there are no restrictions to playing in this division, other than age.

All team and scheduling requests must be made by 1st March 2017. Any requests made after this date will be void. All team rosters are “**FROZEN**” prior to the first game. No players may be added after 13th April 2017 without the approval of the tournament director.

TOURNAMENT FORMAT:

All teams are guaranteed to play a minimum of five games. The actual format for the 2017ACC will be dictated by the number of team entries in each division.

GAME FORMAT:

The start and finish times for each day will be determined by the total number of teams. Generally, scheduled games will start at 7:00am and conclude no later than 11:00pm.

Length of game (Pro division): 2 x 20 minute halves (two minute halftime break).

Length of game (All other divisions): 2 x 15 minute halves (two minute halftime break).

All round robin games will be running time with no timeouts or stop time unless controlled by the referee. All finals games will be played with stop time in the last two minutes if the score is within one goal. Each team will be allocated one timeout per finals game.

Tied finals game: 5 minute sudden death overtime.

Tied after overtime: Best of 3 penalty shootout (continuing until a winner is decided).

SCHEDULE OF GAMES:

A schedule of games will be available no later than 14 days prior to the commencement of the tournament. The fixture will be available online at www.stadium34.com.au/2017-acc and posted on www.facebook.com/ACCHockeyTournament.

A schedule update may be made (due to unforeseen circumstances) during the week leading up to the tournament and any updates will be communicated.

THURSDAY 13th APRIL:

There may be a need to schedule some games in the evening of Thursday 13th April to accommodate all teams. There is an option on the team registration form to indicate if this is possible for your team. Please make any requests in the comments section for example ‘we are happy to play Thursday night but would like no games Saturday’.



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SCORING/STANDINGS:

The tournament will feature scoring and standings with on-line access. Results will also be posted in the foyer of the main entrance and the tournament Facebook page will be regularly updated. Tournament results: www.stadium34.hockeysyde.com

TOURNAMENT AWARDS:

Pro division teams will compete for the major prize of **\$2000.00**, in a winner take all format. First and second place teams in each of the divisions will be presented with individual awards. Prizes will be awarded to the 'Best Goalie (SV%)', 'Highest Point Scorer' and tournament 'MVP' for all divisions.

UNIFORMS AND RULE HIGHLIGHTS:

All teams must wear matching jerseys. For teams looking to purchase new jerseys for the tournament, we recommend speaking to Chris Bridgett from Kridgett Kreationz (www.facebook.com/kridgettkreationz).

All games will be played in accordance with the IIHF Inline rule book and a set of 2017ACC tournament by-laws. All tournament games will be played with offside, but without illegal clearing rules (icing). Minor penalties are two minutes duration. Half visors or face cages **MUST BE WORN** on all helmets, in all divisions. A zero tolerance towards fighting and referee abuse will be enforced.

HEAD REFEREE:

Daryl Hamilton will take the position of 'referee in charge' for the fifth year running. Daryl will manage the assignment of game referees and oversee the conduct of refereeing throughout the tournament. Mark O'Brien has also committed to the tournament and will be joining us from Queensland (for the third year running). We believe that refereeing is a key element to the tournaments success and we will continue to source the best available for this tournament.

VOLUNTEERS/PHOTOGRAPHERS:

Tournaments of this nature require an enormous amount of work behind the scenes and off the rink. This year we are seeking volunteers to help with various aspects of the tournament. Some of these aspects include helping with time keeping/scoring and taking photographs/videos during the tournament. If you would like to get involved, please contact Matt by emailing matt@stadium34.com.au.

CHANGE ROOMS:

We request that change rooms be kept in a neat and tidy manner for the duration of the tournament. Players may leave gear overnight in the designated areas (at their own risk).



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PRO SHOP:

Skaters Network will provide players with a comprehensive Pro Shop and unbeatable product knowledge throughout the tournament. If you are looking for some new gear, then take advantage of the service these guys offer and get the right advice!



MERCHANDISE:

Kridgett Creations will be supplying all the 2017ACC tournament merchandise!

It will be available for purchase prior to and during the tournament.

Like the Kridgett Creations Facebook page to keep up to date with everything 2017ACC!

www.facebook.com/kridgettkreations



ACCOMMODATION INFORMATION:

We have again teamed up with Park Lane Holiday Parks (Traralgon) to encourage all teams to stay together at this fantastic venue. Park Lane is only 18-minutes from the Stadium (on the princess highway) and 5-minutes from the centre of the largest town in Gippsland, Traralgon! The park boasts a number of facilities including a mini-mart, cafe, onsite massage, heated swimming pool, indoor hot spa, laundry facilities, BBQ's, games room and a ½ size basketball court, just to name a few. Attached is a flyer with further information and contact details.

If you are looking for somewhere different the Latrobe Visitor Information Centre can offer you a free booking service for your accommodation, via the website link

www.visitlatrobevalley.com/accommodation.asp or by telephoning them on 1800 621 409.

There is a range of accommodation in Moe/Morwell/Traralgon and surrounds to suit all budgets. Please also take the time to browse the website for a list of activities and attractions around the Gippsland region.