



## What is Southern Cross Masters Hockey and how do I get involved?

**Southern Cross Masters Hockey Inc (SCMH)** is an Australian-based organisation to promote international hockey for Masters players in the **O55s, O60s, O65s, O70s, O75s & O80s** age groups.

SCMH (aka SX) since 2012, receives invitations to compete in competitions sanctioned by the Federation of International Hockey (FIH) which endorsed **World Masters Hockey (WMH)** following WMH's incorporation in October, 2018. Much more info at [www.worldmastershockey.org](http://www.worldmastershockey.org)

[The **WMH** was formed by combining two existing organisations – the International Masters Hockey Association (IMHA) and World Grand Masters Hockey (WGMA)].

**How does it work for SX?** At an international masters hockey tournament – eg a World Cup event – two competitions are run in parallel, at the same venue, at the same time.

One is recognised as a “National Teams” competition and the other is known as the “**Spirit of Masters**” competition (formerly known as Tournament Trophy) which caters for national 2nd teams and the affiliated non-national teams.

Currently there are three non-national groups, one of which is Southern Cross Masters Hockey Inc., and the other two are, Alliance and England LX.

Tournaments SX has attended over recent years (nil during covid) are...

**2018 World Cup & Tournament Trophy** (Barcelona, Spain).

**2019 European Cup & Tournament Trophy** (Brasschaat, Belgium).

**2022 World Cup & Spirit of Masters** (Tokyo, Japan).

**2023 European Cup & Spirit of Masters** (Valencia, Spain).

### How do I get involved in SCMH?

The website for Southern Cross is <http://www.southerncrosshockey.org>

To become a member (currently free to join) of Southern Cross Masters Hockey Inc., visit the website and click on the **MEMBERSHIP** link. Those familiar with the HA-sponsored RevSport registration system used by many hockey associations will be familiar with the process.

When you register, you identify yourself as a **Player** or **OFT** (Off-Field Team) member, such as Umpire, Manager, Coach, Physio, Massage Therapist, or a Supporter, etc.

Registered members can nominate for upcoming tournaments (as Players & OFTs etc), as well as attend the AGM, usually held during the Australian Masters National Championships (AMNC).

#### Upcoming WMH organised tournaments SX is planning to attend.

- Asian Cup Spirit of Masters – Hong Kong, Nov 2023. (60s; 65s; 70s).
- World Cup Spirit of Masters – Cape Town, South Africa, Oct 2024. (65s, 70s, 75s, 80s).
- World Cup Spirit of Masters – Auckland, New Zealand, Nov 2024. (55s & 60s).

**For more information:** Please email the Southern Cross Masters Hockey Secretary on this [LINK](#)