

Hockey Hong Kong
Masters' Section
Chairman's Report 2025-2026

The main highlight in this last season has been the World Masters Hockey (WMH) Asian Continental Cup held in November 2025 at Hong Kong Football Club and the Happy Valley pitches

We had been requested by WMH to “go again” and we had 21 teams from Asia and around the world competing in the tournament from November 26th to 30th, with the following key aspects:

- Five Hong Kong teams competed with the following results:
Mens O40 – Silver Medal
Mens O50 – Bronze Medal
Mens O60 – Silver Medal
Women O35 – Silver Medal
Women O40 Spirit of Masters team – Silver Medal
- Teams from seven Asian nations competed – Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Singapore, Bangladesh, India and Hong Kong.
- Spirit of Masters teams from New Zealand also competed in the Mens O60 and Womens O35 and O40 categories
- Over 30 officials and umpires from around the world also came to Hong Kong to assist with the tournament
- Hosting the event at HKFC worked well with players and officials enjoying the facility, and our thanks to HKFC for their support
- Support from the Hong Kong hockey community was also strong with 30-40 volunteers helping in different roles from liaising with the international teams to assisting with the events held for the event

The legacy from the event again has been an interest in our teams wanting to play in the upcoming World Cups being organized by WMH and we currently have teams planning to compete:

- Mens O 40 and Mens O50 to travel to Rotterdam for the WMH World Cup in July 2026

Training has already started for the teams as the planning for their trips is underway, and this is a good opportunity to continue the growth in interest in Masters hockey that the tournament generated, though the lack of any financial support from Hockey HK was one of the factors why the Ladies did not make it to the tournament in Rotterdam.

The three Ladies Masters teams competed in the Premier, 2nd and 3rd Divisions and all had tough seasons in their respective divisions (the A's in Premier B in the second half).

Masters events included the KCC Tournament that was played with players going back to their origins in playing on grass.



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A lack of pitches with Kings Park not opening until the beginning of 2026 meant there were not enough opportunities for Masters games, but we will be hoping to have more pitch time going in to the next season.

We will also be talking to the Mens Section to see how Masters can be developed within the framework of the league.

We would like to thank the Hong Kong China Hockey for their support of the Masters, but more particularly thank the Hong Kong Football Club for allowing us use of their pitch for many of the games and training for the Masters as well as their great support of the November tournament.

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