

Avon Junior Club

Key dates for Junior Hockey 2026

Preseason Training/ Trials

Shirley Community Trust Turf

(the old Shirley Boys High School Turf)

77 North Parade, Shirley, Christchurch 8013

Kwik Sticks: Year 7 & 8

Trial 1/ Training 1, Registrations: Thursday 26th March, 5.00 pm – 6.00 pm

Trial 2/Training 2: Thursday 2nd April, 5.00 pm – 6.00 pm

Trial 3/Training 3: Thursday 23rd April, 5.00 pm – 6.00 pm

Full named teams and season practices begin @

Shirley Community Trust Turf

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77 North Parade, Richmond, Christchurch 8013

Team trainings Thursday 30th April, 5.00-6.00 pm

6 aside: Year 3 – 6 – Boys & Girls

Trial 1/ Training 1, Registrations: Thursday 26th March, 4.00 pm – 5.00 pm

Trial 2/Training 2: Thursday 2nd April, 4.00 pm – 5.00 pm

Trial 3/Training 3: Thursday 23rd April, 4.00 pm – 5.00 pm

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Times and Dates may change as training needs change

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Winter Season Timetable

Term Two Practices start: Thursday 23rd April
Games Begin: Friday 1st May, Saturday 2nd May and Sunday 3rd May.

Fun sticks Programme: Year 1-2

Season Starts: Thursday 30th April 4.00pm
Finish: Thursday 13th August

Playing Dates 6 a-side, Mini Sticks (Year 3-4)

Mini Sticks will continue to be offered on both Friday nights and Saturday mornings.

Teams can be made up of a single gender or a mixture of genders on both playing days and will play grouped based on their ability to ensure suitable games as often as possible.

Games Start date: Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd May
Game End date: Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd August

Playing Dates 6 a-side, Kiwi Sticks (Year 5-6)

We offer a Kiwi Sticks Year 5-6 grade on Friday nights! As per the Saturday divisions Friday night will also be separated into boys and girl's grades.

Season Games Start: Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd May
Final's date: Friday 21st and Saturday 22nd August

Playing dates for Kwik Sticks 7 Aside (Year 7/8)

Season Games starts Saturday 2nd May and Sunday 3rd May
Finish Saturday 22nd August and Sunday 23rd August

Non-Playing dates

- 29th, 30th and 31st May (King's birthday),
- 10th, 11th and 12th July (Middle weekend school holidays)
- 17th, 18th and 19th July (last weekend school holidays)

Non-Practice Dates

- Thursday 9th April
- Thursday 16th April
- Thursday 9th July
- Thursday 16th July

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Please ensure that all children attending bring their own **stick, shin pads, mouth guard and drink bottle**. Hockey association rules state that no child will be permitted to play without these. If you wish to borrow a hockey Stick to begin with, please let us know. We will have some sticks that can be loaned.

2026 Junior Club Registrations go online link

<https://forms.gle/KuMd3ByksMNZKoEV6>

All Junior registrations must be done through this on-line link by the 20th of March 2025

You can also follow us on Facebook Link: [https://www.facebook.com/search/top/ Avon junior hockey](https://www.facebook.com/search/top/Avon+junior+hockey) or website: avonhockey.co.nz

If you cannot attend the trials but want to be in a team, please let us know asap

Michael Graveston (Junior Club Captain) on email: juniors@avonhockey.co.nz