



2023 Underwater Hockey
Pacific Coast Championships
Captain's Notes

Aquatics Facility: Santa Clarita Aquatics Center

Address: 20850 Centre Pointe Pkwy, Santa Clarita, CA 91351

Hello Team Organizers!

This document serves as the official Captains' Notes for the 2023 Pacific Coast Championships. These notes will be attached to the PCCs Event page on UWH Portal. There will NOT be a captains meeting at the pool, so any questions you have need to be addressed via phone, email, or personal chat with a tournament organizer. The schedule, and subsequent results/rankings, will be available at the UWHPortal event page. Thanks to Atlantis Sports for making this possible!

Please read through completely and carefully and distribute these notes to your teams. You are responsible for making sure your team knows the rules. Captains must acknowledge receipt and agreement to abide by these Captains notes/tournament rules. Ignorance will not be a valid excuse. Failure to follow these rules will impact your team, players and games to be played. Rules are subject to the discretion of the Tournament Organizers.

Thank you... We are looking forward to a fun weekend of Underwater Hockey!

EVENT CONTACTS:

- Casey Nakamura, OC, CO-Tournament Director
- Glenn Terry, LA, CO-Tournament Director
- Sarah Hewawitharana, Tournament Referee, Ref Scheduler
- Eric Straily, Atlantis Sports
- Weston Monroe, PCCs Equipment Manager
- Thomas Hauber, PCCs Treasurer
- John Sullivan, Committee Member
- Beven McWilliams, Committee Member
- Alex Webster, Committee Member
- Ashley Jauregui, Committee Member
- Paul Outram, Committee Member - Banquet

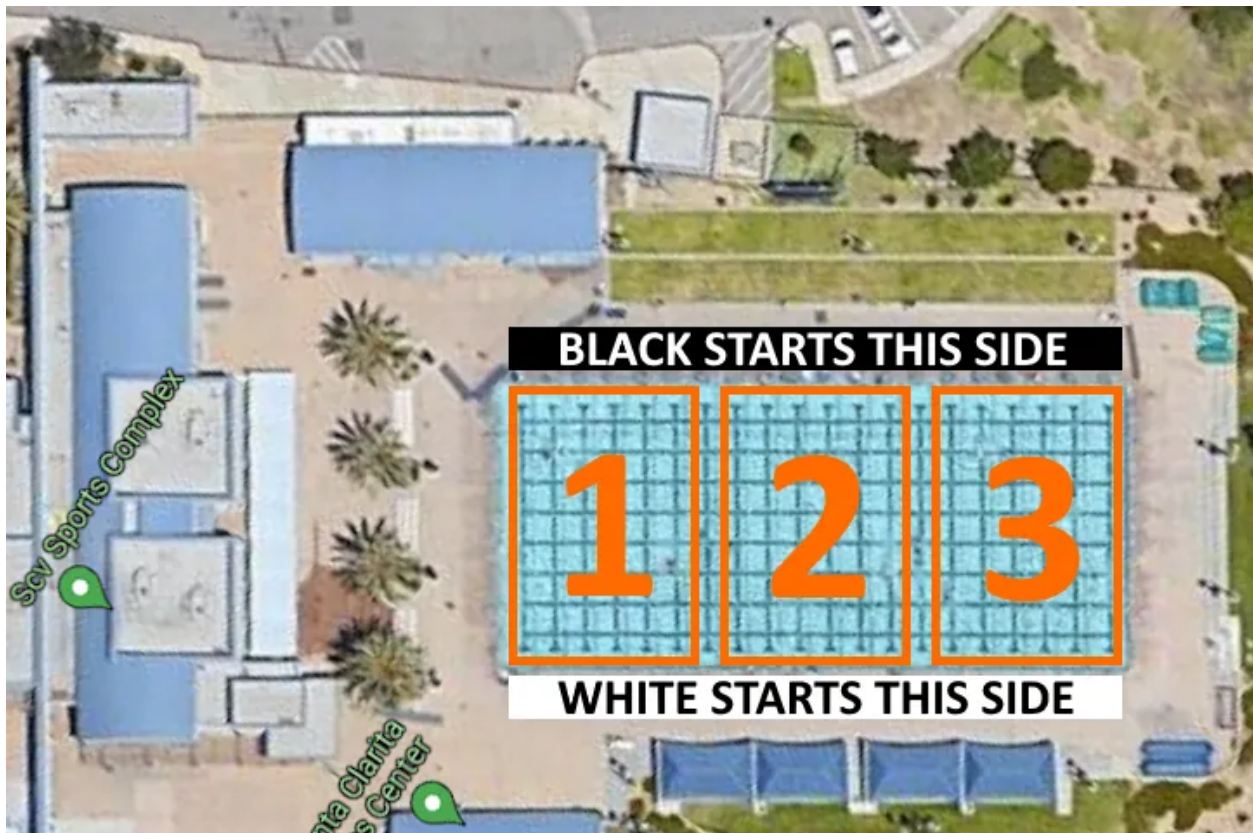
Note: Construction On-going in the area, please arrive early to avoid parking issues.

HOUSE RULES:

- **SUNSCREEN - USE ONLY CLEAR SPRAY FORMULAS** (For water CLARITY)
- **No Deck Changing** must use Locker Rooms
- **No Alcohol allowed** (Immediate ejection from Tournament)
- **No illegal Drugs allowed** (Immediate ejection from Tournament)
- **No smoking or vaping** in the Santa Clarita Aquatic Center
- **No stakes** in the lawn area you must use water filled buckets to hold down canopies
- **No profanity or fighting** allowed (Immediate ejection from Tournament)
- **No running** on the deck
- **Food Area: DO NOT GO BEHIND THE TABLE TO HELP YOURSELVES.** We have a budget and must maintain it for the whole weekend.
- **Be courteous** and professional to all pool staff
- **Pick up trash** and maintain a safe and clean facility
- **Team Captains MUST** read and distribute notes to their teams and must sign at bottom acknowledging receipt and agreement to abide by tournament rules. Ignorance will not be a valid excuse.

POOL SET-UP:

- Entry to facility starts at 7:00 am on both days
- Warm up/pool time starts at 7:30am on Saturday
- Warm up/pool time starts at 7:30am on Sunday
- Court #1, Court #2, Court #3 as indicated per layout.
- **BLACK Team is the near side, WHITE TEAM walks(Grand stand side)**



Note: We are only using 1 pool at this facility, all other pools are off-limits.

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE:

- We will be using the Atlantis Sports Tournament management system, an automated timing system for all courts. Change-over time between games is maintained by the computer, and games ***WILL*** start on schedule. Teams and refs are responsible for being ready when games start.
- All scores and standings can be found on <https://uwportal.com/events/us-2023-pacific-coast-championships>
- Player Refs who are not ready will incur Dilly-Dally Rule penalties.

Mixed game scheduling for 15 teams:

- 5 Pods of 3 teams each for initial group sortings
- 3 Groups of 5 teams to determine seeding (based upon finish in 3 team pod)
- Crossovers between groups
- 8 and 7 team playoffs

Open Game scheduling for 4 teams

- Double Round Robin
- 4 Team Playoff

Age Group Potluck for 3 Teams

- Single Round Robin only

Game Scoring:

- Win: +3, Tie: +1, Loss: 0, Forfeit: -3
- Seeding ties broken by (in order): Head-to-Head record, Most RR wins, Fewest RR losses, Fewest RR goals allowed, Coin toss

Mixed Playoffs: After the crossover games the Mixed teams will be seeded* 1-8 and 9–15 and will play quarters/semis, consolations and finals

Playoff ties: If teams are tied at the end of regulation game play, 1 minute break (do not change ends) then go to Sudden Death Overtime for 10 mins. Then a Coin Flip.

Medal game ties: Go straight to running time sudden-death after 1-minute break (do not change ends)

REFEREES and RULES:

- All referees are to be respected at all times, before, during and after games.
- We are using the Tri-Referee Rotation System, therefore the Player Ref Rule (modified from the Minnesota Rule) will apply: each team must provide one ref after each game they play.
 - o If your team has opted out of reffing by paying the extra ref opt out fee, you do not need to provide any Player Refs after your games.
 - o If your team did not opt out, then you must have a player ref signed up before your game starts.
 - Put your team's Player Ref name on the line of the game you PLAY, not the game you ref.
 - If your team doesn't have a name on the board by 3 minutes before the published start time of your game, your team captain will serve a penalty at the beginning of that game.
 - This penalty will be at least one minute long (during which time, said captain may go and write a name on the board) and will continue until the name of an eligible Player Ref has been added to the appropriate line on the board.
 - o The Dilly-Dally Rule will apply: If your team's Player Ref is not ready to start (geared up, in position, hand up) at the published start time of the game they're signed up to ref, your opponent can select the player who will serve the 1-minute penalty at the start of your next game.
 - In the event that your team is assessed both a Player Ref Rule penalty AND a Dilly-Dally Rule penalty for the same game, your opponent will choose a second player to serve a simultaneous 1-minute penalty.
- Tournament Hosts will arrange the referees for the first game EACH DAY.
- All referees are to wear appropriate vest, cap and gloves
- Ref gear will be available at officials table with gloves, vest/top, red swim caps and red polo caps
- Basic first aid supplies will be made available at each official table.

USOA Player Requirements

- All players must sign USOA waiver and pay USOA registration before playing in the tournament (other country registration is exempt, ex CUGA)
- Translations of the waiver are available upon request.

Rules & Protests

- We will be using CMAS rules version 12.0 (Volume 1 v12.0, Volume 2 v12.0), all players are strongly encouraged to at least read volume 2 of these rules. <https://www.underwater-society.org/uwhreferees>)
- Upon request, there has been a form created for official protests. USOA rules require a \$50 protest fee to accompany it, and the form must be filled out within 1 hour after the match. See Sarah H./John K for more details.

Communicating with Referees:

- Players arriving late to a game must notify officials at the officials table before entering the game.
- Only active team captains (vice-captain in captain's absence) may speak to officials during a match.
- 'Colorful metaphors' and other inappropriate language/gestures toward players or referees will be considered un-sportsman like behavior and will not be tolerated. 2 minute penalty for first offense, followed by 5 minutes, ejection from the game, and ejection from the tournament.

Rules Modifications, Special Notices:

- Penalty times may be reduced from those specified in the CMAS rules due to shorter game length (1,2,5 minute penalties will be used, but 2 may become 1 and 5 may become 2 at the discretion of the officials).
- Players to enter the pool from the penalty box by being seated on deck and sliding in
- Teams have already submitted rosters through the UWH Portal, however if any updates have been initiated, teams must update their portal roster prior to the first game
- **No roster changes will be allowed after the first game.**

Player Gear & Markings:

- "C" and "VC" should be clearly marked on both shoulders of captain and vice-captain, respectively. There will be black permanent marking pens at the official's table. No body writing
- All players should have unique numbers on their respective teams. Player numbers will be used to keep track of warnings, penalties and goals. If numbers are not unique, incorrect players may get penalized or credited goals. Please make every attempt to have a unique number.
- Appropriate color hat/swim cap must be worn during play to match stick color. Ear-guards and straps are excluded from color requirements provided they do not create confusion about what color.
- Wrestling headgear does not count as a hat. An appropriate color hat must be worn together with a wrestling headgear.
- BLUE and BLACK are acceptable hat colors when playing black/dark.
- WHITE is the acceptable hat color when playing white.
- Ear and mouth guards must be worn. Players will not be allowed to play without them.
- In-water coaches must wear shirts during games. Preferred: Green cap or no polo cap/headgear
- Gloves must contrast the playing stick. Gloves may not be red, yellow, orange, or pink in color. Unsportsmanlike conduct infringements may be called if glove color is being used to intentionally mislead or confuse other players or officials.

Tournament Sponsors

We could not have put on this tournament without the generosity of our sponsors and the host teams of OC Octopush and LA UWH.

Thank you!



Other Sponsors include:
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Apparel/Gear:

- The PCCs 2023 apparel table will open at 10:00am on Saturday and Sunday, through the remainder of each day along with CANAM Gear Sales. There are a limited number of items for sale so come early to get what you want in the right size!

Items for sale include:

- Older PCCs Tournament T-Shirts
- LA and OC Team Patches
- OC "Octopussy" Towels
- UWH Stick Key chains
- and more...

Digital payment is the preferred method, PayPal and Venmo options available.

Gear Raffle - Help us raise funds for new PLAYERS & Expand UWH in Social... and win awesome gear!

- The gear raffle will open at 10:00am Saturday and be open through the rest of the weekend and at the banquet.
- All raffle tickets are \$2
- We have an assortment of gear and other items donated including Surf-fur swag, CanAm gear, HydroUwh Sticks, IN8 Active Prize packs, \$\$\$ and much more.
- Raffle drawing will be done at the banquet.
- You do not have to be present to win (put name and phone # on ticket)
- Team delivery to be coordinated for those who have to leave early.

Massage services

Free Massage Services by NHI institute students will be offered to all Underwater hockey participants, age 18 and up. They will be available on Saturday from 10am to 4pm and Sunday from 10-12pm. (Tips are encouraged)

Banquet (Foods, Awards, Costume contest and Gear Raffle):

**2023 PACIFIC COAST CHAMPIONSHIP
BANQUET**

**SHOOTERS
BAR & BILLIARDS**

Sunday October 29th | 6:00PM-11:00PM

24450 Lyons Avenue
Santa Clarita, CA 91321

**\$8.00
BULRIDE!!!!
**SIGNED WAIVER
REQUIRED****

**FREE
BILLIARDS!!!**

TOURNAMENT AWARDS

DINNER BUFFET & FULL CASH BAR

Contests

Best - Team Costume
Best - Individual Costume

The banquet venue has a strict policy against outside alcohol and fighting. There will be no tolerance for outside alcohol or fighting in the banquet. Please be considerate of these rules. Our ability to use the venues depends on it..THANK YOU!

NOTE: WAIVERS are required to Ride the bull and banquet attendees will not be admitted without a wrist bracelet.



2023 Underwater Hockey Pacific Coast Championships Captain's Notes - Sign-off Form.

Team Name: _____

Captain's Name (print) and Phone Number:

Vice-Captain Name(print) and Phone Number: (in case, Captain can't be reached):

Captain's Signature:

Date: _____

Reach out if you have questions, otherwise please email signed form to
orangeuwh@gmail.com