



TOOWOOMBA HOCKEY
ASSOCIATION INC.
REVIEW OUTCOMES

PURPOSE

- ▣ Purpose of the forums conducted in 2010 was to achieve a comprehensive review of all elements that pertain to hockey within the Association including coaching, umpiring and playing.
- ▣ For the Association to make informed decisions about how to best proceed into the future.

MINKEY/MODIFIED SURVEY

- ▣ 199 surveys were distributed to families of minkey/modified players in 2010
- ▣ Return rate of 45%

MINKEY/MODIFIED SURVEY

- ▣ **Where did you hear about hockey?**
 - Friends 38%, word of mouth 15%, hockey expo 18%, school 14%, other 15 % (family member plays)
- ▣ **Positive aspects of involvement with hockey?**
(results ranked)
 - 1. Played in one location, 2. Facilities, 3. Enjoyment, 4. Price, 5. Atmosphere, 6. Organisation of the sport, 7. Other (emphasis on fun, safety)
- ▣ **Negative aspects of involvement with hockey?**
(results ranked)
 - 1. Organisation of the sport, 2. Facilities, 3. Price, 4. Enjoyment, 5. Played in one location, 6. Atmosphere, 7. Other (weather – cold and wind, coaches, communication)
- ▣ **Most suitable time for minkey/modified's to be played?**
 - Saturday morning 87.5%, Monday-Friday afternoon 8% (Friday), Saturday afternoon 4.5%
- ▣ **Rate how you perceive the cost of the sport of hockey**
 - Excellent 63%, Good 37%
- ▣ **Do you feel you have adequate access to information about hockey?**
 - Yes 89%, No 11%

MINKEY/MODIFIED SURVEY

- ▣ **Rate in order as to best means of communicating with you?**
(results ranked)
 - 1. Email, 2. PA system (during games), 3. Team Coaches/Managers, 4. Newsletter, 5. Club, 6. Website, 7. Noticeboard.
- ▣ **What could be done to increase your interest in assisting with hockey?**
(results ranked)
 - 1. Assisting someone who has done the role before, 2. Direct approach, 3. Clear explanation of the role, 4. Information about role presented in a manual, 5. Other (time, lack of support and training)
- ▣ **Would you recommend the THA to other families to play hockey?**
 - Yes 100%
- ▣ **Will you be returning to play hockey next year?**
 - Yes 97.5%, No 2.5% (lost interest, play another sport).
- ▣ **What can the THA do to improve the minkey/modified experience?**
 - More promotion in schools.
 - Clearer progression from minkey to modified's in relation to rules and skills – progression to under 11.
 - Experienced coaches, further training required. – coaching manuals.
 - Incentive award/certificate scheme for accomplishing specific hockey techniques.
 - Change the field structure for minkey's and modified's.
 - Emphasis on fun!

FORUMS

- ▣ Number of forums held: 20
 - ▣ Targeting: Players (Division 1 and 2), Coaches (First and Second Division and THA Representative), Match Directors/Panelled Umpires, Club President's, Toowoomba Hockey Committee, THA Life Members and 2 open forums for the wider hockey community
- ▣ Total number of people that participated in the forums: 90

PLAYING

- ▣ **Development of players: Coaching seminars, development pathways**
- ▣ **Same day for A3 and A4 men and women**
- ▣ **Development of minkey/modified syllabus: THA philosophy for all clubs to adhere to**
- ▣ **Development of a THA standard for all coaching staff**
- ▣ **Strong emphasis on the A grade competition remaining on Saturday**
- ▣ **Need to review the junior competition**

COACHING

- ▣ **Coaching seminars and clinics for clubs and players**
- ▣ **Manuals for age appropriate and skill appropriate coaching**
- ▣ **THA coaching accreditation at a local level**
- ▣ **Coaching communication methods**
- ▣ **Training calendar**

UMPIRING

- ▣ **Foster umpire development**
- ▣ **Clinics targeted toward beginner – advanced umpires**
- ▣ **Control abuse**
- ▣ **Strategy for recruitment of umpires**
- ▣ **Umpire academy**

PROJECT OFFICER

- ▣ Grant: Local Jobs Plan
- ▣ Action plan
- ▣ Projects completed
- ▣ Future projects

CHILD AND YOUTH RISK MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

- ▣ Overview of the THA's child protection policy
- ▣ Blue card requirements