

# Westside Wolves Minkey 2024 College Park

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When	What	Where
8-10 April 2024	Easter Minkey Clinic	Cresswell Park
20 April 2024	Registration Closes at midnight	
4 May 2024	Round #1	College Park
11 May 2024	Round #2	College Park
18 May 2024	Round #3	College Park
25 May 2024	Round #4	College Park
01 June 2024	WA DAY - NO GAMES THIS WEEKEND	
8 June 2024	Round #5	College Park
15 June 2024	Round #6	College Park
22 June 2024	Round #7	College Park
29 June 2024	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS - NO GAMES	
6 July 2024	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS - NO GAMES	
13 July 2024	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS - NO GAMES	
20 July 2024	Round #8	College Park
27 July 2024	Round #9	College Park
3 August 2024	Round #10	College Park
10 August 2024	Round #11	College Park
17 August 2024	Derbies & Windup	College Park



# **About Westside Wolves Minkey at College Park**

Minkey is a modified version of full field hockey. The smaller fields and mixed teams allow players to develop good hockey and team skills prior to transitioning to play full field hockey in year 5.

The Westside Wolves Minkey program at College Park is considered the largest in Australia with up to 20 schools participating and has been running for almost 30 years.

Developing good spirit of the game is paramount and therefore there is no ladder or scoring. Players, however, do get to enjoy live matches each week playing against different schools in a round robin format. It is essential that player's parents and coaches remember that this may be the first time for many children in a team sport and so it needs to be a positive experience.

### **The Season**

Westside Wolves Minkey is held on Saturday mornings at College Park, Nedlands. The 12-round season commences on 4 May 2024 and concludes on 17 August 2024.

## **Grading**

Minkey is ungraded and based on the following year levels:

Kindy/Pre-Primary	Skills based session	No teams	9.00 – 9.45am
School Year 1	Pups	7 a Side	9.00 – 9.45am
School Year 2	Cubs	7 a Side	9.00 – 9.45am
School Year 3	Warewolves	9 a Side	10.00 – 10:45am
School Year 4	Wolverines	9 a Side	10.00 – 10:45am

# <u>Rules</u>

The Kindy and Pre-Primary sessions are skills bases with mini games included in the session to introduce children to the concept of match play. Our senior Wolves club members are rostered on to help with these sessions throughout the season and we encourage parents to assist each Saturday morning. No teams will be required, nor uniforms. Parents may register their child individually and appropriate groupings will be made each Saturday morning.

Pups and Cubs teams play on a "quarter field" format and comprise up to 10 players with 7 on the field at one time. There are two 20-minute halves with a 5-minute interval.

Warewolves and Wolverines teams play on a "three quarter" field format and comprise up to 12 players with 9 players on the field at one time. There are two 20-minute halves with a 5-minute interval.

The Warewolves play with no raised stick hitting of the ball, the ball hitting player's feet will be largely ignored still and there are no short corner penalties. The Wolverines play now introduces hitting and short corners. There will also be greater focus on umpires calling a free hit if the ball

contacts a player's foot. This level of play is a very close representation of field hockey.

Copies of the Minkey rules can be downloaded from the Wolves website at: <a href="https://www.wolves.org.au/minkey">https://www.wolves.org.au/minkey</a>.

### **Code Of Conduct**

Minkey formed on the premise of children having fun with their friends and being active while learning hockey skills. There is no room for overly competitive and unsportsmanlike behaviour from players, coaches, managers, and spectators. Good role modelling is expected from all adults attending the games. Poor behaviour will not be tolerated either on or off the pitch.

### <u>Uniform</u>

Players in each school year level are organised into school-based teams and play in their school colours or uniform of choice. If a mix of schools are combined in a team, that team can wear a team-coloured t-shirt of their choice.

Each team has an on-field coach, and an off-field manager. You can only have one coach on the field at any time. Players must have their own stick, mouthguard, shin pads and a personal drink bottle is advisable. We recommend teams have a small first aid kit to bring to each game. Ice is held at the John Leckie Pavilion in the canteen.

### **Mouthguards & Equipment**

All players must have mouthguards, with a no mouthguard, no play policy always applying on the field.

All players must also wear shin pads. These can be purchased from The Republic of Hockey at 18 Graylands Road, Claremont. Hockey starter packs can also be purchased there: https://republicofhockey.com.au/collections/starter-kits

### **Fees**

Fees for the 2024 season are per player as follows:

Kindy/Pre-Primary \$160 + Hockey Australia levy of \$22.81 School Years 1-4 \$180 + Hockey Australia levy of \$22.81

A 10% family discount applies if three or more players from the same address register across the Wolves club (Minkey, juniors &/or seniors).

Fees are inclusive of coaching information, sport insurance, ground hire and marking, and the provision of an umpire for each game. All players must register online at <a href="https://www.wolves.org.au/registration">https://www.wolves.org.au/registration</a> with payment to be made at the time of booking. Unregistered players are not insured to play should an injury occur.

All refunds incur an administration fee of \$50 & there will be no refunds after the season has commenced.

### **General Enquiries**

For any further Minkey enquiries, please contact Westside Wolves Minkey Coordinator, Lydia at <a href="minkey@wolves.org.au">minkey@wolves.org.au</a> or 0412 228126.