



# WMH World Cup Cape Town

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Hello from beautiful Cape Town, South Africa (SA).

Welcome to the latest WMH WORLD CUP – CAPE TOWN Newsletter

With around only 5 months to go until “push off” things are “hotting” up in the Mother City and the excitement is becoming only too real.

We can't wait to welcome you to our shores so that you can experience the splendours of the Cape, the vibrancy of its people and the sportsmanship that Masters Hockey brings to the field.

## IMPORTANT DIARY DATES

- **Opening Ceremony: Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024. After 15:00 (to be confirmed).**
- **Closing Ceremony/Function: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2024. After 15:00 (to be confirmed).**

Please book your flights to ensure that you arrive prior to the opening ceremony and leave after the closing function – these events are something **you really do not want to miss**, as we have pulled out all the stops to make sure these will be events to remember.

## ACCOMODATION DESK

**Contact Louise:** [wcsa@highline.co.za](mailto:wcsa@highline.co.za)

There are several major events unfolding in Cape Town in October, and these events are creating a surge in the demand for accommodation in Cape Town. Bed prices and bed nights are becoming increasingly scarce and due to this there are also notable increases in pricing.



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We do understand that some countries / teams still have to make their final selections for the World Cup (WC), but we encourage you to book your accommodation as soon as is possible to avoid disappointment and higher prices.

Please contact Louise regarding your interest and needs so that the accommodation desk can secure and hold accommodation for you in good time. This proactive approach will help us all avoid lastminute challenges due to unavailability in the city and possible extra transportation costs should you have to book accommodation far from all the activities.

## **OPENING CEREMONY & FUNCTION**

Friday - 11<sup>th</sup> October 2024 (time dependent on completion of all the finals)

You will experience a truly exciting and entertaining South African welcome in the shape of the Kaapse Klopse, against the backdrop of the majestic V&A Waterfront.

This opening will set the tone for the Cape Town World Cup - vibrant, colourful and full of energy.

Transport to / from the opening will be arranged and times will be given to teams closer to the event.

Kaapse Klopse online - click below

<https://www.google.co.za/search?kgmid=/m/05yd0r&hl=en-ZA&q=Kaapse+Klopse&kgs=c4a6c6414b9c16&shnd=17&shem=lnolc,lsdc&source=sh/x/kp/osrp/m5/3>

## **THEMED NIGHTS**

We are planning 2 limited themed nights at the Tournament Village where teams / countries can book tables, enjoy the festivities and mix with other teams / countries. These evenings will be filled with traditional South African Cuisine and Entertainment – be sure to book early as numbers are limited.

Our South African culture of food and good old “kuier” (English – Visit)



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## **MORE DIARY DATES:**

### **Nou gaan ons Braai Evening: Monday 14 October - 18:00**

(English - Now we are going to Braai)

A braai is a traditional SA barbecue or grill.

It is not just about food; it is a social event and a way of life in SA.

It typically involves grilling meat over hot coals, with side plates consisting of pap & gravy, salads & rolls. Vegetarian options will also be available.

Enjoy the background sing-a-long music with your drink in hand.

### **Cape Malay Curry Evening: Friday 18 October - 1800**

Cape Malay curry is a flavourful and aromatic curry that originates from the Cape Malay community in SA.

There will be a variety of curries and a vegetarian option on offer as well as other accompaniments.

Enjoy a crisp, cold, glass of wine or an ice, cold beer – the perfect way to enjoy a good evening.

There will also be live music so come and join us and spice up your day.

### **CLOSING FUNCTION: Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October**

A Cape Town Mardi Gras

The Atlantic Ocean and the most famous mountain in the world, as your back drops with fire dancers, African rhythm drummers and a host of SA's most talented musicians will entertain us from start to finish.



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We start before sun down, so get there early to watch the sun set over the Indian ocean from the iconic location in Cape Town known as Camps Bay, with a cocktail in hand of course.

Then party until late if you have the stamina, as we entertain you well into the night (morning for some).

Winning teams will be showcased and spoilt on the evening with some additional tournament awards handed out.

Food will be served all night with non-stop alcoholic beverages and refreshments.

Make sure you pre-book your tickets. Partners, friends and family are welcome to join for the closing function and enjoy in the festivities, ensuring that this will surely be a party to remember.

## **MERCHANDISE**

Please note our merchandise online store is up and running. Follow the link below to place your orders and collect them from the Tournament Village when you arrive at the tournament. <https://mastershockeyworldcupsa.co.za/>

## **2024 WMH WORLD CUP LINKS**

If you have any questions about any of the social aspects of the tournament, please email [events@samastershockey.co.za](mailto:events@samastershockey.co.za)

For any questions relating to teams and the actual hockey tournament itself, please email [events@worldmastershockey.org](mailto:events@worldmastershockey.org)

Once again, we cannot emphasise how excited we are to host you in this beautiful part of the world.

Stay informed, inspired, and connected with our community. Let's explore together!"

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2024 WORLD CUP TEAM



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