

# HAWKES BAY GANNETS UNDERWATER HOCKEY CLUB

An underwater photograph of a swimming pool where several people are participating in underwater hockey. They are wearing snorkels, masks, and fins. One person in the foreground is sitting on the pool floor with their fins. Other participants are scattered throughout the pool, some holding hockey sticks. The water is clear and blue.

- Formed in 1999 Hawkes Bay Gannets have been having fun playing in Napier Aquatic Centre pool since then.
- Primarily a social club encouraging anyone to grow their water confidence and UW Hockey skills.
- We have members who have played for NZ and other international teams.

# What is Under Water Hockey?



- A fiercely competitive game played on the bottom of a pool with a plastic covered lead puck, short sticks , mask snorkel and fins.
- A mixed sport open to all.
- Water a great leveller for size and age.
- Hawkes Bay gannets have members playing aged from 7 to 70.
- Year round fun and fitness.
- NZ are current world champions in Elite and age groups and have historically done very well.

An underwater photograph of two swimmers in a pool. The swimmer on the left is wearing a black swimsuit with a large white circular cutout on the back and is swimming towards the right. The swimmer on the right is wearing a white and blue swimsuit and is swimming towards the left. The pool floor is tiled, and there are lane lines visible. The text is overlaid on the image in white font.

What we'd like for the future:

The current pool suits us perfectly

We need a tiled surface to play on

We prefer 1.8 to 2 metre depth

Affordable pool time

Available pool time

Give it a go ...Tues 7.30pm