



# Glebe District Hockey Club Inc JUNIOR TEAMS NEWSLETTER

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## EDITORIAL

Most teams, except for those still in the finals, have now completed their commitments for 1991. The Glebe Hockey Club is proud of the effort put in by all players during the season. In many ways it has been a very successful year, and we thank particularly the players for their whole-hearted co-operation, their enthusiasm, their regular attendance at games and training. The willingness of all players to learn more about the game has made the work of the Coaches that much easier.

Special thanks, of course, to all the Coaches — it is a task requiring knowledge of Hockey, ability to handle the diverse personalities of the teams and the consistency and dedication to turn up each week. Thanks to their expertise, all teams have shown steady improvement in skills and sportsmanship. The club can look forward to the future with confidence.

Of course, the mild winter helped everyone work out at Jubilee, the most picturesque ground in Sydney, and develop their skills without being washed out — especially the Minkeys. We'd like to thank Peter Busch for the work he does with the young players and thanks as well to those who help him.

Hockey requires a bit of travelling on Saturdays. Our very special thanks to parents who helped with transport, especially the regulars and those who helped at short notice. Your generosity with your time is much appreciated by the Club and the players.

## SEMI-FINALS

Special congratulations to members of the Under 13 Team, the only Junior Glebe team to make the Semi-Finals. The final points table for all Junior Teams is on the back page of the Newsletter.

At last report, all Senior Teams had made the Semi-Finals. Congratulations to all players on this fine effort.

## SYNTHETIC SURFACE UPDATE

This is a watershed year for the Club as we embark on a mission to get a synthetic surface at Federal. This needs your total support and the support of the local community. Our future as a hockey club does rest to a large degree on being able to obtain a synthetic surface. It is the way the game has gone in recent years and we must follow the pattern.

The draft plans for the proposal are on display in the Clubhouse and everyone should look at them over and make constructive criticisms to help improve the Development Application. Mal Graham of Bruce Mackenzie & Associates drew up the plans and they are designing the new park on the site of the old timber yard. They also designed the Bicentennial Park at Glebe, opened in 1988. To have plans drawn up for

the DA will cost from \$3,000 - \$4,000. Submitting the DA will cost about another \$800. A rough calculation of the cost of the installation of the surface is in the vicinity of \$500,000. How we stand with Council at the moment is unknown at this stage as the Council elections are on 14 September. The composition of the new Council is anyone's guess.

A letter is going to the headpersons of schools in the area to enlist their support. We are petitioning the local community and hope to get in excess of 1,000 signatures. If you can help (Don't forget to sign the petition!) in any way please do so. Getting signatures for the petition would be one way. It is essential to let the Council know the depth of feeling supporting the proposal.

## GLEBE HATS

The Club has ordered 285 hats (170 baseball style, 75 Legionnaire style and 40 Greg Chappell style). These are a fashion item and an essential piece of equipment for summer. They will be on sale at both Presentation Night (Seniors) and Presentation BBQ (Juniors). All Minkey players attending the Junior Presentation BBQ will be given one free (no attendance, no hat). Baseball and Legionnaire styles will cost \$6.00 and the Greg Chappell style \$8.00. Any hats not sold at the presentation functions will be sold at the Glebe Street Fair — These hats are bigger than Ben Hur, buy early, don't be disappointed.

## THE GLEBE STREET FAIR

The Club will be represented at the Glebe Street Fair as a result of a request from the Glebe Chamber of Commerce. There will be Minkey players hitting a ball around, a copy of the synthetic surface proposal on show and the sale of hats. If Club members can help on the day it would be much appreciated. Someone has suggested we sell helium balloons to raise a bit of revenue. — what do you think of this idea? Copies of the petition

## JUNIOR TEAMS PRESENTATION DAY

*Will be held at the Clubhouse on  
Sunday 20 October commencing at  
10 am.*

*All players (including Minkey players)  
and their families are very welcome  
to come and the Presentation will be  
followed by a Barbeque.*

*This is our final social occasion for  
the year and we look forward to  
seeing you all there to celebrate a  
successful 1991.*

**MAKE A NOTE IN YOUR DIARY!**

will be available for the passing throng to sign. The Fair is planned for late November and if any parent, player or supporter has any bright ideas about what we should do, feel free to pass on your brainwave to anyone on the Junior Committee.

## MATCH REPORTS

### UNDER 13

#### Minor Semi-Final (30.8.91)

Sutherland Sharks Lost 3 - 1  
The only Glebe Junior Team to reach the Semi-Finals, the Under 13's travelled to Moorebank Turf confident of victory and a place in the Preliminary final. The team played the Sharks three times in the season for 2 wins on grass and one loss on the surface. We started the game well and attacked the Sutherland goal for most of the first 20 minutes. But a combination of bad luck and good defence saw us remain scoreless at halftime. We had plenty of scoring opportunities and could have been 3 goals up at halftime instead of 2 goals down. The 2 Sutherland goals were against the run of play. It takes special effort to come back and win a semi-final from 2 - Nil down. We did manage to finally score a well deserved goal, but unfortunately Sutherland scored again almost immediately. There was no doubt that they were more at home on the turf. Even so, we had plenty of chances to win this game.

However, it was a good season. The team showed a lot of promise and under Mick Diviney's guidance improved with every game. Next season the team should really start to fulfil its potential and maybe a Grand Final is not out of the question.

### UNDER 11 WHITES

Sutherland Blue (10.8.91) Lost 14 - 0  
Once again the Sutherland Blue side demonstrated what a powerful and skilful side they are. The Whites lost the services of hard hitting fullback Joshua Whyte with a leg injury and Patrick Casey dropped back from centre-half to cover the position. This move took a lot of strength from our attack. Lindsay Griffith in goal, Liam Casey on the half back line and David Mullins at fullback all gave solid performances and never stopped trying.

Parramatta (17.8.91) Lost 7 - 0  
We started this game very slowly, allowing Parramatta to dominate the play which they did by working the ball wide and then delivering it into the circle. Parramatta are very strong in centre field and consequently we had few scoring opportunities, although

Douglas Cronin did make some good raids. We tried to take the ball up the centre too often and did not really stretch their defence. Once again, we were unable to score from penalty corners. This has been a problem all season — the team was unable to score from a penalty corner in any game.

Parramatta (24.8.91) Lost 3 - 0  
This was the game postponed from Round 12. The Whites put in a better performance this game and this is reflected in the final score. The game see-sawed from end to end and it was only the better finishing by Parramatta that made the difference.

The Coaches, Bevan Ineson and Steve Casey, thank all team members for their efforts throughout the season. Team members were Danielle, Liam and Patrick Casey, Rebecca and Kylie Lawson, Louis McKeown, Liam Hibbert, Douglas Cronin, Joshua Whyte, Alexander Yuen, David Mullins and Lindsay Griffith and, until she was injured, Amy Judd. To all of you, thanks for an enjoyable season. We trust that Amy has made a good recovery and will make a comeback next season.

Thanks particularly to Mrs Whyte for supplying the oranges and to Mrs Casey for supplying drinks each week and cakes on the last day. Your support throughout the year was greatly appreciated by the players and the coaches.

### UNDER 11 MAROONS

Sutherland Blue (17.8.91) Lost 16 - 0  
The game was played at the excellent Sutherland complex under a blue sky and brilliant sunshine. There is now doubt that this team is outstanding and gave us a hockey lesson on the day. They have a very accomplished centre-forward who scored 14 of their goals. In the first half we kept tackling and tackling some more making it difficult for Sutherland forwards. At half time it was only 4 Nil, but afterwards our commitment and enthusiasm waned and the final score reflected this. We will have to work on keeping our concentration and keenness going for the full game. One pleasing feature was our short corner defence — not a goal was scored against us from one.

Our best player by a considerable margin was Robbie Austen the goalkeeper who made Sutherland work for every goal. The forward line was very quiet and we rarely ventured into Sutherland's half. Tackling back by the forwards was almost nonexistent and this aspect of their game needs improving. Some of our forwards might well have been charged with loitering in a public place, although I see how dispiriting it is to

have goal after goal scored against you. This year Sutherland are simply the best team in our competition and getting beaten by this margin is by no means the disgrace it may seem. Fortunately all the team are resilient souls and coped with the drubbing very well. Judging by the fever pitch of excitement in the van going home, one wouldn't have thought that we'd lost.

Bankstown (24.8.91) Won 6 - 1  
We finished the season on a high note with our biggest win of the year at the Crest. Bankstown are the wooden spooners of the competition and we did to them what the better teams did to us — scored plenty of goals on a day made unpleasant by a fierce westerly wind.

Most of the first half we had one kicking back, Nicholas Kelleher, who had a very sound game and ten forwards all trying to open their scoring account for the season. In defence at times we were a little threadbare but fortunately Bankstown were unable to exploit our poor positional play. Robbie Austen, our usual goalkeeper, played in the forwards for this game but alas, couldn't score the goal he coveted. Ross Tapsell, Tom Wingfield and Mark Patterson all made strong runs with the ball and at times looked as if they would score. Anthony Wark showed his usual deadly finish and scored 6 goals, his first after only 60 seconds of play — a great confidence booster to the side after their 16 Nil loss last week. Sandy Gittins ran hard and tackled with purpose and commitment. Mark and Kate O'Sullivan played well and certainly impressed their grandfather and aunty who travelled from Canberra to see them play. David Wall linked well with the defence (most of the time only Nick Kelleher) and also threatened to score on one occasion. Owen Macindoe's concentration was better and he followed the play very well. Patrick Wark played his usual competent game at centre-half, although once or twice he did get the wanders. This was a game we were always going to win and we did in fine style.

It was a fun game for us, a bit like the last day of the school year. Afterwards players, coaches, parents and supporters reminisced about the season past and speculated about the prospects for 1992. All agreed 1991 had been an enjoyable experience and the finale was the players giving a rousing three cheers for the coach.

## REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS

At the Sydney Selection Trials held at Moorebank on Sunday 18 August many Glebe players turned out to represent the Central Area against the Northern, southern

and Western Areas. After these games the Sydney squads for training next year were selected. Congratulations to the following players who were selected to play in the Sydney teams in 1992:

Under 17	Adam Farrawell
Under 13	Simon Bracht Anthony Wark
Under 11	Patrick Casey Sandy Gittins Ross Tapsell Patrick Wark

## SENIOR TEAMS REPORTS

### WOMEN'S TEAMS

The women have capped off a fine first season with their new Association Districts with both the 1st and 3rd Grade Teams making it to the Semi-Finals which were played at Heffron Park on Saturday 7 September.

The 3rd Grade Team earned their place in the Semis with a hard fought 1 - 0 win over YWCA. Vanessa Gregory scored the winning goal which was one of the best goals scored by the Club all season. 1st Grade went down in the last three minutes of their match 1- 0, while 2nd Grade held YWCA to a Nil all draw which was an excellent result considering the opposition have been undefeated in this grade all season.

A special mention must go to our Mother and Daughter combination of Margaret and Helen Howe who played together in one of our 3rd Grade matches. Margaret did take a fall during the match and we are still to ascertain whether the fall was caused by the shoes that Margaret was wearing or simply through her blistering pace!

Congratulations to Carole Wark who in July was successful in obtaining her AA umpires badge. Well done Carole!!



## GLEBE DISTRICT HOCKEY CLUB 1991 PRESENTATION NIGHT

WESTERN SUBURBS LEAGUES BOWLING CLUB  
cnr Church & Queen Streets  
CROYDON

12 October 1991

7 pm Start

\$25 per head

*Only people with booked seats will be able to attend so let one of the following know how many are coming in your party as soon as possible and please pay before the night if possible.*

Michelle Opitz 771 4330 (Home)  
Ann Rochester 646 2363 (Home)  
Colin Rochester 646 2363 (Home)  
or 816 4477 (Work)

*Dinner, Dancing & Great Company*

*Raffle Drawn on the Night*

*(Help needed on the day to set up, if you can help let Michelle, Ann or Colin know)*

*Thank You Everyone...*

*Thanks to all who contributed material for the RED RAG this year.*

*Without your efforts, we simply could not function.*

*I hope the success of RED RAG this year encourages more Club members to make contributions NEXT year!*

Mike Tapsell  
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