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## EDITORIAL.



The completion of the Australian Celts Carnival earlier this week, saw Queensland win comfortably. We will now have to put our noses to the grindstone as the semi-finals are only four weeks away. The points score should have been sent out to our Club Secretary this week from the records officer. So don't forget to have a look at it to see how your team is going.

1st. Grade after having a depleted team for a couple of games, should now be back to full strength for today's game against Northsand keep up there unbroken record. Pat Nilan and Len Needham set sail for Melbourne on Monday 29th. July with the N.S.W. Seniors. We would all like to wish them Bon Voyage and plenty of good hockey.

2nd. Grade seems assured of a place in the semis, but 3rd. and 4th Grades will have to win all games to make it. With our two 1st. graders away, this will mean that all grades will have to find a couple of replacements. Despite this we hope that their present winning trend continues.

To-day we play Norths, so

MARK YOUR MAN

AND PLAY THE WHISTLE.

THE EDITOR.

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## FIRST GRADE.

Over the past two weeks the club's followers have witnessed a reversal of form from our two top grades. Although the "All Stars" have been without their captain Harry Wark, they have played remarkably well against teams who are pressing for positions in the first four. Where as its counterparts in first grade displayed a quality of hockey which was only a "shadow" on the performance it gave against St. George.

### 1st. GRADE V's RANDWICK.

At Heffron Park the top brass ran out winners against an inspired Randwick combination 5 goals to 1. After making several attacking movements the Wicks were first to open its account. Albert Dillane, playing at inside right passed to J. Fahey who beat Frank Vanderputt with a solid drive. Playing above par the Glebe forwards failed to penetrate until late in the first half when they forced a short corner. Harry Wark gave the Wicks goalie no chance and evened the score. The tally at half time was 2-1 Glebe's way, when Harry cut loose on another penalty corner. The Reds functioned a little better in the second half in which Ray Thorpe netted twice and Pat Nilan once.

### V's CANTERBURY-BANKSTOWN

In a transferred match the Reds were lucky to escape with a one all draw against Canterbury at Heffron Park. As in previous match, the opposition was the first to score. For the "Berries" Ron Brown found the net from a penalty corner shot within a few minutes from the start. Canterbury trapped the ball much better than the Reds but its teamwork let it down on many occasions. However it wasn't until late in second half when the Reds equalized with a shot from Vic Westcott which barely reached the back board. The most interesting feature of the match was Melly Wark's exhibition

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in the role of umpire ("I couldn't see Harry being sent off!")

#### V's. NORTH SYDNEY.

In a deferred match the Reds narrowly defeated North Sydney 2-1 at Primrose Park. The first goal resulted when Red Smith dribbled the ball down the left wing and pushed it past our goalie, Ken Wark. During this half the Reds couldn't hold the bears, whose forwards made many attacking moves which resulted in a shot at goals. Glebe's performance was one of its worst this season. The forwards lacked their usual spark and drive. And on many occasions the defence became so ragged that there were two players marking one of the opposition. There wasn't any keenness in Glebe's players as it wasn't until late in the second half that Bennett Dunn equalized with a shot from a melee near the goal mouth. Minutes later Vic Westacott put the Reds in front 2-1 with a push shot. For Norths Dave Dunstall and Doug Mates played well in defence with well positioned passes.

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#### MANLY CARNIVAL.

The Club nominated one team which consisted of four of our regular 1st. graders and the remaining seven players coming from our 3rd. and 4th. grades. The team played exceptionally good hockey. In the opening match we outclassed Gordon which had nearly all of its 1st. grade side playing, 3 goals to nil. Nick Pries at inside left and "Yogi Bear" Weekes at left back played "blinders".

Having beaten a strong Ryde side 1-0 then Bathurst Teachers College 1-0 the Reds entered the quarter finals where they were drawn against North Sydney. The "Bears made a hard match of it and were always dangerous when in possession of the ball. However Colin Brown tried to get into the match but was very smartly taken to hospital ("keep an eye on things") Col. This match finished up with the Reds winning 2-0. Cliff Boyd, playing right wing drove home two tremendous shots from the edge of the circle.

In the semi finals the Reds went down fighting 3 goals to one to Canterbury. We had many opportunities in each half to score but just couldn't put the ball into the net. Anyhow there were six dozen reasons why the carnival was a great success. Not forgetting Payne Scotts floor-show at Manly's Lantini Cafe.

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#### GENERAL NEWS.

Congratulations to Beverly and Billy Stubbs on the birth of their Son, and we hope a future hockey player.

Don't forget our Club Ball on the 24th. August. Tickets available from Mr. Stubbs, try and arrange a party.

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2nd. GRADE V's RANDWICK.

Another win to the AllStars, 2-0 the Glebe boys are emerging as favourites to take the title this year as they keep on their winning way.

Glebe was on the attack right from the opening whistle and should have scored three goals in the first ten minutes of play, but the chances went begging. The players were getting upset by the rough tactics of the Randwick boys but settled down well in the second half after a goal was deflected in from a short corner hit.

Dennis Lisk's goal was a beauty as he picked up a loose ball at the twenty five yard line and netted after beating the fullback and goalkeeper.

2nd. GRADE V's. CANTERBURY 5-1.

Looking at this game from the spectators point of view you would not believe that the same team played both halves of the game. In the first half and the first ten minutes of the second half Glebe was a team of eleven individuals and then suddenly combined beautifully to completely outclass the opposition.

I think a lot of the trouble was in the umpiring of the game. I thought we would never even get a long corner let alone a short corner in the second half. The boys were waiting for the whistle and it never came. You must always play the whistle if you want to win.

2nd. GRADE V's. NORTH SYDNEY. 5-1.

Well two days running the Glebe boys won 5-1, and again it was noticeable the change in the team as the game progressed, the later it got the better the team played.

The team is combining much better and when the team settle down for the final games they are going to take some beating when they reach the semi-finals.

Dennis Lisk must stay in the centre half position though, as he is now trying to go in and score goals leaving the defence short and his man unmarked.

3rd. GRADE V's RANDWICK 0-2.

Another disappointing failure by the Reds, particularly by the forwards who had many occasions to score, but could not finish their movements off. This placed great strain on the defence who wilted under the pressure to let Randwick score two goals.

Overall this was a disappointing effort on our part, and a more spirited showing will have to be shown if we are to make the semis.

3rd. GRADE V's CANTERBURY 1-0.

The boys finally broke their run of cuts by winning this game by a very slim margin. The goal being scored off a short corner in the 2nd half by Allan Westcott. Canterbury really laid the pressure on for almost all the game and only desperate defence kept them out.

Our newest club member from the land of Heather and Whiskey donned his sporting kilts and played a bonny game saving the side on many occasions together with Yogi Bear and "The Voice"

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Maxie Jeffs.

The team had the misfortune of losing Bernie Koets late in the second half when he broke his shoulder in a fall, which will keep him out for the rest of the season. We wish him speedy recovery and hope that he will be out to barrick for us.

3rd.GRADE V's NORTH SYDNEY 2-0.

This was played last Sunday week being a deferred game and the ground was in a very muddy state. The Reds urged on by the sideline from the refreshment tent defended and attacked desperately to win a very hard fought game.

The forwards revelled in the muddy conditions and threw the ball around well, particularly David Lisk on the left wing who really rocketed them across to our inside right (name not mentioned but I think its Len) who was our guest player, and helped a great deal in scoring the second goal.

Studley played very well in goals saving a couple of very good shots at the expense of getting his pads dirty. Our right full back was at home in the sloppy conditions and played some very good hockey.

Lets keep the good work up lads.

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 Lets send Norths west to-day.

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