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We'll commence this second edition of the '66 Rag on a rather serious note. I refer to the barracking by club supporters. I say, by all means voice your enthusiasm but show a little curtsy to those who are bringing the game irrespective of how you might see it. From the side-lines an air of sarcasm is often detected coming from dozens of spectators which is not in the best interests of the club or the players. At times this adverse display is not only pointed at the opposition or umpires but there are times when it is directed at our own players. ON that score how do you think it effects, these players who are playing their guts out to keep the club on the top of the Hockey ladder? Are they supposed to withstand this sort of ridicule which 9 times out of 10 comes from those who don't even know what they are talking about. The question on barracking from the Gleebe Club has already been brought up at head-quarters, so if it persists it will surely be a matter for our Management Committee. In all sports encouragement from spectators and fellow competitors is most welcomed by both participants and officials to bring out the best in sport. So lets just drop off this bad taste of sportsmanship.

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Bouquets to the Pre-Season Committee a competition well organised and carried out. The club extends a vote of thanks to all those who took part in conducting this competition and making it the success that it was. Congratulations to the Club's top 16 players for bringing home the bacon last Sunday Week. Last but not least to the Club's provisional selectors a job well done.

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HARRY WARK SNR. - LIFE MEMBER - THE WORKS.

is rapidly becoming a nice "derro". He was discovered in his element last Saturday week at the Toxteth - surrounded by his alcoholic, butcher mates and he competed favourably with them. In the following day he's backed up at the "Sailo" for another pick-on. The whisper is that he finished punished himself so heavily he collapsed and was left to rot with the Seas - Gulls. - Ancient Mariner.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE REPORT.

Lockers: The club is investigating the possibilities of providing about 40 lockers for the protection of players clothes and valuables. This means that no longer will people have to leave their gear around the Club Room or in Dressing Sheds to be knocked off. But for a mere 15/- per season or a bob a time a person may obtain the use of a locker. - So get with it.

RAFFLE. The Management proposes to conduct a raffle immediately after everybody returns from Brisbane.

The FIRST PRIZE lined up is a "Knock Out" Week-end on a 6 BERTH HALVORSEN CRUISER. Anyone with any driving experience at all eg. Pile driving, Driving Nails, driving home a good point, Car driving or even driving someone mad would be adequately equipped to handle this monstrous 1st Prize --- doubts about Graham Kirko and his crew.

For the SECOND PRIZE we have contacted our man down at Walsh Bay to see just what was going "on" or should I say "off" on the wharves. However TRANSISTORS are always easy meat. So we've lobbed a transistor for second prize to unload.

As for THIRD PRIZE we are at long last offering a "BRIDE - DOLL " to, whom full credit for dressing and preparing goes to Joyce Wark.

To better the Club financially we urge your full support. Were desperate for cash so give this a lash.

A Donation Box has been set up on the bar in the Club Room. So that anyone who so desires can show a token of their support for the Club's Representative Players.

WED. NIGHTS the doors will be locked at 11.00 pm.

BY ORDER.

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Vic :- "Has the dog had his bath "?

Noelle :- " Yes, you can use it now."

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SPECIAL MENTION

Charlie Brown paid top price for a Rag last issue _ amt. 2/-
Keep it up "Burley" * - will there be any improvers.

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ATHLETICS.

At Sydney Sport Ground last night an excited crowd of 10,000 saw Cyril Curd and Bobby Snogg cross the finishing line of the 100 yds sprint locked together. Vice - Squad detectives later charged both men with indecent behaviour.

NEW SOCIAL MEMBERS.

At this stage of the Rag we would like to give mention to some new social members to our Club.

Vic. Florentine
Bill Wallace
Gordon Smith
Joe Martlou
Keith Deane
John Marshall

Charlie Middleton
Jack Coss
Peter Rowswell
Warwick Davison
Archie Price
Ron Anderson.

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JUNIOR REPORT.

Last Saturday morning there was a very poor attendance of Juniors. Our Club needs about another 30 Junior players to compete in Junior competition. Surely our Senior club players can try and promote Junior hockey around his area. WE NEED JUNIORS BADLY.

The Junior competition commences on Saturday morning of the 16th. April.

Seniors are expected to help in regards coaching and looking after these youngsters and all players will be fronted by either 'Charlie' Brown or Pat. Nilan.

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CLUB CAPTAINS REPORT.

Last Saturday was the commencement of our 1966 S.H.A. season and all Grades fared very well. Our 4th. Grade did go down 2 goals to 1 but it is understandable when 2 players didn't turn up even after being notified of their selection. Next game all players had better turn up if picked unless they have a good excuse for not being there.

Last Saturday it was pleasing to see all players dressed in a neat fashion. This makes a good impression with spectators when they see a team go on the field with clean gear and white shoe laces and polished boots.

Decipline of the players on the field in regards talking, chatting umpires etc was overall - good. It was still evident in some Grades though that some players cannot shutup on the field.

All members of the Club are expected to attend Umpires' Lectures which will be held at the Club Room on Thursdays' 14th., 21st and 28th. April beginning at 7.30pm. Come along and learn the rules to which we play - maybe you too can get your umpire's badge.

To all members who are visiting Brisbane at the weekend I wish a very enjoyable stay in the Sunshine State.

LETS TEACH THE NORTHERNERS HOW TO PLAY HOCKEY.

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Life Member. - "Jazza" Ryan and family was sighted at the final of the Pre-Season Competition. "Jazza", centre-half, first grade for many years dropped a hint that he was a little inclined to make a reappearance with Red and Whites.

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'WALT DISNEY'S LIE'

Walt's mate who was a karate champion was called up for Army Service.

Killed himself with his first salute.

S.H.A. REPORT.

As we all know the 1966 season commenced last Saturday. All clubs in the S.H.A. should be settling down by now in regards Juniors etc. I think I stated in the last report that our Club needs 4 Junior teams to stay in Ist. Division. We are not the only club who hasn't the correct number of Junior teams but we are said to be the strongest Club although we have hardly any Juniors.

Your Secretary Frank will advise members of trials for representative teams shortly and he will ask those wishing to try out to fill in a nomination form. Trials will begin soon after we return from Brisbane.

Once again 'Gunner' Wise has been elected as Sydney Senior Coach and also A Senior Selector.

A new Manager / Coach for the Sydney Colts is Vic. Westcott. Vic is also a Colts selector.

Ray Thorpe is also Colts 2. Manager / Coach.

We are doing our bit in trying to give Sydney a uniform pattern of play so as even club teams may be better.

Sydney will play their first representative game against Goulburn in the Foxall Cup at Fraser Park on Sunday May the 15th.

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4TH. GRADE REPORT.

In this very important first competition match our 4th. Graders went under to Canterbury 2 goals to 1.

Played at Jensen Park, which is in a shocking condition and really not fit for Ist. Division hockey our boys didn't have the luck of the match.

With only 9 men, the Red and Whites threw the ball around trying to find an opening for it to be picked up by a forward so as to score.

Centre half Daryl Fishenden played a blinder, throwing the ball wide to his wingers so as the forwards could move.

Paul Cunneen at wing half also had a great game both in attack and defence ~~and~~ earning himself 2 points in the Best & Fairest Award.

The Mouse after 3 months hard training is the boy to watch in '66. His game on the wing in this match was a beauty. His control of the ball to the goalmouth was good but he still has to learn to put the ball in the net.

Best and Fairest Points.

D. Fishenden (centre half)	3 points
P. Cunneen (wing half)	2 "
J. Cameron (wing)	1 "

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GALA NIGHT

Ryde v. Glebe

As in the Pre Season Final, we saw a majority of the game from our inside forwards. It was a beautiful night for hockey although towards the end of the evening we saw players slipping due to dew settling on the field.

From the starting whistle Ryde attacked and our defence had to get into top gear early. 'Peanuts' Gilmore and Ken. Whark both played solidly and the Ryde forwards couldn't find an opening.

GALA NIGHT cont.

When our forwards finally moved towards the Ryde goal they found that playing under lights was something of a different matter as to playing through the day.

It was not a good game from the spectator point of view as most of the play was centered around the inside forwards.

Ken Wark and Pat Nilan received the Best and Fairest Awards from the ryde side after the final whistle blew at nil all draw.

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1ST. GRADE REPORT

v. Canterbury 2-4-66.

12 goals to nil.

One has only to look at the score to see how easy the game must have been. If we compare a league score (with conversion) to hockey it is equivalent to 60 - 0.

Canterbury fresh up from 2nd.Division were no match for the Champions and gave ~~us~~ an inglorious display. However we cannot take any credit away from the Reds, who right from the start gave their opponents no chance to look dangerous.

Our team as a whole functioned rather well, with our new players doing good. Dennis Brown on the left wing made some very nice runs, and should retain his position there as long as he keeps his keenness. With Pat and Len beside him it should not be too long before he knows most of the tricks (all good ones we hope.)

Young Harry although a little strange at first, soon settled down and with his strong hitting for goal as soon as he reached the circle, brought back memories of his dad, who made many goalies tremble in his pads.

Summarizing the game I think we could call it a good practice game for the team.

Best and Fairest Points.

3 Points... To Dave ~~Stephens~~ Stevens for his bulldog tenacity to keep after the ball. He made some very fine runs. One in particular which earned him the points was the 25 yard run through about 5 defenders and finding the net. Well ~~we~~ done Dave.

2 Points... To Dennis Brown whom I already made mention~~ed~~ in the game. For his first game in the firsts he enhanced his reputation.

1 Point... To Grahme Gilmore who has built up a deadly short corner shot, plus his good play on the field.

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This little ditty goes back to the time 'Peanuts' Gilmore was beginning to learn the drums.

One evening while practicing his parents heard many new beats coming from his room. "My goodness," said his father, "you're getting quite a repertoire".

His podgy face fell. "Your right dad," he replied. "I've been sitting about on it too much lately".

3RD. GRADE REPORT.

v. Cantexbury 2 goals to 0.

Congratulations to Fred Letts on his election to captain of this side. On this side performance in this match Fred must feel very confident that his side will go very close to winning this 1966 Premiership.

On Saturdays' performance this side showed that they are a class team. They should be ~~with a class~~ ^{with} a class side as most of the players are 1st. and 2nd. Grade players. Players in 2nd. Grade in particular had better turn in consistent performances as this 3rd. Grade side have the players to take their place.

A big welcome back to the club to 'Rocker' Fox who played a blinder at centre half. The 'Rocks' distribution of the ball to his forwards was perfect and his defence was solid. 'Rocker's' performance showed he is a top class hockey player and he ^{will} not last in 3rd. Grade. Before long he will be in 2nds and who can tell one of the 1st Grade halves may be playing 2nd. Grade before long, due to 'Rocker'.

Tony Morley played a very hard game in this match. The work he done in the forward line was the work on 3 men. Tony played hockey for the full 70 mins. any the other forwards could take a few pointers from him. He tried all day but one forward cannot do all the work. With Tony, Brian Howe was the only other forward who looked like he wanted to get the ball in the circle.

Paul Rodgers and Fred Letts both had good games with Paul being very solid in attack and defence. His working with Tony and young Ron Halls on the wing was very sound and this enabled the right side to work the ball towards the goal. Fred on the other hand did not have a real hard game as the ball was mainly on the right flank. When he did receive the ball however, he had Brian working on the wing.

2 nil was not a good result of this game, the halves and backs played too good of hockey for only 2 goals to be scored. The forwards want to learn to put the ball in the back of the net.

Best and Fairest Points....

- 3 Points..... 'Rocker' Fox. great in defence and attack.
- 2 points..... Tony Morley. the only working forward.
- 1 point..... Paul Rogers. good distribution and defence.

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LETTERS TO BEATRICE.

Dear Beatrice.- My boyfriend is always biting and kissing me on the back. Is this normal?
"Nipped"

Dear Nipped.- Yes I think you'll find he's just trying to get on the right side of you.

Dear Beatrice.- My finance suffered a terrible loss in a shooting accident last year. I love him very much and it doesn't make any difference to me but he says he will not marry me because he can't be a complete husband to me. Should we marry.- Troubled.

Dear Troubled.- Marry if you must but I doubt if he will ever be able to stick it out.

Dear Beatrice.- How long should a girl go on working after she falls pregnant.- K.F.

Dear K.F. - Only a few seconds.

Answer to 'Drought Stricken Spinster'. - I realise that it has been a long, dry spell for you, but you must not give up hope. Have faith and you'll be bound to get a few drops soon.

THE REDS MAKE IT TWO IN A ROW FOR THE BISLEY SHIELD PRE-SEASON COMPETITION.

This encounter commenced in a typical Ryde Vs Glebe manner, both teams determined not to give an inch of ground. Ryde whether they realised it or not were only on the field for one purpose and that was to stop the Reds from scoring. So evident was this fact portrayed that immediately after the commencing whistle there were no fewer than two Black and White shirts marking any Glebe man. who was in any sort of a position to receive a pass., and the overall picture was that there was one big mass of players positioned in mid - field for the entire match. It is no wonder that there were no field goals scored. The Glebe boys just failed to cope with this trend of play.

Instead of opening up the game via the wingers with quick changes of play to get the wingers mobile we had the inside forwards and halves trapped with possession before they could do anything. Or do we have the knowledge within the top side to be able to slow the game down to a standstill and reconsolidate, in preference to trying to play the game at 100 m.p.h.

Both teams played out the first session with the score at interval at 1 all. The Reds were first to find the net when a penalty corner was awarded. 'Peanuts' Gilmore fired a fizzer past Ryde's goalie Bob Warwick to open up our account. However it was only a matter of minutes before Ryde retaliated and produced the equalizer. Full back Carl Purcell gave Frank no chance when he converted a controversial penalty stroke.

Once again the Club's selectors saw fit to replace four players for the following session. In this half it was once again noticeable that Ryde's fitness was diminishing. Glebe's left side attack functioned better in this half to the extent that it outshone our right side players. Evergreen left half, 'Shock' Needham fed his forwards well when in possession and between he and 'Peanuts' Gilmore they presented a sound left side defence, 'Walt Disney' had few opportunities but still continues to impress. In this half the Reds improved their goal tally to 3 goals when 'Gunner' Wise converted a penalty stroke and 'Peanuts' sent a screamer in from a short corner.

From the Ryde angle the whole team defended well especially centre half John Cox, Captain Ron Jones and Keeper Bob Warwick. Robust centre forward, 'Tiddlet' Howison had little support from his other forwards.

The match was marred by the first class umpiring of Graham Smith and Albert Billano who made many first class blunders, not to the point of favouring any team but on many occasions wrong decisions were given.

Umpiring honours for the day went to Jack Thompson who officiated in the match earlier -- supporting his new umpires badge.

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Line of the week comes from our Club Captain . He couldn't scratch himself if he tried on the day of the 7 aside Carnival at Nth.Sydney. Pathatic to watch. His line stated to a couple of the members wives. " If I say anything wrong , don't believe me."

What was he thinking.

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The 'mouse' was seen drinking squash at the 'Sailo' the other evening. Either he's in training or more likely somebody was trying to upset his stomach system.

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