



## Glebe District Hockey Club Inc **NEWSLETTER**

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### **AND IN PARTICULAR, WE WISH TO THANK...**

1993 must count as one of the most successful in the history of the Club's junior teams, and there are a great many people to thank for their contribution to this success. It is not possible to name everyone, and we hope that there is no major omission from the list below:

To our sponsors, large and small, who have helped us throughout this year, especially those sponsors who have helped us over many years, such as Raine and Horne, Galluzzo's, etc.

To all those supporters who took out Social Membership this year. Your contribution does make a big difference, and helps us maintain the tradition of not directly charging each player a registration fee. You may be interested to know that the Sydney Hockey Association charges us a fixed fee for each player participating in hockey. With our increased numbers of players this year, this bill was considerable. We are attempting to get Sydney Hockey to change this system of payment, so that there is more incentive for Clubs to increase their number of teams.

To all the coaches, thanks for your time and effort this year. There is no doubt that, thanks to your efforts, the players are more skillful and have a better understanding of the game of hockey. The Club as a consequence is now very competitive on the field, and a premiership cannot be too far away. In particular, we thank the coaches for their contribution to team spirit - in helping to ensure that all players get a fair go and enjoy their hockey.

To all the managers, who have done such a thorough job throughout this season. The competition does place some unusual demands on managers, especially when draws are re-arranged, games re-scheduled, etc. Because of our large number of teams and the Divisions in the competition, the problems of Managers this year were more complicated than usual. (Off the record, there doesn't seem to have been any foul-ups on Glebe's part, though, of course, Sutherland are now famous for the one in the Under 11's). The fact that everything has gone well this season is due in no small part to the good managers the teams had.

Well done!

To all those who helped out in the Clubhouse. Trading there has been better than ever, despite the spate of break-ins this year. A lot of people worked hard here, but perhaps special mention should be made of Maureen Paterson and Anne Wark for their tireless efforts, and of Harry Wark Senior, our Clubhouse manager.

Our Wednesday night chefs have done a great job this year. Les Kaylinger has made this job his own, and has been ably assisted by Bob Reddie, Denis Houlohan and others. Thanks also to Neil Lawson for providing a second BBQ stove to go with Ken Wark's modified face-burner (which is now almost safe)!

To all those parents who regularly helped out with transport to away games. Hockey does make big demands in this area, and we are very grateful to those who backed-up regularly to support the players by taking them to games.

To all the players, especially to those who have worked hard on their skills by attending Wednesday night training regularly, a big thank you! You are the backbone of the Club at the present, and its future. And this year you have contributed to our most successful year for some time.

To Carole Wark, for her work in training new umpires from amongst our junior players. This is an initiative which we will follow up next year, as we strive to improve the number and quality of our umpires.

To all those adults, former players and parents who helped out with the umpiring of games this year. This is often not an easy job, and we thank you for your efforts and commonsense.

To Michael Newton, who did a great job as unofficial co-ordinator, organiser etc. for the Minkey. Your assistance here was greatly appreciated. Thanks once again to Peter Busch and his team of co-workers for the great job done with the Minkey. This work, perhaps more than anything else, has led to the increased numbers of juniors playing hockey.

A big thank you to all those who contributed to the *RED RAG* in 1993. Without this, we would be out of business. Thanks also to Lisa Campano who has "keyed in" the information this year and to 2M Printing who printed the *RED RAG* throughout the season.

### **A NIGHT AT THE HAROLD PARK TROTS...**

This was a night to remember. Good food, good company, some interesting races, and the inaugural Glebe District Hockey Club Pace, which, for the record was won by a horse called "My Beefifty Two". Many club members claim to have backed it (it was the favourite). Thanks to Les and Carol Wark for the efforts they put in to arrange the night. We all got a good view of where the new turf is supposed to be built. Rumour has it that the papers are still on the Premier's desk, awaiting his final signature... sometime in 1994??

## JUNIOR TEAMS REPORTS

### Under 11 (1) vs Under 11(4)

24 July Result: 5-1

Goal Scorers: Tris Hardman, Tim Harvey, Rowan Kelly, Peter Wark

Despite being two players down, Glebe (1) proved solid in defence and executed some exciting attacks on the right wing with success.

William, Ben, Mark and Peter in defence saw a great deal of action against a determined Glebe (4) team, who rarely managed to break through. Again, however, we were not pushing the ball out to the wings enough, but when those balls came through, the forwards played fluidly, and made the most of the goal scoring opportunities.

### Under 11 (1) vs Sutherland

7 August Result: 1-7

Goal Scorer: Patrick Wark

This was the game we had all been waiting for and due to wet weather we had to play it on a surface we are not so confident on - the turf of Bankstown. For the first 15 minutes we were standing our ground against this strong team but were unable to get our attack into gear before their experienced forward line-up made their mark with strong, accurate goal shots which we were unable to stop. Under pressure, Glebe's play tended to stick in the middle of the pitch, and we continued not to make the best use of the space and the wings. Against Sutherland, we paid the price of not making the runs. We have the individual skills, but the team needs a bit more running in.

### Glebe Under 11 (1) vs Moorebank

14 August Result: 5-2

Goal Scorers: Patrick Wark, Tim Harvey, Ben Everist

We were looking forward to playing Moorebank on the more familiar grass pitch of Federal Park, after our loss to them in July on turf. A wet week, however, saw us back at the Moorebank home ground, playing on turf, and it turned out to be one of our strongest team games of the season, particularly the first half. We used the space well and passed out to the wings consistently, allowing Tim to make some strong runs, and get a goal out of one of them. Patrick's experience was obvious in his strong mid-field play, which produced 3 goals for him. We lost our focus a bit, in

the second half, allowing Moorebank to score against us, but generally the result bode well for us as we move towards the semi-finals.

### Under 11 (1) vs Moorebank

21 August Result: 2-1

Goal Scorers: Tris Hardman, James Hurrell

We were probably a little too confident and relaxed going into our semi-final against Moorebank, having beaten them 5-2 the previous Saturday. It turned out to be quite a tense game. Whilst most of the action was in the Moorebank half, Glebe failed to realise their goal opportunities, and push their advantage. Liam tends to be our only forward who will rush an opposition hit out and brave a raised stick! Tris scored a solid goal, and James' much developed skills on the left wing saw him make some good runs, resulting in one of our two goals. The high anxiety moments of the game came when Moorebank broke through the defence 2 or 3 times, resulting in a one-on-one with the goalie....but we made it to the finals and we're very proud of them all!

### Under 11 (1) vs Moorebank

21 August Result: 2-1

Goal Scorers: Tristram Hardman and James Hurrell.

In the major semi-final played at Moorebank on Saturday, August 21, the Glebe side put up a tremendous performance against the minor premiers and ran out winners 2-1. Goals were scored by Tristram Hardman and James Hurrell. The team now progress directly to the grand final.

### Glebe Under 11 (3) vs St George

24 July Result: 1-1

This round, the fourteenth round of the competition, was a unique game for the Glebe (3)'s. We scored our first goal of the season, after having had over 100 goals scored against us. Melissa Newton took a quick shot from the top of the circle which eluded the St George goalkeeper - simple, but effective. It was a great game to watch, with plenty of end to end stuff, a penalty stroke against, which Tom Wallenkamp saved, and a goal for Ben Day, from the Minkey squad, who played in this match and acquitted himself well. He substituted for Kathleen Oman and Amanda Cheong, who were away at a dancing competition, and Brooke Schuberg, who had an injured thumb. The commitment from the team was absolute and the effort from all players was, as always, 100%. In the first half,

Glebe had the better of the territory, but could not convert field position into points. The epic goal came five minutes into the second half and Glebe led for the next 10 minutes, which raised the prospect of a Glebe victory, a remote possibility at the start of the game. St George were well contained by the Glebe defence, ably led by Daniel Carey, and it was only a rare defensive lapse which led to the St George goal. Andrew Cheong and Michael Wark were prominent in mid-field and Louisa Hammett had a fine game on the right wing. We have got two points this season, have now scored a goal and the only thing that eludes us is a victory. Hopefully, the remaining three games of the season will enable us to achieve this goal.

### Under 11 (3) vs Liverpool

31 July Result: 2-0

Goal Scorers: Amy Wark, Brooke Schuberg

The game was played on a rain-affected Jubilee Oval. Fortunately, the rain held off during the match and waited until 10 minutes after the final whistle before it came pouring down. It was a memorable game for every member of the team, their first ever victory in a competition match! We had to wait until Round number 15 before achieving the satisfaction of our first win and the players loved the feeling, as did the many supporters on the sideline, the team manager and the coach. In the first half Glebe had 70% of the territory but could not convert this territorial advantage into goals. Liverpool had a couple of breakaways that looked dangerous, but by and large, the Glebe defence was rock solid, ably led by Daniel Carey and Michael Wark. The team is just coming to grips with the concept of playing the ball wide and using the full width of the field to spread the opposition and create gaps. In the second half the players fed the wings, Louisa Hammett and Amanda Cheong, and goal scoring opportunities began to flow. Midway through the second half after some good lead-up work by Andrew Cheong, Amy Wark scored from a scramble in front of goal. This goal lifted the players and it was not long before Brooke Schuberg, our attacking fullback, latched onto a loose ball at the top of the circle and hit home a good goal. Melissa Newtown, Kate Wallenkamp and Kathleen Oman tried hard all day and Andrew Hammett made some fine runs from the centre-half position. There has been a tremendous improvement in the team as the season has progressed and players are developing confidence in their own ability.



## Under 11 (3) vs Sutherland Sharks

7 August

Result: 0-3

This was our third game against the Sharks, with the two previous encounters, both of which we lost 5-0, being played on grass. The turf surface usually allows the faster, more skillful team to exhibit their skills and high scoring can result. With this "pearl of wisdom" in mind, the 3-0 loss should be viewed as an extremely good result for the (3)'s and for the first time in three games the Glebe forwards troubled the Sutherland Sharks' defence. The side got off to a slow start and were 2-0 after five minutes, with Sutherland threatening to run all over us. However, the mighty (3)'s never gave up and fought back with all they could muster, mounting several promising raids on the Sutherland goal. Tom Wallenkamp was tremendous in goal and Daniel Carey played a blinder as sweeper at the back, repulsing wave after wave of Sutherland attacks. In recent games, the team has started to hit the ball to the wings, instead of down the middle all the time and a pattern of play is developing which maximises our attacking potential while minimising our defensive vulnerability - long may it continue. The team is playing with more confidence now, starting to believe that they can score goals and beat other teams. With the season drawing to a close, the Glebe (3)'s are really starting to put their game together, which augurs well for next season, as all members of the team are still eligible for the Under 11's next year.

## Under 11 (3) vs St George

14 August

Result: 1-0

Goal Scorer: Melissa Newton

This was the last game of the season for the team and it was satisfying to go out on a winning note. Our two previous encounters with St George were played at Gardiners Park, Banksia, and resulted in a 1-1 loss and a 0-0 draw, with very little separating the teams. It is an indication of the team's hockey advancement that it went from a loss to a draw to a win against the same team. St George played strongly and had 75% of the game territorially, but were unable to penetrate a well organised Glebe defence, although they had plenty of scoring opportunities. Tom Wallenkamp had an inspiring game in goal and pulled off some superb saves which delighted the large crowd on the sideline. The score was 0-0 at half time and Glebe had had to really struggle to keep in the game.

In the second half the team began to use the full width of the field and made some promising raids into the St George circle. The commitment, the tenacity, the urgency and a good dose of Glebe spirit all came to the fore in the second half. Glebe's goal came midway through the half and resulted from a quick transfer of the ball from defence to attack. Daniel Carey took a quick free hit from the left back alley near the Glebe circle which travelled 50 metres to find Andrew Cheong, who was 10 metres on the St George side of half-way in the inside left position. Andrew beat the fullback and passed across to the centre forward, Melissa Newton, who pushed the ball past the stranded St George into the goal. We have only scored four goals this season, but this was the best of them by a considerable margin. After the game, the team had an end-of-season party, complete with cakes, lollies, chips, etc. and this provided a convivial end to an enjoyable season.

## Under 11 (4) vs Sutherland

17 July

Result: 0-5

Everyone played hard in bad conditions. Nobody scored for the first twenty minutes, until Sutherland scored two goals in the last five minutes of the first half. In the second half the defence was not good enough to stop Sutherland scoring three more goals. James' goalkeeping saved a lot more goals - it shows he is "the terminator".

*Report by Peter Buckwalter*

### JUNIOR TEAMS' PRESENTATION DAY AND BBQ

This will be held  
at the Clubhouse on Sunday,  
November 7,  
commencing at 10.30 a.m.

Come along, enjoy the occasion,  
and congratulate those players who  
have won the awards.