

THE RED RAG NEWSLETTER

Glebe District Hockey Club Inc

MAY 1996



President's Message

To the Junior and Social members

The Club Motto does not just apply to the players.

It also applies the same to every parent, helper, committee person or coach. To achieve a champion Club we must work together for one common goal to provide a happy, compassionate environment to bring our young players through and to provide the best structure we can to allow them to develop at different levels.

Let's not compete against each other but to accept that we can all be proud of whatever level people achieve if only they give of their best.

For the Club to succeed, we need to work together. There is always more than one way to achieve things, but to be a strong, united club whether on the field or off, we need to get behind the people you have put in charge and support them.

Lets be positive and not negative within the Club. Everyone has a chance to contribute but within the framework and traditions of the Club and remember you come into a strong Club that is here to foster and develop hockey players. Keep it that way and feel proud of everyone's achievements what ever they may be.

Everyone of us has an effect on the moral of the Club. If only to be there to support and cheer for the person next to you. Endeavour to work as a team, to be proud of the many achievements of your Club for we can all say we contributed.

A Club of Champions

a Champion Club

Dear Member

Welcome to the second addition of this season's "Red Rag". The Rag, as us editorial people call it, is a newsletter designed to inform the Club on what is going on within your Club. It has a mail out to approximately 240 people, so as you can see it is no small effort to get it into your letter box. Please read it and jot down those important dates (socials etc) on your calendar.

The Club is not just about playing hockey at the top level (which we do very well) but instilling a friendly social & playing network to all our members which they can hold for their lifetime. This network is available free for those people who wish to give a little bit to the Club for what you get out is ten fold. All you need to do is support the Clubs functions.

Some members have complained that they have not received the "Reg Rag". It is no use complaining about it, talk to me and I will see if the Club has your current address in our data base. Most times it is that the members address have changed without them notifying the Secretary. As mentioned in the last news letter I failed ALL mind reading courses and need to be told verbally or in writing. It is your responsibility to inform me not the other way round.

To save costs the "Reg Rag" will only be distributed to one family member please ensure you distribute it around.

Last issue we inadvertently (great word) put my new work telephone number and and fax number under the ad for Mischa's Jewellery!

As a reminder these are:

Work 287 3191
(fax 287 3296)

Les Wark
Secretary

REMEMBER

TRIVIA
NIGHT

11 MAY

MASONIC HALL
MULLINS STREET
BALMAIN

BOOK NOW

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Club Calendar

MAJOR DATES TO PUT IN YOUR DIARY
(NOTE SOME DATES HAVE CHANGED)

GDHC MAIN FUNDRAISER
ALL CLUB MEMBERS
(support your Club
& have a great night)

11 MAY 1996

The Great Trivia Night

Trivia Master
Adrian Howe
Masonic Hall
Mullins St
(near corner of
Mullins and Darling St)
Balmain

7.30 pm start

Cost \$15 per person

Light supper and nibbles provided

One drink free

(the rest at Hockey Club Prices)

Teams of 8 to 10 people per table
**ONLY LIMITED NUMBER OF
TABLES AVAILABLE**

RESERVE YOUR TABLE NOW
Contact Ann Rochester on 680 3647
for reservations

Other major dates to put in your diary

- | | |
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| 26 May | Glebe Junior Carnival
(senior player help
required) |
| 22 June | Kenneth Wark
Testimonial Dinner |
| 27 July | Italian Restaurant
Extravaganza |
| 10 August | Junior BBQ Day |
| 19 October | Presentation Night,
Harold Park |
| 27 October | Junior Presentation Day |

Notification of Clubhouse BBQ's dates
will be done closer to the time

Dates could change due to draw
changes and other circumstances

REMEMBER

**THE TRIVIA NIGHT
11 MAY**

Men's News

FEES ARE NOW DUE

Fees Men	Senior Playing	\$270
	Student Playing	\$162.50 say \$163
	Social	\$25
	Donations	All donation will be gratefully accepted

PLEASE NOTE

The **FULL** payment of fees must be by **30 June 1996**

Fees will be collected by.

Geoff Paterson
Bob Taylor
Amrat Parbhu

Glen Dunn
Kevin Chivers
Les Wark

Training

Training times on Thursday nights change depending on the week please see the attached sheet for details.

Training is at Jubilee Oval on Wednesday Nights at 6.30 pm.

Team Captains

Congratulates to Steven Cain, Peter Busch, Danny O'Brian, Steven Casey, Peter Casey Amrat Parbhu & Milho Klimoski team captains for 96.

Indoor Reps

Nine Glebe players were selected earlier this year to the Sydney U/19 and U/17 indoor teams. U/19s: Christian Campano

U/17s: Aaron Oman, Geoff Hammett, Anthony Wark, Patrick Wark, Wayne Benfield, Allen Moriss, Alex Crook, Kristian Haigh.

From the NSW Indoor Championships held at Unanderra on 25-26 November, three Glebe players, Aaron Oman, Wayne Benfield and Allen Moriss, were selected to the NSW U/17s team, with Anthony Wark selected in the shadow squad. Aaron Oman was made captain of NSW U/17s and was also selected in the NSW U/19s team. Steve Sherwood was selected in the ACT U/19s.

At the Australian Indoor Championships held in Canberra in late January, the NSW U/17s were runners-up to Victoria, but Aaron was leading goal scorer of the tournament with 8 goals.

Glebe Indoor Champions

In the 1996 U/19 Sydney Indoor Hockey Competition, Glebe entered three extremely competitive teams made up of U/15 and U/17 junior divisions, as well as the odd 'young' senior. All did the Glebe club proud. The younger Glebe 3 team was an side, gave the top Glebe and Bankstown sides a real scare when they played against them. The Glebe 3s were: Damen Jones, Robbie Austen, Christian Campano, Kristian Haigh, Patrick Wark, Patrick Casey, Peter Wark, Sam Everist, Lindsay Griffith and Douglas Cronin. The Glebe 2s was well balanced, led by the Tallentyre brothers from Bankstown, David and Greg, as well as the new boy from Port Macquarie, Daniel Little, and with Jason Bowden, Glebe juniors Simon Bracht, Yuri Schimke and Alex Crook. Glebe 2 drew with Bankstown 4-4 in the last round game, and then narrowly lost 6-5 to the same team in the semi-finals.

The Glebe 1s side has stayed much the same for three years, forming the basis for a very skilful, and at times, very cohesive hockey team. The team comprised of Steve Sherwood (captain), Adam Campano, Christian Campano, Aaron Oman, Anthony Wark, Geoff Hammett and Allen Moriss, struggled at times for consistency, especially when in front of goal, but the addition of Wayne Benfield helped considerably to stabilise the team. Glebe 1 got through to the semis without being tested, until they came up against a very enthusiastic Glebe 3 team who had absolutely nothing to lose. With only one goalkeeper available, Christian played for Glebe 3 and played a blinder. Fortunately, Glebe 1 came away with the game 6-2.

In the final, Glebe 1 came up against the very talented Bankstown side, boasting the current 1st grade centre-half for Bankstown, and three 2nd grade players. Glebe squandered several opportunities throughout the first half and went to the main break 3-0 down. The boys were demoralised, but everyone felt that we could comeback and win the game. We were looking good when we scored immediately in the second-half, but Bankstown hit back soon after leading 4-1 with less than 15

minutes left on the clock. However, in the remaining time, Glebe staged a comeback of epic proportions, scoring five straight goals as a result of constant, frenzied pressure on the Bankstown goals to win the final 6-4. Whacker scored the goal to take us into the lead for the first time, after he had just missed a penalty stroke, and Aaron scored the winner with just two minutes left. The entire team was quietly ecstatic with the end result and the brilliant fashion in which they came back from the dead to win, showing true Glebe spirit, rising against the odds to snatch victory.

Congratulations to all three Glebe teams.

GLEBE - 1996 U/19 SYDNEY INDOOR CHAMPIONS !!!

Match Results and Reports

We are going to try and include as many reports as we can (edited to fit), although space will be a critical factor. Having said that, if we don't get a report we can't print it!

PREMIER DIVISION

1ST ROUND - GLEBE VS BAULKHAM HILLS

1ST GRADE: GLEBE WON 4-1

In a hard fought match, the newly promoted Baulkham Hills Bulls played very impressively against a Glebe team which included new team members Matt Parker, Brett Stubbs and Aaron Oman, who played in the absence of Ken Wark, Aaron Nilan and Craig Greaves. Glebe took a while to put it all together, but midway through the second half Glebe pressured the opposition goals, scoring twice in quick succession, ensuring victory in their first round game of the 1996 season.

2ND GRADE: GLEBE WON 7-1

A new look Glebe second grade side came out with all guns blazing, demolishing Baulkham Hills in a great display of attacking hockey, led by new guy James Wright, who looked to score every time he touched the ball. Trent Benfield, back from a couple of years off, linked very well in the forwards, as did Matty Ottoway, promoted from 3rd grade owing to some great recent form. Craig Stubbs was outstanding at centre-half, as was Craig Martin who marshalled the defence well, on the few times that it was threatened. 1996 looks to be the big year for Glebe in 2nd grade.

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KEN WARK jnr TESTIMONIAL DINNER

To celebrate and honour the world class sporting achievements of our own Ken Wark jnr, a Testimonial Dinner will be held at the Balmain Leagues Club on Saturday evening the 22 June 1996.

As you know, Ken is preparing to represent his country in *his third* Olympic Games in Atlanta, and the Club intends to pay tribute and celebrate this outstanding milestone.

The night will be hosted by one of Australia's leading Olympic and sporting commentators, Norman "Nuggett" May and special guest speakers including one of Australia's World Cup cricketers will help us celebrate Ken's achievements.

A modest admission price will provide a sumptuous meal, dancing and entertainment and drinks. In addition some fantastic prizes will be auctioned, raffled and given away. all to provide Ken with some "spending money" when away.

More information will be out soon, **but one thing for sure**, there are only 300 seats available, so get your name in early to avoid disappointment.

Contact Colin Rochester
(h) 680 3647 (w) 282 0941

To book your seat NOW!!!!

TURF UPDATE

The Grant from Leichhardt Council is still going through the administrative process and won't be finalised until June.

Rod Hammett is finalising the plans and specifications to be sent to Harold Park for approval and then on to the contractor.

Craig Stubbs and his team are looking at the different synthetic turf options and commencing negotiations with these companies on price and back up service.

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3RD GRADE: GLEBE LOST 3-5

Third grade included some new faces, for example, Anthony Wark and Sam Everist from the U/ 17s, and Daniel Little from Port Macquarie, as well as some not so new faces, like Les and D.O.B., as well as Mark Short (i.e., Shorty) who made it back to top grade after a bad injury. Glebe combined promisingly to lead 3-1 at half-time after some enterprising ball movement and stick skills in the forwards, initiated by good lead-up work from halves Danny O'Brien and Wayne Benfield. However, things went downhill in the second half, Glebe conceding four goals in a game which most spectators thought was won.

2ND ROUND - GLEBE VS NORTH SYDNEY

1ST GRADE: GLEBE WON 2-1

Glebe rose from the dead to record a magnificent win against genuine premiership contenders, North Sydney. North Sydney, led by talented centre-half and NSW Warriors squad member, Norm Nikolich, put great pressure on Glebe from the start. Eventually North Sydney scored, drawing first blood against the 1995 premiers. Led by Alan Alderson, the Glebe defence withstood incredible pressure in the first half. In the second half, spurred on by a magnificent performance from Shane Nilan, Glebe rallied until finally Matt Parker scored a great deflection goal from a Pat McCann pass. The unusually quiet Glebe crowd roared sensing a remarkable comeback. Glebe continued to pressure North Sydney, resulting in two strokes being awarded to Glebe. Amazingly, new skipper Stephen Cain missed both, although this was partly cancelled out with North Sydney missing a stroke also. Late in the game, Shane Nilan shot from a difficult angle, and the goalkeeper could do little but steer the ball to Aaron Nilan, who cracked the winning goal high into the net on one knee.

2ND GRADE: GLEBE WON 4-0

In this game Glebe methodically took North Sydney apart, pressuring their defence constantly throughout the match. Only poor goal shooting, bad shot selection and good goalkeeping stopped Glebe scoring considerably more goals. However, the side was extremely pleased with its combination, its securing and maintaining possession, and in leadup to raids. Captain Peter Busch led well from right back, as did Craig Stubbs, continuing from his great form of last week. However, new boy Jamie Wright once again stole the show, unanimously voted man of the match, and constantly bamboozling the defence with dazzling stick work and speed.

3RD GRADE: GLEBE WON 1

It was heard via the Glebe grapevine, that Glebe third grade ran on to the field with only 7 players. I can imagine that old Harry Wark would not have been too happy. A few players didn't show and one team member suffered food poisoning (serves you right for eating something that's been in the bottom of your bag for two days)! Glebe were losing early on, but came back to steal the game, so good on them!

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3RD ROUND - GLEBE VS BANKSTOWN

1ST GRADE: GLEBE WON 3-1

Glebe drew blood in an absorbing game, left-wing Simeon Booth scoring a spectacular goal while he lost his footing at the same time. The match constantly changed direction, with pressure from Bankstown finally resulting in a hard-earned goal to equal the scores. However, Glebe once again rose to the occasion, forcing several short corners, two of which were brilliantly converted by a very psyched-up Alan Aldersen. Top performances in the defence from new fullback Pat McCann and Razor, as well as from debutante and man of the match, goalkeeper Christian Campano, kept the relentless Bankstown attack at bay, securing victory for Glebe.

2ND GRADE: GLEBE WON 1-0

Glebe dominated Bankstown all match, but squandered several goal-scoring opportunities to barely scrape through with a win. Glebe did not maintain or control possession as well as it would've liked, but one rare passing movement saw fullback Brad Goodridge come up field to beat two players and the goalkeeper, casually pushing the ball from the top of the circle into the empty goal. Glebe then missed out on a chance to give themselves a comfortable lead when Brad sent a penalty stroke high over the goal. The match finally ended to the pleasure of the Glebe side.

3RD GRADE: GLEBE WON 6-1

"One-nil to the old blokes!", Les Wark said to his great 'mate' Danny O'Brien, after Les had produced one of his most dominant performances in years (or should that be decades), as the best penalty-corner hitter in NSW (just ask Pat Nilan) took apart a valiant yet outclassed Bankstown team, changing the complexion of the game with two powerful strikes resulting in two goals in quick succession. The entire team played well, but some perhaps stood out more than others. Mark Baxter made a good return to competitive hockey, and the underrated Geoff Hammett played confidently on debut. Fellow U17s, Sam Everist and Tony Wark also impressed, as did Port Macquarie surfer, Daniel Little. Wing-half Wayne Benfield had a blinder, showing great control and maturity, as well as trapping brilliantly on short-corners for the Les Wark machine to capitalise on. Brent Gilmour put the icing on the cake, with a superb crowd-pleasing goal, set up by a clever backstick pass from Daniel Little.

Goal of the Month

Simeon Booth (1st Grade)

There was no better fashion in which to score the opening goal of the top grade clash between Glebe and Bankstown, than Simeon Booth's amazing effort. Boothy (left-wing) received the ball on the run at the top of the circle and slightly to the left of the goal. He then steadied to shoot, but slipped over during his backswing. However, as Simeon fell sideways he still managed to connect with the ball, sending it angling into the bottom right corner of the goal at great force. It was a bit of magic that sparked Glebe into action, providing the foundation for the side's third win on the trot. I know for a fact that Boothy was pretty pleased with his goal, which is fine with everyone, just as long as he realizes that it was a fluke.

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