

THE RED RAG NEWSLETTER

Glebe District Hockey Club Inc

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President's Report

MANY THANKS to Maureen Paterson, Michael Carey and all other organisers for their work on the Rotary Club Raffle.

This has been the most successful year for fund raising through the raffle since we started running it.

As we are getting to the business end of the playing season, our seven men's teams look like getting into the semi-finals. This is in spite of the problems our selectors have had putting the teams together for various reasons.

On the down side we still have a major problem collecting outstanding fees. Those of us who are still unfinancial, please get your wallet out.

Our women and juniors are also going particularly well as we approach the semis. Both areas with excellent chances of their teams getting there.

So the overall outlook for our Club is lots of teams in the semi-finals this year.

Also, congratulations to the women's club on reaching their 21st year of fielding teams. It shows our great spirit and we go from strength to strength.

Bob Taylor
President

Dear Member...

Come to the Cabaret...

You've probably heard by know about the outing to the Newington Inn on Saturday 1 August. It was a great night with people coming from all areas of our Club. More about the event inside.

I'd like to give my personal thanks and congratulations to all those who made the night memorable. The organisers, Chris Newton, Sarah Cronin, Lee Farlow and Mary Wark, and the chorus line deserved all our thanks for the night.

As a fund raiser, it was a most successful evening with over \$3000 coming in. Additional thanks must go to those who bid at the auction for really great lots. Everything went for tidy sums. As all items were donated, it meant our Club benefited 100%.

Let's watch the matches...

We're coming to the end of the season and all sections of our Club are approaching the semi-finals with excellent chances of being there.

On page 6 are dates and venues of matches to be played in the next few weeks. If you're not playing or are a social member, get out there and support our teams in their run to the finals! Whatever happens, it's always enjoyable to see our teams play.

Be there.

We will be on TV...

Starting on 16 September on ABC TV will be a new series called *The Gamblers*. One of the episodes is centred around last year's Miracle Mile and the protests held. Some excellent coverage is given of the public meeting that was held and of the protest on the day. The series as a whole looks interesting and seems to be very evenly balanced.

Eddy Crook
Secretary

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Club Calendar

Major dates
to put in your diary

COMING SOON

**SENIOR
PRESENTATION
NIGHT**

24 October

**JUNIOR
PRESENTATION**

1 November

**ANNUAL
GENERAL
MEETING**

29 November

ALL COMING SOON

MEMBERS
WILL BE INFORMED
WHEN DETAILS
OF THESE
MAJOR EVENTS
ARE FINALISED

KEEP YOUR EYE ON
THE NOTICEBOARDS
ABOUT CLUB ACTIVITIES

Men's News

The Semis...

Everyone is poised to get into the semi-finals.

3rd and 4th Grades are leading the table and all other teams look as though they will qualify for a place in the semis.

This makes the build up to the end of the season one of the best for our Club.

Let's go and get 'em.

Fees...

It's got to be said. Some of us *still* have not paid their fees.

Unfinancial members could miss selection in the teams that reach the semis.

Come on — where are your cheque books?

Congratulations...

Aaron Oman has been selected for the Development Squad for the Junior World Cup. Congratulations, Aaron, a great result.

*Amrat Parbhu
Club Vice Captain*

Social Report

The Cabaret...

AS WE PROMISED in this column last month, the Cabaret night was "memorable"!

Some of the male members (selected by the Social Committee) gave a very entertaining treat to Glebe women on their 21st season. It's hard to explain why the music was "Keep Your Hat On".

The evening was a light-hearted event with a healthy \$\$\$ profit for the Club. All enjoyed themselves.

I must thank the boys for their dedicated effort. They trained, practised and used their imaginations to put on an entertaining show. Sarah Cronin guided them along. Unfortunately, their inhibitions have been thrown to the winds so you have been warned — do not play Tom Jones' song "Keep Your Hat On" while they are around.

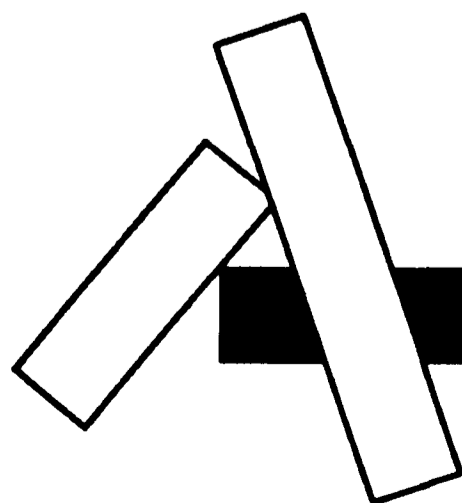
On a serious note I want to thank Lee Farlow and the staff of the Newington Inn; the donators for the auction which added just over \$1100 to the profit for the night; Danny and Teddy Sullivan (Under 13 Strikers); Mary Wark and Sarah Cronin; and let's not forget Gary Cronin who was MC for the night in sometimes almost chaotic circumstances.

Coming events...

Look out for a summer function as well as the Presentations and AGM.

We hope to put on an event in February. Things are always better in the warmer weather.

Chris Newton



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Women's News

Telstra Stix Series — Victory to NSW Arrows

Glebe 1st Grade women were well represented in the recent Telstra Stix Series where NSW Arrows were victorious over Queensland in a nail-biting final.

Kelly Needham, Lisa Ellick and Allison Dally all starred in what has been claimed as the best Stix Series to date. NSW trailed the Queensland Scorchers 3-0 at half time, but managed to claw their way back to 3-3 by the final whistle.

Sudden death extra time of 6 minutes with 9 x 9 elapsed without any further addition to the score. The final term of extra time with 7 x 7 lasted just three minutes before the world's number one female hockey player, Alyson Annan, fired home a shot from the top of the circle to clinch the victory for the Arrows.

Stacey Wallace also played during the preliminary rounds, while Amy Roams was a member of the NHL squad. Catriona (FISH) Owens represented Tasmania who were unlucky not to qualify for the Finals series after some outstanding performances during the rounds.

Congratulations to Kelly and Catriona for making the Australian Indoor side, and to Sarah Stephenson for inclusion in the NSW Under 16 All Schools team to compete in the national Under 16 Invitational tournament to be held in Darwin.

Current Point Scores...

As you can see we are well placed to make the semi-finals in all grades.

| | | | | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------|-----------|
| MLA (after Round 15) | | ED 2 (after Round 12) | | ED 5 (after Round 12) | |
| Ejays 1 | 40 | UNSW | 26 | Glebe 5 | 24 |
| KSC 1 | 39 | YWCA | 24 | East Rugby | 24 |
| Glebe 1 | 19 | Glebe 3 | 23 | Everjays | 21 |
| N Shore | 18 | Randwick | 7 | Eastcoast Dolphins | 14 |
| YWCA 1 | 17 | Sydney Uni | 6 | United | 8 |
| Esquires 1 | 13 | St George | 5 | Sydney Uni | 1 |
| Parramatta | 13 | | | | |
| St George 1 | 7 | | | | |
| MLB (after Round 13) | | ED 3 (after Round 12) | | ED 6 (after Round 11) | |
| Ejays 2 | 25 | Pohogs | 26 | Glebe 6 | 21 |
| Castle Hill 1 | 22 | Glebe 4 | 26 | St George | 18 |
| UNSW 1 | 22 | St Vincents | 21 | Eastcoast Dolphins | 10 |
| KSC 2 | 19 | E'coast Dolphins | 17 | UNSW | 7 |
| RHH 1 | 17 | YWCA | 6 | Sydney Uni | -3 |
| Glebe 2 | 16 | United | 4 | | |
| N Sydney 1 | 14 | | | | |
| N Shore 2 | 10 | | | | |
| UTS 1 | 9 | | | | |
| Esquires 2 | 4 | | | | |

Carmen Byrne
Captain

TURF UPDATE

SINCE LAST MONTH'S REPORT, a lot has happened in our quest for our own synthetic turf.

On 16 July we wrote to the NSW Harness Racing Association Board informing them that we have completed our financial arrangements are now in a position to start construction. Under the terms of the Heads of Agreement for the lease with Harold Park, once we had reached this stage they are obliged to respond within a month. If the NSW Harness Racing Club fail to reply to our letter, they will be in breach of the Agreement for Lease.

Up to the time of going to press, there has been no response by the NSW Harness Racing Club to our letter. Nor have we heard about any meeting with them under the chair of Mr Graham Foster, GM for Leichhardt Council.

In the event of no agreement to the terms of the lease, there is provision for a mediator to be appointed. We will seek mediation if the NSW Harness Racing Club does not guarantee us reasonable access. We are being advised on our legal position.

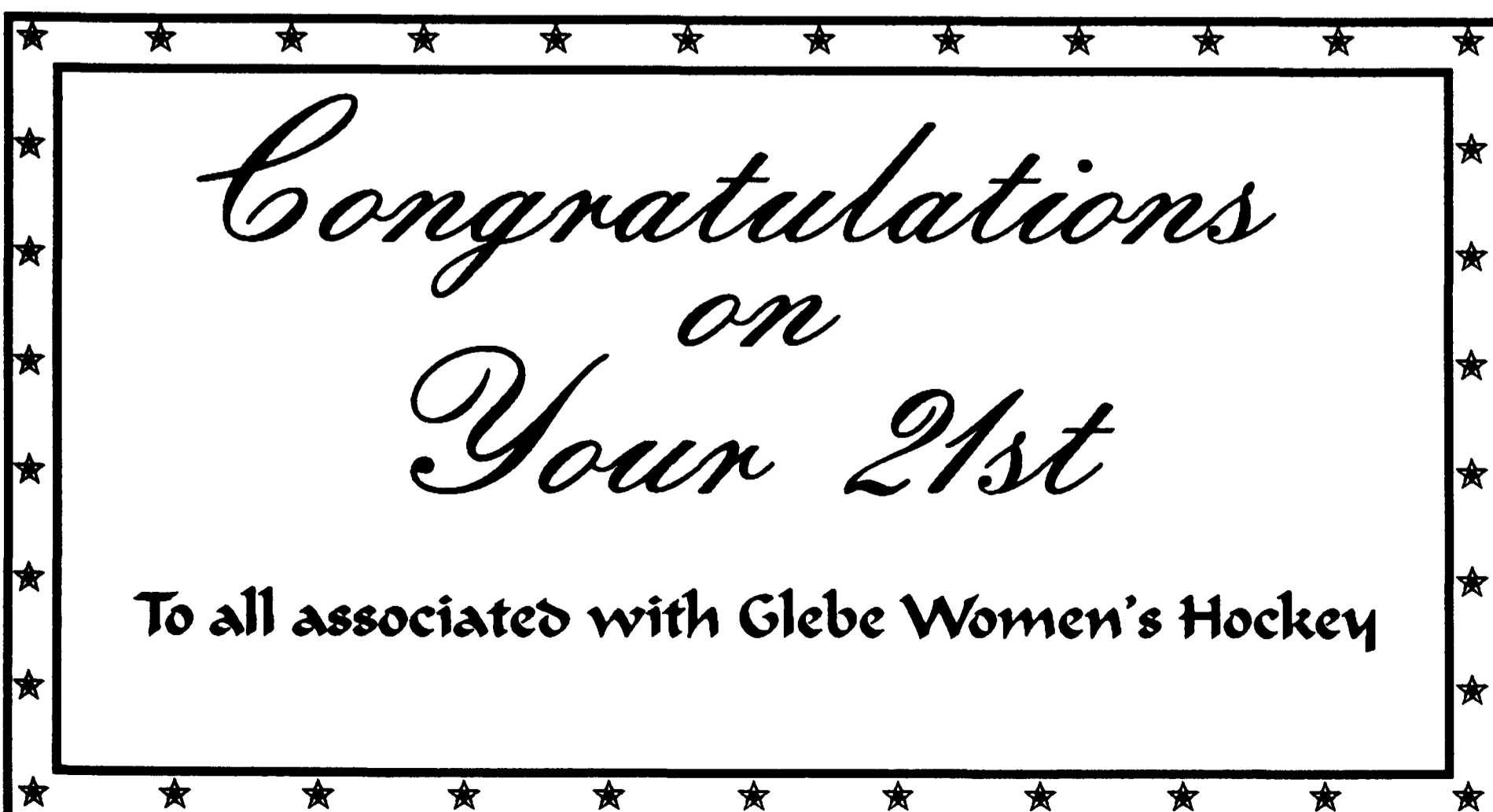
To protect our interests, a caveat is being placed on our Harold Park lease area which will ensure that nothing can be done there without the caveat being removed.

Since our last report, the Committee has met twice with Graham Foster. The message we are getting through him is that the NSW Harness Racing Club does not want to give us guaranteed access to an infield hockey pitch.

We have been asked if we would consider other venues for our synthetic field. We have said that we will pursue the construction of our pitch at Harold Park as that is the only assured, approved site we have. However, should another venue be offered to us and if we can be assured that we could use it (i.e., that we have reasonable access to it) and that we did not have to wait another few years for us to be able to start building, then perhaps we would consider it.

A number of alternative sites have been mentioned at our meetings with Graham Foster; three looked the most promising and which we said might be acceptable if Harold Park ceased

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Juniors' News

St George Carnival...

It must have been very disappointing for those hardy souls who turned up to the St George Carnival on Sunday 27 July, only to see it washed out after two hours of competition.

Let's hope the weather is kinder to the upcoming Lithgow Carnival as it is always a great way to finish the season and has traditionally been great preparation for our junior teams prior to the Central Area finals.

Thank you...

A very special thank you to those junior parents, coaches and managers who supported our end of season Cabaret Dinner on Saturday 1 August. Either by your attendance or the donation of various items that were auctioned on the night, you insured the evening was not only a great success socially but also financially.

The Social Committee deserve special praise for bringing the three tiers of our Club, Juniors, Men and Ladies, together for a night described by our President as one of the most enjoyable in memory.

Further representative honours...

The Club's Junior Representative achievements continue to go from strength to strength. At the recent NSW Under 13 State Championships, Matthew Wark was selected as Vice Captain of the Under 13 State team and Mark Paterson was selected as a reserve. Congratulations to both young men.

Glebe players were also very prominent at the recent Ladies State Regional Championships and the Central Area Selection Trials. Congratulations to the following:

Eastern Districts Ladies Under 14 (Runners up at the State Championships)

Amy Wark, Gabrielle Wark, Amanda Cheong, Amy Kludas (selected but unable to play due to injury), Melissa Newton and Kathleen Oman.

Eastern Districts Ladies Under 12 — Samantha Wortley Lawson, Julie Newton, Sussana Montrone and Sarah Baker.

The Central Area South teams will play the Northern Area for selection in Sydney teams for the 1999 season. Congratulations as well to:

Under 17's — Trent Knights, Tauren Tarrent, Ben Everist, Tristram Hardman, Rowan Kelly, Peter Wark, Alex Adrian and Tim Harvey.

Under 15's — Karl Pilora, Liam Casey, Matthew Wark, Mark Paterson, Nick O'Connor and Daniel Carey.

Farewell to the Dauvins...

After four years in Australia, the Dauvin family returned to France last month. For those of us who got to know them during the period, it is a sad occasion. During the short time the family were at Glebe they became great supporters of our Club.

The two youngest, Magell and Matthew, turned up at Minkey each Saturday rain or shine. Their son, Thibaut, was a key member of Glebe's Premiership winning Under 15 and Under 17 teams. A very gifted player with blistering speed. He was rewarded this year with selection in the State Under 17 team.

The children's parents, Edith and Patrice, regularly attended both Glebe Senior and Junior games. Their unmistakable French accent chanting "Glebe! Glebe! Glebe!" could be heard rolling across grounds as far afield as Moorebank and Lithgow.

Thibaut has remained behind in Australia to fulfil his commitment to Glebe Under 17's. This act is typical of the family's support of our Club.

When he finally returns home in August he will take the warm regards and best wishes of the entire Glebe Club.

*Jim Oman
Junior Convenor*

Turf Update (continued)

to be viable. These were: Leichhardt No 2 (near the Aquatic Centre); the back of Callan Park (by the Rowing Club); and Wentworth Park. Of the three, Wentworth Park would seem to be the best alternative as far as an early start to build is concerned. The shunting yards at White Bay were also considered but apparently they are not available for a sporting development.

Mr Foster and Mr Greg Maddock, General Manager of Sydney City Council, have met on 28 July with Mr Bryne, GM of the Wentworth Park Trust, and discussed our situation with him. Mr Foster then called a meeting with us on 29 July and asked us what criteria had to be met before we would consider Wentworth Park infield as a suitable site for a synthetic turf. We reiterated our needs, especially emphasising the access we must have to be able to run our club. We understand that the board of the Wentworth Park Trust met on Monday 3 August and that the possibility of a hockey field there would be on the agenda to be discussed.

What is interesting about the alternative site scenario is that sums of money from Leichhardt and Sydney Councils and from the NSW Harness Racing Club are being mentioned to help us make the move!

While all this is going on, we are trying to gain access through the Freedom of Information Act to documents in the NSW Department of Gaming & Racing concerning the number of race meetings to be held at Harold Park. These might be important regarding the problem we are having about access.

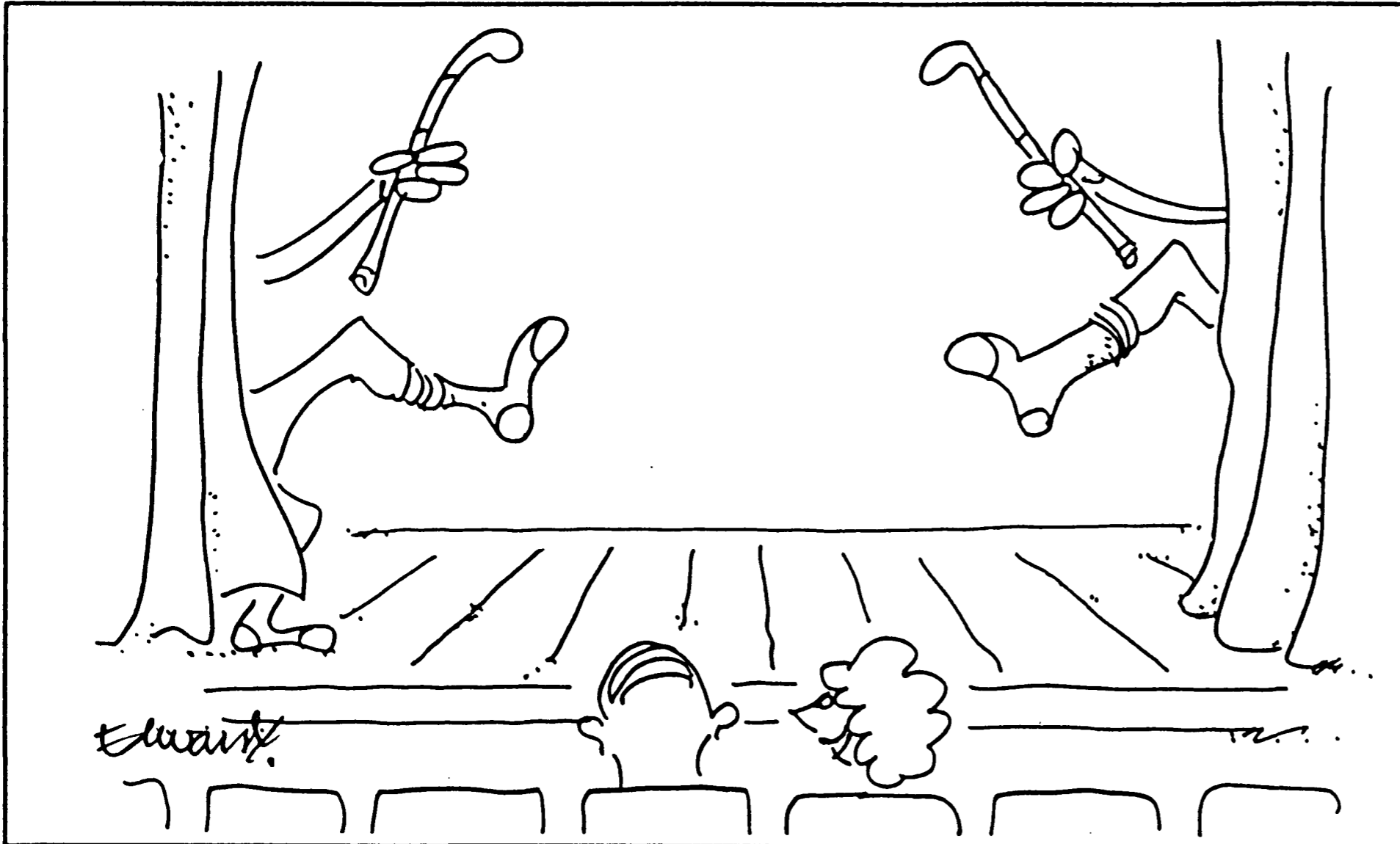
We are pursuing our legal rights at Harold Park under the terms of the Agreement for Lease. However, if a viable alternative does come up in the meantime it will be given due consideration. We are working to ensure the best possible outcome for our Club.

Be there...

LOOK ON PAGE 6

FOR DETAILS

OF COMING MATCHES



"No, this won't be the new playing dress for our First Grade!"

Under the Arches

Cabaret Questionnaire...

The Cabaret was so successful, a questionnaire has been prepared so members can assess their involvement.

How many hats were needed to preserve the chorus line's modesty...

- a. 11
- b. 1
- c. none

What size were they...

- a. small
- b. medium
- c. hat or chorus line?

Who's the new first grade men's player...

- a. Sharon Nilan
- b. Pat Nilan
- c. no one would tell me

One of the chorus line was heard to say that if he did *that* again, he wanted a more comfortable G-string.

Should a G-string be worn...

- a. by everyone in the chorus line
- b. by others present
- c. what's a G-string?

At the auction a daughter was heard bidding against her father for an item.

Should the auctioneer encourage this...

- a. yes
- b. no
- c. depends what (or who) is being auctioned.

If you answered mostly "a's", you were there. If you answered mainly "b's", you heard about it and wish you had gone. If you answered mostly "c's", you were probably there but had such a good time you weren't paying attention.



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The Last Word...

Let's support our teams in their final competition games for the season.

Women

| | <i>Date</i> | <i>Venue</i> | <i>Against</i> |
|---------|---------------|----------------|----------------------|
| Glebe 1 | 9 Aug (1500) | Homebush 2 | Ejays 1 |
| | 16 Aug (1500) | Homebush 1 | St George |
| | 23 Aug (1200) | Homebush 1 | Parramatta |
| | 30 Aug (1500) | Homebush 1 | KSC 1 |
| Glebe 2 | 9 Aug (16.30) | Homebush 2 | Ejays 2 |
| | 16 Aug (1630) | Homebush 1 | UTS 1 |
| | 23 Aug (1330) | Homebush 1 | Castle Hill 1 |
| | 30 Aug (1630) | Homebush 1 | Esquires 2 |
| Glebe3 | 10 aug (2000) | Little Bay | UNSW 2 |
| | 15 Aug (1830) | Little Bay | St George 2 |
| | 23 Aug (1930) | Little Bay | YWCA 2 |
| | 29 Aug (2000) | Little Bay | Sydney Uni 2 |
| Glebe 4 | 9 Aug (1700) | Moorebank | Eastcoast Dolphins 3 |
| | 15 Aug (2000) | Little Bay | St Vincents 3 |
| | 23 Aug (1800) | Little Bay | YWCA 3 |
| | 30 Aug (1330) | Little Bay | United 3 |
| Glebe 5 | 8 Aug (1400) | Federal | Eastcoast Dolphins 5 |
| | 15 Aug (1400) | Little Bay GF1 | East Rugby 5 |
| | 22 Aug (1230) | Syd Uni | Sydney Uni 5 |
| | 29 Aug (1530) | Syd Uni | United 5 |
| Glebe 6 | 8 Aug (1530) | Federal | UNSW 6 |
| | 15 Aug (1530) | Little Bay GF1 | St George 6 |
| | 22 Aug (1400) | Syd Uni | Sydney Uni 6 |
| | 29 Aug (1400) | Syd Uni | Eastcoast Dolphins 6 |

Men

| | <i>Against</i> | <i>Venue</i> | <i>1st</i> | <i>2nd</i> | <i>3rd</i> |
|--------|----------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|
| 8 Aug | Sutherland | Sutherland | 1530 | 1400 | 1230 |
| 15 Aug | Bankstown | Homebush 1 | 1530 | 1400 | 1230 |
| 22 Aug | Moorebank | M'bank 1 | 2030 | 1900 | 1730 |
| | <i>Against</i> | <i>Venue</i> | <i>4th</i> | <i>5th</i> | <i>6th</i> |
| 9 Aug | Sutherland | Sutherland | 1530 | 1400 | 1230 |
| 15 Aug | Bankstown | Bankstown | 1530 | 1400 | 1230 |
| 22 Aug | Moorebank | M'bank 1 | 1600 | 1430 | 1300 |

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