

THE RED RAG NEWSLETTER

Glebe District Hockey Club Inc

MAY 1999



President's Report

WITH THE SEASON now in full swing it's good to see that not only the players have some weekend activity to look forward to.

The recent Pub Crawl is a good illustration. Normally you'd expect this to appeal to the younger members of the Club who find it a little easier to face Sunday morning tired and a little worse for wear. Well not so this year. The older members who turned up at the Toxteth enjoyed some great company, excellent food and a quiet drink or two with a good cross-section of Club members who partied until closing time.

Congratulations to the Social Committee for organising this function and which benefited so many members.

Well, it was on again the other weekend — the Junior Carnival — and what a huge success the day turned out to be. With 30 teams competing we must have had close to 1000 people attending our Carnival, and you can imagine the atmosphere this creates! Again we were lucky with the weather, although the early morning fog had some organisers a little worried.

To the Junior Committee, Mums and Dads and supporters who worked tirelessly throughout the day, we thank you all for a job well done. For the members who missed out this year, mark it in your diary for 2000.

Finally, can I ask all Club members to give serious thought to the sale and return of their Glebe Rotary Club Raffle tickets.

This is one of the Club's major fund raisers of the year and so much depends on all members' full support. We know you'll get right behind this fund raiser and if you want more tickets give Maureen Paterson a ring on 9798 0463.

Regards

Bob Taylor
President

Dear Member...

Junior Carnival

I'd like to add my thanks to everyone who helped out to make our Junior Carnival such a great success. The volunteers who set everything up, kept the show on the road and tidied up afterwards deserve every thanks again this year.

Everyone in the Control Tent who kept track of events, kept all matches to time, arranged umpires and helped with information also deserve credit and thanks. It's not an easy job over a long day, although a drop of lubrication helped the wheels to turn.

There would be too long a list to mention everyone, but thanks to each and every person who helped. It is great to see members and supporters from all areas of our Club coming to offer their time and effort.

Thanks must also be given to the many clubs with their teams who came along and joined us on the day to make it so enjoyable.

It was an honour to see Councillor Kris Cruden, our Mayor, present trophies to winning players at the end of our Carnival.

Future events

There's more to come. Keep an eye out for coming events being laid on by our Social Committee. More details are inside.

Come along and enjoy yourselves.

Annual Report

There were some omissions in the Annual Report (we did not get some information in time before printing). The number of games played, women's 6th grade report and last year's committee are available as promised at the AGM. If anyone wants a copy of these to put with their report, please let me know. We shall put copies on the Club noticeboard as well.

Eddy Crook
Secretary

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"A Champion Club — A Club of Champions"

Club Calendar

Major dates
to put in your diary

COMING SOON



OTHER EVENTS TO COME

Saturday 19 June
Red Ebony
Jazz Night
Newington Hotel
292 Stanmore Road
Stanmore
(See the Social Report)

July (date to be set)
Glebe Party (18-30's)

Saturday 7 August
Cabaret Night

Again at The Newington, Petersham.
If you missed last year's boys' display,
well it's the girls' turn to entertain.

Saturday 16 October
Senior Presentation Night
KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE NOTICEBOARDS
ABOUT CLUB ACTIVITIES
Dates may have to change, so keep
watching

FEES

Another reminder, again

NO PAY — NO PLAY

Men's News

WITH EIGHT ROUNDS of the competition now played, we find ourselves almost half way through the 1999 season.

This first half has been disrupted with the Under 17s and Under 21s away during the early rounds. Also many injuries in the top three grades has seen a shuffle of players through the grades.

Tim Sutton and Brad Goodridge both suffered serious injuries which will see them on the sideline for quite a while.

First grade had its share of woes with Simeon Booth and James Benson both out injured for a number of weeks and a couple of others carrying niggling injuries along the way.

Quite a few young players have been given the chance of a first grade spot and all have handled the task very well. These players include Sam Everist, Anthony Wark, Peter Wark, Allen Morris and Pat Wark.

So, after a slow start we are starting to find some good form and 1st, 2nd and 3rd grades are positioned in the top half of their respective ladders.

Welcome to Steve Mowlam who has joined our Club for first grade and thanks to Christian Campano who played in goal for the first four rounds when we were struggling.

WE must now realise that it's going to be a hard season, but that's when Glebe really performs. With a bit more effort in terms of training I have no doubts that all grades can be serious for the number one spot. Let's do it blokes!

Shane Nilan
Club Captain

Social Report

Pub Crawl

What a night!!! The Toxteth was yet again a wonderful host. More people opted to stay back and enjoy the wonderful food and company. Food at the Toxteth is really great, with all tastes catered for. We were given a private room which made the evening relaxed, warm and homely. The whole idea of the Pub Crawl is to give our Club an opportunity to bond at the beginning of the season. This was working, but we need more females...

Red Ebony

Enjoy another great evening at the Newington Hotel. This is one of our major events, but unfortunately we are limited to only 60 tickets, so it's first in best dressed.

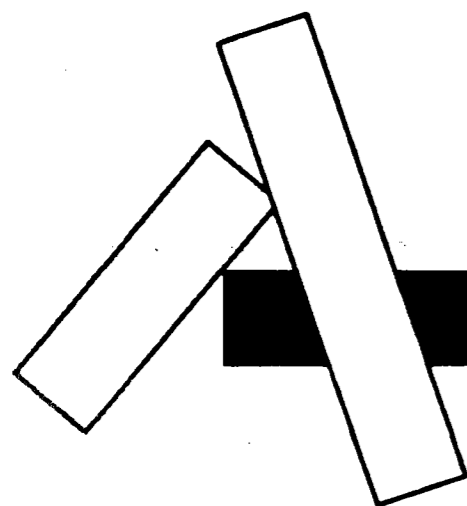
Last year Vicki Schuberg entertained us all at the 70s Night with some fab music. This year we're going up market with a jazz theme.

The night includes supper, entertainment, raffles and great company, and cost \$25 a person. It will be on 19 June and starts at 6.30 pm.

Call (or see) Lee on 9719 9393 Chris on 9660 8349 or Jason on 9716 4787 for tickets

Chris Newton
for the Social Committee

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Women's News

Season Start

All teams have now played three or four games and most with success. First grade are the exception to this, who have had a slow start. The coach, Natalie White, describes the start of their season:

Glebe Women 1st Grade, for various reasons, have been met with a few hurdles, only winning one match and drawing another out of five games played to date. Again player availability has been a problem due to vast numbers of hockey and other commitments to be met by these players. Also injury and illness have hampered our season's start. Team Captain, Kelly Needham, is still recovering from a severe bout of glandular fever; Amy Roams tripped over a wombat in a recent State League game and fractured her wrist; and Lisa Ellick has been suffering from a recurring muscle strain in the upper hamstring region.

The girls turned the corner from adversity with an exciting win against the highly regarded KSC (formerly Campbelltown) team, registering their first win for the season defeating KSC 2-1. New recruit Bianca Netzler displayed her ability controlling the mid-field and as acting captain, leading the girls by example. Helen Howe was voted player of the match by her peers after an outstanding performance at the back.

More successes will be reported in the next issue of the *Red Rag*.

Selections

Margaret (Club Captain) is still having problems with players not announcing their unavailability in a timely fashion.

If you know you are going to be unavailable, please let Margaret know, at the latest, by the Wednesday before the game.

By doing this you will save Margaret many last minute phone calls!

Representative achievements

Glebe has been well represented in various teams and squads selected to date.

Our congratulations to:

Bianca Netzler
Australian Senior Youth Squad
NSW National Hockey League Team
Eastern Districts Opens 1's

Lisa Ellick
NSW National Hockey League Team
Eastern Districts Opens 1's

Stacey Wallace
NSW National Hockey League Team
Eastern Districts Opens 1's

Kelly Needham
NSW National Hockey League Squad
Eastern Districts Opens 1's

Amy Roams
NSW National Hockey League Squad
NSW Under 21 Team
Eastern Districts Opens 1's

Gretchen Riorcan
NSW Under 21 Team

Sarah Stephenson
NSW Under 18 Squad
Eastern Districts Under 16's & Under 18's

Adrienne Ling
NSW Under 18 Squad
Eastern Districts Under 16's

Kelly Stosic
Eastern Districts Open 2's Squad

Rachel Wilkinson
Eastern Districts Opens 2's & Under 18's

Rebecca Howe
Eastern Districts Under 18's

Amy Kludas
Eastern Districts Under 16's

Kylie Lawson
Eastern Districts Under 16's

Zoe Michaloff
Eastern Districts Under 16's

Amy Wark
Eastern Districts Under 16's

Gabrielle Wark
Eastern Districts Under 16's

The Eastern Districts Under 12's & Under 14's are due to be announced soon.

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TURF UPDATE

SINCE THE LAST RED RAG there have been a few significant developments in our quest for a Turf.

Our legal representatives have exchanged letters with the Harness Racing Club's solicitor, but basically we seem to have met an impasse.

Jim Oman and Harry Wark spent over seven hours with our solicitor preparing a statement, along with supporting documentation, to be given to the Judge if we commence court proceedings. This statement is intended to state our case clearly, so that after reading it the Judge is fully informed and understands our arguments and why we have arrived at the current position. The "other side" will be doing the same.

Before taking the final step of commencing court proceedings, our case is being thoroughly examined and it will be sometime in June that the final decision on court action will be taken.

The overwhelming view of members at the AGM last year was to fight to the end. Your Synthetic Turf Committee and Management Committee are mindful of the path we are taking, but feel that to secure the future of our Club, fighting for what we strongly believe is our right is the way forward.

With the position as it is at the moment, it is difficult to summarise the situation adequately in the *Red Rag*. However, if you would like a clearer explanation, one of the Turf Committee will be happy to oblige.

Harry Wark Junior

PLAYER SAFETY

Men - Women - Juniors

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Junior News

Junior Carnival

Lots of willing hands contributed to the success of our 4th Annual Glebe Carnival on 23 May. With some workers arriving at the Arch before 6 am to help with the set-up and to people still working after 6 pm, all members of our Club owe a debt of thanks.

The Barbeque cooks did a great job. In the middle of the day it was very hot at the "hot plate" — our thanks to them. To the many parents and supporters who worked in the canteen or on the lollies and drinks stand — thank you. Our raffle sellers did a great job, encouraging people to be generous — thank you.

Spending time like this does impinge on your "free time" on a sunny Sunday, but your hockey club benefits enormously from your efforts. Thank you all.

The gross "take" on the day was over \$3,200, with a further \$350 from the raffle of the hampers, made up of items donated by families with children in the Juniors, and \$450 from the raffle of the State of Origin tickets, also arranged by the father of one of our Juniors. Thanks Andrew Dart for your generosity, and (to all parents too numerous to mention here) for the hampers.

While it was great to make the day a financial success, the social and hockey enjoyment derived by so many people was great to witness. All in all, another successful Carnival capped by our Mayor, Councillor Kris Cruden, who made the final presentation of trophies to winning teams.

Our Juniors, the strength of our future...

The hard work of so many people of our Club is testimony to the recognition of the special place our Juniors hold within our Club. It is very pleasing to see this commitment rewarded this year with so many ex-Juniors playing senior grade hockey for both the ladies' and men's teams in 1999. The first grade men's team against Bankstown contained 10 players who had played Junior hockey for our Club. This influx of youth into the Senior ranks is not confined to the men as there are many in the ladies' teams this year from the Juniors, and next year 12 girls will move from the Under 15s into the grades.

In the last two years there has been a generation change within our Club as many long standing senior players have retired. For most clubs this situation would have been catastrophic, but in Glebe's case we have the young players to fill this gap.

Jim Oman
Junior Convenor

Anne Wark
Clubhouse Supervisor

Women's News

(continued)

This is a fantastic achievement for our Club, and in future *Red Rags* we will be profiling some of these talented players.

Glebe Sportswear

Neil Lawson has replaced Mischa Quilty as Equipment Officer. Mischa had a terrible fall at training early in the season and will probably not play again this year. We are thinking of you Mischa, and Kevin, who has been subjected to intense conditioning from carrying Mischa up and down the stairs of their flat.

Glebe bags, rugby tops, shirts, skirts, socks and caps can be purchased from Neil. If you call Neil by Tuesday night he will arrange to give you the goods at Thursday training or that weekend. Neil's home phone number is 9660 1704.

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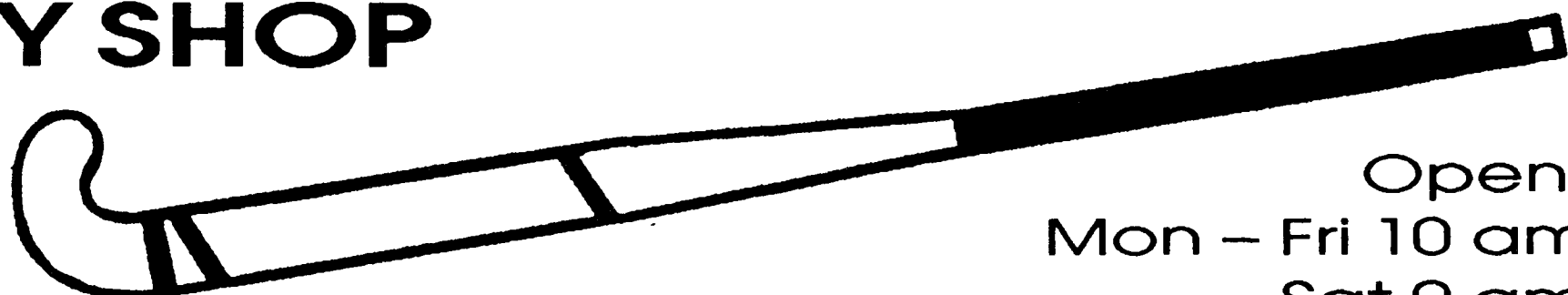
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Under the Arches

More from the Pub Crawl...

Well, the evening did highlight some social problems... girls have been heard to mutter things like "there's shortage of good looking straight men". They should have been at the Toxteth that a night — there was a shortage of girls!

Usually we do not mention people by name in our gossip column, BUT...

It was noticed that Dunny tried to pick up some more guys on the street (to join us that is). We suppose he thought they were not having as good a time as we were.

It was heard that Pat Casey had trouble with a taxi driver. Fancy the driver not taking him home for \$2!!

There, by any another name...

Sometimes spell-checking on the computer can be fun (if one remembers to do it, that is). It is often wondered how nick-names are derived. Perhaps a spell-checker was used. Here are some alternatives that came up on the spell-check for names from this month's *Red Rag* that might make good nick-names (not in order of preference):

Mowlam (<i>Mayhem</i>)	Needham (<i>Endgame</i>)	Taylor (<i>Tyro</i>)
Howe (<i>Howl</i>)	Wallace (<i>Wellies</i>)	Kludas (<i>Cuddles</i>)

A player in one of the men's teams didn't have to have a spell-check done to get his new nick-name. *Jaffa* stands out a mile in his new gear.



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The Last Word...

Many Thanks to Our Sponsors...

It shouldn't really be the last word, but we have been very lucky this year with our major sponsors and this is an excellent time, now the season is well under way, to highlight the help our benefactors are giving us, and to thank them on behalf of the whole Club.

The Toxteth, in particular, has increased their sponsorship to the Juniors this year. In addition they help us with other events. The Pub Crawl is a great example.

Richard Ware, our own real estate people in Glebe, are supporting us again this year. We have had Richard's help for some time now and we are always extremely grateful for his input to us.

Cardy & Co have sponsored us again this year. They are very supportive of us and their contribution helps us keep our proud tradition of not charging our Juniors registration fees.

The Hockey Shop helps our Club with the vouchers we gather from purchases and we use them to acquire equipment. Tony also has provided many prizes over the years for us to use in the raffles or auctions we hold at major Club events.

As well as assisting our whole Club through the year, our sponsors' gifts means that we can encourage youngsters to come into our sport and, as mentioned earlier in the *Red Rag*, we have many ex-Juniors playing in our top grade men's teams and in the women's senior teams. We also have one of the largest junior hockey clubs in Sydney.

There are many other people who help us, such as Decker Enterprise (who always help us with any printing needs we have — often at very short notice). Also there are the unsung helpers and givers, too many to list, who all contribute to the success of our Club.

Thank you everyone.

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