



# **Glebe District Hockey Club**

*"A Champion Club — A Club of Champions"*

*ANNUAL REPORT*

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**1981**

**SEASON**

GLEBE DISTRICT HOCKEY CLUB

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Founder: - The Late Rev Bro McCarten Keegan

OFFICE BEARERS AND OFFICIALS 1980 - 1981

Patron:	James Kenny
President:	Graeme Gilmour
Senior Vice President:	Harry Wark Snr
Honorary Secretary:	Bruce Pink
Honorary Assistant Secretary:	Colin Smith
Honorary Treasurer:	Robert Wark
Honorary Assistant Treasurer:	Ron Saunderson
Club Captain:	Les Wark
Club Vice Captain:	Harry Wark Snr
Publicity Officer:	Alan Chu (resigned May81)
Equipment Officer:	Colin Rochester
Club Room Manager:	Tom Casey
Carnival Organiser:	Barry Howe
Honorary Auditor:	W Stubbs FASA
Honorary Solicitor:	G A Salier
Social Secretary:	Kevin Sweeney
Junior Convenor:	Warren Dell
Assistant Junior Convenor:	Graeme Lisk

Management Committee:

Graeme Gilmour Harry Wark Snr Les Wark Robert Wark  
Colin Smith Kevin Sweeney Tom Casey Colin Rochester  
Warren Dell Geoff Patterson Bruce Pink

Life Members

J Quinland B Bates Mrs Taylor J Worley J Kenny K Dickey  
W Ryan H Wark Snr K Wark Snr P Nilan W Stubbs F Letts  
R Brown G Gilmour P Rogers and John Diviney.

Sponsors

Toxteth Hotel 345 Glebe Road Glebe TF660-2370  
DJE Building Services 127 Blues Pt Rd McMahons Pt TF922-1004  
Stan Hayes Quality Meats 329 Glebe Rd Glebe TF660-1036  
Schweepes Soft Drinks  
Unisol Optical Co Pty Ltd 164 Adderley St Auburn TF648-5377  
Total Oil Company

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT 1981

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BY GRAEME GILMOUR

Gentlemen, I have much pleasure in presenting the Annual Report for the 1981 Season.

This year in the Club I feel, and am glad to report, that spirit wise the Club is on the up. Over the past few years as has been stated in previous reports especially last years that the rebuilding of the Club is now probably at last seeing the light.

The Club performances apart from playing this year, talking to those that have been involved have improved - namely - attendance at training on Wednesday nights, attendance at the Club House after training, and attendance at the few Social Functions has improved and slightly as it may be a fair effort fro a Club point of view. Still we can do much better than this for the Club as a whole. I say for a Club as a whole because we are a Champion Club and on the results of this year the traditions of the Club are once again starting to be upheld.

The Club fielded 6 Senior and 5 Junior teams this year, 9 of these made Grand Finals, the other 2, 3rd grade made the Final and the Junior U10 missing out on the Semi-Final by the odd point, this I think for any Club is a splendid effort. Last year, we had one team, Seventh Grade, that were Premiership winners, this year we had 2nd, 4th and 5th as Premiers and congratulations to all those players and coaches for their efforts. I think a special mention should be made to Bill Stubbs on his first non-playing coaching effort. The result speaks for itself.

To 3rd and 6th grade there is no disappointment on my part because of the splendid way you played and lost.

Commiserations to 1st Grade and Coach Ian Mutton. I feel that they were most unfortunate in not winning the game because in my humble or biased opinion they were the better team on the day, but I must say that they fought in the best traditions of the Club right to the final whistle and congratulations

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to all team members for a fine effort.

Congratulations to 2nd Division on their Club Championship victory. A really fine effort. To 4th Grade and Captain Paul Abate, 5th Grade with Captain Peter Mitchell, you can't do any better than you've done - win - well done to all players and to the Juniors who helped out through the year. ◉

This year saw the Club run the first Twilight Competition. This was greatly accepted by the other Clubs, so much so, that some have said that they would rather play in this comp than the indoor. The most pleasant aspect of it, however, was the victory by the Glebe No.2 side in the final. Another win by Glebe and Congratulations to the team.

As everyone is aware the Toxteth Hotel was the sponsor of all six grades and to Bill Murphy, Graham Murray and Ian Griffin we thank you very sincerely.

#### JUNIORS

As always the Juniors in the Club performed very creditably. All teams, except the tiny tots made the Grand Finals. The little fellows only missed the semi's by a point, a really fine effort and an exceptional job by their Coach Pat Nilan.

The Under 14 team and Coach Col Brown were the only winners in the Zone Grand Finals. Well done. Commiserations to the U10, U12, U16's and congratulations to Liverpool. With 4 out of 5 making the Grand Finals things look bright for the future.

The U14 and U16 teams contested the Final of the Sydney Knock Out Competition. Baulkham Hills winning the U14 by 4-2 and the U16 beating North Sydney 5-0. Well done H Wark Snr and the team.

Thank you to the Coaches, P Nilan, W Stubbs, C Brown I Mutton and H Wark Snr. To Warren Dell, Thanks Mate, a great job.

The sad part about the Juniors still is the lack of support in all areas by Club Members, so for heavens sake make an effort on Saturdays. On a brighter note to Di Dell and the Girls in the Canteen, best job in ages, well done and thank you.

Last, but by no means least, this year saw David Ensor of DJE Building Services and Max Pike of Stan Hayes Quality Meats sponsor 2 sides. We thank you very sincerely and look forward to your continued support. To anyone else that I've missed thank you.

#### INDOOR

In the Indoor Comp this we fielded 5 teams. All teams performed well, the Super 8 and the Colts being beaten in the Final. Even though some of the Indoor is sponsored, I feel that the Club will have to look at how many teams we are to enter, as the expense is extremely high and will probably increase again. However well done to all teams you were a great credit to the Club.

Before finishing on the playing side, the Club supporters must be congratulated on their performances on both Grand Final days. It was a pleasure to be there and see it. Well done.

#### FINANCE

This year the Club had a very good financial year. Receipts in excess of \$33,000 show just how important this job of Treasurer is. This year saw the fees paid early and a profit that is one of the best on record. A profit I might add, that could have been greater if everyone did a little more work. To Robert (Heaps of Money) Wark, thanks mate for a really great job.

Kevin Sweeney, Brian Parker and Dennis Brown organised 2 Sports Nights at the Club and both were huge success. But even though attendance was better at the second, we still need more people at these and other functions. To all Members who worked on the nights thank you. Also to the Parents Committee a tremendous job on the Walk A Thon.

Once again the Toxteth Raffles were a success. Even though the same old faces were there, there were still a few new ones now and then, and to all those members who assisted thank you very much. Remember Gentlemen that the raffle at the Hotel only takes an hour to do, so if you can help, please do, it's not going to take a lifetime.

As always on the other side of the Canal is that young man Ken Wark Snr. For anyone who came down to the Twilight Comp the ground looked a picture. Ken's job was made even harder this year because as many of you know, or do you know, that our motor mower was stolen.

Ken, I think it's probably all been said before mate, it's a shame that the Members don't thank you the best way possible and that's by coming down and lending a hand. So to those that helped you, thanks to them. To those that didn't, come on fellas. To you but Ken, I thank you for a great effort and to the bastard that stole our mower, thanks for nothing.

Once again this year saw us in to the Representative Honours List with Ken Wark Jnr, Busta Birmingham, Craig Stubbs and Mark Gersbach in the Colts, David Rochester in the Victorious 12's and Ken Wark Snr being the Coach of the Winning U14's in Hobart. Ten of our Juniors were in the Rep Sides at the State Championships and Warren Dell Manager of the U14 Also Ian Mutton Busta Birmingham, Geoff Patterson, Ken Wark Jnr, Greg Corben and Kevin Sweeney in Sydney Sides. To all those players - Congratulations.

Before closing I would like to thank the Management Committee this year for a job well done. To their wives and girl friends, thank you for putting up with it. A special thank you to Tom Casey - Bar, Col Smith - Minutes and Treasurer Robert Wark. Sadly Bruce Pink won't be standing this year but I'm sure he'll be close by helping. Thanks not only for this year Bruce, but for all the others as well.

Thank you to everyone who has helped me this year at sometimes frightening hours, and also all the Members for their support.

And finally I would like to wish all Members, their wives, family and friends a very Merry Xmas, a Happy and Healthy New Year and good Hockey in 1982.

HONORARY SECRETARY'S REPORT  
BY BRUCE PINK

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Dear Members.

To me it has always been a great relief to present the the Annual Report to you. It is also a duty I derive great pleasure from, what does a gut full of ulcers feel like?

Please read the entire Annual Report and between yourself debate its recommendations and please inform the Management Committee of any criticisms or ideas you have.

Under the Club's Consitution the purpose of the Club is the promotion of Hockey in the District (ie Australia) and the welfare of members. Thus if you feel the Club is taking a wrong direction on any issue, please have your thoughts presented to the Management Committee.

The playing of Hockey, I will not deal with at all, as is my usual practice. Others better qualified have their reports presented below. I will, however, as a Club Member ask "did the Club play Indoor Hockey this year?". If so where are the teams reports?

In my report to you last I commented on specific aspects of Club Administration, please bear with me as I comment briefly on these aspects.

MATCH CARDS - few fines. Well done Captains.

RECORD KEEPING - Joyce Wark well done. However problems still exist because of missing records from previous seasons.

HONOURS BOARD - Robert Wark has made the Board, but it still lacks names.

CLUB ACCOMODATION - an application has been made to the State Rail Authority for the lease of an arch at Federal.

FEDERAL PARK - we are still bludging on Ken Wark and his few helpers.

CLUB ADMINISTRATION/COMMUNICATION - I will comment on Administration below, but intra Club communication improved.

CARNIVAL ATTENDANCE - please read Barry Howe's report.



SOCIALS - attendance was good this year. What a great Club Presentation Night. Congratulations Graeme Gilmour, believe it or not Leo a tremendous personal triumph.

FINANCE - please read the Honorary Auditors Report. Thank you Heaps and Mrs Heaps Wark for your maticulous work. Col Rochester ensured that all equipment was paid for, please read his report.

NOW TO 1981.

I had a very laid back year and now realize that my decision to stand down is correct. To Glebe DHC, thank you for the experience. I loved every minute and am a compulsive liar.

Please read and digest my recommendations, they may be right or possiblyely wrong. Please remember they are only recommendations.

#### SOCIALS PRESENTATION NIGHT SHA BALL

The responsibility for the organisation of socials and Presentation Night must be given to a reliable Social Committee. This Committee must also sell SHA Ball Tickets you cannot ever allow the Hon Secretary to be the ticket seller again.

#### CLUB RECORDS/HISTORY

I feel that the Club should approach the Mitchell Library with the proposition that that institution catalogue the Club's history and achievements. The Micthell Libarary will thus ensure that the Glebe DHC's history and lore become part of the permanent record of our State.

#### NEWSLETTER

Again may I suggest another Committee, an Editorial Committee of three to get the newsletter written and distributed.

#### CLUB CONSTITUTION

The Club Constitution needs modernising and updating. Experience in Australia shows the penalty that can be paid for attempting to function under an obsolete constitution.

## CLUB ADMINISTRATION

1981 saw a vast improvement in Club Administration, due mainly to one man Graeme Gilmour. To be fair Blue Eyes cannot be given all the credit. The Management Committee set out to properly administer Club and it did. Decisions that were unpopular were made and the Management Committee, once a decision had been made spoke with one united voice and you as Club Members accepted its decisions. To you the Club Members congratulations. For this reason alone I was proud to be part of our Club.

There were 19 meetings held by the Management Committee of the Club during the 1980/81 season, the first was on 8 December 1980 and the last on 12 October 1981. Attendance was as follows:-

G Gilmour	19
C Smith	19
R Wark	18
W Dell	18
B Pink	17
L Wark	16
H Wark	16
C Rochester	15
G Patterson	14
K Sweeney	13
T Casey	13.

An average of 85% congratulations Management Committee.

For his efforts in 1981 I feel that Graeme Gilmour deserves Life Membership of the Club.

This report of mine is not the best, however, I will ask your indulgence in saying a few thank yous.

To the Management, each one of you for being resolute.  
To my employers for allowing the use of their facilities in my work with the Club.

To SHA for being there.

To Arnold, Helen, Mick and Sharon for answering the 'phone at my various residences and for passing on messages.

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And lastly to you the Club Members for being the most diverse bunch of individuals I have ever had the pleasure of being friend and servant of.

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CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT

BY LES WARK.

Since the end of the 1980 season the Club has been through a lot of changes and we have started back to where we should be "The Best in Sydney."

It has taken a lot of work from a small group of people who had faith in the Club and its members, but it is sad to see some members not giving back a little of the lot been given to them, all we can hope for is a change in attitude in some.

The season past has been good in Hockey and in Socials, with all six Senior Sides making the Finals and 2nd, 4th and 5th taking out the Premiership.

Again Ken Wark Reserve was in the best condition - it should be for all games - Ken has done a great job with a very small group of helpers to keep it that way. So lets give ourselves a hand and the Club to produce better Hockey next year with a little time in the off-season when it is required.

To the Junior Committee and Parents who were whole-heartedly behind the Club - you supply us the future - Thank you very much.

To the Representative Players of the past season and the future season - Congratulations.

The Club has become a force again through a great effort of our President, Graeme Gilmour, who took the bull by the horns and showed the right direction and I think we are all very grateful for that. This was made a lot easier with the help from our Secretary, Bruce Pink and Treasurer Robert Wark - to them my whole hearted Thanks.

PREMIER DIVISION FIRST GRADE

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BY IAN MUTTON

With a limited preparation we went to the Randwick Pre-Season Carnival with 15 squad members. Unfortunately, two didn't arrive due to unforeseen circumstances. However the team played exceptional brand of hockey which saw them take out the \$100-00 prize once again.

This year we failed to make the Bisley Play off which was no big deal.

With half the season gone it already looked as though it was going to be Glebe v Uni in the Grand Final.

On the Sunday of the Grand Final we were behind the eight ball within 20 minutes of the first half beginning, being 2-0 down. True to form of Glebe we hit back 2 minutes into the second half and from there on it was one way traffic towards Uni's 25 and circle. Unfortunately, Bob Proctor had a superb game in the goals. The final score was 2-1 down but not out.