



Glebe District Hockey Club Inc

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**JUNIOR TEAMS**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**1993**



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## Glebe Representative Players

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Aaron Oman  
Geoffrey Hammett  
Simon Bracht  
Martin Smith  
Wayne Benfield  
Yuri Schimke

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Melanie Cox  
Sandy Gittins  
Patrick Casey  
Liam Hibbert  
Peter Wark

#### Under 11's

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Kylie Lawson  
Andrew Hammett  
Liam Casey  
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Mark Peterson  
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Matthew Wark  
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## Junior Convenor's Report 1993

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On behalf of the Junior Committee I would like to welcome everyone to our 1993 Presentation Day. Today formally brings to a close the 1993 hockey season — a season that by any measure has been a memorable one for the Junior Club.

In 1993 Glebe fielded four Under 11 teams, two Under 13 teams and one Under 15 team. This was the largest representation by any club in the Central Area Competition. A magnificent effort and credit to everyone who contributed, either with direct assistance or financial support.

The accompanying Manager and Coach's reports tell in detail of the many onfield successes enjoyed by the Club through the season. Two Under 11 teams, one Under 13 team and the Under 15 team made the Semi-Finals of the Central Area Competition — the Under 13's and Under 15's losing in the Final and the Under 11 Number 1 team going down in the Grand Final. During the season Glebe also contested three carnivals: Northern Districts, St George and Lithgow. On each occasion we were the most successful all-round club.

However the most satisfying aspect of the season by far was the manner in which our junior teams conducted themselves on the field, almost without exception each and everyone of them were a credit to themselves, their coaches and families.

One of the main reasons for the success and growth enjoyed by our junior teams has undoubtedly the Club's Minkey programme.

Guided by Peter Busch, almost from its inception, it has experienced phenomenal growth year after year — 1993 has been no exception. Under the guidance of Peter, Les Wark and a number of our lady players we have had more than one hundred children registered as Minkey participants. It was not unusual to have an average attendance of 50 to 60 on most Saturday mornings. If this momentum can be maintained and the Club finally secure a synthetic surface on either Federal or Harold Park our future should be secure well into the next century.

In conclusion I would like to thank two very special groups of people.

Firstly, Harry Wark Senior and his magnificent band of ladies, Maureen Paterson, Ann Wark, Cheryl Oman, Lesley Hammett, Chris and Jack who have worked tirelessly in the canteen to make Wednesdays and Saturdays such enjoyable social occasions. Secondly, thank you to the Junior Committee of Mike Tapsell, Marty Howe, Peter Howe, Bob Taylor and the publisher of the Red Rag Eddy Crook. The many hours of time and effort you have freely given have ensured the success of the season. It has been a privilege working with you.

*Jim Oman  
Junior Convenor*

## Under 15's Report

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The Team

Goalkeeper            Christian Campano

Fullbacks             Mary Wark, Leigh Casey, Martin Smith

Halves                 Jason Bowden, Graham Burnell-Jones, Yuri Schimke, James McDonald

Forwards             Colleen Howe, Simon Bracht, Geoffrey Hammett, Aaron Oman, Adrian McDonald, Wayne Benfield

	Games Played	Won	Lost	Drawn	Goals For	Goals Against
	17	10	5	2	48	33
Semi Finals	Glebe 3	Sutherland Sharks 1				
Final	Glebe 0	Sutherland Blue 7				

For Pat McCann and myself 1993 was our first year in coaching a Glebe junior side and we thoroughly enjoyed it thanks to Marty Howe who managed the side. He did a great job and we were pleased to have Martin working with us. Thank you also to the Junior Committee for their help and support, especially Jim Oman.

Being involved with the team was no great hassle as this bunch of young women and men always conducted themselves in a fine manner both on and off the field. The side was a young one (all but four players in their first year of the Under 15's) but performed very well as a hockey team.

Entered in three carnivals this year, the results were as follows:

Northern Districts    Runners up to the Central Coast representative side

St George             Winners

Lithgow                Semi-Finalists, missing out on a Final on a count back of penalty corners

On top of this we made it to the Final of the competition but went down to a strong Sutherland side. The score (7-0) was not a true indication of the game as we matched the opposition initially but tired late in the second half. Our match against this side earlier in the round game was our best performance all year. The result was 2-2 and was probably the hardest fought game I have seen by a Glebe team in years. The team gave 100% effort and played with tenacity, determination and a "never give up" attitude.

The team was versatile with many players playing in unfamiliar positions and handling it very well and also willing to try out new things such as playing without any positions but roaming free. I think it is fair to say that most of the time we gave our best effort but at times lacked a bit of discipline.

Another pleasing note of the year was to see the support that was given to the side by the number of parents and relatives present at our matches and also by the 1st Graders who came out to umpire some of our games.

For everyone involved with the Under 15's in 1993 it was a top year (and then some)!

*Shane Nilan*

## Under 13's Reports

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### Under 13 A

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The team had a reasonably successful season in the competition finishing third after the completion of sixteen rounds. At that stage the team had scored 122 goals and only conceded 16 against. In the semi-final Glebe comfortably accounted for St George but were outclassed by Moorebank in the final.

However, the bare facts do not tell the whole story. The team consisted of groups of players who had played together in various Glebe teams in previous seasons, but as a whole had not been in the same team until 1993. Also many of the players had played in Glebe teams which were thrashed by Moorebank, Sutherland and sometime other teams.

This all changed in 1993 with the enthusiasm, determination and commitment of the individuals harnessed by the co-coaches Col Brown and Andrew Goodrich. The team did not drop any points to teams other than Moorebank and Sutherland. They were very competitive against Moorebank and Sutherland, both containing a number of representative players and these matches were close — highlighted by a win over Moorebank at Moorebank.

Over the whole season both the skills of individuals and the team as a whole improved markedly, while the attitude of the players to the game was exemplary. The players respected each other, their opposition and the referees and were a credit to the Club.

The team consisted of the following players:

#### Alexander Crook

The team's goalkeeper whose importance was most evident after he injured himself. Prior to his injury the team had the best defensive record but after that it was easier for the opposition to score. Alex can continue to contribute to the team by calling his defensive players.

#### Nick Kelleher

Nick was a solid and dependable fullback who concentrated for the whole match. With improved distribution skills he has the potential to make representative teams.

#### David Mullins

A vastly improved player, David contributed to the team by continually stopping opposition attacks with one-on-one tackling. David's game will continue to improve as he develops communication with the other fullback.

#### Sandy Gittins

Sandy is an extremely talented player who demonstrated a particular ability at close man to man marking. While his best position is fullback, he can improve his close skills by playing in other positions.

#### Kristian Haigh

In his first season of hockey, Kristian played every position on the field, scoring 4 goals in the forwards and then deputising as goalkeeper in Alexander's absence. In all positions he played 100% and has the potential to become a very good player.

#### Ross Tapsell

Ross was one of the most consistent players in the team and was certainly the best cover defender.

#### Anthony Wark

Anthony played a dominant but unselfish role at centre-half and inspired his team with creative play. With his increased maturity and improved temperament he will gain higher representative honours, particularly with more experience on artificial surfaces.

#### Patrick Wark

One of the key players in the team, Patrick contributed both in attack and defence demonstrating all round skills of trapping, tackling and passing. By better holding his position he will dominate the opposition even more.

**Robbie Austen**

One of the most improved players over the whole season Robbie seemed to play every position. As his skill level increases his enthusiasm for the game will create further opportunities.

**Patrick Casey**

One of the most consistent players in the team, Patrick ran non-stop — assisting in defence and creating opportunities in attack. The better the opposition the harder Patrick played and will undoubtedly continue to improve.

**Melanie Cox**

A typical centre forward Melanie loves scoring goals and dominated play in the circle. However, she also contributed to setting up play in general by assisting the forwards and halves as required. With experience in other positions Melanie will improve her centre forward skills.

**Douglas Cronin**

At inside left Douglas contributed as a team member, providing good passes to his forwards, covering positions as required and back tackling the opposition. With improved fitness levels Douglas will be an important member of the Under 15's in 1994.

**Andrew French**

Andrew is a dynamic player who used his pace to create attacking opportunities from defensive positions. By combining his athleticism he will develop into an extremely dangerous attacking player.

**Sam Everist**

Sam was one of the class players in the whole competition. At right wing he scored 37 goals and often inspired the team by scoring some great individual goals. But just as often he set up opportunities for his fellow forwards. By playing in other positions Sam will further improve.

The team would like to thank Col Brown and Andrew Goodrich for coaching, Cary Cronin for managing, Stephen Casey for umpiring, Marilynne and Ed for oranges and everyone for their support and transport.

## **Under 13(b)**

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Although we finished in the bottom half of the points table and had some convincing defeats, I think the side made some big improvement throughout the year.

We had a squad of fifteen — four girls and eleven boys. For six of the side it was their first year. We played sixteen games with one win, three draws and twelve losses.

To the credit of the team after being beaten by double figures against the top teams, they never gave up and most were back at training Wednesday nights. They backed up again the following Saturday which showed the side had a great spirit.

**The Team**

**Damen Jones, Goalkeeper**

Damen started as a half and moved into the goal partway through the first round. Damen made some brilliant saves through the year including a stroke against Bankstown in the dying moment of the game which gave us a draw. A big future, lacks a little confidence about leaving his goal to take on opposition forwards.

**Maxwell Francis, Fullback and new player** Maxwell started the season a bit tentative being put in at the deep end at fullback, but stayed afloat. He developed into a good tackler with a strong clearing hit and adapted well to Astro turf hockey. He needs to move to the loose ball quicker so he has more time and less pressure to do things.

**Alexander Yuen, Fullback**

Alexander worked tirelessly in defence and is developing well as a player and a good asset to an Under 15 side next year. Could improve on his clearing passes in defence but all in all a good season.

**Brooke Richards, Half and new player**

Brooke picked up positional play quickly and was always willing to listen. Brooke did not give opposition wingers much room to move and improved throughout the year. Need to work on her hitting.

Tristan Roache-Turner, Fullback and Half, new player

Tristan had a very quiet start to the season but showed a big improvement. He has some very good skills but didn't use them enough. Runs the ball well.

Lewis McKeown, Centrehalf

Lewis must have been one of the fittest in the team, was everywhere in defence and never gave up. Tackled and ran the ball up well. He needs to vary his game more.

Owen Macindoe, Half/Forward

Owen was one of the senior players in the team. He played mostly in the half line but was injected into the forwards when needed. He played well throughout the year but could work more on his positional play.

Tessa Haberfield, Half/Forward, new player

Tess was sometimes played as a half but preferred to play in the forwards as she like to go forward. Could mix it with the best of them, but next year should invest in a pair of shin pads.

Simon Patterson, Forward and a new player

Simon improved with every match and got involved at every opportunity. He ran the ball well and positioned himself well to receive. should have a big season next year. Needs to work a bit more on his ball skills.

Rebecca Lawson, Forward

Rebecca was another player who has improved. Tackled back in defence and went forward at every opportunity. she can deliver a good pass but still has to improve on her hitting of the ball.

Lindsay Griffith, Goalkeeper/Forward

Lindsay moved into the forwards from goal to inject a bit more pace up front. Scored the team's only goals and looked dangerous when in control of the ball. He needs to get the one handed dribbling out of his game.

Rebecca Towns, Forward

Rebecca has developed a good all round game. Can tackle and run and hit the ball quite well. She always puts in the effort although needs to work on her stick skills a little more. Had a good season.

David Wall, Forward

David had limited opportunities during the season, playing mostly on the wing. He did all the right things when it counted and has developed a good sense of positional play. He was unlucky not to have scored during the year.

Cameron Mackay, Forward

Cameron has worked on his game since last year, involving himself more. His tackling has improved but has a tendency to wander out of position.

Aaron Lacey, Forward and a new player

Aaron's first year and a quiet start. Improved as the season progressed. He tackled well and delivered the ball when called upon.

I would like to congratulate Jim Oman and his Junior Committee on the development that is happening with Juniors in the Club from Minkey right through. It really looks good for the Club's future.

To the Wednesday night BBQ cooks and all the ladies behind the bar Wednesday nights and Saturday mornings — a job well done!

To the 13 B Manager Neil Lawson, thanks for all the work you did during the year with phone calls, drinks and oranges for the team.

Thank you to the parents for their support and transport.

Thanks to Carl Francis for umpiring and congratulations to the other junior teams that made it into the finals and the Under 11's who made the Grand Final.

*Bevan Ineson*

## Under 11's Teams Reports

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### Under 11 (1)

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The Under 11 (1) team started out as a collection of individuals who have been transformed over the season into a team of hockey players.

The season started off with a wet and windy carnival at The Entrance where few of us knew each other. The Pennant Hills and St George Carnivals followed, the later being particularly memorable due to the close battle we had with Gordon where we took up runner-up position after the deciding game went into extra time. We then moved up into the A division alongside our biggest rivals Sutherland and Moorebank. The end of the season saw us in the Grand Final against Moorebank where we went down 5-1. And let's not forget the Sunday at Lithgow by which time we all knew each other very well!

It has been fun and a pleasure to see each member of the team develop their skills and their confidence.

The team in alphabetical order:

Ben Everist has played a mature game throughout with his additional experience in the Sydney Rep team showing through in his confident tackling and strong well placed hit outs. Always happy and free in his positive encouragement of others. Ben has leadership qualities every team needs.

Tris Hardman has proved to be a most enthusiastic forward, always chasing the opportunities pushing for goals and well capable of speeding up the field. Tris certainly has the speed and skills to make most of his forward position.

Tim Harvey, our flying right wing, has provided us with some exciting moments with his break away runs and some excellent passes into the goal area, Sometimes Tim just ran it off running spaces and ended up over the fence!

Liam Hibbert is the quiet achiever of the team. A consistent player who has made his fair share of the goals. Liam doesn't stand back, but keeps the pressure on the opposition and has made some very well placed passes creating some good goal opportunities for his team.

James Hurrell has continued to improve as a player throughout the season and has provided the team with great support on the left wing, culminating in James scoring our Grand Final goal. We couldn't ask for more!

Rowan Kelly has to be our most energetic player and an inspiration to us all with his enthusiasm for the game and positive winning spirit. He has played good a defensive game and has never given up chasing the opposition.

Simon Kennewell has had a good first season and has given the forward line good support in the half position. He has proved to be a flexible player, cheerfully helping out on the wing.

Matthew Jenkins finally made up his mind to volunteer as goalie after seeing the Australia vs Germany men's game and has never looked back. Happy throwing himself around and with the bruises to prove it. We are all pleased he became out goalie.

Mark Paterson at the latest tally knocked home nineteen goals in the season. Mark's skills as a forward are obvious, great ball control and the ability to get past some of the best defenders. He has most definitely been a pleasure to watch.

Patrick Wark has been the team's secret weapon. His maturity and obvious experience has been a great help to the team when we most needed it. Whilst Patrick only played in about half our games he helped us out with twelve goals. Thanks Patrick.

Peter Wark has made a lot of the centre field play happen. A strong defensive player, but equally capable of starting the attack movement. Peter's experienced play will be much missed when he moves up the grades next year.



William Warner has become a very effective right back over the season, with many a successful tackle to his credit. He keeps his eye on the ball and has developed the fine art of knowing which way the opposition is going to move!

Thanks to Geoff for helping make the team what it is. Thanks to Stuart and Kerri Hardman for stepping in to help out with training. Thanks to Maureen for the reminders and looking after all of us and thanks to the parental supporters.

Good luck Liam and Peter as they move up — we are going to miss them in the team, but we hope those remaining will turn up next season to have another go at the Grand Final in 1994.

*Sue Jenkins  
Manager*

Thanks to Sue for her managerial expertise in organising the team from week to week, making out match reports and taking the team when I couldn't be there. An excellent job.

To Robert for umpiring each week and for his help and support throughout the year.

And to all the parents for their support and interest through the year. Getting players to training and to games makes it all the more worthwhile for the players and myself.

*Geoff Paterson  
Coach*

## Under 11(2)

The disappointment etched on the players' faces at the Clubhouse one Wednesday night when they were told they had missed out on the semi-finals on goals for and against, said it all.

I suspect though, each player on reflection was proud of their persona; and collective achievements and justifiably so.

The majority of the players were having their first season, and the few who had played before were only playing their second season. In addition, on several occasions during the critical last six weeks, the team had to compete with only eight or nine players and no goal-keeper.

Despite this and what we considered to be an unfavourable draw in the second half of the competition, the players resolve remained steadfast. They fought like demons, never giving up for a moment, with weight of number against them taking its toll.

If I had to be critical of them at all, it would only be that they did not believe in themselves enough. Those associated with the side, I'm sure, would echo this sentiment.

Well, speaking of the player, who were they?

Hai Pham, Goalkeeper

Had a tremendous season, however it was shortlived. Unfortunately, Hai had to give hockey away in preparation for moving to Campbelltown.

Elly Williams, Fullback

Never, ever, ever, ever, ever gave up. Week in week out, Elly put her body on the line and came up with some of the best tackles you would ever see.

Moira Willams, Fullback

Yes! Sister of Elly. Ditto, ditto. I think they must have had bets each Friday night on who would outdo each other. They never let up on each other during the games and were quick to point out to each other what they were doing wrong.

Sarita Ibbotson, Right Half

Talk about Clark Kent being mild and meek. Sara (as we affectionately know her) never said boo it on the field, but always gave 110% and thoroughly enjoyed every minute.

Steve Kaylinger, Centre Half

Mr Havachat. Never stopped talking and was always encouraging the troops. As the season wore on, Steven realised more and more his potential and should be in for a big year next season.