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### President's Report

I write this month, disappointed that I need to address some issues that reflect poorly on the club. This will be a short but to the point article.

Over the past month, we have had several issues around player, spectator and parent behaviour.

We as a club have come along way in these areas in the past 10 years, but it appears we have had a few relapses. As such, I ask all in the club to assess their behaviour towards coaches, umpires and officials.

As we approach the long weekend, the club will be issuing everyone with SEHA (Sydney East Hockey Association) codes of conduct, which we as a club are going to adopt. This will cover behaviour in the above areas already mentioned along with those who are acting in any official capacity for the club.

On this point, I think all our coaches need to ensure their behaviour during games reflects the values the club would like the players to adopt also. You are clearly setting an important example to the players.

If there are any issues that arise we all need to address them on the spot – this may mean speaking to the offender, calming them

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## BABY NEWS



Congratulations to James and Lisa Casey on the birth of their first child - Sarah Elizabeth Casey. Little Sarah was born on Thursday 7th May 2015.

From Everyone at the GDHC  
Congratulations to both of you!!!

## Wedding News



Congratulations to Catherine Wark and Brendan Mannings who wed on Saturday 2nd May 2015 at the Drummoyne Sailing Club in front of family and friends.

down or reminding them that their behaviour is setting a bad example. No one is immune - including myself and the board.

I would like to think that the events of the past few weeks was an aberration and we can simply get on with playing the game at the highest levels, with maximum enjoyment around a healthy and supportive culture.

Thanks

Danny O'Brien

Glebe District Hockey Club President

## Men's Club Captain Report

We reached the halfway point of the season but really the hard work has only just begun.

With the nights getting colder and now more than ever we need every player to make sure they give that little bit extra. I would ask every player to make sure that they get to training and put in the hard yards. At the end of the day playing hockey is about having some fun playing the game you love with your mates. If blokes do not put in the hard yards and don't turn up to training and matches then you are letting your mates down.

Despite some of the sides positions on the ladder, the competition this year is as close as ever. A run of wins will have most of the grades back in finals contention but this will only come about through hard work and dedication.

At the start of July the State Championships will be played out Moorebank with Glebe players representing the newly formed Sydney East Hockey Association. Aleks Manou, Mitchell Tudor, Toby Ferguson (Playing for Macarthur), David Reid (Playing for Illawarra) and BJ Bruton will be playing over the weekend and the club wishes them all the best. I am sure they will do the club proud.

The Pub Crawl is back this month! On June 13 everyone will assemble at the Merton Hotel to enjoy some beverages and fine company before heading around to the other local establishments before finishing at the Clubhouse. This is one of the best nights on the social calendar and I urge everyone to come along for the whole trip but if you can not then come for a stop or two to soak in some of the revelry.

Team standings after to round 12:

1st grade: 8th on 10pts

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2nd grade: 1st on 23pts

3rd grade: 7th on 6pts

4th grade: 8th on 4pts

5th grade: 6th in 12pts

6th grade: 8th on 4pts

Fees are now due! Remember to pay them early and take advantage of the early bird special to save yourself some dosh! The early bird fees must be paid by the end of June while the late fees must be paid by the end of July.

**Full fees:** \$480 (early bird) and \$580 (late fees)

**Student fees:** \$340 (early bird) and \$410 (late fees)

**Goalkeepers:** \$130 (early bird) and \$180 (late fees)

**First year Jnr to Snr:** \$260 (early bird) and \$300 (late fees)

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Thank you and good luck to all the grades

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## GDHC - Juniors Report

*Mim Pritchard named in the Hockey Australia*

*National U/18 Futures Group (9th May)*

Congratulations to Glebe U/17 player Mim Pritchard who has been named in the Hockey Australia National U/18 Futures Group. This is a group of talented young athletes that have been identified as potential international athletes of the future. The National Futures Program is designed to ensure that Hockey Australia's world renowned international standing and success is sustainable into the future.

It is a rolling program that focuses on athlete development rather than competition. In the long term it is expected that the Futures group will benefit the performance of the national teams through the creation of a larger and better-prepared pool of talent from across the country. Could Mim be our first Glebe junior to play in the Hockeyroos someday? Let's hope so!!



Mim Pritchard

## Under 9 - Round 1 at Jubilee Oval 9th May 2015

Glebe hosted the first round of the SEHA Under 9 competition at Jubilee Oval today. It was a perfect Autumn day that saw teams from UNSW, St George/Randwick and Glebe play 2 x 20 min games with 6-a-side on quarter field. All the kids were very excited to be playing "real hockey" with some not having played before. It was a great experience; the games were played in good spirit with lots of fun and the kids learnt new skills. The Glebe team has some promising talent and there were some cracking goals! Well done to everyone!

Thanks to the parents and players from UNSW and St George/Randwick. We hope you enjoyed your time with us at what we think is one of the most picturesque locations for a hockey field in Australia! Jubilee was in perfect nick; thanks to groundsman Chris.

As well as Under 9, Minkey was on plus an U11B local derby Glebe Hornets v Strikers. Thanks to 1st graders Al Cullen, Mark Paterson and Dom Tintner who helped with Under 9 and minkey and to the usual Glebe home game crew Vernon, Googa and Mark.

## Glebe v Glebe Autumnfest

It was a still, cool, late autumn evening at Jubilee Oval, Glebe. There had been a false start due to rain a couple of weeks earlier. However, the Oval was buzzing with the 2015 "Glebe at Glebe" Autumnfest.

Starting at 5.30pm on Wednesday, 13 May 2015, there was a cavalcade of events well attended by the past and present Glebe senior and junior players, family and supporters. There was the U11B Hornets v Strikers competition game, followed by the U13B Hornets v Strikers competition game. There were 5 v 5 fun games for all ages with our U17 Redbacks leading teams with some keen senior Club players, including former Kookaburra and Club legend Mark Patterson. There was some specialist goalie training and umpire updates.

Of particular note were the 100 junior game celebrations for Calam Baird, Alana Howe and Sam Alexander-Prideaux. Wonderful kids and a wonderful achievement by them. There were sales of Glebe glasses, water bottles, stubby holders, current Glebe uniforms and, of particular interest, past (but never used) uniforms of wondrous variations on the usual Glebe maroon theme. There were even some 2006 75th year celebration jerseys picked up for a song.

As always, a real highlight was the gourmet BBQ with Kate Alexander, Ande Kelly, Katy Paltenghi, Elissa Molloy and Wendy Machin-Hunt doing a sterling job with some "guidance" from Iron Gourmet Master Chef Andrew "Googa" Goodrick. Special praise to Cecilia, Maria and Liz for all their wonderful work behind the counter inside the Clubhouse.

It was a rollicking good night. Thank you to all the kids for making such an effort in all the games and being part of a happy and inclusive Club. Thank you to the parents who were prepared to come along and



support the kids, even if it did get a bit cool on the sidelines in the middle of Jubilee Oval, a little too far away from the warmth of the Clubhouse and the food and beverages on offer there.

Finally, special thanks to the life members and senior players who came along and who so actively and happily participated in the event. The juniors always are grateful for everything the senior Club does to support the development of junior hockey.

## Eleven Glebe Girls represent Sydney East at U18 Women's State Championship

The NSW U18 Girls State Championships were recently held over 3 days at Newcastle.

This was the first State Championships for girls following the recent Association reforms and the handsome new Sydney East rep uniforms were on display. Glebe had 11 girls representing either one or other of the two Sydney East teams. A fantastic number! The U18/1 team played in an expanded Division 1 and the U18/2 team played in Division 3. Both teams played very well and, equally importantly, had a great time playing hockey and spending plenty of downtime with their friends. It really was a happy and relaxing group of girls who obviously enjoyed each other's company and the opportunity to play some "out of town" hockey.

It is really what rep hockey is all about - the opportunity to test and develop your hockey skills, but have a really fun time doing so. Well done to a great group of young women.



Glebe U18 SEHA Players (L-R): Mim Pritchard; Amy Molloy; Ana Moriatakis; Ash Klimoski; Litiana Field; Emma Neal; Erin Machin-Hunt; Kloe Mannering; Emma Grant; Alana Howe; and Grace Dallen.

Coach: Dean Morrow (in front)

# Angus Baird sticks it out in the men's grade

**LISA HERBERTSON INNER WEST COURIER INNER CITY MAY 16, 2015 12:00AM**

Angus Baird is only 15, but this season he became a man, when he made his second grade men's debut with Glebe hockey club.

The Annandale youngster has been toting a hockey stick since he was six, and said he fell into the sport and hasn't looked back.

"My dad played, and I wasn't too good at soccer, so I just gave hockey a go," he said.

The skills he may have lacked with a soccer ball, he made up for with a hockey stick in his hand and has recently returned from representing NSW at the Australian under-15 titles.

"I'm hoping to make the indoor NSW 15s side later in the year, and maybe the CHS under-16 side for outdoor, but we'll have to wait and see," the striker said.

Angus' dad, Geoff Baird, couldn't be prouder of his son, and said the nurturing nature of the Glebe Hockey Club has a lot to thank for his achievements.

"Angus is a child that strives for excellence, who continues to put effort into the game to reach the highest level possible," he said.

"Angus contributes to the game of hockey by umpiring at State Championships for various Sydney association teams and was the assistance coach for the U13/I Sydney Indoor boys hockey team in 2014."

Angus trains at Concord Hockey fields.



Glebe's Angus Baird

## Glebe Boys at HNSW U15 State Championships

The 2015 U15 Boys NSW State Championships were held at Grafton. The recent Association reforms involved, amongst other things, the breaking up of the one Sydney wide representative Association into four separate Associations to provide greater opportunities for representative hockey participation.

Our new Association is Sydney East. Glebe was fortunate enough to have Oliver Brownbill and Lewis Francis playing in the U15/2 team and Angus Baird, Hugh Dallen, Jackson Howe, Bill Eustace, Rodrigo Pedraza-Luna, Tim Pritchard and Jonah Riley in the U15/1 team. Also, new Club member, Bill Eustace, played for Nepean. Club member, Irene Riley, was the manager of the Sydney East U15/1 team too.

The quality of hockey was outstanding and the boys all learned a great deal about the game and developed their skills under the coaching of Josh Wiggins in the U15/2 team and Alex Lupton (former Australian indoor player and current Australian indoor coach) in the U15/1 team. Bill also had a great time with Nepean. The boys also had plenty of down time to get to know each other better and build on their friendships with boys around New South Wales.

The U15/2 and Nepean teams did very well. The U15/1 team made the Division 1 grand-final, but finished with the silver medal losing 0 to 3 to Metro South West (the old Macarthur). This was an outstanding achievement as the U15/1 team was only comprised of boys from two clubs, being Glebe and Briars.

Our thoughts are with Lewis Francis who suffered a broken hand in his first game of the Championships and could not play further. To his great credit, Lewis took it all with good humour and real character. He certainly impressed all his friends with his good reaction to his disappointment and the wonderfully clear x-ray he had to show.

Yet again, representative hockey was seen as a great way to develop hockey skills and friendships and travel to interesting parts of this big and diverse State of New South Wales.



L-R: Oliver Brownbill, Jonah Riley, Bill Eustace, Tim Pritchard, Jackson Howe, Hugh Dallen, Rodrigo Pedraza-Luna, Angus Baird  
(Absent: Lewis Francis)



Glebe U13A Redback supporters Layla Riley and Jasmine Howe



## INNER WEST COURIER

## Glebe hockey club juniors enjoy the Glebe at glebe night at Jubilee Oval

INNER WEST COURIER INNER CITY MAY 19, 2015 12:00AM

Glebe juniors were in the spotlight on May 13 at Jubilee Oval, with youngsters getting their first touch on the remediated surface.

The night included games between under-11 and under-13 teams, and five-a-side games were also played, so a mix of senior and juniors could mingle and enhance the club camaraderie.

Glebe District Hockey Club junior convener, and former Hockeyroo, Clare Prideaux said the night was a huge success. "The Glebe at Glebe night is an important event as it endeavours to strengthen the club culture by developing a strong connection between its junior and senior players while instilling a sense of loyalty among our juniors when they progress into the senior ranks," she said.

Prideaux, who has three children playing at the club, said she was impressed with the outfit's sense of tradition and history in supporting junior hockey development.

Also on hand during the night was former Kookaburra member and current Glebe first grade captain Mark Paterson, who became the club's first Minkey player to progress through to the Australian Men's Hockey team.

"It was fantastic to see so many keen and eager young faces enjoying the game of hockey which has provided me with much enjoyment over the years," Paterson said. "It was a humbling experience to once again see junior hockey being played on Jubilee Oval as it brought back some fond memories.

"Not so long ago I was once were these young kids were playing for the sheer fun and enjoyment of the game."



Juniors had a ball at Jubilee Oval for Glebe at Glebe Night.

## GDHC Ladies Report

What a successful weekend by the Glebe Ladies, It resulted in 5 teams resulting in a convincing wins and one team in a fiery draw.

Glebe 1 all the girls have been working super hard with coach Matt Wark and are improving as individuals and a team. They have very important games coming up and I'm sure they are up to the task. Glebe 1 will also be featuring at the annual Glebe vs Briars gala day.

The Glebe 2 girls have had a great start to the season After 7 rounds 2nd grade women's team are top of the table on 19 points. Most recently they had a 2-1 win against the team coming 2nd. Glebe 2 play 3rd position Macarthur next followed by 6th place Briars which is always a tough game. The team are working well with one another and starting to gel as a team with a few new faces to the line-up. The aim is to keep putting in the effort at training and off the field to keep our top of the table position to put us in a good spot for finals.



The Glebe 3 girls striving to be minor premiers, so each win is especially important. If the team is kept the same, not suffering injuries they will go very well in the competition. With the guidance of Super Coach Charlie and his side kick Josh the girls are performing well and having fun both on and off the field. They are currently coming 2nd on the table with some very good wins under their belt, look out for them at Glebe vs Brairs Day.

The Glebe 4 side are currently coming 6th on their table and been very competitive in all of their games. Glebe 4 have finally started to click as a team recording two wins in two weeks, 6-0 and 3-2. This is a very new team, with three juniors new to the team and several players new to the Club.

The Glebe 5 side have had some strong wins and are capable of really giving it to their opponents, in recent weeks have beaten the undefeated Bentstix 2-0. This team have two glebe juniors currently in there team, who on recent weeks have not let their opponents push them around. The SEHA3 competition is very competitive, 5th Grade are currently coming 6th but with points table so close anything can happen. If they remain injury free they should be a force to be reckoned with.

Glebe 6 team is a new team, with several players new to the game. They have recorded a few wins, but will look promising as they develop their skills. They are enthusiastic and work hard to win the ball, they just need more experience playing the game but that will come with experience. Glebe 6th Grade are currently coming 6th on the points table, but this grade is very close and with a few more wins could be knocking on a top 4 spot.

The lower grade girls are being coached by super-coach Googa who looks after 4th, 5th and 6th Grades. Googa is currently the most successful coach in the Glebe Ladies club, so fingers crossed the tradition continues..... Just hope I haven't jinxed it.

A very big thank you to Glebe Hockey Legend Les Wark, who has been giving the Ladies some wise words the past couple of weeks at training, I think it has really helped the ladies over the last couple of weeks. Thanks again it was muchly appreciated.

The Glebe Ladies are having a Ladies Luncheon on Saturday 25th July 2015 at our sponsor hotel The Merton Hotel, Rozelle. This is a great way for all Ladies of the club to socialise and get to know the other Ladies players. More details to follow any questions please email [mbordignon@outlook.com](mailto:mbordignon@outlook.com).

Thanks

Mel Newton / Convenor.

## Social Report

The coming winter months are looking good for the social side of the club with big nights planned for State of Origin 1 (clubhouse) and the returned annual pub crawl (starting at the Merton Hotel on Saturday 13 June). Glebe welcomes all its members to attend our social events and to get to know each other a bit better. It's been a tough season on the hockey field so far so let's enjoy ourselves off it!

The club's fundraising attempts continue as the Junior Club have kindly volunteered to man the next **Bunnings BBQ on Sunday 21 June at Ashfield.** Thanks a bunch to all those in advance who volunteer their time to help out!



Glebe have also continued their bumper year of sponsorship by securing an exclusive club sponsorship with Osaka Hockey via our contacts with former 1st grade coach Aaron Oman. All club members will be able to make purchases off the Osaka website and be given a whopping 25% discount with the use of a special code when checking out on their website at <http://www.osakahockey.com/au/> More details on the club's facebook page.

The club's major sponsor is the Merton Hotel in Rozelle and you may have noticed that Men's 1st and 2nd grade now have the Hotel's logo in cool lime green on the front of their shirts. We're finally moving into the 21st century. Please ensure that you support the Merton Hotel by attending any social functions and going for occasional lunch/dinner there. The Glebe Management Committee held their last meeting in the Merton Bistro and had a wonderful time. I thoroughly recommend the Jamaican Jerk chicken and the Club Treasurer also recommended the Chicken Parmigiana. There's 'Pie & a schooner of beer' on Mondays for \$20 and Trivia night on Thursdays.

Please remember that the Annual Presentation night / 85th Anniversary dinner has been booked at the Grandstand Bar in Sydney University for Saturday 26 September. This will be advertised in the near future and will be sold on a 'first come, first served' basis as the venue has a maximum capacity of 140. This will definitely sell out so if you want to come you will almost certainly have to buy your ticket well before the close of the season.

Happy hockey all and Go Glebe!

Adam Campano

Glebe District Hockey Club Social Convenor

## **Presentation Night and 85th Anniversary Night**



**Saturday 26th September 2015**

### **Grandstand Bar at The University of Sydney**

**Tickets will go on sale shortly for this special occasion, there will only be limited tickets for this event so buy one (or two) as soon as they become available.**

**Any questions or enquiries contact Glebe District Hockey Club Social Convenor Adam Campano.**

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## Around the Grounds

### *Ross Bougoukas in Deutschland - Germany*

So here in Germany I am playing Bundesliga 2 which is the 2nd league of Germany. The competition is equivalent to 1st grade in Sydney but there are not any really weak teams. We have to travel up to 5 or 6 hours just to play games and we often have to stay overnight. We also play double headers almost every weekend. We also have hockey 3 nights a week for 2 or more hours and on Wednesdays we do one hour of fitness before 2 hours of Hockey. Here we have a really young team with me at 24 am one of the oldest players. The team culture is really great everyone is friendly and have tried to make feel as welcome as possible. The high majority are all local juniors however when the younger ones start to hit some form of potential they get taken by the bigger clubs in the first league. The boys are always up for a drink after the game and are all really good friends. Generally we stay at the club house until they have to close up and we then go out. In terms of how I am playing, we only have a few games left for this season and I am leading goal scorer in my team, mainly field goals and 2 penalties. I am a bit down the pecking order for flicking corners but am having one on one sessions with the coach and I am learning all the time. Hope everyone is well in Sydney and best of luck for the season! GBDC





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**The pub crawl is an adults only affair, although families  
and kids are welcome to attend the Merton for the initial  
part of the evening.**

## Vale Maureen Cowan - 2015

It is with great sadness that the Glebe District Hockey Club advise's it's club Members of the death of Maureen Cowan who passed away peaceful in her nursing home on Tuesday 5th May 2015. The Funeral is to be held on Tuesday 12th May 2015 at 10:30am at the Northern Suburbs Crematorium (East Chapel) 199 Delhi Road, North Ryde.

The Cowan Family were Stalwart's of the Glebe Hockey Club during the 60, 70's and early eighties. The Cowan's lived in a terrace house on Victoria Rd Glebe a stone's throw away from Jubilee Oval. Maureen was involved in Club affairs from 1968 till 1975 predominantly organising and helping run the junior movement of that era. Maureen was a tireless worker for the club often sacrificing many week nights and Saturday mornings organising Glebe Junior teams for training and playing.

Maureen's Husband John Cowan was a middle distance runner of some note and ability. He was the club conditioner from 1968 till 1985 and made sure the senior players were superbly fit. John has been noted to be the best trainer - conditioner the Club has ever had.

Maureen was also the mother of Tony Cowan. Tony commenced his playing with the Glebe District Hockey Club in 1966 playing in the Club's Under/10 team coached by GDHC Life Member Graeme Gilmour. Tony played 9 season in the Glebe Junior teams before progressing to the seniors. He was a live wire on the field and a source of good humour and camaraderie off it. He was a well - liked member of all teams he played in. His upbeat attitude and lively disposition was infectious. As a young man Tony was a prodigious hockey talent. He was a left hander and often gripped the hockey stick in his left hand and dribbled the ball one handed down the left hand sideline at express pace. He was capable of the miraculous and was an exciting hockey player, who frequently brought the Glebe crowd to their feet. His effort and commitment to the team he was playing in and to the GDHC was absolute. Tony was well liked by all who knew him. It was hard not to like Tony.

The Glebe District Hockey Club sends it's condolences to the Cowan family on this sad moment in their lives. But we can rest assured that Maureen is receiving her eternal reward in Heaven.

# Australian Hockey Men's World League squad

## *Experienced Kookaburras group aims for Olympic qualification*

*Author: Lawrence West/Tuesday, 19 May 2015/Categories: Hockey Australia News, Kookaburras, Events, World League*

Kookaburras coach Graham Reid has named an experienced squad as Australia's men's team attempts to qualify for the 2016 Olympic Games, admitting, "We're approaching the World League Semi Final like we would an Olympics."

Next month's Fintro Hockey World League Semi Final in Antwerp, Belgium, comes with the incentive of a place at Rio 2016 if the Kookaburras can secure a top three finish in the ten team tournament.

Of the 18-man squad, 14 were World Cup winners just a year ago while 13 were part of the team that won Commonwealth Games gold last August.

The exception is the inclusion of 18 year-old forward Blake Govers (pictured right), the brother of Olympic bronze medallist Kieran, who is selected following a series of impressive performances in Tasmania at the start of the month. The Wollongong youngster scored in each of his three appearances against Pakistan, Korea and New Zealand in Hobart to earn the call-up.

Jamie Dwyer will feature in Antwerp having recently become Australia's most capped player ever, overtaking Jay Stacy's record of 321 appearances at the Sultan Azlan Shah Cup in Malaysia where the 36 year-old scored eight times.

Kieran Govers and Matthew Swann return from injury and duties in the Dutch Hoofdklasse league while Fergus Kavanagh also re-joins the group following a season in the Netherlands

Four athletes could be in line for milestone appearances with Eddie Ockenden approaching 250 career matches, Fergus Kavanagh, 200, Kieran Govers, 100 and Tyler Lovell, 50.

Kookaburras Head Coach Graham Reid said, "Our main objective is to qualify for the Olympics. To do that, we've picked as strong a team as we could.

"Before our recent matches in Hobart we asked the guys to give us everything. What they showed was that we could have picked any combination of 18 from the group we had available."

Commenting on Blake Govers' inclusion, Reid said, "We brought him in for the Hobart games and he performed pretty well. He's a class drag flicking option and we want to see how he will handle this level."

The Kookaburras must finish in the top three of the ten team competition to earn Australia's place at the Olympic Games in Rio. They will face India, Pakistan, France and Poland in Pool A before coming up against the likes of Belgium, Great Britain, Malaysia, Ireland and China in the latter stages. On Australia's opponents, Reid said, "We never go and play around with form so we'll be trying to win our pool and



qualify for the quarter finals, then the semi finals and the main match. India and Pakistan, and Belgium and England are the biggest threats. Belgium and England are both 'top five' ranked countries and India and Pakistan both made the medal matches at the Champions Trophy in December.

"France and Poland are the two unknowns. We'd expect France to be pretty difficult because most of their team from the 2013 Junior World Cup, where they finished second, will have advanced. Poland is a world class indoor team but is a team we don't know particularly well so we'll be trying to study them a bit."

Glenn Turner, Jeremy Hayward, Joel Carroll and Tom Craig were unavailable for selection due to injury.

The Kookaburras will head to Europe on 9 June, playing two matches against Great Britain at the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in London and GB's base at Bisham Abbey before heading to Antwerp for the World League.

#### Kookaburras Squad for Fintro Hockey World League Semi Final

##### Antwerp, Belgium

Athlete (Hometown, State), Daniel Beale (Brisbane, QLD), Kiel Brown (Toowoomba, QLD), Andrew Charter (Canberra, ACT), Chris Ciriello (Melbourne, Victoria), Tim Deavin (Launceston, Tasmania), Jamie Dwyer (Rockhampton, QLD), Matt Gohdes (Rockhampton, QLD), Blake Govers (Wollongong, NSW), Kieran Govers (Wollongong, NSW), Fergus Kavanagh (Geraldton, WA), Mark Knowles (Rockhampton, QLD), Tyler Lovell (Perth, WA), Eddie Ockenden (Hobart, TAS), Simon Orchard (Maitland, NSW), Matthew Swann (Mackay, QLD), Jake Whetton (Brisbane, QLD), Tristan White (Wollongong, NSW), Aran Zalewski (Margaret River, WA)

#### Kookaburras Fixtures

Date - Time (local time / AEST) - Fixture

13 June - Test: Kookaburras v Great Britain, London

15 June - Test: Kookaburras v Great Britain, Bisham Abbey

21 June - 18:00hrs / 02:00hrs (+1) - World League: Kookaburras v France

24 June - 20:00hrs / 04:00hrs (+1) - World League: Kookaburras v Pakistan

26 June - 20:00hrs / 04:00hrs (+1) - World League: Kookaburras v Poland

28 June - 16:00hrs / 00:00hrs (+1) - World League: Kookaburras v India

1 July - TBC - World League: Quarter Final

3 July - TBC - World League: Semi Final / Classification

5 July - TBC - World League: Medal Matches / Classification

About the FIH Hockey World League - for more information visit the FIH website



The first edition of the Hockey World League was played in 2012/2013 and is played every two years. It is open to all members of the International Hockey Federation. The Hockey World League is used to decide which teams will qualify alongside the Continental Champions and Hosts (subject to IOC approval for the Olympic Games) for Olympic Games and FIH World Cups. Australia enters at the third round, the Semi Final event, due to its world ranking (teams ranked 1-11 enter at this stage)

The World League Semi Final tournament comprises two pools of five teams. Each team in a pool plays the others in a round robin format with the top four teams in each pool progressing to the quarter finals. In the quarter finals, the team finishing top of Pool A will play the team finishing fourth in Pool B, second plays third etc.

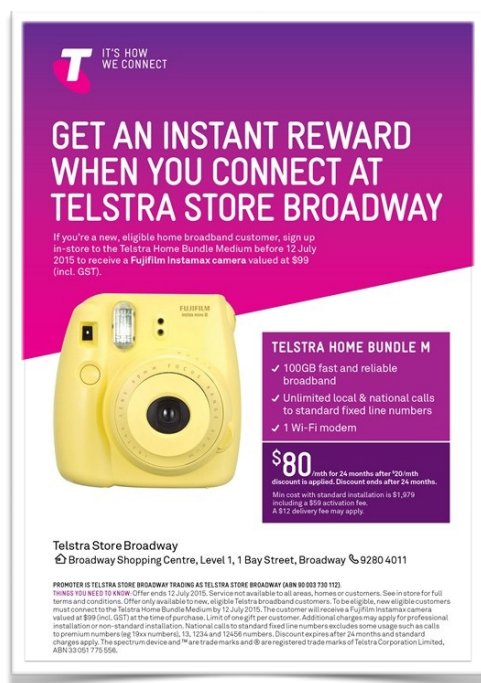
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Details of any Australian broadcast of the World League Semi Final tournament are unconfirmed at this stage.

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