

GLEBE DISTRICT HOCKEY CLUB

TWENTY THIRD

ANNUAL REPORT

AND

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

SEASON 1955.

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INTRODUCTION TO ANNUAL REPORT 1955.

Gentlemen,

Once more we present a review of our Season's Hockey, and the results obtained from some points of view were satisfactory while others left something to be desired.

The standard of play presented by respective Club Teams with the possible exception of First Grade showed marked deterioration, and one of our first tasks in the coming Season must be to arrest this undesirable trend.

It would appear that our standards have fallen because the flair of talented Juniors has not kept pace with normal wastage and perhaps because of the absence of skilled coaching. The outlook is not so black that these defects cannot be remedied as the respective answers lie in our own hands.

The rapid development of Junior Hockey last year was a very pleasing feature, and if this work is carried on the future of the Club is assured. The limiting factor to Junior development is the number of senior members who are willing to assist in organisation and administration, and it is to be hoped that a greater number will offer their services during 1956. The small band of workers in this respect did a magnificent job during 1955, and to them we offer our sincere thanks.

Season 1956 will be a momentous one as it will culminate in the Olympic Games in Melbourne during November. It is to be hoped that Sydney will see a number of the International Teams in action. No doubt you will all look forward to this mighty spectacle.

Our Club suffered a severe loss on the Administrative side when Noel Walker was recently transferred to Adelaide by his employers. Noel has been one of the most capable and energetic executives which this Club has produced and as a Secretary his work was fabulous. We wish him well in his new venture and we hope that he will not be lost to the game but that our loss is Adelaide's gain.

In addition we are to lose the valuable services of Alec Robb as Treasurer and Executive Member because of his return home to Queensland. Although Alec has only been with us a short time he has already established himself as a player and official of the highest order. We extend our thanks for a job well done and wish him all the best for the future.

Let us all resolve now to put our shoulders to the wheel during the coming season for the general betterment of the Game that Grows and pledge full support to Assn. Officials who make the game possible.

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<u>FIRST GRADE:</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>W.</u>	<u>L.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>GOALS FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST.</u>
	16	14	1	1	41	19

The first grade team were successful in regaining the "A" Grade premier-ship honours which they lost the previous year. The Team took quite some time to settle down, but towards the end of the season a series of team talks enabled its members to thrash out certain points and no doubt these talks proved very helpful.

Games played during the season were much closer as far as scores were concerned, and the keenness between the clubs was much greater, due to the fact that only the leading eight teams from the previous years A grade competition participated in our section.

Our custodian Bob Rodgers was one of the few players who played every game in first grade. Bob had his big moments and brought off many spectacular saves throughout the season.

Ken Wark commenced the season in the right half position, and proved a very attacking type of half. However, towards the end of the season the selection decided that it would be better for the team to have Ken at right back, the position he has really mastered.

Jack Taylor after many years of "near representation" was selected to play in The All Australian Senior Carnival in Brisbane. This selection helped Jack lift his game and towards the end of the season his defence was quite sound.

Vince Halls commenced the season in the "firsts" as right back but had to make way for Ken Wark in the latter part of the competition.

Vernon Turner played most of his matches in the left half position, although he represented New South Wales against the Indian Wanderers in his old position of left wing. Vernon seems to be at home wherever he is asked to play.

Len Needham was unfortunate to be involved in an accident at work after playing the first five games of the season with the firsts. We trust that the 1956 season will see Len wearing the "Red" shirt once again.

Victor Westacott - the baby of our team - was perhaps one of the most improved players in the Club, after his first season in the senior ranks. Quite an outstanding effort to rise from our under 16 team to the first eleven, and then to the Sydney firsts in one year. Congratulations Victor.

Paul Rogers earned his place in the top eleven in the right half position when a few of our players were away at Brisbane, and showed the selectors enough form, that he remained there for the rest of the season and played good hockey into the bargain. With these two young half backs the club has the makings of a very solid half line for years to come.

Jim Flood another new comer to the team proved his salt in the left wing position, but this young player has too much vim and vigour to be wasted on the wing.

Alex Robb was fortunate to lead his team to premiership honours in his first year as skipper. With the other inside forwards he was one of the leading scorers in the team.

Ray Thorpe was a welcome sight back in the forward line and was the leading goal scorer in the "A" grade competition, netting 15 goals throughout the season.

Harry Wark finished the season with 11 goals to his credit and his presence in the forwards still makes any opposition watch him throughout a match.

Noel Walker once again was our outside right and played consistently throughout the year. Noel's efforts both on and off the field are worthy of mention for he did a lot of work unforseen to the majority of club members.

Kelvin Dickey and Frank Murray helped out when our ranks were depleted due to players going to Brisbane and helped us defeat St. George in what was perhaps one of the best games of the season. Kelvin also played in the final against Saints after Jim Flood had to retire through injury.

Bennett Dunn played five matches during the season and has the ability to rise to the occasion if asked of him. However, this should not be necessary as the "will to win" should always be present.

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<u>2ND GRADE:</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>W.</u>	<u>L.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>GOALS FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST.</u>
	14	6	7	1	30	24

The 2nd Grade Team of any Club is not known just as the 2nd Grade Team, it is the final grooming department of the Club, young players start off in the lower grades and after learning the fundamentals of hockey, begin to force their way up. Each step or team they go up there is something new to learn and how far they go depends upon how well they remember and apply these lessons. By the time 2nd grade is reached each player should have a thorough knowledge of hockey and sportmanship and all that needs to be done is polish up the rough parts.

One of the first things imparted to members of the Glebe Club is, you have never won or been beaten until the final whistle goes, this is something our Club is renowned for and something we are very proud of. Last season it appeared that some of our players seemed to forget this very important fundamental rule and consequently it showed in the results. Let us see that next season this thought is first and foremost in our mind and do not stop trying until that final whistle goes.

On paper this team was strong enough to take on all comers and come out on top, but, during the year we saw changes take place and the results we expected were not achieved.

The team selected at the beginning of the year was a mixture of seasoned players, players who have passed their peak and are no longer knocking at the door of first grade, and up and coming youngsters who are, or appear to be, very definitely on the way up the ladder. This is an ideal combination for formation of a team.

During the year we saw a number of changes made in the team, changes which were forced upon the Selectors by a number of reasons, namely, loss of players, unavailability of players and last, but not least, loss of form of players. This no doubt accounted for some of the loss of fighting spirit in this team.

The goal-keeping for the team was shared by B. Pickett and W. Murray. Barry is still very young and with a little more experience, and confidence, he will be

a good asset to the Club. Wilf Murray started off the season very shaky in his new position, but with each game he improved and towards the end of the season he showed us some good keeping.

Keith Riley and Greg Harris are two lads who did not have a really good year in their full back positions. Both are capable of and probably will be first grade players when they settle down. We expect bigger and better things from them this year.

Max Jeffs finished the season off by being promoted from 3rd Grade to 2nd Grade and filling the left half position very capably. This lad has a lot of potential and next season could be a source of annoyance to the first grade left half. His positional play is delightful to watch.

Don Campbell played most of the season in the most important position of centre half and acquitted himself very well. If anything, Don tries to do too much himself, he is a tiger for work and very often goes looking for it, stick to that position Don.

Paul Rogers came into the team after doing his National Training and soon showed his old form, so much so that he finished the season in 1st grade more than holding his own. For one so small he has remarkable tenacity and fighting spirit. We do not expect to see him in 2nd Grade any more for a number of years.

The forward line had quite a few changes in it through the Season. Three youngsters who played were - Bennett Dunn, Jim Flood and Bob Fox. All played well and this year any, or all, of them could be in 1st grade. Jim played the last few games on the left wing in first grade and it looks like the left wing position could be his again this year. Bennett played in the left wing position, but was not happy. The right wing position in 1st grade is vacant so I guess both Bob and Ben will be flat out to claim it.

John Sutherland once again filled the centre forward position, and he played some grand games. His position enabled him to give the young forwards considerable help and advice.

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<u>3rd GRADE:</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>W.</u>	<u>L.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>GOALS FOR</u>	<u>GOALS AGAINST</u>
	15	9	3	3	44	11

This team as in previous years played some good hockey and only for some bad luck may have gone closer to taking off the honours. The team consisted of seasoned players and promising young players, and their experience with this team should help them in their coming hockey years. We hope that in the coming season with an increased effort by this team to once more have the name of Glebe inscribed on the 'J.W. Taylor Cup'.

John Waterson played good consistent hockey during the season and deserved his rise in grade. Greg Harris, although not playing his best hockey early in the season, came good and gave a good showing towards the end.

Keith Riley, another player who didn't show up at his best early in the season but played well in the closing stages and proved himself very handy in the half line. Harry Butler, one of the older players in the team and his experience proved very handy. Fred Needham once again played well and broke up many attacks with his fine tackling. Maurie Cownie, only a couple of years out of the under 16 team and with a bit more experience, should give a good account of himself in later seasons. Allan Fox plays hockey for the full 70 minutes he is on the field, and once more gave a display of his "never say - die" game. Dave Robertson, another one of the older players and although not as fast as he was once, can still give most young players a lesson in stick work. Gary Sullivan, one of the hardest hitters in the team. He netted some nice goals during the season. Max Jeffs has a good future in hockey, and with a bit more experience and weight, should go a long way in the game. Jack Buckley joined the team late in the season and proved himself very handy on the right wing. B. Pickett kept well in goals and broke up many attacks. Ian Hamilton, a good club man and an asset on the left wing. Allan Halls, another good club man and a great opportunist. Sets a good example to his team.

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<u>MINOR A GRADE:</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>W.</u>	<u>L.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>GOALS FOR</u>	<u>AGAINST</u>
	15	7	4	4	55	22

This team put up a great effort to reach the semi finals to be narrowly defeated by the Minor premiers. Despite a persistent shortage on numerous Saturdays, we were able to field a team with the help of other grades.

The most frequent members of the team:-

R. Payne-Scott. Played in the last line of defence. A job well done.
J. Kenny. A lifer with the spirit of youth.
N. Williams. Not available, by Dogs, out of Sydney.
A. Gough. A tower of strength to his team and club. Should be more like him.
M. Campbell. A strong centre half whose performances were top class.
R. Warner. Who on numerous occasions gave a good account of himself.
J. Brown. Gave the inside left many scoring opportunities while playing on the left wing.
D. Fishenden. Showed flashes of good form.
N. Dundass. Captain by vote out of Kindness of Heart,
W. Lickiss. Unfortunately Bill's work took him Cootamundra half way through the season.
W. Parry. A player with his head in the clouds.
G. Sullivan. Inside Left by pick out of position.
W. Stubbs. An under sixteen player who was always there when we were short.

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<u>MINOR B. GRADE:</u>	<u>P.</u>	<u>W.</u>	<u>L.</u>	<u>D.</u>	<u>Goals for</u>	<u>Against.</u>
	14	8	6	-	20	18

During the season this team saw the comings and goings of many Club members. It was far removed from a stable team membership and, as a natural consequence, little team work was developed. Towards the end of the season this team rarely took the field with a full eleven. The fact that it failed to achieve great results is therefore not surprising.

The main stays of the team were Kevin Ryan, who captained the team for most of the season; Max Steedman, who like Kev Ryan had been called out of retirement; and Ted Cody, a newcomer to the Club, but by no means a newcomer to hockey. His prowess is still very much in evidence and provided a good lesson for those junior members who were prepared to benefit by a study of Ted's stickwork and anticipatory skill.

It might easily be argued that this team should not have been nominated in the competition because of lack of numbers. However, on the otherhand it provided a regular match for those surplus from the higher grades enabling them to have constant contact with competitive hockey as a prelude to mere senior hockey in the years ahead.

22 players played in the team throughout the year. The "regulars" mainly were H. Wilson, R. Cullen, I Bishop, W. Hardy, R. Tundy, L. Hackett, L. Beaman. The "Flying Fireman" - or is it the "Flaming Fireman" - Harry Wilson was the team's leading goal scorer. How was the Smoke-o, Harry?

UNDER 16:

The under 16 team which is the stepping stone of the junior players into the ranks of senior members achieved remarkable success considering the small amount of attention received from the Club.

The attention in question relates not to the well wishes of the club proper, but to the lack of real interest in raising the standard of play of this junior team. Active coaching was absent but nevertheless their play denoted a high degree of natural ability. But this natural ability is not enough; it must be channelled off and directed.

It is to be hoped that the 1956 Season will develop a different frame of mind in the senior members and promote a more active interest in the hockey well being of these future 1st graders.

While it is desirable to win competitions, it is also desirable that players learn the rudiments of fair play and sportsmanship. The competition results prove that the Glebe team was not the best competitor, but many lessons have been learnt both by the players and administration alike.

In analysing the merits and shortcomings of the team the above criticisms must be borne in mind.

Congratulations are extended to Bill Stubbs who was awarded the V. J. Turner Trophy for the 1955 season. When it is considered that Bill represented N.S.W. and Sydney under 16 years, it is not hard to understand why he became the recipient of this award. Furthermore, he exhibited true qualities of leadership in his capacity as Captain. Constructively criticising his play, he could be advised to become more aggressive in the circle and to polish up his stickwork.

A relatively newcomer to the side, Barry Williams displayed a great deal of natural ability as both halfback and full back. Should he persist with the game, the Club will gain a very valuable player. Lack of ball control and positional play were noticeable, but with practice these deficiencies may be overcome.

In John Whittle the Club has one of the best prospects for some time. This lad will move extremely quickly through the ranks once he enters first grade, but in order to do this, he too will have become more aggressive in the circle. Study your position well John.

Neville Simpson played some grand hockey on the right wing piling up a great number of goals to his credit. With his speed and a little more control of the ball, Neville will be a force to be considered in future years. But remember hockey is a team game not an individual game.

Playing with the Club for the first time Gordon Smith fitted in nicely with the other boys. Playing on the left wing he was responsible for many attacks in the oppositions territory. Welcome to the Club Gordon.

The half line comprised of players like David Green, Brian Burke and Kevin Langshore who all displayed certain ability. David Green could, if he can remember the function of a half, be a thorn in the side of any opposition. Brian Burke needs to be in better condition and to understand more positional play.

Kevin Langshaw has been a member of the under 16 team for some time, probably longer than anyone else, and his keenness is very much appreciated. More practice of ball control and positional play is needed.

The backs, Edward Kenny and Brian Ross, indicated the need for better understanding of each others positions. Brian must learn to become properly balanced when tackling and to tackle with the left handed tackle. Edward must learn to tackle from both sides and to clear the ball either directly to a team mate or through an opening where it may be picked up. To both players physical fitness is a must.

In conclusion, congratulations are extended again to the boys of the under 16 years, and the promise is made here that the coming season will see the Glebe District Hockey Club in possession of the under 16 trophy. To do this the help of each and every member of this group is required. Get into AI physical condition and the Club will do the rest.

JUNIOR HOCKEY - UNDER 14.

Taking all teams into consideration, the G.D.H.C. had a record number in 1955, namely, 12 teams. When it is considered that only five of these were senior teams a real picture may be drawn of the rapid growth of junior hockey in our district. This growth has been confined to a small area because of the lack of finance and administration. Like any new venture it is far more beneficial to the club generally if by cautious means the numbers and spirit of members increase than adventurous schemes that may lead to frustration, dejection and failure. The old concept of "saving face" is extremely important.

The competition in which our club participated was one comprising Eastern Suburbs, Randwick and ourselves, conducted at St. Paul's Oval University. Eastern Suburbs won the competition by defeating Glebe Police Boys I in the semi-final and St. James I in the final. Our congratulations are extended to the winning team and in doing so they are reminded not to relax for the Glebe club means to win next year.

In reviewing the whole season the only conclusion that it is possible to come to is one of complete satisfaction. To the junior members this may not sound logical. There is a quality in hockey that is far more desirable than winning and that is the learning and acquisition of sportsmanship; the basic philosophy of our club. Pursuing this point a little further, it is true to say that the essence of our whole teaching has been to conduct yourself like a sportsman on and off the field.

Probably the most pleasing feature of the whole competition was the manner in which the boys played until the final whistle blew. This fighting spirit wins far more games than it loses, and its possession is something to achieve for many competitions and carnivals have been won by sheer determination for not one-third or one-half of the game, but rather for the whole of the game.

The boys are to be commended for their expression of keenness indicated by their attendance every Saturday morning irrespective of their position on the competition table.

Congratulations are extended to those boys who were chosen to represent the

Sydney Association in the games against Newcastle and also in the N.S.W. Championships at Wentworth Park.

In setting up this competition it was considered that special achievements should be rewarded by some recognition - In this case the awarding of trophies. It was decided to award trophies for the following categories:-

1. the outstanding player of the season
2. most improved back
3. most improved half-back
4. most improved forward.

The task assigned to select the winners was a hard one indeed, for so many players were possibilities that whoever received the award there were at least half a dozen who could be chosen also.

Taking them in their order mentioned above, the person to whom the trophy for the most outstanding player was awarded, was Graham Gilmore. Graham excelled in all phases of the game. His stickwork was excellent, the result of constant practice, and his positional play good. He showed a great deal of hockey sense in his passes and placements although at times too much stickwork was used unnecessarily. Graham must remember that stickwork should only be used to eliminate trouble, not beget it. A cool head at all times is essential. Keep up the good work and practice as much as you can.

In number 2 category, the trophy for the most improved back was awarded to John Wright who began his first year at hockey in goals but because of his keenness and concentration proved to the selectors that his rate of improvement warranted some recognition. In this lad the club has a future potential 1st grade player. His conduct on the field was exemplary. Congratulations John.

The award for the most improved half back resulted in a player being selected who appears to have a bright future in hockey. His name is Barry Goodrick. For one so new to the game it was extremely pleasing to see such an intelligent approach to the game. On top of that Barry exhibited beautiful stickwork and if this boy would continue to practice properly then there is no saying how far he would go in hockey. Congratulations, Barry - keep practicing, but remember what was said about stickwork.

The last category to which an award was made - the most improved forward - was extremely hard, for the greater number of players fitted into this section. After lengthy deliberation the recipient of this award was chosen to be Brian Howe. Having his first year at hockey Brian proved to be a natural player and with a little more experience there will be a lot of opposing halves and backs who won't see which way he's going. Here, too, is a player if he concentrates on obtaining a thorough knowledge of his position and stickwork should force his way into higher grades. Congratulations, Brian, a very nice effort.

Taking the success of last year's activities in account, it may be argued that the prominence of our club in hockey circles in the future will be maintained. These new faces are like a tonic, bringing new and added vitality to the parent body. There is no doubt in my mind that the position we have in hockey in Sydney is ours to have and to hold.

CLUB TROPHIES: Congratulations to the following players who have been selected as Trophy recipients for the 1955 Season:-

W.J. TAYLOR CUP - V. TURNER
W.A. OLDFIELD CUP - P. ROGERS
V.J. TURNER CUP - W. STUBBS

CARNIVALS: Carnivals once again proved very popular with club members and their enthusiasm was shown in the attendance at these outings.

The club participated in carnivals run by St. George, Manly Warringah, Moorebank and Cant-Bankstown, success going to the No.1 side in the Manly-Warringah Carnival.

Two teams made the annual visit to Goulburn, the No.1 side going to within a hair's-breadth of success. Two teams also visited Bathurst with much the same results as Goulburn, and in all it can only be seen that a finishing burst was needed for success in most of the carnivals attended.

SOCIAL DOINGS HELD DURING 1955 SEASON:

This year we decided to hold our Ball as usual and it was also decided to have a Golf Day for the members of the club as well as the Annual Picnic. The Smoko at the end of the year was also conducted and below is a brief resume of what happened

at these Social events of the season.

ANNUAL BALL:

The Annual Ball was held this year at the Coronet Ballroom, George Street, and an excellent night was had by those members of the club who attended this event. However, it was rather disappointing not to see more Club Members there, especially the younger ones. We trust that if we do decide to stage the Ball this year it will be patronised by more Club Members and the financial result would then be a few pounds in the bank instead of a loss as was experienced last year.

GOLF DAY:

Seventeen Club Members attended this most enjoyable day at Blackheath. A competition was organised with Alex Robb the eventual winner. They say that he is correctly named now "Robber". No doubt this could be an Annual event in the Club's activities.

ANNUAL PICNIC:

Once again the disappointment of the year was the very poor attendance of senior and junior players at the Annual picnic which was held at Lane Cove National Park. A double-decker bus was hired for the occasion and many members made their cars available but unfortunately there were many empty seats. Nevertheless those who did attend had a most enjoyable day. We might mention that it costs the club just as much to run this day, no matter whether 20 players turn up or 40. Any catering has to be organised in advance and unless we receive better response in the future this event may not be held again. Races over a distance of 100 yards were contested but as yet no one has decided who won the Senior event. Ask Kenny Wark?

SMOKO:

This was perhaps the best organised and best attended night of the year. The Smoko was held under the arches at Jubilee Oval in the Glebe District Cricket Club Rooms and our Christmas Raffle was drawn on the night. Thanks go especially to Harry Wark who organised the essentials, and to brother Ken who proved an able barman. A really good wind-up to a rather mediocre year as far as Social events were concerned.

WELCOME TO INTERSTATE VISITORS:

This year we were responsible along with the Randwick District Hockey Club for the entertainment of the South Australian Schoolboy's Team. Because of the fact that these lads were billeted at private homes it was a little difficult to get them all together at the one time, but we did give them a night out and also supplied some transport for a picnic for the Interstate visitors on the Sunday of their stay in Sydney.

COUNTRY CARNIVAL:

For the second year in succession we were fortunate in obtaining the catering rights at the Country Carnival during the Queen's Birthday week-end at Wentworth Park, and a very successful job was done. We know that our efforts were appreciated both by the players and the onlookers.

We would like to express our thanks to the following who worked very hard throughout the week-end:

Mr. & Mrs. Ray Thorpe for their house which was used as our "Preparation Kitchen".

The wives and girl friends of club members who did a grand job preparing the eats and selling them over the counter.

Jim Kenny - for his assistance with the heating apparatus.

Alan Fox - the odd job man who never stopped work.

Noel Walker - Our financial supervisor over the week-end.

Bill Ryan - the Boy from Orange - chief stoker etc. etc. Thanks Bill - fancy coming all the way from Orange to keep the "Home Fires Burning".

Mr. Tamsett - for the use of his vehicle over the week-end.

Harry Wark - for his time spent in arranging the catering etc.

Kel Dickey, Harry Butler, Keith Riley, Darc. Riley, for all the work they did, and to all those willing helpers who, by their efforts, helped make this week-end the financial success it was.

To the Junior players who sold lollies, ice creams and potato chips.

REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS:

The following Club members were successful in being selected for representative teams during the season:

N.S.W. Vs. Indian Wanderers:- V. Turner.
N.S.W. (Australian Championships, Brisbane): J.C. Taylor.
Sydney:- V. Turner, J.C. Taylor, K. Wark, A. Robb, R. Thorpe.
Foxall Cup versus Goulburn:- K. Wark (Capt.), V. Westacott.
Sydney Colts: K. Riley.
N.S.W. Under 16:- W. Stubbs.
Sydney Under 16:- W. Stubbs, G. Gilmour.
Sydney Under 14:- G. Gilmore.

Special mention should be made here that young Victor Westacott was selected to represent Sydney in a senior fixture against Goulburn while still available for selection as a Colt - Congratulations, Victor.

CONGRATULATIONS:

Our congratulations are extended to the following:

Ryde-Hunter's Hill on winning the Club Championship, 2nd Grade, 3rd Grade Premierships - Minor "A".
Minor "B" - Briars.

R. Rodgers on his recent marriage
P. Rodgers " " " "
V. Turner " " " "
H. Wark on the birth of his second son.
A. Robb " " " " first child - a daughter.
D. Robertson on " " " " third child - also a girl.

To the following members who attained Club Honours:-

200 Club games	-	D. Robertson
100 " "	-	L. Needham, D. Campbell, J. McParland, J. Sutherland.
50 first-grade games	-	V. Halls.

APPRECIATION:

The Management Committee desires to place on record its sincere thanks to the following persons for the assistance and support they rendered throughout the season:
The City Council and its Officers for the assistance and interest taken in Club Affairs.
The N.S.W. Trotting Club for the use of Harold Park.
Mr. J. Kenny for the supply of paint to maintain the high standard of the balls.
Club members who assisted in obtaining prizes for the Xmas Raffle.
Mr. F. Needham Snr. for first aid treatment.
To our small band of regular supporters for their supply of oranges.
Team Managers of Country Teams.
Members of the Glebe Division of St. John's Ambulance Brigade for services rendered.
To non-playing umpires who made possible the playing of our games.
To Office Bearers of the Sydney Hockey Association for their ever-ready assistance.
To Messrs J. Worley, N. Walker, H. Wark and F. Murray for providing their homes, and catering so well for the members of the Management Committee.
To K. Wark for the use of his home for team talks.
Ladies Committee for their untiring efforts and our healthy bank account.

We are still in need of new players, Senior and Juniors, and Club Members should endeavour to encourage new members.

I would like to thank members of the Management Committee and all Club Members for their co-operation during the season 1955.

For and on behalf of:-

The Management Committee

R. Thorpe, Hon. Sec.

ATTENDANCE AT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETINGS.

No. of Meetings:- 9.

J. Worley	7	K. Dickey	8	W. Murray	3
N. Walker	7	H. Wark	9	R. Thorpe	9
A. Robb	9	F. Murray	6	A. Gough	8
				L. Waight	1

CLUB RECORDS.

GAMES PLAYED BY MEMBERS

J. Kenny	353	L. Needham	103	G. Sullivan	50
W. Ryan	319	R. Needham	99	J. Jewiss	39
H. Butler	266	D. Campbell	109	R. Payne-Scott	36
J. Taylor	262	J. McParland	110	J. Watterson	27
K. Dickey	236	J. Sutherland	108	D. King	22
F. Murray	218	D. Graham	92	C. Gates	39
V. Turner	220	J. Brown	89	W. Lickiss	22
L. Waight	202	K. Riley	89	A. Robb	27
D. Robertson	203	K. Bolin	80	W. Stubbs	32
V. Halls	187	O. Rogers	74	B. Pickett	24
W. Murray	179	J. Flood	79	D. Fisherden	18
K. Ryan	169	B. Dunn	73	M. Jeffs	22
N. Walker	164	V. Westacott	74	R. Cullen	22
B. Jeffree	144	R. Fox	68	R. Warner	26
H. Wark	140	J. Moore	65	L. Beaman	20
J. Buckley	130	A. Gough	62	R. Tandy	22
M. Steedman	126	N. Dundas	61	J. Bishop	30
J. Worley	117	M. Cownie	52	L. Hackett	10
K. Wark	125	A. Fox	56	E. Cody	6
R. Rodgers	123	W. Parry	52	I. Hamilton	8
H. Wilson	111	R. Thorpe	53	T. Byrnes	2
A. Halls	116	G. Harris	51	M. Campbell	25

GOAL SCORERS - 1955 SEASON

<u>1st GRADE</u>		<u>2nd GRADE</u>		<u>3rd GRADE</u>	
R. Thorpe	15	J. Sutherland	10	A. Halls	15
H. Wark	11	K. Dickey	4	D. Robertson	8
A. Robb	9	K. Bolin	3	K. Bolin	5
N. Walker	3	R. Fox	3	G. Sullivan	5
B. Dunn	1	B. Dunn	3	D. Graham	2
J. Flood	1	F. Murray	2	J. Moore	1
F. Murray	1	D. Graham	2		
		A. Fox	1		

MINOR A.

N. Dundas	19
J. Brown	10
W. Parry	8
G. Sullivan	6
W. Stubbs	4
D. Fisherden	2
N. Simpson	1
A. Halls	1
I. Hamilton	1
R. Warner	1
J. Kenny	1
J. Moore	1

MINOR B.

H. Wilson	6
N. Dundas	3
M. Steedman	3
J. Bishop	2
I. Hamilton	2
B. Jeffree	1
J. Brown	1
D. Fisherden	1
J. McParland	1

HIGHEST SCORE IN ONE MATCH

	<u>Individual</u>		<u>By Team</u>
1st Grade	A. Robb	3.	5.
2nd "	K. Dickey	2.	
	J. Sutherland	2. (twice)	
	K. Bolin	2.	
	F. Murray	2.	7.
3rd. "	A. Halls	5.	8.
Minor A.	J. Brown	4.	12.
Minor B.	N. Dundas	3.	5.

GLEBE DISTRICT HOCKEY CLUB

Statement of Receipts and Payments
for year ended 31st January, 1956.

Balance at Bank - 31.1.55	£161.12. 7
- 31.1.56	170.12. 0
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Increase in Cash Funds for year	£ 8.19. 5
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This increase in Cash Funds results from:-

RECEIPTS:

Membership Subscriptions	£23.15. 0	
Ground Fees	97.13. 0	
Proceeds from Raffles (Net)	53.11. 6	
" " Doubles (Net)	48.13. 8	
" " Socials (Net)	144.10.10	
S.H.A. Grant re Juniors	<u>14. 0. 0</u>	£382. 4. 0

PAYMENTS:

Sydney Hockey Association

Affiliation	1. 1. 0	
Registration of Players	3.16. 0	
A.H.A. Levies	5.10. 0	
N.S.W.H.A. Levies	22.10. 0	
Ground Fees	119.12. 6	
Fines	10. 0	
Fixture Books	<u>2.10. 0</u>	£155. 9. 6
Administrative Expenses	62.11. 3	
Pennants 1954 Season	11. 7. 1	
Subsidies Touring Players	7.10. 0	
Equipment Purchases	64.11. 1	
Carnival Nominations	16.12. 0	
Picnic	18.17. 4	
Smoko	23.16. 4	
Blazer W. Stubbs	7.10. 0	
Grounds for Training	<u>5. 0. 0</u>	<u>373. 4. 7</u>

<u>Surplus:</u>	<u>£ 8.19. 5</u>
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Auditors Report.

I have examined the books of account and vouchers of the Glebe District Hockey Club and I am of the opinion that the above represents a true and correct view of the affairs of the Club for the year ended 31st January, 1956.

(Sgd.) J. McPARLAND

Honorary Auditor.