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GLEBE DISTRICT HOCKEY CLUB

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GENTLEMEN,

It is with great pleasure that I present to you, for your consideration and adoption, the 33rd Annual Report and Financial Statement of the Glebe District Hockey Club.

Once again it is pleasing to be able to say your Club has enjoyed a very successful year on the field. As you will see your 1st Grade managed to make it their fourth successive competition win; 2nd Grade their second successive undefeated season; our 3rd Grade were Minor Premiers and lost only one game, the one that counted, the Grand Final and the 4th Grade was defeated in the Final. So you can see your Club is still the leading Club in Sydney. I would like you to remember Gentlemen, being the leading Club in Sydney carries with it certain obligations and amongst them is the fact we should set an example to other Clubs, not only an example of playing ability and club spirit but one of sportsmanship both on and off the field. With this in mind I feel we should try to control our supporters a little more, particularly in our "at home fixtures". If we can do this then we can really say, and proudly so, we are the leading Club in Sydney.

Financially your Club would have had a good year had all unfinancial members paid their fees but whilst you can afford to carry such a list we cannot make headway. I feel something must be done about these people in the coming year.

Socially it has been our biggest year yet - as you know your Club entertained and played the leading Brisbane Hockey Club "VALLEY" last Easter and in turn we have been invited to visit them this Easter. A Touring Committee was set up and they have been working very hard to make this a memorable trip for those who are able to take part.

I feel I should mention the fact that your Club is taking an active part in helping with the running of the Sydney Hockey Association. We have Mr. Ray Thorpe, in the position of Deputy President, Mr. Russ Nicholls is the Secretary, Mr. R. Payne-Scott, Hon. Auditor, Mr. Joe Krepp is on the Judiciary Committee, Mr. Des Wise is a Senior Selector, Mr. Vic Westacott is a Junior Selector, as well as other members on various committees, so you can see we are doing our bit to help.

In conclusion Gentlemen, I would like to take this opportunity of thanking the Members of the Management Committee and other Office Bearers for the effort they have put into the Club during the past year and also wish you every success in the coming season.

K. DICKEY.
PRESIDENT.

CLUB CAPTAIN'S REPORT :

The season "began" about the 3rd Sunday in January when the Club had entered a team for the pre-season competition.

The majority of the players that played in this comp., plus a few keen Club Members trained and/or practised at Wentworth Park, which proved to be of value as you no doubt know Glebe District Hockey Club won the "Bisley Shield."

As the season progressed the Wednesday night training (under supervision) became a habit for some and an hinderance for others, who were just to lazy to make an effort. Although I feel it was the fittest season the Club has had for a long time.

I feel if every member wants to be fair to his fellow Club members, he has to make a genuine effort in everything he does, whether it be in training, a game, Club activities, (social etc.). Yet every year you only get a handful of members who are willing to give a bit of time towards the Club.

The G.D.H.C. JUNIOR teams in 1965 numbered about 2½ (28 players) all keen youngsters willing to learn and play Hockey. Where are all these players (so conversed and keen on the game) that Glebe has won so many premierships with, I think I saw about two constant (male) in all the Saturday mornings of the competition (V. Westacott and R. Brown.)

I suppose not many of you know of the terrific job Molly Wark did during the season, because you were not there to see it, (yes you).

Surely you all cannot be serious about this.

To the drivers who provided transport for the two Junior Carnivals and also for the Victorian Junior Team during the Australian Carnival a good effort.

Last but by no means least the Club was visited by the Valley Club, Brisbane over the Easter Week-End, billets were provided for about 24 players.

The Club put up a good performance, 2nd Grade had a comfortable win 3-0 while 1st Grade got home 2-1 a great week-end was had by all and we hope our stay over the Easter Week-End this year will be as good and victorious as last year.

Congratulations to all winning Valley Teams.

Congratulations to all Glebe players and players in winning teams. Let us all look forward to a bigger and better season in 1966.

P.J.NILAN.

1st GRADE REPORT :

Congratulations to all players and reserves who figured in 1st Grades 4th successive premiership win.

Judging by the result of the pre-season final, a 4-0 win over West, there seemed no doubt as to who had first claim for the 1965 premiership.

Dave Stevens our "import" from Cairns came into the firing line and the team registered some good wins early in the season. But it was bound to happen as in previous seasons, the team getting "sluggish" in the mid season, not scoring many goals, but thanks to the tightness of the defence not conceding any.

When the pressure was really on (as in the Grand Final) the team work and team spirit pulled us through with flying colours.

Although beaten twice the team really deserved its win with an average of 64 goals for and 9 against, with a 4 point premiership lead.

There were some good individual performances particularly from Ken Wark, whom a lot (the opposition) thought was finished, but the effort and determination he showed must have been an inspiration to all the younger members of the Club.

We all hope to see him running around again next season.

Some of the team had bad games, (better not mentioned) lets hope for a brighter year in 66.

To Denis Liske congratulations for making Sydney 1st'a.

EAT NILAN
TEAM CAPTAIN.

Won 17	Goals For 64
Drawn 2	Goals Agst. 9
lost 1	

2nd GRADE REPORT :

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Once again the Glebe 2nd Grade has proved victorious, making it two in a row. This year the team was undefeated scoring 64 goals for and having only a moderate 6 goals against. This average was unparalleled by any other team in the Sydney Grade Competition.

A strong defence was the feature of the teams play throughout the season, although the forwards compiled creditable goals. Ryde our arch rivals for many seasons and also our grand final opponents this year did not seem to be able to penetrate this defence, nor did they show enough tenacity in defence to contain our lively forwards, on all of the four occasions on which we met.

Much of the success must be owed to the great team spirit showed throughout the season, this enabled the team to fight back from grim situations. A great deal of the teams success must be accredited to the Captain, Harry Wark Snr. who lead the side intelligently, always able to derive the utmost from his players.

On occasions this side produced some copybook hockey, but was rarely fully extended which explains the mediocre performances sometimes exhibited. The side also acted as a reservious of talent on which the first eleven could and did draw. Always the replacements supplied were of high calibre which helped maintain the record of the first eleven.

Kevin Doyle and Marvin Heaston are players deserving of special mention for the way in which they adopted themselves to the teams style of play in such a short space of time after being promoted from the 3rds.

Won	17
Drawn	0.
Lost	0

Goals For	64
Goals Agst	6

Congratulations to Ryde on winning their 3rd successive 3rd Grade Premiership.

After being minor premiers Glebe defeated Ryde 3-1 in the semi-finals only to be defeated by the same Club in the Grand Finals - 2 Nil --.

Early in the season this team moulded into a strong combination but soon became unsettled when players were promoted to a higher grade or injured. Unfortunately selected replacements were those considered expendable in the 4th Grade side. Although this team accomodated more players than any other grade throughout the season their first defeat was in the Grand Final. For this game 3rd Grade ran onto the field completely disorganised and were beaten by the better team on the day.

Throughout the season 3rd grade were fortunate to obtain the services of some talented players capable of producing outstanding hockey as indicated hereon.

- J. KREPP An experienced Goal Keeper who made many fine saves throughout the season. Keep up the good work Joe.
- M. HEASTON Midway through the season Marvin was promoted to 2nd Grade where he acquitted himself well. Marvin was voted the most improved colt in the Club and if he retains his present keenness is sure to consolodate a future worthy of further honour.
- B. GOODRICK Barry was responsible for many outstanding defensive performances during the season. He was a tower of strength to the side and was unfortunate not to have played more games in higher grades.
- K. WEEKES Kevin at all times tried his hardest and indicated his worth by his excellent trapping and ball distribution.
- F. LETTS A steady player who always gave his best. Has shown a lot of ability in past seasons and with conscientious adaptation Fred should rise to greater height.
- P. CUNNEEN A Newcomer to the game who always tries hard. With further experience and tuition Paul is sure to improve much more.
- P. HOWE Has a lot of natural ability as indicated by his masterful control and ball distribution from the centre. If Peter considers to train more often his future in the game has bright prospects.
- R. HALL Ron's consistent ball distribution from the right flank enabled many goal scoring opportunities. Ron is destined to become a major threat to members in senior positions if he continues to display his present keenness and rate of improvement.

- S. SINGH Captured the admiration of both players and spectators alike by his consistent display and general demeanour. Sam should further his progress in the game by adopting more aggression in the circle.
- A. MORLEY Tony has a lot of potential but unfortunately his progress was disrupted by injuries at an opportune time. He blended in well with the No. 1 Team which won the St. George Carnival. Although very fit and forceful he must concentrate on the finer points of the game to gain a permanent berth in our 1st Grade side.
- P. KREPP Has the attributes to become a good player but Peter must develop more fire to extend these qualities to their fullest.
- J. THOMSON Appears to be keener than ever as he amassed 30 grade games during the season. Although required to play various positions Jack acquitted himself well on each occasion.
- D. GREEN Another newcomer to the game who gave his best at all times. Dave should continue his rate of improvement with further experience and tuition.
- R. THORPE Played his 1st and only game for the season against Ryde in the semis. In this game Ray showed that he has retained his goal scoring ability by scoring 3 great goals.
- B. HOWE Proud to have been associated with such a fine team. Carried out his capacity to control the team as a team to the best of his ability.

Others who also played in 3rd Grade during the season were:- J. Devon, R. Croker, N. Irvine, G. Hulme, H. Sharpe, D. Fishenden, J. Kenny, F. Holliday, G. Gale, P. Huppertz, K. Doyle, M. Howe, H. Wark (Jnr), R. Brown, David Liske, V. Westacott, B. Williams, D. Brown.

Won	15	Goals For	69
Drawn	4	Goals Agst.	11
Lost	1		

This season 4th Grade finished 3rd, after loosing to Northern Districts 1-0 in the Final.

Though not winning the premiership, we had a successful season out of the matches we lost, we had only two defeats by more than one goal.

A note-worthy feature of the team was their interest in Club affairs. There was always above average attendance at training, carnivals and functions.

Throughout the season we had many changes of fortune. Being in the first four for half the season and then, midway through the second round, we dropped back and until the last match we were out of the first four. It was only through each player showing a good "team spirit" that we made the semis. Our semi-final was against St. George, who had defeated us once this year and in the Grand Final in 1963, we were able to beat them 1-0 by a good team effort.

In the final against Northern Districts we weren't so fortunate, after an even first half they scored a good goal half-way through the second half. Thus ending our chances for 1965.

Reflecting over the season we can recall many fine efforts and everyone doing his best. What we lacked was a high degree of teamwork and we are looking forward to the 1966 season to develop this and win the Premiership.

THE PLAYERS :-

COLIN BROWN

Was our "Goalie" and through his efforts we were able to make the semis.

DENNIS BROWN

Played inside right. A fiery player who scored many match winning goals.

JOHN CAMERON

Played left wing. He used his speed and was a constant threat to the opposition.

PAUL CUNNEEN

Played in the halves. He was always trying and showed considerable improvement as the season progressed.

DARRELL FISHERDEN

Played centre-half. He was the pivot of the team. He both supported and defended very well. A very versatile player.

DAVID GREEN

Played in the forwards and halves. He was a consistant player and was always trying.

GRAHAM GALE

Played inside-left and left wing. He was a fast forward and scored many fine goals.

FOURTH GRADE - CONT :-

G. HULME Played full-back. He was a solid defender with plenty of fire and with Barry Williams made it hard for the attacking forwards.

PETER HUPPatz Played in the halves and was solid in defence. He played some very good games.

MICHAEL LETTS Played in the forwards and halves.

GRAHAM LISKE Played in the halves and shows promise for the future.

HARVEY SHARPE Played right wing. A number of matches were won by his fine centres.

ALLAN WESTAGOTT Played centre forward. He scored many goals from powerful hits and spear-headed our attack.

BARRY WILLIAMS Played full-back. Very reliable in defence and a good team member.

FRANK WRIGHTMAN Played in th halves. He was a very strong defender.



Won 10
Lost 7
Drawn 3

Goals For 53
Goals Agst. 33