

Glebe District Hockey Club

JUNIOR REPORT



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It will be seen from the following reports from Coaches, Team Managers etc., that the Junior Members of the Club had a most successful and enjoyable season.

In 1990 we fielded one team in each Junior age group and ran our own Minkey programs.

Although we were unable to make the final playoffs in the Under 11's, 13's & 15's we did achieve a high standard of competitiveness in these grades in the Sydney Central Junior Competition proper.

The highlight of the Junior Season was the taking of the Pennant in the Under 17's. On behalf of the Club we would like to congratulate each and every player in the side.

Congratulations also to those players who gained Representative Honours.

Unfortunately, due to the "resignation" of the Junior Convenor during the season, there has proven to be some degree of unco-ordination which has resulted in the Junior Division falling down in some areas. The most notable being non-attendance at the Central Area Meetings which resulted in lack of communication to the Club, and also a major downturn in the Junior Committee fund raising activities.

Furthermore, due to the current economic climate, our 1989 Sponsor went into Receivership and no donations were forthcoming from this avenue.

No doubt the incoming Convenor and his Committee for the 1991 season will commit themselves to a "turnaround" in these areas.

On behalf of the Club and the Junior Committee we would like to thank the Coaches, Team Managers and the Senior Members who made themselves available for training and assistance throughout the season.

We would also like to express our extreme gratitude to those dedicated few who transported the children to the games every week.

Without these unselfish people the Junior Club would surely falter and fall.

In closing, a special thanks to the Parents who gave their support and we take this opportunity of wishing everyone a happy festive season.

JUNIOR COMMITTEE

U N D E R 1 7 ' S R E P O R T

GLEBE UNDER 17'S - PREMIERS FOR 1990

DEFEATING SUTHERLAND 3 - 1 IN GRAND FINAL

GAMES PLAYED - 21 WON 19 LOST 2

GOALS - 98 FOR 16 AGAINST

A very good performance for a young team, all but 4 players in their first year of Under 17 competition - ALL LOOKS GOOD FOR '91.

With a yearning for learning, hard training and game discipline appeared to be the right tonic and the team should be congratulated for their efforts.

It gave me much pleasure as Coach to see the players enjoying their game and striving hard for a team and club effort. To the Under 15's who helped out, Umpires D. O'Brien, M. Goodridge, G. Benfield - thank you all for a great year.

To Eric Fraser as Manager - another good year. To Deputy Manager, Coach, Trainer, Ball Boy etc., etc., Shane Nilan - thanks for all your help to me and the team.

SEE YOU ALL IN '91.

PAT NILAN

UNDER 15s REPORT 1990

Unfortunately the 1990 season was not one of the most successful for the Glebe under 15s side. Although the team played some very good hockey, it was apparent that lack of commitment to both training and match attendance was the major reason for not reaching the semi-finals and achieving the goals of the team's abilities.

On the brighter side, it must be noted that all but three of these young athletes were having their first year in the under 15s, so it augers well for next season.

Once again the season's continuity was broken due to the high degree of wet weather which saw games postponed or deferred to other grounds and the poor condition and drainage of our home ground was not conducive to training. Let's hope that the push from the senior club to obtain an artificial surface at Federal Park or its environs has some success in the near future as these problems due to weather would be overcome to a large degree.

During the year the team participated in thirteen games in which we won three, drew three and lost seven. Of the seven games in which we were defeated we could or should have won at least three, but unfortunately this was not the case.

As mentioned earlier about the attendance to competition games, it must be said that at times it was unavoidable due to injuries, illness, school commitments etc.

There were many fine individual performances throughout the year, so with a better training schedule next season, we should be able to further these skills and improve our performances. The team consisted of the following fifteen players throughout the year:

Krys Drysdale: Played in the goals, first year in hockey but showed great potential and if he continues with the game should further improve and become a very good goal-keeper.

Helen Howe: Fullback, 100% player, never stopped trying and showed that girls can compete with the boys at this level. The best tackler in the team.

Peter McKeown: Fullback - another player who puts his all into the game, very skilful but could put some more aggression into his game.

Jeremi Gray: Right Half - returned to the game after a few years absence, tried everything that was asked of him and improved with every game.

Adam Farawell: One of the senior players in the team, alternated between centre-half and inside forward, very skillful player with a huge potential, played in the victorious under 17 grand final team.

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Peter Flood: One of the most skilful players in the team but unfortunately was lost to school sports commitments on Saturday mornings.

Scott Sheppard: Another of the senior players, who will progress to the Under 17s next season. Scott showed throughout the year his skills and aggression and was one of the main forces in the side.

Chris Hale: Unfortunately Chris broke his arm and missed most of the season, but when he did return he never stopped trying, has a ton of potential.

Ben Farawell: Right-Wing, it was Ben's first year in hockey, although he played on the wing in this grade he really "wowed" them in the goals in the Under 13s.

Adam Campano: Inside Right, scored the best goal of the season and has very good stickwork, with a bit of speed training will have a very good future, he also helped fill in for the under 17s during the year.

Brook Atkinson: A newcomer to the club, during the season played centre-forward, very quick and aggressive but must train on his skill work.

Morgan Newall: Inside left, another player who has very good skills but his over-exuberance lets him down occassionally, must slow his game down and concentrate on his position.

Tim Colquhaun: Left-wing. A new comer to hockey having his first season, showed good determination and improved with each game.

Andrew Davis: Only played the last couple of games, but showed he is keen and will fit in well next season.

Amanda Daley: A very courageous player who unfortunately gave the game away during the season, maybe the women's club can induce her to play again in the future.

Others that filled in throughout the year were Ben Howe, Karen and Jason Bowden and George Triantafylou.

I would like to thank all the players for their efforts during the season and I hope to see you all competing again in 1991. Lastly, I would like to thank all the parents that assisted with transport and their support, with special thanks to Bob Taylor, Greg and Marian Newall, Alison McKeown and Kath Farrawell, Stan Sheppard and especially to Darrel Farrawell who managed and assisted with training all season.

Martin Howe
Darrel Farrawell

U N D E R 1 3 R E P O R T - 1 9 9 0

A squad of 14 players formed the Under 13 team this year. They were:-

David Baxter, Jason Bowden, Karen Bowden, Christian Campano, Paul Dabinette, Ben Farrawell, Catherine Feain, Tim Hancock, Ben Howe, Claire Ivers, Aaran Oman, Matthew Pellarini, George Triantafylou and Adrian White.

Although we didn't make the semi-finals we had some very creditable performances during the season and had "moral" victories against much more experienced teams.

The team contained 7 relatively new - comers to the game and it was most pleasing to see the "Senior - experienced" players offering them total support and encouragement at all times.

As the season progressed the team developed into a happy, harmonious unit which gave a 100% effort in every game. The players accepted defeat with dignity and on the odd occasion when they won they were understandably "over the moon".

It has been an honour and a pleasure to be associated with these young boys and girls. They are a credit to the Club and their parents.

Our special thanks to the parents who assisted in transport and for their support during the season.

Wishing each and all a happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing you in 1991.

PETER HOWE & BOB FOX
COACHES

UNDER 11'S REPORT FOR THE 1990 SEASON

TEAM PERSONNEL

Anthony Wark, Mary Wark, Patrick Wark, Patrick Casey, Danielle Casey, Lewis McKeown, Geoffrey Hammett, Kym Rizzo, Alexander Crook, Owen Macindoe, Ross Tapsell, Nicholas Kelleher, Rebecca Howe, Aaron Oman, Alexander Yuen.

Coaches - Harry Wark, Steve Casey, Geoff Patterson.

PLAYING RECORD

PREMIERSHIP

		POINTS		
WINS	3	6	GOALS FOR	13
DRAWS	3	3	GOALS AGAINST	26
BYES	2	4		
LOSSES	6	0		
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BANKSTOWN CARNIVAL

8-4-90

		POINTS		
WINS	1	0	GOALS FOR	1 (AW)
LOSSES	4	2	GOALS AGAINST	11
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ST GEORGE CARNIVAL

3-6-90

		POINTS		
WINS	1	2	GOALS FOR	2 (AW)
DRAWS	1	1	GOALS AGAINST	8
LOSSES	1	0		
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SEMI FINAL - LOST 0 - 4

GOAL SCORERS (PREMIERSHIP LADDER)

Anthony Wark	7
Geoffrey Hammett	5
Patrick Casey	1
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TOTAL:	13
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Under 11's Report for 1990 Season Cont'd

PREMIERSHIP LADDER

Sutherland	24
Parramatta	19
Sutherland 2	17
Moorebank	16
St George	16
Glebe	13
Bankstown	8

The 1990 season began with the registration day on 4th March and ended on the 19th August with a 2 - 0 win against St George. It was a stop-start season and we found it difficult to get into stride. There were many reasons for the interruptions - weather, school holidays, byes, the Women's Cup competition and the under 15's State Championships in Sydney.

We finished second-last out of 7 teams but were always competitive with the opposition. There was only one team which beat us twice (Sutherland 1) and we either beat or drew with the other teams at some stage in the competition. During the season we played four games on a synthetic surface and this helped to develop close ball skills. With just a little bit more enthusiasm and commitment at crucial stages in games against Bankstown and Sutherland 2's the result may have been different. As Ned Kelly said as he placed his head through the hangman's noose "Such is life".

Training on Wednesday nights was well attended by those players within striking distance of Jubilee. Practise makes perfect and it was obvious that the players who came to training developed skills at a faster rate than those who did not. The team got on well together and players developed emotionally and socially as a result of their involvement with children of similar age in a healthy outdoor sport. Defeat was accepted without depression and recrimination while victory was joyfully accepted but without brashness or bravado.

For some players the trip out and back to the game was more fun than the game itself. For other players the half-time oranges was the highlight of the morning. As the saying goes there was something in it for everyone! All the children enjoyed the meat pies, soft drinks, Mars Bars, Flakes etc. etc. after the game while discussing the salient features of the team's performance.

MARY WARK The best fullback in the competition by far and the backbone of our defence. She reads a game well, tackles effectively and very little gets past her.

ALEXANDER CROOK Goal-keeper and occasional field player. On his day is capable of stopping anything and everything. Needs to come out of his goal a bit more and "reduce the angle". All in all Alexander had a good season.

PATRICK CASEY Right-half. Improved out of sight as the season progressed. His rate of improvement was little short of phenomenal. Has trouble hitting the stationary ball and will need to work on this during the summer.

Under 11's Report for 1990 Season Cont'd

LEWIS MCKEOWN Half. Tackled well throughout the season and has got a good push. Will need to improve his ball skills and his hit. Lewis has an amazing repertoire of jokes - the mind boggles as to where he gets them all from !

ROSS TAPSELL Half. One of our recruits from the Minkey ranks who improved enormously as the season progressed. He tackled effectively and made the occasional dash with the ball. A quiet lad by nature who enjoyed the esprit-de-cor of the team. A regular at training.

ALEXANDER YUEN Half. His first year of hockey and Alex showed good improvement with each game. At first he had trouble picking up the tempo of the game but in the last couple of matches he involved himself much more in the play.

KIM RIZZO Half/forward. Kim had a good season and developed her skills well this year. She made several goal saving tackles during the season as well as many long dashes down the left wing. Her work rate during the season was always good.

OWEN MACINDOE Half/forward. Another recruit from the Minkey ranks who acquitted himself well in his first year with the Under 11's. If Owen could involve himself in the game a little more he would be a force to be reckoned with.

DANIELLE CASEY Half/forward. A reluctant starter at the beginning of the year but she seemed to enjoy herself throughout the season. When she put her mind to it, Danielle was an effective tackler and passer of the ball. Not a dynamic work-rate yet but she could well blossom with the Under 13's.

REBECCA HOWE Half/forward. The team's youngest player who enjoyed a good season. When she put her mind to it Rebecca was a tenacious tackler. At the beginning of the season she did not involve herself much in the play but this changed dramatically during the last two games. She covered a lot of territory and started to "read" the game.

AARON OMAN Forward. His first year of hockey and he acquitted himself well. He is very fast, very agile and shows enormous potential. A regular attender at training whose skill developed with every game. He should score a lot of goals next year with the Under 13's.

NICHOLAS KELLEHER Half. Nicholas was one of our big improvers as the season progressed. He tries hard, hits the ball well and is difficult to get past. On occasions he tended to stand around up field when he should have been sprinting back in cover defence. This is a minor criticism of someone who had a very good first season of hockey.

GEOFFREY HAMMETT Forward. Geoffrey was a good inside-left and our second leading goal scorer. It was his second season of hockey and he was one of our best players. He tackled back well and tried hard throughout the season. He will have to learn how to beat a defender with the ball on his stick rather than just pushing the ball ahead and running.

Under 11's Report for 1990 Season Cont'd

ANTHONY WARK A lazy player who needs to involve himself more in the game. He needs to face the free-hits faster and tackle back more effectively. Anthony interspersed long periods of lethargy with flashes of brilliance. He was our leading goal scorer and scored most of his goals by running from around half-way with the ball and hammering it into the net. He has the ability to bring the crowd to its feet.

PATRICK WARK Centre-half. Patrick has got good close skills and can beat a player with deft stick-work. He has a tendency to run too far with the ball out of defence when a clearing hit would be a better option. He pulled off a couple of goal saving tackles during the season which were spectacular. If he lifts his work-rate next year he will be a force to be reckoned with.

Mary, Kim, Geoffrey, Aaron and Danielle progress to the Under 13's next season and I'm sure they will acquit themselves well - **ALL THE BEST!** Kay Rizzo, Marilynn Smith, Eddie Crook, Steve and Jackie Casey, Corrie and Ray Kelleher frequently came to see us play and cheer the side on to bigger and better things - **THANK YOU.** Steve Casey umpired most of our games and this allowed me to concentrate on organising the team - **WELL DONE STEVE.** The Sausage Sizzle was well attended by the Under 11 parents and a great night was had by all. Over \$700 was raised on the night which will go towards paying the team's registration fees. Central Area charges Glebe \$20 per registered player to cover ground hiring charges.

We did not have a great playing record this year but all players enjoyed themselves, which after all is the main reason to play sport. There is a good nucleus of players who will be eligible for Under 11's next year and I would be surprised if we didn't make the semi-finals in 1991. I would like to thank Mary Wark for her secretarial and typing assistance throughout the season.

HARRY WARK
TEAM CO-ORDINATOR

M I N K E Y R E P O R T

The season 1990 proved to be a very successful one for our minkey program. Building upon the core of children from the previous year our numbers soared. It was not unusual for twenty or more children to attend. The enthusiasm of the children made their development all the more rapid. Children as young as four and five were able to master a number of basic skills, including pushing and trapping. The spirit and enjoyment arising from a simple game must be experienced to be believed. It is obvious that these young boys and girls are the future for both the men's and women's club. To this end, it was very pleasing to have the women's club involved in our program this year. Their help and co-operation was invaluable. I must also thank Geoff Paterson for his expertise and organisation. His effort was much appreciated.

Lastly, I would like to wish all members of our junior club a safe off-season and all the best for a happy and relaxing Christmas/New Year holiday. I look forward to seeing an even more successful minkey program next year.

Best Wishes

PETER BUSCH
CLUB CAPTAIN

1990 JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS

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