

BRUCE TREVENAR-HARRY WARK MEMORIAL CUP



In 2003 following a suggestion to reinstate the 'Derby Day' of former times, Briars and Glebe, two of Sydney's older Clubs, decided to organise a day and play for a trophy. After consultation with both Clubs the trophy was named after two Club stalwarts, Bruce Trevenar and the recently deceased Harry Wark. Gill Burns (Briars) and Les Wark (Glebe) worked with Sydney Women's Hockey League and Sydney Hockey Association to allocate a date and time in the fixtures and the annual Briars-Glebe Derby Day was born. Traditionally 3 men's and 2 women's games are played and Minkey hockey features as part of the day.

BRUCE TREVENAR

Bruce Trevenar, *Mr Hockey*, joined Briars in about 1945. Always looking for ways to advance the Club, he was instrumental in organising for Briars to move into the District hockey competition by entering the Sydney Hockey Association as the Wests 4th Grade team. Bruce was Club Captain at the time and is remembered as captain-coach during one of the Club's most successful periods. He was associated with the Club for 25 years as player, coach and an outstanding administrator. Bruce also played cricket and squash for Briars, making a bit of a name for himself as a bowler in the B series team. Bruce was a man with a dry sense of humour who showed great commitment to the Briars Club, fostering a sense of Club spirit and unselfish contribution to the sport he enjoyed so much.

HARRY WARK SNR

Harry was a member of the GDHC from 1947 until his death in 2002. He played 756 games for the Club, was Club Captain from 1954 to 1957 and in 1961, was elected life member in 1964 and was its Patron for many years. He and his brother Ken played in the Club's First Grade team that dominated the Sydney First Grade competition of the late 1940's, 50's and early 60's. This team won 13 First Grade premierships in 17 years. Harry was very fast with a powerful and accurate shot for goal. He hit 226 goals between 1947 and 1959 alone. Harry retired from playing in 1985 at the age of 65 when the selection panel at the time had to stop picking him. Harry's wife and two sons are Life Members of the GDHC and all eight grand children and have played the game. Two of his great-grandchildren currently play Minkey. Determination, dedication and discipline were Harry's basic tenets in hockey and in life. His contribution to the administration and social life of Glebe has been enormous and greatly appreciated by all who have passed through the Club's ranks.