

President's Pen

Folks what a start to getting the 'Gryphon' out to members. No sooner do we make a start than the printing press packs it in and we couldn't get our newsletter printed in time for Thursdays distribution. Hopefully we can now move forward smoothly.

Since last week our Senior Men's AHG team has scored another victory and currently sit near the top of the ladder. Their win against Suburbans proved sweet for our players who lost twice to this group last year. Give we were without our Australian players and Subs had one of the Australian Goalies playing it was an excellent performance.

Our Senior Women fought back diligently to claw a draw with Peel Hockey. Running into a very strong sea breeze seemed to make things difficult for our players. Hopefully next week will put them back into the winner's circle.

Thursday evening remains our major Club training night. We have therefore arranged to have meals provided. Hopefully families will start to remain behind, have a meal and watch our talented senior teams train.

The State Senior Men's Team the *Smokefree Thundersticks* final squad was named last week and two of our players were selected within this illustrious group. These two players, goalkeeper Tristan Clemons and striker Jordan Hunt have done particularly well in gaining selection. Tristan was part of the Gold Medal winning 2009 team while Jordan is our first home grown player to make it into the Thundersticks. I wish both players outstanding success in this years Australian Hockey League campaign. Unfortunately there are no home games for the Thundersticks as they travel to Adelaide, Melbourne and Brisbane throughout the remainder of the season. I am lucky to be able to travel with the team as Manager and look forward to the whole team again doing well.

I should mention that Jordan Hunt was also selected in the State Under 21s team for 2010. A great double.

Also doing well with recent state selections in the Men's Under 18s were Patrick Lawther, Nick Tate and Kyle McNess. A brilliant achievement boys, well done.

Monique Sader (Girls 7/8 A) and representing Santa Maria College has been selected in the Schools Sport WA squad to travel to the Gold Coast from 7th to 13th August 2010. Congratulations Monique.

We continue to grow as a club both on and off the field, so remember to assist when and where you can when the opportunity arises.

Until next week,
Regards, Hans