



Saturday 7th July 2012

President's Pen

I would like to congratulate our juniors on making state schoolboys & school girls teams.

U16 boys - Bryn de Bes, Jayden Lawrence, Frank Reynolds (train on), Joshua Antoncich (train on).

U16 girls - Janelle Miller, Grace Bowyer, Ashleigh McNess.

U12 boys - Dylan Forbes, Kyle Potter (train on).

U12 girls - Abigail Bell, Molly Hagen.

The club & parents are very proud of your achievement & good luck in your state competitions. The forgotten vets that have made state selections of which we have many but I do not have all the names, congratulations and enjoy Hobart. We also have a few woman vets selected in state, one I know of is Sue Clarke (did not want to get out done by daughters Aimee & Briony). Not bad for a family affair, dad must be very proud, good luck in Melbourne. I will try and get all the vets names as they are never recognised.

Talk about sportsmanship, our 1s girls played Lakers on Saturday. With an injury to their goalie, our manager, physio & team members went to her support, looked after her till she could be taken to hospital (knee injury) & then offered a replacement goalie in Tearne so they could finish the game. Melville won convincingly, but in an important grade to us it just shows that we can be hard & soft at the same time. I would not like to see it in the latter part of the season, just send flowers! Now is the time to get tough and achieve our goals.

A few thank you notes to the following :

Tony Illman donated water that has lasted half a season, T/you.

Simone Brockman in selling the last of our tickets for the raffle, you either bought one or else (love your work).

Claire Timmell in taking charge at the very well behaved Olympic bash on Saturday, fun was had by all, and Claire & her crew cleaned up beautifully saving me a lot of work.

Congratulations to Greg Hunt on his 400th game another great achievement.

The MBAs are coming, so watch out MOFTA, watch this space.

In finishing our 1s men took it up to UNI in a fantastic game to watch, 2 all with a minute to go, short corner awarded to UNI and unfortunately they scored after the siren. I think we are on the brink of success as the boys are coming home stronger than ever, it will turn around if the effort is constant. Well done guys.

Steve McEntee
President

PREMIER LEAGUE

Mens Melville Toyota League vs UWA

No report

Mens Premier 2 vs UWA

No report

Mens Premier Alliance vs OGMHC (Won 8 - 0)

Goals: A. Ricciardone (4), C. Orr, C. Ellis, D. McEntee

After some early jitters, requiring some effort from Jordy, Melville settled and dominated the game, playing the game out with the bare 11 due to Cam not ducking in time. 2 games as stand-in Manager - 2 wins.

Coincidence?

Ladies Willow Bridge League vs Joondalup (Won 7 - 2)

Best: C. Carter, A. Clark, M. Silvey

Goals: A. Clark (2), A. McNess (2), S. Tweddle, M. Vince, C. Carter

Firstly, special thanks must go to Maddie Dawe today for her professionalism in providing assistance to the Joondalup GK who appeared to have suffered a serious knee injury. Good job "Mad Dog". Also thanks to Tearne Latham for supplying her goalie gear to the opposition to allow our game to continue. Back to the hockey, we did manage to secure a 7-2 win with some cracking goals, line breaking runs and blood shed tackles. Farewell Marion, let us know when you're back in Perth.

"It isn't hard to be good from time to time in sports. What's tough is being good every day". Willie Mays

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Ladies Promotion 2 vs Southern River (Drew 2 - 2)

Best: D. Dravnieks, S. Clark, G. Glaskin

Goals: L. Watson, M. Vince

The good passages of play were interspersed with too many lapses during this game. Lets remember our season's goals and and put more determination and urgency into our game. Thanks to Marion and Stacey.

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE

Mens Provisional 1 vs Wolves

No report

Ladies Provisional 1 vs Mods (Lost 0 - 1)

Best: R. Harries, J. Greenacre, A. Hall

Dammit! An excellent game to watch from the sidelines - both sides throwing everything at it to score a goal. Our defence was rock solid today except for the one time when we got trapped out of position with 2 loose forwards running away with the ball. We need to aim for a perfect defence next week (no goals). Injuries did not help our case either. We had some opportunities to score but unfortunately could not get the little white thing in the big rectangle. Thanks to Monique and Amy for filling in. Here's to full strength side next week.

Ladies Provisional 2 Gold vs Rockngham)

No report

Mens Provisional 3 Gold vs YMCC (Drew 1 - 1)

Best: C. Criddle, W. Beddoes, A. Lynch

Goals: C. Criddle

Once again we started solid only to fade away over the first half, this isn't good enough against the top team and we found ourselves one down at half time. Unbelievably, AJ's halftime talk may have actually worked for once because we came back out and played one of the best halves of the season. After watching the first goal go past his stick in defence, The Criddler stepped up and put one in the same spot for us. Top team effort forcing the opposition to play the game on our terms.

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Ladies Provisional 4 vs Rockingham (Lost 0 - 4)

Best: J. McDonough, L. Walkemeyer, W. Joyce

A tough game this week that I believe we could have taken with a bit more aggression. Our system works well when we put all of the elements into play but when we leave one out (like not using the width of the field) it creates hassles that don't help our success. Cut lunch and a water bag next week for the trek to Joondabloodyup - let's make it worth the drive by getting a positive result!

METROPOLITAN LEAGUE

Mens Metro 1 vs WASPS (Won 4 - 2)

Best: B. Hancock, A. Halliday, B. Joss

Goals: A. Halliday (2), M. Read, B. Joss

A battle of attrition with both sides struggling to field 11 fit players by the end. A very good win given our usual start of conceding 2 goals in the first 10 mins.

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Ladies Metro 1 vs Fremantle (Won 5 - 0)

Best: M. Glover, D. Constable, J. Coad

Goals: M. Glover (2), J. Coad, A. Melia, T. Rayfield

A much better result this round against Fremantle with a 5-0 win. Melville were able to convert early with a lovely goal by Anna. This boosted our confidence and were able to score 2 more by half time. Mhairi was our top goal scorer with 2 goals and our best player for the day, well done Mhairi. Thanks to Frank Reynolds for umpiring at a moments notice.

Mens Metro 2 Gold vs Vic Park

No report

Mens Metro 3 Gold - BYE

VETERANS

Mens Masters Midweek vs CT Pirates (Won 3 - 1)

Best: M. Starling, M. Lyons, D. Hoad

Goals: D. Hoad, A. Starling, M. Starling

Very scrappy game, though occasionally interspersed with the odd flash of brilliance (til it got anywhere near Crowey, and then any resemblance of skill was sucked into Crowey's black hole of incompetence to never been seen again). Still, a win is a win...

Ladies Masters 2 vs Rockingham (Lost 2 - 3)

Best: A. Hall, L. O'Sullivan, V. Carmody

Goals: F. Mason, A. Wheatley

What a bummer. The first half was ours but we could not capitalise on all those shots. We fell away in the second half and let them have 2 more. Well done Frankie and Ali Wheatley for 2 great goals. Good work girls we just have to play two full halves.

Ladies Masters 3 Gold - BYE

No report

Mens Masters 40-1 vs Southern River (Won 2 - 0)

Best: A. Scanlon, J. Cooke, A. Etelaaho/S. Willett

Considering that we played the first 10-15 minutes with only 7 players and a Crowley, and only got 2 more players for the game, this was an outstanding result. Awesome team effort to prevent a 16-man opposition and the ever incompetent Crowley from affecting the scoreboard.

Mens Masters 40-2 vs CT Pirates (Won 2 - 0)

Goals: D. Ross, D. Wilson

The Win we always knew was coming finally arrived. A hard game against a strong Pirates team and a great result. Everyone worked hard this week to get the win, and great composure in the second half held off a determined Pirates attack.

Mens Masters 40-4 vs Rockingham (Lost 1 - 2)

Best: S. Walker, G. Singh, I. Munns

A game we should have won as we dominated the play most of the game. One all at half time and to their credit Rockingham finished strongly and made the most of their opportunities. Thanks to the players who filled in (Thanks Dave GK) for our injured and absent players. Great effort from the backs and half backs Cameron-Paul-Ian-Scott-Carlos who kept the play pressing forward. Shane pinged the goalie a few times but was unable to convert. David, Freo and Gurmeet worked hard all game but couldn't change the result.

Mens Masters 50-1 vs OGMHC (Won 8 - 0)

Best: P. Dawkins, C. Howell, P. Meacock

Goals: C. Howell (3), P. Dawkins (2), K. Harper, B. Robinson, P. Matthews

An 8-0 win was what we wanted given the scoreline the last time we played OGMHC. Our defence was solid again. Whip left it until very late in the game to upset and turn upside down the man with the grey hair and glasses who had been badgering his cousin! And to claim the free hit was a bonus! Some cracking goals - none better than Patricks one timer from the top of the circle at full stride! A great game finished off with a cake beautifully crafted by Wayne and Tash for Egg's 400th.



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Mens Masters 50-2 vs Whitfords (Won 1 - 0)

Best: G. Widdicombe, R. Knyn, A. Marshall

Goals: G. Coleman

A great win in a very close encounter. Well done chaps.

Mens Masters 50-3 vs Willeton Red (Won 3 - 2)

Best: L. Welten, F. Williams, R. Preedy

Goals: L. Welten (2), S. McEntee

Well what a first half good control by the opposition and lack of control by Melville. All was not lost we came back in the second half with good hockey, wide passing and attacking play allowed to proceed by great back work and half back work with a thinking effort input from our players who have not played hockey all their life or just returned to the sport. Well done this week to the forward line. Scoring counts and all performed and it takes a team to get it there. Keep this in mind because at finals it will take every player to be on their best to take it out again. I believe if this occurs we may be the most winningness team at MCHC.

Mens Masters 60 vs Whitfords (Lost 0 - 2)

Best: J. Smith, P. Hall, T. Parker

Although we lost to the second team on the ladder the team was reasonably satisfied with their effort as we pushed them all the way and with a bit of luck could have scored a few goals. In the first round they beat us by 5 goals so I guess this score line was big improvement. At times we played very good hockey but need to improve our passing effectiveness. In our age group playing out wide is a good system. Thanks to Roger Bell who came on as goalie as Geoff was not well.

JUNIORS

Boys 11/12 Pool 1b vs CT Pirates (Lost 0 - 3) 2012-06-22

Best: J. Coleman, J. Wakefield, J. Boocking

A bit of a disappointing result for us, considering how well we played for 60 minutes against uwa last week. The thing that let us down the most was not being able to release from defense early enough. Curtin were able to set up a good structure and make it very hard for us to outlet, resulting in a lot of turnovers for them. Our passing was a bit off the mark as well but I know we can pick that up next week as well.

Boys 11/12 Pool 1b vs Victoria Park (Won 8 - 4) 2012-06-29

Best: J. Lawrence, F. Hay, C. Hunt

Goals: J. Lawrence (3), R. Vickery (3), S. Gibbins, F. Hay

It was a bit of a goal fest tonight which is good and bad. It was great work from the boys to put in 8 goals, we kept real pressure on their defence and made the most of quite a few of our opportunities. But we also let in 4 after a few defensive lapses. In the 2nd half the boys used a lot of great ball movement to split apart the vic park defense. We still need to move the ball wide and stop running it through the middle when we come up against stronger teams over the rest of the season, but great win boys!

Girls 11/12 Pool 1a

Best: The whole team!

Goals: A. Fullarton, R. Clay, G. Wade

Well played by the whole team!

Boys 11/12 Pool 2a Maroon vs Westside Wolves (Lost 1 - 7)

Best: C. Evans, B. Joseph, S. Mansfield

Thanks to Tom and Cameron for foregoing there 9/10 A Res game, Tom and Hamish for doubling up from their 9/10 C game and Jonathan Cornwall for making the dash from Melville following his 9/10 A Res game and helping us field a team. Not as one sided as the score line suggests. The opposition had 3 subs and were obviously all 11/12 players. Shame there won't be a rematch.

Boys 11/12 Pool 2a White vs ECU Rangers (Lost 1 - 5)

Best: A. Toogood, R. Ayris, S. Elston

No report

Girls 11/12 Pool 2 vs Fremantle (Lost 1 - 4)

Best: S. Matthews/C. McCartney, A. Gleave/E. Wilson, E. Chong/S.

Gerrard/P. Greenwood

Goals: P. Greenwood

This game played did not reflect the score board at all. We had a lot of opportunities and just couldn't convert. We played very well as a team tonight with lots of passing and moving of the ball. We just need to pass a little sooner and not hold on to the ball for so long. The best players were very close which says it all. Well Done.

Boys 9/10A vs Vic Park

No report

Girls 9/10A vs N C Raiders (Won 5 - 1)

Best: M. Sader, C. Fullarton, B. Anderson/L. Lefroy

Goals: R. Harrup (2), L. Lefroy, M. Miller, I. Nelson

The girls had a great game, taking control of the pace and distribution of game play. There was a lot of great defensive work. In the forward line, our girls seemed to hold the ball until just the right moment for a gap to appear and then slip the ball through, creating some dangerous breakaways.

Boys 9/10A Reserve

Best: G. Bloem, J. Templeman, M. Love

WASPs were a very good side. Our Melville Boys played a very good second half and matched them for midfield play, however again did not finish off with any goals. The boys are improving and some goals are not far away.

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Girls 9/10A Reserve vs Whitford (Lost 1 - 3)

Best: H. Robson, E. Girling, S. Somerville

Goals: A. Marler

The girls suffered an unfortunate loss today going down 3 - 1 to a determined Whitford team. We had most of the play down our end but just couldn't seem to convert into goals. We all worked hard with Amy and Eliza calling defensive plays and continually kept everyone talking. Thanks to our stand-ins for their fantastic contributions. We all thank Andre for coaching and wish Kirra a speedy recovery with her wrist.

Girls 9/10B Gold vs Hale

No report

Boys 9/10C vs Hale (Lost 0 - 8)

Best: H. Ollier, S. Reynolds, L. Pratt

This was fast game against Hale. The result, a loss to Hale 8-0, did not reflect the actual game. Once again the second half was much stronger, with most goals scored by the opposition in the first half. Play was in our D a lot of the time and the game seemed evenly matched. Our attack seems to tail off at the crucial point of scoring the goal. Keep up the fantastic effort guys and we will get there!

Boys 7/8A vs Lions (Drew 4 - 4)

Best: A. Rayfield, T. Ziegelaar, W. Reynolds/J. Floyd

Goals: A. Rayfield (2), N. Page, T. Ziegelaar

An entertaining game but a disappointing result which came about because of a lapse in concentration straight after we took the lead. Any game in which you score 4 should be a victory, and this game showed how good we are going forward, but how frail we can be in the back. A draw maybe a fair result but consider this game as 2 points dropped.

Let's keep on working to get that win and start climbing the ladder.

Girls 7/8A vs Lions (Lost 0 - 3)

Best: Hagen, Gebauer, Brits

This was a disappointing result because the two teams are similar. We tried hard this week but looked slow because we didn't commit early and then would caught half way between marking and tackling. We had some good build ups but then stood off too often in the circle to convert the pressure into goals. Tori worked hard at inner and Molly showed great strength on the ball. A tough day at the office so enjoy the upcoming break.

Girls 7/8A Reserve vs Lions (Lost 0 - 3)

Best: A. Ross, E. Hardbottle, G. Clavey

This team has been plagued with injuries and illness lately so the help from the 5/6A girls team has been very much appreciated! Despite all the changes to the team lineup the girls played well as a team especially during the first half. There were quite a few good runs down the right half and penetration into the attacking circle. Well done to all the players, especially those who played in a new position.

Boys 7/8B Gold Maroon vs AW Reds (Won 1 - 0)

Best: S. Hird, C. Deaville, E. Tang

Goals: S. Hird

Both teams were very evenly matched and the draw we all thought was coming would have been a fitting end. But with only 12 seconds left on the clock, you managed to work together and help Sean smack in that fabulous goal. Fantastic team effort! You worked well together today. Keep your skills up over the holidays, practise when you can and we can come back fighting fit. Enjoy your break.

Boys 7/8B Gold White vs Rockingham Redbacks (Lost 0 - 2)

Best: P. Giumelli, C. Surtees, M. Love

Disappointing day. We had lots of chances - like last week, and we couldn't convert. Sadly, they went down and scored. That's hockey.

Time for a break and then a strong finish.

Girls 7/8B Gold vs OGMHC (Lost 1 - 4)

We were up against a challenge with this week's game. To our team's credit the girls concentrated on their passing, tackling and skills. This showed in an overall good result and the confidence that a goal can be scored against a team as strong as what they encountered.

As long as they can keep improving as they have over the last 2 weeks then results will start to flow.

Boys 7/8C Black vs Hale (Lost 0 - 3)

Best: S. Skepper, R. Stewart, A. Dorrington

Another consistent performance from everyone. Notable efforts were: Sam kept running the whole game and made some important saves; Ross was able to run the ball up the left side effectively; Alec's running back in defence and saves in the D. Nathaniel had another great game in goals and Jarvys playing high at centre forward gave us a target up front.

We had opportunities to score today - we need to see if we can make the most of them.

Girls 7/8C vs Joondoolup (Drew 1 - 1):

Fabulous effort girls. You were evenly matched and all played to the best of your abilities. You all bunched up a bit in the first half but after half time listening to your coach spread out and made some great passes resulting in us getting a goal to make us draw.

Boys 5/6A vs UWA (Lost 1 - 2)

Best: M. Harvey, T. Harvey, J. Scanlon

Goals: T. Harvey

A well fought game this week with many players stepping up that little bit to contribute. The result could have easily gone either way. Thanks to Lachlann for helping us out this week. Enjoy your holidays and make sure you pick up your hockey stick during the break to keep your touch there.

Girls 5/6A vs Westside Wolves (Lost 0 - 3)

Best: G. English, B. Miller, E. Rayfield

With only one sub, and a few of the team coming down with the flu, we knew this week would be a hard game. Grace and Eilidh really stepped up the plate this week to provide some impressive defensive work when everyone really just couldnt connect as a team. Our game play as a whole really improved after half time, but the forwards just couldnt convert in the D. Girls, enjoy the break, because we have lost of work to do when you get back.

Boys 5/6A Reserve - BYE

Boys 5/6B Gold vs Kalamunda (Drew 1 - 1)

Best: O. Spear, H. Watkins, C. Brown

Goals: H. Watkins

There is a nasty bug going around, this week we started the game with just 9 players!! As expected with this team, the boys put in maximum effort and displyed excellent tackling and passing skills. After conceding a goal, just like last week they fought back hard and got a quick equaliser. In the second half the boys were unfortunate not to score, with a great shot from Jacob hitting the post. Many, many thanks to Zach McKinnon who at late notice did an excellent job in goal for the second half. Much appreciated. Let's hope we can manage a full team next game.

Girls 5/6B Gold Maroon vs Wolves Red (Lost 0 - 1)

Best: P. McWhae, Z. Polglase, S. Brown

This team is really coming together and showing some good team spirit. Today we saw some of our quieter players step up and put their mark on the game (such as Chloe, Reen and Ailsa). Special mention to our goalie of the day (and best player) Phoebe, who did an awesome job against some strong Wolves attack.

Girls 5/6B Gold White vs AW Reds (Lost 0 - 2)

Best: C. Hobbs, E. Rolls, K. O'Sullivan

The girls had a great game despite the 2-0 loss. The score didn't totally reflect the result. Our forwards got a lot of play but just couldn't convert. Our goalie and backs did a fantastic job keeping out heaps of attempts from short corners. Well done girls to a well fought game against the second top team.

Boys 5/6 Regional Gold Maroon vs Lions (Won 2 - 1)

Best: Sean , Keifer , Aden & Liam

Goals: A. Lukan, L. Betham

What a fantastic performance against a very good Lions side. The game went right down to the wire, the winning goal was scored with only seconds left on the clock. The drills worked on at training finally paid dividend! Keifer played his best game of the season, perhaps he should have a birthday every week. Along with Liam they showed the value of good positioning, scoring one goal, and having a couple of near misses. Cameron and Sean were again rock solid in defence, providing great support for James who is developing into a very good goalie. Jay, Chris and Ben are combining well to form a very strong half back line. Ryan and Aden just don't stop running and terrorising the opposition defence. Congratulations to Aden and Liam who both scored their first goals for the Melville Hockey Club

Boys 5/6 Regional Gold White vs Wolves Red (Lost 0 - 2)

Best: C. Soraine, N. Bontempo, H. Rayment

Another great game by the boys with many scoring opportunities. Unfortunately the other team had even more because we had trouble getting the ball out of defence. Even with some late withdraws we still managed to match the intensity set by one of the best teams in the comp. Keep up the good work.

Girls 5/6 Regional Gold vs Wolves Red (Lost 0 - 2)

Best: S. King, A. Mishra, A. Ziade

We had a couple of chances to score but just couldn't finish off. Keep working hard girls. Thanks Kylie for umpiring.

Top Squad Matches:

Sunday July 15 at Perth Hockey Stadium

- 12:30 - Melville Toyota League Men vs OGMHC
- 14:00 - Mens Premier 2 vs OGMHC

Saturday July 21 at Duracraft Stadium

- 16:00 - Mens Premier Alliance vs Vic Park
- 17:30 - Melville Toyota League Men vs Vic Park
- 19:00 - Mens Premier 2 vs Vic Park

Sunday July 22 at Lemnos Turf

- 14:30 - Willow Bridge League vs Subs
- 17:30 - Womens Promotion 2 vs Subs

Saturday July 28 at Narrogin

- 15:00 - Melville Toyota League Men vs CT Pirates
- 16:30 - Mens Premier 2 vs CT Pirates