



Saturday 11th May 2013

PREMIER LEAGUE

Mens Premier Alliance vs Vic Park

No report

Ladies Promotion 1 - BYE

PROVISIONAL LEAGUE

Ladies Provisional 1 vs Pirates (Drew 1 - 1)

Best: G. Glaskin, M. Leighton, O. Ketelsen

Goals: B. Neil

Most people would prefer to be at a fine restaurant or the local pub at 7pm on Saturday night but the girls were ready to play and fought out a very tough game right to the end. The ball hit more posts than the inside of the goal with a couple from us and one from Pirates and with a 1 - 1 scoreline it probably showed how even the game was. A cracking goal from Bec brought the huge crowd to its feet. Sue Clark would have loved to have been on the park but probably should have been in bed. Hope you get better quick! Thanks to Maddie and Sharni for helping out on the night. We will miss Olli and wish her well on her travels and a huge hole will need to be filled. It was great to see some of the things we do at training being used and working. Keep up the desire and the endeavour and it will all come together.

Ladies Provisional 2 (Gold) - BYE

Mens Provisional 3 (Gold) vs Canning

No report

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Mens Provisional 4 vs Dale (Won 2 - 1)

Best: A. Lynch, T. McEntee, M. Willis

Goals: M. Willis (2)

We are still playing grass hockey but we scraped a win together. Once we got the 1-2 passes down we looked a lot better.

In other news, we are still undefeated on our home turf, booyah!

Ladies Provisional 4 vs Subs/Lions

No report

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METRO LEAGUE

Mens Metropolitan 1 vs Westside Wolves (Lost 2 - 3)

Best: S. Willis, J. Pickering, D. Pickering

Goals: J. Pickering, A. Halliday

Encouraging result against the undefeated Wolves. Highlights: Scotty getting angry and Timber testing the new Own Goal rule....yep it counts!

Ladies Metropolitan 1 vs Whifords (Won 6 - 0)

Best: G. Forbes, L. Brearley, C. Coleman/S. Brockman

Goals: G. Forbes (3), C. Coleman, S. Brockman

When we arrived at the ground the opposition were training, and our girls were a little over awed by this, but we came away with a good win, with Gillian scoring 3 goals, Simone, Sue & Jo each scoring 1 apiece. Well done girls. Corelle had lots of tries and a few close deflections but was unable to get it in the net. Keep trying Corelle, it has to happen. It seems to take us about the first 10 minutes to settle down and play our positions properly but once we do that and start playing as a team, we look good and we get the results. We need to trust each other and start passing the ball around a little more. We missed a lot of opportunities by holding the ball too long. Something we need to work on. However, 6 goals, we are pretty happy.

VETERANS

Ladies O35 Division 2 vs Modernians (Won 3 - 0)

Best: G. Forbes, L. Anderson/D. Goundrey/K. Mishra

Goals: L. Anderson, D. Goundrey, T. Rayfield

A hard fought victory on what looked like it was going to be a very wet night indeed. Every member of the team pulled their weight in this match. Some wonderful passing work up front between Gillian and Dehlia resulted in a very crisp opening goal. Not to be outdone the defence was solid in the second half keeping a clean sheet while under relentless pressure. I'm sure Deb has quite a few bruises to the legs as a result of her bravery on running out on the short corners. One was even used to reverse an umpire's decision!!! Well done girls a great match to be part of and to watch.

Mens O40 Midweek vs Rockingham (Drew 1 - 1)

Best: A. Scanlon, M. Watson, J. Cooke/D. Wilson

Goals: A. Scanlon

Not our best effort.

Mens O40 Division 1 vs Vic Park (Won 3 - 2)

Best: A. Scanlon, B. Hancock, A. Etelaaho/S. Willett

Goals: B. Potter, G. Templeman, D. Wilson

An ugly game, against a very undermanned Vic Park, and we should have done better. Still, was a good sign to have the goals spread across a number of players, and we never gave up - however, we'll need to be more focused against better sides. Still, 3 points, is 3 points.

Mens O40 Division 2 vs Kalamunda

No report

Mens O40 Division 4 vs Blades (Lost 2 - 4)

Best: I. Munns, P. Paino, B. Gibbins

Goals: M. Berkovic, B. Kennington

Well fought game but couldn't seem to get ahead of the blades on their home turf. Always a goal behind they then got a couple of late goals just when it seemed we were able to even the score. Great game from the backs and Brett in goals. Well timed goals up front from Bryan and Mark.

Mens O50 Division 1 vs NC Raiders (Drew 3 - 3) 2013-04-20

Best: P. Meacock, A. Reynolds, R. Thorn

Goals: P. Meacock (2), R. Thorn

Long grass aside, we had no excuse for not winning this weekends game against Raiders. They came with their evenly strong team once again but we missed quite a few opportunities to put them away as we have in the past. 3 all at the end was all we could manage. It was great once again to have the 'support' from our spectators. When on the field it all sounds positive and encouraging however from closer range you realise they are 'ribbing' us, not the opposition. With a few away this coming week, we will be looking to other teams for subs or maybe even our spectators, most of whom should be very capable of playing given the advice they offer from the sidelines.

Mens O50 Division 1 vs Fremantle (Won 10 - 0) 2013-04-27

Best: G. Hunt, P. Meacock, A. Reynolds

Goals: K. Wilson (4), K. Harper (2), S. Silvey, P. Meacock, A. Reynolds, G. Coleman

Fremantle has been hit and miss over the years we have played them but this time they were really missing. With only 10 players, they found it difficult to cover the spaces that we effectively created. With 'newbie' Ken claiming a hatrick of goals and a hatrick of misses as well we could have had a much bigger score line than 10 nil. Ken wasnt the only one to miss opportunities and I guess it was promising we had so many chances. The midfield for the most part played smart using the short, obvious ball to advantage and with Steve Silvey roaming free most of the game he proved very damaging going forward. Whip migrated from fullback thru centre half to full forward by the end of the game which is a good sign to him being fit for September. Next week will be a different story as we come across one of the strong teams of the comp. Fortunately the travellers should all be back.

Mens O50 Division 1 vs Victoria Park (Lost 2 - 4) 2013-05-04

Best: P. Meacock, P. Dawkins/S. Silvey/W. Hudson, G. Ross/G. Hunt

Goals: G. Hunt, P. Meacock

We played a generally high quality game against grade leaders Vic Park which ended in a 4-2 loss to us. However we are still learning our best structure and at times we played world beating hockey. Our bodies generally held out and if Whips new pedometer is anything to go by we did a combined 'mileage' of over 50 kms during the game. Maybe Whip ran further than some though. Our short game works well and we need to continue to play this style and the kilometres will become less and easier. Glad to see the holiday makers back - all we need now is the injured and we will continue to make life misery for our opposition

Mens O50 Division 2 vs Kalamunda (Drew 1 - 1)

Best: G. Coleman, R. Knyn, R. Nottage

Goals: G. Coleman

A good hard contest with a fair outcome. Sadly Lindsay Borthwick's last game - retiring to the couch.

Mens O50 Division 3 vs Blades

No report

Mens O60 Division vs YMCC (Won 1 - 0)

Best: T. Parker, J. Smith, K. McGuire/G. Riley

Goals: K. Platel

Great to win a close game against a good team, boasting a strong defence and some good run up forward. We controlled the play for long periods, especially in the first half, and took the lead early through well constructed team play, finished off by Terry and Keith. But had to battle it out from then on, and struggled to maintain control through the final stages of the game, when fatigue and frustration started to show. In the end, good to hear that final whistle, bank the 3 points, and look forward to our next game.



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JUNIORS

Boys 11/12A vs Wolves (Won 7 - 0)

Best: Matt Tate, ,

Goals: M. Tate (5), J. Coleman, C. Joynes

Round 1 is always tough and even tougher when coming up against a strong Wolves team on their home turf. But the boys took it to Wolves right from the start. Josh and I were very happy with the way the boys moved the ball with purpose and then re leading which created many chances. Special mention to Matt Tate who scored 5 goals. Well done boys, lets keep this going and take this style and attitude into every game.

Girls 11/12A vs Westside Wolves (Won 6 - 1)

Best: A Clark, A Watson, A Mc Ness

Goals: E. Wilson (2), G. Bowyer, R. Harrup, A. Watson

Great hit out against the Wolves to start off the season with all of the girls putting in a great effort and making it difficult to select the best players. Although dominating most of the match the Wolves scored first by making a quick dash through the Melville defence at the 10 minute mark. Melville responded with a quick couple of goals including a great passage of play starting with a long forward pass by Aimee which was picked up by Elyse who wacked it into the D where it was finally pocketed by Alison. It was all happening, with Wolves scoring an own goal and Monique being benched for 2 minutes. We just need to do a bit more work to capitalise on our short corners as we had five in this game for no result.

Boys 9/10A vs West side Wolves (Lost 0 - 2)

Best: Jonathon Rayfield, Alex Rayfield, Sean Hird, Conor Thompson

We all know that Lachy is a fantastic runner and we saw him at his finest today. He ran a half marathon JUST on defensive penalty corners. Yes, Wolves were on top, but our defence held them out for over 50 minutes. All hail Jono in goals - he was superb with both hand and feet. We weren't pretty, but we stuck at it. We will learn how to move the ball around the back and have the confidence to do so. We showed our attacking strengths in the last 10 mites with Callum in particular, dancing through the Wolves defence. We've lots to work on. Good to see Jono, Jamie and Conor watching our mens 1s - it's a great place to see how it's done.

Girls 9/10A vs Wolves (Won 3 - 1)

Best: T. Wade, M. Miller, H. Robson

Goals: H. Robson, T. Power, M. Sader

We got off to a slow start with lots of slips, miss traps and miss tackles. Being our first game, putting together what we have learnt in just a short time. I was excited to see lots of enthusiastic girls being patient trying out lots of different skills. These girls are slowly learning the systems that our 1's ladies have to use. Today lots of girls worked hard and put in the extra yard to play different positions. Well done girls, it was a great effort. Dummy Spit Award this week goes to Don Miller.

Boys 9/10A Res vs Westside Wolves (Lost 0 - 5)

Best: M. Dixon, J. Howells

Our boys put in a solid effort for their first game together. In the first half, our opponents Westside Wolves commenced a bit better and had most of the attacking. Our defence held up well but we let 2 goals through before half time. We commenced the second half a lot better and provided a fair amount of attacking; however we were not able to finish off. Wolves were well drilled in deflection goals and defence against this will be our priority at training. An attentiveness to tighter marking in deep defence and communication from the goalie is necessary.

Inside forwards and flank halves were tight in their roles and combined well to present an even midfield contest. Movement of the ball through the centre half position was promising and a attention to redistribution of the ball to simple and obvious forward leads will result in greater pressure on opposition defences.

The 5-0 score line was not representative of this game and remember, it's early in the season and this is a good, well rounded hockey team.

Girls 9/10A Res vs Westside Wolves (Lost 0 - 8) 2013-05-05

Best: Team Effort, Team Effort, Team Effort

Melville had a slow start to the game and soon found them a goal down. The girls fought their way back into the game. The forwards put together great moves both on the right and pressed forward. They were rewarded a number of short corners but unfortunately, could not convert. The forwards continued to combine well with good work from the half- backs. Another goal against the run of play and Melville saw themselves down 2-0 at half time.

Again a slow start after the break saw a goal against them seconds after resumption. But they continued to fight and had a number of chances to score. However the opposition continued to mount pressure and with superior finishing kept adding to the score board. Some excellent defence and saves by the goalkeeper were not enough to save the day with the final score line blowing out to 8-0.

Though there was great individual work by all the girls, more teamwork will be needed as the season gets underway. Overall an encouraging start to the season!

Boys 9/10C vs Joondalup Lakers (Won 4 - 3)

Best: B. Belke, R. Breuer

Goals: R. Breuer (2), M. Hayward, M. Widger

Our team kicked off the season with a come from behind win against Joondalup. Most of us haven't won for a long time so there was lots of excitement from players and parents! With only 10 players it was a great overall team effort with everyone contributing and playing with commitment. A special mention to our goalie Joel and Will for stepping up from 7/8's for the game.

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Boys 7/8A vs Westside Wolves (Lost 1 - 10)

Best: R. Bright, M. Tate, M. Scally

Goals: R. Bright

Unfortunately we didn't exactly kick off the season in the way that we had planned to. Wolves, although probably a level above us skill wise, were also a level above us in their desire to want the ball, and dominated the 50/50s all day long which is the most disappointing thing. This is what can happen when you let a good team win the ball and fail to apply pressure when pressure is needed. Too many spectators, too many passengers resulted in too many goals. Hopefully this defeat serves to act as a good old kick up the backside as well as giving us a platform to work on our structural play, both in attack and defense.

Girls 7/8A vs Westside Wolves (Lost 1 - 2)

The game got off to a slow start for the Melville girls and they finished the first half 2-0 down. An inspiring team talk at half time got them fired up for part two and they came out with grit and determination and a desire to win. Unfortunately they only managed to score one goal but hopefully it will be the first of many for the season. Well done Luka on scoring and thanks to Chloe and Nesa who helped out as we were down to 11 players.

Boys 7/8A Res vs Wolves

Best: S. Curran, D. Gregory, J. Lukan

Westside Wolves are fast turning into our bogey side – same game last year a similar result! But that did not stop us from improving, and improve we did.

If you never fail, you never learn. If you never learn, you never progress. It is difficult to move forward with your hockey if you do not know both what does and does not work. So today was all about taking risks with the tackle, repeat efforts and making mistakes to help you acquire the information to progress.

We all have to make a few errors here and there to learn how to do things better. If you allow yourself to make mistakes, take more risks and chances with your hockey whilst you are learning the game you'll be giving yourself the opportunity to grow, learn, and be better.



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Girls 7/8A Res vs Riverside Lions (Lost 0 - 2)

Best: L. Mellor, A. Ross, K. O'Sullivan

The girls played a great game of hockey for their first match. They were overwhelmed in the first half but to their credit they came out stronger in the second half. The passing of the ball was brilliant and the team work was great to watch. The girls need to be a bit more aggressive especially in the circle and keep playing until the whistle blows.

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

Best: E. Blechynden, O. Spear, A. Wright

Goals: A. Wright

A good start to the season! The boys played well and at times really gave the spectators a flash of what will come in the season ahead. The score did not reflect how well the boys played. A brilliant effort from Eligh as Goalie this week who had to face down some fierce shots on goal. Oliver was strong throughout and Anthony who was playing his first game scored our goal. All in all the team as a whole did a great job. Thanks also to Graeme Coleman for standing in for Coach!!

Boys 7/8B (White) vs Westside Wolves (Lost 0 - 12)

Best: L. Kent, J. Walkemeyer, J. Lawrence

The first game of the season can often be tough and the boys had a tough game today. I was really pleased with how well they started as they were able to penetrate the forward 25 many times. Thanks boys for sticking at it. We should learn from this experience and each team member needs to think about what they could work individually on for the next game.

Girls 7/8B (Gold) (Maroon) vs WASPS (Drew 0 - 0)

Best: S. Brown, C. Hobbs, N. Konagai

The girls played well for their 1st game of the year.

Girls 7/8B (Gold) (White) vs AW Reds (Won 6 - 2)

Best: E. Quattrini, E. Rolls, I. Piggford

Goals: E. Quattrini (2), E. Rolls (2), M. Broinelli, P. McWhae

Melville White played a great first game for the season, taking out the match 6/2. The girls displayed great passing, attacking and defending skills. All in all, a strong start for the year.