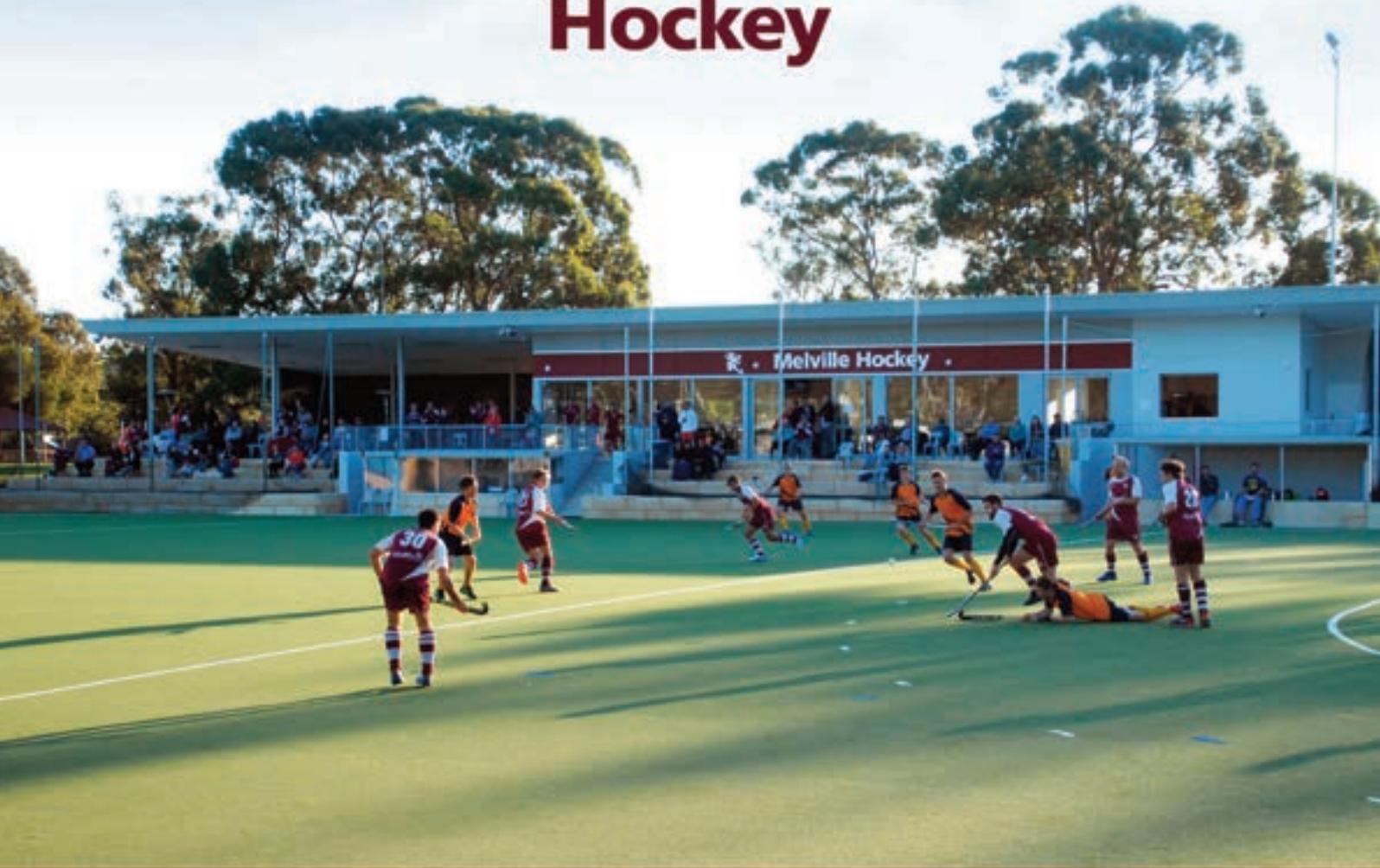
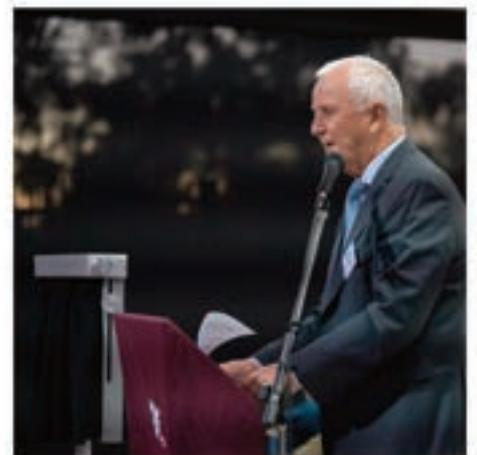




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.... a year like no other

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MCHC LIFE MEMBERS HONOUR BOARD

Melville City Hockey Club Inc. Life Members

Vic Dalton (Dec'd)	1959	Maris Margetts	1996
David Spitteler	1969	Keith Jackaman	1997
Peter Noad (Dec'd)	1971	Kingsley McGuire	2000
Ross Halliday (Dec'd)	1972	Rob Walker	2001
Brian Spitteler	1975	Merv Bennetts	2002
Max Currell	1978	Colin West	2002
Walter Meacock	1979	Jean Rate (Dec'd)	2002
Keith Timmel	1980	Betty Bennetts (Dec'd)	2002
William (Bill) Forward	1982	Keith Harper	2003
Sonia Bell	1983	David Porter	2005
John Cole	1984	Hans Geers	2006
Max Reynolds (Dec'd)	1985	Steve McEntee	2006
Sandra Grey	1985	Paul Meacock	2007
Hilda Klass	1986	Nicola Ogden	2007
Barry Hancock	1987	Johnson Orr	2008
Ian Deveson (Dec'd)	1988	David Timmel	2009
Devon Markham	1988	Graeme Coleman	2010
Sue Niven	1990	Pat Hall	2011
John Pickering	1991	Jan Davis	2011
Gaye Richardson (Dec'd)	1991	Bruce Cadd	2012
Norm Kidd	1992	Lynda Forbes	2013
Wayne Atkinson	1993	Wayne Hudson	2014
Catherine Bayens (Dec'd)	1993	Maureen Welten	2015
Graham Napier	1994	Gary Bowater	2015
Colin Willis	1994	Gavin Scally	2016
		Neil Ashley	2017
		Steve Silvey	2019
		Janine Tate	2019





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Colin West (Life Member)
Keith Timmel (Life Member)
Dean Nalder (MLA – Bateman)
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Kyle McNess - Senior Administration - Men
Roger Mellor - Junior Administration

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Geoff Riley - Masters Co-ordinator (Men O/50 and O/60)
Lisa Anderson - Masters Co-ordinator (Women)
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Colin Willis – Life Members/MOFTA Co-ordinator
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MCHC Turf Chairman Hans Geers

Windelya Sports Assoc. Representative Andrew Ogden – (Windelya President)
Jake Coleman – (Windelya Treasurer)



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

From the Melville City Hockey Club, President and Committee, we hope you all had a great Season 2020. A special acknowledgement and thank you to Life Members who have put so much into our club. I personally thank the Management Committee, the Junior Committee, the Turf Committee, the Windelya Committee, the Build Committee and the many panels and management groups we have in place now and active. The Club committees did have some hard tasks to manage including COVID 19, the Building project, navigate through a new a new "linear" competitions system for Seniors and keep the business of hockey at Melville running efficiently throughout. Keeping our club going under the most diverse conditions and in a year we have never, to my knowledge, seen the likes of in the past. What a fantastic job all these volunteers on committees have done.

We thank our **Sponsors** as always, who help us fund the many programs in the club. I remind members that our loyalty back to the sponsors is so important for continued support and show of how much we respect them and thanks is well deserved.

COVID – 19 situations have been a big issue for all our members as has the building of the new clubrooms. Together they created a storm, especially for the committee groups mentioned. Club officials and volunteers have had to deal with many issues - Junior player organisation of player movements on and off the field for training and games; hand cleansing and separation; working around field reductions and modified entry ways and limited facilities, to name a few. A special thanks to all members, families and friends who always supported these modified processes no matter how hard it seemed to be at times. Thank you.

The **Junior and Minkey** side of the club was led by Roger Mellor, Lauren Costa and Todd Elliott (Juniors) and Bec and Roh Weddikarra (Minkey). Despite the challenges, the games must go on and training did occur. The depth of players offered to our Senior teams is a tribute to the leaders above and the way the programs are working and funded from within the club and sponsor donations. These youngest of players make their way through the MCHC Junior ranks and on and up to the Senior ranks, creating friends and making new traditions on the way. Individual team and year-group wind ups were noticeable this year as separation was required at all events which were split to allow social distancing. Great to see all the kids and junior members inside for these events. How good are these new clubrooms that we had room to move?

Our **Senior Men's and Women's teams** were led by Kyle McNess (VP Men) and Brianna Coleman (VP Women). While strong in numbers and with lots of home-grown depth, this year we were faced with new challenges. A new, linear league system was introduced, in which we were the only club with teams in Premier Divisions 1, 2 and 3 for both the Men and Women. In this new system of grading, implemented by HWA and ratified by a vote of all clubs, all senior teams were in virtually a straight line in the teams hierarchy, replacing the old system which included "Promotion" grades. Our eight Women's Senior teams and seven Senior Men's teams were all part of this new grading structure.

The leadership of our Top Squad Men's Head Coach, Craig Wilson, and his off-field team have proven that if you work hard, understand the requirements, and have a great support group, anything is possible. A difficult year but with still very good results and again a high percentage of home-grown players up against a high percentage of Australian players on other teams was noticeable. Great to see team manager, Johnno, is back on his feet and we wish him a speedy recovery.

Our Senior Women's Teams are strong in numbers. This group, led by Brianna Coleman and Head Coach Mathilda (Tilly) Carmichael and Coaching Volunteers Gavin Scally, Mal Cowan and Mark Watton and Manager Colleen Bentley, have not only turned around the Women's program but have exceeded all expectations. We had some magnificent teams this year, with the Women's 1s, 2s, 3s, 4s and 8s all making finals. Our women have really led the way this year. Well done to everyone and great leadership noted by all.

A quick mention of our import, AIS and travelling players and Coaches. We thank you for being with Melville and hope you feel at home with us as we appreciate you on our teams and in our/your club. You give our young players a level to strive for. We thank you and look forward to seeing you next year.

Masters Men and Masters Women. This group, led by Geoff Riley, Lisa Anderson, Andrew Criddle and Todd Barrett, have had a good season with reasonable numbers which means the players flowing through are reaching right up to the senior age bracket of the grades. Being an Over 60s player myself, I can say we are all still having fun, and winning several games was also encouraging. Overall, the Masters Division have done well. The Masters are a big group and growing. They are very well coordinated by Lisa and Geoff and their managers, and I note this group fill many job functions around the club which is a tribute to our long-standing players.

Associate and Social Members are slowly growing, and we hope to see numbers increasing for many years to come. Please sign up as family and friends. We would love to see you on our Committees and Panels. It brings the certainty that you are also on the email list and will not miss any promulgated events or newsworthy items.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT cont

MOFTA. This group of generous and active people are constantly working behind the scenes, setting up events, supporting the top teams or working at Minkey nights on the BBQ or in other function areas of the club. This year they even chipped in with the building project when required. The input of this group cannot go unnoticed as they are everywhere helping out, even though technically it is not expected. Both Dave Porter and Graeme Coleman, two incredibly kind and active people, have been the physical presence of the build project and set up, putting enormous hours in to make this facility so great and are MOFTA members as just one example.

There are many activities which started up or took place in the year 2020. Some are as follows (there are of course many more that are not mentioned, but include the below to name a few):

1. The restoration of the old clubrooms and building of new clubrooms was completed. There is a talented group of professionals leading this program management now and they are into the final business-end of building the new facilities. Matt Read and his team have put in nothing short of an outstanding effort to make this happen with such a professional and positive outcome. Well done to all.
2. The new MCHC Constitution, in line with the revised regulations for Club and Association Constitutions Act 2015 is now approved.
3. Windelya Sporting Association, the governing body made up of Hockey, Cricket and Turf members, has formed into a very important and functional group. Andrew Ogden (President) and Jake Coleman (Treasurer), have played key roles along with Graeme Coleman and Dave Porter in managing the Club funds, steering the building project and coordinating functional requirements as a priority, with membership wishes and expectations always met.
4. I would like to mention that all the above groups hold a majority of MCHC members and a small group of Cricket club members who work together very well. An example of this is how the functions of the building facility will operate in the future, which has been a collaborative and professionally organised and structured process. This is important for the future.

Financial regulation and monitoring has been a roller-coaster ride throughout the year. The financial team of Peter Oudejans (Treasurer) and Maria Grigorescu (Bookkeeper), together with Colleen Bentley (Registrar), have worked hard with the committees and volunteers to make sure fairness and assistance to members is always offered and a priority. I am happy to say that the club is in a good financial position and ready to tackle the next Hockey year with the knowledge that we can support programs and physical requirements as well as in any other year and with confidence. We also thank Mike Pitcher for his excellent audit of the club finances. These audited accounts have proven out the above and give us, the ATO and City of Melville Council confidence going forward in a new club year.

The Future

Clubrooms as special mention. Matt Read (Project Manager), David Porter, Gavin Scally, David Timmel, Janine Tate, Graeme Coleman, Neil Ashley and Andrew Ogden must be thanked for their tireless work in steering the *Refurbishment and New Building Project*. It is now complete. It is fantastic and now out there for all to see and the building speaks for itself more than words. Thankyou team. The tools are now there you have done your job well and the only way is up for the club members.

Final

I write these words knowing that this is my last year as President. Over the last eight years I have had the privilege to work with the most committed and caring people in the world. To the Committees, Coaches, Managers, Team-mates and club members I thank you for your support and guidance and look forward to your ongoing friendships in the future.

I am pleased to say we have a strong club, great members and a good future.

Thank you.

President – Melville City Hockey Club – Gary Bowater





NEW CLUBROOMS PROJECT

What a massive year for the club

This time last year, our club of 1000 members was still functioning out of our leaky, 1978-built clubrooms. Female members had to leave the change rooms and walk through the main club hall just to use the toilet, and the turf was largely out of sight from the clubroom area. We now have four unisex changerooms, equipment storage, a uniform shop, a meeting room, a spanking new kitchen and a club hall, bar and patio with a commanding view of the turf.

It's been a journey. Options have been explored for around a decade. During 2017, representatives from the Club firmed up a concept and sought support from the City of Melville. In 2018, a formal project governance structure was created and a funding grant was prepared. The City of Melville provided funding support in October 2018, and the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries came on board in February 2019. This allowed the Management Committee to refine the concept and commission detailed design. In late 2019, following a tender process, Buildwell Group were appointed as the contractor to deliver the works.

Budget	Excl GST
City of Melville	\$930,000
Windelya Sport Association (Loan)	\$380,000
State Government	\$400,000
Melville Hockey Club Fundraising	\$109,139
Cricket Club	\$5,000
Melville Turf (for new Dugouts)	\$62,000
Energy Grant (Federal Government)	\$12,000
WACA	\$30,000
Total	\$1,928,139



Through careful management, the project has been delivered on time and on budget.

Sincere thanks to the Management Committee who worked tirelessly to deliver this project. Also, a massive thanks to all club members who have generously donated either time or money to see the new clubroom vision become reality. It's an outcome that we will all enjoy and be proud of.

The Management Committee is delighted with the outcome, but even more excited to see it used to its full potential in future years. Friday night pizza watching the next generation of Melville Minkey stars, the Thursday night hive of activity or taking in a Men's or Women's Premier 1 game on a Sunday afternoon... The facility will be the life blood of a strong and growing club. That is exciting and makes the whole project worthwhile.



Matt Read - Clubrooms Project Management Committee

Part of the Build Team:

Inset: Matt Read, From left Lauren Costa, David Porter, Jake Coleman, David Timmel, Gavin Scally, Andrew Ogden, Graeme Coleman and Neil Ashley.



NEW CLUBROOMS PROJECT





2020 MELVILLE TURF (INCORPORATED)

To the hard working members of the Turf Committee and support team my personal thanks and those of the MCHC membership for their ongoing efforts in continuing to maintain our turf and its surrounds to a high standard. During uncertain times due to Covid restrictions, our committee and support personnel continued best management practices and after a Covid-enforced break, are now back on track operating the turf facility with a great deal of efficiency. Special thanks go out to Neil Ashley, Barry Hancock, Jaco Schonken and Graeme Coleman for their outstanding efforts in maintaining our facilities, Greg Hunt for overseeing the Turf Operations in general, Eric Nell in his secretarial role and finally to Olive Hasselerharm for taking over as personnel/HR co-ordinator. Also, to the myriad of volunteers whose skills we utilize in some way, but who I have not listed, thank you.

Apart from Covid, this has been an exciting, if not extraordinary year, with the building of the new Windelya Clubroom facilities; our renovated change rooms and the addition of a meeting room and uniform shop. These are the envy of most clubs and indicates our continued growth and development of the Melville City Hockey Club.

A number of Turf Committee personnel were pivotal in the design, build and overseeing of the building program. In particular David Porter and Matt Read as engineers/designers/go-to-people and general problem solvers; Graeme Coleman for his outstanding commitment to the building program; David Timmel for his financial oversight of the project and last but not least, Andrew Ogden in utilizing his management expertise in chairing the Windelya Sports Association which oversaw the build. We are extremely fortunate to not only have such great support across our Club but extremely lucky to have members with not only integrity, high level skills and expertise, but also their willingness to give up many hours of their time in supporting our Club.

To our departing president Gary Bowater, congratulations and well done! Your hard work, financial management and general Club oversight for an extended period have been influential in maintaining and growing us as one of the power clubs in the broader hockey community. Have a well-earned break.

Finally, it would be bereft of me to not acknowledge the ongoing support from the City of Melville, not only with the building program but also in making significant financial contributions post-Covid, through the waiving of our loan repayment and also through gifting the MCHC Turf Committee a significant amount to cover lost revenues. These gestures are greatly appreciated. Thank you.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank the MCHC Turf Committee for their sound financial management and willingness to offer financial support of \$60 000 to the building program. This allowed for the movement and construction of new dugouts and Ground Controller box. It should also be noted that the Turf Committee has paid down its debt to council and is now debt-free.

Finally, to the Turf Committee which continues to guide me, thank you for your outstanding support and hard work. As a Club we are set apart from other clubs with the quality of people assisting across all facets of Club operations.

Hans Geers - Chairman, Melville Turf Committee





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And all our wonderful volunteers who freely give up so much
of their time to help our club run



SENIOR ADMINISTRATION REPORT - MEN

What a strange year!

After working through the standard tough couple of months, both on and off the field, leading up to Round 1, and what was to be an exciting prospect with the new competition structure, hockey, for the most part, took a backward step as we hit the COVID lockdown.

After a couple of months off, some welcoming it more than others, we were back and firing into an extended season. Surprisingly, numbers following the break were relatively strong and we were able to field seven teams from the Premier League through to Division 8 (Gold).

Picko, Jake, Griff, Jase and Jared, and to all of those that played in those grades, week in week out, thanks again for your assistance throughout the year. Whilst we may not have had teams in the finals, with only the top two moving forward this season, the effort it takes for each and every one of you to step on the park, when it isn't always easy to do so, doesn't always get the credit it deserves but is undoubtedly appreciated.

With a strong squad through our Premier League teams, there were some great games of hockey played over the top three grades! The Premier 1s, in a tightly contested season, finished mid-table, Premier 2s were once again, Minor Premiers (now to stop going out in straight sets...), and the Premier 3s, in what was an extremely competitive competition, playing against some clubs' number one team with paid players, also finished mid-table.

When we were good, we were good! Some great games of hockey, which I am sure the spectators enjoyed! None more so than the new clubrooms' first Premier League fixture against Aquinas.

Huge thanks to Craig, Stef, Andy, Scanners, Tommy, AMac, Bents, Matty B and of course old man Johnno himself for their assistance, not only as the off field team during the season, but also the assistance with the Top Squad throughout the downtime of the COVID lockdown. Whilst we didn't quite achieve our goals on the field, off the field the squad is seemingly closer than ever.

Thanks, in your departure as Club President, to Gary Bowater. I can't thank you enough, both personally and of course from the Men's Administration, for the heart and soul you have put into this club over your term. You may be handing the batten over to DT as the new President, but what you have achieved for this club will remain in everyone's minds for some time!

Finally, echoing everyone else's thanks over the last couple of months, well done and thank you to those behind the new clubrooms. I am sure I speak on behalf of the full men's program by saying they are fantastic! The feedback I have had already is that these are the best in WA!

On to 2021 and what will hopefully be a more normal season!

Kyle "Killa" McNess - Vice President - Men's Administration

PREMIER 1 GAMES MILESTONES 2020

200 PREMIER LEAGUE GAMES

Mark Brodie

150 PREMIER LEAGUE GAMES

Sam Geers

100 PREMIER LEAGUE GAMES

Frank Reynolds





SENIOR ADMINISTRATION REPORT - WOMEN

Season 2020 started just like any other, planning the next year from October onwards and starting preseason in February. Then #covid and how everything changed!

Despite the madness in the lead up to the official start of the season, once we got going all teams pushed on to achieve great results across the grades, which resulted in five finals appearances from our eight teams. In the new linear grading system this season, and throwing in a Covid-reduced season, 2020 was always going to be an unknown and each team has done extremely well in their respective grades.

Mathilda Carmichael as 2020 Head Coach took on our Premier 1, 2 and 3 squad as a whole, and supported by coaches Gavin Scally, Mark Watton, Mal Cowan and Bonnie Meacock, had an amazing season in each of the three teams. As one of only two clubs with Women's teams in Premier 1, 2 and 3 grades, and without the ability for two Imports to travel from the UK as planned, we knew we would be in for a hard year. Our players, supported by Coaches and Team Managers Colleen Bentley and Janine Tate, stepped up to the challenge and achieved our BEST EVER result across these three teams, with the Premier 1 and 2 teams finishing in 2nd place and Premier 3s in 4th. Congratulations to all involved and hopefully at the time of reading each of these teams have taken themselves well into the finals in October. Thank you to Mathilda, the Premier Squad Off-Field Team and all the players for all your efforts this year, you should all be truly proud of what you have achieved.

In the Premier League playing group this year we were lucky enough to be joined by Hockey Australia High Performance Players Edwina Bone, Renee Taylor and Jocelyn Bartram for the majority of the season. Eddie and Renee have been with Melville since 2014 and 2015 respectively and it was great to add Joc to the Mighty Maroon. Along with Jocelyn, we had another Premier League debut this year from home-grown junior Saysha Pillay, who has slotted into the team like she has played 50 games at 1s level and will continue to be one to watch!

Our Junior program at Melville continues to be a great feeder for our Senior program. We saw seven players enter Seniors from Juniors in 2020 and a further nine Junior players participate in our Senior program on a regular basis across the season. I'm looking forward to seeing a great group of Year 12s join us and continue their hockey at Melville next year across all grades. A huge thank you to Lauren Costa, Roger Mellor all those involved in our Junior girls' programs for your ongoing support.

Our 4s team this year in Division 6 reached the Grand Final and came out as **PREMIERS**, making it six consecutive finals appearances, four Grand Finals and two Premierships across the last 6 years. Thank you to Mal Cowan for taking on the coaching role again this season and pushing the team to achieve our best each week, and Brian Ballard for managing the 'Melville Minions'.

Our 5s this year were a relatively new team, with a lot of new players joining the club or coming up from Juniors in 2019. The team started with some great results but unfortunately a few too many draws kept them out of fighting for the Top 2 Grand Final positions. Thank you to Roger Mellor for stepping up and coaching the group this season, and to Kim Welten and Tegan Judd for taking on the Manager's role. I'm confident next year, with the majority of the group sticking together, they will achieve great things – finals here we come!





SENIOR ADMINISTRATION REPORT - WOMEN

Our 6s in 2020 had a fantastic year finishing mid-table and taking it right up to all the top teams throughout the year. In a grade they struggled in last year, this is a great result from the group and has certainly taken hard work to achieve. Thank you to Bruce Vanderzwan again for coaching the team and Andrea Martin for stepping up to manage this year.

Christian Gallagher and the 7s had an unlucky season, falling short of a few results going their way but none the less, the girls continue to have a great time together each week and will always leave the pitch with a smile on their face, no matter the result. Thank you Christian for your ongoing guidance to the group and to Emma Bradley and Ash Chauvin for once again managing the team – you guys are amazing.

Our Mighty Metros continued their winning ways in 2020, only dropping two games all season and securing a place in the Grand Final, 10 points clear of 3rd place. Amazing work from the Metro Mums who unfortunately fell just short in the Grand Final this year. 2021 will be a great year with this amazing group of ladies.

Finally, thank you to all our senior players and supporters this season. For a season that almost didn't get off the ground it has been a very enjoyable year and I'm looking forward to seeing you all back in 2021!

Brianna Coleman – Vice President - Women's Administration



MASTERS REPORT - WOMEN

Well, what a year 2020 has been. The whole world has been in chaos and yet we have been able to play, certainly in the case of ladies' Masters, an almost normal season of hockey. It has provided some sense of normalcy to life. We had hoped that this was going to be the year to field a third team, but with the uncertainty around the start of the season and losing around five or six players during the off season to injury, illness, baby-making and other sports, this proved an impossible task. We have however managed to maintain depth, with the two teams we have fielding on average 13 players each week.

A hard decision was made at the start of the season to request that our top side be relegated to O35 Division 2. While this flies in the face of what we are usually trying to achieve, we are always cognisant that the main reason we still all play hockey is for enjoyment. The team, coached by themselves and managed by Lisa Anderson and Marie Farrow, are sitting in 4th spot at the time of writing with four wins and three draws from the 12 matches played. Competitive in all matches, the results have backed up the decision to move down from Division 1.

Newly promoted O35 Division 3 Women, coached by Jan Davis and managed by Rae Thompson, have made an impressive start to playing in the higher grade. They are also sitting in 4th spot at the time of writing and if it were any other year, they'd be pushing for a finals position. They have held their own with six wins and two draws from their 12 matches. Well done girls.

Congratulations to Lindy Coss, our O35 Division 3 goalkeeper, who played her 700th game on 30 September 2020. An amazing achievement which requires dedication and, as all older players understand, no injuries!

Finally a big thanks to Jan Davis, Marie Farrow and Corelle Coleman who have helped me immensely this season, particularly in my overseas absence.

**Lisa Anderson –
Masters' Co-ordinator (Women)**





MASTERS REPORT - MEN

Men's Masters membership proved remarkably resilient to COVID impacts, with nearly 100 hockey tragics signing up for Masters hockey again this year. This ongoing support was much appreciated, and allowed us to nominate six Saturday afternoon Masters teams again, plus our O40 mid-week turf team, as per last year. All proudly representing Melville with great spirit and post-game camaraderie, regardless of results and the fact that many of our Saturday (O40 Div 1, O40 Div 2, O50 Div 1, O50 Div 3, O60 Div 1 & O60 Div 2) teams were quite different from last year.

Though frustrating, the COVID-delayed start to Hockey WA's season provided an unexpected blessing, by allowing several weeks of pre-season scratch matches, including a number of good runs on turf (a welcome first). Sincere thanks for Greg Hunt's encouragement and help with the organisation of these matches, which received enthusiastic support as preparation for the HWA season (in which more Div 1 Masters games were also moved to turf).

Once the season finally started (a big sigh of relief from all sides), all our teams showed they could be competitive, with:

- Big improvements by our O50 Div 1, O60 Div 1 & O60 Div 2 teams, to finish 3rd, 5th & 5th respectively, and show that they should be a finals threat next year (assuming we get back to a full 18 round season with a proper finals series).
- Tougher seasons for our O40 and O50 div 3 teams, who were competitive but fell just short of success in a majority of their games.

Overall, it's been a challenging but enjoyable year of Melville Masters hockey, and a privilege to share this with you all. I look forward to this continuing in 2021.

Please join me in acknowledging the background efforts of our masters team managers (Todd Barrett, Andrew Shorter/Jeff West/Justin Holt, Aki Etelaaho, Bill Morrison, Patrick Matthews and Mike Pitcher), who've done a great job of organising everything needed (team numbers, umpires, game ball, match reports, etc) before and after each game. Many thanks for your efforts guys. Well done, once again. Thanks also to everyone who helped with umpiring.

Last, but not least, I'd like to extend sincere thanks to all our partners, supporters and advisors, including the MOFTA group, for their ongoing support and advice, and Thursday training night fellowship.

Best wishes to all - Geoff Riley - Masters' Co-ordinator (Men)

MOFTA / LIFE MEMBERS REPORT

Well, what a crazy year we have had in 2020. We were fortunate in WA to eventually get the season underway in June.

The new clubrooms started late last year and were completed in July this year. Many club members helped in various ways. However a special mention must go to our MOFTA members Graeme Coleman, Wayne Hudson, Barry Hancock, Neil Ashley, Gary Bowater, David Porter and Andrew Criddle for their outstanding contribution to this project. Many others have also given their time towards the completion of our new clubrooms and renovated old rooms and this is greatly appreciated.

It was great to once again get back to our Thursday night catch-ups and be social again. I was most impressed with the Clubrooms Opening, and to see

some of the older Life Members that haven't been around for a while turn up for the event. Hope to see them a little more often next year.

It was terrific to see the support given to our top teams, both Men and Women, throughout the year and I know that the players and coaches are extremely grateful for your attendance. All teams did extremely well considering the trying year we had.

Hope you all stay safe over the summer months and be ready for a full season in 2021.

Colin Willis





JUNIOR ADMINISTRATION REPORT

As the old cliché says, doesn't time fly when you're having fun! So it is, another season has come to an end and what a year it's been with more success for the Junior section. This success doesn't come on its own, and it's due to hard working volunteers – comThe 2020 hockey season started earlier than usual for Juniors with preseason training starting in February. Many were surprised to find that they wouldn't need their hockey sticks for the first 6-8 weeks. Using a program put together by Andrew McIntyre, who also puts the preseason together for Senior Men, the emphasis was on improving physical and mental resilience and conditioning for the demands of the game. Sessions were run by Brianna Coleman and Sean Bentley along with other helpers and were a success, with over 40 Juniors attending. Following on from our preseason, with noticeable improvements to fitness for those that attended, it was time for grading. With a huge number of J5/6 players registered to play – five boys teams and four girls teams - as well as the clubroom redevelopment and construction, it was set to be a bumper season.

As always, grading presents challenges as we do our best to identify teams of similar ability. Along with that we nominated our teams with Hockey WA and were excited to start the season... except we didn't. Grading was stopped the third week of March and everything was shutdown due to Covid. Our best laid plans and organisation had been scuttled by a virus from afar.

As we all took a somewhat undesired break, lamenting all the work the committee and players had put into their preparation coming to nothing, we wondered if we would actually get to play hockey this year at all. After what seemed an eternity, and an additional mountain of work from our fearless Junior VP, Roger Mellor, in May we were given the all-clear to restart preparations for the season under strict controls, meeting the state government and Hockey WA requirements and requiring approvals by the local council. We had to limit the number of people training at any time, manage player and coach movements - every detail was covered including Roger washing and sanitising all the balls every night. We were able to resume 'full contact' training on 6 June, with the season commencing on 26 June. The resumption of the season presented additional challenges, with many deciding in the intervening period to take a break from Hockey this season, the Year Coordinators worked frantically to try to get numbers for teams and we worked with Hockey WA to try and get teams into the right grades, with varying levels of success.

One week before the season began the stage was set, albeit adjacent to the construction site and under strict Covid protocols, for the annual Ron Wilson Cup, held in honour of Ron Wilson and our close association with the Vic Park Panthers. Melville retained the Cup with five wins, two losses and one draw, making us the winner for two consecutive years.

As we look back on a season and ultimately a time that we will probably remember for a long time to come, all teams have done well. The season was shortened to ten rounds of hockey plus a round for playoffs. Given the context, there was a small cheer that we got to play 11 rounds in total. Some arguably had been put in the wrong grade by Hockey WA, but despite this have improved immensely over the season. The J9/10 A Merged Boys finished minor premiers, winning the Guth Ardagh flag with the J9/10 A Merged Girls and J11/12 A Reserve girls also finishing minor premiers in their grades and taking out the May Campbell flag. Three teams finished first and three teams finished second which accounts for 25% of our teams. As one of those team was J5/6, an age group that don't have finals, this left us with five Junior teams playing for the flag, with both the J11/12 A girls and J11/12 A Merged boys bring the flags home.

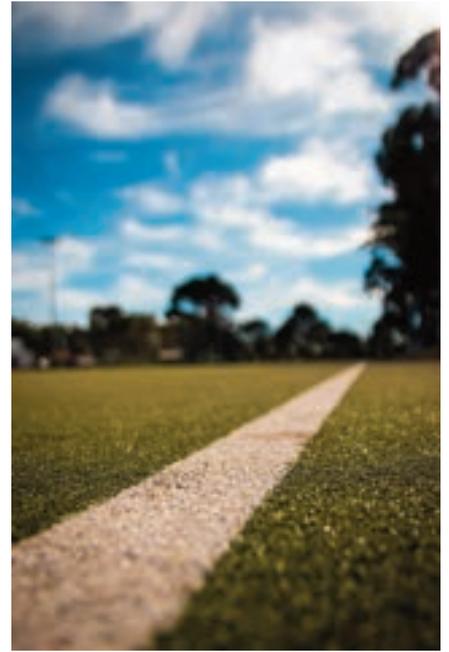
The highlight was the opening of the new clubrooms. The new club rooms look fantastic, however there was a gap in the corner that was screaming out for a Pizza oven. The Juniors raised by donations \$4850.00, and have purchased the MCHC Junior Pizza oven which will be installed over the summer ready for the 2021 hockey season.

As we finished the 2020 season, Covid restrictions yet again surfaced, requiring us to have separate wind-ups for each year group to keep the numbers low, however being able to hold the wind ups in the new clubrooms was fantastic.

We would like to thank all who have helped make this season possible - coaches, managers, umpires, and committee members. We look forward to next year and hopefully a full season without the impact of a global pandemic.

Junior Executive Committee

Roger Mellor, Lauren Costa and Todd Elliot



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MINKEY REPORT

We were very pleased to have 19 teams with a total of 167 players across Minkey 1, Minkey 2 and J3/4 this season. The delayed start did not dampen the players' spirits, in fact, they were overly eager to begin and the season was able to commence with two 'Welcome Back/Come and Try Days' that focused on skill development and team bonding. Following this, the teams played a nine-round season. The Minkey players were introduced to basic stick skills and safe play, whilst the J3/4s focused on positional play and the introduction of the full field and short corners by the end of the season. At all age and skill levels, it was pleasing to see the players having fun and displaying great sportsmanship as well as growing in skill and confidence over the course of the season.

Thank you to the multitude of parents who volunteered their time to manage and coach the teams, donated money to the pizza oven for the Club, and helped out with the BBQ in the latter part of the season. We'd also like to thank the parents for their patience and understanding as we navigated the changes to the season due to Covid-19.

It is really encouraging to see so many families investing in their children's physical, mental, emotional and social wellbeing through committing to sport participation. I look forward to seeing all of our 2020 families back next season to continue to build the next generation of players in our club. Best wishes to the Year 4 players moving on to J5/6.

Roh and Rebecca Weddikkara - Minkey and Junior 3/4 Coordinators





CLUB GAMES MILESTONES 2020

700 GAMES

Lindy COSS

400 GAMES

Matt BOWATER, Brad WAKE, Roh WEDDIKKARA

300 GAMES

Briony CLARK, Ash McNESS, Dee MURPHY,
Meg SILVEY

200 GAMES

Natalie BROWN, Stacey BRUCE,
Jason DE WIND, Ryan HYDER,
Mackenzie LOVE, Natalie MATTHEWS,
Roger NOTTAGE, Nicholas PAGE,
Kyle POTTER, Monique SADER,
Josh SCANLON, Michael STARLING,
Jade VANDERZWAN

100 GAMES

Doug BRIGHTWELL
Maeghan CARLSEN
Ashleigh CHAUVIN
Lucy COCKS
Casey DONALDSON
Lachlan DRAKE-BROCKMAN

Kate EDWARDS
Ivy FILMER
Maxwell HARLER
Olive HASSELERHAM
Madison HOLLANDER
Samantha KING

Brandon LAWRENCE
Tara MISHRA
Jon SMEDLEY
Rebecca WEDDIKKARA

50 GAMES

Brad BOCKING
Ashton BORGWARD
Graham BRAID
Georgia ELLIS
Jaime FARDON
Tayla FARDON
Ethan FORBES
Stella FOSS
Andrew GIBSON
Charles GORTON
John HARMSSEN

Kian HERBERT
Charly HOGARTH
Fletcher HORROCKS
Tegan JUDD
Ben KING
Bailey KNELL
Preston KNELL
Jasmine LEIGHTON
Elliot LEWIS
Nicholas McCAUGHAN
Narelle McMILLAN

Billie MINCHAM
Edward MONCRIEFF
William PENMAN
Brett PICKERING
Harry SPACKMAN
Lara STRBAC
Piper SUMICH
Mikayla WARDROPE
Nicholas WILLIAMSON
Ganleon WONG
Madison WOODS



MAJOR CLUB AWARDS

MAJOR CLUB AWARDS - SENIOR

Melville City Hockey Club has a long and proud history of recognising players and club members for their efforts within our club. Since amalgamation of the men's and women's clubs in the 1990s, we have had multiple awards which the club amalgamated in 2012, in the interest of further unifying the club community. The current awards are:

The Hladky-Bayens Award for Clubmanship in Melville Hockey Community. This is an amalgamation of the Maple Leaf Cup, originally donated by Canadian Kip Hladky, and the Catherine Bayens Trophy. Both original awards were to encourage members in service to the club over the season. The award recognises a member's commitment both on and off the field, through playing, administration, volunteer positions etc and may be awarded to either a playing or non-playing member of the Melville Hockey Club.

Club Champion – Male and Female. Formerly known as the Founder's Shield for men and the Wiffen Trophy for women, the club champion award recognises the fairest and best player from each of the top squads. By identifying both awards as Club Champion, the club recognises the impact of the efforts of these players in furthering the development of the hockey program within the club.

The Caitlyn Ogden Memorial Senior Goalkeeping Award. Awarded to the senior goalkeeper who displays the greatest commitment to the club, their team and the sport (players who also qualify for a junior award are ineligible).

The President's Award. This award is presented to the club member who has done the most outstanding job of promoting the ideals of the club during the current season. This encompasses not only the players, but coaches, managers, parents and friends of the club who have given outstanding service to the club and to hockey in our community.

Melville Turf Inc. Merit Award. This award was initiated in 2012 and is made by the Melville Turf Committee to an individual who has made significant contributions to support the ongoing operations of Melville Turf Incorporated.

MAJOR CLUB AWARDS - JUNIOR

The Junior side of the club also presents several major awards which deserve further description. It is important to recognise the efforts and commitment of our younger players as they develop in their skills and abilities and preserve the future of the club.

Coach's Awards are given to the player displaying the most commitment to the team, showing great personal achievement or having shown an outstanding quality deemed by the coach to be deserving of reward.

The **Mount Waverley Hockey Club Trophy** was inaugurated by the Mount Waverley Hockey Club in Victoria when that club's Juniors visited WA, were hosted by our club and played against our Junior teams. It is presented to the most promising Junior progressing to Senior ranks in the following season, and is chosen by the Junior Committee.

The **Life Members' Trophy** - presented by the Life Members to the Junior player chosen by the Junior Committee as showing the most commitment to the club. This award honours players who show dedication beyond that of the average player and covers both on and off field achievements.

The **David Porter Trophy** is awarded to the Junior goalie considered to have had an outstanding season and is presented by long time clubman, Dave Porter.

The **Ian Halliday Trophy** is presented by Ian Halliday, another longstanding clubman, to the junior player scoring the most goals in the current season.

The **Umpiring Achievement Award** may be presented to outstanding Junior umpires. This award is not necessarily an annual award, but is presented to a Junior Umpire who has been selected to umpire at a National Championships (Junior or Senior) or at Premier 2 or above level.



MAJOR CLUB AWARDS HONOUR BOARD

THE MAPLE LEAF CUP

*Presented by Kip Hladky
1982 - 2011*

Paul Meacock	1982
Geoff Morris	1983
Alan Meacock	1984
Keith Jackaman	1985
Ross Read	1986
Wayne Atkinson	1987
Harold Farmer	1988
Keith Harper	1989
Graham Napier	1990
Wayne Atkinson	1991
Colin Willis	1992
Bruce Read	1993
Rob Walker	1994
Les & Rob Walker	1995
Colin Willis	1996
Johnson Orr	1997
Pat von Mollendorf	1998
Mal Farmer	1999
Nicola Ogden	2000
Keith Harper	2001
Graeme Coleman	2002
Alene Ivey & Guy Hickey	2003
Rob Walker	2004
Mark Tate	2005
Pat Hall & Steve McEntee	2006
Rhys Spedding & James Welten	2007
Wayne Hudson	2008
Leanne Jarvis	2009
Pat Hall	2010
Brad Wake	2011

THE CATHERINE BAYENS AWARD

1995 - 2011

Sharen Stephens	1995
Lindy Coss	1996
Maris Margetts	1997
Kylie Beechen	1998
Carolyn Jones	1999
Gaye Glaskin	2000
Jane Minchin	2001
Helen Scott	2002
Lee Jarvis	2003
Nicola Ogden	2004
Lynda Forbes	2005
Allison Hall	2006
Jan Davis	2007
Dearne Plaister	2008
Susan Clark	2009
Erin Hall	2010
Lynda Forbes	2011

THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Johnson Orr & Graeme Coleman	2001
Greg Riley	2002
Rod Wake & family	2003
Bob Blachford (Bob the Barman)	2004
Linda King	2005
Conor Keating	2006
Lynda Forbes & Maureen Welten	2007
Daniel White	2008
Theresa Rayfield	2009
Andy & Jodi Reynolds	2010
Leo Welten & Wayne Hudson	2011
Janine & Craig Tate	2012
Jodi Reynolds & Steve Silvey	2013
Maureen Welten & Gavin Scally	2014
Matt Read, Brianna Coleman	2015
Tracey Hunt, Wendy Jordan, Jane Vickery, Teresa Forbes, Mathilda Carmichael & Emma Bell	2016
Peter Oudejans & Jake Coleman	2017
Janine Tate & Jodi Reynolds	2018
Maris Margetts, Peter Oudejans, & Mathilda Carmichael	2019

HLADKY-BAYENS AWARD

From 2011 - combines the two above awards - for the member displaying most commitment to the club

Russell Lee	2012
Sean Ranford	2013
Janine Tate	2014
Kyle McNess	2015
Graeme Coleman	2016
Andrew Criddle	2017
Wayne Hudson	2018
Colleen Bentley	2019





MCHC JUNIOR AWARDS 2020

Team	Fairest & Best	Coach's Award
J 11/12 A Girls	Chloe Forbes	Shaya Pillay
J 11/12 A Reserve Girls	Maddie Carmody	Sasha Richards
J 11/12 B Girls	Anna Thomson	Elena Bodt
J 9/10 A Merged Girls	Seraphina Andrew	Ellie Polglase
J 9/10 A Reserve Girls	Brooke McKenzie	Jessica Yeo
J 7/8 A Girls	Chloe Billingham	Olivia Sanderson
J 7/8 A Reserve Girls	Xanthe West	Erin Wheeler
J 7/8 B (Gold) Girls	Rafaela Thomson	Imogen Knight
J 5/6 A Girls		Ruby Trezise & Chloe Patton
J 5/6 A Reserve Girls		Kaia Harmsen & Eve Branch
J 5/6 B (Gold) Girls (Maroon)		Alyssa Mitchinson & Sadie De Bari
J 5/6 B (Gold) Girls (White)		Olivia McNally & Jessica Brunt
J 11/12 A Merged Boys	Bailey Hardy	Tristan Wing
J 11/12 A Reserve Boys	Brodie Abrahams	Brendan McAuliffe
J 9/10 A Merged	Oliver Cooper & Kirby Hobbs	Eamon Cooper
J 9/10 A Reserve Boys	Joseph Coleman	Thomas Stone
J 9/10 C Boys	Ross Miller & Zac Burvill	Edward Moncrieff
J 7/8 A Merged Boys	Jacob Woods	Jack Chapman
J 7/8 A Reserve Boys	Chase Taylor	Alexander Kervin
J 5/6 A Merged Boys		Andrew Blair, Hayden Horrocks & Finn Cooper
J 5/6 A Reserve Boys		Brady Fulcher & Connor Doig
J 5/6 B (Gold) Boys		Angus Croall & Riley Robinson
J 5/6 B (Sand) Boys		Joseph Dias & Joshua Brightwell
J 5/6 C (Gold) Boys		Stewart Bilney & Thomas Lawler



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MCHC JUNIOR AWARDS 2020 cont

Junior Loyalty Awards: Presented to the players in their final year of Juniors, who have shown loyalty to the Club and the sport of hockey by playing ten or more continuous seasons.

Brodie Abrahams

Ivy Filmer

Sasha Richards

Elena Bodt

Chloe Forbes

Lily Skipsey

Nikkola Champion

Brandon Lawrence

Mikaela Spire

Lucy Cocks

Daniel Moulin

Mathilda Swan

Kate Cowan

Olivia Patton

Kate Edwards

Ruby Quartermaine

Award Winners

Mount Waverley Hockey Club Trophy:

Most Promising Yr 12 Progressing to Seniors

Chloe Forbes

David Porter Trophy:

Outstanding Season for Junior Goalie

Chloe Power

Ian Halliday Trophy:

Junior Player Scoring Most Goals

Kirby Hobbs (22 goals J9/10 A Merged Boys)

Junior State Representatives 2020

Indoor Championships: January 2020 - Wollongong, NSW

U15 Girls: Sophie Billingham, Saysha Pillay,
Mikayla Wardrope

U15 Boys: Kirby Hobbs, Callum Lee,
Jude Mellor (train on)

U18 Girls: Chloe Forbes, Georgia Needham,
Saysha Pillay, Kiara Wardrope,
Maddy West (train on)

*Chloe Forbes - Australian U18 Women's Indoor
Hockey Training Squad*

*Georgia Needham - Shadow Player - Australian
U18 Women's Indoor Hockey Training Squad*

U18 Boys (Senior Players in 2020):
Ebrahim Adolphus, Aiden van Zuylen

U15 National Championships (Outdoor): Cancelled due to COVID-19

Girls: Hannah Carmody, Seraphina Andrew,
Sophie Billingham, Scarlett Huston,
Mikayla Wardrope, Sienna Robinson

Boys: Kirby Hobbs

U18 National Championships (Outdoor): Cancelled due to COVID-19

Girls: Saysha Pillay

Boys: Zac McKinnon



MCHC SENIOR AWARDS 2020

Team Fairest and Best Awards

Award Winners

Club Champion:

Fairest and Best - Men's top side

James Day

Club Champion:

Fairest and Best - Women's top side

Edwina Bone

Premier 2 Men

David Richardson

Premier 2 Women

Casey Donaldson

Premier 3 Men

Chris Gill

Premier 3 Women

Emily Grosser

Division 6 Men

Chris Gilbert

Division 6 Women

Crystal Hobbs

Division 7 (Black) Men

Alex Wragg

Division 7 (Gold) Men

Jonathon Palmer & Ben Lister

Division 7 (Gold) Women

Ellen Rolls

Division 8 (Gold) Men

Brenton Malacari

Division 8 (Gold) Women

Rebecca Vanderzwan

Division 9 Women

Kate Sayers

Metropolitan 1 Women

Liz Woodberry

O35 Division 2 Women

Charly Hogarth

O35 Division 3 Women

Anna Stevens

O40 Midweek Men

Anthony Ricciardone

O40 Division 1 Men

Simon Mathew

O40 Division 2 Men

Richard Murray

O50 Division 1 Men

Mark Lyons

O50 Division 3 Men

Geoff Ranford

O60 Division 1 Men

Keith Harper

O60 Division 2 Men

Bruce Porter

Senior Highest Goal Scorer Award:

Alex (AJ) Wragg – 16 goals

Caitlyn Ogden Memorial Award:

Nic McCaughan

Senior goalkeeper who displays the greatest commitment to the club

President's Award:

Lauren Costa, David Porter, Matt Read

Hladky-Bayens Award:

Graeme Coleman

Member displaying most commitment to club



SENIOR AND MASTERS COACHES & MANAGERS

Team	Coach	Manager
Premier 1 Men	Craig Wilson, Stef Willett (Assistant)	Johnson Orr
Premier 1 Women	Mathilda Carmichael, Mal Cowan (Assistant)	Colleen Bentley
Premier 2 Men	Andy Starling, Andrew Scanlon (Assistant)	Johnson Orr
Premier 2 Women	Mark Watton/Gavin Scally	Janine Tate
Premier 3 Men	Tom Bergin	Jason De Wind
Premier 3 Women	Bonnie Meacock	Colleen Bentley
Division 6 Men		James Pickering / Roh Weddikkara
Division 6 Women	Mal Cowan	Brian Ballard
Division 7 (Black) Men		Jake Coleman
Division 7 (Gold) Men		Griff Thomas
Division 7 (Gold) Women	Roger Mellor	Kim Welten/Tegan Judd
Division 8 (Gold) Men		Jared Malacari
Division 8 (Gold) Women	Bruce Vanderzwan	Andrea Martin
Division 9 Women	Christian Gallagher	Ash Chauvin/Emma Bradley
Metropolitan 1 Women	Jan Davis	Corelle Coleman
O35 Division 2 Women		Lisa Anderson/Marie Farrow
O35 Division 3 Women	Jan Davis	Rae Thompson
O40 Division 1 Men		Todd Barrett
O40 Division 2 Men		Andrew Shorter/Jeff West /Justin Holt
O40 Midweek Men		Todd Barrett
O50 Division 1 Men		Aki Etalaaho
O50 Division 3 Men		Bill Morrison
O60 Division 1 Men		Patrick Matthews
O60 Division 2 Men		Mike Pitcher





PREMIER 1 MEN

Season 2020 was all set to go - the boys had completed a good pre-season phase of fitness, practice games had gone well, and we were looking to fine tune our "way of play" to incorporate new members to the Top Squad. Then with just over a week to go until Round 1, after a training session in late March, Stefan Willett says "I don't have a good feeling about this Corona Virus," and with that we went into an eight-week hiatus, only to resume with hand sanitiser at each session, entry and exit gates at the Melville turf, training sessions without tackling, restricted numbers on each half of the turf and in the end we were fortunate that Hockey WA designed a modified season of 16 Rounds over 3 months !!! BOOM !!!

The evolution of our Top Squad make-up continued with welcome additions from our Junior ranks, local athletes looking for an enjoyable-Melville-hockey-learning-environment and international contacts aiming to experience the Australian/Perth hockey life! The Kookaburras Draft was both cruel and kind - where we were able to keep the excitement machine, Lachi Sharp, but had to let go of the much loved Tim Brand. Fortunately, we were able to get Andrew Charter (GK) as a bonus at the end. We also supported the life-progression of some of our own maturing young Melville men as they took work opportunities out of the metro area, remaining in contact with the group and playing where and when they could.

For the majority of the games, our Top Men continued to execute a style of hockey that promotes relentless pressure on the opposition, early and fast ball movement - spreading it both in width and depth - on the ground and in the air, 1-on-1 tackling "gold", smart decisions in the attacking 1/3rd and an even contribution of all 16 players, with the flexibility to bring players in and out of the team with minimal disruption. This methodology matched and exceeded the very best of the Perth competition on our day. Only small moments turned some results during the year leaving us finishing 5th - frustratingly close to the Final 4 needed in the Corona Virus year.

Special thanks go to Stefan Willett ("the hockey-whisperer" with many pearls of wisdom) , Andrew Starling and Andrew Scanlon (guiding the 2s group) and Managing legend Johnno Orr (also Janine Tate for a guest appearance) for being the "brains trust" for me as coach and handling many duties behind the scenes that allow our group to perform well come game-day. Physical Conditioning Experts Amac and Bents took the fitness of our group to a Professional level not seen before, keeping our entire squad at peak levels over a complicated season. And Andrew "A-Star" Reynolds was a master behind the video allowing our group to reflect, revise and re-load each week after analysing the game video - we all appreciate your efforts very much Andy.

I would also like to say a big thanks to the 2s playing group who are a big part of the success of the group as a whole. Unfortunately we can only pick 16 each week and many pushed for selection at various times of the year and only just missed out by a whisker. Their on-field success is a testament to the hard work they also put in.

We will evolve again in 2021 as we look to further develop both individually and as a group - pushing for club success at the highest level - a goal within our sights.

Joshua ANTONCICH (Anto/Defender)

To Anto's own credit, he took a significant step forwards in his hockey development during Season 2020, using each and every moment at training and in games to get better. This conscious shift was rewarded with multiple 1s games this year, where he put his practice into action under pressure. The belief, skill-set and execution you showed when hammering the toma goal vs Whitfords encapsulates what you should back-in and use more often. Keep your foot on the pedal of improvement - you have more talent to deliver on.

Mark BRODIE (Brodies/Striker)

Mark BRODIE - it was great to see that the spark back into elite level hockey that started in 2019 continued on in Season 2020 - racking up his 200th Premier League appearance for Melville in the process - fantastic achievement! A man that literally grinds his knuckles on the turf for the team, Brodies gets everything out of his body/brain in every game - often leaving opposition

players wondering where did he come from, where did the ball go, and how on earth did he get it into the goal?! Managing his Geological field trips to avoid clashes with hockey games showed us all the commitment he has to the team, club and sport. And always nice to reflect on a season where you hit a hat-trick!

Andrew CHARTER (Charts/GK)

The uniqueness of Season 2020 was no more evident than the great fortune of having Kookaburras Goalkeeper "Charts" for the entire club season at Melville! What was going to be potentially one game turned into 15 games and enabled Charts to show his elite goalkeeping skills to us all on many occasions. Monitoring the standard for on-field behaviour - now termed the Chart-ometer - his comments in team talks coming from great experience were more than welcome and further enhanced the development and knowledge of our group. You fitted in to the Melville way seamlessly Charts, and we hope the great relationship formed can continue into the future.



PREMIER 1 MEN cont

James DAY (Daisy/Defender)

Season 2020 cemented Daisy as one of the best players in the Perth competition, with a growing skill-set that has the ability to control and dictate the playing terms against any opposition. Regular intercept traps, spearing overheads, reaching tackles, dash/flashing accelerations into attack, and PCA drag-flick conversions were all part of his play that influenced the outcomes of many games. Daisy continued to be pro-active in shaping the way our defence reviewed and improved its performance - emerging leadership skills we encourage. Daisy is firmly entrenched in the Maroon colours/club and we all will continue to support his hockey progression which has the potential to represent the Green and Gold in the not too distant future. (Stop Press: 3rd Olympian Medallist 2020)

Samuel GEERS (Ssaaaammmyyy/Striker)

Can sniff out a nervous opposition defender in every game - darting in from all angles to be one of our best pressing/stealers again this year. Celebrating his 150th Premier League game during the season shows Sam has the base experience that with a small tweak or two, can take his game to an even higher level and become an attacking weapon in the circle. "Don't Think - Just Do" and good things will happen. Our images of you providing early width options to our right-side attack, eliminating opposition defenders by attacking the space around/behind them, and pulling the trigger on goal-shots in the circle, are when you are at your best Sammy.

Timothy GEERS (Timmie/Midfield)

We can now write Tim Geers (Olympian Medallist 2019) - coming off the back of an outstanding year made Tim a "marked man" against most opposition. It was pleasing to see Tim add layers to his game to adapt to this greater attention as the season progressed. At his best, Tim still possesses elite spatial awareness, elimination skills and "soft hands" which are rarely seen in the modern game.

Our group all benefited from his Tuesday-night video review sessions, and his leadership of the group both on and off the field show why he is our Captain. I am eager to see Tim perform at the next level in the next 12-24 months as I feel he is more than ready to excel in that challenge.



Ross HALL (Rossco/Defender)

Opposition strikers are in for a tough day when Ross is at his best - and as each year goes by, Ross' consistency of high performance shines brighter. Tom Craig was even too scared to come to WA this year! Often serving as the marking deep-defender, Ross' "in-touch-in-front" marking style enabled those around him the freedom to intercept and create. As the season evolved, Ross was instrumental in exploring options to outlet the ball and find connections with different lines/players from the back. We will see the reward of these thoughts/ideas in the seasons to come. And we can't forget Ross' Melville Club spirit in hosting our Belgium young'un - even if it was in the dungeon!

Ryan HYDER (Rizza/Midfield-Striker)

With overseas travel constrained in 2020, Rizza was able to put together a full season - playing both as a striker and midfielder - as the team dynamics required. Consistency of performance was the strength to his season, a quality coaches often look for. Over the past few years, Rizza has frequently thrived when playing against the better players in the competition. This year was no different. Elimination skills come naturally to Rizza and I look forward to his next phase of hockey development where he becomes a regular link in the chain to our flow into the attacking circle with penetrating/connecting passes zinging off his stick.

Nicholas MCCAUGHAN

Nic deserves a special mention in the Premier 1s write up - apart from playing in Round 1, I think Nic's attitude, work ethic and commitment to the club/group this year has been nothing short of amazing. With the unique GK-ing situation that unfolded in 2020, Nic has played exceptionally well all year and at a higher level than last year - only a Kookas GK kept him out from playing many more 1s games. If there is anyone's attitude you want to be part of your group, it's Nic's. Kudos to you.

Justin McDOUGALL (Dooooogs/Striker)

I can definitely say our striker group performs better when Dooooogs is in it. It is the connections/relationships, opposition-attention, running work-load and multi-phase leading he consistently does to create for our attacking movement that doesn't go un-noticed by the coach. His toma finish against Wolves gave us all an insight into the talent Dooooogs possesses. Always with a smile at training, seeing him have a quiet word with a developing player, and ever-keen for a sneaky deflection from a PCA, Dooooogs is a valuable commodity every team needs to function well.



PREMIER 1 MEN cont

Kyle McNESS (Killa/Defender)

Fantastic service to the club and team/s, Killa played a vital role in the Premier 1s defensive unit, ensuring opposition danger-men were never left unattended. Getting continuity of play in his position meant he probably had the most difficult job in the team and he handled it with aplomb. The bigger the opposition striker's name, the more Killa loves it! Improvement in structure, decision-making and mobile tackling were all key areas Killa worked hard on during 2020, transferring those skills to improve the 2s team as well. I would welcome Killa exploring additional versatility in playing position during 2021, as I think his skill-set has benefits we have not yet fully optimised. Stay tuned.

Thibault MEIRE

The young Belgian super-star flew in to Perth with bright shoes, a flashy track-suit and a personalised Melville hockey stick grip ready to rock-and-roll !!! The best news was he also brought an open-mind willing to learn the Australian/Perth/Melville style of hockey and used every opportunity to value-add to our group. Fitting in both on and off the field, T-Bow showed he has a developing "hockey package" of skills that will go a long way to succeeding at the elite level of the sport. Stay in touch T-Bow: we would welcome you back to Melville at any stage in the future and hope the relationship between Melville and your Belgium Club continues well into the future.

Mitchell PACE (Mitch/Defender)

A welcome new addition to the club this year, who took to debuting and playing Premier 1s like a lanky-stringy-long-haired-young'un only could! It was fantastic to watch the rapid growth of Mitch as a regular flank half in the Top Team, possessing a unique skill-set of wristy-passes, reverse-stick trapping and nifty elimination skills. We all look forward to Mitch building on his base game over the coming years at Melville - we have only just seen the beginning. Reflect on the quality of hockey players you played against this year - it will make you smile - and take the many positives of 2020 into 2021 - onwards and upwards for you.

Kyle POTTER (KP/Pottery/Midfield)

Building on the pleasant surprise of Kyle's evolution into a mid-fielder of the elite competition in Perth during 2019, he continued to impress this year taking his attacking creativity and skill up a notch while consciously working on his defensive accountability. Games vs Hale, Wasps and Aquinas clearly showed Kyle thrives on a challenge which will hold him in good stead as opportunities at higher levels present themselves. A thumb injury in the latter part of year cut his season short - but his extra running at training sessions while recovering from this injury demonstrated to us all that his "hockey maturity" is showing positive signs for the future.

Ryan PACE (Rhino/Midfield)

What's better than one Pace is two! It was great seeing Ryan debut in the Premier 1s this year, showing he has many of the skills required to be a valuable asset for our group. Injuries unfortunately limited further exposure at this elite level for Ryan in 2020, so we keep our eyes wide open for what Ryan will bring to 2021 with a better-behaving body.

Trent POTTER (T-Potts/Defender)

This year showed Trent's further development in the "craft" of being a versatile half-back. Rarely beaten defensively and now providing a variety of options moving into attack, Trent has made steps in the right direction as a vital link in the chain of our quality attacking circle penetrations. He is also becoming one of the "thinkers" of the game, with welcomed comments in game analysis that are on-point. We are all still amazed how Trent prefers to receive over-heads on the half-volley (tennis-like), and await his next variation of tennis skills adapted to hockey serving his advantage !!! PCA and PCD skills are a work-in-progress in the background and we hope to see them come season 2021.

Frank REYNOLDS (Frankie/Defender)

With some personnel changes in the off-season, the team looked for additional flow/flair from our flank halves, and we didn't have to look far to find "Friendly Frank" ready to "stir the pot", relishing this role in season 2020. Always tenacious in defence with tackling styles yet to be documented in a coaching handbook, Frank built offensively on the connections with other players to create many of our attacking circle penetrations. Kudos from the Kookaburras GK and admiration from us all on your PCD #1 running lines - bold and brave. Having the versatility of playing well in multiple lines is a great asset Frank - and your consistency of performance (now over two years) is something you should also be proud of.

Lachlan SHARP (Sharpie/Big-Dog/Midfield)

A challenging year of uncertainty for the Australian Hockey program meant Lachi was only available for part of the 2020 club season in Perth. But what games Lachi did play, it's hard not to keep thinking this player is destined for a long, exciting and successful career at the highest level for Australia (he reminds many of Jamie Dwyer and Jacob Whetton at the same age). Speed, agility, fast-hands, and innate hockey-sense to name just a few characteristics that you get with Lachi. And to give you an insight into the person behind the hockey stick, Lachi is always asking and happy to play where the club will benefit from him the most. Selflessness is an admirable quality that will also take him far. Fingers remained crossed for an Olympics in 2021 where the "Big-Dog" is sure to shine!



PREMIER 1 MEN cont

Mitchell TATE (Mitch-ie/Spud/Midfield)

Returning home from his UK adventure just in time before WA locked down the borders, Mitch is one player who has taken a positive step forwards each and every game he played this year - most improved for sure - and he did it in the heat of the mid-field of the elite competition in Perth! Building on a base of high-work-rate and defensive accountability, Mitch has added some really nice attacking skills to his hockey package. Always willing to ask a question, Mitch is thirsty for more knowledge on the game, looking to manipulate opposition players to create receiving options for himself or his team-mates. A club-man who doubled-up on many weekends and never let his effort level drop - a true credit to himself. Season 2021 can't come fast enough for Mitch to keep on the improvement up-curve.

Patrick WELSH (Paddy/Midfield)

A leader who demanded a "blue collar" working standard from our group - and Paddy walks his talk. He is his own harshest critic, but this willingness to learn and develop his role for the team in the mid-field cannot be questioned. Moments of elite elimination skill, lacing out flat tomas into the circle and defensive 1v1 tenacity show

Paddy has more than enough hockey DNA to charge our mid-field engine room. Keep the "body beautiful" as your hockey knowledge/brain is entering a great phase - combine the two and we are on a winner!

Matthew WILLIS (Willo/Striker)

Over the past few years, it has been a pleasure seeing Matt re-invent himself as a striker within our group, leading by example with his extremely high work-rate to put pressure on opposition defenders while also providing options as we flow from defence into attack. An exceptional ability to turn any pass/ball in his zone into a strong receive and then quickly move forward while carrying the ball out in-front is a skill we all admire in Matt. We have also continued to benefit from his innate ability to coach and mentor athletes within the Melville system, sewing the seeds for future success at the club. Just a spoonful of Matt's competitiveness and you will be on the right pathway.

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PREMIER 1 WOMEN

2020 kicked off for the Women's Top Squad in February with a few changes from previous years, the most obvious incorporating the clubs 1st, 2nd and 3rd grade sides into the Top Squad, instead of just the top two teams as done in previous years. This was done due to the Linear Competition Model as adopted by Hockey WA, as Melville would be fielding teams in the top three Premier grades. This brought new faces and friendships to the group, and certainly made pre-season an enjoyable, although at times physically challenging component of the season.

Having completed pre-season and two sessions on turf, COVID-19 put hockey to a standstill. With the hockey season anything but certain, the girls continued with individual fitness and strength training, with a few home hockey sessions included. Many made huge improvements during this time, with this commitment, training in pairs or with family members when in strict isolation, placed the group in a strong position in a physical sense for when hockey returned in late June.

The results on the field each week across the Women's Top Squad have been outstanding, the 1s earning the right to play in the semi-finals for the first time since 2014, along with the 2s and 3s continuing on their past three years of dominance in their respective grades, also qualifying for semi-finals. There is no magic potion which has enabled this success, only hard work and commitment from all players involved. Some examples of areas which have contributed to consistent results this season include the willingness of players to improve on individual aspects of their own game, not only attendance but effort at trainings, fitness levels and the ability to maintain the required intensity of a Premier League match for its entirety, having the majority of players available for all games with COVID-19 preventing holidays to Europe mid-season, players being open to trying new things, playing new positions, and being ok to make mistakes if they are then seen as a learning opportunity.

We had two debutants in 2020, Saysha Pillay who is a Melville Junior, and Jocelyn Bartram, a goalkeeper who we welcomed to the club via the AIS draft. Strong performances from a large group of players made selection each week a challenge, with twenty players taking to the field this season. Although not mentioned in individual write ups, the following all played key roles at various times throughout the season. Meg Silvey, Lou-Ellen Edwards, Casey Donaldson, Georgia Ellis and Maddy Smith-Gander.

I have thoroughly enjoyed coaching all the players involved in the Women's Top Squad this season and hope each of you have had a positive experience and will be back in 2021. To see individuals execute skills under pressure, add new skills to their repertoire or gain greater game awareness has been pleasing. More importantly, all players have worked as a collective group, and done so with smiles on their faces to achieve an outcome, which has been enjoyable to watch. However, the success of 2020 should not be satisfying for any of the group, or those aspiring to be part of the Top Squad in coming years. It should be the standard we set for ourselves and each other, as we continue to improve and evolve as a playing group. With many players only starting to unlock their potential, this Top Squad, and has the capacity to play consistent hockey for many years to come. Combine this current talent with the strength of Melville's Junior girls, and there is no reason for 2020 to be an isolated year in terms of results on the field, as the future certainly looks bright.

Thanks to Gav Scally, Mal Cowan, Mark Watton, Steve Silvey and Bonnie Meacock who contributed to the Top Squad in a coaching and hockey specific capacity. Without all your knowledge, instruction and time commitment, the success of this group would not have been possible. Thank you to Colleen Bentley and Janine Tate for managing the individual teams and the squad as a whole. A lot of work is done away from the turf by these two ladies, and we certainly would not be able to operate without your effort and organisational skills. Brianna Coleman, Women's VP, without your help we do not have a Women's program at Melville, let alone a successful one, and finally Pulse Property Group, particularly Sue and Graham Rayner, who have been supporters of the Women's Program as well as the club for many years. Your support and assistance is greatly appreciated.



Mathilda Carmichael - Coach



PREMIER 1 WOMEN cont

Jocelyn BARTRAM

First season at Melville and what a welcome addition! Joc did not come into the team like a timid flower, she came into our team like a dearly needed force of nature. She's rarely scored against unless it's by one of her "very sorry" defenders! Joc is the kind of goalkeeper where the mature players thank the heavens to play with her, and the younger players won't know how good they've had it until later in their careers. Joc is a natural leader, fun, honest, supportive and an instructive team-mate. She calls confidently from her domain and is never afraid to let her defenders know her line of sight is being blocked unhelpfully by them ;P

Couldn't be happier that you joined our Melville family and hoping to see you play with us for years to come. Thank you for the amazing season Joc, you're a keeper for sure!"

Edwina BONE (Captain)

It is a challenge to summarise Eddie into one paragraph. Quite simply she is a legend in what she brings to our team on and off the field. Whilst we would have been proud to see her lighting it up in Tokyo, we have been lucky to play alongside her for almost every game of this season and we are better for it. Eddie always brings her A game, her insane fitness, her composure, her sense of humour and her green Woolies bag. Eddie is an asset to our club, our team and each of us as individuals and wherever her hockey or life journey takes her, it has been a true privilege.

Aimee CLARK

What a bloody season this girl has had - one of the best we've seen from her. Solid in the midfield and constantly involved in building and directing play. Aimee has shown that she is a leader for this group on and off the field and will do anything to help us win (I mean, I don't think she'd offer up another fingertip, but she will do almost anything). We love having you on our team because we know you won't give up and that attitude has gotten us to the finals for the first time in 6 years! Congrats on a fantastic season, you should be really proud of the way you have played this year.



Briony CLARK

Briony has played an amazing season in the back line this year, proving to be a valuable asset to the team. She is very reliable and can always be trusted to step in front of opposition players at the right time to intercept passes. Her skills and ability to protect the ball make it hard for any opposition to tackle her in a contest. She is a very hard working, enthusiastic player with a positive attitude and is always encouraging and supporting others both on and off the field.

Naomi EVANS

Known all over Melville for her amazing skills, but more importantly all over Perth for her vast Ooshie collection - Evo! Naomi is loved by all and always brings the good vibes to hockey. This year she was a key player in our attack and watching her out skill the opposition time after time was such a delight. As a more Senior player she also takes a huge role in leading the team. It was great to learn from her and play alongside her this year. Hopefully we keep doing this for many years to come!

Neasa FLYNN

Neasa has made waves in the competition and really had an impact this year. Her speed is an asset to our team and has propelled her past even the best defenders and made them look like cones! We'll even forgive Neasa for her month long holiday up north, after her 75m sprint race beating 3 defenders goal. It's been an absolute pleasure to play alongside you Neasa.

Jemma GREEN

As one of our key midfielders, Jem, time and time again eliminates into space and distributes the ball to the strikers with ease. This has been a key component to our game that we can attribute to our success at scoring goals this year. Jemma's speed and agility allows her to break lines and cause havoc through the midfield. You might have even seen her score a goal this year! Without her leadership, organisation and the constant effort she puts in every week, the team wouldn't be the same without her. Her dedication to hockey while juggling a busy study and work life is an indication of her character and sets an example for the rest of the team. Congrats Jem, you killed it!



PREMIER 1 WOMEN cont

Erin HALL

Erin's pursuit of improvement this year has been evident to all in the Top Squad. She's regained her overhead confidence and dramatically improved her postie work, showing that an old dog can be taught new tricks. She's been a steadfast for the back line, never shying away from a contest and using her strength and tackling skills to create quite the barrier for opposing strikers. Thanks for bringing a strong game face (on the field) and a huge smile (off the field) each week, it's been a pleasure to play with you.

Kimberley HOCKING

Kim has been one of our standout strikers this year in our premier women's team. Stepping into the 1s team again for a full season she did not disappoint. Kim is a reliable, hardworking and selfless player who continues to shine every single game, through utilising her slick skills whilst having the ability to assist in setting up and scoring goals when the team needs it the most. Kim brings her own unique skill set to the team as well as her own kind and considerate nature. As a team we value her so much and without her it wouldn't quite be the same! Good season this year Kimmy!

Saysha PILLAY

This year we welcomed a little pocket rocket into the team called Saysha. She started the season with a bang and got a sausage roll in her second game. Super fit and speedy are strengths, but cool, calm and collected with silky skills is how to describe her game. She may be the youngest, but she plays hockey at an age well above her years. Saysha has been a valuable asset to the team and its success this year. She was also being part of the J11/12A Girls Premiership team this season. She has a bright future ahead of her and looking forward to seeing where hockey takes her.

Tara PORTER

2020 has been a great season of hockey for Tara, despite the world's longest pre-season. Not only does she bring up the average age of the group, Tara adds a level of experience and composure to our team that can change and control a game. She always steps up when the team needs her and her ability to read the game and intercept is second to none. She almost never misses a tackle and tries her very best to get as high as humanly possible for a full-back (the goal WILL come). Her commitment is stellar and she is at every single training and social event we have. Her love of Harry Potter and fluency in sarcasm only add to her value in our team. We are so lucky to have had Tara in our back line for so many years and we hope to see her back in the maroon in 2021!

Jo SNYMAN

It's been a pleasure to play another season with Joey. She is a kind and caring team-mate who always brings a smile to our faces. She is reliable in defence and it has been great to see her step up this year and find her voice. She is a consistent performer who brings many years of Premier League experience to our group. We look forward to playing with you in the years to come as you continue to develop your game. Well done Joey!

Renee TAYLOR

Renee is such a competitor on the field. She is an amazing person to watch and we've been lucky enough to play with her this year. She has helped and given tips to everyone in the team to better themselves. This year has been a blessing in disguise with the Olympics not going ahead, which meant we got to play with such talented players like Renee and further develop our own skills.

Jade VANDERZWAN

Jade makes a strong entrance into each game with her slick stick skills and fast pace. Her ability to turn players inside out is always great to watch along with a strong desire to shoot upfront. Jade has shown increasing skills and determination throughout her years in Premier League and I have no doubt there's more to come. Congrats on a great season.

Shanae WARDROPE

Shanae rocked up to (the extremely long) pre-season with fire in her eyes and a new confidence on the hockey field which has only grown through the year. 2020 has seen her really step into her role in the midfield and take on some of the best players in the country. We can't wait to see what she brings to season 2021. She is not only a huge asset to her team on the weekend but is one of our favourite people off the field. Shanae's happiness and positivity no matter the time, weather or the running set that Tilly has prepared, is something to be admired and what truly makes her such a valuable team-mate and member of the club.





PREMIER 1 WOMEN cont (photos by TJM Photographics)

Special thanks to Til for a fantastic year. After 3 consecutive Premierships coaching the 3s women she stepped up this year to take on the 1s and the whole Top Squad (and luckily for me took me with her!) Til's experience with professional and elite sport showed through and from the beginning the group was enthusiastic and looking forward to an exciting year - until everything came to a halt with Covid-19. So, while everyone was kept away from each other, that didn't stop Til from keeping us all motivated and engaged remotely and virtually, until the season was allowed to re-start, when happily everyone could use their sticks again and more importantly for some, tackle each other! This group

has done amazing things this year and I have been privileged to be a part of it, especially the 1s team, where I've enjoyed getting to know you all a bit more. Thank you.

To Mal, Gav, Bonnie and Watto it's been a fun year - the first of many hopefully. To Janine for being 2s manager - we've made a good team over the years and it seems being managers was no exception! Thanks.

Good luck for the finals and I look forward to this momentum carrying on into season 2021.

Colleen Bentley - Manager





PREMIER 1 WOMEN cont (photos by TJM Photographics)





PREMIER 2 MEN

What a season. Will we, won't we and then it was full steam ahead. 2s started on top and remained there all season to collect the Minor Premiership. Great endeavour lead by Captain Richo, supported by a remarkably consistent group. We introduced several youngsters - Josh, Dan, Darcy and Tom got a taste of a higher level of hockey and I expect further improvements next year.

I would like to mention Nic McCaughan, last year's 1s GK and replaced by Andrew Charter when the Olympics were cancelled. Played 2s and displayed great resilience by maintaining his high standards all year. An example to all: CLUB TEAM SELF.

To the 1s, thank you for letting us compete every Tuesday. The best practice any 2s team could get - I wonder how many other clubs are as fortunate to have such an inclusive group of players and coaches.

Lastly, Craig, Stefan and especially Andrew - thank you for your support and counsel. Much appreciated. I look forward to 2021.

Andy Starling - Coach

Joshua ANTONCICH (Anto)

Many ways to describe Anto - mercurial might be one. Took a while for his skills and confidence to match and then his play at times changed to sublime. Selected in the 1s many times this season with success. Was going to be a strong member of the 2s finals team until he broke his thumb. Going to be missed, speedy recovery.

Sean BENTLEY (Bents)

Bents was a solid and consistent contributor in the backline all season, and we could always rely on him to shut down the opposition strikers. He always provided a contest and was rarely beaten by his opponent, especially in one-on-one situations. He gave the team some great options coming out of defence with his crisp and accurate passing, and his ability to hit penetrating, long balls up the field when gaps opened up was very valuable.

Matthew BOWATER

Once thought to only be able to play as a goalkeeper, Matty has yet again proven the doubters wrong. Matt last year played forward, this year decided to play in the backline. His level of communication was often unmatched, his speed helps with staying in contests to make multiple tackles, and his elimination skills and distribution allows us to attack and produce opportunities. After a tough start to the season, he has taken on feedback and improved each and every week. He will be the first to admit he has some improving to do, but he had great year in a new position, and we're looking forward to a better Matty next year.

Joshua BYRNE-QUINN (JBQ)

JBQ... "We before Me" is the best way to describe JB as he took the role of being one of the Senior leaders of the team, giving guidance to the younger members. His knowledge of the game and uplifting personality made him a great team-mate for the boys this year. Along with his leadership role, JB's want for goals was unmatched as you could see from the sidelines the excitement going

through his body when a scoring opportunity came to him. This led to him being one of the highest goal scorers for the team. Another great season this year, looking forward to another injury-free season in 2021!

Nicholas McCAUGHAN

Nic has been one of our stand-out players all season. Stepping down from the Melville top side after the inclusion of Andrew Charter, Nic brought a wealth of knowledge and experience to our 2s side. His communication, and his ability to order our back line appropriately has been particularly important. On the pitch, he has continued to demonstrate regularly and consistently that he is a 1s-standard goalkeeper. Countless saves throughout the season, both solid and spectacular, have been essential to the great season our 2s side has had this year. Well done Nic.

Andrew McINTYRE (AMAC)

For opposition clubs, Amac would be a nightmare for defenders marking him, his pure work rate and speed alone make life hard for defenders. Amac's eight goals (at time of writing) for the season goes along with his much higher assist tally as was shown in the Mods game, when in a thirteen goal game (in which he probably set up half) he was unable to score. On behalf of the team I would like to say thank you for all the hard work you put in organising the fitness sessions in pre-season and during the season - thanks Amac.

Kyle McNESS (Killa)

Killa played more minutes this year than anyone else. Doubled nearly every week in 1s and provided the defence with a rock to lean on. Full of comments and head shakes and a powerful slap. Finally part of the corner team with more to do than stop the ball. Even managed a goal this year. His work for the entire club as a leader and organiser cannot be understated.



PREMIER 2 MEN cont

Thibault MEIRE

Connu sous le nom de TBOw melville, venant de Belgique pour jouer dans la saison 2020. Tbow a réussi s'intégrer et jouer un rôle travers les 1 et 2 même avec une grande barrière de langue car il ne parle que français. Un attaquant rapide avec une forte capacité de finition étaient des points forts, ses faiblesses résident dans ses performances hors terrain, une nuit se balancer sans pièce d'identité et en tenue de hockey, et une autre se retrouvant l'hôpital pour la nuit. C'était génial de l'avoir dans l'équipe de Melville.

Daniel MOULIN (Knickers)

Dan earned himself the nickname of "Knickers" early on in the year when he brought a pair to training along with the bibs. How else do you get welcomed to your first proper season with the Top Squad? Dan sometimes forgot that he was a hockey player this year when he would take an umpiring allocation over playing a game. With a money-focused mind like that we should be keeping Dan in the Top Squad for many years to come so he can pay for all the post-game beers.

Ryan PACE

Ryan joined Melville this year along with his brother and has been a great addition to the club. He's a skilful, hard-working midfielder who unfortunately needs a new hamstring! Ryan missed a number of games this year due to this injury, which was unfortunate in his first season with Melville. On return from injury though, he slotted back into the mix very comfortably and has made himself a key player in the team. Improvements for next year... stop flicking corners like it's indoor and have a haircut!

Nicholas PAGE

Pagey (aka the Luke Ryan of Melville) was easily the most consistent and reliable in the back group this year. Stepping up each game, Nick worked hard to stay in the contest and apply defensive pressure, often resulting in him making impressive stopping tackles down the field. As Pagey's confidence in his voice grew he was able to build play going forward and create a defensive structure that made it difficult for opposition teams to break through. It was exciting to watch his development as a younger player, and he has played a crucial role in securing the team as minor premiers with a spot in finals hockey this year.

Ashley RANFORD (Ramma)

A Mids stalwart providing leadership in the team despite being breathless most of the time. Learnt a new skill this year - drag flicks low in the corners. The look of surprise when one went in was worth the admission ticket. A great team-mate with plenty of suggestions and encouragement.

David RICHARDSON (Richo)

The Captain and standard-bearer of the 2s. Always the hardest worker, always ready to take on a challenge and never backs down. If we all maintained his standard, 2s would never lose a game. Well done on another great year.

Joshua SCANLON

New to 2s and a full time full-back role. Passing and elimination skills are good but lots to learn. Needs to find a voice but never scared to demand the ball and take responsibility. Speed and a pre-season will help him take the next step in 2021.

Justin SCHONKEN

Schonks was in and out of the team this year due to work commitments but when he did play it wasn't hard to see why he had been playing 1s since he was 15. Liam, who hadn't seen him play before our game in Joondalup, was surprised saying, "This guy's pretty good". But if he gives himself any more tattoos then he might have to move to Fremantle.

Jon SMEDLEY (Smeds)

These days considered a veteran but still leading the goal scoring list. Calm under pressure - especially when corners go wrong. Runs like a pony but leaves the young studs in his wake with 3D skills and early passes. An example for the youngsters to follow for years to come.

Wesley STEWART

One of our FIFO hockey players, Wes played every second game after coming back from up north. Wes is one of our most versatile players in the squad, regularly playing all three lines at different parts of the season, sometimes even during the one game, to great effect. Wes is a great asset to the team and even though he only played half a season, had a massive impact.

Mitchell TATE (SPUD)

Mitch is quickly transitioning to Senior hockey by getting two seasons under his belt in 2020 by doubling in 1s/2s most weeks. After eating his pre-game sausage sizzle in the changerooms last year, he has taken to knocking this off before the pre-game chat and saving some room for a sneaky jelly snake when Craig isn't looking (ask him about Lollygate 2019). Spud has taken his game to another level physically in his marking this year, and once he stops apologising for it will be a real force to be reckoned with.

Thanks to all players not listed above: Darcy Knell, Liam Colgan, Sean Ranford, Mark Timmel, Harry Parkes, Mac Love and Sam Geers. Without your help, 2s would not have had the success they did.



PREMIER 2 MEN cont





PREMIER 2 WOMEN

What a year! Following a solid pre-season, we were looking forward to getting stuck into the season proper and then, well, we all know what happened next! It's a credit to the whole Women's Top Squad that the group kept themselves engaged whilst we were in lockdown by engaging in activities that resulted in them staying active and maintaining a good level of fitness. I think this was a big reason why, once the season finally got underway, that the 2s started off so well.

After three Grand Finals in three years it was always going to be a tough ask on the 2s group to maintain those high standards, but we hit the ground running in the first three rounds with big wins, two 4-0 victories over Southern River and UWA followed by a 5-0 demolition of Whitford's top Women's side. We were then brought back down to earth in a game where we dominated but couldn't score, Vic Park on the other hand made the most of their limited opportunities and walked away with a 2-0 win. From that point our season went reasonably well, and with a top two position there for the taking we had wins against Lions, Raiders and Curtin and a couple of draws against what would be top four teams at the end of the season in Reds and Wolves. Then we had another hiccup... well, two in fact! First off, we lost to a lowly Lions team and then drew with another of the bottom sides in Raiders. Suddenly that top two position was looking very fragile! To the team's credit, they did some soul searching and finished the round games off with two wins, one of those against a strong Reds 1s team which led to us securing the double chance for finals.

When this team plays their best hockey there isn't a team in this grade that can match them, so, heading into another finals campaign I am more than confident that this group can make it four GF's in a row, and hopefully take out their second premiership in that time, but we'll need to be at our best. Over the course of the season the 2s have had some 26 players run through our ranks, so we'd like to say a massive thank you to the following players that played with the 2s to varying degrees throughout the season: Briony Clark, Neasa Flynn, Emily Grosser, Kim Hocking, Lucy Lefroy, Emma Lunt, Saysha Pillay, Renee Skou, Jo Snyman and Shanae Wardrope.

I'd like to thank Gavin Scally, who, for some strange reason, thought it would be a good idea for us to do this together, Gav taking training sessions and passing the helm to me for games. Some things have worked, others not so much, but it has been extremely enjoyable to team up with someone who I've spent a lot of time with on the field and see what we could achieve off it! Thanks must also go to Women's Head Coach, Mathilda Carmichael, as without her support, her confidence in us and a good listening ear, I doubt the group would be in the position we find ourselves in. Congratulations also to Tilly and the Women's 1s for achieving a top two spot, it's a massive achievement for the club and you all should be proud of what you have achieved.

Finally, and most importantly, I'd like to thank Janine Tate for taking on the role as our manager this year. Tirelessly working behind the scenes, organising umpiring commitments, patching players up, along with all those other important tasks that allow the coaches to focus on the coaching. Without a good one, it's mayhem! Janine, you've been a great one ☺

Coaches Mark Watton and Gavin Scally

Grace BOWYER

Grace is bright and bubbly but also an incredibly hardworking person, who uses her ability to read the play to link up with her team-mates. She takes every opportunity to grow as a player. During one game, Grace used her eye to try and score a goal, which unfortunately kept her out for a couple of weeks. Glad to have her back and it has been such a joy playing alongside her!

Sarah BOWYER

Sarah has truly earned her spot as a permanent player in the 2s team this season. She has continued to step up and grow each week, showing us what a solid and hardworking midfielder she can be. Also, just in case you missed it, she proudly scored a goal this season. She would be happy to fill you in on what exactly took place if you ask her ;). Thanks for a fabulous season together Sarah!

Casey DONALDSON

A fighter, a natural leader and an all-round great person. For the season that brought so many challenges, Casey was the first person to bring positivity to the team and individuals. Not only is Casey a great hockey player, she is also a great businesswoman....go check out Crossbar & Co. (servicing all WA events with cocktail and service packages). Well done on a great season Casey.

Lou-Ellen EDWARDS

Lou-Ellen, what a season! She has been a consistent voice down the back with such a calming nature. She never has a bad word to say about any situation and offers snippets of wisdom beyond her years. She has showcased her skills in many aspects of her game and continues to gain confidence with every save she makes. It has been an absolute pleasure to play alongside the nicest smelling keeper going around!



PREMIER 2 WOMEN cont

Georgia ELLIS

Plagued with injury at the start of the season, Geo was able to overcome this adversity and has finished the 2020 season off strong. Her composed mindset and ability to distribute the ball is an asset to any team and coupled with Geo's silky skills, she slots into our midfield effortlessly. Well done on a great season Geo!

Chloe FORBES

It has been an absolute pleasure to see Chloe develop her confidence and game play this year. Her ability to read the play and create swift turn overs coupled with her excellent distribution skills have seen many a break-away that have created goal scoring opportunities, which is a great asset to the team. It is not just her field skills that are exceptional, as her leadership and friendly nature helped her lead the J11/12A girls to a comfortable grand final win and we applaud your commitment to playing both Juniors and Seniors in what must have been a turbulent year as a Yr 12 student. You're an invaluable player, leader and person to our club and we can safely say we are all looking forward to having a great season together next year in Seniors.

Rosie McCAUGHAN

Rosie is one of our speedy and talented strikers who has scored many impressive goals throughout the course of the year. She is a reliable and consistent player who always gets in the right spots to create opportunities for her team-mates. Her work rate not only offensively but also in the press has been a massive attribution to the team. Rosie always gives 100% at both training and games and is valued by all on and off the field. She is always making the girls laugh and brings a positive attitude to games.

Ashleigh McNESS

Ash has been pretty unlucky this year in terms of injuries, so unfortunately hasn't been able to play out a full season. Despite this her continued commitment and support to the team from the sideline has been amazing. She has definitely been missed on the field - her ball delivery skills and goal scoring ability (despite being a defender) make her an invaluable member of the team.

Ash you are an asset both on and off the field and we look forward to playing with you next year, hopefully injury free!

Shaya PILLAY

Shaya is a dynamo on the field. A quick overhead here and a drag / elimination there. Opponents underestimate her speed and tenacity. She may still have been a Junior this year, but over the season showed her capacity to mix it with the best of the Seniors. Shaya was also a member of the J11/12A Girls Premiership team in this, her last year of Juniors. Well done Shaya.

Ashleigh POWER

Ash has had a great season this year. She has become a super reliable asset to the team especially in the mid-field. She always finds a way to get herself out of trouble and is constantly surprising everyone with the sneaky skills she stores up her sleeve. Her efforts from a defensive aspect have been valuable to keeping us in the game. Well done Ash.

Taleisha POWER

Oh Captain my Captain! This year Tal has stepped up as the leader of the always feisty 2s group and done a magnificent job of keeping everyone motivated. Her tenacious attitude on the pitch is outstanding, and she's always thoughtful enough to point out to the umpires when they might be wrong. Tal took a brief week or so off to spend some time up north, and let me tell you, the tan that girl came back with was the envy of the team! Congratulations on a fantastic season and thank you for being an amazing captain!

Monique SADER

Monique is one the craziest players as she runs through people like a tank and isn't scared to use her strength to crack a goal in her own unique Sader way. She's hilarious on and off the pitch and she's not afraid to Superman dive into the D to get a goal! Super fun person to play in the strike line with and we can't wait until next season! Love ya girl.

Kirsten SILVEY

A natural born leader, Kirsten takes charge from the back directing the lines in front with her high pitch, squawking commands. The powerful Silvey backline has proven dangerous with Kirsten's crisp hitting finding her strikers with ease. While not always the most conventional tackler or the most agile person, she always gets the job done playing a pivotal role leading the team as one of the most experienced Premier 2 players for Season 2020. Well done, Kirsten!

Megan SILVEY

Meg is such a light-hearted and easy going individual, which has made playing alongside her this year so enjoyable. She has a large presence within the team, both on and off the field and being such a dedicated and insightful player makes her not only an influential team-mate, but also a pleasure to be around. Congrats on an amazing season Meg, we look forward for the many to come.

Maddy SMITH-GANDER

Maddy has continued to show determination and leadership this year in both the 1s and 2s. She is always willing to step up to the plate for her team-mates when the pressure is on. Maddy loves a good tomtom and a run up front to sneak in a few goals. Awesome work this year and keep building your confidence into next year!



PREMIER 2 WOMEN cont (photos by TJM Photographics)

Elizabeth STRATTON

Lizzie the machine! She runs 0-100 in 5 seconds, always finding a way to get the ball to the back of the net. Lizzie never shies away from throwing her body on the line, always giving it her all in every game. Lizzie is a strong, resilient player! Always positive and ready to go! She's an asset to the team. Well done on a great season Lizzie!

What a season we've had! I'm so proud of how hard all the girls and coaches have worked, and the results are testament to that commitment. Although we fell one game short of a Grand Final appearance, it was a wonderful achievement to finish the season in second place. It has been such a pleasure to be part of the Women's Top Squad group this year, especially as the mother of two sons. I feel like I have a huge group of adopted "daughters"! I've particularly enjoyed watching a number of players I've known since Minkey, now playing at the highest level. Well done to Captain Taleisha and the 2s Leadership Group on building a tight-knit team who went out there each week to play for each other, and have fun while doing so.

Thank you to Watto and Gav for inviting me into the group, and to Tilly, Mal and Bonnie who have formed part of a tight-knit coaching group. To have our top three Women's teams all finish in the top 4 and play finals this year, as well as our 4s girls winning a premiership, shows how strong our Women's program has become. Very special thanks to Colleen, who actually did all the hard work as Manager of the 1s AND 3s, and really just pulled me along for the ride! I really appreciate all of your organisation, help and encouragement, Col. Thanks to all of the Top Squad girls, especially those in the 2s, who made this season great fun, and one to remember. Let's make 2021 our year!

Janine Tate - Manager





PREMIER 2 WOMEN cont (photos by TJM Photographics)





PREMIER 3 MEN

This season the Men's 3s had 40 players on the books throughout a 13 game season. As a group, we only had five players who played more than nine games. The team finished the year equal 5th with four wins, two draws and seven losses, but of the seven losses only two were by more than a goal, so for a continually-changing team week in week out, I think the boys put in a very solid effort this season. I would like to thank those who doubled up every week, along with those who played when we were desperately short of players.

A big thankyou goes out to Windy for keeping me in the loop with everything that I needed to do throughout the season. Without having you guide me through the season it could have been a long one. I would also like to thank all those at the club who have supported me in taking on the role of coaching this year, although foreign to me it has been a great experience. Thank you to all the players who actually listened to an 18 year old as their coach - I cannot believe that you actually did what I asked of you all, although maybe that was the reason for having 40 players this season!

Cheers, Tom Bergin - Coach

Benjamin CLARK (Ben/Half-back)

After a few seasons in red and even a year off, Ben was back to join the rest of the Clark family in Maroon. A full pre-season and consistent training with the Top Squad showed as Ben quickly cemented a spot at half-back, and helped keep the average age of the team down. Good to have you back Benno, and look forward to next year.

Liam COLGAN (Striker)

A tireless and hard worker, Liam always had a presence on the field, being a key figure upfront. Although his name may not have been on the score sheet as much as others, he was right up there for assists. Although sometimes he gets caught up in the heat of the moment and may get a card here or there his effort levels are second to none. A great first year at MCHC.

Stephen GIBSON (Gibbo/ Midfield/Half-back)

Gibbo took his hockey to the next level this year, literally taking a hiatus from his job to concentrate on playing three games a week. I assume some parenting was happening in there too. His silky skills were on display through the midfield but most notably in the laundry. Never before has a player shown such commitment to washing the shirts (the fabric softener did not go unnoticed). The ultimate club man, Gibbo must have racked up more games than anyone else this year until the final two rounds where the 'old man' injury, aka the calf strain, got the better of him. Huge effort Gibbo!

Chris GILL (Gilly/ Full-back)

This season has seen Gilly transform himself from being an ever-reliable centre-half who everyone would look for, to a full-back. Although getting caught ball watching on a couple of occasions, Gilly has had a great season playing full-back, the rare overheads that he threw were always advantageous to the team. Making countless goal-saving



tackles and providing some valuable knowledge to the Juniors coming through, it was great to have Gilly play every game this year. Next year it would be great to see him learn to play half-back as his ability to move the ball could prove deadly.

James GURBIEL (Gurbs/Striker)

Gurbs, like several others in team, may need to visit Ashley and Martin as the hair isn't looking as thick as it once did, but this did not take away from his skills on the field. On countless occasions he showed off his dribbling and dragging skills by eliminating players and setting up goals for team-mates. He also added some needed leadership in the forward line and no doubt has helped some of the younger players better understand the game. Gurbs, great season.

Darcy KNELL (Midfield)

Darcy is another member of the Junior contingent that played with us this year. His ability to make strong post-up leads in the midfield, combined with his ability to use pace and skill, means he has been able to break through lines of the opposition's defence. Darcy's consistently strong performances in the 3s team meant that he was given the opportunity to play 2s towards the end of the season.

Daniel McENTEE (Dmac/Striker)

As one of the veteran strikers, Dmac had a season where he took on more of a mentoring role. Being the leading goalscorer the season prior, Dmac had some big shoes to fill. In an effort to get some form back, his choice to play midweek turned out to have a detrimental impact on his season, keeping him sidelined for a number of weeks with an intercostal muscle issue. It will be great to see Dmac back out on the pitch scoring some more miraculous goals next year!



PREMIER 3 MEN cont

Zachary McKINNON (Goalie)

Zac, the 3s goalkeeper this season, or so we thought so until he injured himself on a 2-week family holiday. When Zac is actually available, he is a terrific keeper, constantly saving the backline after their errors in the field. Zac has continued to improve year on year and hopefully with a strong pre-season and minimal family holidays during the season he will become one of Melville's top keepers.

Harrison PARKES (Parksey/Striker)

In a year where there was never an unchanged team due to injuries, sickness, holidays, work and cars not starting, Harry was one of the few faces at every game for the 3s this year and stood up in the strike line each and every week. Somehow, he was able to con his way into getting a few flicks off corners this year and also managed to score the occasional goal, but his major improvement this year was his leadership and communication in a strike line that was constantly changing week to week. Overall a good season up front from a half-back!

Sean RANFORD (Ramma/Midfield)

Ramma, a man who makes ever older player that little bit more thrilled that they still have more hair than him (I know Windy does). He was only available every three weeks due to his work commitments, but no doubt Tommy loved when he was available as it gave the entire team a little bit more flexibility as he had the skills to play anywhere (when he could trap). Ramma had several highlights for the year, none bigger than missing a game due to a so-called flat battery - still no proof of the actual purchase. Only positive is the team didn't have to buy another beer all season. Great season Ramma, and look forward to seeing your bald head around the traps next year.

Anthony RICCIARDONE (Ricca/Midfield)

Ricca is one of the old heads in the midfield and brings a great intensity to the team. He made his midweek Vets debut this year and in true old man style decided to lay a UFC style takedown tackle and earn himself a 10 min yellow against Curtin. A great season for Ricca and looking forward to seeing him play another ten years in the 3s team.

Mitch SCALLY (Scally/Striker)

During Mitch's season, however limited, he was able to bring some much-needed pace up front and help apply some pressure. When he wasn't on the field, he was on the bench helping support the younger guys coming through. Mitch had one of those seasons where he was always wanting to play even though he should have been resting, his commitment to the club is outstanding, keep up the good work. Mitch's hockey will improve when he learns that the game is best played on two feet rather than diving on the ground.

Joshua SCANLON (Scanners/Midfield)

Whether it's training or the game, there's a solid chance that Scanners is going to be late or leaving early, but when he turns up he Turns UP! He's had a solid year and has managed to cement himself a spot in the 2s backline, but was always willing to help out the 3s throughout the year, bringing some much-needed youth into the team. A skilful young player who isn't afraid to take on the opposition multiple times even when not required. Scanners is going to mature like fine wine and is only going to get better with age.

Mark TIMMEL (Stick/Full-back)

Stick was a great asset to the team this year, playing some fantastic hockey. With such difficult circumstances this year and two major injuries it was nothing short of amazing he was willing to "stick" it out and support the team so actively both on and off the field. It's never hard to hear his voice whether it was complaining about his multi, encouraging the team or tempting the umpire to give him a yellow.

Thomas WILLIAMSON (Half-back)

In his last year of Juniors, Tom seems to be making a seamless transition into the Senior squad. While he still needs to find his voice, he let his hockey do the talking. He showed strength over the ball and his ability to win his one on ones made him a key player as a half back, all while battling injuries. Great form saw him playing a couple of games in the 2s towards the end of the season. We look forward to seeing Tom progress into the dominant player he can be in Seniors.

Jason de WIND (Windy/Full-back)

Windy has had a great season, with fewer and fewer "Jason" moments as the season progressed. Rocking up to every game and every training has brought some consistency to his hockey this year. Windy has had a solid year at full-back, making many great tackles whilst also having some moments where he thought he could run the ball out from a 16.

Tristan WING (Striker)

As one of the Juniors to join the 3s team this year, Tristan has injected some much-needed youth into the team. Improving from game to game playing in the forward line, his ability to provide the team with run as well as being a great option up front is positive to see. Tristan's best game of the season was when he put two in against Southern River, scoring a squeeze shot whilst being bumped off the ball and a beautiful back stick deflection from Liam.



PREMIER 3 WOMEN

2020 has been an interesting year. With a change in the structure of divisions and a change in the way in which the season was played, the 3s women have battled, like all other teams, a season of extreme challenges and uncertainty, requiring tenacity and persistence. The linear restructure of 2020 meant a more robust 3rd Division, driving the Melville 3s to earn their spot in the finals. A year to strive for improvement as individuals and as a team. The season start saw the girls push through a prolonged pre-season with fitness becoming a strength of the Melville women. A year of extreme challenge tested what is and will remain a strong and cohesive team leading into the finals. With premierships in 2017, 2018 and 2019, four players from 2019 are driving the girls to continue the streak. To put the strength of this grade into perspective, the Melville women have been put to the test against other clubs' 1s and 2s teams and have not shied away. The 2020 3s team comprises thirteen core players, while also welcoming 17 players from Juniors, 4s and 2s over the 14-week season. With disruptions due to injury, holidays and weddings within an already short season, we managed to pull together each week to play the game we love.

Across the Top Squad it was pleasing to see Senior players mentoring Junior players - not only teaching but influencing and instilling confidence in one another - something that will ensure the club prospers throughout future years. The effort put in, leadership and maturity from each player is what I believe sets us apart from the rest. The Premier 3s as a team have the ability to build one another up and not let the score or umpires get to them. Throughout the season the team has proved that persistence, when paired with aggression and drive, is a leading force in obtaining results. If there is one thing Melville 3s like to do, it is to keep you on the edge of your seat.

As a first-time coach the challenges faced each week wouldn't have been surmounted without the support of the people who surround the 3s team:

- to Colleen Bentley (our unofficial Manager, who said she would do one game and then did the whole season!), thank you immensely for providing feedback, the pre-game, during-game and post-game lollies, the weekly emails, and the umpiring roster. The time and effort you have given us has not been overlooked.
- to Tilly, Mal, Gav, Watto and Janine thank you for your ongoing efforts to ensure each division is structured with immense power. The fact that each team in the Women's Top Squad are in finals is a true testament to the hard work, effort and time you give to us.
- to Georgia Wade, Stacey Bruce, Mikaela Spires, Rosie McCaughan, Zoe Polglase, Kate Cowan, Holly Menegola, Grace and Sarah Bowyer, Monique Sader, Jess Gallimore, Brianna Coleman, Ash, Taleisha and Chloe Power, Kirsten Silvey and Shaya Pillay - thank you for your tenacity and desire to come and play with us. You have all been an integral part in our games which have led 3s into the finals.
- to the core players, Britt, Caitlin, Emily, Emma F, Emma L, Georgia, Hayley, Lucy, Nat, Maddy, Renee, Serena, and Tori - thank you for being so open to a season of change. I admire your ability to leave it all on the field even when losing, and the encouragement and ongoing support going into the next game. Each of your unique skill sets and "flavour/flare" has allowed us to continue building on what is, each and every year, a fantastic team.
- to all the spectators and supporters - without you throughout this unprecedented season the girls would not have felt at ease. Your continuous encouragement to the girls and myself has made the season's feats even more satisfying.

Overall, I have thoroughly enjoyed my time coaching - a gratifying experience and a new perspective, one which I hope to bring back onto the field one day. **Bonnie Meacock - Coach**

Caitlin BENTLEY

Caitlin travelled all the way back from England and joined the team halfway through the season. She slotted straight back in becoming a vital asset in our midfield and showing us all that she's a highly skilled player. Her ability to lead into open space and drive us forward created some dangerous play. Such an amazing player on and off the field Caitlin, it's been great seeing you back out there.

Emma FLEAY

After a few seasons MIA, Fleay this year found her way back to Melville. FIFO worker on a 1 on 1 off roster meant she missed every second week on the pitch, however when she was here, she always brought the aggression we would expect from a Narrogin local. Fleay is a natural born gut runner with a set of lungs able to get her through a full game, even after a few questionable lifestyle choices. A welcomed addition to the Premier 3 team!

Hayley GREENWELL

Hayley has become an irreplaceable force in the back group this season, making numerous game saving decisions. She is respected on and off the field, always acting in a calm and thoughtful manner, and has the ability to stay calm in games no matter what. Well done on a great season Hayley.

Emily GROSSER

Grosser may be a new face around the club this year, but she is certainly no longer a stranger. Loved by all, Grosser always brings a huge smile and good laughs to every game (even if she's always late). She has been an integral part of our defence and her quick feet and incredible speed has often kept us in a game. We have all thoroughly enjoyed having her around this year - on and off the field she has many skills. One of her many talents include her thorough commitment to funnels (I have never seen anyone down a cruiser as fast as she does). We would love to have her back next year and for many years to come!



PREMIER 3 WOMEN cont

Lucy LEFROY

Lucy can be a menace on the pitch in two places at once, using her tenacity in the striker line while her one-handed jinks put defenders to shame in the midfield. It has been fantastic to watch as Lucy stepped up into a more leadership role in the 3s, and for never lacking a positive attitude both on and off the field.

Emma LUNT

Emma has been our team's goal scoring machine. She's every defenders' worst nightmare with a knack of being able to put the ball in the back of the net from anywhere in the D. Finishing the season as the division's highest goal scorer is no surprise to anyone who's watched her play. Emma is also a blast to have around and never fails to make the whole team laugh!

Britt MacDONALD

Another solid year in the backline for Britt, forever pulling out amazing tackles and hard hits down the line. Although a defender, Britt's presence in short corners earned her a well-deserved goal. Britt is a great team-mate who encourages all around her. Great work this year Britt.

Natalie MATTHEWS

Miss Matthews is a delight to have on the team not only for her always positive attitude but also the sneaky leads up the line. Nat has been an instrumental part of our back line this year and we are always so glad she's there running back to help us defend. Thanks so much for your commitment and dedication to the team this year Nat - can't wait for the next!

Serena MATTHEWS

Serena is an asset to the team on and off the field. She has such a kind and encouraging nature to all of us, but an amazing aggression towards the game (and sometimes the opponents :P) that makes her unstoppable! Her midfield skills keep the team connected from front to back with her tackles almost impossible for the opposition to get through!

Georgia NEEDHAM

Needy is a strong element to the striker line this year and has used her speed and skills to eliminate players multiple times in the attacking D. She is always a positive player that has lots of useful knowledge of the game to share. Georgia was also part of the J11/12A Girls premiership team this year - congrats Georgia.

Renee SKOU

Renee (who is quite literally one of the tallest players I've met) is a force to be reckoned with as her jab tackles will come at you from nowhere and her hits are so fast and flat, you can barely see them fly past you. It has been a pleasure to play with Renee throughout this year and we hope to continue playing with her in the years to come.

Tori WADE

Tori has been a wonderful contributor to our team this season. Her enthusiastic and go getter attitude has brought a positive nature to our training and games. She is a hard-running striker who is always in the contest and looks to any goal scoring opportunity that comes her way. Her ability in striker to lead to open space and work the ball into the 'D' seamlessly has made our team look dangerous this season. Thanks for all your hard work!

Madeline WEST

Maddy made her debut with the Premier 3s in Rd 7 while still playing J11/12As (2020 premiers). She was a great addition and quickly fitted in like a regular and that's what she became. She had some great tackles in defence and helped save the team on multiple occasions. Maddy became a solid contributor to our team this year with her silky skills forcing her way up the sideline and creating many opportunities for team mates up forward. It's been fun playing alongside Maddy and we look forward to seeing her progress next season.

What a year for our 3s women. Playing above expectations with the new linear system in place and again playing finals. Our new Top Squad system of including 1s, 2s and 3s working together is paying off. Thanks to Til, Mal, Watto and Gav for including everyone and building a strong squad. Thanks to Janine as 2s manager helping me with the team when needed.

Special thanks must go to Bonnie, who unfortunately after injuring herself in pre-season, bravely took on the role of coach. While she admits it's been a learning curve, she has stepped up and led this team into the finals. It's been fun working with you Bonnie and I hope you'll continue on this journey (until you can get back on the pitch). Congrats to Bonnie and our mighty 3s team.

Colleen Bentley - Manager



DIVISION 6 MEN

When Russell Lee volunteered to host the Marquee Team post-season team function and put on a few of his favourite delicacies, who would have guessed the 'Sizzling Wuhan Bat' would have led to a delay in the commencement of the hockey season! When we all finally cleared quarantine the season could finally commence (except Nathan Elliott who sadly didn't make it*) and having claimed a Club Record (**) six flags in a row, the powers-that-be decided that it was time for this aging band of misfits to be promoted to the 4s (but carry the banner of Melville 7s....go figure!).

With the extended offseason and another premiership hangover to overcome - our fitness levels were tested during the early (and middle..... and latter) part of the season.

Needless to say, we failed every one of these fitness tests, and notwithstanding a 'shortened' season, it proved very long for us, as we came up against younger, fitter, and typically more skilful players.

Whilst the on-field highlights were few and far between, it was pleasing to see the introduction of Davis, Leon and Chris to the Club... the latter going in outright favourite for the coveted Barretlow Medal... proving once again the Minkey dads pool is an untapped gold mine for talent.

Whilst it has been a tough year, we can take solace from the fact that being a Covid-affected season places a big fat asterisk against the result, hence our quest for a 7-peat remains in play!

(*) he had work commitments

(**) may not have been fact checked

Kenrick ARMITAGE

Expectation was high for Ken in 2020, could he go back-to-back and win another Marquee B&F or would he suffer from the no-votes policy like many of the other previous winners? Ken need not have worried, as it was a tough year for the forwards with much of the season being played in our own defensive half. Ken, never one to venture too far back defensively, found it a tougher year and got fewer opportunities in front of goal and generally in our forward half. Positively though, that meant there were fewer chances to miss-trap but just enough opportunities to deflect the ball past Grunter and Roh to limit their scoring.

Chris GILBERT

Some would argue Chris is the crossbreed lookalike between Ian Bell and Jonny Bairstow. I would say Ben Stokes, but he's not English I guess. Based on the Marquee scouting report, Chris came with big raps at the start of the season, but given the fact Chris is a Pom, this shot his reputation down fairly bloody quickly. His CV was also backed up by good words from Lozza (although having seen her grace the hockey field, this would be very questionable intel!) In all of this, it's been hard to take the piss out of Chris in any sport-related forum simply due to any/every Aussie team getting trounced by the English! But this won't stop us here from taking pot shots at anyone to bring them back down a peg or 2... just ask Benno! Chris has slotted straight in as the 2nd best midfielder in the Marquee team and further pushing Richie down the pecking order. He has shown he is pretty bloody good with stick in hand with great elimination skills and has shown time after time his reckless attack on the turf, diving headfirst into many a contest and generally coming off 2nd best... staged, EPL like... probably! Unfortunately walking into the Marquee team during a rebuilding phase - he'll have to wait for 2021 for success.

He'll also need to score more goals as his knack for goals can only be compared to the great Clive Waterhouse (a reference he will not even get). Welcome to the team Chris... you are here to stay!

Brendan JOSS

What is there to say about our stalwart left half that hasn't already been said? Another year on, another year older for the Marquee Team, and with that an even higher rate of injuries for our resident physio to deal with. On the field, our left half proved versatile, able to make runs forward himself, but also covering back when a full-back would get delusions of goal-scoring grandeur. While not a great year for him (or the entire team for that matter) in terms of scoring goals, at least Bear was able to get plenty of practice at his stopping tackles.

Russell LEE

As a newbie, I don't have much to say about Russ. However from the few games I have played, I have known Russ to be FIFO player on a 2:2 roster, we're just not sure which games Russ decides to play. When Russ is around, you can not only see but also feel his presence in midfield! He might not be the fastest on the pitch, but he has mad distributive skills that can only be matched by a skilled striker like me (I mean my first goal was through a deflection courtesy of Russ- no bias here). His season has been marred by injury but he plays with heart and motivates his fellow players with great enthusiasm. Pleasure to have you as team mate this season!



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Davis MAVUNDUSE

One of many recruits added to the 2020 Marquee team and ticking all boxes in line with our strong diversity policy. Touted as a Roh version 2.0 but as an enhanced taller, quicker and much more skilful model - fair to say Davis has met those expectations and as an added benefit can actually score goals. Fair to say the big baby giraffe frame is prone to a few injuries but his calypso style up front has been entertaining to watch, as well as his ability to miss the open net... a glitch in the system, much like Roh. Has been a welcome addition to the Marquee team albeit MIA in the post-match debriefs. Areas for improvement moving into 2021 are his general banter and piss-take of Benno pre, during and post-game.

Brent McMILLAN

Macca, a quiet achiever over on the right-hand side of the field, where you may wonder... what is Macca's real name?... Must be Ronald... anyway, we digress. Often seen charging down the right-wing from half-back with all the space in the world, Macca is the beneficiary of his predecessor in the right half position, who cleaned up most of the 16 year old opposition players in the past (Macca, now is the time to formally thank Ben Rushton), so they stay well clear now. It has been great to see Macca playing with the same passion and excitement of his day job...which we assume he must inform his opposition of at the start of each games as it is not too long before comments are often let fly in his direction insinuating that he is in fact a 'Banker'.

James PICKERING

Picko is the self-appointed captain, coach, manager, team counsellor and best player. Over the years he has sought to take all credit for the success of the Marquee Team. That's fine but as far as I'm concerned he can take all responsibility for their fall. The talent was still there but Picko sadly just lost the group. What was once a mighty team descended into a bunch of prima donnas under Picko's leadership. Without Barrett, Read and Reay to provide a sense of calm and a touch of class, this year was always going to present a challenge. To be fair, Picko himself has lost nothing. His skill and fitness are as they have always been. You can take that however you choose.

Leon PLATEL

For a guy who hadn't picked up a stick in over 10 years, Leon proved to us all that Hockey is a game that you can't just simply pick up a stick and play. Or perhaps he was never any good in the first place??? When news spread that the Marquee team were recruiting, Leon was quick to put his hat in the ring and after the much talked about success of the team, was eager to get amongst it. It's just a pity (much like my Bitcoin investment a couple of years ago) that he joined us on a downward spiral when all hype about more success was in the air. And, much like my Bitcoin investment, Leon was initially closely monitored, early hype saw him play up forward, but once we realised he wasn't moving as fast as first anticipated he was quickly forgotten or in Leon's case pushed to fullback. And, like Bitcoin, I'm hoping he is a long-term investment. It didn't take long for Leon to make a name for himself, and that name is Angry #2. He rivals his counterpart, Ben Rushton, for the angriest man on a hockey field. I dare say that after a few more failed overheads, turning the ball over to allow the opposition to score, Leon will soon take the mantle as the angriest of them all. A welcome addition to the team and with a full pre-season under his belt, we will no doubt see the best (and angriest) of Leon next season.

Matt READ

Is it Matt Reid or Reed ???

Where would the Marquee team be without Matt Read? Probably in the same place, as his departure from the team several years ago to play with the old boys was met with little to no resistance from the playing group. This regret in joining Toddy's boys has just seen him sniff around for fill-in games each year in the hope of getting another flag with MCHC's most decorated team. That being said, this year he managed to show his class (but mostly arrogance) by stepping in when needed and always getting on the score sheet. He has an uncanny ability to get shots on goal but an even greater ability to fail to see his open team-mates to pass the ball to, and instead taking the selfish option. It baffles all involved that the selection committee even entertains allowing him a spot in this side. Some might say his ever-aging body slowly letting him down with injury is nothing but karma.

Ben RUSHTON

First impressions can be deceiving. Five minutes into my first game for the club, Ben went from a Gent to a Lout, letting a young player know his place. Loves an unwarranted chirp, a knee brace but most importantly a whinge after the game.



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Brad WAKE

The team's last line of defence, but to be honest, a bit like a picket fence missing a few pickets. 2020 was not a year where Brad could throw himself around the D and attempt to make himself look important, he was peppered shot after shot after the aging defence could not hold back the tide of younger and fitter players passing the ball around them. But, just like Moses parting the seas, Brad was often seen letting in lots of soft goals with no idea of where his goals actually were. Glad to see he has recovered from his injured knee from 2019 (but to be honest, he did better on just one good one).

Grant WATTON

Grunter is by far the best umpire on our team and many a "Whistler for Hire" will attest to sitting through an Umpiring 101 lecture from Professor Watton on the attacking 25yd line. While his queries are directed with a lot less venom than one B.Rushton, he is no less committed to them, never letting a trivial job like defending get in the way of an opportunity to pull out his thesis on effective circle penetration. Like a lot of old, bearded professors, Grunter's hearing is not what it used to be, and as a result, trying to move him into position is nearly as difficult as coaxing Dom out of a Balinese tattoo parlour. On a positive note, Grunter has a good ability to receive, protect the ball, and earn a free hit... It's a good thing too, because we are more likely to see an end to world poverty before we witness Grunter pass the ball to a team-mate.

Roh WEDDIKARA

Like most of us, the extended break caused by the delayed start resulted in a slow start to the season for Roh. As always though, the touch came back and he once again became a dangerous presence up forward, creating and converting scoring opportunities. Hampered by a shoulder injury late in the season, Roh finished on a high knowing that the shoulder has come good for a summer on the golf course! Roh also made a valuable contribution off the field nominating Bec - who did an outstanding job running the Minkey programme.

Richard WILLIAMS

2020 has seen Rich have more ups and downs than a rollercoaster. He started the 'pre-season' raring to go, then required a pre-season pep talk from Ben (of all people) to convince him to play at all. Started the year well, and after filling in for the 40's, declared he was loving life as a 40's player filling in for Marquee. Fast forward a week, he was over the 40's experiment and claimed it was rubbish. Now seems to be focusing on his Machiavellian power-play in the Minkey coaching ranks. Can't decide whether to applaud or criticise his season for fear of being abused either way, but will finish in saying Rich is a valuable member to the team both on and off the pitch (even if the votes don't show it). On a completely unrelated note, a little birdy tells me the coach of the Bumblebees is a dead man walking.

Whilst we didn't have to bat as deep as some previous years (quite possibly due to the shortened season....thanks to Patient Zero), there were not too many games that didn't involve a flurry of texts to prospective fill-ins.

Thanks to all those who filled in (apologies if I missed any): Watto Snr, Dom, Mitch, Gav, Simon, Wazza, TB, Nath and thanks particularly to Andy who finally cleansed himself from his Vic Park stench, having now realised the error of his ways, and hopefully we will see him on more permanent basis next year.

Finally, thanks to the Club for allowing us (even if up a higher grade) to keep this train going, and to our families for letting us out for a few hours each weekend to stretch our legs.



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See you Minion Warriors are scary! What you have been able to achieve from the commencement of the season, with a few late-starter regulars through to our adopted Juniors, is amazing. All have been able to slot in and contribute to this great TEAM. Truly a family of team players, who do their utmost to support each other, give all they have and work as ONE. You (mostly young) ladies are a pleasure to work with and make us all very proud. The care and happiness shown, the dedication, controlled aggression, ability to listen to the Chief and deliver is all one can ask of you. This is no doubt the difference between our successful team and all the others. We have the most miserly (successful) backs and most prolific goal-scoring forwards of the regular season. A win in the Grand Final is the only justifiable ending to 2020. Go Minions!

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Lauren ANDERSON (Laser Lauren)

Lauren is ever-reliable on the wing and knows her positioning very well - which has led to great scoring opportunities and making her one of the highest goal scorers in the team! Invaluable on the field, Laser consistently applies the values of SPEW in every game and gives great advice on how we can improve our SPEW-ing :P. As well as being a great asset on the field, she is always friendly, encouraging, motivating and friendly off-field. Lauren your ability to inspire and lift team spirit is always appreciated and we look forward to your return in 2021.

Mia BALLARD (Mighty Mia (RN))

Mia is an invaluable member of the Minions team, always giving her all in every quarter of every game. She may not be the biggest player out there but she is fast, fierce and don't be fooled, the girl is sassy! Mia gives the team plenty of goal-scoring opportunities and even became quite the goal sneak throughout the season! At the other end of the field when she isn't intercepting or stealing the ball, Mia is often running out from short corners, stopping the opposition in their stride. Off the field, Mia is always down for a good chat, being such a lively presence in the team. Thanks for playing this season and we hope to see Miss RN (Registered Nurse) again in 2021.

Stacey BRUCE (Pacey Stacey)

Pacey Stacey is a weapon in the midfield. Stacey's speed, determination and dedication have been a great addition to the Minion team. Pacey's efforts do not go unnoticed and she is always putting in those second and third efforts to help our team. She also enjoys giving a little elbow now and then to get into the opposition's heads! These great efforts help the team to lift in intensity and focus, especially with the encouragement of Stacey's bright and bubbly attitude. Stacey is not one to back down, always pushing the team to keep on going and always showing great leadership skills. Well done Stacey and we want to see you next season.

Brianna COLEMAN (Fiancee Breeyonce)

As always, it was a pleasure to play alongside Breeyonce again this year. She is a consistent, skilled and reliable key member of the Minions' very successful defensive line up. Bree is always up for a challenge, and with her natural leadership and experience is an absolute asset to the 4s team and is always recognized and appreciated in the testing moments of a game. Consistently a regular at Tuesday running, with dog (Jarrah) in tow, she easily lasts out the game. Brianna's commitment to the team is unparalleled. Congratulations on an exciting year, both on and off the field!

Lauren COSTA (Flapper Costa)

Flapper Costa, loud, fast-talking and very energetic, has a big presence on and off the field. After taking a break for greener pastures with consistent game times last year, Loz re-debuted for the 4s team this year. She has kept the Minions all very entertained with her anecdotes, and was the social butterfly of our team, often instigating a post-game lemonade. Loz is solid and an integral member of our miserly back line. Flapper has made some critical tackles to mitigate trouble in defence and uses her big hit to penetrate the lines when going wide and forward. Thanks for being such a dedicated club-person, motivator and helping us into the Grand Final. Amazing season Loz! See you next year.

Kate COWAN (Sassy Minion)

Kate is a key player in 4s, she is strong in the forward line and always communicates effectively to each line. Her determination and effort are regularly on display as well as her sassy eruption of controlled anger, which only makes her more determined. She is an asset to the Minion Warriors team, always being so positive and bringing the craziest energy to each training session and game. Proud to call her a great friend and fellow Minion.



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Crystal HOBBS (Precious Crystal)

Crystal is such a sweet, caring and humble person. However, when on the field we see the fierce, focused and unforgiving Crystal who has been known to (legally) knock out the odd player or two. Precious is a critical cog in our masterful, miserly backline, where her skills are always noticeable and aptly applied. We repeatedly and thankfully witness you stopping the opposition players from foraging into their attacking 25. She is a true Minion Warrior and one of the most reliable players we have. Melville 4s are lucky to have her and hope she returns next season!

Charlotte HOGARTH (The Conductor)

We are the envy of the competition with Charly as our Goalie.

Her calling from the very back is just the best (and now that we have clarified exactly what One Right means, nothing can stop us). It's not just her calling, but her constant positive and competitive attitude that keeps our Minion team in high hopes. The Melville Minions have recorded the best score sheet in this grade. Absolutely no doubt that Charly's mustering (conducting) skills have been a major value-add contributor to that success. As goalie, she was easily one of the best players this year. Thank you, Charly, for coming all the way to training, even after long shifts on your feet. You are not just an asset to our team, but the whole Women's program at Melville. Please return in 2021.

Ella JOYNES (Electric Ella)

Electric Ella has been critical to the team's forward line success throughout the season, running countless balls along the baseline and into the D. The burst of speed generated from those long legs and her energy is a force to be reckoned with. Ella's goal scoring celebration (jig) puts a smile on many faces and helps to invigorate the team. It has been an absolute pleasure to have her in the team this season. The constant positivity and never-give-up attitude, both on and off the field, always guarantees a smile. See you in 2021.

Brittany LAWRENCE (Brilliant Brit)

Brilliant Brittany has fitted in really well, being a great team player and a welcome addition to the Minion Warriors. She reads the play and positions well, continually looking to make effective and safe passes as well as making great leads to relieve the pressure on others. Her hard 2nd and 3rd efforts are appreciated by the team and have definitely contributed to our team's success. Britt is a delight to play alongside, and I'm sure all agree, that we are glad she decided to come back to hockey. See you in 2021.

Holly MENEGOLA (Harpoon Holly)

Harpoon Holly! As her nickname suggests - she seems to target the ball and opposing player with harpoon accuracy. Her focus and energetic run along with her 100% reliability in the middle make her an integral part of the Minions' running engine room. Holly always brings a happy bounce to each game, motivating and guiding others!! Always giving her best and listening to everyone's calls makes her a very solid team member. We want you back, so please return for next season.

Zoe POLGLASE (Zealous Zoe)

This is Zoe's first year of Seniors, and she has done nothing but impress with her skills, determination and work ethic. Zealous Zoe has been invaluable in the half-back line, preventing the opposition from going down the wing, working hard on second efforts as well as scoring goals. Her determination and athleticism allows Zoe to play hard and leave it all on the field. Her desire and efforts to win are appreciated by the whole team. She has built and established a reputation as a cool, calm and consistent Minion player. An outstanding season, Zoe.

Holly REED (Reedy)

During 2020, Holly made the shift from the bush (Kal) to the big smoke, but add to the mix COVID-19 and her transition was disrupted and made even harder. Reedy turned up to pre-season with all intentions of playing a full season at Melville but as COVID hit, she made the decision to head back home for a while. This made it even harder to get to know the girls and absorb the style of play. Finally, once life got back to near "normal", Reedy returned to Perth, joined the Minions and fitted in exceptionally well. See you in 2021!

Georgia WADE (Wonder Wade)

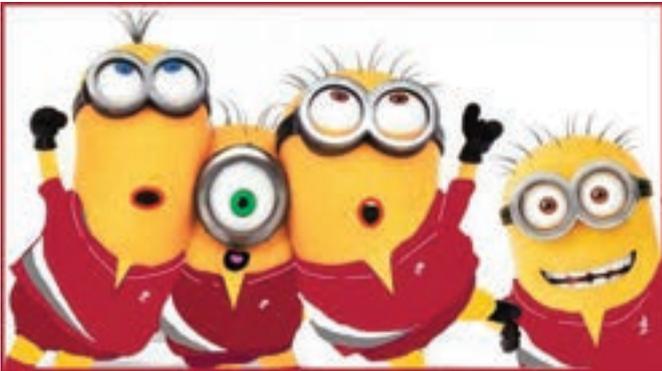
Wonder Wade - Our team's Minion goal superstar! Georgia is an incredibly talented forward with the ability to knock in some pretty spectacular goals. She is renowned for her turn of speed and a cheeky jink, making her a force to be reckoned with in the D. Her efforts and dedication to the game is unwavering, managing to stay focused and calm whilst motivating everyone else in the team. Georgia is such a positive person, both on and off the field, and it has been a pleasure to be able to play alongside her again this season. Looking forward to your 2021.



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Kiara WARDROPE

Kiara, before this season, was widely known as 'Shanae's sister' but certainly this year she has made her own mark in the 4s team and Senior ranks. Starting as a fill in but soon becoming a regular member of the Minion team, Kiara slotted nicely into our midfield line, adding her energy and youth to our engine room. Could always be relied on to do to the hard yards in defence and combined with smooth elimination skills, created great opportunities for us going forward. Juggling Year 12, Junior and Senior hockey, along with the drive from Pinjarra for training and each game is not easy - congratulations Kiara on a great last year of Junior hockey including one premierships (and hopefully two!). We look forward to seeing Kiara progress in Melville Seniors for years to come.



To all the girls in our team, you are all Superstars in your own right. Unlike the saying "You can have a team of superstars but that doesn't always make a superstar team", you ladies are definitely a Superstar team. Pleasingly and impressively we play a great team game and we all bring various skills and strengths to our group of outstanding ladies. When we put all our strengths together we are a formidable opponent and that is why we are in the 2020 Grand Final. The statistics show us as the most prolific goal scoring team and the tightest defence in our grade and hence our successful season. Quite a few have been wearing the Maroon for many years with a couple just beginning, but no matter where you are at in your career at Melville, we hope that you will look back at season 2020 fondly. It certainly has come with its challenges, but seeing you girls with your positive attitudes each week made those tough weeks so much easier to get through. At the time of writing this we are yet to play our Grand Final but I know that you will certainly have done your best to reward the Chief (Mal), yourselves, and those that have supported our team throughout the season - by winning the 2020 Grand Final. Go Melville Minions!

Brian Ballard – Manager





DIVISION 7 (BLACK) MEN

Game 1, this team could not have looked any less dangerous. Almost losing to a side that lost every other game by 5+ was a wake-up call. Under some good management and 2am ring-ins, we beat the best towards the back end of the season. Luckily, we did enough to finish 3rd and avoid finals. Plenty of better things were booked in for the grand final weekend. Thanks to all the blokes not mentioned for helping us put a team on the pitch. Notably Ethan Elliot that got the call-up an hour before the game because Symo left his gear in Griff's car and Griff lost his keys. I guess that's what you get for having the team wind-up the day before the last game. Lesson not learned for next year.

Luke BEESON

No bloke in history could pull a string easier. Luke encounters a light breeze and is injured. Next season may I recommend getting Symo to give the forecast and you strap-up accordingly. The pace in the backline was unprecedented for the two minutes of the season the strings were both working. It would be good to have a bloke down back that could get out of idle next season. Lucky for everyone the guys up front put six away each week so we could win some games.

Jake COLEMAN

What can this bloke not do? He is the supreme leader of the team with the best on- and off-field performances. Off-field form was the key area of improvement this season (who thought it could have gotten better?). Astonishingly, he broke the club games played record with just this season's games counted.

Stephen GIBSON

Paternity leave has been a blessing for Gibbo and the team. Since not working, the bibs have never smelt better. Turns out we should be thanking PWC for all the spare time. We are not sure if you will have time to go back to work once the holiday runs out. Your performance at training didn't go unnoticed and you are always welcome to start slipping down the grades.

Blake GILLETT

Blake has the ability to play a full game of hockey in 40-degree heat without breaking a sweat. Scientists studied this phenomenon and concluded he didn't do enough work to require sweating. This bloke is lucky there were no fines. Rocking up to a game with your nails painted by your mates the night before is about as bad as it gets.

Jack HALLAM

Always full of constructive comments that are received well by a proportion of the team. Jack's highlight for the season is turning up to the team wind-up, not seeing anyone and going home. What were you thinking? I cannot recall Jack with an emu in his hand, a noteworthy point considering the division.

Bailey KNELL

By far the better brother. Good to see he's getting some reward for effort, locking out a position in the 2s. When you eventually transition from Juniors to Seniors, I expect a much higher team than ours will be the final destination. Good season all round for the couple of games you played for us.

Nicholas McCAUGHAN

Nic is a prime candidate for the off-field starting 11.

Jaymon NEEDHAM

By far the better Needham - both on- and off-field performances. This was cemented by the 7-1 victory over the other one early in the season. If Jay could stop sitting in the naughty corner, he might become the ultimate Needham. Actually, nothing can beat the performance of Jacqui, the sole reason for multiple six-goal victories. Please keep bringing your mum to the game.

Jonathon PALMER

Again, don't know which Jono will turn up. Getting fired from his FIFO job was the best thing that happened to the team. Jono could always be relied upon to fill the holes. Hope next season you are just as committed to the cause.

William REYNOLDS

I was very impressed with Will this season and his restraint in the group chat. The lack of memes was a shock to us all. The Yearbook spray last year must have caused you to calm down a bit. I thought nobody read these...

Alexander WRAGG

It's great to see Jack has the same coaching ideas as AJ. Luckily Jack was able to help out when AJ was stumped for words on a few occasions. I'm not just talking about his summer of cricket. If AJ put 1% of his shots on target the crown of HWA top goal scorer would be his. Guinness World Records would be knocking on the door presenting an award to the first bloke to score 1000 goals in a season. Lucky for the opposition, AJ could not get any on target. Better luck next year.



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DIVISION 7 (GOLD) MEN

A successful season in a couple of ways. We managed to lose enough games to free up the first weekend in October, most put this to very good use. With no official protests, the leadership group can't complain. I won't name all the fill-ins, just to keep this book under 1000 pages, but thanks for turning up. The talent diversity of the team was insane and won't ever be beaten.

William BEDDOES (Tolerable_Moderate_Auspicious_Beddoes)

Joining the army has done wonders for Will's volume. What three years of growing up can do to a personality is astonishing. Will is by far the best floorball player on the pitch, much to the opposition's delight. Not sure what you will be getting up to next year, but doubt it will be hockey.

Jake COLEMAN (Wholesome_Ethical_Jake)

Not only the best looking on the team but the best hockey player as well. All round top-tier lad. Who would have thought this bloke could keep getting better every year?! The scorecard was dominated every week by his outstanding performances. Even when he's not dominating the score card, he was instrumental to the victory. Other clubs resorted to gorilla-style tactics to peg his influence on the match, which fell on deaf ears.

Mason DEETMAN (Paleo_Organic_Reputable_Mason)

For a bloke that can't hold a hockey stick, he can do some stuff some of the time. His off-field performance has yet to be tested to its full ability, I'm not sure how he has flown under the radar for so long. One area he should focus on next season is BBQ attendance instead of just being BBQd.

Ashley ELLIS (Acceptable_Unpolished_Old_Mate)

Ash somehow is the 5th best goalkeeper on the pitch, but keeps getting called up for 3s games. I have never been more amused watching hockey than when Old Mate was in goals for a Premier league game, being out of his depth would be the understatement of the century. Luckily, there was some improvement from the first training session. If that was a sign of the season to come, we were all in serious strife. The heinous form may have something to do with your fitness regime during COVID. I get it you can't let hockey get in the way of a good time, but you can't ignore the physio's advice forever.

Mitchell HARVEY (Invigoration_Katiecakers)

The best thing Mitch did this season was bring Katie to the game. I'm not sure where these two look more lost, in the stadium or the city streets. The one thing they are good at is being on the lookout for talent - apparently they sometimes even find it. We were privileged by their early return home from Canada because the snow was too much to handle. Luckily, being the good brother he is, no relative's birthday card was forgotten throughout his year away. If this was written pre-Oktoberfest there would be a very different tone.

Tyson HARVEY (Nobel_lactose_Intolerant_Tyson)

Tyson has come a long way since the SA days. He keeps talking about the kind of hockey he was playing while in the south - after five years we've yet to see it. We might have to let you back on the team next year considering the doctor's advice. Maybe try soccer next year and put the slide tackle to good use.

Ben LISTER (Gluten_Free_Righteous_Pure_Benji)

Best on ground.

Jayben LISTER (Jumbo_Crays_Jayben)

Not one fishing trip was missed this season. It's good to see where your priorities lie. Be a good bloke and invite me at least once. This is your key area of improvement for next season. Steal a couple of best on ground performances from your brother and you'd be the complete package. Don't forget you still owe a couple of cartons from those yellows...

Mackenzie LOVE (Unburdened_Unpoluted_Mac)

There is a reason Mac is the face of the group chat. Highlights from the season include making Ash play 3s while in the worst form of his life, deleting a fin before chucking the lid on and letting in a goal in 7th division. Hope you enjoyed your cameo with the elite, doubt you will get selected again next year.

Aden LUKAN (Unspoilt_Lactose_Free_Aden)

Aden has really come out of his shell this season with some stellar off-field performances. Pity it's only downhill from here. It is good to see you aren't wasting away your teens.

Jonathon PALMER (Guiltless_Clear_Fresh_Jono)

Jono was the most reliable player, never to miss a game. On occasions it was only Jono playing, the rest of us were on fishing trips. One thing though - you never knew which Jono Palmer was going to rock up.

Michael SYMONDS (Good_Honest_Weatherman)

Have you ever checked Google Earth to find a turf, then proceeded to tell the team the address must be wrong? The answer is no, unless you're the Weatherman, Symo. Across the season you could see the Weatherman's skills dropping enough to fit into the grade. Prioritising mountain biking over the game may have had something to do with it. One thing he did do was keep us on our



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toes, how is the Weatherman going to rock up to the game today? Vespa, electric skateboard or mountain bike worth more than 50% of the team's cars were all observed on multiple occasions.

Jason TATE **(Catholic_Upstanding_Hygienic_Tatey)**

We get it, you have a kid now. In about a year it will be hard to tell who is older. Not sure if you or Benji scored the worst drag flick of the season (that still went in). If you can do that again we all would be very impressed.

Griff THOMAS **(Moral_Highground_Culturally_Sensitive_Yoga_Instructor_Doctor_Walking_Test_Park_Total_Workwear_What_Are_You_Wearing_Griff)**

It's not possible to be a more frustrating player on the field, although some credit is due to a surprising return to form midway through the season. Some are hoping for a new ball and chain just for the occasional bit of peace and quiet. Please refrain from going past the halfway line in future. Staying in the back half contributed to the second-best robbery of the season, Southern River. Nothing can beat what went down at Apatite street.

Alex THOMPSON **(Salubrious_Pasturised_Peptides)**

It was good to see Pebs didn't change the dynamics of the wags group. Griff was far less considerate to the cheese platter crew. Pick up your game mate.

Maguire WALSH (Rustic_Herbalife_Maguire)

Thankfully, his hockey improved as the season progressed, but he has a long way to go before being the better on-field Walsh. While still being the best Walsh off the field, your BBQ attendance is lower than required for holding your spot. Please improve for next season.

Steven WALSH (PG-Rated_Modest_OG_Walsh)

Somehow still the better Walsh on the team, fitter than his teenage son! How is that possible?? I'm unsure if he has been spotted with a beer, resulting in the leadership group being equally unsure how he gets a call-up every week.

Alexander WRAGG (Homely_GMO_Free_AJ)

AJ Starling. COMPENSATE! The word that needs to be said every time you're shooting. They go left, right, up, down and occasionally into orbit. We look forward to how long the dog can delay future plans.





DIVISION 7 (GOLD) WOMEN

The Women's 5s had a competitive but unlucky year, with many close games that unfortunately didn't go our way. Five draws out of 12 games must be some sort of record! Nevertheless, we had lots of fun on and off the field this year. The team included many new faces, yet we came together quickly and had great team-play from the first game. We would like to say a massive thanks to Rog for stepping up as coach, and to all our fill-ins who helped us throughout the season. Hopefully we can convert our great efforts to results next season!

Hannah BIDDULPH

Hannah is an absolute pleasure both on and off the field. She is always in the perfect position when you are tackling a player and need an easy pass off. Off the field, Hannah is a beacon of positivity and is a delight to be around.

Ciara BROWNE

Ciara is a calm, mild-mannered influence on and off the field. You can often find her running rings around the opposition. This season she was asked to step into half-back and did so with tenacity and determination to beat the opposition. Thanks for a great season Ciara.

Emily HARDBOTTLE

Emily is passionate in the forward line and always gives 100% in any game. Her hard work was rewarded with a couple of great goals late in the season. Emily is always up for a chat at training (even if it means we have no idea what to do in the next drill). We look forward to seeing how many more goals she can score next season!

Madison HOLLANDER

Maddie's incredible ability to tackle at the perfect moment with grace and skill combined with her fast breakaways with the ball has led us to many victories this season. Her constant smile and can-do attitude never fails to put a smile on her other team-mates' faces as well, always cheering on her team and offering kind words of encouragement whenever needed. Congrats on an amazing first season of Seniors, Maddie!

Dayna HUTCHISON

Dayna is a solid player in defence whose beautiful hits can seemingly get the ball through any press. Throughout the season she showed that she's not afraid to head up forward for a few cheeky goals when needed. She is one of the most committed players on the field who is always 'emotionally invested' in the game, and it's that passion that makes her a great asset to the team!

Caitlin JARVIS

Caitlin has been a great asset to our team, always giving 100% in attack and assisting in many goals this season. Although a natural forward player, she was adaptable and did a great job helping out in defence in many games. Caitlin was always happy for a chat after the game and at training (even though she probably should have been home working on her thesis!). Well played Caitlin!

Christine JARVIS

Christine is a valued member of Melville 5s. Her brilliant ball skills and attacking style of play bring some fire to our offence. Well played this season, Christine!

Tegan JUDD

Tegan, the ultimate handball pick up. From the beginning of the season being handballed assistant manager, to mid season being handballed the captain position, she is a great catch and takes on any responsibility with ease and a smile. If only she could toss her stick with spin and we might be able to start the game... after the anti-climatic pre-game huddle chat. Always cool, calm and collected on field, unlike the panic of finding the manager's book at the bottom of her bag. Tegan is the positive energy everyone is excited to see when we arrive and her bird species knowledge is like no other. Thank you for the energy and thank you for herding this team in right direction.

Isabelle KENNY

Izzy has been an amazing goalkeeper this year and has made our team gel well together. Her incredible sense of awareness has saved us countless times. She's a quiet achiever but never fails to have a smile on her face and is always ready for the opposition. Congrats on a great season!

Samantha KING

Sam is a vital player in our team. Her ability to clear the ball from the 'D' with control has allowed our team to look dangerous. Her positive attitude and willingness to improve on her skills at training has led to her seamless game play this season. Looking forward to playing with you next season, Sam!

Makenzie LEE

Mak's defensive skills are pretty inspirational but nothing compares to the pre-game changeroom dances that got the team going every game. If that didn't work, we could always count on her speaker to play music too loud for us to even think about the possibility of losing. By the end of the season, we might not have had a premiership but thanks to Mak, we were all considerably groovier.

Luka MELLOR

Luka was a quiet achiever in the team, often doing the unrewarded work running the ball down the wing or through inner. She's a speedy, skilful player, always a great support and a pleasure to play alongside.

Ellen ROLLS

Ellen is a strong forward who always puts in 110% at every game. She runs circles around defenders and has scored some cracker goals! Ellen always brings a positive and determined attitude to the team. She is reliable and committed team member.



DIVISION 7 (GOLD) WOMEN cont

Kimberly WELTEN

Kim is an essential player in our team and is key to both attack and defend positions, thriving wherever she is placed. Her quick thinking and effective passes lead to defeating the opposition consistently and her wide passes that advance us on the field. She always gives 100% and never stops running. Her on field aggression and dedication to the team is appreciated by all, and she is never one to shy away from a cheeky post-game beverage.

Elyse WILSON

Elyse is an awesome player who puts in 100% on the field. We all know we can rely on her on and off the field. She never gives up, and her positive attitude is infectious. Elyse is always up for a chat and joke.



DIVISION 8 (GOLD) MEN

What happened there? We started the season with 20 players on our list, but were left scrambling for players and starting games short at the end of the season. We need to spend the summer months recovering and returning those stolen artefacts to whichever warlock we took them from in order to get this injury curse removed!

To the guys in the team, thanks for an interesting season. Let's make sure we hit next season with the attitude that we deserve to be playing with. (And maybe suggest that Melville moves the ice machine down to the bench for any future home games.)

Cameron ADDISON

Cameron can always be relied on for a cool head in defence. Also known for leaving work late and missing the warmup. Good season Cam.

John ARGENT

John was a pleasure to play with, keeping the team on our toes with his wild, one handed tackles, or 'clearing' the ball back into the defensive D. Off-field he provided a laugh or two as well, from showing up forgetting his uniform, to asking what school the Aquinas turf was at. Thanks for your efforts this season, John.

Asher BLECHYNDEN

Asher was the king of excuses this year - from having an unspecified class that always clashed with training (even during semester break), to skipping a game because the Freo Markets were too interesting. When he actually showed up to play and didn't get his Mum to text an excuse through, Asher found himself a valuable member of our forward line. Those young legs that could actually run were a welcome sight amongst the grandfather brigade that usually claims that area of the field.

Royce BOND (Finger)

Royce rotated between the forward line and bench frequently, and on one of his on-field stints, managed to sneak in a goal of his own this season. When Royce gets his engine running and a bit of speed up, opposition players need to learn to get out of the way or feel the full force of prime Angus bull hitting the part of their body that is in his way. An all-round top bloke, he is always ready for a yarn or a cold one after training or a game.

Andrew CRIDDLE (Leg)

Andy had a great season in defence and was a vital player in the movement of the ball towards the attacking half. We could always rely on Andy's pinpoint accuracy to hit those balls out of 16s and onto our attackers' sticks. Andy was a comforting voice to hear from the backline always calling out important lines and giving advice to the younger players, and more importantly, having the keys to the bar.

Nicholas EDWARDS (Hamstring/Face)

Nic is a deceptively speedy striker who dazzles with his burst of speed (over a very short distance, of course). The opposition often underestimates him for his ability to move and find space in attack. His dramatised response to a bad tackle has been perfected over the years, fooling even the most experienced officials. Cursed with a weak hammy at the tail-end of the season, Nic makes a difference from the sidelines, giving his 2 cents' worth throughout the game and during the breaks. Always the first to arrive at training and the last to leave - his dedication to the team is second to none!

Aidan GALLAGHER

Having voted for himself as many times as he has played, he is definitely the Bdan of the season.



DIVISION 8 (GOLD) MEN cont

Christian GALLAGHER (Hamstring/Knee)

Another year, another injury. Christian always brings a lot of speed and a lot of power to the field. Now the trick is to have this present for the season from start to finish. He provides a solid, pivotal point in our forward line with the score card to count. But as a final remark, "pass Christian pass".

John HARMSEN (Hamstring)

Since Royce never sent through his kind words (surely he owes a carton), I'll let John's own words about his season be seen: "I expect a full honest assessment of the lack of any skill coupled with a desire to sub after any length of play greater than two mins."

Aidan KEOGH

Always played with a cool head and always found his player. Somehow managed to have the energy to run out the game despite his 10k warmups. Always enjoy playing hockey with him.

Brenton MALACARI (Knee)

Brenton showed everyone what skill and hard running can get you. Injured. However, he also proved to be more resilient than everyone who followed suit, managing to play again this season. He was an anchor through half-back and wherever else he was needed this season (as our numbers slowly dwindled). His only short-coming this season was a few instances in front of goals where he showed that full-back was his preferred position.

Jared MALACARI (Shoulder)

Jared is the poor guy who has spent most of the season herding cats rather than actually playing hockey. Between trying to get enough people to field a team because everyone this year thought it was the year to get injured, to explaining that, "Yes, we do still play in the rain" and "You need to wear your uniform to games". Thanks for managing us this season and look forward to you managing again next year (because there's no way in hell anyone else will be stupid enough to do it)

Nicholas MALACARI (Knee/Foot)

With a strong two injuries, skipping training to watch the footy and playing extra games before ours, Nic has been one of the most dedicated players on the team. With his endless legs and strong last-minute clutch overhead, he easily makes it into the top eleven, and is lined up for top ten next year, with just a little bit more devotion.

Ben MUNNINGS (Finger)

Ben had a great year except for when he broke his hand. Highlights include wearing a wetsuit to a raining game and the time he had a haircut. One of the biggest improvers on the team and a really solid contributor in each game

Stephen PHILLIPS

Stephen was able to win quite a lot of the ball this season. Consistently was one of the best performers in the team. It's a shame that he did this playing from keeper. Also he was less likely than our other keeper to play pirate metal music in the team warmup.

Anand PILLAY (Finger)

Anand was a valuable asset for the team, not only for his skill over the ball, but because he also had a few contacts for fill-ins when most of our team was unavailable due to injury. Disappointingly though, he had expensive tastes, making us all buy him Matso's after each game.

Kieran SMYTH

Kieran is a ripper bloke who can always be counted on to get the ball back into the half we want it in. When he's not contributing to our wounded he can be heard leading the team from the rear, keeping us organised for a free or ready for a push. A solid player we would have struggled without.

Mark WESTERN

Turned up to 2 training sessions, claimed he turned up to four. Next he will be claiming he scored a goal this season.

Thanks to anyone who filled in for us this year.



DIVISION 8 (GOLD) WOMEN

Well, we end another fantastic year with a playing group that has many new faces. This year was another great year from this team that has grown both individually and as a team. We achieved a great result overall, one that we have not seen for a few years. We even managed to finish the season on a high note by winning our final game.

It has been a great season on and off the field and I am proud of everyone's achievements. Special thanks must go to the 7s ladies for helping us out this year and also to our little 'pocket rocket', Ashton, who made such a positive impact in such a short space of time. We can now look forward to next year with energy and excitement. I would like to finish by congratulating you all on a great season.

Bruce Vanderzwan - Coach

Clara BIRD (Outside Mid)

Clara is a pleasure to play with, she always holds her position well and gets along well with all the members era of our team. Overall she was a joy to have on the team and we all enjoyed playing with her.

Emily CHILLWELL (Attacking and Defensive Mid)

Emily is easily the funniest girl on the team and has amazing stick skills. She applies herself very hard to games and training and isn't afraid to make mistakes and have a go at anything.

Beatrice CLIFFORD (Attacking Mid)

Bea's speed gives her the advantage to run the ball forward and get it to the strikers, making her vital in both the attack and defence lines. No matter where she is on the field, Bea's voice can be heard, whether it is shouting words of encouragement to her team mates or telling the umpires how blind they are. Our team just wouldn't be the same without her.

Annabel DRANE (Striker)

Annie is an incredibly determined and agile striker in our team. Her quick pace and slide tackling make her a truly invaluable player. Thanks for a great year, Annie.

Alyssa GEORGE (Striker)

Alyssa is one of our great forwards. She is always super-reliable and on the ball. She is the master of the jink and somehow manages to play better with a hangover - which is lucky because that was most of the season! Alyssa is always up for a laugh and is such a great addition to the team. We can't wait to see her back again next season.

Ruby GRIFFITHS (Outside Mid)

Ruby's the little pocket rocket of the team. She is motivated and hungry for the ball, but is also a genuinely lovely person. Our team would be lost without you Ruby.

Jess HOOD (Full-back)

Jess played the first few games with us this year and then work in the 'wilderness' called and she wasn't able to play for the bulk of the season. She made a brief but very valuable reappearance at the end of the season where she helped us to a couple of great wins. Thanks Jess.

Wendy JOYCE (Full-back)

Wendy is an absolute 'banger' on the team both in the defensive line and as a person. She always looks out for everyone and is a mother figure to many. Wendy is an absolute pleasure to be around and I have loved playing with her this season.

Janezza LYMBERY-JOYCE (Outside Mid)

Nez is one of our outside mids and someone that we can ALWAYS count on to be there and help the ball through to our front line. I've played with Nez for a while now and her hockey just keeps getting better - she's playing and thinking great hockey. I LOVE listening to all her adventures and capers and hearing her fantastic laugh. You bring a lot of joy to our team, Nez.

Bryanna MARTIN (Goal Keeper)

B is our trusty goalie!! As our last line of defence, we can always count on B to save us. She brightens up the room and feels with her huge smile and you can count on her for a laugh.

Cailey PICKARD (Defensive Mid)

Cailey has been a huge asset to the team this year! She's a great midfielder who is always reliable, quick on the ball and is friendly to everyone. We all cannot wait to see what colour her hair will be next year.

Mary RAJA (Striker)

Mary is one of our fabulous wingers. She is always up for a chat and is a friendly, bubbly face on and off the field. Mary has made such great improvements over the season and has so much potential to continue to grow next year.

Meggan STONE (Outside Mid)

On the field, Meg is our No. 1 striker, midfielder and a top player no matter where Bruce puts her. Off the field, she was our unofficial team manager and mum of the group. Thank you for all the work you put in Meg, you had a great season.

Quin STONE (Outside Mid)

As a new member of the Melville 6s, you have settled into our crazy, banter-filled team really well. It has been great getting to know you on and off the field and it has been a pleasure to play with you. I hope to see you back next season, hopefully with a new running speed unlocked.



DIVISION 8 (GOLD) WOMEN cont

Rebecca VANDERZWAN (Striker)

Bec is one of our incredible forwards and our top goal scorer this season. She has some killer moves down the left side of the field and into the D, managing to get past the entire opposition and get goals. Bec is a friend to everyone on the team and is always up for a beer and a chat after the game.

The team would like to say a huge thank you to Hannah, Ashton, Ciara, Caitlin, Kylie, Ellen, Amelia and Mathilda. These wonderful ladies made themselves available to fill in for us whenever we were short of players, sometimes with only a few hours' notice. And to Emma and Ash from the 7s, you were most definitely honorary 6s this year, your smiling faces and great hockey skills were certainly very much appreciated by us all. Ladies, you are all very welcome in our team any time.



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DIVISION 9 WOMEN

Well I think it's safe to say COVID really threw a spanner in the works this year but once we finally got underway it was just nice to be playing hockey again! This year was a year of growth for our team as we had a number of new teams in our Division. We played really well as a team and were unlucky to not come away with more wins than we did. But looking forward to the 2021 season and how we can improve further!

Cristina ANDREONE (Centre Forward)

Cristina has been a welcome new addition to our team this year, considering it was her first season playing hockey. Cristina's determination and very quick learning helped her win tackles and possession of the ball. Accompanied with her natural skills and ball movement she was an absolute pleasure to play with. Thank you Cristina, you had a fantastic season we look forward to seeing you next year.

Emma BRADLEY (Em/Inner)

Emma- a superstar in so many ways! Whether it's going around in circles and being a star inner (not full-back ;)), to running all game long, to keeping track of all of us with her trusty spreadsheets- she does it all!! Thanks for a great season Em- looking forward to doing it all again with you next year.

Ashleigh CHAUVIN (Ash/Inner)

We had a great, although short, season. Ash has honed her skills and signature move of at least one knee on the turf when in the D to take that money shot. Ash always gives 100% even when the ball or someone's stick always seems to find her like a heat-seeking missile. Great work as always, and here's to another fantastic season.

Melanie HOBDAY (Mel/Wing)

Playing hockey with Mel is a lot of fun. Each year her skills and game improve, always putting in 110%. Reaching a few memorable milestones this year (there are too many to list) was indeed extraordinary. It can't go unsaid that her ever-famous words "up middle back" still gets put to good use and will never be forgotten! But seriously Mel, we really would be lost without you. Your willingness and organisation to get the team together as the "events planner manager" is amazing. It's really such a joy to have you on the team.

Paige HUDSON (Goalie)

Paige is a key member of the team and occupies an irreplaceable position as goalie - with great coordination and feet fitting the shoes, no-one kicks balls quite like our Paige. Thanks for another great season!

Zoe Huggett (Full-back)

A hero arriving in our eleventh hour: Zoe fled the chaos of the eastern states to re-join us for a couple of our final games. Even though she could only be with us for part of the season, she certainly made her presence felt. Thanks for everything Zoe! Here's hoping you can stick around for next year!

Hayley LYONS (Haylz/Half/Wing)

She might be small but don't let that fool you! In fact one of our favourite quotes from the season "I'm only little and I'm not that fast". But Hayley is full of attitude and determination. You can always rely on her to hold her own and well, we'd be lost without you Hayley. Here's to another great season next year!

Siobhan MAGUIRE (Shiv/Half)

Shiv is the firecracker of the 7s - always passionate, and full of explosive energy! Shiv always puts in 110%, and won't let anything hold her back - especially not an injury. Shiv is always working hard for the ball, and her team, and has a hit that just about busts out the backboard every time she scores. We love you Shiv! Thanks for a great season!

Crystal McMELLON (Wing)

Crystal is such a kind and patient person always ready to help out the new players! She is not only talented on the field, giving 110% and making those long sprints (despite her knees) to the ball and always desiring to learn more and do better but she also provides so much entertainment to the team. You can't have a bad day or dull moment with Crystal around as she will always make you laugh and is always there to listen. Crystal you are not only a fantastic and skilful player, but a bubbly and humorous person that brought so much laughter to the team!

Tegan McNAB (Half)

Tegan! Our ever reliable defender!! Tegan always gave it her all throughout the season and was a huge asset for us! Even pushing through an ankle injury to play our last game of the season. Tegan we love having you on the team, hoping we all get to see you back next year!

Emily PETERSSON (Wing/Centre Forward)

Emily, has such a kind and bubbly personality and you are always keen to take on feedback. When she's making a run up the line she's very strong on the ball and always looking for that early pass! Emily also works hard to get our press set-up, which for us isn't an easy task! It's been lovely playing with you again this year, Emily, and I hope to see you back in 2021!!



DIVISION 9 WOMEN cont

Kate SAYERS (Centre Half)

Kate returned to our team this season after a stint playing for Margaret River for a few years, and she fitted back in perfectly! The way she controlled the ball around the field always left the opposition guessing, helping us move forward! Always bringing her sense of humour and fun personality on and off the field, Kate was a joy to play with again! It's great to have you back Kate, hopefully we see you back again next season!!

Monique SMITH (Mon/Full-back)

Who would Mon be without her trusted beanie? - honestly we're all still asking this question: does it give her special full back super powers? Does it make her run faster? Or does it just keep her head toasty on cold nights? Guess we'll never know! Mon has had our backs all season as she has every season. Thanks Mon for always being reliable, supportive and giving it your all every game. Maybe next season Mon's beanie will have its own bio in the yearbook...

Jasmine VICO (Jas/Half)

Do we even have a team without Jas? Ever-reliable in our defence line and always available to offer up the most perfectly timed sarcastic comment. We love Jas and everything she brings to the team. Don't know what we'd do without you Jas, can't wait to play with you again next year when we get a proper season!

We should, of course, extend our thanks to our coach, Christian. Let's be honest, you probably deserve a medal for dealing with a team full of women and not losing your patience! 2020 certainly hasn't been our year in terms of wins or his own hockey injuries but in good news there was no chair throwing incidents in the dugout and he has confirmed that this season is just 'all part of the plan'. We look forward to the next instalment of this plan in 2021!





METROPOLITAN 1 WOMEN

Covid-19 created a lot of mystery as to when our season would commence. The girls were all so keen to get the season under way, they actually trained during the extra-long lead up. Metros traditionally do not train so this strange phenomenon resulted in our fittest start to a season ever! The ongoing construction of our amazing new clubrooms meant it was sometimes a challenge to negotiate the quickest route to refreshments, but the team adapted well and consumed many a drink and cheese platter during our legendary after-game debriefings. We sit comfortably second and with only the top two to play off in a Grand Final this year, it has again been a very successful Metro's season!

Serviette contract re-signed and "The Voice", Jan Davis, was retained in the coaching role. Our much-loved Life Member is a true champion of the game and her words of wisdom are appreciated nearly as much as her after-game debriefings. Traditions never die, good to see you are still known as "The last woman standing!"

STOP PRESS: 2020 RUNNER UP

Gail ANDERSON

Late pick in the country draft resulted in Gail coming to our rescue towards the end of the season. We dangled the "come qualify to play in our Grand Final", how could she refuse that chance? Proved her worth slotting a goal with ease in a must-win game.

Lisa ANDERSON

The creative genius and renovator in the team. Each week the stories of the tasks this pint size gal takes on are amazing. Although she would say differently, her versatility on the field had her playing from forward to back, handling each position with ease. Sadly, we lost her later in the season with a trip to see her family in the UK and with the mandatory quarantine and restrictions on flights we hope she makes it back to Oz sometime this year!

Vanessa CARMODY

Nothing was going to stop this gal playing this season. Being on call, moving to a new house and the possibility of a messy game all took a back seat for her beloved Metros. Her smile, strength and skills are a bonus for our team but do not give this girl a card when it's not hers!

Carolyn CAYDAMAR

Caro loves to score especially when her tribe comes to watch. Wish they would come more often as they are our loudest cheer squad when that ball hits the backboard. Caro's skill at tapping the ball to her advantage never ceases to dazzle. She has been around forever but like a fine wine gets better and better with age.

Corelle COLEMAN

The long pre-season saw this gal swapping fitness ideas with our top Women's coach. Still looking for the call-up after managing to finally score a goal but sadly a broken thumb late in the season halted her once again!

Darcie FARROW

Only played 1 game with us this season, she was stolen by a higher team.

Marie FARROW

The best-dressed wing woman a manager can have. Marie pokes and steals the ball with great grit and determination and never lets a bruise get in the way of a great game. Could not run the team without you, huge thanks you Awesome Woman!

Melanie LEIGHTON

Never runs out of puff and seems to get fitter and faster each year. Our goal-hungry forward likes to rub it in and tell you OVER and OVER when she's having a really great time! Lots of free-flowing champagne and numerous messages, yep we got the general idea!

Narelle McMILLAN

Our leggy defender who also runs all day and with lots of talking on the field we always know who has our back. Did have us worried one game when the giraffe fell awkwardly but like a true trouper of the game, the pain in the neck was pushed aside for the love of the game.

Kylie MISHRA

Our ninja guards her cage so well week in and week out, rock solid as always. Her positive vibe and calm manner have us in awe of her ability to come out smiling at the end of every game, although when caught off guard this Ninja can ROARRRR!

Tara MISHRA

Came to our rescue late in the season when everyone was breaking. Needing to qualify players for our Grand Final gig, Tara was the perfect choice, a quiet but fierce achiever on the field.

Dee MURPHY

Will never graduate with time-management honours. Always the first sub but the fancy stuff she does on the field is always worth the wait. Love the accessories that sometimes get dragged across the field, one could wonder if she is going camping or settling in for a biggie. Top goal scorer again!



METROPOLITAN 1 WOMEN cont



Sandra ORR

Scared us mid-season after discovering how dangerous a gym can be, but thankfully recovered and gave us a giggle when she had the boys running scared, taking control of the old man's fight club on another field. A strong defender with skills and a hit to match, Sandra always has a huge smile and lots of positives on and off the field.

Caelee POWER

Our little Powerhouse was there every week ready to play when we needed her, thank you Caelee.

Fiona POWER

Our quiet achiever, floating with ease down the right creating so many opportunities. Hockey must be a breeze compared to coordinating the merged tribe she has at home. We heard about their legendary family nights, judging by the numbers maybe no-one would notice if the team sneaked in to share in the feast.

Theresa RAYFIELD

Came back from exile, but it did not take long for us to break this precious one. In her broken state she still managed to play for 5 minutes resulting in two goals. We will take you broken any day but how can one so young be so broken! Her cheeky wit and humour keeps us all entertained.

Donelle SMITH

Sadly, we broke Donelle early in the season, so she went missing in action.

Anna STEVENS

Another to come to our rescue late in the season. Her commitment to qualify was awesome, coming to a game even though she was injured. Anna's speed and her one-handed ability give her the edge on the opposition.

Amelia SWAN

Eavesdropping on a conversation that Amelia was looking to play after the season started, resulted in securing the young fast legs we always love to have. Fast she may be, but we did tell her to run even faster! We loved her huge smile and dedication, even coming to play after a huge celebratory lunch. We lost her later in the season but hope you enjoyed your short stint playing with the Mums.

Elizabeth WOODBERRY

The racehorse runs all day, gang tackled but somehow always seems to come out with the ball. Thankfully being on call did not interfere with her season too much, thought she was joking when she said she had to run for a horse. Liz always comes with a huge smile and her girls are our biggest supporters, they couldn't wait for the season to finally start and would gladly stay after Mum leaves.

Thanks to Max for blowing the whistle and being so reliable each week, except of course when he got the call to play Seniors.



O35 DIVISION 2 WOMEN

Having successfully campaigned for Hockey WA to see sense and let us play in Division 2 we settled into playing in a competition that, it has to be said, suited the age profile of our ladies much better. Having lost some of our younger players to illness, injury, other sports, the delayed season and baby-making it was good to see, at least for the first half of the season, that we still had a core of 13 or 14 players. With Sue Clark on positions and team structure and with Gaysey's tactical input, the team was competitive in every match. You win some, you lose some and you draw some, and given any other year we would have probably made finals. While 2020 is not our year to be premiers it has been a year in which we have played hard, laughed, bonded over pizza, socialised in restaurants North of the River, worn purple bras, cooked great curries, celebrated milestone birthdays and have just been there for each other when we've needed it. We've dealt with dodgy legs and knees, self-inflicted broken bones, prolonged absences due to quarantine and our team has come through with flying colours. Bring on 2021 when hopefully the world will be a little less crazy.

Lisa ANDERSON (Forward)

Our fearless leader Lisa has had an even shorter season than most due to a dash to the UK in early August which included 4 weeks of quarantine.... She started the season in fine form playing up front as a striker and combining brilliantly with Rae, Sally and Theresa. Excellent at getting her arse around on the left and always parked at the post ready to pounce! Scheduled to exit quarantine the day before the grand final alas we couldn't quite manage the top two finish needed in this Covid-affected season. We have missed you Lisa and can't wait to have you back here permanently.

Vanessa CARMODY (Forward/Midfield)

A member of the blonde ponytail club, Vanessa is a fierce competitor who dazzles us with her skill and flair. Full of positives for her team mates with a huge smile to match. Vanessa does not allow anything to get in her way of a great game, not even the umpire who turned up to officiate after incorrectly sending her off in the previous match. Awesome season Vanessa!

Susan CLARK (Midfield/Full back)

Sue has had another fab year. Due to a number of injuries to key personnel this season and a lack of true defenders in the team, Sue was shifted from centre half and reincarnated as a fullback. A steadying hand down back she combined beautifully with Macca and Charly, directing traffic and rebounding from defence.

Corelle COLEMAN (Midfield)

Corelle is a running dynamo. Recruited over the off season, she started the season in peak fitness and always makes the second effort. Corelle slotted perfectly into the team and chased hard all season until disaster struck with a broken thumb. She's a true team player, supporting and managing from the sideline since her injury. Hopefully 2021 will be injury free!

Marie FARROW (Everywhere except goalkeeper)

Marie's literally done everything this season both on and off the pitch. Off-pitch jobs included ball collector during pre-season COVID training, co-team manager and social secretary. Her on-pitch antics have also seen her take on every position except goalkeeper! She's versatile and

more importantly for Masters hockey, she's ever-present, battling through any injury niggles she may have. It must be down to all that training she's done this year. It is an absolute pleasure to have Marie as a teammate and a friend and we all look forward to going into battle again with her next year.

Gaye GLASKIN (Midfield)

Well, another not quite complete season for Gaye! She started off at centre-half, firing on all cylinders, until her hamstring got the old 'niggle' and had to take a couple of weeks off. She returned with a fire in her belly, playing all over the park, only to be sidelined again with another injury (Gaye actually had surgery on her hand!). It was great to have her return for the back end of the season, firing once more, this time in the more familiar role of right half. She is one of the most versatile players in our team which is a great strength to have, however, understandably it can be frustrating when you are moved from full back to striker to half back etc....Gayesy takes it all in her stride and she performs exceptionally well no matter what end of the pitch she is at! We love her sense of calm, her wisdom and game sense but most of all her smile and positivity. You are a fabulous team-mate, Gayesy!

Sally HALL (Forward)

Sally has been a valuable addition to our team this year. Having not played for a few years she took to the field with determination and adding her sunny personality to the team. She needs to win the prize for attending the most number of training sessions (which she may have had more competition for had Corelle not broken her thumb). It was a delight to see her running her way down the wing and the goals she scored were a result of this hard work. Come back again next year please Sally!

Raelene HETHERINGTON (Forward)

Rae is/was our reliable striker up front, unfortunately she injured her foot early on and didn't return for the rest of the season. We missed her strong forward drive and shots at goal for the remainder of the season. Hope to have you back on board next year Rae!



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Charlotte HOGARTH (Goalkeeper)

Charly has had a stellar year in goals and despite the ever-changing personnel back there in the defence she has kept us in line with her one left, two left, one right calls all season. With her sunny personality and kick-ass attitude on the field she is without doubt the most important player in our team. All hail Queen Charly!

Melanie LEIGHTON (Forward/Midfield)

Mel is the type of player that everyone wants on their team - she's fast, tenacious and never ever stops running.....I mean never. She would give the energiser bunny a run for his money! Mel is an extremely versatile player who can be put into nearly any position, but the best thing about Mel is that she does all of this with an ever-present smile on her face. It is an absolute pleasure to play with you Mel!

Narelle McMILLAN (Full back)

Narelle has been an absolute rock in defence yet again this season. With her awesome tackles and steely determination no player is too tough an opponent and she continues to give 100% every match and put her body on the line week after week. A big thank you for putting up with the revolving door of part time fullbacks this season as well - it can't have been easy having to teach us on the run...we love you Macca!

Madeleine NORTHOVER (Forward)

It was an absolute delight to welcome Maddie back to hockey after the birth of baby #2. And boy had we missed her - skilful, dynamic, fit and young!! If only we could clone her...She slotted right back in like she had never left and provided us with much needed drive up front, always dangerous around goals and ready to pounce. Welcome back Maddie - we missed you!

Fiona POWER (Forward/Midfield)

How lucky are we to have such an accomplished player as Fi to be our fill-in this year. And to think she thought she could get away with only playing on the weekends!! We have been so lucky to have her as a regular for the second half of the season. Such a versatile player who never lets us down. Looking forward to next year Fi perhaps you won't just fill in....

Theresa RAYFIELD (Forward (not inner!))

We welcomed Theresa back this season after living overseas for a few years. A true striker who injected drive and pressure in our forward line, Theresa managed her ongoing injury by coming on and off the bench (Princess box), providing us with short bursts of brilliance. She consistently applied pressure to opposition backs when they least expected, often coming away with the ball. A great asset to the team and we are glad she is back.

Donelle SMITH (Full back)

Our ever-reliable fullback, Donelle had a most frustrating year injuring her knee in the first match of the season. Unfortunately she is still recovering but we look forward to welcoming her back next season. We miss you Donelle!

Susan WILSON (Forward)

A goal from Queen Susie on her 60th Birthday was the absolute highlight of the season for her and our team! We loved being able to cheer her on and celebrate with her, and we thank her for being that ever-cheery and gracious team-mate. She is so positive and only ever speaks kind words, even in moments of frustration! A wonderful team mate to us all. We love hearing her scream across the field that she is free for the ball or to yell out sorry if she missed the ball. Susie's ability to just tap the ball around a player and completely confuse them is always great to watch as well as her knack to just 'seagull' at the goals. She is an inspiration and asset to our team in more ways than one and we love playing with her!

Elizabeth WOODBERRY (Forward/Midfield)

Recruited over the off-season, Liz has been another wonderful addition to the team. With her long legs, fabulous reach and relaxed persona she makes everything look oh, so easy and keeps on running without ever raising a sweat. Tenacious and strong over the ball, she is rarely beaten. Liz has had an awesome season and has become an integral of our team.

A very big thank you to anybody not mentioned above who at some time this season has saved our bacon by filling in for us. And last, but by no means least, a huge thank you to Eddie Swan, our ever-reliable umpire. We've tested your knowledge of the rule book on more than one occasion this year. Hopefully the late match times and varied venues hasn't put you off as we'd love to have you back in 2021.





O35 DIVISION 3 WOMEN

Despite the late start to the year, this is the first year in forever that our girls were keen for pre-season training. Good old COVID had us back on the track early. That soon changed of course. As I write this, we are 3rd on the ladder with one game to go but I can't see that changing. We should be pretty proud of ourselves as we have moved up a grade this year from Division 4 to 3 and the teams above us were pretty impressive, coming from higher division playing backgrounds than us. So, well done girls! Now to reach that extra height next year and try to give them a run for their money.

On a personal note I would like to say thanks to the girls for another fun year, the support and friendship we give each other is what being part of a team is all about and we do it better than most. Now for some insight or mystery into that crazy bunch:

Gail ANDERSON (GAIL - THE ESCAPEE)

Drawn back to the bright city lights and recaptured by Maris, her penance was to join the team and enjoy it. Gail has joined the team and at times gets a little frustrated with our laid-back approach to the game. However, we believe that she needs us most, because someone has to keep her out of garden beds, look out for high narrow steps and try to prevent future falls resulting in black eyes and bruised hands. Yes - there may have been some drink involved.

Natalie BROWN (FAST DECISION MAKER)

Nat is known for her good decisions on the field and it seems she has the same process with her personal life. When you decide to sell your house and move you just do it. House gone in a week. Anyone got a rental?

Carolyn CAYDAMAR (TO THE RESCUE)

Carolyn was one of our go-to girls when we were short. She came at short notice, but thank heavens they were home games or who knows if we could have enticed her out. I think she enjoyed the run and we appreciated her skills on the field. Thanks Caro.

Lindy COSS (700 GAMES)

She is our vote counter and **700 GAMER**.

CONGRATULATIONS LINDY, WHAT A MILESTONE.

I guess this is the reason she is so good as what she does, she has had lots of practice. To have come this far and still be so good at what you do is an inspiration and envy to us all. Fuelled by BBQ shapes, she is also very good at telling us off when we need it.

Lauren COSTA (SPEEDY GONZALES)

Loz was another lifesaver who answered the call when we were short. She talks as fast as she runs and is always part of the sideline banter. We love having this girl in our team, her strength, speed and humour are something we truly enjoy. Thanks Loz.

Claire HADLEY (BROKEN)

A young broken one who played so few, went away to heal and never returned.

Allison HALL (ALLY ON THE FIELD ONLY)

Her name is Allison, Ally is allowed on field. Remember that everyone. Allison is still the fitting specialist and lifesaver on the half line, although the bathing cap was M.I.A this season, not enough wet nights and no one in distress. Allison is another who keeps on keeping on despite her body at times telling her otherwise, and always ready to join the fun and banter.

Olive HASSELERHARM (THE TURF QUEEN)

Jan's navigator. Good at preventing car park drives and multiple round about loops, she manages to get us to the game on time. Her dedication to the team saw her help Lindy out in the goals this year but without the pads (sitting side by side on the back board) It was really because she could not run to get out of the way. Injury is a bitch. She even joined Lindy on the boards for part of Lindy's 700th, just for a chat even though she wasn't on the list that night.

Gwenda HOGG (STILL THE BIGGEST HIT)

It seems Gwenda has forgotten how to drop and roll without breaking something. Lost the title of biggest swing for a while as her shoulder would not allow it, but has been studying other areas and has been copying some of Dee's moves to get the goals. Not good for the shoulder but good for the score board.

Maris MARGETTS (THE RECRUITMENT SPECIALIST)

Maris managed to re-capture a former player this year, who had escaped and fled to the country life for a while, but Maris found her hovering on the outskirts looking at the bright lights and brought her home again. Well done Maris, welcome back Gail. I wonder where this woman finds her energy. Maris has had set-backs and elation this year as she has spent half a year trying to renovate a house to sell. If she is not at hockey or work, she is renovating. Maris is the proud owner of the miracle cream, which is apparently part of the reason she keeps on keeping on. I want some of that.



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Dee MURPHY (ON TIME)

Getting to the game before it starts is a new tactic of Dee's this year, which proved a winner as she is our highest goal scorer, doing whatever it takes to get that ball in the net. Dee has had an excellent year and despite "NO CANDLES DUE TO WIND", admits you are never too old to admire good form.

Joanne ROSSO (STOLEN CORELLE'S CROWN)

Jo lost her hand modelling contract late this year but was signed for a new dance move on the same night, has bigger shoes to accommodate burnt toes and never wants to hear the words "pre-season training" again. She is trying to steal Corelle's crown of Melville's Most Injured.

Conor SMITH (FITTER AND FASTER)

Conor, by her own admission, is fitter and faster this year - must have been those two pre-season training sessions she attended. We know Conor, it's hard with a young family. However, she has been running miles on her own and it has proven worthwhile on the field (but sub her and she loses her momentum). She is our resident Kitchen Co-ordinator, helping to set up the new kitchen at the Club and in the know for all the right places to order food.

Anna STEVENS (SIDELINE CONSULTANT)

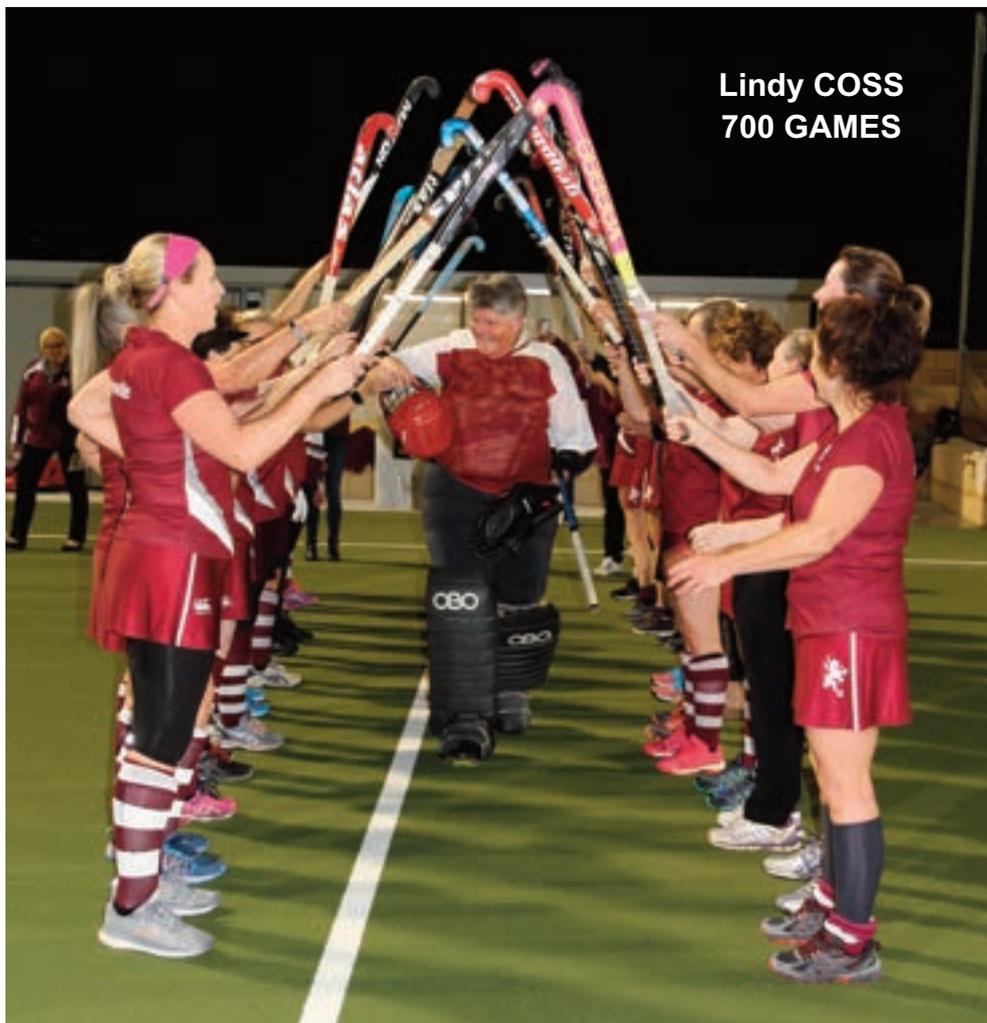
A bit of sideline Mouth Moulding is part of Anna's expertise along with her one-handed style of play. She is also known as the M.I.A host at her daughter's sleepover birthday party. Lucky she has a great husband. Commitment to attend team outing a higher priority.

Rae THOMPSON (STRONG WOMAN UP THE BACK)

Rae is our quiet achiever up the back. She has the opposition fooled but they soon discover that she is not going to let you past without a fight, a fight she wins most times. Despite our need of her force up the back, she did not hesitate to take R&R in the tropics mid-season which did not interrupt her form or her conscience, it seems.

Rebecca WEDDIKKARA (MISS MINKEY CO-ORDINATOR)

Bec is our mid on-field co-ordinator but claims it is sometimes harder than marshalling her Minkey Troops... I can't see the problem. We play our game in a similar fashion. Bec also underwent some neck remodelling this year which gave her some R&R from school. Only a couple of games to go Bec, just wear a brace, we need you.



**Lindy COSS
700 GAMES**

I would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to Matt Willis for being our weekly umpire. Matt came in all weather to blow the whistle without complaint, especially as we experienced ladies often try to assist in the decision making. Over the weeks as Matt came to know the girls, he seemed to enjoy their antics and joined in the team banter, so hopefully the evenings weren't too much of a drag for him. Thanks Matt.

Great year girls, look forward to seeing you all back next year, with or without the pre-season training. Enjoy the summer break, stay safe and Covid-free.



O40 DIVISION 1 MEN

As per previous years, the O40 Div 1s started the season slow with an aim to peak by round 12 in preparation for the finals... this went to plan, however we failed to remember there was only 12 rounds.

Finishing the season 7th wasn't a true reflection of the competitiveness of the playing group with a third of our games resulting in draws. Thank you for an enjoyable year.

Todd BARRETT

Todd is the self-appointed captain, coach, manager, team counsellor and best player. He should be applauded for his tireless and selfless work. This year more than any other Todd had to beg, threaten and blackmail around 40 people just to get a team on the park. To his absolute credit we never played short. The team owes Todd a debt of gratitude. Notice I have said nothing about Todd's game play. Between calf injuries, holidays and family commitments, Todd hardly turned up. Taking a Covid test just to get a medical exemption was definitely his best excuse. Hopefully not an excuse available in 2021.... Please!

Scott BESSEN

Scott was a regular contributor to the team throughout the season, following a trial run with the boys in 2019. His work rate is exceptional, particularly when chasing down the Mathew overhead from full-back. Needs to work harder on the pre- and post-game banter, including getting stuck into all the blokes that keep missing the pre-match fitness test. Look forward to seeing some hard work from Bessen over the off-season to ensure he's sharp for 2021.

Graham BRAID

Graham is our Mr Fit...bombing up and down the right side of the field. He always seems to be at the right place at the right time in front of goal - somehow the ball does not seem to get to him... He works tremendously hard for the team - thank you Graham...

Douglas BRIGHTWELL

Solid season this year from Doug. He found his spot on the halfback line and called it his own throughout the year. Again Doug displayed more running ability than most of the rest of the team... which doesn't necessarily say a lot about Doug's running ability. Debate continues about Doug's insistence on including warm up km's in his game strava distances. The general consensus is it wouldn't make a difference for most players so it shouldn't be included at all.

Andrew CRIDDLE

The Rock at half back. Played some great hockey in a less than great team. Andrew was responsible for the play of the season. A 50 metre run avoiding seven WASP defenders (some two or three times), Andrew dragged and stumbled his way from our defensive half to within two metres of the goal line. With only the keeper to beat Andrew missed his final drag and the ball fell harmlessly

over the back line. Yep... check our results, that was the play of the season. Always good to have Crids in the team and around the club. Definitely a stalwart.

Mike FARDON

Quiet and calm is often used to describe Fards. As well as having pace, a long reach and a relentless need to chase the opposition. An unusual twist of the knee in Q2 of the first game of the season took Fards out of the game for the first time since 2014 and further injuries curtailed the second half of the year. His dedication and pace was missed, as well as his ability to be in the right place at the right time and I look forward to playing with Fards next year.

Warren FARROW

Waz was one of few to stay injury-free this year. Do not let his small stature fool you, he is a tenacious midfielder who is on the right one minute, then on your left the next, chasing, chasing, and chasing some more. The inevitable end to the chase is when you hear the sound of carbon on carbon and a "what was that for" look back at the umpire. A great bloke on and off the field, it's always great to have Waz around and I am glad I am on the same team...

Ross HOPKINS

As a goal keeper, I get to observe the idiosyncrasies of everyone that plays in front of me. I have watched many centre halves play what they say is the pivotal role of any great team. As we have all matured I have noticed that many of the great centre halves at Melville - Steffa, Statue, Geers, and Simon M have worked out that if they stay in the centre of the field they truly can play a pivotal role in the team. So pivotal they don't actually have to move. Mr R Hopkins has followed in the footsteps of his great fore-fathers. Ross picked up this skill very early this season. How do I know this... well Ross left his face mask behind the goals after the first game and never been back in defence since. I am not sure he has





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realised he has even lost his mask. Thanks for a fun season Ross!

Simon KLASS

Having Klassy in the goals on the weekend is an absolute pleasure both on and off the field. Klassy is a first-class keeper, organising the defence, making spectacular saves, and most importantly yelling encouragement to you wherever you are on the field. Beyond his skills, Simon's greatest asset is his true passion for the game and infectious enjoyment of the team and why we get together every weekend. Even when the contest gets tough, Klassy is the guy that, with his dazzling smile, will remind us all that we're out there to have fun.

Thayalan KRISHNAN

Up forward did roam the striker Thayalan
In his hands a stick not a violin
Often he would lead out wide
Get the ball and aim inside
Alas, but to end up sprawled out and tumbling

Simon MATHEW

What amazing skills Simon has. Always plays hard and gives his team 100% every time. Love to see him when he gets into a tussle with an opposition player, with the latter always withdrawing against him. Simon is the top scorer for the team this year and has played pretty much all the positions depending upon the need (he is like a potato, tastes equally good in all the curries ie. fits in all the positions).

Matt READ

In past years it has been said that Matty had developed a handy toma - unfortunately it appears to have deserted him for the majority of this year. Towards the end of the year he succumbed to injury like most of the team had at some time this year. His hearing doesn't seem to have improved over the years - or is he still ignoring the calls to pass the ball or to drag in a different direction.

Cameron ROBINSON

When I first joined this team I wondered why a goalkeeper would have a name that implied that he just fell over in front of the goal and lay there? After seeing the state of the rest of the back line, it really concerned

me... But after playing a couple of games it was clear that Timber is not the correct name for Cam. Never one to be a shrinking violet, "Matron" would certainly fit given the endless shouting at and organisation of the troops in front of him. "The Cat" would certainly be another, with the anticipation and reflexes that he shows week in week out. However, I think that I would settle on "The Wall" as it is always down to Cam that we are able to post any semblance of a respectable score. He is an awesome goalkeeper who, like a fine wine, seems to only get better with age.

Sarvesh SHEDBALKAR

Winter has come and the 'wall' has gone down this season. Fondly known as "The Wall" for being a stumbling block at left half, Sarvesh ventured into the forward line this year. When he was switched ON, there was some excellent short passing game on display. Still looking to put one behind the GK, 2021 perhaps?

Steven WALSH

It was a story of harnessed inner strength and human triumph. A story about a man who picked up a curved stick and made it his own. Following an absence from the club and having last played hockey in Singapore in 1995, Walshy had worked like a man possessed for his triumphant return to the field when disaster almost took his life. The life-threatening lower leg injury he sustained whilst building IKEA furniture for his home office, took his years of preparation for a stellar season and boiled it down to one final game. Walshy limped noisily to the field and in a moment of madness, unbuckled his leg braces and ran, unaided, onto the turf. The curved stick he used for a full year to help him balance, was now his offence weapon. He played poor hockey, and didn't score any goals, but had mastered walking upright enough to play two games in a row. Some may call it madness to risk permanent disability for a hockey team... we call him Walshy.

Richard WILLIAMS

Drafted into the team in the hope that he would provide a much-needed number who would hopefully bring some poise and run at centre half, Richie delivered on at least part of that each time he played. Richie danced and navigated the grass like the Gopher from Caddy shack, either diving/sliding across the surface in an act of desperation or producing a divot deep enough it could be confused for a bunker on the 12th at Royal Perth. Still a quality player, whose assistance and contributions were much appreciated by the 40's.

*Thanks to the following players for stepping in to help:
Jon Brett, Mark Lyons, Brent McMillan, Brad Potter, Ben Rushton, Gavin Scally, Mark Watton, Jeff West and Stefan Willett.*



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O40 DIVISION 2 MEN

2020 has been a tough year for everyone and the Gryphons are no exception. After being promoted to 2nd Grade, we took the challenge seriously and began pre-season (with the allowed 10 people...see COVID rules). Despite all our early efforts we found ourselves outmatched in age, skill and the ability to win. We finished the season on the bottom but the boys gave each game our best efforts. Looking forward to going back to 3rd grade in 2021.

Murray CASSELTON (Muzza. CF and FB)

Muzza is the team money holder. He collects the umpiring fees every week and totals the team cash balance so we can enjoy a few frothies at the end of the season. He is very fashion-conscious and is often seen wearing matchy, matchy outfits. Muzza is a force to reckon with in front of either goal.

Geoff COOPER (Wristy/ Inner)

Often seen arriving two minutes before game time, Wristy does a great impression of John McEnroe when he feels he may have been unjustly penalised. The opposition often target Wristy as he has incredible dragging skills and can run all day. I think he might secretly be Batman.

Alan EAGER (Al Mid/ HB)

Has gone through a multitude of amazing hairstyles over the last few seasons. Remarkably, this year resisted to give himself a COVID mullet. Al gets involved in the midfield and is often a level head when the game goes up in intensity. Can be found under tarpaulins at wind-ups. Will be missed when he relocates to QLD in 2021.

Timothy HEARD (Old Dog/ TIMMY ! Mid)

Timmy is the elder statesman of the team and brings superior knowledge of many things, including hockey skills. He is the wisest of wise Gryphons. Can be prone to bouts of general soreness during wine festivals but always turns on his best effort on the field. One of our overhead specialists.

Justin HOLT (Holty FB)

Holds the side together with his amazing leadership skills. Can remember games of yesteryear and opposition set plays. Comes up with the team tactics for game day and if in doubt, unleashed Roodog on opposition players. Leads by example and is the cornerstone of the defence.

David JOSEPH (Badboy HB/FB)

Dave is often targeted by umpires for minor infractions and is sent from the field protesting his innocence. Badboy gets picked on by opposition forwards but keeps his cool and often gets the better of them when he strips them of the ball. Has to ask his wife to attend social functions.

Bryan KENNINGTON (Dasher CF Wing)

Dasher dropped 11 Kgs over the off season and put his new-found "superspeed" to great effect, often burning off opposition defenders. Dasher forms a potent combination with "The Weapon". Sometimes Dasher was hampered by doing leg day at the gym prior to the match and has a fondness for "Camping". Looking forward to seeing Dasher in action for 2021.

Matthew KING (Kinky Fwd)

Kinky holds down a position in the opposition deep defence. He runs around the taggers and roams within the goalie's vision. Beginning to form a potent forward line and will be much more at home in 3rd grade in 2021. Kinky always greets everyone with a big smile and a COVID-safe hug.

Richard MURRAY (Lunchbox CH/LH)

Lunch takes on the best players from the opposition each week. He gets hacked and pushed over and gets up each time to do it again. Is the link between the mighty defence and the forward machine. Lunch is one of the first to arrive at matches and always gives his all.

Ian NEILL (Chooka Inner/HB)

Chooka is a handy ball user, he intercepts many attacks and changes the momentum of the play with his deft manoeuvres. Chooka often links with Lunch and Monassa to stream the ball down the right. A handy short corner distributor. Chooka is sadly leaving us in 2021 to play with another side. Mrs Chooka and Baby Chooka have been our main supporters.

Brett PICKERING (Monassa Inner/HB)

Monassa is the grunt in our midfield. He plays a hard and skilful style that opposition defenders find hard to counter. Unfortunately 2020 saw Monassa join the FIFO ranks and he missed a fair chunk of the season. He did discover the chocolate pudding and will need a rigorous pre-season to find his former level of fitness.

Anand PILLAY (AN And /RH)

Anand is the second of our overhead specialists. He has the knack of throwing the ball deep behind the defence enabling Dasher and The Weapon to take up the attack. Anand has the laugh of a pirate and loves to sing the team song when the Gryphons win. Had a nasty injury that sidelined him for a chunk of the season.



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Sean PSZCZOLA (The Weapon /Wing)

Part of our attack squad. The Weapon is often unleashed upon unsuspecting defenders. This year Dasher and The Weapon were rarely seen on the same forward line, making the combo less effective than in previous seasons. The Weapon has amazing persuasive skills and has been seen talking team members down from scaffolding with a cuddle and a sympathetic ear.

Cameron ROBINSON (CAMO)

Great fill-in goalie who gives a lot of talk from the net. Inspires calm when under attack. A welcome player whenever he visits.

Dharren SELVA (Newguy Wing HB)

Dharren joined our team after the season was delayed. He uses his pace and cricket skills to good effect and has grown in confidence as the season unfolded. Dharren hasn't found his true nickname yet but he is a welcome addition to the Gryphons. Dharren did look a little worried when he had to sing the team song, next year we will win more games.

Andrew SHORTER (Shorty /Utility)

Manager and co-founder of the Mighty Gryphons. Shorty was unable to complete the full season as he took time away for personal reasons. We love you mate and want you back in 2021 as the side is not the same without you.

Rob TANCREDI (The Tanc Wing/HB)

The Tanc is one of our pacy players and always gives the opposition defenders a tough job in containing his run. Tanc is also FIFO and missed a fair amount of the season. Loves to sing the song and will no doubt be around next season.

Jeff WEST (Pillow/ Killa Goalie)

Pillow is a man of many talents and this has led to a conflict of interest several times during match day. His band "The Biters" often perform on a Saturday, he has home renovations on the go as he and Paula are thinking of entering "The Block" in 2021. When Killa does play, he is a sight to see, as he reads the play and offers sage advice from the net.

Kelwyn YEO (Roodog /Utility)

Roodog is the man for any position. He is routinely used to strike fear into opposition players as he has the ability to be everywhere at once. In defence, Roodog is the intercept master, thwarting many an attack. When unleashed in the midfield, Roodog steals the ball from their best playmakers. He is rarely beaten and a true asset to the side.

We sung the song once and gave it our best shot. So long 2020, bring on next year.

We are the Gryphons from the Melville Hockey Club and we walk with our heads held high!



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O40 MIDWEEK MEN

Another enjoyable year... a cast of thousands and some quality hockey (on occasions).

By Round 5 the team was sitting second on the table and was reaping the rewards of having a few younger players on the paddock. Unfortunately though, like all Gen Y's they quickly lost interest. We then had to rely on the rest of the playing group to run more than hoped... which naturally led to a spate of injuries. Thank you to all involved.

Todd BARRETT

Whether it's blasting a ball at goal from a short corner, strong no-nonsense tackling at the back, commencing an attacking sortie of his own, or even trying to organise the mid-week 40's, we all value TB's commitment on and off the field. TB was one of many who succumbed to the dreaded calf (old man) injury this year. Our success rate improved with TB's absence but I'm sure that's just a coincidence and it just meant that the rest of us were working harder to cover his absence. Off the field it's always good to have a beer and banter with Todd.

Douglas BRIGHTWELL

Mr Reliable has played every game and hasn't incurred any injuries in 2020.... whilst the same can't be said for the other 40 registered players. Dougie has had a strong season and has taken on several roles in the midfield. It's been enjoyable watching a triathlete try changing direction and speed.

Andrew CRIDDLE

'The Barman' never strays far from the bar, his player or his position in the back line. He's a bit like a good bar actually: dependable, reliable, serves drinks. Probably could have done with a few more bars in our team in those weeks where we shipped 5+ goals.

Mike FARDON

I have been asked to write about Mike Fardon. Who is Mike Fardon? What position does he play? The only knowledge I have of Mike is that that has been written in times past. Word has it he is the cornerstone of the mighty O40s midweek team. Tales have been told of his mastery on the pitch such that his presence is felt even when he is absent!! Some might say he is the Batman of Melville hockey, some say he is like the Flash! Some say he is just another Melvillian riddled with injury (maybe to dupe the opponents). Whoever he may be likened to, I sure do hope I get to witness this maestro playing next season!

Warren FARROW

Warren is easily one of the most hardworking and reliable players in the team. Tackles hard and his persistence to win the ball at all costs frustrates the opponents. His confidence with the ball has supported the team well which makes it enjoyable playing alongside Warren.

Chris GEERS

Started off the year with a scintillating first five minutes before the team's first of many injuries for the season in which he introduced his mouth to the ball. At least it quietened him down for a game. After that false start, he was back to his normal form of being able take off up the field on a lead or running with the ball then, when it happened to turn over, he was our high forward option.

Mark LYONS

Clarrie is the stalwart of the MCHC. We were privileged to have him on the odd occasion Midweek this Covid Season. Despite his dodgy body he still performed when required and kept the game interesting with his nicely weighted overheads. A pleasure to play with!!

Simon MATHEW

Simon was the bookends for the team this year with most of his minutes being at full back or up front. While in defence, Simon's skill at throwing 50m overheads provided the team with an easy clearance and more often than not an opportunity to argue the interpretation of "within 5m". While up front, Simon again provided his fair share of highlights including the shot of the season from the top of the D (or was that last year?). Simon's uncanny skill to find speed when a goal is on offer was noted (and appreciated) by many.

Davis MAVUNDUSE

Davis provided tremendous drive from strike forward in a number of the games in the second half of the season. The author of this piece only shared one game with Davis, so didn't get to see much of his spectacular play, though guidance was sought from teammates to ensure the accuracy of this reporting. In one game in particular, Davis showed both tremendous commitment to the team and wilful negligence for his own health when he attempted to keep the ball from going over the sideline and crashed his way into the limestone surrounding.

Brent McMILLAN

The nick name Macca is very popular at MCHC. AMac helps me fit my ageing body, DMac helps me fix my dented car, BigMac helps me train and now there is BMac ... I am still working out what BMac helps me with ... I am not sure he likes me telling him where to go, and he definitely doesn't like it when I ask him to be the first runner on corners but he is good at helping me get the ball out of the back of the net. We have had some great games together and a couple of whoppers ... thanks for a fun season.



O40 MIDWEEK MEN cont

Brad POTTER

Reflecting on Chippy's year... he has not had much time for hockey.

He has spent a month celebrating his 50th year on this planet (the year of the Chip!), this went on and on.

He, I think, has got faster.

He has lost weight.

He has back tackled - no lie, I saw it.

He has not scored goals (lucky he has put a few away for the weekend comp).

Matt READ

Running style similar to a baby giraffe, but very effective striker when provided with quality supply from the midfield. Unfortunately Geersie played midfield so supply was rare. Scored some nice goals on his reverse. Still only drags left. Some things never change.

Anthony RICCIARDONE

Ricca was billed as a star recruit. Skilful and (by comparison) fast and fit, the team rose to a new level with Ricca on the park. Unfortunately, by mid-season Ricca had lost interest and become injured. That is, Ricca fitted in perfectly. We look forward to welcoming him into the leadership group for 2021.

Cameron ROBINSON

There's no doubt it was a difficult year in goal for Cam, he was definitely kept busy. Injury and Todd's frequent COVID tests ravaged the continuity of Timber's defensive support structure. Nevertheless he pushed on, encouraging and directing those around him. He continues to be a class act both on and off the field. Thanks Cam for your efforts in 2020.

Gavin SCALLY

Like a lot of things in life looks can be deceiving. Unfortunately for Gav this is not the case. Take one look at Gav and then watch him play hockey and you'll see what we mean.

Steven WALSH

Although Walshy's season was shortened by injury/old age, he made an impact whenever he was on the field. At times it was finishing in style in front of goal whilst others saw him making incredible passes for his team-mates who may have reached them in their prime. Known in previous seasons as the elder statesman, his youth in the side has added some much-needed speed to the forward line.

Grant WATTON

Grunter has been a consistent centre-piece for the forward line of our midweek O40s team, when not sidelined with injury or parent-teacher nights he can always be counted on for some silky skills, astonishing bursts of speed and even a very occasional run back into defence. While not shy about shooting for goals, you can always count on Grant to reward a good lead with a pass - which is a rare gift in Seniors hockey!

Stefan WILLETT

Occasional hockey player, permanent invalid, infrequent but highly effective and amusing thrower of hockey sticks, Stefan brings his infectious attitude to the game, which led to significant social distancing and occasional periods of self-isolation. So we all won, really. Just not games of hockey.

*Thanks to the following players for stepping in to help:
Graham Braid, Stephen Gibson, Chris Gill, Ross Hopkins, Brendan Joss, Simon Klass, Daniel McEntee, James Pickering, Benny Rushton, Garth Sly and Mark Watton.*



O50 DIVISION 1 MEN

A better year, we finish in 3rd.

John COOKE (Cookie)

Cookie operates on one leg at best and describes his fitness level as 85%. This is like saying someone with Covid who has been on a ventilator for months is capable of playing hockey for the Kookaburras.

Paul EARLY (Stringer)

Returned this year after having a right leg replacement. Had a weekly booking at the radiology department as he managed to have a finger broken on a weekly basis.

Aki ETELAHO (Aki)

One of the more subtle tacklers in the team, plays hockey mostly as a public service to the young umpires, providing them with a heady mix of spiritual guidance and tough love that I am sure they will appreciate more with time.

Justin HOLT (Holtie)

Helped out for a game - Thanks

Richard HOOKER (Hooksie)

Another player who assisted us when in need for a couple of games - thanks

Simon KLASS (Klassy)

Our Stand-in #1 goalie, when Timber was not available.

Dennis LOFFELL (Den)

Held together by chicken wire and elastic bands yet still seems to be the fittest and fastest person on the team. Credit to our team for setting such a low bar.

Mark LYONS (Clarrie)

I am starting to suspect that this fella has a Dorian Gray-like picture in the roof space of the mansion that Car-care built in the hills. Much like a fine wine, he gets better with age, which is ironic given that he wouldn't know a fine wine if it stood on its hind legs and bit him on the arse.

Edward NEESHAM (The Viking)

Our resident Viking who sacrifices a chicken before each game and uses a Leggbir (ancient Viking sword) instead of a hockey stick. The translation of Leggbir is Leg Biter which says it all.

David OGILBY (Biggsy)

Our returned overseas traveller who after 30 years in Malaysia got special permission from Mark McGowan to spend his quarantine at the Melville Hockey Club and hasn't left since. Sorely missed after thirty years but let's face it, after two weeks we were sick of him. We've put in a special request to have him returned back to Malaysia but Mark McGowan is refusing to budge so we're stuck with him for now.

Brad POTTER (Chippy)

A self-proclaimed goal scorer whose sweet spot is getting closer and closer and closer to the goal. Anything outside 1ft from the goal line with no goalkeeper is now outside his range.

Cameron ROBINSON (Timber)

In a competition with Andrew Criddle on how many games he can play in a single week. On course to play 100 games in a season. (Although we're still waiting on a good one.)

Greg ROSS (Greg)

Our resident left half, Greg is so boring he doesn't have a nick name. Often goes unnoticed, which he has now taken into his working life. We're not sure how he fits in our hockey games with his busy schedule which consists of "Should I go fishing today or straight to the pub?"

Gavin SCALLY (Gav)

Very much part of the furniture at Melville. This is probably why his on-field performances are best described as wooden.

Andrew SCANLON (The Statue)

Our resident statue fell victim to the cancel culture movement and was taken down mid-season and hasn't been since.

Andrew STARLING (Andy)

Good value for fees this year, only got on the park a handful of times. Copped an awful lot of abuse while he was umpiring us, but then again he is used to that given the amount of abuse he gets from us when he is playing.

Michael STARLING (Mickey)

When his osteoporotic fingers didn't keep him off the park and his allergy to grass was under control Mickey brought intensity and focus to the group. Unfortunately the group's only superpower is being impervious to intensity and focus.

Mark WATTON (Blotto)

Finds a lot of space on the field as the opposition keep clear of him. This is probably because he is easily mistaken for a homeless man with Tourette's as he stands alone muttering to himself indecipherably...

Jeff WEST (Westie)

Our #2 Goalie when Timber is unavailable. Played a couple of games.



O50 DIVISION 1 MEN cont

Stefan WILLETT (Stef)

Who says you need to be flexible to play hockey? Everyone in the growing list of health professionals tasked with getting this pillow with legs on the hockey field more than twice a year, that's who. Soft, but not as soft as Scans.

Darran WILSON (Wildy)

Elusive forward who has taken this skill to the point that now even his teammates cannot find him. Takes the same approach to passing that Statue does to movement - it is more an inconvenience than anything else. Not really an issue because none of us can trap.

Remember - it's all Todd's fault.



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O50 DIVISION 3 MEN

YEAR IN REVIEW - What could go wrong with such a massive talent pool you ask yourself? Well read on... it seems it needs more than a little chlorine. The agile, elite athletes from the O50 Division 3 have had their hopes and dreams of representing Australia in the Olympics blown away because the Corona Virus cancelled the Olympics (and also by ending up near the bottom of the ladder) guaranteeing no way we would be selected.

After a promising start, the season pretty much spiralled out of control during game 2. All was not lost, however, and after hitting rock bottom we started digging and pulled off an amazing 5-0 loss. Our upside is when we watch the Foxtel replays of our games we don't have to press the slow motion button on the controls as we played the game in slow motion. There were moments where we had illusions of adequacy when something went well, but that illusion vanished quickly in the next play when our inability shined like a bright beacon. Towards the end of the season there were some promising signs but by analysis in hindsight this appears to be only the other teams trying to dodge the finals. As usual any resemblance to the truth in the following accounts is unintended and purely coincidental.

Jarron BAKER (Snagz - Wing)

The team's kamikaze pilot throws his body around like some over-caffeinated Ninja on the field, trying unsuccessfully to damage himself and others in the vicinity. Snagz' trademark move is the half double pike and cartwheel over the sideline whilst putting the ball into the D. In some strange way and to his credit, the ball usually stays in the field, unlike the hockey stick operator. Had many not very close misses on goal, but did score a couple. He had a very loyal supporter base that endured our loss after loss after loss. Lots of well-hidden potential and an amazing amount of enthusiasm makes Snagz management potential.

Craig BARRETT (Fullback / Halfback)

Craig thought he had landed in the dream team this year, but after two games where we found our form and overcame an uncharacteristic winning streak he quickly realised it was a bad dream. Craig is a solid fullback and locked the backline up tighter than Al's wallet. Sadly though, like most fullbacks, he could see the comedy unfolding in the forward line and had aspirations to the halfback line. Braved the last few games with broken ribs!

Bradley BOCKING (Half back / Inner)

They say a dog looks like his owner and that is Brad and Ruben, same nose, eyes, expression etc The only way to tell who is Brad and who is Ruben is to count the legs. Poor Ruben is the most loyal supporter who needs counselling after he has watched us playing and you can see the strain and disappointment on Ruben's face after each game. For his part in bringing Ruben along, Brad is on the RSPCA's most-wanted list. Thank you Ruben for your endurance and extremely high tolerance to pain. By the way, Brad had a great season but hobbled towards the end with a wonky hamstring. No hamstring issues with Ruben.

Carlo BONTEMPO (Everywhere Man)

Carlo was Mr. Fixit for a while, but eventually settled into fullback. Usually first off the backline in a short corner, Carlo is like an unguided missile and seems to be capable of running all day. His speed and agility saw him cover vast tracts of the field and make tackles that

seemed impossible. A passionate player and also a talented amateur umpire. He brought great depth to the numerous positions he played.

Graeme COLEMAN (Ex Manager)

Since relinquishing the management duties that he wasn't very good at after 35 years in the role, Graeme has seen a lot of improvement in his on-field display. In the last 55 years of Graeme's hockey career he had a 9:1 ratio of kicking the ball to hitting the ball, which lead him to an amazing nine Golden Boot awards. This year he has let his kicking game slip and the ratio has changed significantly to 3:1 which is a truly amazing transformation. He has also started passing the ball which has historically been unheard of. The only problem with Graeme's passing is that he passes the ball to the opposition. We must be patient with this transition and maybe in the next five years he will pass the ball to one of his own team-mates - fingers crossed on this one.

Michael GIRDLESTONE (Girds)

Girdy is a smart guy and obviously had some talent for reading the future if not communicating it. Last seen staring into the bottom of a teacup at the end of the first game before running off screaming, "Noooo!" Next time you see the writing on the wall buddy... Hope the back improves for next year.

Richard HOOKER (Inner)

Richard puts in a massive effort each week (someone has to) and by the end of the game has a very red face, but unfortunately all that effort hasn't translated into results yet. Part of the inner circle with Brad, Cam and Graeme. He has two choices:

1. Hit the ball on the forestick and get a result.
2. Go the tomahawk reverse and belt it into no-man's land.

Yes, you are correct, choice 2 is the go-to play.

He has done a great job off collecting the money and paying the umpire after the game before heading to the bar for a naughty chardonnay or three. Amazingly, he was still positive at season's end.



O50 DIVISION 3 MEN cont

Mike JOLLIFFE (Bloke with Big Shinpads)

BOG each week and is a shoe-in for the 2020 B&F. Because the rest of the team let Mike down, it is up to him as our last line of defence to salvage anything out of our major losses. Mike's happy and positive attitude to life and hockey gives everyone inspiration to perform above sub-par even though we don't achieve such dizzy heights. In 2020 the average touches per game for his team-mates is three, where Mike has an average 378 touches per game and that is when the skilled opposition belts him with the ball while shooting.

Stephen LLANWARNE (Lost Forward)

Scored goal of the year and won the game while carrying his team-mates on his shoulders....that was the dream, anyway, but there were a few that got away. If Stephen's stick came with instructions, he almost certainly didn't read them as he grappled unsuccessfully with the instrument through the early season. Things seemed about to change after a miracle goal, but sadly an uncharacteristic injury put Stephen on the sidelines and left the fans disappointed. Luckily he autographed all those photos upfront.

Alan MARSHALL (Winger)

Al gets a game each week because he provides the snakes at halftime that we are sure he didn't pay for because they are out of date and come out of a 1973 showbag. When he does arrive at the right field, he puts in a very average performance, running around like a headless chook trying to play with one hand, where with two would give him a chance of maybe doing something constructive. He is always in the right spot to score a goal but strangely hasn't had much luck since Graeme told him that it was customary to buy a round for the team for each goal (1982).

William MORRISON (Manager/Inspired Leader)

Billy is our shiny new manager and is doing a much better job than our last manager. His enthusiasm for the job is without parallel and he remained optimistic for nearly two games. Well, one really. We have upgraded from an extremely hairy Graeme (Yeti) to a very shiny hairless Billy (Bowling Ball). Billy is very good at giving advice before the game and during the breaks but has the Pitch Syndrome of giving advice but not being able to follow that advice himself. However, Billy is by far the team's most skilful dribbler both on and off the field.

Geoff RANFORD (Centre Half)

Having run more seasons than Home and Away, Ramma's mind was willing but all the other bits had a meeting and decided not to...in the earlier part of the season Ramma was often seen in pursuit (albeit not high speed) but gave this away as the losses and mechanical failures mounted. However, with a devastatingly accurate hit he is able to pass the ball at light speed – it's just a pity his colour definition isn't quite as good. We eventually

worked out the more we gave the ball to Ramma the better we went.

Ken RILEY (Winger)

It didn't take Ken long to work out the lay of the land. The quiet achiever on the right wing was often in the right place at the right time and had to think quickly on a couple of occasions to avoid being a standout player. Headed off towards season's end with a sojourn up north.

Cameron SIMPSON-BINT (Inner)

Another of the Inner Circle group. Cam is a clever and talented player and quickly realised that the only way to avoid embarrassment was to withdraw with a self-inflicted injury well before he became associated with the rest of the team. He also realised that there was almost zero chance any of his team-mates could recall that this was exactly what happened last season. There was a controversial incident during the year where an unnamed teammate (Stephen Llanwarne) accused him of stealing a goal off him. As we said, Cam is a clever player and realised Stephen would probably have missed. Has been settled out of court. Hopefully Cam can rebuild his hamstring for next year.

Colin SLATTERY (Fullback)

The very Old Silver Fox has had another average year that is outstanding because of his below average ability. With a backline mindset, he is very vocal with yelling advice to the forward line after he has made multiple screw-ups of monumental proportions (no need to be any different than the rest of us). Hitting the ball out of defence through all the open spaces and not directly to an opposition stick seems like a simple task but not for the Silver Fox. Performed his usual escapes up forward until he became disoriented.

Andrew SPEAR

International man of mystery and looking like a cross between the wild man of Borneo and "Oscar", Spearsy appeared halfway through the year and brought a burst of enthusiasm to the team. We thought the rainmaker had brought the goal that would change the season, but sadly it was not to be. At half-time strategy meetings Spearsy often had words of advice, but not on the hockey and sometimes in strange dialect. As mysteriously as he had appeared, Spearsy vanished at the end of the second last game, some say it was an apparition after all.

Martin WHITELY (Half Back)

Lurking at left half, Martin proved time and again that fitness and skill are no match for plain cunning and brutality. Martin came along to play hockey and sometimes struggled to get to the depths of ineptitude on display all around him. He learnt quickly one important aspect of his game would be covering defence. Missed the end of the season by going to Rotto, as the season obviously took its toll.



O60 DIVISION 1 MEN

A funny year in hockey but enjoyable nevertheless. With high expectations for success and a stringent recruitment process the team was assembled. New for old, old for new, imports and exports and what we got was a fine group of stately players (can we say stately?) that formed the mighty O60 Div 1's. It was great to see Russell Scanlon (Rusty) and Alan Meacock return to the club.

Mid-pack this year, but could have just as easily ended top two if more games had gone our way. So frustratingly close. Anyway, we are still in rebuild mode and next year will be even better.

Strict coaching by Daryl Dedman with his visionary team tactics provided good early success, though us old boys have only short memories then reverting to more conventional tactics. The defence, led by Brooksy in goals, was excellent this year. Only ever once out of goals in 25 years and he does his hammy while playing forward. A highlight. Whip, Jenno, Pete, Egg, Rusty and occasionally Steve were great and one reason the team held together so well. The forwards Keith H, Pat, Alan, Geoff, Keith P, Leo, Ken and occasionally DD and Steve provided excellent drive and so many goal-scoring opportunities. Just couldn't score often enough.

Thanks to Geoff Riley and Mary for assisting with management duties. Really appreciated.

Terence BROOKS (Brooksy-Goalie)

Firstly, apologies for allowing opposition teams 28 shots on goal per game! Considering we conceded 20 goals for the season highlights your outstanding performances in the net. What makes Brooksy so great?

Cat like reflexes?

Psychic anticipation ?

Bravery?

Nope.

The secret is all about footwear. Brooksy "broke a toe" defending a shot on goal which prompted him to throw away his beloved hockey shoes and purchase "steel cap" boots to wear under his already well-padded kickers. The change of equipment seemed to transform our keeper to a level never seen before. An example of Brooksy's new-found confidence was his response to being offered a pregame warm up. "No, No need, I have my steel caps"!! That basically sums up keepers - extraordinary thinkers of our game with no sense of fashion.

Peter DAWKINS (Half back)

Peter the Rock - solid, dependable and an essential component of our team. Pete never has a bad game, whereas some of us have our highs and lows, Peter always manages to have a perfect game. His defence of our left side is impeccable and his attack effective. Peter nullifies opponents' attack with tight marking and always provides an outlet option when in deep defence. When he moves the ball from a penalty or the sideline in an attacking position his hits into the circle are always surgical and potent, putting opposition defence under pressure and subject to error. Another great season from one of the most reliable players (still) going around.

Darryl DEDMAN (All rounder-Coach)

Amazing attitude to life, inspirational half-time talker (for anyone willing to listen), first class team man with a great hockey brain but just lacking in a bit of pace like the rest of his team mates. Succumbed to a back injury amongst his list of ailments later in the season that required

surgery. You are a good man DD, very thoughtful of your fellow players and wishing the best for all. Can you coach us again next year, please? You are so good but let's not get too complicated with the tactics 'cause we have a very limited capacity for change.

Keith HARPER (Harps-Forward)

Playing predominantly in his favourite position of right wing, Keith showed that he is still moving like a gazelle, easily out-pacing opposition defence as well as displaying silky smooth skills to set up drive after drive into the circle.

Another skill that Keith has displayed over many years and one which has not diminished is his dedication to the team. Whether it be never missing a game, the friendly banter or the half time guidance given to try to get a result that rewards the effort, Keith is always looking to be a positive influence. With Maryanne's Bowen Therapy, those tired legs have a few more seasons in them.

Greg HUNT (Egg-Forward/Half back)

Like his namesake in the classic Aussie breakfast, Egg (fried, scrambled or poached) is always there. With his smooth, silky ball skills the Egg roamed through the middle of the field like a free range chicken, plucking the ball from many an unsuspecting opposition, and with his pin point passing, sending our forwards on their mission to score another goal. Egg had another quality year. Well done Egg.

Michael JENSEN (Full Back)

Our general at the back who was always instructing others as to where to run and who to cover so that he could command the top of the 'D' (and not run). Not only did Jenno organise our defence, but he also gave astute advice to our forwards which was received like many of Jenno's passes. He awarded the "Barndoor 2020" to Harps, yet again, but the competition was fierce (better luck next year, Pat). And for those who think that Mike drinks red wine, it's not - it's maroon.



O60 DIVISION 1 MEN cont

Patrick MATTHEWS (Forward/Half Back)

Patrick is a man with many talents, he has stick skills that often bedazzle the opposition (and his team mates). His position on the field and delivery of the ball to a stick is the attribute of a very experienced player. He is always creative in attack and seems to improve with the progress of the season. Pat has scored some great goals and always has the defence on their toes.

Alan MEACOCK (Forward)

It's been a long time coming, but Al finally got to play more than a 'guest appearance' for the mighty 60/1s. Al's contribution this year was awesome, especially the one about 'Paddy and Murphy'. His hockey was a delight to watch and it was amazing how deft he was at staying on his feet with the help of his stick. Al's presence at a game swells the crowd by nearly double when Wal and Bonnie both turn up. He is like a 'good wine' (or should that be - he likes a good wine) - he is getting better with age and we hope that next year hockey comes before work! Great season Alan!

Paul MEACOCK (Whip-Fullback)

Hailing from the Meacock stable and a remnant of the club's first junior team to clean sweep a Premiership, Challenge Cup and Guth Ardagh, Paul could "Whip it good" as per the Devo Song. Rock solid as the defensive general, many a forward thrust is initiated through the exquisite skills that Whip exhibits. His sound knowledge of the game is reflected in the stability of the defensive half throughout the year and one can only contemplate the impact of a cloned Whip in the forward line.

Keith PLATEL (Forward)

A versatile forward, Keith is a great team man who works hard to "be there" whenever needed, scores valuable goals and as a result ranks 3rd in our goalscoring this year. Belying his elder statesman status, Keith regularly impresses with his fierce determination and outstanding pace and fitness (from swimming every day). Also has some "special" one-handed, ambidextrous skills, with the occasional left-handed, reverse stick tackle leaving opposition players in his wake. Keith's also known for the magnificent home-cured olives he shares after home games, as part of his ongoing camaraderie with a host of O60s friends. Well done Keith. It's been a pleasure playing with you this year.

Geoff RILEY (Forward/Goalie)

A true gentleman and fabulous coordinator of the MCHC Masters and therefore a great Melville club man. He is a person who it is great to enjoy a hockey season with. He is one of those 'give it all players' - kind of desperate in tight skirmishes and who some would consider a serial pest. Besides his on-team antics Geoff is versatile enough to rekindle his past skills as a goalie when Brooksy was not available to play. Geoff was also bean counter for the team (is he an accountant?), collecting

weekly game fees and maintaining full records to auditor standards. His wife, Mary, was a regular watcher of our games and was also seen bean counting and applying the same stringent recording system as Geoff (is she an accountant?). Mary also helped with team catering and was seen occasionally foxing hockey balls. Geoff has indicated that he would like to step down from his Men's Masters Co-ordinator role after giving 5 years' service. That is a fantastic effort Geoff. You deserve a well-earned break. Good luck in your next role at the club.

Russell SCANLON (Rusty-Halfback)

So good to have Russ back in Maroon and White colours again this year. We missed him; although while he was away he mastered many new positions on the field, namely right half, right half and right half. Russ started the year still recovering from an injury sustained from an extensive pre-season. Once he regained fitness, we again saw Russ give the team his usual fabulous run and drive from his new position of right half. We think you have found your rightful spot there Russ.

Steve SILVEY (Stan-Half back/Forward)

What can you say about Steve that hasn't been said before? He is the player that everyone wants on their team because of his speed, skill and tenacity. He is like the dog with a bone, doesn't know when to stop. Great season Steve and a pleasure to play alongside you.

Leonard WELTEN (Forward)

Supporting the team's forward thrusts, reliable Leo's not lost any of his poise and skill from his younger days. Through deft touches, he maintains possession, getting around an opponent or two before the pass to advantage or shot on goal. Another solid season. Thanks Leo

Ken WILSON (Forward)

Until this year I never had the pleasure of playing with Ken, other than remembering his smiling face from the occasional Thursday training run! Ken is a really valuable member of the team. He is equally at home in defence or attack and is regularly shifted from one position to another during a game. The instructions are always acknowledged with a nod and a smile. His attributes include his solid and versatile play, the occasional goal, and he is always supportive of his team mates - an all-round valuable team player. When I wondered how this could be, I undertook some research and was not surprised to learn from an earlier yearbook that Ken apparently spent some time in the Vatican last year! Well done this season (Saint) Ken!



O60 DIVISION 2 MEN

The Over 60s Division 2 was a team of ex-skilled individuals who congregated weekly to avoid mowing the lawn. They then attacked the pristine hockey field like slaves with badzas planting corn. They sang, they joked and really did not care whether the corn grew or got harvested. They were quite happy just being out there with their mates.

Chris AVENT (Non Avent Chris)

Chris still doesn't understand the underlying hate that man-kind has for tax men and his relief valve gets tested every Saturday. Don't take it personally Chris, it's not you who men dislike, it's what you do.

Gary BOWATER (Blown Gasket Gary)

Played his best game on three cylinders. Played that well, that our wise and wonderful leader sent him for a drugs test. Unfortunately, the heart surgeon said he needed a stent at home, and we seldom saw our heartless guru.

Tony GANZER (Gallopating Gonzo)

Unfortunately for Tony, he does not have the ability of Andy Toodeaf - that of selective hearing. Constantly coached by Pat, Roger, Steve, Gary and pooped on by many, it is no wonder Gonzo got cauliflower ears overnight. Never gives up.

Patrick HALL (Regimental Sergeant Major)

Pat was not that impressed with the effort of the cattle around him, and in true natural leader style took command, and called an email muster parade. His 1942 hockey coaching notes delivered with such passion were deservedly given a slap into touch by one and all. Played with the same passion anyway.

Matthew HUDSON (Mad Masked Matt)

Opposition loved to score against us, just to hear the volcano in goals erupt and smother his sorrowful defenders in verbal crap. Loves to watch the game from ground level.

Steve McENTEE (Stevie Wonder)

Year after year, mid-season, Steve visits the wonders of the world. When he eventually returns to hockey, has three hours of MOFTA training and then wonders, where in the world have my skills gone. Played well when he found them again.

Eric NELL (The Rhodesian Ridgeback)

It's no wonder Mugabe sent this madman packing from his native country never to be let back in Zim again. What was the Australian Government thinking when they accepted this idiot's visa. The "Dog" complained all year that he could only play right but no one has ever taught him to play anything but wrong. It was a year of firsts for Eric. His first ever Up & Over that actually came off, the first ever player to be carded for abusing one of his own players and first player to go AWOL after the pressure of ridicule got to him. Suck it up and "GSB" you old dog.

Roger NOTTAGE (Rampaging Roger)

Wielding his stick like an Italian opera conductor and looking like Jim Furyk on steroids, Roger again won the sent off award and spent a lot of time chatting to himself and John on the side lines.

Johnson ORR (John, Orr Was it Janet)

Every player gets a mention!

Peter OUDEJANS (Placid Pete)

Placid my bum. When down-wind and with a belly full of Momentum, Pete was unstoppable and did not deviate for friend or foe.

Mike PITCHER (Captain Chaos)

Prior to the game - Nothing. No Motivation, No Organisation, No Positions, Nothing.

During game - Just bellows of insults and always from the rear.

After the game - He verbally polishes his image past and present, for hours.

We need to check his "used by" date! Please club administrators, give us a leader who can at least pull his own socks up.

Bruce PORTER (Bang it like Bruce)

Like General Custer, Bruce flays his sword above his head, whilst the lesser minions scatter for cover. With scars and deathly smiles to support his aggression, it is no wonder Bruce became a regular sideline commentator with Roger.

John SMITH (Gentleman John)

The ageless, baby-faced, ultimate team player, never raising a hand or a word. Being so quiet, Johnny was often forgotten on the sidelines because of the last second positioning process by our illustrious leader that we endured through the year.

Andrew TOOGOOD (Andy Toodeaf)

Ever heard the Nikki Lauda joke? Ask me. When he remembered, and when he heard, Andy was by far the most effective player all year. But, did he ever hear or remember? We don't think so. Try asking Andy - he won't remember!

Geoff WIDDICOMBE (Goldfish Geoffrey)

With one eye on the game, and the other on the bar, Geoff's thirst often overtook his passion for sport. And suddenly his junior school elbow injury would re-emerge, causing him to leave his post and administer a cold beer press to the aching area.



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Francis WILLIAMS (Fair Play Frank)

Like his postal deliveries, accurate but late, Frank was never moved to a different position all year. His Hawaiian hat symbolised the relaxed team attitude.

Andrew WOOD (Chip Stix)

Encased in nana's stockings, Chips ignored the obvious skill around him, and was very deft at making others look below average. Where his post-game stories and exploits come from, you best ask Chips.



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JUNIOR TEAMS - COACHES/MANAGERS

Team	Coach(es)	Manager(s)
BOYS		
J5/6 A	Jeremy Davy	Simon Atkinson/Bronwen Atkinson
J5/6 A Reserve	Chris Gilbert	Joel Fulcher
J5/6 B Sand	Doug Brightwell	Steph Elphick
J5/6 B Gold	Andrew Scanlon	Ingrid Croall
J5/6 C	Paul Coghlan/David Taylor	Tricia Lawler
J7/8 A Merged	Keith Harper	Danielle Woods
J7/8 A Reserve	Eddie Swan/Amelia Swan	Yaz Hocking
J9/10 A Merged	Sean Bentley/Nick Page	Sue Canny
J9/10 A Reserve	Michael Ramsay	Natalie Blok
J9/10 C	Tom Bergin/Jaymon Needham	Benjamin Bloomfield
J11/12 A Merged	Matt Willis	Garren Knell
J11/12 A Reserve	Frank Reynolds	Keith McGahren
GIRLS		
J5/6 A	Mitch Tate	Jacqui Peachey
J5/6 A Reserve	John Harmsen	Alison Fahey
J5/6 B Maroon	Phil Bradshaw	Thayalan Krishnan
J5/6 B White	Dan Penman	Paige Forbes
J7/8 A	Mike Fardon/Matt Read	Fiona Power
J7/8 A Reserve	Mel Leighton/Lauren Costa/Jody Brownley	Emma Hatch
J7/8 B (Gold)	Ellen Rolls/Dana Jolliffe	Julia Knight
J9/10 A Merged	Bruce Vanderzwan/Jade Vanderzwan	Marie Farrow
J9/10 A Reserve	Dee Murphy/Grace Murphy	Rachel Roberts
J11/12 A	Casey Donaldson	Fiona Power
J11/12 A Reserve	Rohan Swan	Jude Jones
J11/12 B	Natalie Matthews/Grace Bowyer	Darren Babb/Alexia Babb



J 11/12 A MERGED BOYS

After what can only be described as an interrupted start to the season it has been great to see the boys play some hockey in 2020. Having not worked with this group much in the past, it has been a pleasure to see how their skills have developed and the style of hockey they have played has been a testament to their combined dedication and work ethic.

Having the one session on Thursdays combined with the other J11/12 team has been great for developing the skills across the cohort. The results in the second half of the season have shown the success of this format. Complementing the on-field development has been the introduction of an optional group running session on a Monday evening which has been attended by a significant part of the group (they still can't beat the coach though!).

Thanks to Garren Knell for managing the team, it's been a pleasure to work with you. Also, thanks to Eric Hardy for making sure we have enough numbers each week. It has also been a pleasure to work with Frank Reynolds, Mitch Scally and Harry Parkes on a Thursday for training and I know the boys appreciate the experience and knowledge you have to pass on.

Given the small numbers this year we have had several guys who have filled in and contributed to the team. It's great to have a group of guys from the J11/12A Res team and also the 9/10A team who are capable of coming in and doing a job so thanks to: Kirby Hobbs, Charlie Gorton, Nic Williamson, Preston Knell, Ben King, Eamon Cooper, Oliver Cooper, Dante Barrett and Mitchell Farmer.

Matt Willis - Coach



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Lachlan DRAKE-BROCKMAN (Defender)

Lachlan has had a very consistent season this year. Playing mostly in the right half role but also capable to play fullback as well. Has provided some good attacks down our right-hand side. Missed a couple of games with concussion but came back stronger and is a critical member in our run towards the finals. Keep working on your long passing game and refining your defensive skills, a penalty corner skill wouldn't go astray either! Well done on a strong season.

Ethan T (Midfielder)

An unassuming and polite young man, however once he steps on the field has a strong competitive streak and a real desire to improve with every opportunity he gets. Started the year as a fullback but found a home in the midfield developing some great combinations with Darcy, Dan, and Lars. This enabled him to take his attacking game to a new level this year, combining this with good tackling and defensive skills and Ethan has become a solid all-round player. Has a developing penalty corner flick which will be another asset in the future. The next step is to learn how to manage and control a game through communication and positioning. How about that toma goal against Guildford!!!

Lars GROV (Striker/Midfielder)

"Can't play, going to be sick on Friday". Lars has had somewhat of an inconsistent year which at times has shown what he is truly capable of. Stepped up and controlled the midfield in a few games when we were

down on troops. Has also been able to provide energy in our press as well when he feels like putting the work in. A valuable member of our team and someone who has really matured as a person over the course of the season. Congratulations on finishing your Junior career and I hope to see you continuing around the club in the Senior ranks.

Bailey HARDY (Defender)

Bailey has played as one of our central defenders this year. He has excelled as both the marking and free defender. Gained some valuable experience training and playing a few games with the Seniors this year which has seen his game come along in leaps and bounds. Of note has been the improvement in Bailey's tackling to the point where he is now one of the best tacklers in the team. Moving forward to next year an improvement in his passing and distribution over distance will see him continuing to develop into a very capable hockey player.

Maxwell HARLER (Everywhere)

Max's versatility has made him an invaluable member of the team this year. Spending most of the season as a striker, he has greatly improved his ability to run the press and his goal shooting. However, it is great to know as a coach that I can throw Max in as a halfback or in the midfield and he is able to do the job for us. Has a nicely developing drag flick which I'd love to see him take further as he progresses into Seniors next year. Congratulations on finishing your Junior career at Melville and I hope to see your face around the club in years to come.



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Darcy KNELL (Midfielder)

Darcy has had an outstanding season in his first year of 11/12's. Being one of the driving forces in our midfield, Darcy uses his speed and strength to great effect in both attack and defence. His ability to break lines with his strong carry sets him apart from most players in the opposition. Got the opportunity to experience some Senior hockey this year which has surely opened his eyes on what might be possible in the future. Is currently working hard on refining his craft with some new elimination options and gaining a better understanding of when to run versus when to pass. Well done Darcy!

Brandon LAWRENCE (Striker)

After spending the first half of the season getting Brandon's name wrong (sorry) and a mysterious midseason surgery, 2020 has probably been some of the best hockey he has played. Specialising in the right wing position, the biggest improvements have been in his ability to understand and execute the press with great success. As he became more confident has also developed a strong ball carrying position which has helped the team add an extra threat in the attacking zones. Well done on your 2020 season and I hope to see you playing Seniors in the years to come.

Callum LEE (Goalkeeper)

Callum has provided us with plenty of highlights this year. Has great reflexes and agility to be able to stop many shots and close down attacks inside the circle. His work with Nic McCaughan from the Men's Top Squad has shown in the improvements he has made in the fundamentals of goalkeeping. One of Callum's highlights for the year would have to be forgetting his gloves for the first game of the season. Being able to come back from an injury suffered in school hockey and not skip a beat is something to be proud of. Continue to work on your communication skills to help get the defence organised in front of you. Well done Callum!

Daniel MOULIN (Midfielder)

2020 has been somewhat of a breakout year for Dan. A strong preseason saw him playing consistently in the Men's 2s this year. However his Junior season has been a bit interrupted with some injuries and trips away, but whenever he is there on a Friday night he gives his all and uses his greatly improved running ability and vast array of tricks to help out the team. To think where Dan has come from since I first coached him in the 7/8's is a testament to his attitude and desire to put in the hard work to succeed at hockey. All the best moving into Seniors full time next year!

Ben POWELL (Defender)

A strong season for Ben in his final year of Junior hockey. Has been a valuable member of our team spending most of his time as a halfback. His biggest improvements this year have been in his understanding of the game and taking better options when he has the ball. Is very diligent with his marking role and always chases back in defence. Needs to keep working on his fitness and the speed of his passes. All the best for the future Ben, and hope to see you joining the Seniors next year.

Daniel WALLINGTON (Defender)

Wally has played very consistently this year. Spending most of his time at left or right half, but also with the ability to play the marking fullback if required. Has greatly improved his distribution skills, especially the speed of his passes over distance. His greatest strength is his ability to mark and stay in the contest with his direct opponent. Another of our players whose competitive drive comes out as soon as they cross the white line. Well done on your dedication to training and games this season and all the best for 2021.

Thomas WILLIAMSON (Defender/Midfielder)

Tom is one of the senior members of our team this year. He has considerable hockey experience which has helped him play a pivotal role of free defender, managing the game and being able to clean up and prevent many opposition attacks. Another of our players who has worked very hard on his fitness, a trait that will hold him in good stead moving into the Senior ranks next season. Keep developing your long passing and outletting game to become even more effective in your role in the back two. Congratulations on your Junior career!

Tristan WING (Striker)

One of our most improved players this season. Has taken a leadership role among our strikers, especially in his execution of the press. Has a knack of scoring goals at crucial times (YMx2) which is a very good trait to have as a striker. Tristan also got some opportunities to play Seniors which I think will help him getting used to the physicality required as he goes through the grades. Has been a very consistent member of our Monday running sessions which has reflected in his ability to run out games. Well done Tristan, looking forward to seeing your improvements next season!

On behalf of all parents and players, I would like to express our sincere thanks to Matt for coaching the 11/12's. Matt's no-nonsense, positive coaching style extracts the very best out of the boys, and it shows in the team's strong performance this season. Matt, you have been a fantastic mentor and role model for our boys. We greatly appreciate your time and effort. Best of luck for the finals. Garren Knell (Manager)



J 11/12 A RESERVE BOYS

We had a tough but promising season this year in the J11/12A Reserve team. While we weren't able to snag any wins, we put up many competitive performances against some very good opposing teams (many of whom had no A team from their club, meaning that we were playing their best team). Some notable fixtures included our 2 games against top-placed Mods, where we narrowly lost 1-3 and 0-1 respectively. Another encouraging game was against Peel Rebels in round 2, where we only lost 0-1 after having lost to them 1-8 the first time around. The boys steadily improved over the season and that is all I could have asked for. Huge thank you to our manager, Keith, this season, who did a perfect job in getting me players each week and making sure everybody had the correct game details. I was always thankful for his texts each week letting me know which players we had. Thanks also to Harry Parkes and Mitch Scally without whom the boys would have been coachless for most of the season. I hope you can continue your efforts next year!! Lastly thanks to all the parents who drove the boys from Mandurah to Warwick to Hale across the season. Thank you also for the faith you put in the coaching staff and kids each week to give our best efforts. Goodluck to Brodie Abrahams who finishes Year 12 this year - both transitioning into life beyond school and hopefully Senior hockey next year. See you all next year!

Frank Reynolds - Coach

Brodie ABRAHAMS

Brodie came into the season as the only Year 12 of the team. His strong performances during the grading sessions showed the selection committee his ability to break through defensive lines with the ball and provide defensive pressure to opposition players when they were transferring the ball around the back. Brodie continued to develop these strong traits throughout the season and became a valuable weapon in our forward line. What surprised me most about Brodie this season was his leadership on the field. Having never coached him previously, I was unaware of the strong leadership values he was able to bring to the team. He was often heard directing other players on the field or calling lines for people around him. This, along with how dominant he was with the ball running forward this season, is why he earned the Fairest and Best award. I hope he continues into next season. Well done mate!

Dante BARRETT

Dante displayed exceptional skills in the net this year, being a key part of our defensive effort. Even though we were under a lot of pressure defensively all year, Dante played out of his skin. We weren't quite able to get the clean sheet that he and the rest of our back four thoroughly deserved but his positivity and effort every single week were a shining light in our season. Fantastic season Dante.

Daniel BROWN

Dan was another one of our J9/10s players who stepped up to help us when we were struggling for numbers. He didn't just provide an additional number each week, but also was a valuable asset to our team. You would often see Dan running at full pelt towards a competition to strip the ball from an opponent. It was like we had another Mitch Farmer in our team! Dan also helped us with his versatility between the lines - often jumping from the midfield to the forward line. His workhorse-like efforts will make him an integral part of any team. Thanks for heling us out this year mate, good luck next season.

Joseph BUNN

Joe believed he was being played out of position all year as he is like all other true defenders and was fully convinced that he was a striker. This was showcased by nearly scoring in his three minutes as a striker, and in our final quarter against Raiders nearly scoring and finishing the season in the attacking D. Regardless of this, he was Mr Consistent for our team this year and played well every single week in his role at right half. Joe was a key player in setting up how we wanted the boys to play. Brilliant season Joe and we hope to see you back again next year.

Mitchell FARMER

Mitch is a guy who gives 110% every single week, regardless of the scoreline and is someone you can always count on to give it his all. This season he thrived in tagging roles on the opposition's best player and really changed the game when put into lockdown roles. He attacked every contest at full speed all year, even without ever really getting a sub and his relentless workrate was a trademark of his game this season, highlighted by his gut-running back on counter attacks and by his running out on defensive corners.

Charles GORTON

This bloke found himself playing in the forward line early in the season and we quickly realised how much of a talent he was. With every training and game, Charlie's elimination skillset and game awareness improved. His fast development saw him feature in many A's training sessions and a couple of their games. I've never seen a kid successfully jink the ball so many times in a game. If he can learn to play through the midfield and be accountable for an opposing midfielder, I think his game will be taken to the next level.



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Jayden KELLY

Jayden this year was our last line of defence, often making unbelievable tackles and goal line saves. Jayden was able to showcase his skill at crucial points in the game, often making tackles that no one else could have pulled off as cleanly as he did. Looking forward to seeing you progress even further next year, well done on the great season.

James LATTO

Apart from being the cheekiest bloke in the team, James was also the one who cared most about his hair. James must live by the 'look good, play good' philosophy, which I fully support. When he wasn't fixing his hair, he was working hard to strip the defenders of the ball. His effort off the ball could never be faulted, and his ability to make an efficient/effective pass when in possession of the ball could be rated as one of the highest in the team. If he can start to work on his defensive pressure and 'back-tackling', I think he will take his game to the next level. Good season mate.

Brendan McAULIFFE

Brendan has come along in leaps and bounds this year. He has developed confidence to control the game, communicating effectively with the other back four. Brendan played where we asked him, no questions asked, and was working towards playing different positions on the pitch this year. His marking and tagging were exceptional and created crucial turnovers and put us straight back into attack. We look forward to seeing what you can do next year. Fantastic work.

Daniel McGAHREN

This year Dan played the key role of centre-half and rose to the occasion with his decisive decision making and work ethic in the middle of the pitch. His biggest strength this year was holding our structure in place and although he might not have stood out every week, the way we played as a team this year wouldn't have been possible without him standing up each and every week in the middle of the park. Dan was able to utilize his skill to support us offensively and most of the time defensively finding the clearing ball to ease the pressure. Dan has been fantastic this year, great work this season.

Thomas STONE

Tom played six games for us and proved to be one of the most versatile players on our team. When we struggled to fit certain players into specific lines, Tom was always willing to play wherever he was needed. Whichever position he played, he adapted his role and contribution to the team accordingly. He listened to everything the coaches asked of him and worked hard regardless of the position he had to play. Over the season, his marking improved steadily. Thanks for your help this season Tom, best of luck for your transition into J11/12s next year.

Aiden WELLER

Aiden was the leader of our defensive effort this year, holding steady throughout the season and making tackle after tackle after tackle. As one of the loudest members of our team, he was able to communicate really well down back and rally our back four, regardless of how the game was looking. Towards the end of the season, his vision on the field really progressed when he started looking wide more often for passes. His progression was one of the main turning points in our season and we're looking forward to seeing his game progress even further next year.

Zion WILLIAMS

This was Zion's first year playing hockey and the coaches were impressed with his development over the season. Having never picked up a stick before, Zion quickly learnt the fundamentals of hockey during the first few trial sessions. Once the teams were set, we worked with Zion to strengthen his passing, trapping, and tackling abilities. What I probably didn't help Zion with enough was learning the rules of the game, which actually led him to being green carded in the final game of the season for not being 5m away from the free hit. Sorry Zion, that's my bad!! Zion was always very open to feedback and actively listened to what we were teaching him. You could also see in the very next game Zion putting into practice what we taught him. Thanks for a great season mate! Hope to see you pursue hockey next year.

Special thanks goes to:

Travis (Travis Scott) Canny - for his ability to keep us in the game for as long as possible and earning himself a best on ground performance more than once.

Mitchell (Legolas) Horrocks - for stepping in to help provide the flare we needed in the forward line.

Preston Knell - for continuing the strong Knell tradition of carrying my team.

Aidan Rolls - assisting us in our very close game against top 3 team Peel this season.



J 11/12 A GIRLS

What a season the J11/12A girls have had in 2020. With Supercoach Casey again at the helm, rounding off her three-year stint as coach with a Premiership! The Grand final match had a bit of everything for the spectators and the girls didn't disappoint, going in as the underdogs they played the game of their lives and won convincingly. Congratulations girls.

This season has seen the usual distractions which come with this year group - numerous Balls and study/social obligations which required the much-appreciated assistance from our younger girls to step up and fill in.

Thanks to our super-subs - Darcie Farrow, Sera Andrew, Hannah Carmody; and Mikayla and Jazz for stepping in to Goalkeeper when needed. These girls proved how much depth we have within our Junior club as they are all super-talented and slotted into our team structure so well.

Thanks to the Supercoach Casey Donaldson for mentoring these girls this season, you have a passion that shows through every time the girls take the pitch. Thank you for your commitment to the J11/12 Girls over the last three years, it has been greatly appreciated and you have have left big shoes to fill.

Lastly, a big thank you for the amazing parents who have been just as much a part of this hockey journey as the wonderful girls themselves. Thank you for the support for both Casey and myself this season and many seasons past with this group of girls mainly being together since J5/6's. All the best for the Year 12 girls leaving Juniors this year and progressing to the Senior ranks at Melville, we hope to see you all around the club next season.

Sally Filmer - Manager

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Lucy COCKS

Lucy is always a pleasure to coach and have in our team she gives her all every game and slots a regular goal from her favourite position on the wing. Lucy contributed with a valuable first goal in our Grand Final win and her smile lit up the dugout when she came off to have a well-earned rest. Wishing you all the best with your Senior hockey next year and thanks for sharing your effervescent personality with us all.

Kate COWAN

Kate is our pocket dynamo who runs and runs and never gives up, she has been a valuable part of the J11/12 A team for the past two years and this year has seen Kate step up in leadership and provide valuable advice and positive encouragement to the team each week. Kate has been regularly playing in Seniors the past two years which has seen her hockey confidence grow. Good luck in your future hockey endeavours Kate, you have been a pleasure to have in the team with your cheeky grin and down to earth personality.

Monique D'AMATO

Mon is one of the younger players in the team this year, relatively new to hockey (you would never guess it though), and she has been a delight to coach. Mon has developed her skills and positioning in a striker role this season and is always thirsty for feedback from the coach and will try and apply this advice as soon as she's on the pitch. It's been a pleasure having you in the team this season Mon, wishing you all the best for your next year in J11/12's. Thanks also to your Nonna for the treats, they are delicious!

Kate EDWARDS (Mini)

Our little pocket rocket, Mini made her debut in A grade this year and has continued to improve all year. Although her time management skills are questionable, she is always ready to go once we step onto the field. She is constantly making the girls laugh in the team and she made the fit so well. Thank you for being an amazing little player to coach.



J 11/12 A GIRLS cont

Ivy FILMER

Another one of our amazing defenders who usually finds herself in a halfback role. Ivy has grown into an amazing player over the last two years and has been a dream to coach. She is always accepting of feedback and keen to learn every game. Thank you for being a wonderful leader to the girls and I hope to see you on the field in Seniors next year.

Chloe FORBES

El Capitano Chloe is an all-natural leader and for the past two years has constantly stepped up in games to ensure her team is playing the best hockey they can. Along with Kate Cowan, she made me go grey some days, however, I wouldn't have it any other way. Chloe has been an absolute delight on and off the field to all her teammates and coaching staff. I am incredibly proud of the way she has conducted herself this year and hopefully as everyone is reading this, we would have won two grand finals this year (J11/12As and Women's 2s)!! Congratulations on an awesome Junior career.

Georgia NEEDHAM (Needy)

Needy has been our key striker in the team this season and regularly slotted the ball past the keeper with her trademark 'TOMA'. She has slick skills and ability to eliminate defenders and run on to trap balls delivered at speed from her teammates. Needy is another player who has offered leadership in her final year of Juniors and has stepped up to become a valuable player whilst playing in the Senior squad this season. We look forward to seeing you around the club playing Seniors for many years, all the best.

Saysha PILLAY

Saysh has had a breakout year this season with her selection in the Premier 1s team. Saysha is an amazing talent and a dream to coach, she not only has a magnet on her stick which sees no ball go past, she chases down every opponent in the midfield and will eliminate the opposition to set up goal-scoring opportunities for her teammates or score herself (often with a toma). It has been a pleasure seeing you develop your confidence this season and come off the pitch smiling and barely puffing after playing a full game. Your future is bright Saysh, keep enjoying your hockey.

Shaya PILLAY (will call her Saysha 75% of the time)

If there is anyone that can pick off an attacker, Shaya is your gal. She has great ball-handling skills and her defensive pressure is extraordinary. Shaya has stepped up dramatically this year as a key defender and centre midfielder to ensure her team gets over the line. Her commitment to every training and game has shown by cementing her spot in the Senior Women's Top Squad. I cannot wait to see Shaya continue to grow into an amazing player in Seniors! Well done!

Chloe POWER (Coco/Power #32)

Again, another Power that I have coached and have enjoyed every minute of it. Coco is our last line of defence and is constantly doing an amazing job of protecting the net. This was shown in the grand final this year when we were under an immense amount of pressure, Coco kept her cool and made some amazing saves. Keep an eye out for this one in the coming years as she will be tapping on Joc Bartram's back saying, "Let me in!". Awesome job on an amazing Junior career.

Mikaela SPIRES (Mikayla-Michaela-Mickayla)

A new addition to A grade this year and Mikayla has constantly showed her worth by committing to the team. She is a versatile player that found herself playing in the midfield for the last two games of the season and she absolutely excelled! I could not be prouder of your efforts this year and it has shown in your invitations into the Senior squad. Congratulations on a great year!

Lara STRBAC

Our favourite umpire, who usually gives us a rundown on the umpires or sneaky knowledge about her old team - Rockingham. She has grown into a solid defender and that is evident in her quick tackles and effort to get back in defence. Lara will usually come off the field completely exhausted because she is constantly working for her teammates. Congratulations on a great year.

Kiara WARDROPE (Wardrobe)

The second Wardrobe I have coached, and she won't be my last. Every training session, Kiara would travel from Mandurah and although she missed most of the session, she continued to improve and gel with her team. Kiara has impressed me and Senior coaches this year, so she earned her right in the Senior competition. I can always rely on Kiara to run out a full game and sometimes she won't give me slack for not giving her a break. Thank you for being an amazing addition to our team the last two years.

Madeline WEST (Westy)

One of the best decisions I have made all year was giving Maddy a new position on the field. She has excelled as our sweeping fullback and will constantly step up to the contest with a textbook tackle. Westy has already progressed her hockey into the Senior teams by being a regular face in the Women's 3s side. Great work on an exceptional year and I cannot wait to see you around at the club in the future.



J 11/12 A RESERVE GIRLS

Heading into the Grand Final the J11/12 A Res girls remain undefeated and sit two and a half games clear on top of the ladder having won every game of the season, apart from a single draw. Our defence has been superb, conceding only five goals and scored against in just three games. Our midfield has been dominant, delivering the ball into our attacking zones to set up multiple field scoring chances and short corners in each game. Our attacking players have relished this, resulting in us scoring more goals than any other team. We probably should have scored more goals, but we sometimes lacked composure in front of goals and seemed to make short corners appear much more complicated than they needed to be. Having said that, it has been an absolute pleasure coaching these delightful young ladies and even more of a pleasure to watch them grow as hockey players and implement the style of play we were after. I have been particularly impressed by the development of the selfless play with players prepared to do the team thing, not sit back and watch and also to do the one-percenters to win the ball when we had no right to do so. I'm a very happy coach, no matter what transpires in the GF. **Rohan Swan – Coach**



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Emily BILLINGHAM

Written by Mathilda

Emily is a super hardworking and supportive player. Always there to help another teammate out with positioning and will always have the energy for continuous second efforts. In short corners, Ezza has gotten us to understand positions and is always there for a slip right! Em's hit, although scary, you can count on it to be a goal-scoring hit. Long live tizzle, tazzle, ezza and pizzle

Maeghan CARLSEN

Written by Jazzmyn

Maeghan has been an amazing team player this season. She has always shown her best in every game and continues to grow within her skill set. Maeghan is positive and bright in every game, always managing to keep a smile on her face no matter the situation or day. She has been a great friend and made me feel welcome when arriving at games. Her energy never fails to keep us positive throughout the season.

Maddie CARMODY

Written by Emily J

Maddie is a very important and hardworking member of our team, playing in the defence and midfield throughout the season. She has become very reliable, especially in defence. Her second and third efforts demonstrate her commitment to the team. Maddie is a very fun person and always up for a laugh, and we have all loved having you on the team!

Milah CHANTER

Written by Tara

Milah is a player that always puts 110% effort into each and every game and is always in the best position on the field to receive the ball. Her agility and persistence when going for the ball have become valuable assets to our team and her shrieks are the most iconic! Milah has grown in confidence throughout the season and her enthusiasm and laughter both at training and during games always raises our spirits! Milah is an incredible wing and we look forward to watching her continue to improve in the years to come.

Lois-Jae FULCHER

Written by Grace

LJ is such a valued part of our team with her friendliness and positivity both on and off the field. LJ is a strong and versatile player, switching from the backline to the forward. She is also crazy talented as she both saves and scores goals. Her strong attacking drive, ability to work hard in defence and to read the play meant she had an impact all over the field. Never lacking competitiveness, humour and sass, she has definitely been missed at training and later on in the season due to injury.

Jazzmyn GREEN

Written by Milah

Jazz is our amazing goalkeeper and is always tenacious in this role. She knows her position in-depth and makes loud and clear calls to the defenders. She constantly saves the team from losing and is always ready to throw her body on the line to stop the ball. We've seen Jazz do some awesome dive saves this year and it is clear just how hardworking she is by the number of goals she's saved. She is always so positive on and off the field and is a key player that we are so lucky to have in our team this year!



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Emily JONES

Written by Olivia

Emily is an excellent and reliable hockey player, consistently giving 110% on the hockey field. The opposition struggles to get past her due to her strong defensive skills and smart hockey strategies. She always shows up to games and training with a sense of optimism and a mission to win. Throughout the year, she has been a competitive and agile halfback, both a defender and an attacker, which is further proof of her adaptability on the hockey field. She remains exceptional in the position as she consistently uses her skills to block any opponent and switch up the play. Emily is an amazing pusher in our short corners, always sending the ball accurately to the top of the circle with massive strength behind it. What remains one of Emily's biggest attributes is her respect for the game and her sportsmanship, always being considerate of others on the field and understanding of the umpires' decisions. We are all grateful for Emily being part of our team and we can't wait to see her grow as a hockey player in the future.

Tara MISHRA

Written by Maeghan

Tara is an incredibly versatile player who I believe has played every position on the field excluding the goalkeeper. You can spot Tara racing down the field, tackling her opponent, throwing someone into the air or being thrown into the air herself. She is a fierce competitor who puts 100% effort into every game even after being hit in the knee three times in a row! Tara has the amazing ability to hit a hard ball, make a great pass and be an exceptional team player simultaneously. Her bubbly personality and positive attitude always bring our team up in times of hardship and encourages us all to play our best. Whether it be on or off the field, Tara is an asset to our team and is responsible for some of our greatest moments!

Grace MURPHY

Written by Piper

Grace is a very hardworking player who never gives up. She is a strong competitor who performs her best in every game with her defensive skills always adding great value to the team! She also has a great positive attitude to learning new positions she's never played before, which really benefits the team and sets a great example to us all about how to be a great team player. Grace's positive energy, attitude and encouragement bring joy to the game night which we all benefit from.

Firstly, we would like to thank some wonderful girls for filling in for us when needed this year: Madison Woods, Hannah Carmody, Jessica Heron, Ellie Polglase and especially Scarlett Huston who played a total of five games including the Grand Final.

Thanks also to Jude for being such an awesome manager, to Kylie for filling in at training and to Vanessa who coached the girls when I was unable to be there. And to LJ, who we lost half-way through the season to a knee injury, we'll see you next year!

Olivia PATTON

Written by LJ

Olly, one of the most enthusiastic girls on and off the pitch who always does what's best for the rest of the team. Olly plays a variety of positions which always benefit the team, no matter what where she is thrown in. She is a very strong player, always making the hard tackles and pre-scanning to know where the next pass needs to go. Olly always manages to encourage the team and make sure our heads are still high if we are down, there's never a dull moment with Olly.

Sasha RICHARDS

Written by Emily B

As one of the highest goal scorers on the team, Sasha definitely earned her position as a striker for our team. Her constant leading and great passes made a huge difference to the scoreboard every game. Her bubbly, positive attitude was extremely influential on the field, especially when facing the tougher teams. Well done on an outstanding season, Sasha!

Piper SUMICH

Written by Maddie

Piper has been such a valued player in our team this season. Her ability to carry the ball from our half-back line to the goals is one of our main attacking forces. Piper is always determined to go for gold and shoot with no lack of perseverance. She is one of our fastest runners and always saves the day sprinting to the ball, not only that but she's also the queen of slap hits. Piper lifts the team up with her willingness to succeed and to support all girls. She's a hardworking and encouraging team member who we couldn't win without.

Mathilda SWAN

Written by Sasha

Til hasn't failed to bring the entertainment to hockey for the past four years as she is so lively, energetic and friendly. She knows how to make a lasting impression on everyone she meets and has made a huge contribution to our success this season, sometimes even by getting the ball high by hitting a 16 through the middle of the opposition. Not sure how we could've done our short corners without the boss running up from defence! Thanks for all the laughs and a great season, Til, your energy is infectious and will be missed by everyone. (Maybe next season you'll pick up the pace so Meghan and Dei can't call you slow x)



J 11/12 B GIRLS

Thank you to all the girls for a wonderful season. Though it has been a tumultuous year for everyone, the girls have done well to come together to play some fantastic hockey. The development of the team as a whole and individually has been marvellous to watch, Nat and I are so proud of each and every one of you for the progress and effort you've put into each game of hockey and training session this year.

Though we had a bit of a rocky start with nine confirmed players at one point for the first game, we can't say thank you enough to the girls who filled in for us throughout the year. So, a special thank you to Ava, Hannah, Brooke, Tahlia and Ashton for filling in at games and even training sessions to ensure we had numbers. Thank you!

Thank you to Darren for managing the team this year and looking after all the details that Nat and I couldn't get to. And lastly to Kylie, thank you for organising the subs that we needed for each week and being a shoulder to lean on in our first year of coaching. Thank you!

All the best and hope to see you all around next year!

Grace Bowyer and Nat Matthews - Coaches

Zoie ARTHUR

Zoie, our amazing goal keeper with her cool, calm and collected style of play has saved our bacon on more than a few occasions. Zoie has been a key player for our team this season, organising our players from the back and calling everyone into their positions. Most times our coaches didn't need to say much as Zoie was already calling it from the back. Good luck next year!

Kymberlee BABB

Kym is one of the younger players in the team who has improved greatly this year. Her determination knows no bounds and is evident in the development of her skill and knowledge of what to do when out on the field, which has also made her a key player for our forward line. Kym also always makes the effort of getting to the right spots to help her team-mates out, keep up the good work Kym!

Elena BODT

Elena is another of our cool, calm and collected players. Her blasé attitude means that we never panicked when the ball was in defence, even if that's where the majority of the play was. Her tackling and out-letting skills are top notch and are a great asset to the team. It was also a pleasure to watch Elena develop her leadership skills both on and off the field this year. We hope you take those skills with you throughout your endeavours and wish you the best of luck.

Nikkola CHAMPION

Nikki has had a great season this year playing striker. Her eagerness to improve in all aspects of her hockey has made her a valuable player in the team. She has worked hard at training to better her skills, which shows in her striker game play. She has worked on getting to the right spots in the 'D' and this has led to some awesome goals this season. Good luck next year!

Kate ELLEMENT

Kate is such a versatile player, being moved throughout the midfield and sometimes in defence without any complaints. She plays with confidence and her movement of the ball even in congestion is admirable. Kate is always willing to get involved with the play and transitions the ball through the midfield to our strikers smoothly, allowing for goal scoring opportunities. Kate, you have had such a positive season this year. Good luck next year!

Olivia Farrell

The second pea in the pod. Olivia is another player who has come back from a break from hockey and has excelled throughout the season. Olivia always makes the effort of getting to the right position for her team-mates and constantly makes the sacrifice of playing in a different spot to her preferred position. Thank you for that sacrifice Liv, and we wish you all the best.

Charli LANSBURY

Charli has been a vital player in our defence this season. She always looks comfortable in possession of the ball and can use her skill to move the ball up the field. Whenever there was a breakaway, you would always see Charli sprinting back to help support her team. Charli, you have had a great season, good luck next year!

Finnity McHOULL

Finnity, our small but mighty player. Fin has had an absolute blinder of a season. Her ability to control the ball under pressure and fire it into the 'D' has made her a key player for our team this season. She is able to read the play and lead into open space, which has allowed for our game to look dangerous. Good luck next year!



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Sophia MONCRIEFF

The first pea in the pod. Watching Sophia develop her skills after coming back from a break has been a joy for all of us to watch on the sideline this year. Her ability to intercept and then run with the ball has been invaluable to the team and gotten us out of strife many times throughout the season. Though sometimes she's distracted by her second pea in the pod, she always puts the effort in to make up for it and works well with everyone in the team. You're a great player, Sophia, and we wish you all the best.

Ruby QUARTERMAINE

Ruby has been a tremendous defender this year, rarely getting beaten in a 1v1 situation. Her tackling outside the 'D' has saved us from many shots at goal. She is a reliable player who holds her position well and is able to distribute the ball confidently, allowing our play to move up the field. Good luck next year!

Alex ROLLS

Alex is another one of the many forwards in the team. She has done remarkably well in taking on more skilled opposition throughout the year to create goal-scoring opportunities for the team. Whenever she rotates through the midfield, Alex always makes the effort to get back to help our defence out. It's been great having a laugh with you this year Alex, and we wish you all the best next year.

Lily SKIPSEY

Lily takes her determination and fieriness wherever she is on the field, whether that be running back to defence, driving the play in the midfield or creating opportunities up in our forward line. Lily is a brilliant and versatile player who puts it all out on the field for her team. We hope you take that determination with you throughout all your future endeavours.

Anna THOMSON

Though she's one of the younger girls in the team, Anna has been a brilliant leader throughout this year. She leads by example by putting her maximum effort into whatever she does; whether that be executing drills at training, listening to all the advice and strategy us coaches had to say or chasing that ball round and round on the field. Her ability to mark dangerous opposition out of the game and get under their skin is exceptional and entertaining to watch. Keep up the good work Anna, and good luck next year.



J 9/10 A MERGED BOYS

This is a terrific team of boys who had a great season competing in a new division and finished on top of the ladder, with only one drawn game in the season against the eventual winners in a tight fought Grand Final. The abbreviated season has seen them all contribute and do well playing good hockey with strong teamwork. Some tried their hands in different positions and we even had one game where goals were scored by all our usual backline players!

To our coaches, Sean and Nic, a huge thank you for volunteering your time to coach the team, though I'm sure you were sometimes frustrated (who wouldn't be with a bunch of 9/10 boys), the boys have all gained so much.

A huge and heartfelt thanks must go to the parents and family members for all that they do in making sure they get to games and showing up every week and supporting all the boys. Most importantly, thanks for putting up with the annoying manager who bombarded you with emails and constantly wanted more money, you made the job so much easier! **Sue Canny - Manager**

Travis CANNY (GK)

Travis has had a very consistent season, and although he probably didn't have that much to do at times, when he was called upon to make a save, he did so more often than not. Travis's keeping skills have grown throughout the year and he has become a very reliable keeper for the team. If Travis can continue to use that voice of his to marshal his troops, he could make his life a lot easier for himself. Well done on another great season Travis and we look forward to seeing your growth in years to come.

Eamon COOPER

Mr Consistent, Eamon has gone from strength to strength this season, always performing at a high level. Eamon's knowledge of the game and ability to always be in the right spot is an enormous contribution to the team. Eamon's ability to use his silky ball movement enabled him to be involved in much of the team's scoring. Well done on another great season, we look forward to seeing you grow further in the future.

Oliver COOPER

Oliver has been an integral part of the team this year, playing most of the year at centre half. Although he is not the loudest on the field, his calmness on the ball is exactly what the team needed in the midfield. The link player in the team who always managed to find a pass to his brother. If Oliver continues to improve at the same rate he has over the last two years it will only be a matter of time before he is doing the same in Seniors.

Jason DOWIE

Jason had a position change this year to full back, and he seems to have found his position down back. Although it took some convincing at first, and every time he scored a goal at training he asked to be put back at striker, he was one of the most important players this year. As Jason develops in this position over the next couple of years he will be a strong defender coming into Seniors.

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Ethan FORBES

Ethan missed some games and various training sessions due to a number of reasons throughout the year but whenever he was there he made our team better. Always giving 100%, you could count on him to work back and do his defensive role. As Ethan becomes a more confident player he will become a more influential player on the game.

Andrew GIBSON

Andrew played mostly at flank half for us this season, developing into a real attacking weapon overlapping down the right. Andrew's skills and ability to put his strikers in attacking areas is a real weapon. If Andrew can continue to keep his width and not get sucked into the middle of the field too much, he will find himself receiving the ball in more attacking areas and with more space to use his pace and skills. Well done on another great season Andrew, we look forward to watching your improvement in years to come.

Jackson HARMSEN

Although hampered by injury at parts of the year, Jackson always brought positive energy to the team. Jackson's skills and ability to break lines has made him a real asset up front for us this season. If Jackson can work on his presence and finishing in the circle, he will be a solid striker. Another good season Jackson, and we look forward to seeing you grow further in the coming years.

Kirby HOBBS

You only have to look at Kirby's goals tally to know he had a great year. Kirby has improved immensely over the past twelve months, as shown by his Seniors call-up this season. Kirby's skillset and ability to bring others into the game is very good. Another great season Kirby, we look forward to you continuing to push yourself with more Senior appearances in the years to come.



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Ben KING

Ben has played mostly on flank half with rotations into fullback. Through the season Ben has improved his ball movement immensely and has looked more composed on the ball. His strong hitting and ability to punch the ball through opposition lines is a huge strength of his game, if he can learn when to look for that long ball and when he needs to just look to control the ball he will become a very damaging player. Ben, it has been a pleasure to watch you grow this season and we wish you the best in future seasons.

Preston KNELL

Preston has been a pleasure to coach this year as he is always keen to improve himself and his hockey, often asking specifically what he can do to improve, even during the game. If Preston continues to work hard at his game he will become a handy player for any team he plays in.

Jude MELLOR

Jude has had a great season, although not scoring as many goals as he would like, his ability to break lines and receive the ball in great attacking positions was shown by the amount of penalty corners he has been able to generate this season. If Jude can improve on his defensive presence and pressing, he will become a very well-rounded striker. Well done on another great year Jude, and we look forward to seeing your growth in the future.

Timothy TAN

Tim is the perfect player to coach as he always listens to what you have to say to him and takes it on board. With limited midfielders in the team this year, Tim was up to the task of playing nearly the whole game each week. His improvement over the year was clear to see as he became more confident in his ability as a player. If Tim continues to work and improve he has a bright hockey career ahead of him.

Nicholas WILLIAMSON

Nick's season can be described as making the easy look hard. A reliable defender who always managed to make things look 5x harder than it should have been, but he always got the job done and that's what you need in a fullback. If Nick can develop his game to make the hard look easy, then he will become a very valuable defender in years to come.





J 9/10 A RESERVE BOYS

It was a great pleasure to coach the J9/10 Boys A Res team this season. The boys certainly improved with both their understanding on how to play and showed that with a bit of work on their skills and game understanding, that they had the passion and perseverance to match any team in the competition. We ended up in third place at the end of the regulation season, this was earned through developing into a great team that worked for each other and, most importantly, playing to each individual's strengths. The season could not have started without the amazing support from parents and especially our great manager, Natalie.

Michael Ramsay – Coach

Travis BLOK

Trav has been an excellent addition to both the club and the team this year. When he is not trying to take off the heads of the opposition he has been harassing and tackling them. Trav is indeed a deep thinker of the game, he is always looking for ways to improve and I was more than happy to guide him along some of the way this season. Trav was not only new to Melville but also new to the state and he settled in perfectly to our team this year. Travis is definitely one to watch as he continues to grow as a hockey player and reach the high expectations that he places on himself.

Daniel BROWN (Dan)

Dan started the season as rover all over, he knew that he wanted to be close to the ball. This made him perfect for inner and he didn't disappoint. Once he understood the dual role that he had to play, he made it his mission to absolutely shut one side down. On the field he would always chip in where he could help a team-mate, then using his supersonic speed, take the ball away and use it effectively. I had high hopes for Dan this season and he certainly did not disappoint. Daniel knew that he had a very specific role to play and I could not have asked him to fulfil his duties any better than he did. Although Dan does take hockey on the field very seriously, he was a real pillar of the team and made coaching so much easier. I would really like to see Daniel transform his game and make the big step up to J11/12s next year with as much confidence as he left this season. I have no doubts that he will continue to improve his hockey skills and his understanding of the game. Dan has been a pleasure to watch grow this season and I am really excited to see how he goes in J11/12 and beyond.

Joseph COLEMAN (Jo)

After Round 3, Jo decided that being goalie was his dream position. Going from the forward line onto the goal line was something special to see. Jo not only improved out of sight in goals, he became the wall we needed to grow into the team that was always there. I have now coached Joseph for four years and the growth and development of his hockey understanding has amazed me. Joseph was joint Fairest and Best this season and this is a true testament as to how well he played. He still needs to get a haircut, which I have been telling him for four years. Jo always gives his all in everything that he does and his enthusiasm was exceptional this year.

There is never a question about Jo not giving 100% and that is his best attribute.

Billy FEHLBERG

Billy was new to Melville this season, he also came from Reds. Playing centre forward for us comes naturally to Billy, when on the field he always gives 110% and provided us with plenty of exciting moments over the season. As much as Billy was excellent on the field, he could never take a fine without expressing his dissatisfaction about it. Billy provided us with so many positives this season and I find it hard to identify anything that will stand in the way of him achieving in his hockey journey. There is a genuine enjoyment on his face when he is on the field and when he is even talking about hockey, his eyes light up and his passion for the game can be seen. This was my first-time coaching Billy and he hardly ever questioned 'why' when he was asked to do something, he just went out and proved it on the field, this is exactly what you want as a coach. I am sure that Billy will continue to improve and grow as he travels through the higher grades of Melville hockey club.

Edward HART

Ed started the season with one of the worst mullets that I have ever seen, but as soon as the hair was cut, he started to play some great hockey. Although Ed had a slow start to the season, he usually found a way to cut through the defence and create many opportunities in front of goals. This has been the second time that I have coached Ed and seeing the improvement in him has been something wonderful to witness. When Ed fires up and his legs get moving there is hardly anyone that can catch him, his lumbering running was mesmerising. Ed managed to get a few goals and looked dangerous all season. If Ed decides to continue with hockey next year, which I think he will, he will be a welcomed addition to any forward line.

Fletcher HORROCKS

Fletch stepped up when the team was down a player and took to the field. He played a great game and was able to hold his own on the field. I have no doubt that Fletcher will continue to improve, and we thank him again for his efforts and filling-in for us when required.



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Mitchell HORROCKS (Mitch)

Mitch is always ready to go when it comes to hockey, always giving his all for the team. He is very proud of the fact that he did not have any cards this season, although there maybe should have been a couple. He is definitely one of the players that has improved out of sight this season, Mitch was my go-to player for when someone on the opposition needed to be shut down. Mitch comes to hockey with a great smile on his face and always ready to give anything a go. It has definitely been enjoyable to see him improve his skills and awareness over the season to a point where he looked up and passed the ball 90% of the time. This was my second time coaching Mitch and it has been every bit as enjoyable as the first. I have no doubt, even though his hair makes him look a bit like Fabio (especially when it comes loose), that he will continue to be an integral part to the success and drive of his team in future seasons.

Alex JONES

Alex has been the quiet achiever this season, although he was always watching and providing excellent commentary in post-game dressing rooms. Alex is never shy to hit the ball at the goals (or the goalie) whenever he was in the D and most of the time the goalie could not save it. Alex always gives his all when on the field and this was great to rely on as a coach. Alex is another player this year that said, 'How high?' when I asked him to complete any task and he would often, without fault, complete the task that was delegated to him. It had been my pleasure to be able to coach Alex prior to this season and the pleasure was all mine again in 2020. Alex was an integral part of the team this year and I hope that he continues his hockey journey in whichever way he wants to.

Jacob McKENNA

Jacob was brand new to the club this year, making the trip from Reds. Jacob has been an all-round excellent player and an excellent person to have on the team. He is always the first person to put his hand up to try something at training, and always lead by example on the field. I felt that Jacob improved so much in his understanding and confidence over the season and therefore became an integral part of the team's defence. Ever-reliable on the field and always the first one to crack a joke, I finally was able to call him by the right name come the end of the season. Jacob was a pleasure to coach this season, I wish him well in his hockey development and I am sure that he will continue to improve.

Oscar NORDON-RAMSAY

Oscar has been on the receiving end of my coaching for the last four years. Getting detailed descriptions about how we could play better, how he could play better and why we won/lost/drew in any of the games this season. He has developed into a great utility in the team and can pretty much play in any position when asked to on the field. Oscar did have a habit of getting knocked over by opposition players, usually leading to ice packs and pain after the games. Overall, Oscar has been a great addition to the team this season and will continue to improve his hockey awareness and skills. Oscar has certainly improved this season and will definitely come back better and stronger next season.

Lachlan PATERSON (Lachy)

Lachy excelled at centre half this season, always seeming to be in the right spot. Many a game was spent telling Lachy to 'hit the ball wide', which he eventually did, and wow did it make a difference. Lachy was the quiet achiever on the field, always completing his job and happy to have a crack at goal given the opportunity. At training Lachy enjoyed hitting the ball at the goals from about two metres away, sometimes even straight at the goalie. This was the second time that I have had the opportunity to coach Lachy and I was so pleased to see him really grow into the hockey player that I know that he can be. Once again it has been an absolute pleasure to know that when needed, Lachy was usually the one to stand up and contribute 100%.

Aidan ROLLS

Aidan was an excellent contributor to the team this season. His hockey understanding is excellent, and more often than not he was in the right place at the right time. Throughout the season I would say to him that he took too much time with the ball, finally he asked "What did I mean" when I said that? Once he understood what I meant, his speed of thinking improved and so did his game play. Aidan was a great contributor to the team in all aspects and was a pleasure to watch grow into a hockey player that is a force to be reckoned with. As he continues to improve, I know that he will continue to wreak havoc on the opposition.



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Thomas STONE

Tom was joint Fairest and Best this season with Joseph. It was decided that instead of receiving Fairest and Best he would receive the Coach's Award. Tom was yet another player this season that would complete and achieve his best. His understanding about his position and what the job was that he needed to do was outstanding. Tom is undoubtedly one of the nicest young men on the team, always smiling and never a bad thing to say about any situation. This does not in any way mean that he was a pushover. He is tenacious and fast, and always provided support for his teammates all over the field. I would not like to be on the receiving end of any of his tackles, or when he is running out on a short corner.

Thanks again to all the parents, carers and grandparents who came along each week and gave the boys the support, regardless of the weather conditions. It was an enjoyable season and was wonderful to see the boys continually improve each week and I wish them all the best for next year.

Ganleon WONG

Ganleon had a fantastic season at fullback this season. He never failed to be in the right spot at the right time. His booming hit that covered the whole field was something to see. There was not a forward that was able to easily get around him. Once he got his confidence in his abilities, he continued to improve over the season. He was an incredible listener and I only had to ask him to do something once and that was then the way it was done for the rest of the season. Using this strong work ethic and natural skills, Ganleon's understanding and positioning on the field was outstanding, his contributions that he made to the team over the season were immeasurable. I know that Ganleon will improve and continue to develop into the hockey player that I know he will be. It has been a pleasure to have him in the team this season.



J 9/10 C BOYS

Sport matters for young men and especially so when they are facing a range of changes in their physical and mental makeup. This team was made up of a wonderful group of young men who, while eclectic in nature, did everything in their power to get better in themselves, build team dynamic and importantly, participate in a great sport. They were a pleasure to coach and we hope they continue their journey with hockey for many years to come.

Tom Bergin and Jaymon Needham - Coaches

Zane BLOOMFIELD (Midfield)

Zane has had a very consistent season, showing up on time to every training and game. Zane's ability to work back and help out this season has been a joy to watch as he is always pressuring his opponent in the 1v1s. In the coming years, it would be nice to see Zane develop his strength on the ball along with having the confidence to step up and take free hits.

Zac BURVILL (Halfback)

Zac has had a great year, he has been a brick wall on the left-hand side of the pitch. He has made countless goal-saving tackles. Zac's ability to position himself to intercept the ball has been great to watch as the season has progressed. It would be good to see Zac develop his hit as he could use it as a weapon to open teams up after he has stolen the ball.

William CREES (Striker/Midfielder)

Deceived us from the first game when we thought we had a fill-in and he just kept turning up, we are glad he did as he added zip between the lines, using his diminutive

stature to great effect week after week. With growth yet to come, I'm sure Will can develop some great skills.

Kian HERBERT (Fullback)

Fullbacks are born not made and Kian is born to the role, he made a big presence and some big tackles to go with his nice ball movement out of the back half. His highlight this year was the big run he went on, deceiving the opposition players who thought he was taking the free hit. Hope to see Kian continue on his hockey journey in the coming years.

Isaac JACKSON (Wing)

Trains like a champion, knows more about timekeeping than any of us and proved to be a goalsneak from the wing, a solid year and provided good drive from the side of the field. It was awesome to see Isaac score his first two goals in his hockey career after realising he was allowed to shoot as soon he got inside the attacking D.



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Zachary KELLY (Wing)

Zach lives with a goalie and knows how to get them distracted, always puts in a good presence on the field and is sure to get the opposition goalie some naughty chair time as he hones that chatter. Despite having lizard blood that makes him susceptible to the cold, he always put in a brave effort and we hope to see Zach for years to come.

Elliot LEWIS (Inner)

We made him play the tough inner gig and he put in his best efforts to improve over the course of the year. He listens, tries and is a good team person. It was great to see him grow as a person, especially his self-confidence as he was more open to talking to his teammates. Overall a great season and hope to see Elliot continue playing next season.

Ross MILLER (Striker)

We pencilled him in for 50 goals this year and he fell just short. Ross is strong on the ball and was unlucky not to put more away, he has the potential to be a good forward as he progresses with hockey. With a bit more composure on the ball, Ross will become an attacking threat to any team he faces in the coming years.

Edward MONCRIEFF (Goalkeeper)

First-year as a full-time goalie and works his backside off on getting better, far too intellectual for a goalie and with more training into the future could be the rare breed of a smart, good goalie. An excellent season and only going to get better for Edward!

Harry NEWMAN (Halfback)

The baby of the team and went from having no idea what hockey was to being a solid midfield contributor - would love to see you keep on the hockey journey you have started. Great first year from Harry. Enjoyed his presence and one-liners which boosted the team morale. Hope to see Harry come back and play next season.

Shoma SLATER (Centre Half)

Shoma has been a strong force in the midfield this season. He loves a good run up front and to have a shot at goal. Shoma has enjoyed a great season where he has developed his skills to beat opposition defenders. We would love to see Shoma practise his on-the-ball skill movement as it would be beneficial to his development going into future seasons.

Taisei SLATER

Thanks for the fill-in mate!

Harry WINN (Fullback)

Harry was without a doubt the personality of the team. He was part of the backline that had plenty of action during this season. It has been exciting to see Harry improve his tackling and positioning throughout the season. For future seasons, we would like to see Harry work on his passing out of defence to assist his team moving up the grades.

We didn't score the goals we wanted to score, we conceded more than we would have liked, but we nailed a bunch of improvement goals that will see these young men grow their skills and capabilities. Our great thanks to the supportive parents and caregivers, our manager Ben, and the family who came out rain or shine to support the guys. 2021 season beckons...



J 9/10 A MERGED GIRLS

One word could sum up this year's season for our ladies, outstanding. Right from the onset it was evident that they all wished to achieve something special and were prepared to work hard to achieve that goal. Even though we had some new players to the team they all embraced the structures and workloads that were introduced and results certainly showed that.

Undefeated for the season, including a fantastic goal ratio, showed the potential of this group, and we had high hopes going into the grand final. Unfortunately, we came up against a very determined group and were unable to get over the line but that in no way will detract from our achievements both as a team, and on a personal development level. They say a team's successes are measured in achievements, I look at this more on a personal level, especially on how much they have grown in both confidence and ability during this year.

Both Jade and myself could not be more proud of this group of young ladies on what they have accomplished, and look forward to their continuing involvement into what we hope will be a bright future in hockey.

Bruce Vanderzwan - Coach

Seraphina ANDREW (STRIKER)

Seraphina is an amazing player. She is one of the kindest people and is determined to learn new skills both at training and during our games. Seraphina is so talented, scoring an incredible 17 goals this season and she loves what she does.

Sophie BILLINGHAM (CENTRE HALF)

Sophie is a tenacious hockey player who always does an amazing job controlling the centre. Her communication, encouragement and kindness, on and off the field, really show how much of great captain and team player she is.

Ashton BORGWARD (DEFENDER)

Ashton is an incredible hockey player and brings the joy to trainings and games. She always puts 110% effort into trainings and has improved so much this season. Her positive and joyous attitude never fails to make everyone smile. She will go very far in hockey and I wish her the best of luck for her upcoming seasons.

Hannah CARMODY (MIDFIELD)

Hannah plays a crucial role in our team. She is confident, talented and hard-working. Her impeccable skills make it seem so easy to get around players. You give a positive vibe and your personality is one of a kind; bubbly, energetic and caring. You are such an amazing person and you would be an asset to any team.

Ashleigh FARRELL (MIDFIELD/DEFENDER)

Ash is both a positive and hardworking player on and off the field. She is very knowledgeable in her position and maintains a very high work rate throughout her game. She has a very determined and tenacious attitude which

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helps her make great tackles in the defence line. Ash has really great skills on the ball and has become more confident in using them over the season. Off the ball Ash actively contributes to the game, marking her player and leading. She has a positive "can do" attitude and always comes to training with a smile on her face. Ash is a valuable asset to our team and I wish her the best in her future hockey!

Darcie FARROW (DEFENDER)

This year Darcie has really stood out in our team, saving us in some sticky situations. She dominates the field with her power, skill and voice from full back, keeping our team intact. She comes up into the attacking short corners and decides our plan, and most of the time her plan works and we end up scoring. Five of these goals were from her powerful hits. As a team we have only conceded five goals and that is all thanks to her help in the back line. She sets up all the play and lifts us as team to help us win and grow. It's been amazing to be able to watch Darcie play, play in the same team as her and even sometimes play by her side in full back, she really is just such a powerhouse.

Jessica HERON (DEFENDER)

Jess you are one of the quieter players in our team, but when you get on the field you dominate. You are so friendly and super positive to everyone. You always listen to the coaches and all the calls we make on the field which makes you such a team player. I enjoyed playing next to you this year.



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Scarlett HUSTON (MIDFIELD)

Scarlett is an amazing girl with a big heart. She cares a lot about the team members and gives positive feedback to every individual. She is a great leader because she talks on and off the field about things we can improve or change. We all love Scarlett like a sister and she makes us laugh every time we see her. Can't wait to have another season with her and her amazing spirit for hockey.

Natalia LANCE (STRIKER)

Nat was new to our club this year and has definitely solidified her place in the team. She is a prized striker with a deadly deflection. She always puts 100% effort both on and off the ball. Thanks for a great season and hopefully many more.

Jessica LEIGH (DEFENDER)

Jess has been a joy to play with this year. She is a great team player and is willing to give new positions a try. I have really enjoyed being on the same team as Jess and I hope we will be able to play together in the future.

Erin PICKERING (STRIKER)

Erin is a huge contributor to the team on and off the field. You have developed so much this season and your skills in attack have improved so much. You're always very positive and energetic and are a great asset to our team.

Ellie POLGLASE (STRIKER)

Ellie is an amazing player that has scored many goals throughout the season. She has been a great asset to the team and is always ready to receive the ball from the backline or midfield. Ellie is consistently getting through the backline and getting the ball into the 'D', as well as learnt lots of skills during training in which she puts to use in the game. Ellie has improved each game and will be a great 11/12's player next season. We will miss you next year in 2021!

Sienna ROBINSON (MIDFIELD)

Sienna is an absolutely magnificent player. Her control over the ball is continuously amazing, she shows her skills in every single game she plays, proving to be an irreplaceable asset on our team. As well as being outstanding on the field, Sienna is encouraging and kind, always willing to help and teach others. Sienna you truly are an exceptional player, and an even more exceptional person. We missed you!

Mikayla WARDROPE (GOALKEEPER)

Miki is such an amazing goalkeeper who is always there to save the day when we make mistakes. Miki didn't have many tough games this season so when she wasn't getting much of the ball she was always lifting the mood, getting everyone excited and keeping the defenders company. In the harder games she made so many great saves and communicated to all of us so we could get the ball out of defence. Miki had a great season and is such an amazing person on and off the field. I can't wait to see what does next season.

The girls have had a short but fabulous season finishing on top of the ladder to win the May Campbell pennant (Minor Premiers) and losing a nail-biting Grand Final against Rockingham 1-0 in extra time. A huge thank you to our coaches, Bruce and Jade, for their efforts and to all the parents for ferrying the girls around to training and games. An even bigger thank you to the girls for being such a wonderful group of young ladies. We look forward to seeing you all back at Melville next year!!





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Wow, what a season! We were definitely a mixed bunch with three new girls who had never played before, two previous A-grade players and our original B's with a couple of extras. The start of the season was gut wrenching as we seemed to get smashed each week but rather than run off with the tail between our legs we stepped up and started playing as a team, finally winning a game. Grace and I could not have been prouder. Grace found her calling as a coach and directed the girls through their weekly drills, often complaining that they never listen. I, of course, laughed and was happy that the girls were socialising, which is all part of bonding as a team, which by the end of the season showed as they began to trust and back-up each other on the field, leading them to a win. It's been a pleasure to coach you all and I hope to see you all next year from the sidelines as a supporter. I'm sure you will see Grace in the coaches' box at some stage as I'd hate to see her waste her talent.

Dee Murphy - Coach

Tiarna BROUGH (TB LEFT WING)

Started out of the COVID19 gate a bit hesitant to play but after a goal got hungry for more and played an awesome seagull. Tiarna did some great runs down the wing putting pressure on our opposition and creating some great turn overs. Go Tiarna!! Hope you ended up enjoying your season as we enjoyed having you.

Emily CROALL (FULLBACK)

Was softly spoken on the sidelines but on the field she would defend with such ferocity it would take our opposition by surprise. In saying that she would occasionally get knocked down but would get up quickly and come back twice as hard, earning respect from her team and the opposition.

Tiana MATHIAS (RIGHT WING)

First year of hockey. Turned up every training, every game, running up and down the right wing. Tiana was one of the only ones who could physically keep up with Brooke's speed when she was doing a run down the field, making sure she was on the post and often sending through some great passes for goals. Being a newbie in a team and in a game you have never played is terrifying for most people but Tiana always had a smile and was quick to have a laugh with the team. I really hope Tiana continues to play as she takes direction well and will make a solid wing with a bit more practice.

Brooke McKENZIE (CENTRE FORWARD)

Brooke always gave a 100% on the field. Our energiser bunny settled into the team once she realised that she couldn't do it all on her own, earning the respect of her team-mates with some great teamwork and some awesome goals. Her sensational talent and competitiveness is inspiring. Even teaching her old coach a few new skills.

Rebecca MURPHY (INNER)

An integral part of the team, feeding the ball down the line to Tiana and trying to keep up with Brooke which is hard for any player. Bec put in some great second efforts this year which I hope she will continue to do. Bec socialises well with her team which keeps her coming back each week and each year. This year it was a big ask being the sister and daughter of two competitive coaches.

Bec always takes our banter with her natural sass and plays her own game making sure not to break a nail or a sweat. Love you Bec. x

Hannah PATTON (EVERY POSITION)

Played with an injury all season but always turned up at training and the games, putting in a super effort every time. Hannah never complained and always had a smile on her face at training and when playing. A very chilled player and person all round, showing some great strength in our backline.

Talia ROBERTS (HALF BACK)

Always wants to be an attacker with her mate Brooke, hungry for goals, but we had to shackle her to halfback as we had no room on the forward line. As much as she hated hearing it, Talia is a fantastic halfback. Talia likes a laugh and has her team's back, showing her cheeky side on the field and keeping the opposition on their toes with her quick tongue and imposing demeanour.

Jenna SELTEN (INNER/WING)

Our Broome Pearl. One of our newbies who was a little lost at first playing in the centre, but ended playing a few times on the wing and definitely looked more comfortable. Socially, Jenna came out of her shell and held her own off the field, always quick to have a laugh with the rest of the team. Hope to see you next year.

Ava SPURLING (INNER)

Our ever-reliable Ava, who always turns up for training and games and plays an awesome right inner which is the hardest position to play. You have to run the most, feeding the ball forward and then having to get back and defend as well. Often doing all the groundwork without any of the credit. Ava is one of the originals of this team and her maturity on and off the field showed great leadership, particularly with our newbies.

Danielle SWINTON (HALF BACK)

Took me awhile to find Danni's right position but once I did she became more focused and an integral part of our success, with her strength in the centre directing the play. Danni's sense of humour and ability to embrace the younger, new members of the team makes her an awesome team-mate and joy to have on the team.



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Evie WOOD (FULLBACK)

Our rock in defence. Evie took on board Grace's direction and has become an even better, and stronger fullback. Certainly holds her own against the opposition, physically and vocally standing her ground with her awesomeness. Considering the amount of pressure we have been under during the season Evie has held it together and got the job done.

Madison WOODS (GOALIE/CENTRE FORWARD)

Unbeatable in the goals and a pocket rocket on the field. Plays on the field as fast as she can talk. I wish Maddi was older and could play with us all the time as she fits in with everyone and there is no one more reliable in the net.

Jessica YEO (HALF BACK)

First year of hockey and has already cemented herself as a great left half back who never stops fighting for the ball and always makes sure her wing is covered. The progression from the first week to the last has been amazing, considering she doesn't touch the ball in between training and games. Obviously a natural. Jess turns up every week for training and games with her mate Jenna in tow, with a smile on her face and never complains. A joy to coach as she takes direction well, always polite and gives her all every time. Legend!

We finished the season with two great wins which is testament to how much the girls have improved and gelled as a team, Well Done! Hope to see all the girls on the field in 2021



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The reward for any coach is to see the improvement of each individual and of the team. I have coached for over forty years and few teams, in that time, have given me a greater sense of pride than this group of boys. In the first half of the season no matter how hard or whatever we tried we were denied success. The signs that we were a good team were there: we played a superior style of hockey than the opposition and we often dominated them for long periods. The proof came when we started the second half of the season with a 'bang'. The boys defeated the top team and came close to toppling the second-placed team in a nil-all draw. The team structures were being adhered to, our work rate skyrocketed, individual skills spiralled ("Wow, I didn't know he could do that."), passing was more accurate and penetrating and our tackling was stronger. We were a team to be reckoned with. The bonus for all concerned was that the boys were a terrific bunch of kids and a credit to their families. They are certainly a credit to the Melville City Hockey Club. Finally, a thank you to everyone who lent a hand during the week and on Saturdays, especially Danielle, our wonderful manager.

Keith Harper - Coach

Jack CHAPMAN

It was a genuine pleasure to be involved with a player who is so keen to improve. Jack constantly asked questions. He was one of our fittest players which was unsurprising considering the extra running that he did (he even cajoled others into joining him before and after training). As a midfielder, Jack put this fitness to good use. His carried the ball well and worked exceptionally hard to pressure the opposition when they had the ball. Many thanks for helping to set up the goals on Thursdays.

Thanush DAIVANDRAN

Thanush likes the freedom to roam and is much more an attacker than a defender. Towards the end of the season he played his best games as our centre half. His ability to pass to advantage was a highlight. Thanush began to work harder to harass the opposition when they had the ball. Like many in the team, Thanush needs to work on his hitting. Improve this part of his game and he will be a high-quality player.

Seth ELLIOTT

Seth was always going to be a defender and made the left half position his own. His positioning in marking his player improved markedly over the season as did his block tackling. Like Rory, Seth's game is going to improve with increased fitness and consistency in his hitting. Seth began to have the confidence to hold the ball longer in order to get his eyes up, survey the options and make a pass to advantage. Like Jack, Seth was always keen learn and often asked questions. Many thanks for helping to set up the goals on Thursdays.

Jarrad FONG

Originally played in defence, Jarrad clicked when moved into attack. He has deceptively strong close-in and elimination skills and is beginning to make telling passes to team-mates in better positions. Hitting must be Jarrad's number one focus over the off-season. Pick that part of his game up and his hockey smarts will make him a valuable player in any team.

Fletcher HORROCKS

The "Ever-ready Man", when Fletch took off with the ball there was no catching him. He found his niche as a midfielder and gave us great drive down the right side. The defensive side of his game was super-impressive and he regularly stymied opposing teams' attacks. Fletch was another player keen to improve his own game and often asked questions to find out what he needed to work on.

Lennox IMHOFF

One of our strikers who came into his own in the second half of the season when we were able to give him the ball more often. He has fine elimination skills and his passing to advantage has improved significantly. Lennox is a strong runner in attack and has become much stronger at harassing opponents in the forward half. All the best in Newcastle next year.

Dominic KELLY

DK has the speed, skill, tenacity and love of a goal that all quality strikers possess. He works extremely hard when the ball is in the near vicinity and in the second half of the year realised that he had to work equally hard off the ball - forwards must keep moving. DK has a penchant for mastering the more difficult skills and I am sure that he will score many goals with the "toma" in the future. When we used DK as our "insurance" sweeper in defence we found out that he is a really good striker.

William McKINNON

Having a player with so much poise under pressure is a godsend. Will kept our defence together magnificently in the first half of the season and showed that he is no mug in attack when given the chance to run around at the centre half position. Will was one of the few players in the whole competition to use 3D skills to eliminate opponents. The way he timed his tackles, channeled, and harassed opposing forwards was first class. Will was yet another player who was keen to learn and he, too, often asked questions about his own game. (And, "Yes, Will, umpires do make mistakes".)



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Rory McMILLAN

Rory has great belief in his own abilities and is willing to take on any position on the field. He settled into the right half role with distinction. He could be relied upon to carry out our team rules and structures without having to be reminded. Improved fitness is going to lift his game to a higher-level next year along with a more consistent hit. Rory has the hockey smarts to be a quality player.

William PENMAN

Having a keen goalkeeper is a huge bonus for any team, so it was terrific to see Will attending the clinics on Monday afternoons run by Nic. His kicking to the sideline improved as the season progressed as did his attack on opposition forwards who dared to enter his domain. It was a rare event for us to concede a goal to a penalty corner.

Dominic RICHARDS

Richo is not blessed with speed so it was entertaining to see how he befuddled defenders again and again with his close in skills. He was the master of the close-in goal. Being a striker who manages to get into so many scoring positions, Richo will do well to master a strong hit at goal.

Finn ROBINSON

Much like Richo, Finn could make opposing defenders look dumbfounded as they tried to get the ball off him. Finn enjoyed this part of the game so much that he often spent ten to twenty seconds teasing them before passing the ball off. And passing is the part of his game that Finn needs to work on. Gaining strength as he grows will help, but his pushing and hitting need to become stronger. Finn was one of our most flexible players and played in every line over the course of the season. His ability to mark a player was one of his strengths.

Jacob WOODS

I would argue that Jacob was not just our best player but the best player in the whole division. His elimination and tackling skills are of the highest order. He runs at 100% offensively and defensively. He reads the play well and can direct the ball into the right places or position himself

to make a saving tackle. He is also familiar with team structures, so a natural progression for him next year is on-field leadership. If he continues to play the high fullback or centre half his team will be the better if he organises the team when the coach can't get his/her message onto the ground.

You were quite a small team physically so all of you can look forward to growing taller and stronger. This is going to help you enormously in improving your skills. However, you are only going to attain a level of excellence if you practise at home. Hit hundreds of balls, push more, drag and flick. If you are lucky enough to live close to a mate, practise together. Hockey is a fabulous game and can be played for a lifetime. The friendships that you make along the way are the icing on the cake. Enjoy the journey.





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The boys have had a great season this year and are almost unrecognisable from their very first game to now. We struggled to get off the mark initially copping a couple of losses; however, the boys never gave up and were soon rewarded with our first goal. From there, their confidence and ability to play as a team only improved resulting in our highlight win against reds and a draw against the team at the top of the table. It has been a highly rewarding season and we have absolutely loved coaching the boys and can't wait to see them develop into even stronger players.

Eddie Swan and Amelia Swan - Coaches

Samuel BEESON (Fullback)

Sam has had a fantastic season in the back line. He has been one of our most dependable players who never shies away from a tackle. His ability to read the game has improved immensely and he began to guide other players in the back line. He has been a pleasure to coach and should be very proud of his improvement this season.

Lachlan BRAID (Midfielder)

The kid just busts his guts all day! Never stops giving 100% and is so hard working. Played a mixture of centre half, inner, half back and even fullback, he was Mr Reliable wherever he played. Even when he was injured, he still gave his all and came back on the field. Absolute pleasure to coach as he listened and took on board everything the coaches said! Absolutely fantastic season and I look forward to seeing where he goes in the future with his hockey!

James CHEESEMAN (Fullback, Midfield)

James has been such a strong presence in the team this season. Never content with losing a game, he has sought to improve his own game and that of his team-mates. As a result, he has become a very skilled and versatile player who is happy to take risks. He has played in the forward and mid lines, but really shone in defence. It has been a pleasure to coach James this year.

Liam CHEESEMAN (Inner, Striker)

Liam is a hard-working, hard-running midfielder/forward who linked up really well with the forwards. He always works back hard and helped out in defence whilst also providing a great option going forward as well. I was really impressed with the way he improved throughout the season, particularly with his positional play! We all know he has fantastic skills, but his passing and movement was excellent, especially towards the back end of the year.

Isaac DUCE (Striker)

Isaac has improved so much over the course of the season, playing mainly as a forward. Despite his slight stature, he more than made up for it with great skills and excellent positional play. He was always in exactly the right position as a winger and provided a great potential goal scoring option. I'm sure as he continues to improve the goals will certainly come!

Xavier FITZPATRICK (Midfielder, fullback)

Our rock in the middle of the field. Xavier developed into a fantastic and reliable centre half. Both in defence and going forward, Xav had the skills and the physicality to take it right up to the best players in the league. His highlight would most certainly be the goal he scored to win the game against Reds, in what was the performance of the season. He is certainly a player I can see going quite far in the future.

Luke HOCKING (Halfback, Inner)

Where do I start? The absolute joker of the team, Luke kept Amelia and I on our toes. He's the kind of player that might miss the simple opportunity then score the impossible one! Despite him being very cheeky, he was an absolute pleasure to coach and I really enjoyed the banter! Showed some serious potential both in the forward line and at half back.

Alexander KERVIN (Halfback)

Alex has been a pleasure to coach this season and it has been very exciting to watch his confidence and skills improve. He has developed a strong ability to shut down the left side of the field and became a key player in our half-back line. His commitment to positioning and perseverance on the field earned him the Coach's Award this season. Well done Alex.

Xeyon MATHIAS (Striker)

Our import from the U.K., Xeyon's improvement this year has been so impressive. His skills have improved greatly alongside his understanding of positioning, making him into a much stronger player than the beginning of the season, and we can only see his game improving as he becomes more confident on the field. He has had a blinder of a season and we are so proud of his dedication and tenacity. Great season Xeyon.

Archie RANDALL (Halfback, striker)

Archie has been thrown in almost every position on the field this season and has worked hard in every single one. His reliability and willingness to work hard have really impressed us. Archie constantly encourages his team-mates and takes on coaching points with a smile. He has been a pleasure to coach and should be proud of his improvement.



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Taisei SLATER (Striker)

Our leading goalscorer, Taisei is a developing centre forward with an eye for goal. With skills, pace and great positioning, Taisei became that target player that we required, and he certainly delivered, particularly in the back end. His highlight would definitely be the goal he scored to equalise against the top of the table team, UWA, in the dying moments of the game. A real highlight of the season.

Harry SPACKMAN (Goalie, Striker)

Harry has worked hard both on field and in goals this season. Whether he was saving goals or setting them up, Harry's skills have improved out of sight - a testament to his dedication at training. It has been a pleasure to watch Harry's confidence grow this season and we can't wait to see him continue to improve.

Chase TAYLOR (Midfielder)

Chase had an awesome year. He played in just about every position on the ground and performed them all to an exceptional standard. Whether it was as a half back, helping the defence out, or as a midfielder, controlling the game, or even being used up front as a striker, Chase was the ultimate utility. Because of his fantastic season he was the deserving winner of the Best and Fairest Award and I really look forward to where he goes with his hockey in the future.

Varad VAIDYA (Striker, Defender, Goalie)

Varad had a great season both as a fullback and a winger. For his first season playing hockey it was a really impressive start. He always gave 100% and got stuck in no matter what position he played. It was great that he was so willing to play in every single position and I can't wait to see how he progresses as he continues to improve his hockey. He also filled in as a Goalkeeper on several occasions and performed admirably.

Well done on the great season boys!



J 7/8 A GIRLS

What an enjoyable season! After a delayed (Covid) start it was just great to get some hockey in. A big thanks to Mike Fardon for stepping in as coach on the eve of the first game. Mike played all the girls in a number of different positions to encourage their hockey development. The girls improved steadily throughout the season as individuals and as a team. By the end of the year they had a growing belief that they had the ability to take on and beat any side in the competition. It would have been great to have a crack at a normal finals series, but we'll just have to settle for the 3 v 4 play-off. More important than the results, it was a joy to help coach such a wonderful group of girls. A bubbly bunch who enjoy each other's company and love a chat. Hopefully that enjoyment will see them continue in the sport and realise their significant potential.

Matt Read and Mike Fardon - Coaches

Sophea ANDREW

Sophea has demonstrated wonderful progress through the season. Her close-in skills were evident from the start, but with each game she's finding better position, moving more confidently after receiving the ball and linking up with her team-mates. We're confident Sophea will have a very strong season next year as she continues to gain physical strength and presence.

Chloe BILLINGHAM

Chloe was born to spin and turn with a hockey ball! She regularly demonstrates the skills of a hockey player a few years older than she is. Chloe has really developed her distribution throughout the season, regularly playing through mid-field positions and providing a good balance of drive and defence. Like many in the team, Chloe has another year of J7/8s, and I look forward to seeing her compound her presence on the field.

Lauren BLAIR

Lauren's tenacity was second to none in the team. A regular feature in strike forward positions, she was constantly harassing the defence of the opposition and making important steals and intercepts. Lauren is confident to experiment with her 3D skills, and will really become a force as her dragging and passing continues to improve, enabling her to easily eliminate the opposition. Another year in J7/8s will be perfect for her development.

Parker BRINDLE

Parker has a special ball-magnet force in her stick. She regularly picks the ball off opposing players ... even when they appear to be past her. Parker regularly provided lots of run and found herself in a variety of positions throughout the season, really contributing to her ongoing development. Control and distribution are the most important areas of development for Parker, and we look forward to seeing her progress with another year in J7/8s next season.

Jaime FARDON

Jaime was a regular feature in the fullback line throughout the season, providing a great opportunity to develop her defensive skills and vision up the field. She regularly picked off attackers with well-timed tackles or safe clearances out to the sides. A key feature was the development of her channelling skills and knowing when to commit to tackles. Jaime also provided good run and drive when playing through the half line.

Tayla FARDON

Tayla's ability to drive through the opposition mid-field was a key feature in the second half of the season. She regularly eliminated midfielders before releasing our strike forwards with well-timed passes. Playing off the half-back line in some games provided her with a different view of the game and a different balance to our defence. Continued development of longer passing and confidence to hit at goal are areas of development for next season.

Lauren HEALEY

Lauren has an exceptional first touch that regularly contributes to her immediately eliminating her opposing player. 3D skills are also a feature of her play, as she seeks to drive through the defence with deft jinks. Learning to contribute as one of the leaders in the team was a key feature of Lauren's development this season. I look forward to seeing Lauren continue to develop next season as she progresses to J9/10s with some of the other girls in the team.

Billie MINCHAM

Billie continued to surprise this season with her close-in skills to win frees. However, it was two saving tackles in the defensive circle (running back from left inside) in two separate games that stood out for me. With a heavy running training schedule outside of hockey, Billie regularly trained with sore/tired legs, so needs to be congratulated on her commitment. I'm looking forward to seeing Billie extend the patches of intensity through the whole game.



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Caelee POWER

Caelee brings a natural defensive demeanour to the hockey field. Her play at fullback throughout the season was very strong, and she will continue to improve as she learns to maintain intensity and desire for full games. She has a wonderful flat tackle and regularly ensures her body gets in the way if her stick doesn't - a sign of a natural defender! Caelee also showed her skills up the field as well, including a few strong periods driving forward.

Alyssa READ

Alyssa's hockey keeps getting better as her confidence and hockey awareness develops. A key feature of Alyssa's game is she loves the niggly ... which is probably why she enjoys playing left half and bumping into the right wing in the circle. One of the important areas of Alyssa's game this season was her confidence to hold or run with the ball, and protecting it by subtle use of her body. I look forward to seeing how Alyssa's hockey develops next season.

Olivia SANDERSON

Olivia had a fantastic season, despite breaking her finger playing AFL early in the season. She continued to train and play despite the injury, and managed to play a couple of very effective attacking games from the left wing - a tactic to reduce the risk of further injury through tackling. Olivia's strength on the ball and defensive positioning continue to be key features of her game, but she also demonstrated a developing hockey vision with a number of incisive passes from half-back.

Bianca STANES

Bianca always provides 100% and makes things difficult for the opposition. Her defensive pressure is impressive and the team could regularly rely on Bianca to tackle the ball free or hold up the play. Further development and refinement of stick skills will be an important feature of Bianca's hockey over the next season or so as she spends more time playing on turf and getting used to maintaining control of the ball. Like many of the other girls, Bianca has another season of J7/8s ahead.

Madison WOODS

Madi had a number of strong games this season where she made several strong saves and clearances. Her reflex save on her right in the second game against WASPs was exceptional and demonstrated the value of a good goalkeeper. Madi's communication with our defenders has been a key feature of her development this season as she's learned when to call players to mark tight and deliver specific instruction. She also continues to show her strong on-field skills when she's not in kit during some trainings.

Manager's last word - Firstly a big thank you to our two wonderful coaches, Mike and Matt, this duo teamed up to Coach the team of girls at the last minute after a bit of gentle persuasion! The guys have shared a wealth of knowledge with the girls and we greatly appreciate their time and effort on training and game days.

A huge thank you also to Tara Mishra who was our mild-mannered umpire each week, we were fortunate to have Tara this year and valued her contribution each game, keep up with the umpiring Tara you do a great job! Thank you also to Jasmine Leighton for filling in when our numbers were low.

A big thank you to all the girls for Ball-Girling for the Premier 1s ladies, you all did a great job and it was much appreciated by the Top Squad. Cheers to Steve for helping out with organising the girls when I was unable to attend. Lastly, thanks to the girls for being a lovely group of young women to manage and coach, wishing the best to Jaime, Tayla, Lauren H, Billie, Alyssa and Olivia in the J9/10 competition next year.

Fiona Power - Manager



J 7/8 A RESERVE GIRLS

This year was the year for the J7/8A Res girls. The score sheet might not quite reflect that, but we rarely lost by more than a goal. If there was a free goal for every time someone in our team laughed, we would be top of the table. Yes, the coaches struggled to get airtime amongst all of the giggling but that isn't always a bad thing. This team managed to gel quite early-on in the season and from there, there was no stopping us. The girls always showed great sportsmanship to opposing teams, and always looked to encourage each other. The J7/8A Res team is the epitome of what Melville Hockey Club wants from our Junior Program. Simply a group of girls looking to play some hockey and have some fun.

Thank you to Emma Hatch for managing our team this year, you did a fantastic job to make sure we were all organised.

Mel Leighton, Lauren Costa and Jody Brownley - Coaches

Summer BLOOMFIELD (Midfield/Defender)

Summer, you have persevered this year to really solidify our defensive midfield. Your continuous effort each game is a pleasure to coach. Your beautiful bubbly nature really did bring a different element to our team. "Get in there Summer!"

Chloe CHEESEMAN (Full Back)

Cheesie, where would we be without you? Watching you win tackles against girls twice your height filled us with pride. You really do prove that guts and determination can go a long way on a hockey field. Keep it up, along with all the smiles and positive attitude.

Charlize COSTA (Inner/CF)

Charli, we all know you love to play striker, but my goodness you were good at Inner. Always looking up to pass to a team-mate and always keeping your cool during some serious stick checks! You are a natural attacking midfielder with your sleeky skills and we are so proud you took on that role in the team this year.

Sally CURTIS (CF/CH)

Sally, thank you so much for coming to play for Melville this year, it was so nice to welcome you to the club. You were one of the most tenacious in the team and certainly the most competitive. Your midfield and attacking capabilities are highlighted when you are strong over the ball with your "no giving up" attitude. Your fabulous personality really balanced out the team, so make sure you come back next year.

Stella FOSS (Wing)

Stella, no one wants a goal more than you. Your kind, softly spoken nature is wonderful to watch blossom with a hockey stick in your hand on the field. You really do manage to find the backboard easily and this is not always an easy skill. Can't wait to see what J9/10 brings for you and we look forward to seeing you out there.

Maya HATCH (Full Back)

Maya, you had a really good year in the backline. Learning to slap the ball and stay on the inside of the attacking team meant you managed to defend the circle more often than not. We know you love your AFL, but you are also a fantastic hockey player, with a good eye for the ball so don't forget that! Can't wait to see you in Year 8 next season.

Ari LAUDER (CF/Inner)

Ari, your perseverance on the field is one of your best attributes. Always looking to get the ball forward is what really helped with our attacking team. Ari, because you get down low on the ball, you tend to make a really simple impact in the game. You have a great attitude towards your team-mates, which we really appreciated

Imogen LEIGHTON (Inner)

Immy, your effort to chase the ball the whole game is second to none in this team. No one can question your commitment to the game and to the win. Being first to the ball to cut off the pass is a skill which the team really appreciates. Always putting in the effort lifts the rest of the team's effort, and this was invaluable to us each week.

Jasmine LEIGHTON (CH)

Jasmine, once again you brought the party, each training and every game. What you also bring is great midfield ball distribution. Watching you slap the ball forward to your team-mates was a pleasure. Never lose your infectious fun vibe, every great hockey team needs it!

Savannah REPACHOLI (RH)

Savannah, where would we be without you? Always nodding, listening, taking on feedback and trying to implement it into your game. You are a really solid defender Sav, and added so much to our team. It was great to see your persistence in the game and in our team challenges and we applaud you for that.

Bailey STAMMERS (Wing/Halfback)

Bailey, you really went from strength to strength this year. Your ability to play a range of positions is a real asset to your skill set. You read the play well and always try your best in and around the ball. Bailey, keep up the smiles and the work rate as it will serve you well in hockey.

Sophia TANCREDI (Inner/Wing)

Sophia, you have a lovely natural and effortless movement with the ball. As well as that, it was always fabulous to see you put your whole body on the line in order to get the job done, and this was greatly appreciated by your team-mates. Sophia, you are a very coachable player which is why you have such a bright hockey future ahead.



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Xanthe WEST (Full Back)

Xanthe, so dependable in the backline but that was not all you brought to the team. You always look to execute the pass from defence which is not an easy task. Xanthe, you really look like you enjoy your hockey and get along well with your team-mates. This meant you were a real asset to the overall team harmony, keep looking for the positives in everything as we thoroughly enjoyed it.

Erin WHEELER (Wing/HB)

Erin, this was your breakout year. Back from injury and ready to tackle, whether it meant kitting up as the GK or on the field. Erin, you really took on the feedback to get low and find your team-mates to pass. This made such an improvement to our team structure and really had an impact in our games. Focusing on the basics is what led you to improve your hockey by so much this year. Well done.

Thank you to all the parents of this team who came along for the ride. We always had wonderful support from the sidelines.



J 7/8 B (GOLD) GIRLS

It has been a pleasure to start our first year of coaching with such a fun and dedicated team. At the start of the season, not many of the girls knew each other, but have developed into a bonded group who plays together seamlessly and is so supportive of each other. All of the girls have developed their skills and positioning tenfold, and it is really visible how much improvement has occurred watching our last games. We are so happy to have coached this team and be able to get to know everyone. The girls always give 110% effort on the field, despite some injuries, and are always willing to do or play whatever is needed to help the team, even when they may not like the position. We are so proud of the way the girls have improved and come together as a team, and hope to see them all playing again next season!

Special thanks to Julia for managing the team this season.

Ellen Rolls and Dana Jolliffe - Coaches

Sarah BLAKELEY (Forward)

Sarah is such a friendly and cheerful young woman, with a bright outlook. A glance at Sarah will always see her smiling, even with a bloody nose. Sarah never stops on the field and always goes for the tackle. She is ball hungry, determined, and the perfect centre forward with a great hit. Sarah has been a key part of our attacking short corners, and her precision and strength is to be admired. It has been such a pleasure watching you play Sarah. We can't wait to see you back next season!

Cleo CHARLESWORTH (Forward)

Cleo has gained so much confidence throughout the season, and is now a strong wing, halfback and occasionally centre forward. Her skills have greatly developed, making her a strong player and asset to our teams attack. She is becoming a force to be reckoned with during tackles, and is always passing wide. Cleo is always in the right position at the right time, leading to her scoring many times and getting great deflections in attack. It has been a delight to coach Cleo and see her become a confident, controlled player.

Lexie GEEN (Halfback)

We have been impressed by Lexie's growth as both a player and a pillar of our team's success and coordination. Her energy and mindset make her the perfect team player, which she is every week. Lexi is always focussed at training and this is reflected through her calculated positioning and passing during games. Lexi always gives her all and never lets her team-mates down. Thank you for your effort and your warm nature, Lexi! Hope to see you back next year.

Zara GOWLAND (Halfback)

Despite Zara only playing a couple of games for us before fracturing her wrist, she proved to be a speedy and fearless player. Zara is always ready with massive energy to rush for the ball, and rarely lost a tackle. She is a dedicated player who always gives her all at training and during games, and this was reflected in her ball control and calculated play. We hope to see Zara for all of next season!



J 7/8 B (GOLD) GIRLS cont

Ivy KLASS (Goalie)

Ivy is our star goal-keeper and is always reliable in defence. She continues to better her stops and has kicked away many a goal this year. Her chatty and vibrant personality always makes training and games fun, and her skills are a commendable asset to our team and the club. Ivy always gives her full effort and is a key reason for our success. Even when losing a contact she still gives 110% and is still a star goalie. Congratulations on a great season Ivy, see you next year!

Imogen KNIGHT (Forward)

Imogen is always in the perfect position and always gives her all to every game in any position. She is a star inner, often playing a whole game in this position with no subs. She is always helpful, kind and caring of her team-mates, making her a key player in our team and an attacking force. Imogen will run all day and all night, never getting tired and always keeping a smile on her face. Her vibrant personality and ball control make her a pleasure to coach and witness grow. See you next year!

Isla LOCKWOOD (Fullback)

Isla's bubbly and vibrant personality permeates the whole team. She is a chatty and strong-willed young woman who always gives 110% on the field. She sees each game as a new challenge, and will never give up a tackle. If she could, I'm sure Isla would play both goalie and fullback at the same time! She is a fierce and intimidating first runner in short corners, and her reading of the play makes her a perfect fullback. It has been a delight coaching you Isla! See you next year.

Annabel McAULIFFE (Forward)

Annabel is the cheekiest member of the team, and always puts a grin on her team-mates' faces. She should be the fittest team member with all the extra laps she does, and her effort to avoid fitness brings a lightness and friendly atmosphere to both training and games. Annabel's attack and positioning has grown so much stronger this season, making her the perfect wing and inner combo and an asset to our attack by having her always being on the post. It has been so enjoyable coaching you this year, Annabel! See you next season.

Piper McKENZIE (Forward)

When Piper isn't talking to Annabel she is one of our fastest players. Her ability to play inner for long lengths of time is essential to our team and lead to her being one of our key players. Piper is vibrant, fun and always gives 110% effort on the field. It has been a pleasure to watch Piper develop her ball skills and control in the D which has led to our win many times, and especially her development in hitting which will become one of her key strengths. Great season Piper!

Manasa SHEDBALKAR (Forward)

Manasa is a dedicated and awesome team player. She always sticks to her position perfectly and has become a valuable inner and wing this season. Despite not being able to train with us, she is still consistent and trains with another J7/8 team to ensure her hockey skills remain unmatched. She is always in the right spot at the right time and is a speedy wing and inner, providing many runs up the wing. Coaching Manasa has been a pleasure and she has proved to be a reliable and skilful team player.

Sharlynn SIMON (Fullback)

Sharlynn has really come into her own this season. She has developed her effort and approach to the game tenfold, becoming strong in both attack and defence. Sharlynn has matured into a versatile player who is becoming an important part of our attacking short corners, and can play any position we ask of her. She is often found in the attacking D after a magnificent run up the field, in which she defeats every player around her. We can't wait to coach you again and see you grow further, Sharlynn!

Kimberley STONE (Halfback)

Kim is the most reliable, and versatile player of all time. Kim is such a delight to coach. She switches between fullback or half with ease, constantly running with her stick down, Kim never lets the ball get past her. Kim can always be relied on to be where the team needs her most. She is always in the right position at the right time, saving many goals with fierce tackles and wide clearances. It has been a pleasure to see Kim slowly open up and show her bubbly personality.

Rafaela THOMSON (Forward/Halfback)

Rafaela has become a star centre forward and centre half, always being in the right position and making use of her strong attack skills. She is essential to the team and is always ready to push through the pack in the centre to clear the ball wide. She has a strong tackle, calculated play and great fitness. Rafaela always puts in 110% effort, even riding her bike to training to make sure she gets there. She is a key player in defensive short corners and has been a pleasure to coach all year. See you next season!

Thank you to Eliza, Caitlin, Poppy and Hannah from the J5/6s for filling in for us.



J 5/6 A MERGED BOYS

Our J5/6 boys team has a load of talented players that worked very hard at training as well as game day to improve their performance from one week to the next. We were a very consistent team that gave a great and exciting contest every time. The style, understanding and commitment of our play was a real delight to watch as we had a full and even involvement from everyone in our team. Most pleasing was our collective ability to listen and put our new ideas and skills into action every week. It was a great season with true progress from start to finish.

Jeremy Davy - Coach

Liam ATKINSON (Striker)

Liam played across our striker and midfield line with equal success throughout the season. He loves to eliminate and carry the ball at speed using his various elimination techniques to dazzle the defenders. Liam positions himself well in the circle and knows just where to be to create an opportunity for the team. Liam learned to improve his leading during the season providing very good connections for those behind him to play to. Well done Liam.

Andrew BLAIR (Goalkeeper)

Andrew was our cool customer that defended our net with exceptional skill week after week. He proved incredibly difficult for all of our opponents to get past and has an unflappable manner when all around him was chaos! I really liked your foot saves Andrew, control and power, steering the shot away from further danger. A super year and I look forward to seeing you progress in 2021.

Finn COOPER (Midfielder)

Finn proved to be Mr Versatility in 2020. he played all of our midfield roles as well as an outside defender on a weekly basis. Finn has really nice control and carry skills and used these to create neat attacks with sweet passes to his team-mates. He also worked hard on improving his penalty corner skills and has developed a really nice scoring shot through his hit. It was great to see your improvement this year Finn, and I look forward to watching you again next year.

Max CREIGHTON (Striker)

Max developed his game beautifully across the season and played a wonderful role as a fast and skilful attacker. I particularly liked his ability to receive the ball while moving at speed and maintaining good control in order to pass to the next person. Nicely done Max! Max was also able to find the net consistently as the season went on as he placed himself in the right position to take advantage of our good team play. A good team leader who worked really hard and had good ideas on how to solve any problem we had. Well done Max!

Will DAVY (Midfielder)

Will was very flexible in being able to play defender, halfback and midfielder throughout the season and sometimes within the same game! He loves to be near or in the contest and is ready to battle for the ball and then swing us into the attack by playing to space. As we progressed, Will developed his ball carry skills as well as using his drag to beat defenders around the circle. Will also practised consistently with our corner team to improve his skills and make our corner set up more productive each week. Great job Will!

Hayden HORROCKS (Defender)

Hayden played all of our defensive positions and was ever reliable and dependable from the start to the finish of the season. He has a wonderful tackle from front-on as well as the ability return to the contest as the player tried to move into space through his take-over tackle. Hayden used his passing skills very well along with his excellent eye to intercept endless passes in behind our line. He also has a really good ball carry, with the makings of a really versatile defender into a midfielder. Great season Hayden, well done.

Liam McMILLAN (Midfielder)

Liam played centre half and expanded into attacking midfield through the season. He works very hard and covers a load of ground, loving to help in attack especially! Liam reads the play very well and is well-positioned in the press as he can understand where the ball is going. This helps to intercept and win a lot of ball in the front half. Like many of the boys, Liam is experimenting with some new skills and finding ways to include them into his game. Keep working on your variety of skills and doing the basics very well Liam.

Pravilash PILLAY (Defender)

Prav was a tremendous half back who occasionally lent his wonderful skills to our forward line when we needed them. One of his great improvements for the season was to go forward when carrying the ball by staying open and keeping his vision up. This allowed Prav to take full advantage of all the good things he could do with the ball and made our attack on the outside hard to deal with. Prav is also really good at cleaning up loose balls in our defence and making desperate tackles when we need them most. Super work Prav!



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Tom RANDALL (Striker)

Tom had an excellent season, improving in a range of skills. He added to his speed and ball carry skills by understanding space and the ability to pass for his team-mates to run onto. Tom positioned himself well in the circle and was very good at winning penalty corners for us. He has a very good understanding of the game and came up with important ideas that helped us improve from one quarter to the next. Awesome Tom!

Adam READ (Midfielder)

Adam did a tremendous job playing as an attacking midfielder. He has built his ability to carry the ball into space in order to create an opportunity for one of his team-mates. Adam is a selfless player and does everything he can for his team. He works very hard defensively, helping to apply pressure and win the ball back for us. In particular, Adam increased the speed and tempo of his play throughout the year whilst always aiming for a quality outcome. Keep working on your variety of new skills Adam, along with your use of speed to attack. Well done, a great season!

Jacob RICHARDSON (Defender)

Jacob is a super outside defender who loves to stay involved in the game. He was excellent at contesting and winning the ball and enthusiastically throwing himself into our attack. Jacob is able to read very quickly where the ball is going and made numerous intercepts each week. He provided tempo to our game through his quick restarts and use of the self-pass. Jacob also used his speed beautifully to chase break away strikers and take the pressure off our circle. Super season Jacob!

Rohan SANDHU (Striker)

Rohan had a consistent ability to find the net throughout the season. Often able to score when things were tight and scores were low, and other times bag up to four goals in a game when things were going really smoothly for us. Rohan uses his speed very well and learned about the importance of leading and creating space by moving in behind the defensive line. Rohan also added chasing to his defensive skill set and helped us to win a lot of ball through pressure.

Luca SORCI (Defender)

Luca played a great role in our team as a defender. He has a beautiful hit, timing the ball sweetly. Luca uses this skill to relieve pressure and create an attack for our fast forward line. He reads the play to help make lots of intercepts and is especially good at winning the ball in tough contests in our circle and playing the ball to safety. We can't wait to see you again in 2021 Luca!

Aiden TURNER (Defender)

Aiden played as a central defender and worked productively to improve the skills he has and add new skills to his game. We found that he has an excellent forehand tackle. Very consistent and very safe, Aiden used his tackle as a strength to win the ball and then make a super pass into our midfield. He worked on improving his hitting technique through the year as well as organizing our defence, learning about marking, and playing with composure during stressful moments at the back! Well done Aiden!

I loved the spirit of our team and the way we grew with every game across the shortened season. You all have great potential to improve your own game in order to help your team play as well as it can. Thanks for all of your fantastic efforts this year and I look forward to seeing you again in 2021.



J 5/6 A RESERVE BOYS

So the start of June 2020 came and the boys could finally grade for the 2020 season, who knew how it would run? But at least the boys could don their shin guards and pick up their sticks and start playing. First game was home against WASPS and the boys were finding their feet. We had five Year 4s in the team and this was their first experience playing in the league system. Before long, the first aid kit was out as Ben Somers received a high stick to the mouth, breaking three of his bottom teeth - ouch! Luckily, we found one piece and the dentist worked wonders to make his smile as good as new by the end of the day. This was almost trumped when Leo Webb received a stick to the head against Lions later in the season and had to leave the field, later receiving a stitch or two behind his ear! Whilst he was being treated Lions scored and again the boys had lost a tight game.

Chris Gilbert coached the team in a very calm and clear manner compared to some mad professor-like coaches that would prowl the touchline shouting and barking orders, our boys certainly responded well to the calmer approach and were competitive even when they came up against some tough opposition in YMCC and Westside Wolves who finished first and second. But for some questionable permit players and interesting umpiring decisions, the boys could have had a few more results go in our favour.

My thanks to **Graham Braid** who stepped in for Chris to help coach at training a few times this season, and all the umpires that assisted, there was a huge gulf in quality between the Melville umpires and other clubs.

To the boys, great season together, you played some attractive structured hockey at times throughout the season, with more training and experience you will continue to grow and develop into quality players as you progress through the club. See you in season 2021. **Joel Fulcher - Manager**

Rohan BRAID (Full back)

After starting the season at right half you have stepped in to full back and been a brick wall. You are a pleasure to coach and your confidence has grown, which is showing on the pitch. You often use great skill to get out of pressure situations and turn defence in to attack. Well played.

Mason CHADWICK (Right wing)

What an improvement you have made, from your hitting, to ball retention. Keep working on different skills so you don't become predictable, great dink though! Always smiling and great to coach.

Connor DOIG (Right half)

Your role at right half this season has been a big part of our flow going forward this season. You have grown into it and your improvement each game has been really good to see. Keep working on your game awareness. Great job!

Angus EAGER (full back)

Well done this year, you have improved in your decision-making and are confident in your role at full back. Remember to take your time and not rush. Going forward, training is key for you to gain more cohesion with your team. Your enthusiasm towards the team on game day is great.



Nathan FORBES (Inner/forward)

Great stick work and distribution. You are so natural on the ball and have grown in confidence throughout the season. Very polite and coachable young man, well done!

Brady FULCHER (Goalkeeper)

A polite, funny and hard-working young man who has grown in to his role this year. He has kept us in games and lifted the team with numerous outstanding saves. A pleasure to coach. Well done!

Ewan GEEN (Inner)

Well done this season, your ability to drive in to space with the ball is brilliant and you never stop running. Keep practising your hitting. Well done on a really good season.

Jack GILBERT (Inner/forward)

Well done mate. Your speed has been an asset this year and with your skills improving, this will hold you in good stead. Keep working on your defending as it is a huge part of the game. Well done son.



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Noah KARANTONIS (Forward)

On the left wing you have used your skill to great effect. Always finding space and getting us into good attacking positions. Remember to raise your eyes earlier for that pass. Well done.

Oliver McKINNON (Inner/forward)

The improvement you have made this year is massive. Playing inner is challenging and you have taken it on and led the team forward this season. Keep working on your distribution. Well done and good luck.

Benjamin SOMERS (Left half)

You are such an energetic and enthusiastic player. Your work rate is amazing and each week you have made huge improvements in different aspects of your game. Well done and look after those teeth!

Luca SORCI (Centre half)

You are a true leader on and off the pitch. Your skill level is exceptional and you use it very well in good areas of the field. Remember the ball can always move faster than you can. Great work ethic, polite and honest. Well done.

Lucas WALLINGTON (Forward)

You have been a great role model for the many Year 4s we have had this season. You have been a reliable target going forward and have used your skill to your advantage. Fantastic to have someone like you to coach. Thank you.

Leo WEBB (Defence/full back)

Your role has varied this season in defence, but you have delivered every game. You're a tackling machine and have no fear. A true team player with energy and skill. Well done and keep smiling.

Many thanks to Joel for his hard work as team manager and to all that have helped out throughout the year, especially Graham for his work at training. Cheers, Chris

Chris Gilbert - Coach





J 5/6 B (GOLD) BOYS

An amazing, compressed year 2020 for hockey, especially when I didn't think we would get a season in at all, but hats off to Tarryn and Roger for pulling it all together. **Wrap up** - 10 Rounds, 1 win and 3 draws (against 2nd, 3rd and 4th teams) finishing just out of the top 4.

Noteworthy that due to social distancing and restrictions on travel it meant that for every game bar one we had a full squad of 13 available and this resulted in a level of stability and structure as our season progressed. My coaching objective was to instil in our J5/6's a greater understanding of positions and the responsibilities that comes with playing their role in the team. I am sure they are sick of Todd and I calling to them - spread out / find space / change the direction, but I am also sure that if they continue in the sport this will be a consistent message they will receive for many years to come.

Thanks to all the boys for their efforts and commitment, keep working hard on your game. And also to the parents for your support of the boys, encouragement and sportsmanship shown towards all our competitors. Immense thanks also to:

Manager - Ingrid Croall, thanks for all your organizing and team communications.

Assistant Coach, Player Welfare, Salary Cap and Rotations Manager - Todd Barrett, many thanks, highly underrated and overworked, was at every training session.

Andrew Scanlon - Coach

Harvey BARRETT

Tough gig being assistant coach's son. Harvey on average receives 2-3 blows per game and/or training session - be it a stick, a ball, an errant knee or knock to some part of his body. I'm not sure if this is from constantly putting his body on the line or placing himself in the wrong place at the wrong time, we'll have to wait and see. I like your basic skills and with your growth you will be a real asset, keep working on your hitting and passing, both to a stick and into space. Remember, "It's not the size of the dog in the fight." Some familiar family traits in Harvey.

Angus CROALL

(Junior C) - Angus is a really hard worker with an application that means he never gives up, no matter the size of the opposition players or the number he is battling for control of the ball. What I like most is that any feedback I deliver is absorbed (sponge-like) and I get to see him put it into practice immediately. Developing great basic skills, I like the way you move the ball on both sides of your body and I can see a future grand exponent of the 'tomahawk'.

Hamish CROALL

(Senior C) - Looks a natural in goal but also just as comfortable at left or right half back or moving in the midfield. Has the perfect nature for goals as he wants the ball hit at him and wants to be in the play. Really enjoys the competition on game day. Keep working on your game and whether you choose the goal or field, I know you'll go for it.

Cody FARMER

As a first year player, it is hard enough to grasp the basics let alone what each team position's role is. Cody has really applied himself, likes the contacts and competing for the ball at every situation. Always gives 100% and is drawn into the action. Keep working on your game and I'm sure the enjoyment of the competition will grow.

Lachlan HUGHES

I coached Lachlan last season and described him as the rock, this year he was a bigger and stronger rock in all aspects of his game. Quietly spoken but always up for a chat about how the game is progressing, Lachlan keeps me informed of what the opposition is doing. Has a great reach, tackle and has also developed the reverse stick part of his game, both trap and distribute. He uses his size to cover a large area, size that opposition forwards find a bit intimidating. Keep applying yourself, enjoy the experience and you can make an even greater contribution to your team.

Zeon KIM

I'd describe Zeon as the racehorse, he always wants to find clear space and when he gets the ball he want to move it as fast as he can. An addition to his game this year is that he's worked out that if you can't pass and run around a player you just employ the "nutmeg" and work the ball through their legs. Spends as much time with the ball on his reverse stick as he does on his flat. Great body position whilst in possession, I challenge him to keep it simple, carry the ball on the flat, at pace, this will always unsettle any defence. Zeon will make a great striker, just needs to keep developing his shots. Great speed and temperament.



J 5/6 B (GOLD) BOYS cont

Maxwell KLASS

Just loves competing. Full Stop. Plays his best hockey as a striker, finding space and using his pace to carry the ball at opposition defences, who often were left asking - what just happened? We need to work on Max's defensive skills, even when he plays as a striker, if we can develop his ability to tackle and dispossess opposition players then he can take advantage of the turnover, use his pace and movement ability to go straight at the goal, loves to shoot and score. Work on your drag from left to right foot, work on carrying the ball at pace and shoot from any part of the circle. Some familiar family traits in Max.

Rhys MILLER

Another first-year player coming across from junior football and has adapted really well to the new sport. Applies himself at training - working on the basics plus learning the flow and being able to read the game has been a lot to take in in a shortened season. Rhys shows endeavour, application, is highly competitive and never gives up, always staying in a contest. He shows no fear when it comes to tackling and getting involved. Had his best game of the year in Round 10 when he gained lots of possessions at left wing and moved the ball forward into our attack. Keep applying yourself Rhys.

Hamish MOORE

Third first-year player in the squad and the other quiet achiever in our side, Hamish just applies himself at training and during games. Whilst currently smaller in stature, this does not stop Hamish from diving in and getting involved as soon as the ball enters either the attacking or defensive zone he is playing in. So far he has worked in all three areas of the field (attack, mid and defence) and as yet he has not shown his preference for a position, proving regularly proficient at each. Keep developing your hitting, slap and pushing skills as well as carrying the ball forward and on angles so you can remain adaptable for your next team.

Riley ROBINSON

Riley possesses a great tackle, has physical presence, natural athleticism and never steps away from a contest, often tackling multiple times during each play. He delivers a massive work rate, running all 48 mins and we have taken advantage of this in mainly playing him at centre midfielder. Late season development of his hitting means that he can use this asset to hit through the lines, pumping the ball forward from mid field into our attacking D, ultimately placing the pressure on opposition defences, causing mistakes and providing scoring opportunities. Keep working on your ball carrying, flat stick tackles, changing the directions and recognising the space to move into and take advantage of. Well done Riley.

Max ROSS

For me, you've been our quiet achiever in the team this year. Always reliable, at training and during games. Your skills in the midfield or striker line have improved considerably as the season has progressed, as has your confidence to carry the ball and take on opposition defenders plus pass the ball forward to your team-mates. Keep working on those skills as well as developing your leading and positioning to make best advantage of the space you are finding to advantage the team.

Timothy SCANLON

Tough gig being the coach's son, used mainly in the back 4 with the odd advancement into mids through the year. Possesses a great flat stick tackle and always going back a second or third time. I liked the running and mobility that is increasing in your game (not a family trait, I hear some members say), you will grow in confidence with more time in the midfield now. Keep your head up and scan the oncoming play whilst also working on your hitting, reverse stick trap and pass and don't forget honing your stick skills, flat and reverse.

Luke TALBOT

Applies himself 100% to each and every task, whether it be training or a game situation and is super competitive, loves to scrap when the ball is in play, more often than not coming away with the ball or a free. Luke wears his heart on his sleeve, you are never in doubt about what he thinks of an umpiring decision as he assesses whether it fits the rule of fair play. Keep working on your game Luke, hit, trap, tackle, dragging the ball from outside your left foot to outside your right foot and a position of strength for travelling with the ball and making a tackle. Keep getting the most out of competition.



J 5/6 B (SAND) BOYS

This season has been about learning the game of hockey and focusing on players knowing their position, with all but three players new to junior hockey.

Our second-season players, Josh, Joey, and Kieran, formed the core defensive group which was instrumental in our early season success. This allowed the new players to gain confidence as they learnt their roles in the team. By the midpoint of the season, all the players were starting to work as a team and a lot of our success has come from good ball movement. The ability to transfer the ball with intent through the midfield has allowed us to stretch the opposition defence and led to many scoring opportunities.

The parents have been able to enjoy watching a good style of 5/6 hockey.

Doug Brightwell - Coach

Temujin BLOOMFIELD ((Teme) - Wing)

This young man works on his technique and gets himself to all the right places on the field. As his confidence grows and he gets a little more assertive, he will become a great striker and have a greater impact on a game.

Brent BOTTOMLEY ((Bee) - Centre Half)

Brent had the tough task of learning one of the more demanding rolls on the field. He likes to be involved in the play, which is great, but this has seen him caught out of position on occasion when we need someone in the centre of midfield to transfer the play. Overall, Brent has done very well and he gets better each week.

Joshua BRIGHTWELL (Goal Keeper)

Josh is our Mr Reliable at the back. He very quickly showed the team that he is a quality goalkeeper, and in the early rounds was regularly amongst the best on ground. Josh has been exceptional every time he has been called upon to make a save. He is still learning the art of organising his defence, but he talks to his players and encourages them regularly during the game. His confidence has skyrocketed this year. His commitment to being a positive and encouraging team member has seen him earn the respect of his team-mates.

Samuel CARROLL (Left Half)

Sam is a livewire at left half. He is always willing to get involved in the play down the left and interrupt as many of the attacking moves as he can. He works very well with his fullback, Joey, and left inner, Ben, to create the link between our defence and forward players. If Sam continues to work on his basics, he will become a very good half back.

Alex COOPER ((the goal machine) - Centre forward)

Alex has done what you expect of your centre-forward, and that is score goals and a lot of them. At the time of writing, Alex has scored nine goals, placing him second in the league for most goals scored. The one thing Alex needs to learn is that hockey is a running game and you need to run back to position to help setup the press on defensive free hits.

Joseph DIAS ((Joey) - Fullback)

Diminutive in size but giant at fullback. One of the biggest and sweetest hitters of the ball in the team, Joey also makes very well-timed tackles and has an uncanny ability to get the ball when you think he is beaten. A fantastic season and one of the best on ground regularly. Oh, one more thing, "Joey, don't be lazy, move your feet and get around the ball".

Ben ELPHICK-McCOY ((Elfi) - Left Inner)

Ben is a tireless worker in the midfield. He has set up many attacking moves resulting in goals this season. The only thing missing is a goal next to his own name. You can rely on Ben to pop up in defence to steal the ball and launch a fast break counter-attack down the left. A great season Ben, well done!

Harry GOULD ((Wiz) - Right Inner)

Harry has good ball manipulation skills and the confidence to take on and beat players, sometimes more than once. He has been instrumental in supplying the final pass for Alex to score many times this season and managed to get himself on the score sheet a couple of times as well. He is an excellent midfielder who is prepared to work back and help in defence when needed. Harry has a bright hockey future. You're a Wizard, Harry!

Kieran HO ((Kizzaaaaaaaaaah) - Right Half)

Kieran has played very well at right half this year. He has a tendency to ball-watch a bit and gets himself out of position, but is often successful at making the attacker make a mistake. Kieran just needs a little more confidence to overlap in attack and create an additional man overload to either setup a goal or potentially score himself. A good season Kieran, well done.

Matthew KERVIN ((not Alex) - Wing)

Matthew has been playing on the wing this season and he is starting to understand where he needs to be on the field when we attack. As his positional awareness has improved, the goals have started to come. If only the season was a bit longer... (BTW - his parents will know what "not Alex" means.)



J 5/6 C (SAND) BOYS cont

Angus McARTHUR ((Gus) - Fullback/Half back)

Angus joined the team after taking a year off hockey in 2019. He has not lost any of his defensive awareness since I coached him in 2018, and was a great fit for the team in the fullback or more defensive left half role this year. Well done Angus.

Luca RICCIARDONE ((Ricca) - Wing)

Luca has taken giant steps this year. His skills have improved out of sight and he regularly gets himself on the scoresheet. I know I can rely on him to beat hapless defenders and set up someone to score. Luca's break-out game was the "turf" round this year where his skills really came to the fore and since then his confidence and improvement have been heading up. A great year Luca, I look forward to seeing what you can do in years to come.

Oberon SMITH ((Obee) - Fullback)

Oberon is a first-year J5/6 player and was one of my reliable and impregnable back three. He has the ability to time his tackles to perfection and thwarts many promising attacks. Oberon links well with the right half to bring the ball out of defence. As his confidence grows, he will get better and better. A great first season Obee.

Matty ZMITKO (Wing)

Matty was brand new not only to hockey but also sport in general this year. He had the steepest learning curve of all players and is starting to move up that curve. Once he understands that he needs to move back and forward with the play he will have more influence on attacking outcomes. I hope Matty enjoyed playing hockey this season and is willing to keep playing.

I would like to thank our manager, Steph (Ben's mum). Without someone to look after the off-field duties, the team wouldn't function. Also, thanks to Matt (Brent's dad), who has helped at training and on the weekends. This team would not have been able to achieve as much in the shorter season without you. Matt has also been willing to support and encourage our young umpires on occasion this season which I am sure has been greatly appreciated.

A big thanks to the parents who have supported their kids and the team through the season. Having your commitment contributed to the team's success, more than you realise.

To all the boys, no matter if you are going to J7/8s or have another year of J5/6s, I hope you continue your hockey journey. It has been a pleasure to coach you this year and I'll be sure to ask how you're going if I see you around the club next year and in the future.





J 5/6 C BOYS

If there was an award for most improved over a short season, J5/6 Cs would take it out. Our team went from strength to strength with every game, and every player grew into their position well. A great group of boys; all very different characters, but all willing to learn and improve.

For many in the team, this season was about mastering the basics - hitting, trapping, passing, manning up, team structures. We covered all the basics of good hockey and, when we executed these basics, we were unstoppable.

We'd like to congratulate all the boys for their enthusiasm and fighting spirit this season. We'd also like to sincerely thank the great support we had from all the parents on the sidelines. Lots of passion! We look forward to seeing how all the boys develop over the summer and where they land next season. Well done, all.

Paul Coghlan and David Taylor (Coaches)

Stewart BILNEY (Right Wing)

With great pace and skills, Stewart was like a cheetah up and down that right wing. He worked wonderfully with his inners and the rest of the forward line throughout the season to set up crucial plays in the attacking D. Stewart was great to train because he really took on advice on getting the most out of his position - constantly running the ball down the line and arcing in on the post when in attack. Stewart also performed brilliantly in goal on one occasion to keep a clean net and knock off the top side. Well done on a wonderful season, Stewart.

Max COGHLAN (Striker)

A magician up forward. In striker, inner or wing Max used his pace and fitness to lead around and find space to receive the ball. Max is diligent to the cause, always looking to improve and win games for his team. He really focused hard on improving his one-on-one situations with goalies in the circle and getting around them to score. Max has a very strong mindset of self-improvement and never likes to let his team mates down. He is incredibly supportive and encouraging of his team-mates. He loves his hockey. Well done on a great season, Maxie.

Oscar COGHLAN (Left Half)

When Oscar says 'I'm going into beast mode,' he really does find that next gear. He goes at the ball like a dog at a bone and, when he gets hold of that ball, he always gives it a massive whack. Oscar's hitting has improved significantly this season and has become one of his trademarks. He works well through mid-field with his centre half and inners, and has always given it his all for his team. As one of the more mature aged boys in his team, he naturally showed great leadership in key moments. Well done on a solid season, Oscar.

Thaneesh DAIVANDRAN (Left Half)

Always eager to learn, Thaneesh improved markedly week after week. His versatility as a player meant we could play him in all manner of positions. Over the course of the season, Thaneesh really focused on improving his stick handling and hitting. This hard work really showed in games when he smartly weaved around players and got the ball into the right spaces for his team members to then take forward. Well-mannered and very appreciative, Thaneesh was a pleasure to coach. Well done on a great season.

Evan FITZPATRICK (Left Inner)

This season, Evan has shown great strength on the ball and in his tackling. He's like a sponge in absorbing learnings in training, and then applying them on the weekend. He has a great hockey mind, and can anticipate plays well. As left inner, his positioning has been fantastic. Through games, he has displayed extraordinary patches of play with second and third efforts to break through defence lines which have gone on to set up goals and convert. Well done on a very strong season, Evan.

Joey HUNTROD (Striker/Left Wing)

Joey used his physical strength and speed well this season. He had a great understanding of positioning up forward and went into over-drive when moving the ball into attack. On the flipside, Joey also loved playing the goalie position and had a great attitude and approach to his games in goal. He worked really hard on his stick handling and hitting, which improved more and more through the season. Joey is well-mannered and kind to his team-mates, and is always looking out for them in training and in games. Congrats on a great season, Joey.



J 5/6 C BOYS cont

Art JAUNCEY (Right Half)

As a half, Art improved incredibly in his understanding of the position and developed a great intuition for reading plays and distributing the ball forward. His tackling was extremely strong and at times influenced the outcome of games by stopping the opposition dead in their tracks and sending it back the other way. Art enjoys his hockey and playing in his team and always approaches his training and games with a great, positive mindset. Well done this season, Art.

Tristan KAVANAGH (Left Wing)

What a speedster. Tristan used his pace and physical presence to great effect this season. He naturally slotted well into either wing or striker positions and was a brilliant carrier of the ball towards goal. Tristan showed consistent flare and enthusiasm around the field. He approached learning with intelligence and understood what was required of his position - leading into space, arcing into the post from the sideline - he applied what he learned in games, which resulted in multiple goals and assists. Well done on a fantastic season, Tristan.

Sam KOZAK (Right Inner)

Worked really well in the right inner position and particularly brilliantly with his wing and striker. Sam has great pace and energy about him in moving the ball forward into attack. He had a great attitude to training and learning, always giving it his all. One of Sam's great skills is staying focussed and remaining calm in key moments, and that mindset helped keep games flowing in the right direction. Sam was great in attack and showed maturity in front of goal at key times. Well done this season, Sam.

Heath LANGLEY (Goalkeeper/Right Half)

Heath has natural talents as a goalkeeper. His eagerness to play this position resulted in him giving it 100%. He was very focussed in getting to know the position - the stance, cutting off angles, clearing it out of defence - and this paid off in his presence and great saves in games. While Heath loves the goalie position, he was also a fantastic field player. We could run him in either mid or attack and he would deliver. Heath brought a great attitude to training and enjoyed working with his team. The tough decision will be does he pursue goalkeeping or play on the field? Well done on a great season, Heath.

Matthew LAWLER (Right Inner)

Played brilliantly in the right inner position this season. A great energy, attitude and fire to get in and get that ball. Showed great poise and skills for his age and was a crucial feeder into the circle, sometimes even running in and cracking one himself. A great team player, always looking for the best option for the team moving forward rather than hogging it. A very promising player as he moves through juniors.

Thomas LAWLER (Centre Half)

Has played a great and important role in centre half this year. He has a great hockey brain; he reads opportunities well, so can set up plays and distribute the ball into the forward line effectively. He also plays with the kind of tenacity that can really influence the outcomes of games. His second and third efforts with tackling are just fantastic. He rises to every occasion with energy, urgency and passion. Great job this season, Thomas - you have the skills and mind to go far in hockey.

Lucas PRINCE (Right Back)

Coming from a solid pedigree of defensive hockey players, Lucas is a natural in the backline. His calm demeanour, coupled with his solid tackling skills, has helped him stand up in many key moments with opposition flying down at him. What's been really impressive is Lucas' ability to take on what he's taught in training - always distribute wide and find your player. Lucas has performed incredibly well in clutch moments - in one particular game saving one ball on the line to help the team go on and win against the top side. Well done on a great season, Lucas.

Levi TAYLOR (Left Back)

During the season, something just clicked. A light went on and Levi realised he actually has talents as a defender. His confidence grew, and everything just kept improving - hitting, tackling, marking players, staying calm and finding the line rather than hitting through the middle. There were clutch moments where he kept his head and was rock-solid in keeping the ball out. Levi is the next generation in a family of hockey defenders, so we can see him only improving more and more from here.

Mekhi WEBSTER (Left Half)

Mekhi joined us a little into the season, but immediately got into the groove. Relatively new to hockey, Mekhi was always curious and eager to learn how to play his half position. In a short space of time, Mekhi showed great improvement in his stick handling, ball carrying and hitting. The half position is not an easy position in that you're constantly toggling between defence and attack, and Mekhi slotted in well through his persistence to learn. It was great to bring you on board, Mekhi - well done on a solid season.



J 5/6 A GIRLS

Without the grading carnival this year, the girls were put into one of the two A grades and had to fight it out in the first half of the season to make the final A grade. The girls, most of whom in their first A grade side, started training for what would be an unknown season and it turned out to be a really even competition. The season started off with a big loss to the eventual A-grade winners in Lions, but since that game the team really grouped together and were eager to learn and start scoring some goals. The girls finished the season one point away from third place - the biggest testament to how far the girls have come since game one was only losing 3-0 to Lions the second time we played them (a team that scored 58 goals in ten games!) This was my first year coaching J5/6 girls and I wouldn't have swapped it for anything, it was a thoroughly enjoyable season in which the girls had fun playing with each other and I had fun coaching them.

A special thanks to Jacqui Peachey for managing the team each week and keeping everything under control. Thanks also to Craig Tate for helping out coach and offering invaluable tips to the girls for the future, to Nic McCaughan for helping out with goalkeeping training throughout the year and to the parents for the positive support from the sidelines all season.

Mitch Tate - Coach

Lucy CARMODY (Defender/Midfielder)

Lucy was one of the few players that have played A's before this year and her experience in the grade showed. Lucy was composed on the ball whether she was in fullback or playing a key role in the midfield, her efforts to keep running even when late in the game didn't go unnoticed. Lucy took instructions on board and applied them straight away, it was a pleasure to coach you, Lucy.

Matilda COBILL (Defender)

Matilda was one half of our dynamic halfback partnership this year and didn't put a foot wrong. Matilda would be running back to help tackle and save goals at one end and then be running down the sideline with the ball to pass to our strikers. Keep developing the way you have been Matilda, and no one will be able to stop you. Well done.

Scarlett COSTA (Forward)

One of the many speedy players in our team, Scarlett made countless dashes down the wing with the ball, leaving her defender behind her not being able to catch up. Good first season in A's Scarlett and I'm sure your goal this year was the first of many to come. Look forward to seeing you run around many more defenders in the future.

Lily DUCKWORTH (Forward)

Lily was one of our goal scorers this year and a key part of our forward line, playing most of her time at centre forward. Lily has the ability to tap the ball around defenders and before you know it be in the circle having a shot at goal. She always brought energy to training and games and made sure everyone was always upbeat. You were a joy to coach this year, good luck for the years to come Lily.

Isla GILBERT (Defender)

Well done this season Isla! You were an integral part of our backline. The other half of our unstoppable half back duo, you improved so much over the course of the season and played the majority of the games with little break. To show your versatility, you even managed to sneak forward and score a goal. More great seasons to come.

Amelie HARMSEN (Goal Keeper)

I was lucky enough to coach a team this year with a great goalkeeper who was willing to listen and get better. Amelie kept us in games when the opposition was lucky enough to get to our goal, a testament to the hard work she put in at training. Amelie started the year with only needing to add communicating with her team-mates on the field to her game, by the end of the year she was making sure everyone was marking players and we were organised at the back. Great season Am.

Sarah HEALEY (Midfielder/Defender)

Sarah had a great season this year in her final year in J5/6, with mesmerising skills that ran around everyone who tried tackle her, she was a key part in every attack, leading our goal scoring this year from the midfield. I look forward to seeing you play in the future. Good luck in J7/8's Sarah.

Chloe PATTON (Defender/Midfielder)

Chloe was a pleasure to coach this year because of her versatility. Chloe played at the back, in the midfield and up front a couple of times. It helped having the strongest hit in the competition on our team – a hit that could pierce through any press to get the ball where we needed it. Your leadership as one of our more senior players on the team was also crucial to our team doing so well. Well done this season, Chloe.



J 5/6 A GIRLS cont

Brooke PEACHEY (Midfielder)

Brooke ran her heart out this year in our midfield, tackling almost every player that came near her. This was Brooke's first year in J5/6 and you wouldn't know it, her ability to trap almost any ball that was smashed at her was unmatched and then she would find a player to pass to instantly. Look forward to many years of you terrorising opposition teams.

Sienna PITT (Forward)

Sienna was one of the better markers in our team and that made it really easy for me to coach her. I could instruct Sienna to mark the opposition's best player and she wouldn't leave their side, would run all day, and her speed meant no one would beat her to a ball. Great season Sienna.

Grace SHACKLETON (Forward)

Grace's first season in A's was a good one. She already possessed the skill set to run around players and make big plays in games, but didn't yet have the confidence. As the season progressed, Grace started creating more and more scoring opportunities and making more runs down the wing which was great to watch. Was thoroughly enjoyable watching you gain confidence and progress this season into the great player you can be.

Ruby TREZISE (Forward/Defender)

Ruby started the year as keen as anyone to play up front and score goals for us, but that soon changed as Ruby became one of our star fullbacks in the team. Although unhappy with the change down back at first, Ruby still relished the role and cleaned up every ball that came her way. Great season Ruby, well done.

Charlotte TROTTER (Midfielder/Defender)

If being able to play multiple positions this year was a key part to our team's success, then Charlotte embodied that. From starting in fullback to playing midfield, then on the wing, Charlotte played wherever the team needed and excelled at that position. Your multiple efforts to tackle the ball off the opposition drove everyone else to put the same effort in when tackling. Great season Charlotte.





J 5/6 A RESERVE GIRLS

The Melville J5/6 A Res Girls came together at the start of the season and had our first (and only) win for the season in a scratch match against Vic Park. Once the season proper started, we found that the J5/6 A Res Girls division was very strong, and we played against quality teams every week. Although we did not win any games for the season, we improved each week, and in the last three games, kept within a goal or two of the top three teams. In many of the games we played, we held the majority of the play but just didn't quite slot the goals needed to win. A great bunch of girls who really came together and showed their talent and skill across a challenging season. The girls from this team going up to J7/8's next year will add a great deal of depth to J7/8's, and those staying in J5/6's will add strength to top teams.

John Harmsen – Coach

Caitlin ARBERY (CAITLIN!!!- Full Back/Half-Back)

Caitlin was one of the versatile and busy backs with a hit that was virtually unmatched in the competition. She was confident in carrying the ball when needed and tackling hard to win the ball from the opposition. Caitlin was always happy to have a chat with her team members, even when under pressure during the game. Well done Caitlin- it has been fantastic coaching you over the last three years!

Eve BRANCH (Eve-Inner)

Eve came to every training session ready to train, and this showed in her skill development across the season. As her confidence increased, so did her ability to win the ball and take on the opposition. Her effort at training and continuous improvement across the season earned her one of the Coach's Awards for 2020. Great work Eve!

Georgina BROWN (George- Half-Back/Back/Inner)

Georgina was happy to play wherever she was needed and gave her all in every game. She was fast and could get from the half way line to the top of the D in no time. George was confident and focused and will continue to improve as she moves through the grades at Melville. Great season George!

Lily BROWN (Lil- Centre Forward)

Lily stepped up across the season and continued to improve in every game she played. She held down the centre forward position in most of the games and could easily move across to inner or back to half back. She had great running ability and will continue to develop as she moves through the grades. Top stuff Lily!

Eliza COX (Liza- Full Back)

Eliza was the social heart of the team, and was always ready for a chat. She is a very strong full back and reads the play well. She was able to slot into the goal-keeper role when needed and was always calm under pressure. She improved across the season and if she continues to train hard she will be a great player in the future. Excellent work this season Eliza!

Hannah ECKERMANN (Han- Goal-keeper/Back/Wing)

Hannah showed some raw skills in the grading that indicated that she may be a good option as goal-keeper and she embraced this in the first half of the season. Hannah put in extra effort, attending both team and goal-keeper training during the season, and developed her skills in all areas. Towards the end of the season, Hannah shed her goalie gear and had a run up forward on the wing, almost scoring a goal on a number of occasions. Top effort Hannah!

Alyssa ENGPU (Alyssa- Inner/Wing)

Alyssa joined us late in the season as a forward after discovering a love for hockey playing for her school's team. A fast and skilful player, she became an asset to the team until she injured her foot by kicking a wall. Keep at it Alyssa, and we hope to see you playing again next year!

Kaia HARMSEN (Kaia- Full Back)

The smallest player on the team, Kaia was the other half of the full back line with Eliza. Kaia was rock solid in defence, tackling girls more than double her size. She never backed down and saved many goals. A highlight of the year was against UWA where Kaia won free hits all the way up the field from the defensive D to the attacking D. Great work Kaia!

Poppy HUNTROD (Pops- Wing (and sometimes Inner))

Poppy continued on from the 2019 season on the wing, and whilst the season wasn't quite as successful as 2019 where Poppy was the second top goal scorer for the team, her skills and confidence improved and developed. Whilst she doesn't think she knows how to play inner, she managed to hold down the position on a number of occasions and gave every game her best effort. She had a go at goal-keeping and showed a good level of skill in this position. Great season Pops!



J 5/6 A RESERVE GIRLS cont

Zara KENT (Zar- Half Back/ Inner)

Zara started the season by stating that she only plays forward, but soon showed that she could play any position and became one of our go-to half backs. She never gives up and pushed to win the ball at all times. A talented and skilful player who will continue to improve with training and opportunities to play in Melville teams. Excellent work Zara!

Charley PETERSEN (Chewie- Wing/Inner)

When Charley gets the ball and starts to run with it you know something special might just happen... especially since the warm-up run is her least favourite thing about hockey. Charley's skills have developed across the season and she became a crucial part of the team's game plan. Well done Charley!

Isabella RICCIARDONE (Izzy- Half Back)

Isabella is the go-to player when you need something special to happen and on a number of occasions was told to get out there and cause chaos. Isabella started off in the forward line, but soon moved into a half back position where she showed courage and determination. Brilliant season Izzy!

Ella WALDEN (Ella- Wing/Inner/Centre Forward)

Ella is a quiet but committed player, developing confidence and determination across the season. By the final game she was leading for and carrying the ball up the field and into the attacking D. Keep working hard and enjoy your hockey Ella - you are going to be a great player!

Tia WOODS (Tia- Half Back)

Tia grew in skill and confidence across the season and became part of a much improved half-back line by the end of the season. She always trained hard and showed great speed, strength and skill when her confidence was up. Very well done Tia!

Thank you to the girls who have all shown a commitment to the team, turning up to training and the games on time, and being an absolute joy to coach. A big thank-you to the parents - without you your girls couldn't play hockey and your support has kept us all going in a tough but fun season. A big thank you to our manager, Ali, who made the job of coaching all that much easier. Thank you to our umpire, Jackson, who did a fantastic job at keeping the game safe and fun. Whilst it wasn't a successful season in terms of wins or goals scored, I hope all of the girls will be back next year and continue to enjoy and participate in hockey.

John Harmsen - Coach



J 5/6 B (GOLD) GIRLS (MAROON)

Over the 2020 season, the J5/6 Girls B (Gold) Girls team developed a strong team spirit which was marked by a passion for the game and a strong bond between the girls. It was an absolute pleasure to watch these girls refine their skills and deliver their personal best on a week by week basis. Their understanding of their positional role was central to their increased success over the season and could be seen as they moved together as a highly structured unit. Evidence of how effective they became as a team, even under intense pressure, is indicated by the fact that no team scored more than three goals against them in any of our games. In attack, one would have to say we were slightly unlucky, dominating a number of games with 75% of the play and ending up with a draw.

Sophie BEISSEL (Fullback)

Sophie played in a number of positions over the season but was clearly more comfortable in the back line. In this position she showed increasing confidence in controlling the ball in tight situations and getting the ball out of a pack. In these defensive situations, her ability to use her back stick automatically and manoeuvre the ball to her advantage was an extremely useful skill and a joy to watch.

Ella BRADSHAW (Inner)

Ella started off the year thinking that she may be suited to a half back position, but as the season went on she took a “shine” to the right inner position. Being naturally fast, she found in attack she was able to out run her opponent and break into the “D”. Unfortunately, luck was not on her side, narrowly missing a number of goals and hitting the post in the dying moments of a hard-fought game against the Reds. Given that this was Ella’s first season, she showed a lot of potential and will no doubt grow as a hockey player next year.

Jessica BRUNT (Fullback)

Jess deservedly received a Coach’s Award based on her consistent performance on the field and at training. She was very much a team player who could always be relied upon to back up the defensive line when needed. Her commitment to personal excellence resulted in her becoming a formidable defender. Strategically positioning herself, she would pounce on an attacking forward as soon as they took their eyes off the ball. In tackling duels, there were few equals, as she invariably wore the opponent down until she came out with the ball.

Rose GREGORY (Halfback)

In the last game of the year, Rose took on the role as goalie and did an outstanding job. In this game, the opposition’s first shot at goal was kicked “out of the park”. Following this, she continued to settle into the role and made numerous saves under pressure. Over the season she showed good progress and developed a greater control of the ball, particularly in the defensive halfback line, where she made life difficult for any attacking forward. She was always a pleasure to coach and was a strong part of the comradery between team players.

Chloe HATHARASINGHA (Inner)

Chloe’s favourite position over the season was left or right inner. In attack, she had the ability to cut through defensive lines with her pace. This was typified by her throwing the ball forward into space and racing to pick it up. When this all came together, she would break into the “D”, where she quite often looked dangerous and had a shot at goal. This resulted in her being one of our highest goal scorers for the season.

Hayley LEIGHTON (Centre Halfback)

As the season progressed, Hayley demonstrated that her skill set was well suited to the centre half position. In this pivotal role, she was quick to pass the ball accurately to our forwards running into a space. Her ability to read the play was also outstanding and led to strong passes that penetrated the opposition’s defensive line. She also gave her opposing centre forward very little room to move and consistently cut them out of the game.

Olivia McNALLY (Halfback)

Olivia had a fantastic season, winning a Coach’s Award for her consistent work ethic on the field and application during training seasons. As a result of this attitude, she was the most improved player over the season and became a formidable left half back. Her intensity on the ball was outstanding and penetrating passes were a joy to watch. At training, she listened carefully to advice and was always focused on perfecting the basic skills of hockey which she applied with increasing confidence throughout the season.

Lucy MIDDLETON (Fullback)

Lucy was the ever-reliable fullback. Rarely, if ever, was she out of position, always keenly aware of the “hot line” and where to cut off any attack from the opposition. From a coach’s position, she provided great stress relief, as she calmly pounced on unwary forwards as they attempted to enter the “D” or have a shot at goal. She was also very much a team player who could always be relied upon to back up Jess when needed.



J 5/6 B (GOLD) GIRLS (MAROON) cont

Lyla MOONEN (Centre Forward)

Lyla was a true character on and off the field and joy to coach. On the field she dominated the attack from a centre forward position. Her favourite play was levering the ball out of congestion and catching the opposition “napping” by propelling the ball forward and racing towards the goals. When she masters dragging the ball right she will be a lethal forward with her strong on-ball presence.

Lily MOORE-NEESHAM (Fullback)

Lily warmed increasingly over the season to more of a defensive role, where she would wait patiently for an attacking forward to take their eyes off the ball, before dispossessing them with a well thought-out tackle. On a few occasions, she also played left wing, where she took advantage of staying out wide and broke away down the sideline.

Ava MUNDAY (Inner)

Ava was most comfortable in the right inner position, where she roamed from defence to attack. In this role, she was particularly adept at taking advantage of a “sleepy” defence, typically taking off from free hits with great speed, cutting between half and fullbacks before they had time to wake up. This strategy was also very effective in opening up passing options which resulted in some “deadly” passes to our forwards. Towards the end of the season, it was gratifying to see Ava apply her tackling skills with more determination and ultimately winning more 1 on 1 battles.

Caitlynn SIMON (Halfback)

Caitlynn started off the season with a somewhat timid approach to tackling the opposition. However, as the season went on she became far more aggressive in 1 on 1 tackling duels and frequently came out of these contests with the ball. In terms of playing her role, as a team member, she was very disciplined and did not drift from her zone of influence. Towards the end of the season she also showed a flare for crashing through the defence with her persistence on the ball.

Bridie SINGLETON (Wing & Inner)

At the start of the season Bridie was unsure of her positional role. However, as the season progressed she became increasingly confident in understanding her position on the field and her role as a team player. She also proved herself to be incredibly tenacious on the ball and frequently “won the day” due to sheer persistence.

Shameerhaa THAYALAN (Inner & Wing)

Shameerhaa was comfortable on either side of the field as an inner or wing. In the inner position she was adept at dragging the ball to the right on her back stick and passing defenders on their weak side. Her tenacity on the ball was commendable and led to several break-way runs down the wing. As a true team player, she stayed wide as a wing, which gave our full and half backs a safe option out of the back line under pressure.

Shameetta THAYALAN (Halfback)

Shameetta displayed a clear understanding of her positional role as right half back, always manoeuvring to cut off any attack from the left wing. In any tackling duel her determination and tenacity led to her winning the majority of contests. This determination to win the ball also proved useful when she pushed through defensive lines and passed the ball effectively to our forwards.

Finally, and importantly, all the girls thoroughly enjoyed themselves and have already created two seven aside Summer hockey teams.

Phil Bradshaw - Coach



J 5/6 B (GOLD) GIRLS - WHITE

It's been a rollercoaster of a year for the Girls J5/6B Gold, with some hard-fought wins and narrow losses defining our season. With a very young side, the girls gave it their all each week and never gave up. Training sessions were always well-attended, showing the dedication the girls had to their hockey and we had a lot of fun along the way. A massive thankyou to Pip Wenn who helped coach the team, I don't know what I would have done without you each week. Also, a huge thanks to Paige Forbes for managing the side. Last but not least, thank you to the parents who chauffeured the girls to the games each week and provided such a positive and fun atmosphere.

Dan Penman - Coach

Mischa CHARLTON MEYRICK (Inner)

Mischa is the second of our first-year players and from the start she took to hockey like a duck takes to water. She is a natural, she quickly picked up the skills and techniques needed to play the game and controlled the ball with grace and speed. She has a long reach for tackling and great fitness levels. With a bit more coaching she will excel in the sport. Keep working hard Mischa.

Sadie De BARI (Centre forward)

Sadie is an exciting player and loves to take on the opposition. She played mainly as centre forward and doesn't mind the attention that goes with the marquee position and always had lots to say. She worked hard throughout the season and was rewarded with a couple of goals. Keep up the good work Sadie.

Alexis FORBES (Right wing)

Alexis is the other half of "Team Forbes" and like her sister is a little pocket rocket. She has worked hard this season on her hitting and with a few more games under her belt she is going to be a great player. Her willingness to learn and ask questions kept the coaches on our toes and her enthusiasm for the game is great to see. Well done and keep loving hockey.

Amelie FORBES (Right wing)

Amelie and her sister Alexis are identical twins, and after ten rounds I am still getting told "No, Coach Dan, I'm Amelie!" Playing off the right wing she is still learning her craft but never hesitates to ask questions. Being the smallest in the side she was able to sneak onto the post undetected and gave the opposition backline plenty of headaches. You were a pleasure to coach and keep up your enthusiasm for hockey.

Rylee IRVINE (Left wing)

Rylee was our goal scoring machine topping the list for the year. Playing off left wing, she stayed forward of the play creating space and always gave 100%. Her great attitude and team spirit were infectious. She always had an entourage of family members come to watch every game which spurred her on even more. You have a big future in hockey and the Melville hockey family is lucky to have you.

Alyssa MITCHINSON (Goalie)

Alyssa is our awesome goalkeeper and what a revelation she has been this season. She has developed into a very reliable goalie and with special tutelage from the J7/8 A boys keeper, William Penman, we have seen a steady increase in her skill level. Alyssa also brings an element of fun and laughter to each training session with her bubbly personality. You are a real asset to the team and we hope to see you in the pads for many years to come.

Olivia O'DEA (Centre half back)

Olivia is our quiet achiever in the side, playing at centre half back, she goes about her hockey in a business-like matter, playing hard and getting the job done. She has great vision and skills to match, which helps her win the ball time and time again. Olivia puts a lot of energy into her training and the results speak for themselves on game day. Well done Olivia you have had a great season.

Breanna PENMAN (Back line)

It's always hard being the coach's daughter because you are probably harder on them than anyone else in the team. Playing in the backline, Breanna is incredibly strong and her strength enables her to clear the ball to the other end of the field with ease. Her mothering skills also come in handy, keeping a tight rein on the back half of the team as well as making sure everyone has their game-face on. She is a skilful player with a great passing game and her long arms make her an exceptional tackler. I am very proud of you B.B.

Rebecca SCHIRMER (Full back)

Rebecca was one of our most tenacious players on the team, she wanted the ball! Playing as a half back, full back and two games as a goal keeper, she always went in hard and put her body on the line. At training we would have to tell her to "give the forwards a chance" so they could have an opportunity to get a shot on goal. You should be proud of the season you have had, and I hope to see you playing in many years to come for the Maroons.



J 5/6 B (GOLD) GIRLS - WHITE cont

Ella SMITH (Inner)

Ella has been an integral part of our defensive line this season. Her hitting and tackling have been solid and when she connects, she can smash the ball into the forward half with ease. Her understanding of the role she plays as fullback increased as the season progressed, especially reminding the halfbacks what square of the ball means on 16-yard hits. Ella should be very happy with the year she has had and I look forward to seeing her play again in future years.

Olivia TROTTER (Forward line)

Olivia is a very versatile hockey player with a great work rate. She played the year in the forward line and halfback line helping to set up a lot of the goals. A quiet achiever, Olivia lets her hockey skills do the talking, which has made her an extremely valuable member of the team. Wearing her maroon Melville hat each week with great pride, she always ran her heart out and never wanted to come off the ground. I can see Olivia having a very long playing career because you could see the enjoyment she got out of playing each week. Well done.

Reagan WENN (Half back)

Every team has a fun, cheeky player who embodies the reason why we love playing sport and Reagan fits that bill. She always had a smile on her face and her enthusiasm was infectious. Playing a mixture of halfback and forward, she was able to slot in a couple of goals, which is always a good reward for all her hard work she put in over the ground. Thankyou Reagan, for being such a delight to coach each week and I wish you all the best for the future.

Aida WORLAND (Half back/wing)

Always the first person to training each week, Aida is an enthusiastic team player. Playing off halfback and wing throughout the season, her tackling and confidence improved each week and it was great to watch her growth. Her positioning off the ball was excellent which meant she was putting what she learnt at training into practice which is what every coach is looking for. I would like to see Aida continue to play hockey, be part of a team and keep having fun.

Ella YOUNG (Half back)

What a massive ball of potential this girl is. In her first year of playing hockey, Ella has the ingredients it takes to become a great player. She has so much power but we just need her to believe in herself, harness her strength and release the beast within. Ella played the year at right halfback, but we gave her a couple of runs up forward which she seemed to enjoy. She has a great attitude and I believe if we can keep developing her skills, especially bending those knees when hitting, hey Ella, Melville is going to have an awesome player and club member. Keep going Ella.



2020 MINKEY TEAMS

JUNIOR 3/4 DIVISION

Junior 3/4 T1 'The Flaming Green Machines'

Coach: Sandy Wingfield
Manager: Justine Griffin
 Holly Wingfield
 Indiana Gabriels
 Evie Griffin
 Charlie Ross
 Joel O'Dea
 Archie Gould
 Brodie Fleming
 Finley Turner
 Matilda Burke

Junior 3/4 T2

Coach: Michael Ramsay
 Noah Nordon-Ramsay
 Grace Peachey
 Laura Burton
 Mary Jane De'Laney
 Jasper Green
 Oliver Pearce
 Joel Cooper
 Lachlan Harney
 Ryan Fitzpatrick

Junior 3/4 T3 'The Redheads'

Coach: Brett Mathanda & David Mincham
Manager: Erin Stocks
 Lincoln Mathanda
 Kirby Mincham
 Harrison Cooper
 Flynn Dreverman
 Frederic Argall
 Emily Currie
 Florence Jauncey
 Mikayla Stocks
 Eloise Lockwood

Junior 3/4 T4

Coach: David Taylor & Justin Gregory
 Amy Gregory
 Liam Taylor
 Lauren Roberts
 Elise Moonen
 Torah Kirkham
 Isabella Ryan
 Max Brown
 Henry Brown
 Kobe Taylor
 Bryn Wilson

Junior 3/4 T5

Coach: Simon Kent
Manager: Narelle McMillan
 Ashley Kent
 Fraser McMillan
 Taj Wenn
 Isla Tedeschi
 Kirrily Pulford
 Mila Herbert
 Jenna Phoon
 Alby James
 Jack Lloyd
 Adam Richardson

Junior 3/4 T6 'Sixers'

Coaches: Jason Kozak & Ross Barnes
Manager: Kate MacDonnell
 Tai Kozak
 Kaden Barnes
 Edward Dias
 Quilan Cooper
 Flynn Armitage
 Imogen Wheeler
 Kyla Jarvis
 Demi Kavanagh
 Sienna Mule
 Jack Robinson

Junior 3/4 T7

Coach: Rebecca Reeves
Manager: Alana Field
 Lily Reeves
 Abigail Suda
 Annabel Beissel
 Adele Zebrauskas
 Caitlyn Wallington
 Joe Hunter
 Jacob Soh
 Oliver Young
 Ethan Koekemoer
 Liam Field
 Millen Jones

Junior 3/4 T8

Coach: Matt Read
Manager: Amanda Hesford
 Oliver Read
 Sam Rushton
 Aaron Webb
 Xavier Hughes
 Koa Langenbach
 Indie Morin
 Olivia Batterham
 Josephine Hesford
 Eloise Power
 Remy Peters





2020 MINKEY TEAMS cont

MINKEY 2 TEAMS

Minkey 2 T1

'Pocket Rockets'

*Coaches: Zanda Cameron
& Mike Pickford*

Manager: Renee Hughes

Noah Pickford
Tyla Coster
Amity Gabriels
Ivy James
Veronica Parish
Josh Piggot
Noah McNally
Michael Carcione
Estelle Bolton

Minkey 2 T2

'Flash Minkeys'

Coach: Anne Armitage

Manager: Breanne Burton

Abigail Armitage
Stephanie Burton
Caitlin Blair
Samantha Pulford
Liam Platyes
Toby Smith
Olivia Murphy
Billie Branch
Evelyn Ogden

Minkey 2 T3

Coach: Andy Hale

Manager: Lisa Joss

Billie Richardson
Chloe Eckermann
April Wheeler
Sophie Hale
Jackson Kennedy
Xavier Joss
Archie Munday

Minkey 2 T4

'Lightning Bolts'

Coach: Matt Cooper

Manager: Danielle Cooper

Hayley Cooper
Hazel Cooper
Hadley Lyon
Emily Arathoon
Finlay Johnston
Jack Nicol
Kirsten Blake
Kyven Thayalan

MINKEY 1 TEAMS

Minkey 1 T1

Coach: Ross Hopkins

Eve Hopkins
Bonnie Johnston
Henry Dias
Evan Mace
Ethan Somers
Ruby Hale
Layla Richardson
Nicholas Arathoon

Minkey 1 T4 'Bumble Bees'

Coach: Roh Weddikkara

Manager: Liz Woodberry

Isabella Weddikkara
Natasha Morgan
Lucy Smith
Olivia Oakey
Joshua Pickering
Jack Pickering
Brady Williams
Harriett Hall

Minkey 1 T7 'The Hits'

Coach: Scott Stevens

Manager: Simon Brand

Jessica Stevens
Harry Velzeboer
Penelope Hesford
Aidan Rebisz
Harris Lloyd
Evie Brand
Pollyanna McBride
Chelsea Chase
Georgia Hayes

Minkey 1 T2 'Bolonazers'

Coach: Pip Wenn

Manager: Mark Jeffrey

Cameron Wenn
Eloise Wallington
Eden Jeffery
Macie Taylor
Leila Oliveira Cavalcanti
George Rankine
Cressida McBride
Charlie Brand

Minkey 1 T5

Coach: Tina Mathanda

Manager: Annette Brightwell

Elle Mathanda
Thomas Brightwell
Cameron Young
Hunter Nordon-Ramsay
Esme DeBari
Amelia O'Donnell
Lua Bets

Minkey 1 T3

Coach: Alysia & Boyd Ross

Manager: David Maffescioni

Lotte Ross
Poppy Maffescioni
Tahlia Gabriels
Flynn Kirkham
Liam Adams
Xavier Reddan
Abby Connelly
Alfie Spurling

Minkey 1 T6

Coach: Brendan Joss

Manager: Ben Rushton

Alexander Joss
Jacob Munday
Jacob Rushton
Emerson Taylor
Hannah Platel
Isabella Jones
Mackenzie Engel
Amelia Engel
Evelyn Price



J 11/12 A MERGED BOYS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Reds	5	4	1	0	17	3	14	13	86.7
Melville	8	4	2	2	18	14	4	14	58.3
YMCC 2	7	3	0	4	18	14	4	9	42.9
Rockingham	7	2	3	2	10	13	-3	9	42.9
UWA 2	7	0	2	5	3	22	-19	2	9.5

J 11/12 A RESERVE BOYS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Modernians 2	10	7	3	0	20	9	11	24	80.0
Hale 2	10	7	2	1	38	6	32	23	76.7
Peel Rebels	10	5	2	3	23	17	6	17	56.7
Vic Park 2	10	5	1	4	30	10	20	16	53.3
NC Raiders 2	10	2	0	8	8	26	-18	6	20.0
Melville 2	10	0	0	10	3	54	-51	0	0

J 9/10 A MERGED BOYS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Melville	10	9	1	0	39	12	27	28	93.3
Modernians	10	6	1	3	20	8	12	19	63.3
Hale 2	10	5	1	4	20	16	4	16	53.3
NC Raiders	10	5	1	4	13	13	0	16	53.3
Lions	10	2	0	8	10	36	-26	6	20.0
YMCC 2	10	1	0	9	11	28	-17	3	10.0

J 9/10 A RESERVE BOYS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
UWA 2	9	9	0	0	35	7	28	27	100
Reds 2	9	6	1	2	28	11	17	19	70.4
Melville 2	10	5	0	5	20	18	2	15	50.0
WASPS 2	10	3	1	6	19	31	-12	10	33.3
Kalamunda	7	2	0	5	13	20	-7	6	28.6
Westside Wolves 2	9	1	0	8	5	33	-28	3	11.1

J 9/10 C BOYS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
WASPS 3	10	9	1	0	39	7	32	28	93.3
OGMHC 2	10	7	2	1	35	14	21	23	76.7
Whitford 2	10	7	1	2	42	15	27	22	73.3
Rockingham 2	10	5	0	5	14	19	-5	15	50.0
Ellenbrook Falcons	10	3	2	5	13	24	-11	11	36.7
Melville 3	10	2	1	7	9	32	-23	7	23.3
Modernians 2	10	1	2	7	7	25	-18	5	16.7
Mazemod	10	1	1	8	8	31	-23	4	13.3

J 7/8 A MERGED BOYS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Reds	7	4	3	0	13	6	7	15	71.4
Hale 2	10	4	3	3	18	17	1	15	50.0
Lions	7	3	1	3	14	15	-1	10	47.6
OGMHC	9	2	4	3	11	11	0	10	37.0
Melville	8	2	2	4	10	13	-3	8	33.3
Modernians	9	2	3	4	12	16	-4	9	33.3

J 7/8 A RESERVE BOYS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
UWA 2	10	7	2	1	33	8	25	23	76.7
Reds 2	10	4	4	2	19	13	6	16	53.3
Lions 2	10	4	3	3	30	26	4	15	50.0
WASPS 2	10	3	3	4	25	24	1	12	40.0
Westside Wolves 2	10	3	3	4	15	18	-3	12	40.0
Melville 2	10	1	1	8	4	37	-33	4	13.3

J 11/12 A GIRLS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Westside Wolves	10	10	0	0	57	7	50	30	100
Melville	10	8	0	2	44	16	28	24	80.0
YMCC	10	7	0	3	30	13	17	21	70.0
Lions	10	6	1	3	21	25	-4	19	63.3
UWA	10	3	2	5	16	30	-14	11	36.7
Vic Park	10	1	2	7	12	34	-22	5	16.7
Rockingham	10	1	1	8	10	33	-23	4	13.3
WASPS	10	0	2	8	8	40	-32	2	6.7

J 11/12 A RESERVE GIRLS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Melville 2	10	9	1	0	22	5	17	28	93.3
Lions 2	10	7	0	3	21	12	9	21	70.0
Westside Wolves 2 (Red)	10	5	0	5	16	18	-2	15	50.0
Westside Wolves 3 (Grey)	10	4	0	5	16	14	2	12	40.0
Lions 3	10	3	1	5	18	24	-6	10	33.3
UWA 2	10	1	0	9	5	25	-20	3	10.0

J 11/12 B GIRLS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Southern River	10	10	0	0	86	4	82	30	100
OGMHC 2	10	8	1	1	38	16	22	25	83.3
Whitford 2	10	5	0	5	24	29	-5	21	70.0
Hale 2	10	4	2	4	16	20	-4	14	46.7
Curtin University (Orange)	10	2	3	5	14	36	-22	9	30.0
Curtin University (White)	10	2	2	6	18	34	-16	8	26.7
Melville 3	10	1	4	5	12	29	-17	7	23.3
YMCC/Wolves	10	1	2	7	9	49	-40	5	16.7

J 9/10 A MERGED GIRLS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Melville	10	8	2	0	52	6	46	26	86.7
Rockingham	10	7	3	0	31	8	23	24	80.0
Hale	10	4	2	4	14	19	-5	14	46.7
Reds	10	2	1	7	16	30	-14	7	23.3
Westside Wolves 2 (Red)	10	2	1	7	9	31	-22	7	23.3
Lions 2	10	2	1	7	9	37	-28	7	23.3

J 9/10 A RESERVE GIRLS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
UWA 2	10	9	1	0	36	7	29	28	93.3
WASPS 2	10	8	0	2	36	7	29	24	80.0
Westside Wolves 4	10	5	2	3	19	16	3	17	56.7
NC Raiders 2	10	2	1	7	14	27	-13	7	23.3
YMCC 2	10	2	1	7	10	29	-19	7	23.3
Melville 2	10	1	1	8	9	38	-29	4	13.3

J 7/8 A GIRLS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
YMCC	10	10	0	0	61	0	61	30	100
Westside Wolves	10	7	1	2	19	11	8	22	73.3
WASPS	10	4	2	4	10	18	-8	14	46.7
Melville	10	3	3	4	14	20	-6	12	40.0
Lions	10	1	2	7	8	28	-20	5	16.7
Rockingham	10	1	0	9	8	43	-35	3	10.0

J 7/8 A RESERVE GIRLS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Westside Wolves 3 (Grey)	10	7	3	0	48	8	40	24	80.0
UWA 2	10	6	2	2	18	8	10	20	66.7
Lions 2	10	5	4	1	35	15	20	19	63.3
WASPS 2	10	3	3	4	15	17	-2	12	40.0
Melville 2	10	2	2	6	14	23	-9	8	26.7
NC Raiders 2	10	0	0	10	1	60	-59	0	0

J 7/8 B (GOLD) GIRLS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Southern River	10	10	0	0	30	3	27	30	100
Vic Park 2	10	6	0	4	17	13	4	18	60.0
Melville 3	10	3	3	4	11	15	-4	12	40.0
Westside Wolves 4	10	3	1	6	12	16	-4	10	33.3
Westside Wolves 5	10	3	1	6	9	20	-11	10	33.3
Rockingham 2	10	2	1	7	7	19	-12	7	23.3

J 5/6 A MERGED BOYS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
WASPS	10	5	1	4	31	27	4	16	53.3
Whitford	10	5	0	5	21	21	0	15	50.0
Melville	10	3	3	4	22	10	12	12	40.0
Reds	10	2	3	5	9	37	-28	9	30.0
NC Raiders	10	1	1	8	6	42	-36	4	13.3
Vic Park	10	1	1	8	3	56	-53	4	13.3

J 5/6 A RESERVE BOYS

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
YMCC 2	10	9	0	1	26	3	23	27	90.0
Westside Wolves 2	10	7	0	3	26	12	14	21	70.0
Lions 2	10	6	2	2	14	8	6	20	66.7
Melville 2	10	2	1	7	13	21	-8	7	23.3
WASPS 2	10	1	3	6	4	18	-14	6	20.0
Reds 2	10	1	2	7	1	22	-21	5	16.7

J 5/6 B (GOLD) BOYS

PREMIER DIVISION 1 MEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Reds	16	15	1	0	91	17	74	46	95.8
UWA	16	11	1	4	63	30	33	34	70.8
Vic Park	16	10	3	3	59	21	38	33	68.8
Hale	16	10	2	4	67	36	31	32	66.7
Westside Wolves	16	10	1	5	68	31	37	31	64.6
WASPS	16	9	0	7	60	35	25	26.7	55.6
Melville	16	8	2	6	47	27	20	26	54.2
Fremantle	16	8	1	7	43	41	2	25	52.1
YMCC	16	4	3	9	40	37	3	15	31.2
Curtin University	16	2	0	14	11	99	-88	6	12.5
OGMHC	16	1	1	14	20	100	-80	4	8.3
Whitford	16	0	1	15	7	102	-95	1	2.0

PREMIER DIVISION 2 MEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Melville 2	16	12	1	3	54	24	30	37	77.1
Hale 2	16	11	3	2	60	24	36	36	75.0
Vic Park 2	16	10	4	2	56	20	36	34	70.8
Westside Wolves 2	16	9	4	3	50	28	22	31	64.6
UWA 2	16	9	2	5	40	20	20	29	60.4
Fremantle 2	16	8	1	7	35	46	-11	25	52.1
Lions 2	16	5	5	6	33	32	1	20	41.7
Reds 2	16	5	2	9	36	40	-4	17	35.4
YMCC 2	16	5	1	10	15	39	-24	16	33.3
NC Raiders	16	2	6	8	27	37	-10	12	25.0
Modernians	16	1	4	11	18	70	-52	7	14.6
Joonslup Lakers	16	1	3	12	22	66	-44	6	12.5

PREMIER DIVISION 3 MEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Rockingham	13	11	1	1	59	14	45	34	87.2
WASPS 2	13	11	1	1	40	14	26	34	87.2
Newman Knights	13	9	1	3	47	26	21	28	71.8
Vic Park 3	13	6	2	5	26	28	-2	20	51.3
Lions 2	13	4	2	7	24	31	-7	14	35.9
Melville 3	13	4	2	7	24	33	-9	14	35.9
Curtin University 2	13	4	1	8	19	28	-9	13	33.3
Southern River	13	4	1	8	27	44	-17	13	33.3
Peel Rebels	13	3	1	9	16	31	-15	10	25.6
OGMHC 2	13	2	2	9	17	50	-33	8	20.5

PREMIER DIVISION 1 WOMEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Vic Park	13	10	1	2	45	14	31	31	79.5
Melville	13	7	3	3	31	16	15	24	61.5
Westside Wolves	13	6	6	1	27	19	8	24	61.5
Hale	13	7	1	5	26	25	1	22	56.4
WASPS	13	6	3	4	27	22	5	21	53.8
Curtin University	13	5	4	4	30	24	6	19	48.7
NC Raiders	13	5	1	7	22	33	-11	16	41.0
UWA	13	4	2	7	21	26	-5	14	35.9
Lions	13	1	3	9	12	31	-19	6	15.4
YMCC	13	1	2	10	17	48	-31	5	12.8

PREMIER DIVISION 2 WOMEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
UWA 2	13	10	1	2	28	12	16	31	79.5
Melville 2	13	8	3	2	40	13	27	27	69.2
Reds	13	8	3	2	24	6	18	27	69.2
Westside Wolves 2	13	7	2	4	34	22	12	23	59.0
Whitford	13	4	4	5	13	16	-3	16	41.0
Vic Park 2	13	4	2	7	17	20	-3	14	35.9
Curtin University 2	13	3	4	6	15	25	-10	13	33.3
Lions 2	13	3	3	7	13	25	-12	12	30.8
NC Raiders 2	13	2	4	7	16	34	-18	10	25.6
Southern River	13	2	2	9	13	40	-27	8	20.5

PREMIER DIVISION 3 WOMEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Reds 2	13	9	2	2	24	11	13	29	74.4
Rockingham	12	8	2	2	17	11	6	26	72.2
YMCC 2	12	8	1	4	26	17	9	25	64.1
Melville 3	12	7	1	4	16	14	2	22	61.1
Modernians	13	6	0	7	13	16	-3	18	46.2
UWA 3	13	4	3	6	16	22	-6	15	38.5
Hale 2	12	3	2	7	15	17	-2	11	30.6
Fremantle	12	1	4	7	14	22	-8	7	19.4
WASPS 2	12	1	3	8	8	19	-11	5.9	16.4

DIVISION 6 MEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
UWA 4	10	9	0	1	41	9	32	27	90.0
Modernians 2	11	8	1	2	37	18	19	25	75.8
Reds 4	11	7	1	3	22	15	7	22	66.7
WASPS 4	11	6	1	4	32	24	8	19	57.6
Westside Wolves 4	10	4	2	4	15	17	-2	14	46.7
Vic Park 4	10	3	2	5	18	25	-7	11	36.7
Melville 7	11	3	1	7	23	33	-10	10	30.3
Blades	11	2	1	8	17	41	-24	7	21.2
NC Raiders 3	11	1	1	9	10	33	-23	4	12.1

DIVISION 6 WOMEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Reds 5	11	10	0	1	42	9	33	30	90.9
Melville 4	11	9	1	1	43	6	37	28	84.8
Rockingham 2	11	6	1	4	31	16	15	19	57.6
John XIII	10	5	1	4	16	11	5	16	53.3
Newman Knights	11	5	1	5	17	15	2	16	48.5
Fremantle 3	11	5	0	6	19	22	-3	15	45.4
UWA 5	10	3	1	6	17	18	-1	10	33.3
Hale 4	10	2	1	7	7	24	-17	7	23.3
Ellenbrook Falcons	11	0	0	11	0	71	-71	0	0

DIVISION 7 (BLACK) MEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Uni Associates	10	9	0	1	32	14	18	27	90.0
UWA 5	11	7	1	3	23	13	10	22	66.7
Melville 4	11	7	0	4	29	15	14	21	63.6
Hale 5	11	6	0	5	30	24	6	18	54.5
YMCC 4	10	5	1	4	27	19	8	16	53.3
Reds 8	11	5	0	6	20	20	0	15	45.4
Modernians 3	11	4	0	7	19	27	-8	12	36.4
Lions 3	11	3	2	6	16	24	-8	11	33.3
NC Raiders 4	10	0	0	10	5	45	-40	-0.1	-0.3

DIVISION 7 (GOLD) MEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Reds 7	10	8	1	1	36	17	19	25	83.3
Westside Wolves 5	10	8	1	1	32	15	17	25	83.3
Rockingham 2	11	7	1	3	34	19	15	22	66.7
Melville 5	11	5	3	3	33	16	17	18	54.5
Fremantle 4	11	5	2	4	15	21	-6	17	51.5
Kalamunda 2	11	3	2	6	22	33	-11	11	33.3
UWA 6	10	2	2	6	9	28	-19	8	26.7
WASPS 5	11	1	3	7	13	25	-12	5.9	17.9
Southern River 4	11	1	1	9	22	42	-20	4	12.1

DIVISION 7 (GOLD) WOMEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Vic Park 4	12	10	2	0	30	8	22	32	88.9
Kalamunda	12	8	3	1	23	5	18	27	75.0
Lions 5	12	6	4	2	16	5	11	22	61.1
Reds 7	12	6	3	3	13	10	3	21	58.3
Southern River 2	12	6	3	3	13	11	2	21	58.3
WASPS 4	12	5	1	6	13	18	-5	16	44.4
Melville 5	12	3	5	4	20	16	4	14	38.9
Rockingham 3	12	1	3	8	16	28	-12	6	16.7
Curtin University 4	12	1	1	10	5	25	-20	4	11.1
Fremantle 4	12	1	1	10	6	29	-23	4	11.1

DIVISION 8 (GOLD) MEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Reds 6	10	9	1	0	59	1	58	28	93.3
UWA 9	11	8	2	1	38	13	25	26	78.8
Lions 4	11	7	0	4	28	20	8	21	63.6
Fremantle 5	11	5	3	3	21	19	2	18	54.5
Curtin University 4	11	3	4	4	11	20	-9	13	39.4
Canning	11	3	3	5	23	29	-6	12	36.4
Kalamunda 3	10	2	3	5	10	26	-16	9	30.0
Melville 6	11	1	3	7	14	42	-28	6	18.2
Dale	10	0	1	9	13	47	-34	1	3.3

DIVISION 8 (GOLD) WOMEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Reds 6	12	8	4	0	43	5	38	28	77.8
Southern River 3	12	9	1	2	27	11	16	28	77.8
Canning	12	8	2	2	29	10	19	26	72.2
Kalamunda 2	12	6	4	2	21	11	10	22	61.1
Melville 6	12	6	1	5	20	18	2	19	52.8
WASPS 5	12	6	0	6	27	20	7	18	50.0
UWA 8	12	4	2	6	12	19	-7	14	38.9
Vic Park 5	12	3	2	7	14	20	-8	11	30.6
Fremantle 5	12	2	0	10	7	44	-37	6	16.7
Curtin University 5	12	0	0	12	5	45	-40	0	0

DIVISION 9 WOMEN

Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff	Points	%
Modernians 4	11	10	0	1	31	7	24	30	90.9
Hale 6	10	8	0	2	29	10	19	24	80.0
Southern River 4	10	7	1	2	17	5	12	22	



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