

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT 1976

It is with a great deal of pleasure and satisfaction that I write the President's report for this the 21st year of the Applecross Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club. A year that proved to be the most successful in the Club's history.

A number of objectives were recorded at the commencement of the year and I'm pleased to be able to report that in the main these were fulfilled.

For example, through a lot of hard work and dedication on the part of players and coaches we maintained our position in the 2A and 3A grades.

Again through a lot of hard work and support from people both within and outside the club a very fine "bank" of lights were erected.

Our umpiring commitments as required by the W.A.H.A. were fulfilled.

The fact that 9 out of our 20 teams participated in the finals; 6 in Grand Finals with 3 wins, indicated we were not lacking in skills and fitness.

While it may never have been recorded, our desire to reach 1A status was ever present and this was achieved (not without many anxious moments) and without a doubt was the highlight of the years activities.

The success of this team could not have been achieved had it not been for the acquisition of players of the calibre of Ron Wilson, his brother Syd, David Porter and Ian Halliday, coupled with the experience of Club Coach, Max Currell and Brian Spittler and the enthusiasm and dedication of the players.

Credit must also be given to the selectors for the manner they went about their task. It became apparent as the season progressed that no player had a mortgage on a position in the top side. The Club maintained it's position as the second largest in the State, fielding 12 Junior and 8 Senior sides and while we are proud of the position we hold it is not without its problems, particularly in the area of Juniors. If we are going to maintain this growth we will need more support from parents to assist with coaching, managing and transporting players to matches. If this assistance is not forthcoming our only alternative will be to restrict our numbers and this is a step we don't wish to take.

The Club won Challenge Cup pennants in the 1B & U.17A Grades, Guth Ardagh pennants in the 1B, U.17A & U17N grades and the U.17A, 4B & U.11N teams won Premiership pennants.

We also participated with success in various Carnivals. We won the Senior B Grade at the W.A. University pre-season carnival the Junior U.11 at the Y.M.C.A. Perth pre-season carnival and the U.16 pennant at the Avon Valley Carnival.

As in 1975 our Under 17A side proved to be the most successful team, winning the Challenge Cup, Guth Ardagh pennant and premiership. However we cannot overlook the efforts of the 4B's who earned promotion to 4A's and also won a premiership pennant. The Club now has teams in the A division of all grades.

The Social Committee played a very important part in the Clubs activities and the highlight was the successful 21st Birthday Cabaret. A number of wives were co-opted onto the Committee and thanks must be extended to Cath Spittler, Helen Pickering and Judy McGuire.

President's Report (Contd.)

High amongst our objectives for 1977 must be;

1. an improvement in our playing surfaces and this may well mean efforts on the part of members of the Club in the form of working bees,
2. a dedication on the part of players to ensure our promotion to 1A is not of 1 year duration,
3. to ensure that our juniors are adequately catered for.

I believe that the Management Committee should give consideration to including the U.17 sides with the seniors in order that their skills may be developed to provide for their smooth introduction into senior competition.

For my part as President 1976 has been a very happy and satisfying year and this has only been made possible by the co-operation received from many people.

Success on the field has only been brought about by the efforts and enthusiasm of our coaches and team managers and to people who have acted in these capacities, I extend my sincere thanks. To our many supporters be they of the vocal variety or those who help to mark out grounds, repair equipment etc. your efforts are appreciated by the players and management committee.

To those who served on the Management Committee and attended meetings every Monday night for the duration of the season I believe you have been rewarded by the co-operation of players and the success of our teams.

I would also like to extend thanks to the President, Centre Director and staff of the Melville Y.M.C.A. for their friendly assistance and co-operation.

It is pleasing to record that John Meacock was selected in the State Junior Side to tour Queensland and from reports received his performances bought great credit to himself and his Club.

The report for 1976 would not be complete without recognition of the achievement of Brian Spittler, who played his 300th game with the Club during the season. Brian's contribution both on and off the field is well known to all associated with the Club.

In conclusion, to players and people who have acted in any capacity and who for various reasons will not be with us in 1977, please accept my sincere appreciation for your part in making the 1976 season the success it has been.

KEITH TIMMEL

CLUB ADMINISTRATION 1976

PATRON: Mr. J.F. Howson, O.B.E., J.P.

VICE PATRONS: Mr. M. Bennett  
Cr. S.W.J. Bray

PRESIDENT: Mr. K.E. Timmel

VICE PRESIDENTS: Mr. C. Everingham  
Mr. J. Pickering  
(Following his resignation due to interstate transfer, Mr. Everingham's position as V. President was filled by Mr. Kinglsey McGuire.

SECRETARY: Mr. W. Forward

ASST. SECRETARY: Mr. G. Stewart

TREASURER: Mrs. I. Reynolds

ASST. TREASURER: Mr. F. Bell

AUDITOR: Mr. D. Hagen

PROPERTY OFFICER: Mrs. J. Edsall

CLUB COACH: Mr. M. Currell

ASST. COACH: Mr. G. Meacock

SELECTION COMMITTEE: Messrs. M. Currell, J. Pickering, K. McGuire, G. Meacock.

JUNIOR TEAMS CO-ORDINATOR: Mr. R. Revell

SOCIAL COMMITTEE: Messrs. B. Spittler, B. Kjellgren A. Meacock, J. Cole, G. Cole, R. Forward, K. McGuire.

W.A.H.A. DELEGATE: Mr. F. Bell

LIFE MEMBERS:

1969	Mr. V. Dalton
1971	Mr. D. Spittler
1972	Mr. P. Noad
1972	Mr. R. Halliday
1975	Mr. B. Spittler

STATE REPRESENTATIVES:

1956	D. Spittler	Juniors
1960	B. Spittler	"
1962	M. Currell	"
1963	R. Robinson	"
1967	M. Griffiths	"
1968	G. Argæt	"
1968	I. Halliday	"
1968	R. Hope-Johnston	"
1973	P. Meacock	"
1974	P. Meacock (V. Capt)	"
1976	J. Meacock	"

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A.G.M. TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 16th, 1976 ---  
TOMPKINS PARK SPORTING CENTRE.

CLUB ACHIEVEMENTS 1976

CARNIVALS

W.A. University Pre-Season Carnival-Seniors winners  
B. Grade.  
Y.M.C.A. Perth Pre-Season Carnival-Juniors winners  
U.11.  
Avon Valley Carnival-Juniors winners U.16.

CHALLENGE CUP PENNANTS

1B  
U.17A

GUTH ARDAGH PENNANTS

1B U.17A U.17N

TEAMS IN FINAL FOUR

1B 4B 5A Reserve Red  
U.17A U.17N U15A U.13N U.11N

GRAND FINALISTS

1B 4B Reserve Red U.17A U.17N U.11N

PREMIER-SHIPS

4B U.17A U.11N

STATE JUNIORS

J. Meacock

300 GAMES AWARD

B. Spittler

100 GAMES AWARDS

F. Andrew  
S. Fletcher  
B. Matthews  
P. Matthews  
P. Purser  
A. Reynolds  
C. West

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HERE THEY ARE!!!

APPLECROSS Y.M.C.A. HOCKEY CLUB

AWARDS FOR 1976

1B	Fairest and Best...	...	...	M. Currell
2A	Fairest and Best...	...	...	G. Allan
3A	Fairest and Best...	...	...	D. Bickford
4B	Fairest and Best...	...	...	G. Ryan
5A	Fairest and Best...	...	...	N. Atkinson
6A	Fairest and Best...	...	...	T. Bint
7A	Fairest and Best...	...	...	C. Sontay
Reserve Red				
	Fairest and Best...	...	...	B. Cameron
U.17A	Fairest and Best...	...	...	G. Widger
	President's Award..	...	...	T. Fletcher
U.17N	Fairest and Best...	...	...	K. Costello
	President's Award..	...	...	M. Davis
U.17S	Fairest and Best...	...	...	M. Pitcher
	President's Award..	...	...	M. Gill
U.15A	Fairest and Best...	...	...	R. McKinnon
	President's Award..	...	...	N. Walsh
U.15N	Fairest and Best...	...	...	P. Riley
	President's Award..	...	...	A. Rogerson
U.15S	Fairest and Best...	...	...	R. Clement
	President's Award..	...	...	B. Snowball
U.13A	Fairest and Best...	...	...	M. Ogilby
	President's Award..	...	...	V. Tidy
U.13N	Fairest and Best...	...	...	R. Nagapappa
	President's Award..	...	...	S. Webb
U.13S	Fairest and Best...	...	...	P. Field
	President's Award..	...	...	D. Hope-Johnston
U.11N	Fairest and Best...	...	...	A. Ford
	President's Award..	...	...	D. Revell
U.11S (1)	Fairest and Best...	...	...	J. Lyons
	President's Award..	...	...	I. Reid
U.11S(2)	Fairest and Best...	...	...	J. Tilly
	President's Award..	...	...	M. Puls

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## F I N A N C E

This year was unique in the financial administration of the club, in that an amount of over \$1600 was spent on capital equipment, namely the lights. Despite this heavy commitment mid-season, it was possible to maintain reasonable working funds, due mainly to the co-operation of many members who paid their subscriptions on time, and to the help of the social committee for their fund-raising efforts.

In 1976 our commitments were as follows:-

W.A. Hockey Association dues and fees	\$3650
Melville YMCA Affiliation fees	650
Running expenses, sundry equipment, postages etc.	1000
Trophies, presentation night	300
Carnival fees	170

which together with the lights expenditure, involved an outlay of approximately \$7500.

This money has come from the following sources:-

Members' subscriptions	\$4500
Donations	210
Equipment sales (estimate)	100
Bank interest	140
Social club activities	850
Raffle (estimate)	400

making a total of \$6200. The amount brought forward from 1975 was \$2600, and therefore the club should finish the season with a balance of approximately \$1300, which will be sufficient to cover W.A. Hockey Association team nomination fees for 1977, and provide sufficient working capital for the early part of the season.

It will be seen from these figures that members' subscriptions are not sufficient to cover the commitments for W.A. Hockey Association dues, Melville YMCA Affiliation fees, and other club expenses, and were it not for the funds raised by social committee and the raffle, the management committee would have no alternative but to increase subscriptions.

During the year a sub-committee was asked to look at this aspect of the club's finances, with a view to putting fund-raising on a more business-like basis and relieving the social committee of the responsibility of keeping the club solvent. More detailed figures relating to the club's financial position will be presented at the annual general meeting, and all those members and supporters who are concerned with maintaining subscriptions at their present levels are urged to attend.

I would like to express my thanks to the members of the management committee for their help throughout the year, and to the hard-working managers for prompt collection of players' subscriptions. Last but not least, thanks are due to the equipment officer and to the social committee for their efforts on behalf of the club and its finances.

I. REYNOLDS

: Hon. Treasurer

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE PROFILE

(AND THOSE WHO ATTENDED)

MRS. ILA REYNOLDS      Handled the finances of the Club with great dexterity and added dignity to meetings. Query blonde Italian children.

JOHN PICKERING AND KINGSLEY McGUIRE      Spent the year confusing the President. That was not hard as all Claremont supporters are confused.

FRANK BELL              Star of the new film called "Friend of Jeremy"

MAX CURRELL              Has been known to forget a few things.

ALAN MEACOCK             Helped Max forget.

GRAHAM MEACOCK          Played in all positions in most teams. Did the impossible by inspiring "Bourkie" to score a goal.

WALLY MEACOCK            Future President of the "Miami All-Stars" hockey club.

RUSSELL REVELL          After a year as Junior Teams' Co-ordinator believes teaching Manual Arts not so hard.

ALAN ROGERSON            Knows the addresses of 20 Managers, but not the whereabouts of some of the team bags.

NORM KIDD                Hands off the U.17A's.

GREG STEWART             Club's overseas representative. Did a good job until he became clucky.

BILL FORWARD            Will not be making a bid to have the Club's colours changed to red and white.

KEITH TIMMEL             Was pleased the club didn't have as many problems as his footy team, (Claremont). May put in for the job again next year for same reason.

COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS FOR 1977:

JOHN COLE                Doorman and Public Relations officer

DAVID HALLIDAY          Catering Officer - makes a great piece of toast.

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## 1B TEAM PROFILE

At the beginning of the season, one of the priorities for 1976 set by the Committee for the season was promotion to 1A. The selectors were assisted in this task by the fact that Ron and Syd Wilson, Ian Halliday and Dave Porter joined the club to bolster the wealth of young talent that we already had available. The experience of these players combined with Max and "Spitz" and the ability of the young players in Paul, Alan, Graham, Andy, "Waldo", Patrick, Dave, Simon and Keith proved to be the right blend. At times, through the year, we put ourselves under a lot of pressure by losing some of the easier games, but the team proved themselves to be equal to the pressure. A note of warning to the players: if you thought gaining 1A was hard, holding the grade next year will be twice as hard and you can look forward to a long hard year next season. Thanks from a manager who found it a pleasure to be associated with you.

### RON WILSON

Captain of side and an inspiring leader who worked hard on the field to get the team playing the right sort of hockey. Scored some good goals through the year and ran opposition teams off their feet with his speed.

### MAX CURRELL

Vice Captain and Club Coach. A dedicated and strong player who at times held the team together. His ability as coach is proven by the success of the senior teams this year. Tends to be a bit forgetful.

### BRIAN SPITTELER

Co-founder of the club 21 years ago "Spitz" set himself at the beginning of the season to be part of the team to achieve 1A. Showed a lot of self-discipline after the early games to curb his natural type of play to fit in with the team play, and was one of our most dependable players. Really enjoys training.

### DAVE PORTER

Goalkeeper. An attacking and fearless goalkeeper who proved equal to the task when under pressure. Only had 12 goals against him for the season and an excellent team member. Really enjoys his food.

### SYD WILSON

The experience of the back line. As well as contributing strongly to the team with his own ability he constantly helped the younger members of defence with the advice he gave them on and off the field.

### PATRICK MATHEWS

Came into the team through the year and proved he had the ability to hold his place in the side. One of the most skilful players in the club and will do well in 1A next year.

### NEIL WOOLLIACOTT

Also came into the team through the season. Proved his ability through the year when he gave ex Olympic and State players a taste of his skill. "Waldo" is never beaten and determination is the keynote of his game.

### PAUL MEACOCK

A strong member of a team of forwards who worked hard all year to perfect a style of play. Paul blended in well with Ron whether playing left wing or left inner. Can look forward to a good year in 1A where the good grounds will compliment his skill.



1B TEAM PROFILE (Contd.)

IAN HALLIDAY

Ian's strength is scoring goals and he proved his value to the team by scoring some good field goals through the season; usually under great pressure. Ian carried a leg injury for most of the season and if he can overcome this, he will have an even better season next year.

ALAN MEACOCK

Worked hard at right inner and had a good year. Alan's conversion rate on flicks was about 95% and this contribution to the team was invaluable. Goals win games. Alan is his own greatest critic and if he can overcome this will be an even better player in 1A.

ANDY REYNOLDS

His skill and speed at right wing was probably not utilised to the full. Has speed to leave full backs and half backs stranded. What he lacks in weight he makes up for in guts and determination. Never beaten and often gets himself back into the game with backtackling.

GRAEME MEACOCK

Probably the best clubman for the year. Graeme suffered from loss of confidence after he played in a variety of positions in the top side. Didn't matter whether he was reserve for 1B, playing 2A, 3A or 7A, he always gave of his best and helped to urge on whatever team he was playing for or watching.

ALSO PLAYED:

DAVE HALLIDAY

What can you say about a player who, after losing his place in the top team, still turns up at every training session, trains hard, helps out with coaching, plays strongly in 2A, follows club teams whenever he can and helps organise social functions? The type of person strong clubs are built around. Well done Dave.

SIMON FORD AND KEITH HARPER

Both played in the forward line early in the season and though unable to hold regular places in the team, proved that next year they will be pushing the top players.

JIM BELL

In half a game, proved that although only 16, he will be a 1A player of the future.

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2A TEAM PROFILE

The team finished the year in seventh position with 15 points, 31 goals for and 34 against. This was a good effort for the first year in the grade and included a win against the top side late in the season. Next year we will improve a great deal and will be a real force in the competition. Particularly if we are able to develop a short corner system, as this year we were unable to convert more than about six. It has been a pleasure to play in the side over the year and all players have shown the right attitude and a great team spirit.

JOHN COLE

Left wing, left inner. Joined the side midway through the first round and provided us with some much needed bite in the forward line, scoring some very good goals. Will have to watch his fitness for the '77 year.

## 2A TEAM PROFILE (contd.)

### GEOFF COLE

Centre half. Played some great games with us. Geoff's ability to run all day, gave the defence "legs" and the ability to link with the forward line. Missed five weeks mid-season but still polled many best player votes.

### PETER GRIFFITHS

Vice Captain. Left half, Left inner. Filled both positions during the year with equal ability. Peter is a very gutsy player and is also one of the most technically correct players in the club. Scored ten goals from penalty strokes during the year. We hope he remains in the city next year.

### PHIL BRADSHAW

Right wing, right inner. A young player who has developed tremendously over the past two years. Phil has the skill and attitude to play 1A hockey and will pressure any player in the 1A forward line for a position. However he must be prepared to work harder physically at training and put in a strong effort pre-season.

### GREG ALLEN

Left full back. A very experienced player who gave our comparatively young side great support particularly in the early stages of the season. Should Greg be able to afford the time to train, he will be a force to be contended with by any full back wanting to play in the 1A team. If he has a fault, it is that he sometimes tries to do too much to the detriment of his overall game.

### ROSS OLIVER

Goalie. Another experienced player who played many fine games during the season. Ross had a slump in confidence mid season, but regained it toward the end of the round. I would think the highlight of Ross' season was the saving of a penalty stroke from Cec Walter in the first game of the season and a magnificent game against his old club Perth YMCA to finish the season.

### SIMON FORD

Left wing, left inner. A young player who graduated from last year's Under 17A side. Simon has undoubted skill and ability and will be a tremendous player of the future. With the experience gained this year he will also be in strong contention for a place in the 1A side.

### PAT MATHEWS

Right half, centre half. A young player who improved tremendously and was promoted to 1B's at the end of the first round. Pat has brilliant skills and provided he works at his fitness he will become a great centre half of the future.

### NELL WOOLLACOTT

Left half, centre half. Another young player who was promoted to the 1B side in the second round. Has the ability to play any half back position with equal dexterity and his attitude to the game is a great example to his fellow players.

2A TEAM PROFILE (contd.)

ANDREW REYNOLDS

Right inner. Another player who was promoted to the 1B's during the year. Andrew has tremendous pace with which he can penetrate any defence. He is an ideal right side forward who will only improve as his strength increases with maturity.

JOHN PICKERING

Captain. Right full back. Fat, slow, should retire (but he won't).

GREG HUNT

Left wing, centre forward. Greg is also a graduate from last year's Under 17A side who played the majority of the season with us. He has great skill and will be an ideal left wing for the club in future. The experience gained this year and his natural increase in physical strength will enable him to penetrate any defence.

TIM JOHNSON

Centre forward. "Bear" is also from last year's 17A's. He has the ideal build for a centre forward and providing he maintains his fitness and develops a "hunger" for goals, he will become a great asset for any side. He scored some very good goals for us during the year.

DAVID HALLIDAY

Right half. David joined us toward the end of the first round. His greatest assets are his fitness and speed and this, combined with his tenacious style of play, makes him a very good half back. Perhaps his major fault is temperament in that he seems to worry unduly about mistakes rather than to relax and concentrate on the game.

BILL WOODS

Centre forward. Returned from the country and played the last four games with us. A good player who will be a great asset to the club next year.

KEITH HARPER

Centre forward, right wing. Another player from last year's 17A's. Keith started the season brilliantly and was promoted to the 1B side. He returned to us mid way through the season. He is a player of good pace who can score a brilliant goal but he must learn to concentrate on his trapping.

ALSO PLAYED:  
and Graeme Meacock.

Brian Matthews, John Shannon, Greg Stewart

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REMEMBER!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

REMEMBER!

TUESDAY 16th NOVEMBER, 1976

8 p.m.

TOMPKINS PARK SPORTING COMPLEX

SEE YOU THERE!

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#### 4B TEAM PROFILE

BRIAN (MOORIE) MOORE - Left Wing. A good year from Moorie, played strongly all year and often dazzled the opposition (AND US) with some of his play. Moorie scored the odd goal or two also.

MARK (TERRA) TAYLOR - Inside left. A late inclusion to the side, fitted in extra well. Terra was the baby of the side and no doubt the fittest, he ran all day and was often one of our best.

GARY (DINO) DIENHOFF - Centre Forward. Our "Captain Coach", Dino did a marvellous job all year. Without his leadership we would not have made the Grand Final. Dino scored many good goals during the season.

JIM (DOGS) HARRY - Inside Right. Manager. Water Boy. Played the last few games in the forward line after playing right half for most of the year. Dogs scored more goals than Bisho.

RAY (STUMBLES) BACKHOUSE - Right Wing. Ray played for us all season except for a few games when injured. He often left his half back standing flat footed with his dashes down the wing.

IAN (RANKS) RANKINE - Left half back. Played well throughout, there was rarely a winger that beat him. Set a task, Ranks always carried it out.

GRAEME (RYNO) RYAN - Centre half back. Our best player without doubt. Graeme never had a bad day. He controlled the centre and was a constant avenue of attack.

(DYNAMITE) DAVE WILSON - Right half back. Took over from Dogs and was often seen running past him into attack. Dave was a rock-like defender, one you could always rely on.

BARRY (KJELL) KJELLGREN - Left full back. Kjell didn't play all the season with us but when he did he was always an asset. A grand player for us, he was always one of the better players.

ROD (BISHO) BISHOP - Right full back. A "gun" full back, combined well with whoever played on the left. He often thought he was a forward and tried to score goals but he didn't score as many as "Dogs".

JIM (PEPY) PAPAS - Goalie. Didn't have a lot to do but what he had he did well. Was often seen snoozing in the net.

Others:

COLIN (WILLY) WILLIS - Played a few games until he broke his pinky, unfortunately putting him out of the finals.

KEITH (BIG KEITH) HULCUP - Only played one game but he, along with his good wife, were our most ardent supporters. Rain, hail or shine, they were on the sidelines yelling their heads off. Keith could have been our assistant coach, but nobody really knows! He did a great job all season - much appreciated by all team members.

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## 3A TEAM PROFILE

The 3A's can be proud of themselves by holding the grade. After a disastrous start to the season where we were on the bottom for the first six or seven games, we finally managed to combine and finish the season just out of the final four. Had the team won the last game by two clear goals we would have challenged for the pennant. The 3A grade was new to many players and of a different style of play to what we had been used to previously. Next year will see changes to the side with some new players being introduced and for those that remain within this grade it will be up to them to blood the newcomers early. For the rest, whether promoted or demoted, then it is hoped that they will continue to represent the club in the manner that they did in 1976. The 3A team for 1976 were a great team and it was a pleasure to be associated with them. Good luck for next year, maybe we can apply more pressure and bring home the flag in '77.

### BRUCE PORTER

Right and left wing. A newcomer to the club in 1976. Always adapted himself well to each game and showed tremendous speed down the right wing.

### GREG "EGG" HUNT

Left wing. Came to the side late in the season but settled early and was a great help to the forwards.

### TIM "BEAR" JOHNSON

Centre forward, right inner. A solid hard hitting forward who was a big asset to the side. Had a taste of 2A hockey. Next year should be a better year for him. A good club man. P.S. He is known to sleep anywhere!

### IAN "THE MOUSE" LYONS

Right inner, centre forward. Mouse had a rewarding season and certainly fooled us all. It appears that there are quite a few years in him yet. Still has great pace and many an opposing fullback is left astounded.

### MIKE BLACKISTON

Left inner. A very dependable and reliable player. Didn't score many goals for the side but he certainly contributed to many. Better things for Mike next year.

### ANDREW "GIN" McGUINNESS

Right half back. A young master of the position, always cool and calm and very reliable. It's a pity his studies have kept him from training, he should have been playing in higher grades.

### KEITH "SCINTA" JACKAMAN

Left half back. Vice Captain. An old stalwart of the team, dependable, but not punctual, however, he is getting better. Some say after Bunbury he should have been playing football, his drop kick is "splintering."

### STEVE COLE

Centre half. Came to us from Busselton. His father was an old Applecross player and the tradition is being carried on. Shows a tremendous amount of promise and always did his job well. Repelled many an attack and converted it to our advantage.

### DAVE "BICKY" BICKFORD

Left full back. Hard hitting and ever reliable. Dave played extremely well throughout the year and still has the ability to hit short corners and upset the opposition's every move.

### JOHN "PISTOL" SHANNON

Goalie. Another of the old school who still has many years left. 1976 was a good year for Pistol and it was a pleasure to have him behind the team. Definitely a little short on words this year, but there was more concentration on his hockey.

### 3A TEAM PROFILE (contd.)

BARRY "KEL" KJELLGREN - Right full back. A late inclusion to the side. A reliable person always available when called upon. His requests are not always accepted by umpires.

KINGSLEY McGUIRE - Right full back. Captain. Wishes to thank each and every member for their contribution in making this a memorable season. Thanks must also go to those players who were part of their team in giving their valuable support: John "Ace" Cole, Mark "Terror" Taylor, Geoff "Mole" Cole, Bill "Knock Back" Woods and Dave "Goog" Wilson. Further thanks to Phil Harry who saw half the season before going overseas and a special thanks to those supporters who attended our games.

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### 5A TEAM PROFILE

The team had a successful year, being undefeated for the first 12 games, and having only lost 3 for the entire year. This is a great result considering 28 players played for this team and in one position, right full back, we had no fewer than 7 different players during the year. We were unlucky not to make the Challenge Cup, being the only undefeated side in the club at that stage. The 5A's finished third after the qualifying rounds, and third after the finals, losing the preliminary final 0:1 to Old Wesley.

STEVE AINSCOUGH - Left wing. His first year in senior ranks, and Steve acquitted himself well. Always a "Trior", and he will benefit from the advice he received from the senior members of the team in his future years with the club.

PAUL STEPHENS - Like Steve, Paul was one of the players in the team who never gave in, and he also scored a few valuable goals during the year. Paul also filled in at left half in a couple of important games, and did the job more than adequately.

JACK WARMAN - Centre Forward. Captain of the side. "Black Jack" was easily our top goal scorer with an incredible 36 out of the team's 47 goals for the season. Jack scored in all but one qualifying game, and was always an inspiration to his team mates.

COLIN WEST - Right inner. A great season from Colin, playing mostly at right inner, but filling in occasionally at centre half. Col not only played well, but was always ready to give helpful advice to the younger players in the side.

GREG MUTTER - Right wing. Greg joined us about a third of the way through the season, and played strongly from that time. Always proved a sure avenue of attack, and also chipped in with a few good goals during the season.

RAY FORWARD - Left Half. Vice Captain. Ray has had a good year in his taste of senior hockey. He has always been a trier and will also benefit from the help of senior players in the side. Ray has carried out his duties as Manager quite well and the team would like to thank him for his efforts.

WARREN JONES - Centre half. Possibly the most determined player in the side, Warren's skills improved through the season as his fitness improved. He always provided inspiration, and he also made a few "friends" amongst some opposition players and umpires during the season, which was good to see.

HOWARD BRADFIELD - Right half. Proved a strong defender during the season, and effectively stopped a few classy left wingers in opposing sides. He proved more than able as a substitute goalkeeper on a couple of occasions as well. Howard was also Manager of the State Colts team for 1976.

## 5A TEAM PROFILE (contd.)

NIGEL ATKINSON - Left full back. Nigel proved with his performances through the season that he is a most capable fullback, and a player who is under-rated within the club. Nigel was the centre of our defence during the season, stopping many attacks.

HAYDN BINNING - Haydn made a "comeback" to hockey in our side this season, but the going proved too tough, and he was forced to "retire" again before the season finished. Thanks for your contribution through the season Haydn - it was much appreciated.

RON COCHRANE - Goalkeeper. Ron was our goalkeeper for the majority of the season, and contributed with many timely saves. The fact that we only lost three games for the season could be mainly attributed to Ron's efforts.

Other players who played for this side during the season were Col Willis, Ray Backhouse, David Bickford, Roger Hope-Johnston, Rob Hymus, Tony Bint, Bruce Cadd, Ian Deveson, Greg Stewart, Barry Kjellgren, and Kingsley McGuire. Also juniors - Gareth Widger, Craig Browne, Mark Davis, Alistair Dally, Danny Roberts and David Ford.

Thanks to these players for their contributions during the season.

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## 6A TEAM PROFILE

GRAHAM RICKMAN - Left wing. Started off the season in fine style, scoring a goal or two each week until a recurring knee injury slowed him down. A keen team member who travelled up from Mandurah for each fixture.

TONY BINT - Left inner. A very busy forward who inspired all team members with his fine passages of play. Tony managed to pull goals out of the bag when we needed them most.

IAN "POD" DUNSTAN - Centre forward. Poddy played his usual unassuming, socks around the ankles game all year and was always pushing towards the goal. Fred Astaire could have learnt a few steps from Pod when the ball invariably ended up around Pod's feet.

BRAD PLACELL - Right inner. Perhaps one of the least noticed players in the team but was always there, pressing for goal. Being not so conspicuous Brad was left unattended many times and this was when he was able to get a shot away.

MIKE JESSUP - Right wing. A most deceptive runner, Mike looks all gangly and slow, which lulled the opposition into a false sense of security, but believe me he is far from slow, and picked up many passes deep to the flag.

BOB CAMDEN - Left half back. Bob played his usual close tackling games and held up many opposition moves. Unfortunately, Bob was dropped a few games before the end of the season by an opposition player. He suffered torn ligaments and was unable to complete the season.

BRUCE CADD - Centre half back. Captain Cadd, a club stalwart from way back, contributed well all year, as usual. He sometimes let bad umpiring decisions get the better of him but a talking to, followed by a knuckle or two, set him straight.

CHRIS AVENT - Right half back. Chris played serviceable games all season and rarely mistrapped the ball and most important of all, he backed up all the time.

## 6A TEAM PROFILE (contd.)

SPENCER COMPTON - Left full back. Vice Captain Spence also travelled up from Mandurah each game. He stopped many moves, sometimes his methods were suspect though, according to the opposition, and filled in as kicking fullback on more than one occasion.

VERN MUNDY - Goalie. Vern came to us halfway through the first round to fill the goalie vacancy. He stopped many difficult shots but seemed to miss some of the easy ones.

IAN DEVESON - Right full back. Team Manager, cordial mixer, card fillerouterer etc. Prevented many goals from hitting the backboard simply by mishitting the short corners. Even managed to stop the odd opposition goal if hit straight at him.

All team members wish to thank those players who filled in for us during the year and in particular, Perry Lowth who stepped into Bob Camden's position on short notice and acquitted himself very well. We all enjoyed Perry's presence in the team, and were encouraged by his application to each game he played for us.

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### AN ESSAY ON THE EPITOME OF FUTILE ENDEAVOUR

(or the 7A's in 1976.)

I was going to tell you about my goal I scored in the last game (just for something completely different), but then FERGIE reminded me of the 76 he scored during the season. Actually Fergie started the season in great form - it only took him 3 games to work out that the little white round thing he kept picking out of the back of the goals, was the ball.

ROGER-THE-DODGER our fearless captain; a boy of few words and even fewer perceptions, was a pastmaster at chopping guys' legs off and then staring at the umpire in amazement when the opposition got the free hit. He should easily take out the award for best impersonator-of-a-player in the 7A's. Congratulations Roger!

BESTEY played brilliantly whenever he turned up in time for the game. In fact Roger considered him so good that he played him in 6 or 7 positions every game (Kama-Sutra eat your heart out), to which Bestey was often heard to mutter joyously that "If Roger shifts me again I'm going to tell him ....."

JULIAN - "Pass the ~~-----~~ ball!" (from numerous forwards, all at once.)

ALAN was the coolest fullback in the game, he was always calm and never flustered - mainly because he didn't want to knock the ash off his cigarette. Occasionally known to play golf in front of the goals.

CHRIS SONTAY - you'd make a great fullback - in soccer! Some of those footsaves on the goal line were magnificent.

RAFF was the only guy in the team who knew which end of the hockey stick to use. Terry was always rarin' to go (home, because he was hungover).

CRESPIE in the latter half of the season grew a beard AND scored a goal - I'm not sure which was the more difficult.

PERRY - do you ever take that beanie off??

JOCK was always ready to indulge in a game post-mortem at the Maj. Towards the end of the second half of the last game he even worked out which side of the stick was for hitting the ball.



## 7A's (contd.)

We also had many fill-ins during the season:

KEN-GAMMY KNEES - CEYLON (that means he comes from Sri Lanka, cretins) who had a fearsome hit and could run the 100 in 10.1 (hours, days, weeks - take your pick). We'd also like to give a warm thankyou to our special guest stars for the season: KENNY WOOLLAMS, TONY BINT, GREG MUTTER, MIKE JESSUP and GRAHAM MEACOCK (a new boy who got promoted at the end of the season and showed a little talent)

BURKEY "the belch" made a lovely drop of cordial for the team (sorry about the fungus in the drink bottle fellas, but sometimes I forgot to wash it out). Played at left half (a brain home) or left wing whenever hungover, in which case he occasionally made a few futile swipes at the ball with either his hockey stick or his legs whichever was closer.

Of course the real reason for our success throughout the season must be attributed to our stirring supporters: Rose (the drunk), Gail (the drunk) and Sharon (the drunk) who cheered us on with shouts of "HA! HA!"; "Got me a drink"; or "You guys look so funny on a hockey field."

Now I don't want anyone to think that we didn't take the game seriously, because Roger and I had many late Friday night discussions on tactics - at the "Kara Lee" tavern.

The astute-observation-of-the-year award goes to Bisho, who after seeing us go down 10:1 to Suburban suggested we'd do better if we trained. Of course those in the know will realise that we were saving ourselves for next season, or maybe the one after, or .... Pass the bottle Fergie.

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### RESERVE RED TEAM PROFILE

PETER PURSER - Captain, Left Full back - Very solid in defence, a hard man to get past, never known to over run the ball.

KEN STRAHAN - Goalkeeper. Best goalie in our grade - gave the team a real head ache when he left the field in a recent semi final.

GRAEME WILSON - Right full back. Hits the ball very hard, sometimes reaching Cameron in attack.

BRUCE CAMERON - Centre forward. Camps on 25 yard line - not seen for most of the game, but dangerous when he gets the ball.

KEVIN WILSON - Right half back. Very cool under pressure; stops many attacking moves, and sometimes the game.

GERRY OEDING - Centre half. Good consistent player - joined late in season and arrives late for most games.

JOHN OLIVER - Left half. Once moving, he stops for nothing; including the ball sometimes.

GEORGE CAMERON - Left half. Fastest man on team - has been known to accept his own passes.

GEOFF BELL - Right wing. Greatly improved over the year - now convinced of the right wing's power.

PETER JONES - Right inner. Very cramped style - will play in bare feet next season.

RAY DAVIS - Left inner - Has some good supporters - scored many spectacular goals.

PAUL SLAVIN - Left wing. One of the most important goalscorers - i.e. scored one of the most important goals (in recent semi final) Unfortunately was offside at the time.

GEOFF STEWART - Left wing - Highest goalscorer i.e. tallest man to score for the team (in 4:4 draw against Suburban)

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I'm sorry dear members  
please endure the pain,  
'cause here I am  
I'm back again.

Always the bridesmaid  
the bride's been so near,  
After years with the bouquet  
'76 was OUR year!

A successful year  
the whole club through,  
but then again,  
that's nothing new.

The 1B's were the ones  
we all depended on.  
They didn't let us down  
playing hockey classy and strong.

Staying in 2A's wasn't easy  
in fact you could say it was hard,  
Oh! that reminds me Picko,  
Have you got your mouthguard?

The committee did their usual job,  
with efficiency tried and true,  
Who's going to be on it next year?  
Could it possibly be you?

The social committee worked hard  
with Swapmeet, Cabarets and even more.  
They arranged our functions  
enjoyed by all!

This year saw our coming of age,  
Twenty-one years of play,  
and what a better present  
than promotion to 1A's!

Things were in the air  
like cupid and the stork  
with Digger and Pauline and Fergie too  
and Jody being all the Deveson's talk.

So until next year,  
hang up your boots and oil your stick,  
But not for long, cause it'll soon be time  
for that beach training bit!

That's all from me this year  
It's really been fun for all,  
and next year will again be OUR year  
with Applecross' flag standing tall.

HALZ (1956 vintage.)

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## THE UNSUNG HEROES.

Three cheers for the IB's.

Congratulations and thanks to that dedicated group of players who carried the club so ably into the IA grade for 1977. Their's are the names that will be remembered and rightly so ! They will gain the recognition of the club- for without their efforts and application on the field and at training we would not have made it.

When the joy and the elation of the year's successes have subsided there will be a realisation that, despite the worthiness of the praise heaped on the IB side and those associated with them there are others deserving of equal praise and capable of feeling deeper pride in the club's efforts, than any of those associated with the IB side.

This is a players' tribute to the unsung heroes of the Applecross Y.M.C.A. Hockey Club's rise to first grade status.

To begin with I wish to thank those dedicated and loyal few who believed in Applecross Y.M. and carried them through a very depressing few years in the middle and late sixties. At this stage the club was without a coach. It had been losing and continued to lose its most promising junior players to IA clubs. Junior training was unsupervised, poorly attended and completely lacking co-ordination. It was a battle to break even at social functions let alone boost club funds out of the proceeds from such occasions because of the lack of support and mere lack of club members. Financially the club was barely existing.

From this period of time emerged a group of loyal and hard working parents of players, as well as past club associated, who injected a renewed vigour into the club. These people adopted a professional and businesslike approach to the revival and rejuvenation of Applecross Y.M. By gaining office on the club committee they approached the club's problems with positive ideas and open minds.

The need for a Club Coach was realised, and this long vacated position was officially filled, thanks to the efforts of the club committee. Through the agency of the new and very capable club coach coaching policy was formulated and distributed in booklet form to club members in both the junior and senior ranks. This laid the foundation of the Club's present day on the field successes.

However these successes would not have been possible without the interest shown by many parents of juniors who willingly accepted coaching and managing positions and returned some semblance of organisation to junior training. Junior members grew steadily and skills improved gradually.

More and more people became interested in the club's long range prospects and the committee positions became easier to fill year by year.

Since these early revival years a succession of active, astute and dedicated committees have been very successful in encouraging and strengthening the club from year to year.

A succession of parents and friends have been responsible for managing and coaching the many junior teams of this club, and theirs is a major part in the clubs revival and successes.

Inevitably committee members, coaches and managers must come and go. Some are remembered better than others. But what I remember about every one of these people is their role in the running of the club. I see these people as hard working unselfish people who are taken for granted at every training session and every match. I see them as people willing to make personal sacrifices for their children and for the Club. And finally I see them worthy of the greater part of the praise for our successes of this year and in past years.

I have not mentioned names because there is no need to name them. They would not wish to be named. They know who they are and to them all, I, the player say a very sincere thankyou.

## "CROSSFIRE"

Another season's over  
So hang your sticks up boys  
The playing of our 21 st year  
Has brought us many joys

New players came to join our ranks  
More experienced than our sons  
Welding them all together  
Coach Max has made A Ones.

His two years dedicated coaching  
Complete with slippers and coat  
His loyalty and his leadership  
Have earned him our top vote.

Young Spitts has had a vintage year  
His speed was ne'er so fast  
Short corner goals were loud and clear  
And left the crowd aghast.

And if they say he's tiring  
Then let them come next year  
To see King Spitts still tackling  
Those forwards filled with fear.

Syd is our seasoned full back  
Who doesn't like Mat Knowles  
He's likely to give him a friendly tap  
If he gets too near our goals.

And if the ball gets past Syd  
They'll have to be red hot  
For our bearded little custodian  
Rarely concedes a shot.

While up among the forwards  
Young Ronnie of Munich fame  
Showed us the skills of a champion  
And taught our boys the game.

He was always in the thick of it  
His loyalty grand to see  
When Syd was beset by Mozzies  
Ron was in there punching a knee.

Hail to Keith our leader  
Who guided his flock the year through  
With the aid of Bill and Ila  
And Russel and Franky and Blue

He clipped us all together  
And sheared the corners rough  
Some bales were very overweight  
And others Oh so tough.

The testing is now over  
The sales promotion done  
He's satisfied that now at last  
Our class is Triple A I

Bill has been our manager  
Our support in times of strain  
And he's written all our letters  
And been down to see us train

Nothing is too much for him  
For all of us he strives  
His family are just the same  
You can ask the fives.

History was made this year  
When Ila joined our ranks  
She kept the ledger straight and true  
With our money in the banks,

She sent Max off to Canada  
To buy our goalie's mask  
We missed him from the sidelines  
Any player you can ask.

Wal with his movie camera  
Came out to film each game  
If he's got the fellas running back  
He was not to blame.

Goals came fast and furious  
For the boys were keen to see  
That Trinity and Victoria Park  
Stayed back there in One B.

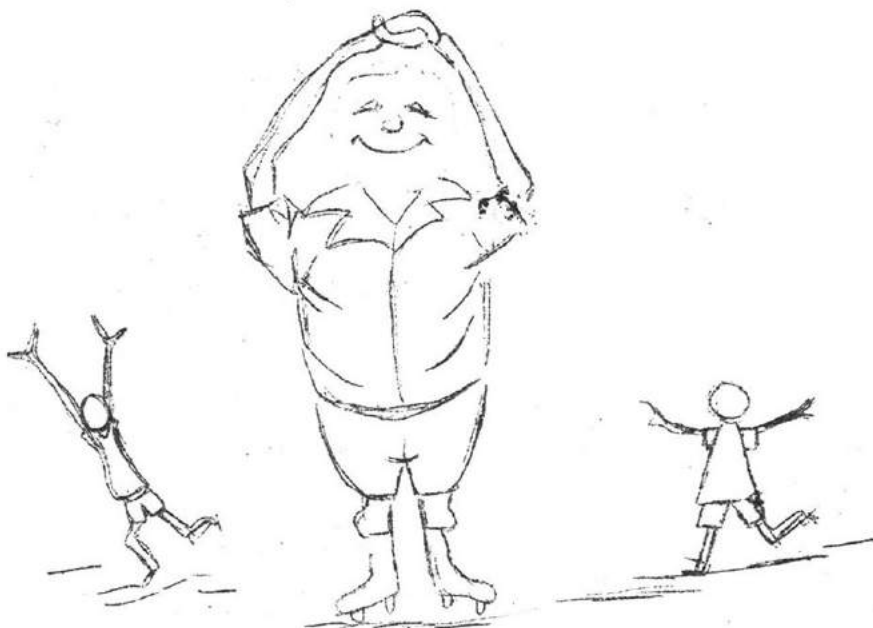
Griz a weary selector  
Was heard to say "By Heavens"  
I started as captain of the ones  
And ended in the Sevens!

Still Burkey and his boys were glad  
He scored and broke their fast  
In fact he lifted up their play  
And shifted them from last.

With it all ther's one thing that's certain  
In a W.A. Hockey Club's test  
For all rounf support and spirit  
Applecross Y.M. is best.

So rally round the flag boys  
The old grey and red  
Shoulder to the wheel boys  
Success lies just ahead

Salute to the old year  
The one that is past  
With hopes that in the new year  
We'll never be outclassed.



## MONDAY MEETINGS

Each Monday evening at seven-thirty five,  
The Management Committee begin to arrive.  
They're a motley lot, with a common aim  
To boost the club and promote the game.  
But the greatest ambition of all their days  
Is to see the club playing up in "1A's".

President Keith is to take the chair,  
(there are no "private" meetings under his stern glare)  
And with his huge Minute Book, Secretary Bill,  
Talks to Isla Reynolds who guards the club "till".  
Russ is here, and Charles is along,  
We'll have a quorum once we're six strong.

Frank enters now, and Norm Kidd too,  
John and "Spitz" (and don't forget "Blue").  
Allan and Paul, and Kingsley "Mac";  
Max and Howard and our old friend Jack.  
The President fidgets, the time's after eight,  
If we don't get started we'll all be late.

"Grizzles" turned up, but Keith's greatest fear  
Is the meeting can't start - Wally's not here!  
But all is well - no-one's to gloat,  
Wally's arriving - I can see his old coat.

## OUR WAHA DELEGATE.

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## SOCIAL COMMITTEE

The twenty first year of the club saw an active social committee achieve a great deal of success both financially and socially. Club history was made when, for the first time, women in the form of Helen Pickering, Judy McGuire, Cath Spitteler and Del Kjellgren were included as committee members.

The season began with a very successful barbeque at Tompkins Park after the first set of fixtures. Several hundred club members and friends supported this function and set the scene for a great season.

Being the twenty first year of the club, what better way to celebrate than with a twenty first birthday party? Party hats, whistles, red and grey streamers and balloons created the party atmosphere and traditional twenty first celebrations resulted in a tremendous night. Music was provided by Misty (also a solo performance by Kel on the whistle) and Isla Reynolds provided the floor show with a brilliant demonstration of paper plate throwing.

Another successful quiz night was held this year at Tompkins Park. Thanks must go to Pat Timmel and Beth Meacock for preparing the questions.

Other functions included a night out at "The Old Time Music Hall" (for details see Pat Matthews or Andi Renaldi) and the local production of "A Toast to Melba" at The Hole in the Wall theatre. Swap Meet again proved a financial success due to the efforts of Ace and Geoff Cole and a number of helpers.

(P.T.O.)

The very capable committee under the leadership of Kingsley McGuire and Brian Spitteler had many enjoyable meetings throughout the year and look forward to even more success next year.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

Kingsley and Judy McGuire, Cath and Brian Spitteler, Barry and Del Kjellgren, Ray Forward, Helen Pickering, John and Geoff Cole, David Halliday and Alan Meacock. Thanks also to Bill Forward, Picko and Grizzle for their ideas and support during the year.

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GRAND FINAL MATCH REPORTS 1976

1B lost to Victoria Park      Half Time 3:1  
   Full Time 3:3  
   Extra Time 3:4

Goal Scorers: R.Wilson 2, B.Spitteler 1

This was a game to finish off a good season for the side and a win would have been great, but unfortunately it wasn't to be.

The team started rather slowly, and it wasn't till about half way through the first half before Ron scored our first goal. Victoria Park replied with a penalty stroke. With the constant thrusts from the forwards we forced a short corner which "Spitz" drove into the right hand side of the goal. This was followed by another brilliant goal from Ron.

We went out after half time with 2 goals lead and Vic.Park, probably with more incentive than us at this stage, fought back and scored the two goals necessary to send the game to extra time. The twenty minutes of extra time showed that the team has the ability to lift themselves and about 80% of the extra time was spent in our half and we were unlucky not to score on a number of occasions. Vic.Park scored a fine field goal on one of their few thrusts into the forward line and we didn't have enough time to equalise.

The game proved that there is a lot of work to do for our promotion to 1A next year but I feel we have the nucleus of a good side and with the young players pushing for positions, we look forward to a good season.

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4B defeated Cricketers      Half Time 2:1  
   Full Time 2:2  
   Extra Time 3:2

Best Players:      TEAM EFFORT  
Goal Scorers:      J.Harry 2, G.Dienhoff 1.

A good game played in appalling conditions, that we finally won in extra time.

The first half was mostly in our favour, with us outscoring Cricketers 2 to 1. The first came from our first short corner, the second from an excellent deflection by Gary Dienhoff. Playing in continuous rain, we battled on through the second half only to let Cricketers in to equalize.

Extra Time saw no score for the first ten minutes and most of the next ten until we finally scored from another short corner with only minutes to go. Best players were not singled out as all played the games of their lives. However, special mention to Terra, Jim Papas, Gary Dienhoff, Bisho and Graeme Ryan for excellent games.

GRAND FINAL MATCH REPORTS (contd.)

Res. Red lost to Old Wesley

Half Time 0:0

Final 0:3

Best Players: K.Strahan G.Oeding G.Bell

After defeating Old Wesley twice this season, we felt very confident in this game. The score was locked at nil-all for the first 50 minutes of the game, with Wesley having an edge on short corners.

At this stage it looked as if either team had a good chance of winning, but then an error in defence allowed Wesley to score. From here on we tried very hard to equalize but could not pass the Wesley fullbacks, and Wesley went on to score twice again.

Despite this loss, the team did very well in its first season together, and with a bit more improvement, we should win a pennant next year.

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U.17A defeated Tuart Hill

Half Time 1:1

Full Time 2:2

Extra Time 2:2

Final 3:2

Goal Scorers: Fletcher 1, Langdon 1, Widger 1.

Best Players: All twelve of them.

What a terrific Grand Final and a great win. Every player produced top form in what was the hardest game of the season. We matched the opposition in every position and in the end ran them off their legs.

Widger played a Captain's game at centre half back and with only a minute to go, scored the winning goal from a short corner. Our last line of defence led by Matthews was always in command. Freeman saved two scoring shots right on the line whilst Southern was doing everything right. Brown and Meacock controlled the left and Johnston was impassable on the right. In the forward line Kidd was tireless all day and opened up the play with long passing shots. Fletcher and Langdon forced the ball forward continuously and Bell played with great dash. Ford tackled back on the opposition right inner and allowed him few opportunities. Thanks to Alan Beales for being a reserve and to the large crowd of supporters who cheered us on.

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GRAND FINAL MATCH REPORTS (contd.)

U.17N lost to Bass.Morley

Half Time 2:0  
Final 2:3

Best Players: Everyone of the 12 players  
Goal Scorers: N.Banham 2

What a great game and such a high team note on which to finish the season. We opened the match with much more purpose than Bassendean and our moves were finished off by two spectacular goals to Neil Banham. What a goal scoring tiger he has been for us this year. The half time score was a fair indication of our supremacy which we carried into the second term, however the opposition applied tremendous pressure in the circle forcing three penalty strokes, all of which were converted. The players felt that two of these were doubtful flick offences but hid their disappointment and finished the match strongly.

Well done boys, you have been a credit both to the club and to yourselves personally. It has been a pleasure to be associated with you all.

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UNDER 11 NORTH defeated Victoria Park

Half Time 4:1  
Final 5:1

Best Players: An excellent team effort  
Goal Scorers: G.Bell, A.Ford, D.Revell, D.Andrew, M.Zulsdorf

This was the day to produce our best effort for the year, and we just didn't play a good game - we played magnificently. Every member of the team gave a tremendous contribution to the final result which gave us the 1976 Premiership Pennant.

The game was of a very high standard and although Victoria Park played well, we really showed what talent we have. While every player was a "best" player, mention must be made of three who really excelled themselves. They were David Andrew, Allan Dick and Greg Ruthven who played their best game of the season. Not far behind their effort was Andrew Ford, Paul Wilkes and Craig Barrett. Cameron Bint played his usual sound game and Allan Wishaw made some very fine saves, particularly in the second half. The value of Graeme Bell, Dean Revell and Marcus Zulsdorf, who never gave up trying; is seen on the scoreboard as they each scored a goal. Mention must also be made of Ian Read, Jeffrey Lyon and Peter Barrett, who stood in as reserves.

And the secret of our win? We used our wings and passed the ball around.

Congratulations to all players on a fine end to the 1976 season.

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DON'T FORGET!                    ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

WHEN:            TUESDAY 16th NOVEMBER at 8 p.m.

WHERE:           TOMPKINS PARK SPORTING CENTRE

MAKE A NOTE OF IT NOW!

## U.17A TEAM PROFILE

GARETH WIDGER - Captain. Centre half back. -a strong player and great captain who brought the best out in his team mates with encouragement and inspiration in difficult situations. A prolific scorer from shorts.

TONY FLETCHER - Vice Captain. Right wing, centre forward. Sharp in the circle, outstanding in moving a ball through a pack, able to turn a game in our favour, experienced, classy and a good team man.

JIM BELL - Centre forward, right wing. Extremely speedy with an excellent number of goals scored, and eligible next year.

CRAIG BROWN - Left half back, left wing - A very dependable team man who always performed well.

DAVID FORD - Left wing, left inner, right half back - a fast, slippery and good player who gave a satisfactory season's effort. Eligible in 1977.

BRETT FREEMAN - Right full back - a busy defender who teamed well with the rest of the defence. A good finals player. Eligible in '77.

BRUCE JOHNSTON - Right half, full back - a tough competitor whose passing and disposal often opened up the tightest opposition defences, appeared to like it best when it was hardest. Eligible '77.

GREG KIDD - Right inner, right wing - fast to and with the ball, a very neat mover who never gave up and a good back tackler. Eligible '77.

STUART LANGDON - Right wing, left wing, left inner - a very direct, forceful, fast forward whose consistency was a great asset. Eligible '77.

BRIAN MATTHEWS - Left full back. First class tackler with excellent strong and constructive clearance, and a great team man. This master full back will do well in any company.

JOHN MEACOCK - Left half, right half - outstanding in stick skill, a student of the game whose disposal is constructive and reliable. Eligible for '77 and '78. State U.16 representative.

PETER SOUTHERN - Goalkeeper - a solid keeper whose greatest strength was in combination with Freeman and Matthews in defence against corners.

A happy season for all. Well done,lads.

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## UNDER 17 NORTH TEAM PROFILE

These 12 players have tried hard all season and have gradually been knit together into a team which has grown stronger week by week. Although each round included 3 byes, enthusiasm has been maintained at a high level with the team narrowly missing a chance at the Challenge Cup and then finishing the season on top of the premiership ladder. When this report was written, the boys had played 2 cliff-hangers in the semi and preliminary and must be given a good chance of taking off the grand final. Regardless of the result, each team member can look back over the season with much satisfaction and forward to 1977 with a similar serve of optimism as each will be an asset to whichever team he plays with.

## U.17 NORTH TEAM PROFILE (contd.)

JOHN ANDREW - Coach. Known as the Applecross "scarlet pimperl" - you see him at the Under 11's - you see him at the Under 17's. Has done a great coaching job, having guided both teams to the grand finals. At matches, not as vocal as the team manager, though usually what he says is worth hearing.

MARK DAVIS - left full back. Mark has had a fine season as Captain of this team, he has been an anchor at full back while at the same time directing team operations with skill. A strong hitter of short corners but no comment on his flicking. Will make his "mark" in senior ranks next year.

MIKE AUSMA - Right Inner. Vice Captain, and umpires' adviser. There is no truth in the rumour that he will umpire next season - he couldn't stop talking long enough to blow the whistle. Has played well at right inner in most games although has substituted most ably on the backline. Mike, big and strong, will enjoy playing seniors.

PETER ANDREW - Right full back. Peter has shown real maturity in this position, his steadiness and cool play when the team has been under pressure has been an example to his team mates. One of our most consistent players, he will be a big influence in Under 17's next year.

NEIL BANHAM - Left wing. A very skilful player who has created and scored many goals throughout the season. He shows patches of brilliance and can beat most half backs with one hand - look out when he starts to use them both. The A team is his goal next year.

LEWIS BINT - Centre forward. Has been moving fast this season and with good passing brings other forwards into the play. Has combined well with Mark Davis on short corners. With improved ball control and goal hitting next year could gain a place in the A team.

GRAHAME COLEMAN - Goalkeeper. Has been under tremendous pressure during some matches and has reacted by gaining confidence and ability as the season progressed. Proved his class in the semi final by saving three penalty flicks and numerous field shots. Grahame will be a real acquisition for one of the senior sides in '77.

KIM COSTELLO - Right half. One of the stars of this team and a certainty for the 17A half back line next year. Kim has shown rare skill in continually cutting out opponent after opponent and launching the team into attack. A great season Kim.

STEPHEN LLANWARNE - Left Half. A good half back with a secret ambition to score goals and likes to get that ball into the circle. A real improver and if he likes to train next year could work himself up through senior ranks. Found in the finals that to keep his nose out of trouble he must have an eye on the ball and not on the top end of his own stick.

PAUL REDDELL - Right wing. Our fastest man on the field, frequently spread-eagling the opposition. Paul has tremendous potential and considering that this was his first season as a forward, is likely to score many goals next season in one of the senior teams. A great team effort, Paul.

DANNY ROBERTS - Centre half. The best ball handler in the competition, has great anticipation and when in the mood to hit to his forwards, is a most constructive centre half. Danny had one fault this season - was late taking up his position in preliminary finals. Has filled in for seniors several times this season and is well set for a good season with the older brigade next year.

## U.17 NORTH (contd.)

IAN TAYLOR - Left inner. A versatile player who can run in a number of positions but who does his best work at inner. Showed what a tiger he is in the final rounds when opposing inners went home with bruised toes. Has been heard to utter (or is it mutter?) cryptic comments and probably wears his mouth guard to prevent a riot. Ian will be looking for a berth with the A's next season.

MARK WILKES - Utility forward. Played at both inner and wing, although was not given the chance to settle into the one position. Played his best hockey when on a wing and put in a gem of a game against Tuart Hill in the wet. A good team man, prepared to take a knock and come back again. Will be a strong Under 17 next year.

PETER BENNETT - Emergency. Called on a number of times, Peter has capable filled the bill each time. Thanks Peter, the club would benefit if you became a regular.

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## UNDER 17S TEAM PROFILE

The team members enjoyed their hockey, played always in a good spirit, ever optimistic, and won several games.

ALAN BEALES - Spearhead of the forward line at centre forward. Showed great determination. Trampled full backs accidentally when necessary. Main goal scorer.

COLIN COURTIS - Vice Captain. Full back. Generally reliable but needs a bigger hit. Now one-armed ex-skateboard rider.

BILL DOYLE - Showed frequent glimpses of skill at right inner. Recovered well from assaults by large full backs.

GARY FORD - Left half who always gave 70 minutes of effort.

MICHAEL GILL - The only 1975 team survivor. A sound and dependable player at full back or centre half.

NORMAN PETERS - Gained confidence and skill at right wing as season progressed.

MICHAEL PITCHER - Captain. Strong and skilful player at centre half or full back. Attracted frequent attention with big undercut and fore and aft sticks.

CHARLES SCOTT - Moved out of goals to left wing and has applied himself to learning the position. Youngest in team.

WAYNE SKELTON - At left inner scored a few and helped in attack. Did his share of tackling back.

PETER STANLEY - Not the fastest but successful with dogged tackling at right half when playing position correctly.

STEPHEN WISHAW - First year player but well suited to goalie position. Left hander, has not yet scratched flat face of stick.

ALSO PLAYED SEVERAL GAMES:

PAUL BERTRAM - strong full back

ALAN HOLBROOK - dashing at inner or centre half

MARK WILKES - ex U.17N.

## UNDER 15A TEAM PROFILE

Runner up pre-season carnival  
Third on Premiership table  
Lost 3:2 in first semi final.

A team capable of first class hockey. When playing as a team proved to be very difficult to beat. Had every possibility of further success if teamwork had been more consistent. A fine effort after very shaky start to the season.

ANDREW SEE - Captain. Left full back, left half back. A consistent trier all season, probably suited better as half back. Led the team with consistent effort.

MATTHEW JONES - Vice Captain. Centre half back, full back. Matthew is capable of playing in all parts of the field. A skilful player who filled all positions well. A valuable player who would be even more value to the team if a little less individual.

ANDREW BOYD - Left wing, full back. Andrew joined the team partway through the season and put a full effort into every game. Capable of playing in many positions on the field.

CRAIG HARPER - Left inner. A great trier, if a little individual. Scored many goals. Further concentration on skills will make Craig a very good player.

STEVEN FLETCHER - Centre forward. Steven played some great hockey. Like most of the team, somewhat an individual. A player with natural skills that on his day can be a match winner.

TONY HAGAN - Right inner. After a great start Tony finished the season in a slump. A fast player well worth his position. With greater concentration on skills will increase versatility.

RAY MCKINNON - Right wing. Relies on his speed to burn off half backs. Given the opportunity can cause dangerous breaks and create opportunities. Concentrated effort on stick skills required.

NEIL WALSH - Left half, right half. Neil battled hard all season and overcame problems of varying form. Finished the season in good form. A speedy player, always trying. Improvement in trapping and closer checking will create even greater problems for opposition wingers.

GEOFFREY REYNOLDS - Right half, centre half. After a slow start to the season Geoff worked very hard on fitness and skill to be the most improved player in the team. A good team player.

BLAKE SMITH - Left wing. A left side specialist. Missed part of the season due to injury. Always a full effort when playing.

MARK SMITH - Goalie. A very inexperienced keeper at the start of the season. Mark has worked hard and his improvement played a great part in the team's success. Continued improvement as shown this season and Mark can look forward to further success.

DARRYL MALACARI - Full back. A specialist in this position. Showed excellent form to finish the season and at times during the season. Tried hard to improve all season but must concentrate a little more.

GEOFFREY CHELLEW - Played two thirds of the season with this team in positions across the forward line. At times showed a high degree of skill and with more concentration could easily develop into a more than useful player.

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## UNDER 15 NORTH TEAM PROFILE

COACH (by sheer necessity): Russell Revell  
MANAGER: Alan Rogerson  
TRANSPORT OFFICER, constant and ardent supporter and  
Tactical Adviser: Fred Skelton.

A happy team of boys who enjoyed playing together and who must have had a satisfying year of hockey. Except for a lapse of concentration against one of the lower teams, they could have qualified for the finals and on their form in the last two games of the season showed skill and ability which will certainly be of benefit to the club in 1977. A number of the boys played in more than one position and have expanded their skills accordingly.

"CAGEY" CRAIG: Goalie - put in some very good work and has shown that he has skill and purpose. Unfortunately he was not always available due to other commitments and injury.

"SKILFUL" SKELTON - Full back and goalie. A good year of hockey with the last two games played in goals where he put in an excellent performance. If Mark wants to continue in that position he will certainly be an asset to any team with which he plays. Also known to play a good nine-iron shot on occasion.

"STEADY" STEWART - Left wing and full back. Always a trier and is developing well. Showed skill at Left Wing and scored on a couple of occasions, but also "won" a few "offsides".

"COMPETENT CLINTON" REVELL - Right half back - always dependable, persistent and successful in the pursuit of the ball. His lightning fast stick tackling won the team the advantage on many occasions. A good player.

"WANDERING" WILLIAMS - Left half back - a persistent worker who covered a lot of territory - sometimes not his own. Nevertheless Norm was always in there battling for the ball. Missed the last few games.

"PHIGHTING PHIL" RILEY - Centre half back - a reliable and steady player, unselfish and an example to the other players. Always tried his hardest and gave 70 minutes of effort to each game. Skilful and honest in his play and an asset to any team.

"KEEN" KIDD - Right inner who also played right wing on occasion and Left half back for the last two games of the competition. Has put in some good work but is not consistent from game to game. However his efforts at left half back were particularly good and it may be that this is his position in the team. Good natured, he fits in and tries hard.

"WILY" WIDGER - Centre forward who has also played left inner and left wing. He is quick at the "bully" and has many skills but tends to wait for the ball instead of being determined to get it. Scores well when conditions are favourable. Can develop into a very good player.

"CHARIOT" CHESTER - right wing - also known as "Rocket". Has been seen on occasion to overtake two opposition players and beat them to the ball in the distance of about 20 yds. Still admits that he has skills which he must master and is prepared to listen and learn. A valuable asset to the team.

"CRAFTY CRAIG" WILKES - Alternated at centre forward and right inner - could be more consistent but still a very useful member of the team. Can and does play good hockey but lapses occasionally when trying to "control" the ball for too long instead of disposing of it to another player. Would be the best exponent of the "penalty flick" in the team and "sunk" at least 5 during the season.

## U.15 NORTH TEAM PROFILE (contd.)

"CHOPPER" KAYE - Left inner - Vice Captain of the team and a dependable player who consistently provided drive on the left side. A good team man who worked hard all of the season and turned in 70 minutes of hockey each game. He put the pads on for one game when the regular goalie was away and performed well.

"RELIABLE" ROGERSON - Left wing and fullback - Captain of the team and a dependable and capable player who was prepared to play in a number of positions. A consistent player, he encouraged his team to play as an effective unit and by his own behaviour on the field, set an example to the others. Always at training (he never missed a session) he has shown himself as a good clubman as well as a good player.

"GARRULOUS GEOFF" CHELLEW - Only with the team for two games, but made a sound contribution to the overall team result.

It has been a great pleasure to be with the boys this year and they are to be congratulated on their performance. They have shown themselves to be generous to the opposing team when winning and without malice in their losses and above all, have played each game in a sportsmanlike manner. Thanks boys.

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## UNDER 15 SOUTH TEAM PROFILE

The boys started the season on a rather flat note without a coach and this resulted in a lack of discipline, but with the arrival of Tom Drewell, the boys gradually moulded into a team. Although we finished out of the final four, the boys showed glimpses of a good side and were unlucky to miss out to finish out of the finals.

MICHAEL DREWELL - Captain. A heady centre forward and proved a spearhead for the team.

BRUCE SNOWBALL - Vice Captain. Played mainly at centre half back and regularly produced a very sound game. A very reliable and dependable member of the team.

ALLAN PEERLESS - A very fine effort over the year from this first year player. Allan has a bright future in hockey.

ROD CLEMENT - Played mainly as a right inner and produced a most consistent brand of hockey throughout the year.

BRUCE TURNER - Left wing. Put in a steady game on the wing but when returned to the full back line in the last game, revealed where he should have played all the season.

GLEN HENLEY - Played mainly as a half back but was always available to fill a vacant position.

JOHN MCKENNA - A full back, a fine effort from this very much improved player. Has a bright future if this improvement continues.

JOHN COONEY - Goalie. Started the season in the full back line but soon finished up in goals and from his efforts we really pressed the top sides.

ROBERT RIPPON - Left inner. A real trier who listened to all advice and gave a full effort at all times.

U.15 SOUTH (contd.)

NEVILLE BAGOT - Full back, The most improved player in the team. Commenced the season as a reserve but completed the year a main player in the back line.

MURRAY ALLEN - Another player who was called upon to perform in many positions and did so quite well.

PETER REID - Full back, started as goalie but finished the year as a full back and always endeavoured to perform as requested.

JACK CHIDZEY - Mainly played as our reserve, but was always there when required.

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## UNDER 13A TEAM PROFILE

Although the Under 13A side did not make the four, they finished the season playing good team hockey. This augurs well for their future hockey in higher grades. The team finally finished the season fifth after several setbacks caused by injuries to key players. The team's best performance of the season was in the YMCA Carnival when they won the final of the Under 13 Division, 4:0.

GEOFFREY RANFORD - Captain. Centre forward, Inner. Set a fine example for his team with his good trapping and accurate disposal. Finished the season as the team's leading goal scorer, many of which were scored off short corner hits. Will qualify for his 100 game badge at the end of next season.

PHILIP MALAGARI - Vice-Captain. Centre half back, Inner. Started the season off well at centre half back before injury forced him on the sidelines. Resumed at right inner and added drive to the team's forward line. A very tenacious player.

DAVID JOHNSTON - Centre forward, Centre half back. David started the season at centre forward and gave a lot of bite to the forward line. Unfortunate to miss several games through injury. Resumed at centre half back and was always under notice with good trapping and strong defensive play. Still eligible for Under 13's next season.

WAYNE LUCE - Left inner, right wing. Wayne started the season at left inner but later in the season was switched to right wing. Found this position more to his liking and gave the side great drive in the last round. Will develop into a handy player for the club.

ADRIAN PATE - Left half back. A very determined and hard working player at half back. Opposing right wingers were made to work hard for every hit. Adrian is sure to make his presence felt in Under 13's next year.

VERNON TIDY - Left full back, right wing. Started the season playing at right wing where he gave the team great drive. However injuries caused a reshuffle of the team and Vernon found himself at fullback. Here he played his best hockey and combined with Murray Ogilby to give the team one of the best defences in the grade. Is another who should have a good season in Under 13's next year.

MURRAY OGILBY - Right full back. Murray had his best season for the club this year. He showed that he can trap the ball well, uses good stickwork to get himself into the clear and then clears the ball with a solid hit. Had a tremendous season at full back and gave us one of the best defences in the competition. Murray is another who will qualify for his 100 game badge next year.

ALLAN CHELLEW - Left full back, left inner. Started the season in dashing form at full back. Unfortunately had to miss several games midway through the season due to illness. Had trouble finding his form when he resumed after the letup. However a change to the forward line saw him regain his form and he finished the season playing very strongly at left inner. Augurs well for next season.

IAN CHELLEW - Utility forward. Ian was used in a variety of positions in the forward line. Showed good pace for a player of his size and never gave up trying. Will do well in the Under 13's next year when a year older.

UNDER 13A (contd.)

CHRISTOPHER WEST - Right half back. Chris proved to be a dependable half back. Not as strong as the older boys in the grade but made up for this with 100% effort. Will be a valuable member of the Under 13 sides next year.

PAUL PAARDEKOOPEER - Goalkeeper. Paul proved to be a valuable member of our defence which was one of the strongest in the grade. Often kept us in the grade with good saves and strong kicking. Missed many games during the season. We hope he will be available for the full season next year.

PAUL FIELD - Reserve goalkeeper. Paul played mainly with the Under 13 South side but when called on to help the Under 13A's never let us down. Has a good eye and made many fine saves. Kicks strongly with both feet. Many thanks for helping us out Paul and we trust you will be available next year.

GREG DOUGLAS - Utility forward. Greg was called upon several times to help out the 13A side. Always gave 100% effort and improved greatly during the season. For a player who had not played hockey before, Greg's effort in making the Under 13A side for the final games of the season was a great effort. Well done Greg, keep it up.

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UNDER 13 NORTH TEAM PROFILE

A number of individuals came together at the beginning of the season and through a lot of effort on each boy's part and supported by a dedicated coach - Colin West - became a TEAM! A team of boys who found they could play as a team, win and lose games as a team, and develop spirit as a team! These factors together with the ever present support of an enthusiastic band of parents enabled the team to make the final four. Congratulations, Colin; boys; you deserved your position and enjoyed a fine year!

KIM STRICKLAND - Centre forward. Vastly improved game this season, Kim's "putting" in on short corners were a feature, plus his conversion of the crumbs.

KEITH MARTIN - Left inner. Continued to develop a very stylish game and was a valuable asset to the side. Keith's dashes for the goal were a joy to behold.

IAN HILL - Right inner. Ian's first year in hockey was a beauty, he showed a remarkable capacity to learn and improve; his tenacious efforts in scoring helped us home on a number of occasions.

DAVID SEE - Right full back, Captain. Improved his game again this year developing into a steady, resourceful and reliable player, David formed part of a formidable defence.

IAN JONES - Right half back. Joined the team late in the season and while he has not had time to fully settle in, Ian has shown plenty of potential as a strong player.

The boys above will all be going up next season to Under 15 and will provide that age grouping with some excellent recruits.

## UNDER 13 NORTH (contd.)

ROHAN NAGAPPA - Centre half back, Vice Captain. Proved a capable and versatile player who obviously enjoys his game and never gives in. Rohan is another player who showed a steady improvement throughout the year.

DOUGLAS STEWART - Left wing. Played a solid and very determined role in this position, capably feeding his forwards. Doug will benefit from experience gained this season in some hard games.

KIM LANCE - Left half back. Another consistent player, while not a strong hit Kim can always be relied upon to trap and push out to a team mate - a valuable asset to the team.

MICHAEL SHANNON - Goalkeeper. Our cheerful goalie who is very business like in keeping that ball out. Mike is very jealous of our percentage taking each goal against us as a personal affront. Very reliable and a good kick.

STEVEN WEBB - Left full back. Consistent and reliable, an indispensable part of our defence line up, Steven shows out in times of crisis, keeping a cool head at all times. He had a good year.

NEIL JACOBS - Right wing. Another first year player who showed both enthusiasm and an ability to pick up the game with a very stylish flair for the wing position. Will really show out next season.

The boys above are all able to remain in the U.13 grouping next season and will provide a core of reliable veterans.

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## UNDER 13 SOUTH TEAM PROFILE

MANAGER: Arthur Coopes

COACH: Neville Munns

The team must receive praise for their consistent and determined efforts. Never once did they even show a sign of becoming despondent when opposition was well in front. The boys always played as if they only needed one goal to win and kept the pressure on until the final whistle.

IAN AUSMA - Has latent natural ability. However he missed considerable number of games and therefore full potential was not achieved.

ROD ALLAM - Half back, inner and fullback. An unassuming player who always played with determination and consistency. Unfortunately received several injuries due to his solid tackling.

IAN CALWELL - Right wing. Although not a regular player, Ian came to the rescue on many occasions and played a dashing game showing his heels to the opposition on the right wing. Ian also plays soccer. However, if he were to concentrate on hockey he has a great potential in the forward line.

MARTIN COOPES - Full back, right wing. While not a natural, always gave his best and made good improvement during his first full season.

MATHEW CRAIG - Captain, Centre half. A tireless centrehalf player who covered a lot of ground. Always played with steady consistency giving good support both in defence and attack. Scored 3 of the team's 19 goals.

## UNDER 13 SOUTH (contd.)

ANDREW DINNIE - Persistent trier who was used in a number of positions during the year and always played with terrier like tenacity, despite his diminutive stature.

GREG DOUGLAS - Centre forward. A natural centre forward who unfortunately didn't have adequate opportunity to develop his full potential due to the fact we were more often in defence. However, he scored 10 of the team's 19 goals. Because of his ability, Greg played a number of games with the U.13A team and acquitted himself very well.

PAUL FIELD - Goalie. The last line of defence, Paul never wilted under pressure. Regularly received praise from opposition coaches and umpires because of spectacular clearances.

ROGER HUNT - Good utility player used in goals, full back, half back and forward line. Always gave a good account of himself.

DAVID HOPE-JOHNSTON - A most reliable and consistent player and an ideal full back who always turned in a solid game.

IAN MUNNS - Half back. Enthusiastic player who literally threw himself into the game and always played on even when horizontal. Improved greatly through the season.

DAVID REES - Left wing. Regular at both training and matches. A keen player who received few opportunities because we were generally in defence.

KEVIN SCARTERFIELD - Inside left. Played in several forward line positions and made a good contribution to the team's effort. A dogged player who because of physical capacity may be more suited to fullback position.

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## UNDER 11 NORTH TEAM PROFILE

ANDREW FORD - Captain. A very promising player who, once the game starts, forgets what position he is playing in. (Andrew, the centre half back position is NOT six feet in front of the opposing goalkeeper.) Scored many fine goals this year.

DAVID ANDREW - Vice Captain. Always gives of his best, but must have ambitions to be a ditch digger - or Dad works him too hard in the garden. Often tries to use his stick like a shovel which has resulted in useful goals being scored (and deep holes dug in the ground.)

GRAEME BELL - "The fastest mouth-guard in the West!" Is able to put in his mouthguard, grasp his stick with two hands, and hit the ball so fast it deceives the eye. Has shown great improvement as the year progressed.

MARCUS ZULSDORF - A player who chases the ball all over the field if he thinks he will get a shot at goal. Has been known to suddenly start playing soccer in the middle of a game.

DEAN REVELL - Small in size, but big in effort. Shows great promise and never gives up when in attack. Takes the game seriously, is a very good team man, and unlike many of his team mates, is a good LISTENER.

UNDER 11 NORTH (contd.)

ALLAN DICK - Another very promising player who, at training, is noted for his head-gear, the variety of toys he brings along, and his ability to dribble - not only at hockey - but while having a cool drink.

PAUL WILKES - Although a late starter, was a steady and reliable player throughout the season. Made certain he watched his winger and on occasions watched him so closely he didn't know where the ball was.

CAMERON BINT - A very improved player who tackles well, and persistently. Has made it very difficult for many opposing left wings who have found him hard to pass. Not short of a word or two, and always ready with a quick answer.

CRAIG BARRETT - A great trier for the team and one who always gives his best. Has a habit of digging holes in the ground when trying to hit the ball too hard. Will probably grow up to become a very good golfer.

GREG RUTHVEN - Played many great games in defence. Has two speeds - "stop" and "flat-out"; two types of hit - "very hard" and "sticks"; and plays in two positions - "standing up" and "falling down".

ALLAN WISHAW - Made many excellent saves during the season and has improved with experience. Doesn't like playing against weak teams because he gets lonely down his end and has no-one to talk to.

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UNDER 11 SOUTH (1) PROFILE

An enjoyable and successful season. Although only three members of the team had previously played a season of hockey, the boys quickly developed into an effective team and finished a creditable 6th on the premiership table.

The boys developed a very good attitude to their hockey and always played as a team. They all have good potential and it will be interesting to watch the development of their hockey careers.

The many parents who supported this team were both impressed and pleased with the excellent sportsmanship shown by the boys.

NIGEL MATTHEWS - Captain and right wing. Nigel proved to be a very keen and responsible captain. He was a valuable player and when playing at his best gave the side great drive from the right wing.

CRAIG SHIELDS - Right inner. Light in build but an interesting and talented player. Craig has a strong quiet determination and was at his best in the circle where he scored some very clever goals.

PETER HEWETT - Centre forward, half back. To meet the needs of the team, Peter had to play in a number of positions through the year and he happily accepted each move. Always a keen and determined player Peter played his best hockey towards the end of the season when he was allowed to settle down at centre forward.

DAVID KEYS - Forward. Commenced playing hockey part way through the second half of this season. Although initially lacking in hockey skills, David, being a good athlete, quickly developed into a very useful player.

U.11 SOUTH (1) cont.

JEFFREY LYON - Left inner, full back. A very good natural hockey player who was equally at home in attack or defence. If he develops a continuing keenness for the game he will go far in hockey.

DAVID OGILBY - Left wing. Small maybe, but he never never gives up. David has developed good hockey skills and played many excellent games at left wing.

ANTHONY JOHNSTON - Right half. Anthony was the most experienced player in the team and also the most consistent. He is a reliable and effective right half back who always turns in a good workmanlike performance.

IAN REID - Centre half and Vice Captain. Always thinking, never flustered, a very good positional hockey player. With these qualities Ian was obviously a very effective centre half back.

ROBERT SEE - left half. Another small, young, member of the team but already a skilful hockey player. Robert played some very good games at left half.

BRODERICK RYDER - Right full back. A good hockey player who can play a very attacking style of full back. Broderick was often able to give the team considerable drive from defence.

TIM WIGHT - Left full back. A steady defender who was determined that the ball would not get past him. Time and again Tim would stand firm against attacking forwards and sweep the ball out of the circle.

PETER BARRETT - Goalkeeper. An effective goal keeper who played some really brilliant games during the season.

RICHARD PATE - Winger. Although only playing two games as an emergency, Richard showed both speed and potential. It will be great to see you in action next year Richard.

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UNDER 11 SOUTH (2) TEAM PROFILE

All thirteen players were new to the game and improved tremendously throughout the season. Although they delayed their victory until the last match they had several draws and closely contested games and in the end they were worrying some of the top teams. It was very pleasing to see our boys show great enthusiasm and determination throughout and always play their games in a very sportsmanlike manner. Thanks particularly to Mr. Bell for his very great assistance at training. Your coach and manager would like to thank all the boys for a very enjoyable season and also the parents for their excellent support at all games.

EVAN COOPES - Came to us midway through the season and showed some promising performances towards the end. Should develop into a useful player next year.

GREG FOGARTY - Greg was our hard working centre forward. Always reliable and very mobile. Has developed well in the game and has great potential.

DAVID HUNT - At left half David was always holding up opposing attacks and contributed well to his side. Practises a lot at home and is always difficult to pass.