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GAME BADGES 1992

300 Games

Paul Meacock

200 Games

Malcolm Farmer Scott Forbes Jeremy

100 Games

Seniors

Saad O'Mari Julian Andrews Jean Louis D'Souza Graeme Coleman Stuart Beechan Bill Calder Juniors

Natham Rowden Craig Price Michael Dibb Michael Deveson

50 Games

Seniors

Andrew Criddle
Natham Elliott
Adam Sparkes
Kevin Coleman
Kevin Nylander
Adrian Jolliffe
Stephen Douglas
Terrence Parker

Juniors

Ian Ladhams Jamie Cleary Adam Fitzgerald Bradley Taylor David Wilson David Schibeci Christopher Munro David Kovac Robert Currell Scott Martyn Paul Douglas Kane Woollams Tim Gouldthorp Jane Porter Mark Carson Ryan Willis Simon Rate Travis McIntyre Corey Atkinson Sven Tegeler Leanne Shearer

MELVILLE CITY HOCKEY CLUB

SENIOR AWARDS 1992

FAIREST AND BEST AWARDS

1B FOUNDERS SHIELD	PAUL EARLY
2A	
3A	
4B	SCOTT FORBES
5A	RUSSEL SCANLON
5C	DAVID WINTHROP
REGIONAL SOUTH 1 (RS1)	GRAEME URE
REGIONAL SOUTH 2 (RS2)	KEVIN COLEMAN
VETERANS "B"	PETER STEEL
VETERANS "E" #1	COLIN WILLIS
VETERANS "E" #2	IAN KNIGHT

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PRESENTS REPORT

The second year of a term is always a little easier, things fall into place sooner, colleagues understand each other a little more and gain confidence in each's ability and everyone knows their job that little bit better. The 1992 season, for me, has been that sort of year, and I thank all the committee for their tremendous efforts.

The season has been very successful for the club with great gains in both the Senior and Junior Divisions. Both brilliantly controlled by Gavin Scally and Bruce Read respectively with Gavin being responsible for a resurgence in the social arena and thus reproducing a little of that 'Ole Melville flavour. Bruce continues to inject great enthusiasm and forward thinking into the Juniors, the results of which clearly speak for themselves, by far the best Junior Division in W.A.H.A.

Melville continues to produce Champions, Craig Wilson and Matthew Orlando both achieving State selection, Matthew for the second year in a row. Well done lads, your dedication and determination has paid dividends. We must thank your parents and families for their obvious support.

There is no doubt that Hockey in W.A. is at the crossroads. Reduced numbers of hockey players joining the sport is evident, (a trend not being seen at Melville I might add) the loss being to the more higher profile sports such as basketball, baseball, soccer, etc.

Regionalisation is being discussed at Board level, continued promotion for more artificial playing surfaces, and the involvement, for the first time of W.A. in the National Hockey League are the avenues W.A.H.A. are exploring to produce a more professional attitude to this sport, thus allowing it to compete on equal terms.

Thus the big 'buck' raises it head in yet another sport, and for us to keep pace Melville too must move forward in this direction, become more professional, seek that tightly held sponsorship dollar, raise more money to be well positioned when Regionalisation eventuates.

Melville is a great club run by some talented and dedicated people. We must not allow these same people to carry the load year in and year out. THE LOAD MUST BE SHARED. New people bringing in fresh ideas will help us progress and keep in front.

1992 saw more of you contribute your time in coaching and team managing positions, and this was greatly appreciated. In 1993 we ask more of you to become involved in the club itself without the nagging. The result will be the ability to fulfill your wish that we are able to attract and retain the professionals to coach and to play for Melville, and to provide the role models needed to attract even more Juniors. This will complete the cycle.

We are a healthy and financial club at the present, and this must continue if we are to achieve and maintain our goals.

I thank Wayne Atkinson for his tireless contribution and his wise words when needed. I also thank Colin Willis who darts in and out with gay abandon, attending to the bar and being the general club roustabout, who's hockey experience has been most valuable to the lay-hockey person such as myself. Colin never hesitates to chip in at any time to help.

Present Report cont.,

To my friend Ron Wilson who has been my sounding board this year, has put up with many mid-week phone conferences to assist with any little problem that needed to be sorted out, I thank you.

To Frank Williams and his band of merry men and women who have once again conducted the Melville Minkey Progam for the club which is so vital and which produces the future champions for Melville. Thnak you and keep up the good work.

To the remaining committee and support members who fulfilled the numerous other jobs, Ross Read, Maxine Rowe, Liz Finlay (once again), Jenny Bignell, John Sanders, Stuart Beechen and any others. Melville City Hockey Club is alive and well because of you. I thank you with unreserved appreciation.

May I take this opportunity to wish all members a safe summer, a merry festive season and hope to see you all fit and well to participate in the 1993 Hockey Season.

GRAHAM NAPIER President.

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT

"It appears that I will be moving to Victoria in the off-season ..."- WRONG!

About two weeks after I wrote those words last year Janice scored a job and thus I had to serve out my term as, well, doer of just about everything. This has been heaps of fun, with a hugh improvement in the social side of things as well as increased morale through the 'rank and file' and much better results throughout the grades.

The highlight of the year for me so far has been the commitment to the club shown by several of the younger guys who are the future of the club off the field. This increase in commitment goes right down the grades, from people like Jim Polinelli in the 2's to Ross Read in the RS2's, with guys like Mason Paynter, Tony Fisher and Simon Bignell in between. These guys, and lots more, have helped take the load off the shoulders of the people on the committee and contributed to a much more healthy atmosphere in the club.

This is my last role in this position, and I recommend the role to anyone who wants to help the club and has a slightly masochistic bent! It's generally a fun job, and I hope that someone takes the opportunity to put their stamp on the club in the exciting times that lie ahead over the next 2-3 years.

GAVIN SCALLY VICE PRESIDENT SENIORS

TREASURER'S REPORT

At the writing of this Report, I am confident that the financial result for the 1992 Season will be very close to break even as budgeted.

This year two of our major Fund Raising activities, Grape Picking and Chocolate Sales have received poor to moderate support from members. In view of the considerable work involved in organising these fund raising activities, I will be moving at the next A.G.M. that fees be dramatically increased for seniors and Juniors to rectify the current situation.

As our fees have been kept at possibly the lowest in the Association for many years, Members through their lack of involvement will now have to face the prospect of paying higher fees in line with most other W.A.H.A. Clubs.

After two years as Treasurer, I will be standing down at the next A.G.M. and hope that sufficient Members come forward and nominate for positions for the 1993 Season Committee.

WAYNE ATKINSON...TREASURER.

VICE PRESIDENTS REPORT - JUNIORS

This report is being written after the first week of junior semifinals, and I am pleased to report that 9 out of 13 junior teams remain in contention. Two other teams finished 5th and two finished last in their grade.

While this result shows the overall strength and depth of our junior ranks and is obviously very pleasing. I realise that in junior sport other criteria must be considered when measuring the success or otherwise of a season. Items such as enjoyment level, improvement in individual and team skills, understanding team commitments and responsibilities, contributions to others and the club, learning sportsmanship, and respect etc are much harder to measure than finals success but become important when an overall review of a season is undertaken.

Taking all of the above into account I am confident to report that for a very, very large majority of our juniors the 1992 season has been an outstanding success. Hockey, like most other endeavours in life, rewards effort, dedication and persevence to the extent that the higher the contribution the higher the enjoyment and achievement.

Many people have assisted this year. The W.A.H.A. is to be thanked for its continuing efforts to improve the hockey scene for our children. They have shown a refreshing desire to try new ideas and whilst not all have been successful, the continual improvement they seek is to be encouraged. The committee of our club is again to be thanked for the encouragement, time and effort expended towards development of its junior members.

Thank you to Norm Kidd for all his behind the scenes work with the preparation and maintenance of our equipment.

The loudest thank you must go to our coaches and team managers. We are very fortunate to have the services of many capable and talented people who give time each week to pass on the skills and the benefits of experience to their team. Equally important is a group of younger and possibly less experienced people who have made tremendous contributions by taking on a coaching or managing role and having 'given it a go' realise the importance and satisfaction that can be gained from a job well done. Thank you coaches and managers, your effort is very much appreciated.

On a personal note I would like to thank Wayne Atkinson, Graham Napier, Colin Willis, Ron Wilson and others not named here, who gave me untold support.

A special note of thanks to my wife Pauline and Katrina, Geoff and Matthew who between them handled all those phone calls and messages.

Congratulations are extended to Matthew Orlando and Craig Wilson who were selected in their age group State Team. All reports confirm that both these boys played well while on tour and were a credit to our club. We are proud of your achievements.

The level 1 coaching course offered by W.A.H.A. was completed by 6 of our members and we have already started to see the benefits. This course is first class and is highly recommended with the hope and expectation that other coaches and parents interested in improving their hockey know how will enrol next year.

Junior Report cont.,

On two or three occasions this season our club and consequently the junior members suffered because some parents were over zealous with their criticism of umpires or our own coaches, for the way they interpreted the rules or controlled their team. It is hoped that the positive side of this will emerge and these people will think before they criticise in the future and will take positive steps towards solving problems rather than enlarging an existing concern.

As we look toward next season may I be so bold as to suggest some things we can all do to help our club run even more smoothly. These include:-

- Be enthusiastic and assist with grape picking in February or March without the need for any arm twisting.
 - Register on registration day.
- Pay fees promptly prior to the season starting, without the need for constant reminders.
 - Join in the social events.
- Take on some task within the club, no matter how small, so that the load can be shared.

With your support our drive toward being a classic league club can be achieved and the general hockey development and the sportsmanship displayed by our junior members will continue to surpass the previously established high standards.

BRUCE READ VICE PRESIDENT JUNIORS

FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT REPORT

This was one of the major areas which suffered this year due to the fact that despite numerous attempts no one was prepared to take on this task.

Along with other tasks I followed up our loyal and supportive sponsors of previous years and who again contributed the money needed to maintain your fees at a reasonable level.

In the current volitile economic conditions companies are reluctent to spend any monies unless they can see a reasonable return by way of exposure and an entry into the mailing list of club members. It is requested that all members seek out during the off-season, the local businesses who would be prepared to invest as little as \$250.00 to \$500.00 for the season.

We have over 300 members at Melville City which, if presented well could give them adequate exposure.

With the AGM only a little way off I ask only one of you to put their name forward to undertake this very important job.

In 1992 we saw the retention of the core sponsors as listed below. I wish to thank them for their support and hope that we can invite them once again to be apart of this great hockey club.

In what was a very bleak year insecuring new sponsors, I was however able to obtain a new Major Sponsor in PATRICK WEE of L.J HOOKER. Patrick is the Principal of L.J.Hooker, Leeming, Kardinya and Willetton and who proved once again to be most generous in sponsoring not only the Hockey Club but also in funding the Minkey Progam.

Other Sponsors included:

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NETWORK PACKAGING
HOME BUILDING SOCIETY

1B REPORT

The 1B team began the year poorly. Few players turned out for training in the initial pre-season preparation. It was very obvious as we arrived at the pre-season Gearaldson Carnival, struggling to find one team to go, that the attitude to achieve Classic League Status was not there.

This was a trend which was hard to come to terms with as the first half of the season proved tough and we were unable to find the combination of players fit enough to run the full 70 minutes necessary at this level.

A number of changes were attempted and by the end of the first round we had found a workable line-up with a tough backline and a developing forward line.

Fitness and training attendance were still not good enough to be successful but as one observer noted "with a team of Engineers, Lawyers, Chemists and Accountants, all you need is a Doctor to have the best Practice in Perth!"

The second round proved to be inspiring though, and a number of players began to find form.

JOHN(CAPT.) COOKE - moved from centre-half to full-back and immediately began rallying the team around him with precise, clear calling, very often in Swahali, and tough mid-field tackling, Cookie is a courageous player who commits himself fully on the field. He leads by example and is unequalled in his ability to change from defender, to attack, to cabbage in the twinkling of an eye. The only player I know with "take twice daily before meals" stencilled onto his hockey stick.

PAUL"STRINGER" EARLY - also moved to full-back completing the "Dynamic Duo". He provided the team with a very mobile defence, able to pass accurately and develop attacking moves quickly from hit situations. At 24, he is the <u>old man</u> of the team and is able to use his knowledge of the game to good effect.

SIMON KLASS - really has the ability to be a top goalie, speed and unbelievable agility. Bouncing from one humble stretch to the other has potential flick takers mesmerized. "twang" Pity about the hamstring though! With his abliity and a further year or two's experience, Simon will be a formidable brick wall to be passed.

BRUCE HANCOCK - moved to centre-half and filled a very large gap left by Dean Revel from last season with distiction. He is the George Jetson of Melville City who plays on planes that the rest of us can only imagine! Great to have a goal scoring centre-half. Bruce lifted the whole team with his timely tackles and drives into our attacking half. Fined for "Destroying" eleven ego's in 20 minutes at Bunbury as he carved up the opposition in the A Grade Grand Final.

STEFFAN WILLETT - began the season as our solid right half, picking off opposition attacks down the wings. But it became obvious that we needed to get rid of the inside-right who was showing signs of decay and had to admitt his blinding pace had left him.

So Steffan stepped forward and with his Gucci disposable shinpads, demonstrated unbelievable faints and drags and successfully beat the average full-back sixteen times on the spot.

1B Cont.,

NATHAN ELLIOT - only 16 years of age but developed this year into a mature hard working right-half. Taking over from where Steffan left off, Nathan was able to mark his wing out of the game with strong physical skills. He showed that he wasn't going to be pushed around by much older players and was keen to overlap, lending support to attacking plays. Nathan is a player of the future and I'm certain we'll see his name on the honour board as a State Player in the future.

ASHLEY KNAPPS - came to us from Gosnells and began playing the season in the 2A team. With solid performances he quickly realized a position in the 1's team and he cemented his position as the left half with timely tackles and constructive passing. He is a quiet, player vocally, but the few right wings who tried to run through him found out that quiet does not mean weak by any means.

Melville City, has, over the last couple of years had a field goal scoring problem. Largely, I believe because we haven't had the forwards who are prepared to take on their opponents just outside the circle, bustling the ball in behind a defence.

In the second half of the season a light at the end of the tunnel was visible with all five forwards gaining confidence in each game to attack the circle. Many field goals were scored with none being more pleasant than those against Moderians when we demolished the 5 zip.

ANDREW CRIDDLE - stepped up another notch in ability as the right wing taking players on confidently leading and going around defensive opposition with control. Butch Worth, once said to me that he would rather have players such as Andrew, than the flashy, undisciplined players who never listened and didn't learn from their mistakes. (he had one who played for Melville once) This comment has proved accurate, as Andrew worked hard to develop the skills to become a very good right wing.

KEITH HARPER - began the season in the 3A's but after a few pleading calls rejoined the 1's with immediate results. The 9-0 victory over Edith Cowan was largely due to Harp's enthusiastic dynamic leading which was taken up by the other forwards. The lack of eyebrows helps Harp's to Ghost around the field and as Steffan found out, "He ain't all that slow," either!

MARK LYONS - is the work horse in the team. We relied on Mark heavily as the inside left to mark the opposition teams players as well as attack carrying the ball into our forward line. He did this with destinction, was very hard on himself for missing a tackle or a goal and worked hard developing fitness, change of pace and big drags to eliminate players. Clarence was our main flick taker at one stage.

CRAIG COUSINS - another young player who joined us mid way through the season from Narrogin and immediately slotted into the 1B team as the centre forward. When Harps arrived Craig moved out to the left with explosive results. When used early Craig showed he had the pace and skill to eliminate even a close marking opposition and developed a piroiette which would have dazzled Nureyev. It was always pleasing to see Craig slot a goal, but no one enjoyed it more than Craig...

1B Cont., again..

- "You are about to score a lot of goals Craig and I reckon this weekend is going to be the one."
- "Okay guys, see you at the game."
- "ahhhh, coach, I'm going home this weekend!!"

"BEAUTY CRAIG !!!!!"

And so ends another season. Thanks to the team for making the second half so exciting and enjoyable.

If you have any ambitions of playing Classic League then remember the mistakes of this year and be prepared early for 14 strong games next season.

The finals will mean nothing next year. Winning every game and finishing on top of the ladder is the only goal.

Darryl.

2A REPORT

On reflection, although our 2A's finished on the bottom of the ladder, we can be satisfied in a lot of aspects. I honestly believe that every player learnt a lot about tactics and improved their individual skills and knowledge. We had a couple of magic moments, particularly our win against Fremantle, the top side, and that performance affected every game each side in the four played from there on.

If only: we had another year in 2A's I believe we would have been a very competitive unit and if only we had been consistent with our performances throughout the year. We did not have one training session all year where all the team attended, perhaps that is some food for thought for next year.

To all the kids who played 2A's, thanks for your great efforts, all the seniors learnt from your dedication. To the regulars. we had our ups and downs, but it was a pleasure to be associated with you and I believe we learnt a lot to win 2B in 1993.

GRAHAM WOOD & (goal scoring player!!)

JIM POLINELLI - What a great club man! Pig on The Spit Night, fantastic. "Jesus" performed some great saves, his latter part of the season was excellent.

ALAN CHELLEW - Chewy was renowned for arriving five or ten minutes before the game, but when he arrived on the right train, drove the team in the right direction. A very consistent season.

ADRIAN MAHER - Father of the year! When he gets fit he will be a great asset to our club. Played some blinders even when asleep.

GREG RUTHVEN - Had a love-hate relationship when we played WASPS I think he enjoyed playing on his brother. Very strong, fit young man and a welcome addition to our club. We look forward to better things in 1993.

MARK WATTON - Captain courageous! was a sad loss when he was attacked in the operating theatre. Set a hugh example for his appetite for hard work. A great team and club man.

NEIL FIELD - A late recruit. It only took us six weeks to find out what a great left half he was. Unfortunately he has been transferred to Geraldton with his employment, but assures us it's only for the summer. How can a guy like this be a mate of John Cooke?

DREW LOXLEY - Our toothless terror tried to kiss a hockey stick. That's love and devotion to the game. His work rate was great, never gives up and provided another member for the club this year.

GEOFF RANFORD - Ram played centre half sometimes and his smile whilst playing must deter opposition players. A strong consistent performer and a good hockey player.

DARRYL DEDMAN - Our celebrity player this year and consistant penalty stroke achiever. A blinding player under lights or sunlight. A great example for having a go. Well done DD with the 1B's.

SIMON ATKINSON - This man is definitely going to be a successful space astronaut. Has already been there. The last six games Simon has believed in his own ability and has become a far more confident player.

IAN DARBY - Darbs really has a go, set him a task and he'll do it. What he lacks in skill he makes up for with sheer guts and drive.

GRANT MUIR - This guy is a worry. Great potential, however the mind and body have a problem communicating. Persiverence will see him be a very damaging striker.

We also had several players on loan to the 1B's, never to return, who also played important roles with the 2A's. Also to the latter part of the year, Jason Maher joined us together with several Under 15 players, together with guests Richard Grundy, Ribbsy and Kev from the 4's.

To all those who contributed to the overall team, a big thank you. Have a safe Summer.

3A REPORT

Our early expestations of participating in the final rounds were justified on our player strength combining a troup of experienced stagers and a sprinkling of up and coming stars. However, reality was that competition as is always the case in this grade was fierce amongst all teams with little separating the top and bottom sides.

Unfortunately, despite our best endeavours we were unable to win sufficient number of games necessary to secure a top four placing. But, importantly we all enjoyed ourselves and look forward to a bigger and more consistent performance next year.

ALAN MEACOCK - Forward - A stalward at the club whom with age is gradually maturing to be an elder statesman of our game. He retains fine skills and is often heard providing questionable advise to opposition players but sound advice to the younger members of our team. A fine contributor.

JOHN MEACOCK - Fullback - a resolute defender with very strong tackling skills. Always gives 100% and likes nothing better but to place crunching tackles on opposing forwards. Provides good team leadership at all times.

BERN ROGERS - Goalie - steady in defence and has a good eye for the many difficult saves he had to make. Very experienced at this level and can always be relied upon to keep the number of goals against to a minimum.

MATTHEW RUMMER - Halfback- one of the highlights this year. A player who has great determination, skill and is a tireless worker. One of our junior contingent that has a great hockey future to look forward to.

MAL FARMER - Forward - had one of his better years featuring particularly during the second half of the season. Mal is a consistent player who has very close in skills. Enticed from the "scrubbers brigade" this year which proved to be a bonus for our team. Enyoys nothing more than many post match beers.

KEITH HARPER - Forward - Hasn't lost any pace or drive and was a key forward who can always be relied upon to score goals. Unfortunately, he played too well during the early part of the season and was pinched to play in the lB's. Will be required full time in this team next year.

PATRICK MATTHEWS - Centre Half - Patrick often contemplated training but never quite got there dur to work committments. Maintains a high skill factor and always works hard on the field.

NIGEL CLARKE - Full Back - Always a solid performer is our friend Nigel. Often saves goals on the back line and commits his body and soul to the cause. He never gives in!

EARL HARPER - Forward - You can't mistake this mans call for the ball. A high pitch scream always lets you know where he is or where he shouldn't be. A successful first year performer with the club.

SAAD OMARI - Half Back - Possesses one of the biggest hits in the game. Enjoys a very high work rate and is very difficult to beat. His season with the club was shortened due to study committments which was a significant blow to our team. Has a great hockey future ahead of him.

NICK TWEEDIE - Forward - another good season from Nick who was one of our key avenues of attack. Runs hard every game and has great ability to eliminate players with pace and skill. Scored many crucial goals and always featured in the best player list.

JOHN D'ALTON - Forward - a pretty handy forward who is suprisingly deceptive considering he has a most relaxed and layback hockey style. Was promoted to the 2A's for a couple of games but ended up in the 5C's. Interesting move John!

OTHER PLAYERS

We thank all the backup and support given by the young and not so young who have also made an appearence in the team. These include: Richard Grundy, Simon Atkinson, Adam Sparkes, Darryl Dedman, Matthew Orlando, and Geoff "Ram" Ranford. Your efforts are appreciated.

1992 - what a year!! Barcelonia, Bunbury (again) and the rebirth of the legend team!! At the time of writing, the goats are making a devastating charge towards the finals, leaving opposition sides reeling in our wake and consolidating third spot in the process. A combination of miserly defenders and crosseyed forwards have kept games close, and if we win five in a row, watch out - party goats in action!!

ROSS INNES-MILLS - Stepping into the breach to fill the gap left in the goals when Manno flew to Bali and never quite made it back, our own walking phallic symbol cut a swathe through opposition forward lines and never failed to point out forbidden terminology when used by others. Failed to kill anyone this year, but only just.

SHANE KNAPP - Over the summer months a Bosnia-Herzegovina type disaster befell Gosnells Hockey Club. and out of the wreckage strode our latest tall, slow, big-hitting fullback. Held the defence together and fed the forwards well (particularly the Wolves centre-forward), and generally has been a big asset all year.

JULIAN ANDREWS - Rowdy returns!! With all-new methods of communication (think of jungle drum type sounds emerging from heads of Aquinas fullbacks, not to mention full-contact braille with an ex-ice hockey player from Newman), the loudest man at the club except for Bart once more did all the running that the rest of the forwards couldn't. Showed his true colours at Bunbury (light green in the mornings), and will undoubtedly back up for the goats next season.

MASON PAYNTER - Started the season with a bang, obviously monogamy was not affecting his game too badly, but gradually back into the "good intentions and crossed eyes" mode of hockey that we all expect Won the prize for this years best exchange with an umpire after being sent off and refusing to go behind the goals, and unwittingly contributed to the development of the supercomputer when someone tried to find a number small enough to represent his scoring percentage!!

MIKE SCALLY - Seen at Bunbury running around carrying his breakfast in his hands for some reason, has the uncanny ability of being called offside anywhere including lying down over the backline with an opposition player lying on top of him. The first man ever to win the Keith Harper Trophy for Consistent Trapping twice in a row, he has probably been our best forward this year, but he still hasn't got any hair and therefore get's absolutely no respect.

DAVID ABBOTT - Our own hippie (every team should have one), Dave joined us from Willetton and fitted in very nicely. Played mostly at halfback, and joined with the Assassin in demonstrating that Nigel Clarke's dream of a flourishing orthapedic community surviving solely on being injured by hockey backmen may yet come to pass.

GAVIN SCALLY - Fat? Yes, Slow? For sure. Played centre-forward through, so eat your heart out guys!

4's Continued...

JASON BRADLEY - The other half of the dynamic duo played his first season of 4's this year, and aquitted himself in great style. Can't hurt people quite as bad as Scott, so tends to go for the ball a bit more, but we'll break him of this unfortunate habit. Jason's going to Europe next year, so Hank, there's a spot open in the 4's if your keen.

KEVIN SAVAGE-MORTON - Another refugee from Gosnells, KSM scared the hell out of the forwards by hitting the ball at us when we played Aquinas and hasn't looked back! Another great clubman, Kevin, or at least his body, was at every function the club had and stayed late most Thursday nights as well. Yet another Bunbury participant.

SCOTT FORBES - The silent Assassin, went through the 4's in a manner not seen since the Black Plague hit Europe, leaving broken bodies and screaming orphans in his wake. Best line - "That one-oh,he'll be alright, I didn't mean to hit him", his only problem is that he'll never, ever, score a goal, even if we all have to step offside to stop him! Not the sort of guy who should handle explosives for a living.

WAYNE HARRIES - This man has the longest arms I ahve ever seen. Came from University and stepped into the role of fullback, and has never looked back. One of the few players dedicated enough to coach, Harry showed us all what he'd learn't with a new exercise-where everyone lines up and walks slowly across the ground, head down-looking for lost wedding rings!

NATHAN KENNY - Didn't play this year after he forgot to jump playing baseball, but Junior said he'd come to the Windup so I thought I'd better writs something.

Thanks also: Aaron Robeson, Adam Sparkes, Alistair MacDonald, Ben Rogers, Kyle Gresham, Lester Maher, Manno Psanoudakis, Matthew Rummer, Neil Keen, Richard Grundy, Scott Pitter, Tim Bodger, Bruce Hancock, Mal Farmer and all the other people I've forgotten, for filling in when we were short- as you can see, that was quite often!

5A REPORT

After a great start to the year injuries and work commitments took their toll on the team. Never the less when all members were present we were good enough to beat the top team 6-0. Fifth place is a good place to finish for oldies.

IAN HALLIDAY - Centre forward and the focus of our attack. Scored a lot of goals when we could give him the ball properly and as one spectator said "Gee - he's good, he doesn't miss by much!".

DAVID HALLIDAY - Left Wing. Always a reliable avenue in attack. Played some scintillating games with deadly cross balls for right wings and right halves.

ALEC JAMES - Right Wing. Played with his usual enthusiam and gave the team plenty of drive with his forays down the line.

GRAEME JAMES - Forward of half back. A great contributor whereever he was asked to play.

JEFF WEST - Inside Forward. His skill and opportunism left the opposition floundering. But soggy grounds and a dicky knee prevented him getting those dozens of goals we were chasing.

CHRIS WEST - Full Back. Ever reliable defender who either sat there freezing or was inundated by the opposition. Rarely beaten.

BRUCE PORTER - Sometimes manager, always a had-runnung left inner. Ran on the short-corners, stopped the short-corners, and next year is going to learn how to pass. But always the hardest tackler in the game.

DAVID PORTER - Sometimes forward, sometimes half back, sometimes full back, sometimes goalie. Nearly scored as many goals as his daughter, and even stopped some.

RUSSELL SCANLON - Centre Half. The engine room of the team, whose excellent tackles and deft through balls made the difference in many of our games.

PETER KAZAKOFF - Inside Forward. They still fall for the Kazza faint and then the little touch goes to Hals. As skilled as ever but eighteen old defenders make it a bit tough.

CRAIG LANKESTER/MIKE NORTH - Goalkeepers extrordanaire who shared the custodial duties with the odd bare-chested licking full back. It was feast or famine but more often than not their presence made the difference.

ROB KNYN - Left Half. His skill and hard work saw him rarely beaten in the game and his overlapping play created many attacks.

NORM HOSKINS - Full Back with a never say die attitude. Often seen trying to overlap forwards to get short-corners so he can score more goals.

PETER DAWKINS - Half Back. Started the season late after working on overseas projects but showed his skill when he took the field.

5A Cont.,

Bruce Cameron.

GREG ARGETT - Half Back/Forward. In great form early in the season, but the wanderlust dragged him away.

To field a team like ours you need a cast of thousands. We thank those that filled in. These include:-

Alex Halliday and Sean Hooper from the Under 15A's, Matthew Read, Todd Barrett, Craig Price and Alistair McDonald from the Under 17A's. Gavin Scally, Scott Forbes from the 4B's,and

5C REPORT

KYLE GRESHAM - Berlin glassy and goalie extraordinair. Known for turning up 5 mins into the game when Fish at kicking full back has already taken one on the legs. Sings in his helmet and gives away spectacular strokes.

GLEN TWEEDIE - wields a big hockey stick for someone with no body, except that nose. A skillful player. Exactly what the 5C's don't need. Takes sledging to a higher plane.

DAVE WINTHROP - saquatch meets the lumberjack and has a love child. Force fed blunt axes since birth, Dave is the best tackler in the side. Not!! fooled us into thinking he's human, now thats the beard is gone.

JOHN-LOUIE DeSOUSA - has skills, looks, poise and grace. Which is probably why we all hate him. Is a typical half back, in that he always wants to play up front. A man's man, until we find out otherwise.

GEOFF COOPER - as a half back Geoff marks his wingers well. Too well. Sometimes we weren't too sure what he was doing, but opponents were always smiling when he ran away with the ball.

MATTHEW WRIGHT - although Mat has an expression on his face like a baby with bad gas, he is deceptive. You think that he will trap the ball and get a cross in. Known to score goals when nobody's looking.

LESTER MAHER - the body builder from hell, with an oversion to grade A leg cramps. Doesn't realise that boxer shorts will always show if their longer than his shorts! Has crazy glue on the end of his stick and passes in panic only, ie hardly ever!

MIKE BROOKS - was moved to centre forward and carved his own niche and scored goals. The niche was carved so deep that we had to give him detention and lines. Once heard telling Fish, "I'm getting older, so I don't really like running that much".

CALLUM McALINDON - Bon Marley meets Charles Manson meets Mr. T, with a hockey stick! This man is all dreadlocks and Dickie KNee Shorts. Can you tell he takes his hockey seriously? Whinger at Mach Speed. Don't get caught in the backdraft.

KEVIN LYONS - is prone to stories of granduer about the night before. Is chief pupil at the Keith Harper school of pale. Ken carries a big stick, and isn't afraid to use it. A fair player and a bad joke. Go ahead, make his day.

STUART LADHAMS - The thing we liked about Stu was when he brought his brother along to fill in for us. Is the John Worsfold of hockey. He can't see too well and runs into things alot. Prefers to hit goals through keepers. A true bloodsport man.

JOHN DALTON - was promoted to the 5C's after a distinguished career in the 3's and 2's. All psycho wanted was the shirt. Likes running alongside opponents telling them all about themselves, their sisters, their Mum's. Is Fishers favourite send off for the whole year, "Fisher, your a f..... idiot, man".

5C cont.,

MR & MRS McALINDON - Thanks to the Macs foe always bringing the oranges and the drinks. Thanks for always telling us how goog we were, even when we stank. It's all appreciated.

ANTHONY FISHER - on a good day he tries to play hockey. On a bad day he runs around with a hat, a bad ponytail and a lump of wood. Doesn't know how to captain or manage a team and lives for Bunbury. Is this man a born leader of what? Thanks God.

REGION SOUTH 1 (RS1) REPORT

SIMON BIGNELL(Captain) - This space has been left intensionaly..I'm self explanitory.

DANNY DOLZADELLI(Bone Crusher)- He was bigger than the rest of us so we strapped the pads on him which uncovered a goalie extrordanaire. Many an opposition forward went down in frustration.

GRAIG BOWYER - The extra terrestial left wing who flew in and out of the game at will. Kept a very, very close eye on the ball, or was it the stick?

ASHLEY BUDDEE- "Bartman The Flash"- A versitile forward with amazing speed off the ball and uncanny ability to get tangled up with any opposition.

ROB WEST(The Lonely Full Back) - With a hit like a cannon and an understanding of the rule "never hit someone with glasses".

NATHAN FITZERALD - A firey half back with strong determination and a temperament to match strong contender for WBC Lightweight Champion.

BRETT LILLYMAN - A hard working inner with the talent to crash through the pack in the "D", Drag the ball with him and fall over the goalie!

DAMIEN HART - The multi-coloured centre forward with a never ending wardrobe of hockey uniforms, and more heart than most.

GRAEME URRE "Mr. Consistent"- A force to be recond with, in the half line. Always there, always effective.

DAVID TIMMEL - The silent partner of the lonley full back. Unfortunately a casualty of the season.

PETER GAVRAVICH - A late starter but quickly made has presence felt as a half. The "Quite Achiever".

TODD ELLIOTT - A ghostly apperisition which appears in a haze on the right wing or, there-abouts. Scared the hell out of the opposition.

ADRIAN TAYLOR - A missing person since we played in Guildford and suggested he may make a good goalie! Anybody knowing his whereabouts, could they let him know!

Having a season comprising 14 games and eight byes doesn't go a long way towards keeping people interested in hockey but fortunately most stuck at it. After a slow start the team found form and we are still chances of winning the Guth Ardagh and premiership flags. Sometimes we had our usual struggle to put eleven out on the field but always just got there. Thanks to the players who helped out in Kym, Gary Bowater, Boxy, John and Bomber.

ROB ARTS - in his second with the scrubbers "F" really settled into the full back position even though he still has some pretentions to goal scoring ability. Rob, with his sticky/hand stops, has been a part of our short corners which has actually scored a few goals this season and the only player to watch a portion of a game from behind our goals.

Pre match Artsy always entertains the team with his great stories about what he's done on Friday nights.

CHRIS AVENT - together with Artsy and Lokkiffe, Grandad completes our full back line which has been our most reliable all year. Apart from the time of day not much gets past our senior citizen. Grandad's aggressive clearances, particularly against WASPS, help set up a lot of our forward movements.

NOEL BACKHOUSE - Noel who? Work commitments have kept Noel down to just a few games this season, in fact he only just qualified for the finals. With him missing so much this year the games have at times lacked aggression, however I'm sure he's saving it up for the finals.

TERRY BROOKS - the team was shocked when mid season Terry actually appeared in a proper club shirt, bad news Brooksy you've done your dough, they're changing the shirt next year! Continues to hold down centre half back where his close checking and aggressive tackling keeps the pressure on the opposition.

KEVIN COLEMAN - had his best season yet for the scrubbers where he absolutely dominated the right wing. His long runs into the forward line and crosses set up heaps of scoring opportunuties, shame most of them went to his Uncle Leo. Also added a new dimension to his game this year by going against the long term family trait and scoring a number of goals.

GRAEME COLEMAN - Leo must have been watching his nephew (he's still trying to tell us its his brother) score goals because he too found range and is probably our leading goal scorer. Was a candidate to be charged with the heinous crime of goal stealing from Ross at various times, but Ross probably would have missed anyway.

MIKE JOLLIFFE - Just prior to the start of the first game of the season Mike was democratically elected goalie for what he thought were the first two matches. After about July he woke up to the fact that the term of his election is a bit like the Pope's. For a player in his first year of goalkeeping Mike's effort has been outstanding, he would be as good a goalie as any in our competition and will continue to improve. In fact after twelve matches only fourteen goals had got past Mike and seven of them were in the first three games.

RS2's cont.,

AL MARSHALL - Probably had his best season yet, scored more goals than ever before and put some great crosses in from the left wing. I think Al only let go of his stick once per game this year.

KEVIN NYLANDER - very useful player when he wasn't playing golf or riding his motor bike. As cool as ever Kev still manages to get out of trouble when it doesn't seem possible. Will probably remember his season most for an awesome tackle on a Kwinana player who's still in shock.

ROSS READ - He's back! Certainly bigger than what he was before he left, Ross made a welcome return to the team this year. Having missed three years it took Ross two thirds of the season to remember the bits of the game about how to score a goal, like in between the uprights and below the cross bar. Great to have the man with the embarrassed hair back in the team, and firing in the forward line.

COLIN SLATTERY - was actually sighted at the ground more than five minutes proir to the start of the first game of the season, it didn't happen again. Slats remains as cool and calm as ever at left half and also did a couple of great tagging jobs at centre half when required.

GARY THOMAS - after a hair-raising start to the season Mudguts, That's Mudguard W****R, settled down to his normal casual steadfast approach to his half back position. He really shines on the field when we play WASPS, this gives some indication as to the origin of his title of Mudguard.

The Melville City Veterans had a very good year in 1992. We welcomed 16 new inductees into the Melville Veterans Hall of Fame.

Nigel Atkinson
Dennis Bawden
James Papas
Graham Rayner
Peter Steel
Clive Walker
Rob Walker
Frank Williams

Ken Mellor
Gary Bowater
Bob Brightwell
Johnson Orr
Ross Hannagan
Steve McEntee
Neil McPhail
Graham Wood

We look forward to welcoming these players back for many years. Training was reintroduced for veterans and the regular Thursday evening game was enjoyed by some 10-20 players. You could see significant improvements in skill by those participating and the regulars from Vets E2 are still claiming the extra benefit of training by beating the Vets E1 during the season.

The sociable nature of our veterans teams ensured an excellent turnout at the early season dinner at Ogdens with some sixty players and partners having an enjoyable evening.

A positive and supportive team spirit prevailed in all teams which was matched on the hockey field by some excellent results with all three teams making the finals.

Thanks to all captains, managers and players for your efforts in Melville City Veterans this year. Your help in recruiting more for next year will ensure that Melville City can become an even bigger force in Veterans hockey in 1993.

VETERANS B REPORT

A sucessful year for the team, finishing second and trying for Gold in the finals.

We welcomed four new players this season - Ken Mellor, Peter Steel, Frank Williams and Graham Wood.

With 46 goals this season there was plenty of action to be shared amongst the forwards who were well fed by a solid defence.

Congratulations to all players on a successful and sociable season. See you all in '93.

KEN MELLOR (Left Wing) - promoted from Masters, Ken added more speed and tenacity to the forward line. Scoring a few goals and feeding many more to the other forwards Ken was also called on to demonstrate his versitilty at half bacl and full back during the year. Unfortunately a recurring knee injury threatens to rob the team of one of its key players. Well done Ken.

STEVE DOUGLAS(Centre Forward) - if shots at goals were counted Steve would have set a club record this season! Of course a good percentage found the mark and Steve was again one of our leading scorers. With a good burst of speed and strong linking play with the other forwards, Steve would leave many a full back struggling. Congratulations on a good season, Steve.

MAX CURRELL (Left Half) - Both bold and true is to be our left half back able to turn our defence into attack. It's being first to the ball that counts, not last that will wipe the smile off the attackers mask who tries to pass certain stirs his wrath it's either the player, or ball, but never both. Liable to forget a thing or three they say be it his stick, or socks or the the time of day, such one could say he was almost to lax to refer to him such is for our Max. He's a player of renown out on the ground, mainly because he's been a long time 'round. Rarely seen to play the game bad, it's been a very good '92 for the lad. For who else do we refer but our left half-Max.

TERRY PARKER (Left Inner) - Terry is the quiet achiever of the forward line-never loud or flashy, but always there. His nickname "Parks" is an obvious misnomer, because he never stays in the one place for long. Terry has worked tirelessly all year, both setting up forward thrusts and harassing opponents. An excellent year from a hardworking inside forward.

GRAHAM WOOD (Everywhere) - a welcome addition to our team this year, Graham has excellent ball handling skills and a lob that puts Graham's fear into many a goalkeeper. Graham's versitility resulted in him filling a number of key positions and his contribution was appreciated by all. Graham, we look forward to you joining us again in 1993.

BRIAN SPITTELER (Full Back) - wine may get better with age, but it's got nothing on Brian. An impenetrable barrier in his new role at full back, Brian used both speed and skill to take on the best forwards that the opposition could throw up. Well played, Brian.

FRANK WILLIAMS (Right Inner) - Frank joined us this year and in one foul scoop (swoop) almost halved the age of Dads Army. Frank has all those things we used to have, pace, ball controll and breath at the end of the game. Always a pleasure to play with. Frank has made a significant contribution this year.

Vets B cont.,

KINGSLEY McGUIRE (Left Full Back) - Kingsley brings back days of World Championship Wrestling by displaying all the skills when tackling (but we haven't seen the body slam yet!). Combines well with the rest of the defense to give us the strongest backline in our grade. Always ready to encourage his junior players by calling, run, run, faster, faster! Thank you Kingsley.

STUART BEECHEN (Goalkeeper) - Always among the first to arrive at the ground but the last to jog on to the field of play. When fully dressed he looks like a cross between Kermit the Frog and a Bean Bag. Keeps his identity hidden behind alien style headgear in case someone might recognise him in everyday life. Somehow this strange combination of the above, plus a genuine desire to see the other team lose, always seems to work extremely well. The runs are on the board with only 15 goals having to be picked out of the net during qualifying games.

DAVID WILSON (Centre Half) - after roving all over the field last year, David was given the workhorse role at centre half and put in a solid performance. Unlike most of us he is fit and willing to runand put the hard work all day to ensure the team keeps winning. David has proven that he is a key player in our lineup and we look forward to his return in 1993.

PETER STEEL (Right Wing) - although plagued by the occasional injury (brought on by his blistering speed), Peter was a sure avenue of attack and was much appreciated by his team mates. His ability to pass across the goal-face resulted in many goals being scored; and he also weighed in with several of his own. An excellent season from a good team member.

FRANS HELLEMAN (Right Half) - the thought of going back into "A" grade has scared Frans clear across to the Eastern States. Frans, all year has been an important member of the team in both building up attacks and cutting opposition players out of the game. He has been a lesson to us all with the cool gentlemanly way he plays his game. The only thing that will be missed more than his playing ablility is his friendship.

GARY DIENHOFF (Everywhere) - Thank goodness we have a player who can play every position as we juggle our team around each week. Whether it is scoring goals or skillfully dispossessing forwards from the backline. Gary enjoys his hockey and leads by example. Whilst those legs may not be the prettiest, they have got many years of hockey left.

SID WILSON (Right Fullback) - Despite a season interrupted by injury, our captain's pearls of wisdom were still regularly received by the masses. Calls to "play up, boys!" were interspersed with the crunch of another forward who attempted to run by captain Sid without stopping to ask permission. A top season from Sid who gives support to both young and old in the pursuit of enjoyable hockey at Melville City.

VET E# 1 REPORT

IAN DEVESON - Our mighty left winger. After calling for the ball, most times has to chase it over the sideline.

JON SANDERS - Up and down that left side like a bantam rooster but not much gets past him.

COL WILLIS - An application has been made to W.A.H.A. to extend Melville goals up and out, to help Willy with his game.

ROB WALKER - Our giant full back. Who would like to be in front of him when he is going for the ball? With those legs he could just about step right over you.

PHIL(HUNGRY)HARRY - Is Phil really trying up front or just making it look good? Whoever this Phil, hasn't seen you play.

BRUCE READ - The flying right wing always ends up in that right corner. Maybe we could organise some wipers for his glasses.

TREVOR OSBORNE - Another great right winger, tearing down the side line, legs flying like an emu. Maybe next season he will get stick on ball with two hands and a couple more in the net.

KEN WOOLLAMS - The back bone of the right side. Maybe he could swap with a forward or two!

JOHN PICKERING - Our humble captain this season, but who does all the organising for him. Everybody else has to tell him what's happening.

BILL CALDER - Has done well as inner this season. Was said he is looking for centre possy. Hope he is back next season.

KEITH JACKERMAN - Has looked for everyone across the centre all season. Did he look after the bar as well in past times?

BARRY LANSDOWN - Too quick in his position. Should be playing somewhere else. Forward line perhaps?

JEREMY ALLEN - Born organiser, has the team sorted out before somebody else arrives. Very versatile in all positions. Watch out left winger.

NIGEL ATKINSON - Has kept the team going forward nearly every game with his encouragement from the back line. It's a shame somebody called him hopalong in one of our games.

VETS E# 2 REPORT

MANAGER: JOHNSON ORR:

The season started off with a few mixups till the fixtures were sorted out. Then we got down to business, we were a bunch of players new to each other, so after a few games to sort out the positions, we were off and running. Three games stand out in the season, the one we downed Wolves 1-0, thanks to our man in red at the back, James Papas. The second was the determination we showed to knock off our sister team Melville #1. The thirs was the second game against Dale at Armadale, most of our guys said that was oue best game. To me the team spirit and friendship was very noticeable and it showed in our play, thanks guys, Jonno.

JAMES PAPAS - The man in red, what would we have done without James? I'm sure if you asked our team they would all say that he is the best goalie in the Vets E league, and his wife is the best supporter.

IAN KNIGHT - Ian is "Mr Reliable" at the back, controls the back just like he controls the "wife" without Ian at the back is unthinkable.

JOHN KNOX - Like Ian, when John managed to play it made us all feel better knowing he was there, thanks John.

BOB BOWYER - Bob, thanks mate, you had two roles to play, full back and half back, and no complaints. You took it in your stride, thanks, see you next year.

NEIL McPHAIL - Mr Cool, what would we have done without you, what else can we ask of a centre, just please stop telling us your jokes.

ROSS HANNAGAN - Ross, you may spend your days laying slate on your knees, but you kept your feet as our right half. We have it on good authority that you didn't kick the ball into the net against Newman, even though the umpire said you did.

DENNIS BAWDEN - If ever a winger deserved a goal it's Dennis, if only we had the guts and determination! If we all could improve half as much as Dennis in his first year, we'd be happy. Well done mate, see you next year.

GORDON WHITMORE - Gordon will never let us live down the goal he got on the second last game of the season. All jokes aside it was a great goal, Mark Hagar would have been proud of it, YES!

STEVE McENTEE Capt., Steve, leads by example, kept us all on our toes, if we lost when he wasn't there, we were in strife! The Terry Walsh of the Vets E.

BOB BRIGHTWELL - Bobs ability for seeing a through ball to the forwards is uncanny, could this be a sign of a frustrated forward? Great stuff, Bob.

CLIVE WALKER - Alias "John Knox" on the card. Clive was a great addition to the side, kept the chatter up with the opposition, your first goal was a great one!

GRAHAM RAYNER - Like Clive an alias to who ever wasn't on the field. Full of energy, kept running great stuff Graham, next year you can use your own name.

Vet E# 2 cont.,

KEN JOSS - Ken was our Jack of all trades, played where ever he was asked to play and never complained. A great asset to our team, Ken, never seemed to get tired! how come?

JOHNSON ORR - Bob Brightwell remarked that , Jonno's comments in a broad Scot's accent to the umpire, to come closer to the ball and he might see what's happening, is typical of 'J' always talking.

GRAHAM CAKE - Played with us nearly all season, we missed him when he left towards the end of the season. Graham always got there on time on time, mind you we did panic a couple of times, thanks Graham, very much.

JOHN SANDERS - John started with us, and played at centre half, played like Buster Birmingham, (not quite so fast or as good looking). John then played for the other Vet E. Thanks for keeping those lines visable at Buzzacot, but no more till next year John, the cricket starts soon!

MELVILLE CITY HOCKEY CLUB

JUNIOR AWARDS 1992

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UNDER	15C SOUTH 2		JUSTIN	DeSOUSA		MARK JO	OHNSON	
UNDER	15C EAST	1	DALE TI	RIBBICK		CLINT I	DYMOND	
UNDER	13A		EMILY H	HALLIDAY		GARETH	FINLAY	
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(Most Talented Under 17 Progressing to Seniors) NATHAN ELLIOT

PETER SHACK TROPHY

(Most Improved Junior) MATTHEW MORISEY

DAVID PORTER TROPHY

(Most Improved Junior Goalkeeper) CHRIS MUNRO

VICE PRESIDENTS TROPHY CRAIG PRICE

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JUNIOR SKILLS CERTIFICATES ACHIEVED IN 1992

GRADUATE: (BADGE)

CRAIG WILSON

SCOTT WILLIS

FUNDAMENTAL: (BADGE)

EVAN BOWATER

NICK BOWATER

CLINT DYMOND

CHRIS EVANS

ALISHA HARMON

JAMES HACKETT

DANIEL KNUCKEY

DANIEL PICKERING

JAMES PICKERING

SIMON RATE

MICHAEL SALIBA

STEVEN WALSH

GRANT WATTON

GRAEME WATTS

DEAN WALKER

UNDER 17A REPORT

As the teams performance peaks moving into the finals we not only look forward to an exciting final series but look back on a fine season by the 17A squad. The team's play characterised by exciting stickwork, good ball possession and strong determination proved a formidable combination all season.

Congratulations to the coach Ted Nastasi for his skills in forging a talented team, junior co-ordinator Bruce Read and the parents for the support they gave the team all year.

TODD BARRETT (Half Back) - his strength and skill level development this year has been exemplary. Todd's intellegent play at centrehalf has earned him not only the respect of his team mates but also the opposition. Good hockey sense and hard work are his trademarks which assure him a place in top level hockey.

DOUG BRIGHTWELL (Half-Back) - a good first season with the club, Doug has worked hard to become an intergral part of the half back line. He is developing into a fine half-back with his strong marking, skills and position play. He has a good future in hockey.

JASON CUNNINGHAM (Centre-Forward) - Jason has developed his strength and skills this year. His impecable goal sense and timing resulted in creating and scoring many exciting goals. Hard work and dedication has earned him the respect of his team mates. A solid future assured in top level hockey.

NATHAN ELLIOTT (Full-Back) - One of the most repected full-backs in the competition. He has worked solidly at training and the rewards are showing in his game. A good future in top level hockey is evident. His skills, hockey sense, and quiet leadership qualities was one of the major reasons for the teams success.

CHRIS JENKINS (Forward) - A strong first season with the club. Chris has developed into a valuable team member, with good stick work, possession and disposal, becoming a major link within the forward line. A talented forward with a bright hockey future.

IAN LADHAMS (Forward/Half-Back) - a hard tear's work at training has shown dividends. Developing in strength, skills and confidence he has become a major influence in our winning combination. Ian's intelligent reading of the play set up and scored many fine goals. An exciting hockey prospect.

ALISDAIR McDONALD (Wing) - A good effort at training has seen Alisdair improve his ball carrying skills. He has contributed to the team's success and is a valued team and club member.

LEIGH NASTASI (Half-Back) - a strong, skillful player. His solid training and dedication has earned him the respect of his team mates. As attacking right-half he gave an added dimension to the teams play. Leigh has a well developed hockey sense in all aspects of the game. A bright future in top level hockey.

MATHEW ORLANDO (Forward/Half-Back) - Member of U16 State Schoolboys. A well respected team member due to his dedication and hard work. Mathew's good ball possession and skills enable him to create many forward drives. An exciting player of the future.

17A Cont.

CRAIG PRICE (Half-Back/Goalie) - a terrific team and club member. As reserve Goalie he was called on during the season and performed confidently and with success. His skills on the field are developing strongly through hard work and an exemplary attitude.

MATTHEW READ (Inner) - hard work and a good attitude to the game has helped Matthew to improve this year. His talented stick work dumbfounded many defenders. A few months will see improvement in strength and speed and ready for a successful 17A season in 1993. A well respected team member.

NATHAN ROWDEN (Wing) - Through positive attitude, training and opportunity Nathan has become a skillful strike forward. His pace, ball carrying and determination created many penetrating runs through the defence. Nathan is a talented player with a great deal of potential.

BEN RUSHTON (Fullback) - his combination with Nathan created a strong, defiant defensive line, often turning defence quickly into attack. Ben is a hard working player who expects the best from himself and his team mates. He has developed his strength and skills which together with added concentration and disipline will provide a bright hockey future.

MARK SCHIBECI (Half-Back) - A solid contributor to the team's success, Mark is a hard working team member. His skills are developing and his strength and hockey knowledge hold him in good stead for the future. A valued team and club member.

DAMON SPARKS (Goal Keeper) - a very talented goal keeper and confident organiser of the defence. His hard work resulted in many fine saves earning the repect of his peers. after a layoff due to injury Damon has made a strong comeback and his experience is contributing to the teams charge for the finals.

UNDER 17C REPORT

MAT MORISEY - Goalkeeper, guarded his domain well, made some spectacular saves.

CRAIG WALTER - Full Back, late start to the season, very solid performance.

BRUCE RUMMINS - Full Back, cool under pressure, can also play in attack, good skills.

TIM BODGER - plays defence or attack, a good asset to have, waves to umpires.

JAMES BROWN - another Mr Versitile, very "cool" under pressure.

DEAN OATS - Half Back or Forward, very deceptive (speed) good tackler.

MICHAEL DIBB - Right Half, reads the play, turned many defenses into attack.

SCOTT PITTER - Centre Half, strong tackler, keeps opponents "under wraps".

DAVID SCHIBECI - Left Half, (silent) shuts out right wings, good disposal.

JAMIE CLEARY - Forward, makes up for David S. Has potential, should let his ability do the talking.

ANDREW ANGELATOS - Forward (right) top skills, leads by example, very fast and dangerous in attack - good goal sense.

DAVID WILSON - Forward (centre), never stops trying, distributes well.

GARY SWAN - Left Inner, another good leader, likes to deceive the opposition by losing his balance, then bouncing up - very enthusiastic.

BRAD TAYLOR - Left Wing, strong hitter, crosses to advantage, creates many opportunities.

MANAGER: TERRY DIBB - kept his team refreshed, gave good moral support.

COACH: SID WILSON - tried not to shout etc, did not succeed.

THE TEAM: to a player, very supportive to one another, always tried their best and a pleasure to coach.

UNDER 15A REPORT

THE YEAR: A successful year, playing off in the finals is the obvious goal, and this was achieved. Whatever the result by the time you read this, the team has shown that they are capable of getting to and winning the Grand Final, if they play up to their potential for three games of 70 minutes.

Over the season the team has welded into a strong combination and those players moving on to the 17's will be well prepared for the transition. Those players with another season in the 15's will be the basis for a very strong team next year. There is only one area that needs improvement and should be remembered by eveyone for the comming season TALK MORE, it is an essential part of a top team.

MATTHEW ALLEN - Well, he is the coaches son and shows the same attributes, intelligent, constructive and versitile play, but I think Matt moves faster.

SCOTT BOSIO - the smallest and pound for pound the most courageous member of the team, has a very bright future and will do even better next year.

ALEX HALLIDAY - has shown great form this year in a new role as a winger, also played some brilliant early games as a full back.

SHAUN HOOPER - the quiet achiever, has worked well both on and off the ball to provide the impetus for many forward moves.

STEPHEN MAHER - top goal scorer for the team, and likes nothing better than slipping the ball past the goalie. Uses players around him very well to set up scoring opportunities for the team.

CHRIS MUNRO - Magic!! that's the only way to describe his goal keeping ability. Has saved more penalty strokes this year than others would save in a lifetime.

LUKE MUNRO - proved his worth on many occasions, displays great maturity and well developed game skills, will become an extremely accomplished player.

TRENT ROWDEN - may have been a bit over awed at the start of the season, but has increase in confidence and skill to a point where he has been among the best players on the team.

CRAIG SHEARER - very quick in the 'D' and has scored some nice goals, but has also played some terrific hockey at left half.

SCOTT WILLIS - a most invaluable team member, takes his hockey very seriously and is probably the most vocal, as well as the strongest hitter, in the team.

CRAIG WILSON - a great achievement in representing the State at the Australian Championships, a justified selection judging from the skills and the team play displayed during the season.

CRAIG WOOD - helped make our defence one of the best in the competition, and broke up many promising attacking moves by the opposition. Has developed into a very reliable full back, displaying great strength in his tackles.

15A cont.,

STUART WROTH - likes to play hockey, makes good position and uses the ball intelligently, has played well both on the wing and as a flank half.

THE COACH: Jeremy Allen...rain, hail, or shine, and there has been plenty of each, Jeremy has dedicated himself to getting the best out of the team. Puts in a lot of time and effort, even loses sleep, thinking out how to mould a group of individuals into a winning team Thanks Jeremy, its been a difficult job and impossible to keep everyone happy but you have done it admirably.

THE ASSISTANT COACH: Colin Willis...a great back up to Jeremy, always there with ideas and help for individuals both at training and at games. Seems to have a gift in passing on his knowledge and experience and in encouraging the boys, it really has been appreciated. Thanks Colin.

THE MANAGER:...quiet and methodical in the background. Often made 220km dashes to get to the games and this exemplified his dedication to the task. A good "ear" for the Coach when the latter needed to talk. When no-one really noticed organisation but everything is done, that indicates a very capable person has been at work. Thanks Rob.

UNDER 15 SOUTH #1 REPORT

- R.WEDDIKKARA (CAPTAIN)-Forward outstanding skills, very fast and when on fire a delight to watch. Always has good imput to team discussions.
- M.DEVESON (CAPTAIN OF VICE) Centre Half Back Marshalled the troops well and always a solid display. Mike knows how to set up a play and a joke.
- B.RADFORD Forward Always reliable, can play any position and deadly up front of goals. Brent always gives 100%.
- R.CURRELL Forward Fast when in attack, did his jobs efficently and scored a good couple of goals throughout the season. Rob always adds fire and intensity to any position he plays.
- G.HUNT Back Very reliable every game and did his jobs quietly and effectively week in and week out. Can also play most positions. Glen is a team member to be relied upon.
- T.JACKERMAN Back Solid stumbling block for opposing forwards. Season was interrupted when he tried to deversify and broke his arm playing football.
- D.KOVAK -Back Reliable as ever and could be depended on to make it difficult for the oppositions forwards. David saved many goals from being scored.
- K.LAWLOR Forward Put in best each week and when all seemed lost was capable of inspiring team with flashes of brilliance in front of goals. Imagine what would happen if he played only one game per Saturday.
- S.MARTIN Forward another solid performer made up in size with tenacity and frustrated many bigger opponents out of the game.
- D.PICKERING Forward Did the job quietly and effectively each week and was also capable of inspirational play in front of goals. Lets have a diving goal!
- B.REAY Forward Very fast on the wing. Scored a couple of good goals and has become very adept at reverse stick passes into the 'D'.
- J.SYMES Centre Half Back Tenacious like a terrier. Very quietly efficient and effective at working the ball. Very reliable every game. Jarryd has given his personal best every game during the season.
- G.SMITH Goalie The great improver in the team. Has been called on many occassions to keep the ball out and covers the angles well. Just keeps on getting better. Keep going Gareth!

UNDER 15C SOUTH #2 REPORT

NEWTON De SOUSA (CAPTAIN) - Lead the team from centre forward. An attacking forward who can be relied on to make the play, control the ball and set up other players. Newton always looked for opportunities to penetrate the opposing backline with creative play. He was the teams chief goal scorer.

NIGEL DeSILVA - Right Winger - Nigel, the quiet one of the team, did not have much to say but did the work when it was needed at both ends of the field. A creative player in the forward line, who had an ace up his sleeve, he played several excellent games at centre half against strong and skilled centre forwards.

BEN JOHNSON - Left Inner - Ben, like Nigel, did not have much to say, but was there when it counted with strong, solid and creative forward play. Ben was a surprise packet, a good half back who surprised everybody with his ability to take the inner position half way through the season like a duck to water.

MATTHEW WALL - Right Wing / Half Back - a versitile player who worked hard every game. Matthew started the season at half back, took over the centre half position with aplomb and was discovered to be a tear away right wing.

TODD WORTH - Left Wing/Left Winger - Todd's first season of hockey. A little tentative to begin with but by mid-season knew what he was about and his hockey skills matured as the season progressed. Played a remarkable game as left half, shutting down a very skillful right wing.

MARK JOHNSON -Right Half - a player whose game improved 100% through the season. Mark had an excellent second half of the season, consistently up with the best players.

MICHAEL PEOPJES - Left Half/Centre Half - a player whose full capacity will emerge. Michael represents what hockey is about, a player who enjoyed the game, contributed his maximum effort and willing to learn the game.

ANDREW McDONALD - Left Winger - Andrew joined the team and the club mid-way through the first half of the season and immediately fitted into the team. Played some quality games at left wing and showed his versitility in the last game by putting a top effort at half back.

JUSTIN De SOUSA - Right Full Back - led the defence with style. The teams hardest working player woh used his skills to consistently repel opposition attacking moves and to rebound. A player of quality who enthused his team mates when the chips were down.

MATTHEW KING - Left Full Back - Matthew was thrown into the deep end mid-way through the first half of the season to take over the full back position. Learnt the full back position on the job, finishing the season as a strong effective defender.

PAUL DOUGLAS - Goalie - Paul put the pads on for the first time for the first game of the season. Paul showed us what keeping was all about, with inherent skill, courage and some virtuoso performances. The quality of Paul's efforts were qualified by his many namings in the 3 best player nominations and his 2 player of the day awards.

15C East REPORT

KRISTAN BAILEY(Goalkeeper) - Kristan volunteered to be goalkeeper at the beginning of the season and was still to be found there at the end. Although we lost some games by wide margins, Kristan stopped them running into double figures.

STEVEN COOPER(Left Half) - Steven showed great courage and was always there to back tackle and become renowned for his bursts of speed while we were on attack.

BRADELEY HALL(Centre Forward) - Brad showed stick skills many an A grade player would be proud of. One of our great improvers who many times created opportunities which resulted in goals. With Brad we were always guaranteed to have three umpires.

JOSHUA SMALES(Left Inner & Winger) - Joshua played Left Side attack either as winger or a left winger. Although Joshua has a shy nature he showed great aggression while scoring several opportunist goals. A much improved player by the end of the season.

DALE TRIBBICK(Centre Half & Full Back)- Dale started in a centre half position but after a few games was shown to be an invaluable fullback who saved our bacon on more than one occassion. One of the teams stars who has had a memorable season.

STEVEN COOPER(Left Wing) - This was Stevens first season at playing hockey and took up the left wing position with his most memorable game played with the opposition who were short of players. You showed great speed. We hope this is the beginning of an enjoyable sport for you.

STEVEN WALSH(Right Half) - Steven was one of our most consistent players. Always there with a positive attitude. His best game was our final where he showed great skills which frustrated the opposition.

KANE WOOLLAMS(Full Back & Inside Right) - Kane played in the forwards & other weeks in a full back position. A player with hidden talent who missed the last few games after trying to knock down a brick wall with his knee. Hopefully he will be able to release more of his talents next season.

CLINT DYMOND(Right Wing) - What a star for a first season player! Channelled his enthusiasm into skills which made him an invaluable player and member of the team. Always inspiring other team members, coach and manager when the chips were down.

UNDER 13A REPORT

The Under 13A Team (although becoming a "draw" specialist team) has been a pleasure to be associated with. As the season progressed, so did their hockey skills, and we wish all of the members the very best with their hockey. We especially wish Emily good luck with her transition to Women's Hockey next year.

The team has been fortunate in having the services of two hardworking, enthusiastic Team Managers. Our thanks to Mrs Judy Watts, and Mrs Elsie Evans for their wonderful support all season.

We would also like to thank Mr Jeremy Allen and Mr Ian Halliday for umpiring all season.

GARRICK ALLEN - Garrick's speed surprises many opponents and his tackling gives his team an advantage. He is very calm under pressure, back tackles well and sets up many players with good passing.

BLAKE BURROWS - Blake has great attacking skills which he is able to use as a goal scorer. He is very fast and creates many opportunities. Blake loves nothing better than to take on and beat the opposition.

CHRISTOPHER EVANS - Chris has very sound skills and is able to use his stickwork to get past opposing players. He also possesses a tremendous centering hit and his confidence is growing with every game.

GARETH FINLAY - Gareth is a strong, speedy, reliable player who never gives up. As a full back or forward he makes excellent position. He distributes the ball to advantage.

TIM GOULDTHORP - Tim is an enthusiastic centre forward and one of the younger members of the team. Unfortunately a fractured ankle (soccer injury) caused him to miss playing a number of games.

EMILY HALLIDAY - Emily is a tenacious tackler who never gives up. Her hitting has improved and this makes her a most valuable half-back and team member. She is able to carry the ball into attack as well as cover defence.

BRADLEY HILLER - Bradley's temperament is a model for all. He reads the play very well, cutting off many dangerous opposition forward moves. A most reliable defender at half-back or fullback.

BRENDON JOSS - Brendon's game has improved tremendously this year. He always tries hard, combines well with his team mates around him and has set up some good forward play.

DANIEL KNUCKEY - Daniel is a cheerful, cool customer under pressure and played mostly full back this year. His sound basic skills got the team out of trouble on many occasions.

TIM PRICE - Tim is a talented hockey player who is able to set up and distribute the ball to advantage. He is a tireless worker in both defence and attack who hates to be beaten. An opportunist goal scorer.

PAUL SPEERING - Paul's speed is a great attribute and he has learnt to combine his speed and skill to advantage. Paul has made tremendous

improvement this season, adapting well to either defence or attack.

GEORGE WATTS - George's game has improved this year, especially in his goal positioning. He has learnt to take charge in the goal circle, directing the defenders and thwarting the opposition's goal scoring attempts.

GRAHAM WATTS - Graham has impressive stick work with which he tricks the opposition. He passes the ball really well and makes good position. He is one of the younger members and will be a valuable member of the top 13's next year.

MR DUNCAN PRICE - Duncan has been a very hard working coach all year and has helped bring the best out in his players. His positive approach to the game and to his players is much appreciated by both parents and players.

UNDER 13C SOUTH/EAST

A special thank you to Graham Napier, David Porter, and our 'Godfather' Mark Watton for their contribution in umpiring our games on Saturday mornings. A big thank you to Wayne Harries for coaching this season.

BEN BIRRELL(Mr Offside!) Played on the wing and scored some very nice goals. Got himself ahead of the play early in the season(hence Mr Offside) but that eagerness was sorted out and he finished off the season well.

NEILSON DeSOUSA - Played on the forward line scoring numerous goals. Has great potential, good skills but needs to work on his fitness to reach the top.

ADAM HALL - As the season progressed 'Moses' has gained confidence and his skills are now showing through.

SIMON LALOR - 'Buster' Played a variety of positions this season. Strong in defence but also liked to attack when given the opportunity.

BYRON LAST - The quiet achiever. Gives 100% no matter where he playes on the field. Shines in defence.

SIMON McINNES - Simon's game has improved as his skill level has increased, played most of his games on the wing or inner.

HARRY MILLER - The hard hitter of the team. Plays the game hard. Makes the opposition earn their hits. Always eager to take advantage of any loose ball and head goalward.

TIM NGUI (Mr Cool) - More comfortable playing in defence. Great direction with his strong hits out of defence, always looking for his team mates.

JANE PORTER - A younger lady with a lot of talent. Has shown the way in many tight situations, scoring numerous goals. Good luck next season, Jane wherever your hockey takes you.

ELISHA ROWE - What Elisha lacks in size, she makes up for in her determination, not intimidated by the size of her opponents. Gave it her best shot no matter where she played. Gained some invaluable experiences when she filled in for some of the Senior games with Melville Ladies Hockey Club. As she becomes stronger her confidence will carry her far.

LEANNE SHEARER - Ever reliable in defence. Steady player and always there to give support to her fellow team mates.

LUKE SMITH - A hard working centre field player. Very capable with great skills which should see him reach a high level of hockey in the future. Very much a team player.

BEN STEEL - Very reliable goalie, saved many attempts and showed ha has confidence required to play this position.

GRANT WATTON - Shared the goalie position with Simon Lalor and Ben Steel, but preferred to be out amongst the play. Always giuving encouragement to his team mates and plenty of cheek to his coach.

UNDER 13C EAST REPORT

The team would like to thank the parents for their support and guidance throughout the season. A special thank you to Adam Sparkes for assisting with the coaching and umpiring most of our games. Thank you to Ashley Buddee for coaching and Jacque and Mike Cox for managing the team.

Our team was graded incorrectly asw on most occassions many of our players, in their first season and in the early learning stage were opposed by more experienced and accomplished children. This is one of the teething problems with the W.A.H.A. attempt at regionalisation which will require correction next season. Even under this disadvantage all the members did their best week after week.

MICHAEL BACK - Michael played most of his games in the forward line and always tried his best and showed some good form to build on.

PAUL BRADBURY - Paul was our encourager and kept the team moving and the spirits up when most needed. Shows good potential for next year.

FIONA BRADSHAW - Played at right half back, was often under pressure from the opposition but kept trying.

BEN COX - Ben has learnt many skills during his first season and played well at goalie and right inner, well played.

TRISTRAM COURTNEY - Tristram played left wing and enjoyed his season. He tried hard each week.

SCOTT SPARKES - Played well at full back for most of the season then took on the pads later in the season.

 ${\tt JOSH}$ ${\tt SMITHSON}$ - another runner who encouraged his team mates and has learnt where the goals are.

MARK DOUGLAS - played mostly at full back and was also often under pressure and tried his hardest to keep the opposition out.

AMY MITCHELL - Amy played in a variety of positions and enjoyed her season. Her skills will really improve as her confidence grows.

MICHAEL SALIBA - played both in goals and right wing on various occassions. Played well and shows good promise as a goalie and field player alike.

KYM STURRACK - played mainly at half back and sometimes in the forward line. Improvement will continue as her confidence grows.

TAMSYN ILLMAN - Tamsyn played well and showed good improvement throughout the season. Her determination was a feature.

GLENN COFFEY - Tried hard and showed good determination and has the scars to prove his courage. Well played.

COREY PATTERSON - played in a variety of positions mianly at full back where he played very well often under pressure. He saved our bacon on many occassions.

UNDER 13C SOUTH-WEST REPORT

Finished the season in Fifth Position.

BRADLEY PEGRUM - took over the left wing position from James and with his robust play made many attacking moves.

JAMES WEBSTER - an enthusiastic player who has one of the most powerful hit in the side.

CLIVE PATERSON - Clive always carried out instructions and his defensive play at inside left was a feature.

STUART CURREL - a spirited centre forward who created opportunities when he provided a lead.

MARC SANDERS - improved as the season progressed, his trapping and short passing a feature. Is working on his hitting and longer passes.

KANE SPAGNOLO - provided of the memerable passages of the season with quick one-two passing down the right wing.

ADAM ZUMBO - made the left half back position his own with steady play all season.

MICHAEL PARKER - played most of the season at centre half back and worked hard to help the defence and support the forwards.

MATTHEW JONES - turned in some good performances at right half and proved a reliable avenue from defence to attack.

MARK CARSON - steady full back with a reliable trap and a strong clearing hit.

CRAIG MATTHEWS - provided a second defensive full back who has developed the ability to clear the ball out wide.

NIC WIDDICOMBE - Nic played in a number of positions and his versitility shows how quickly he has picked up the game.

CHRIS MENEGHELLO - played in a number of positions from centre forward to goalie. An enthusiastic player always ready to assist his team mates.

COACH: JOHN SANDERS.

MANAGER: MRS. ANDRE' PATERSON.

UNDER 11A REPORT

COACHES: ROD RATE

TERRY MCINTYRE

A successful year was enjoyed by the 11A's. We held top position throughout the season and gained the YM Coastal Pennant, The Challenge Cup and Guth Ardagh Pennant. We are confident of success in the Grand Final.

A sincere Thank You! to Rod Rate and Terry McIntyre who over the past 4 years have given their time and expertise to build a team of fine young hockey Players, arguably the best in the state in their age group. Teamwork and good sportsmanship was always encouraged by our coaches. Thanks to all parents and grandparents who supported the team and helped with umpiring duties.

John Tegeler: Manager.

COREY ATKINSON - Corey played the L/Wing position very well. He always gives his best and his skills and confidence grew as the season progressed.

ROBERT BELL - Robert made a solid contribution to the team effort. He has excellent skills, reads play well and tackles strongly.

NICK BOWATER - A reliable fullback with lots of courage and determination. His forceful hits out of defence were a feature of his game.

ALISTAIR BURTON - A versatile and speedy forward who is capable of mixing it with the best. Alistair scored some fine goals when we needed it most, well done!

TRAVIS McINTYRE - Travis made an outstanding contribution to the team effort. He is a versatile player and excels as an inside forward. His determination and courage was an inspiration to all players. The key player of the team.

BRETT MARTYN - Brett is a very competitive and skillful player. He achieves a very high workrate and excells in the inside/centre forward positions. Well done Brett!

JAMES PICKERING - A tower of strength as a fullback! James is calm and controlled under pressure, displays good skills and tackles strongly. A great asset to the team.

DAVID POZZARI - A versatile player with very good stick skills. He is steady and reliable and made a solid contribution to the team effort. Davids goal against Fremantle was a highlight of the season.

SIMON RATE - Simon is an outstanding talent at centre/half, arguably the best in our competition, and was largely responsible for the success of our team. Well done Simon.

BLAKE ROWDEN - A very valuable team player. A speedy and determined winger who combined well with the forward line. Blare is a player of great potential.

SVEN TEGELER - A strong and determined player who excells in the L/inside forward position. He achieves a high work rate and created many scoring opportunities for his team mates. Sven plays equally well in defence.

UNDER 11B REPORT

I am sure that I am not alone in taking much pleasure and pride out of the way this team has conducted itself, both on and off the field. This season, their overall discipline, presentation and developing individual and team skills have been a credit to each one of them. We have tried to be equitable in providing them with the opportunity to play and enjoy hockey. The emphasis has not on winning, but on contributing to a team and having fun. I know Jason and I have enjoyed the season and I must thank all of the parents for their attendance and support and for the special efforts to organise visits to McDonalds.

COACHES: GREG ROWDEN
JASON MAHER

RYAN BACKHOUSE - A very determined and skillful right inner. Ryan has been a tremendous asset to the team this year. His clever use of skills and positional play has been very important in our team play and his attitude, both at training and as a team member, has been first class.

JAY CAWLEY - Jay has been a very important left half this year, with licence to attack and set up forward moves, resulting in some excellent goals. He runs very hard in a game and has shown a good attitude at training. I would like to see him continue to develop his skills and maintain his progress.

BETHANIE GOULDTHORP - Bethanie will always give you that friendly smile and nod as you ask her to tackle those much bigger opposition players. She has displayed a great attitude and a pretty reasonable level of skills, and as she grows bigger and stronger, there will be opposition players wishing they weren't on her side of the ground.

JANE HILLER - Jane has been a very consistent competitor at left full back this season. Always reliable and very determined, she has repelled many attacking moves. Her friendly manner and great attitude have impressed me and as she continues to improve her skills, she will be a great asset to future teams.

MICHELLE HITCHENS - Michelle has made steady progress in her skill development this season, playing mainly at centre half. A wonderful team player and a determined competitor. Michelle has held the team together at times, whilst often exhausting herself in her endeavour to win every ball and set up our team moves. Her attitude and consistent performance at training have been a credit to her.

CARLOS MARTINEZ - Carlos has made steady progress this season, learning to play some varied positions. As the season has progressed he has settled into the team play, has displayed some attacking flair and has made a good contribution. With improved fitness and skill development, Carlos has the potential to be a solid, useful hockey playerin his future teams.

XAVIER MARTINEZ - Xavier started off the season with limited knowledge of the game but with a fierce determination to learn and develop his skills. After some persistent requests, we gave him the gear and made him the team goalie. Well, a fantastic result followed. With his superb attitude and willingness to learn and attend some club "goalie" sessions, Xavier has made tremendous progress. (cont.)

He has taken a few knocks but without fear has gone about his job, and if his first semi-final effort is a guide, the club has a most valuable acquisition for the future.

VIVIAN OLDFIELD - At times during this season, Vivian's attitude at training and during some games was disappointing, and Vivian is aware that this is one area which needs improvement. However, he has always been a friendly, personable young man, and he does possess an encouraging array of stick skills. These need to be performed faster to suit the game situation but in recent games Vivian has made a useful contribution in his less favoured positions.

RICHARD PARKER - Richard has been a most valued member of the team this season. Playing left inner and centre forward he has displayed a very good level of skill and attacking flair. His co-operative manner and desire to improve and learn have been impressive qualities and will stand him in good stead in the future. Well done 'Ricardo'.

GRAHAM PEOPJES - Graham has made a useful contribution to the team this season in a variety of positions. I would like to see him concentrate a little more on his skill development and start to exploit his speed and size. His attitude has been good, both at training and during the games and I expect him to do very well in coming seasons.

CAMERON PORTER - Cameron has made terrific progress this season, playing on his favourite right wing. With his speedy and skilful runs into attack, he has contributed greatly to some excellent team play. His willingness to play position and share the ball have been impressive, as has his attitude and performance at training, Well done Cameron!

BRADLEY RAYNER - Bradley has been a terrific asset to his team this season. At times, he has had to play a defensive role, but as an attacking player he has also shown good skills, knowledge and determination. His attitude and conduct at training have been exemplary. Well done Brad.

KELLY RYAN - Kelly has most capably handled the right half back position all season and done so with a tremendous determination and enthusiasm. Her skills have developed reasonably well and we've still got time to improve those frustrating hitting skills anyway. What doesn't need improving is Kelly's friendly, cooperative outlook and contribution as a valued team member. Well done Kelly.

JASON MAHER - Over 18, slightly balding and assistant coach. An excellent effort from Jason all season. Not only has his expert hockey skills and knowledge been passed onto the team to mould them into a pretty good unit, but his friendliness and positive approach have endeared him to the kids.

UNDER 11C REPORT

I thank all the 11C's for a most enjoyable and rewarding season of hockey. Your attitude and application to all facets of the game was greatly appreciated. You gave your all and worked the way a good team should. Part of my reward was to see a group of newly promoted (well almost all) Minkey players progress throughout the season and become a team of hockey players that gave their best. I think during the year we showed our spectators and opposition teams alike that we were the most improved team in our grade. A berth in the finals was a fitting reward to end the season.

To me you are all champions and I am proud to be associated with the team. Thanks to my assistant coach/umpire Neil Ashley, manager Tom Harmon and all parents that helped in the many roles during the season.

Rob Walker...Coach.

MICHAEL ASHLEY - Michael is a persistent tackler who has shown his ability of hitting and passing the ball. He combines well with the other players whether in the forward or back line.

LIAM BEST - Liam is keen to be on the field and shows his enthusiasm when on the field playing with perseverance, his skills, along with a belief in his own ability he will develop into a sound hockey player.

EVAN BOWATER - Evan is a young and up and coming player. He does not mind mixing it with the opponents and is always after the ball. He has shown his ability to play his position and attack.

PATRICK COLE - Patrick has demonstrated his strength in hitting and trapping. He is an intelligent player who can be counted on under pressure, and works well alongside other players. He always maintains pressure on the opponents.

JAY FARRINGTON - Jay has taken on the position of goalie with enthusiasm and dedication and has settled in well in that position. On several occasions he has been under extreme pressure and has made many fine saves.

JANE FINLAY - Jane has been a strong player who has been one of the cornerstones of our full back line. She has shown improvement throughout the year and has proven to be reliable. She tackles tenaciously and keeps her position well.

JAMES HACKETT - James is a speedy, versitile player, who seems to never tire throughout the game. He has illustrated his ability in stick handling throughout his attacking and defencive actions, and applies pressure to the opposition.

ALISIA HARMON - Alisia has shown continual improvement throughout the season. She is hardworking and her determination has seen her improve her strength in trapping and in attack. Works well with other players and is always in the pursuit of the ball. 11C cont.,

CHRISTOPHER INGLIS - Christopher is a strong, defensive player who works hard in disposing the ball and tackling. He is consistent in his play and reliable under pressure. Another good cornerstone of the full back line.

RYAN KELLY - Ryan has shown his speed and hard at tackling and attacking with the ball. His continued perseverance with his skills and positional play has made him a stronger player.

LAINE McDONALD - Laine has shown improvement in her skills and concentration during the year. She has shown her ability to tackle and to bring the ball forward along the wing. A person who works well as part of the team.

STEVEN MOORE - Steven is another full back who has shown his ability to be another one of the cornerstones of the full back line. He has shown his ability to tackle without hesitation and to clear the ball. Works well with other members of the team.

SHARON PATERSON - Sharon's keeness to play is demonstrated in her determination to take the ball from the opposition, then passing the ball. She is a good team member and has shown improvement throughout the season.

ALANA WAKE - Unfortunately Alana had to leave towards the end of the season, to travel overseas. Whilst with the team, she has shown her ability in ball handling and shown willingness to become involved in the game. A good team member.

BUNBURY 1992

AN A CLASS WEEKEND

In order of personality, charm, intelligence and all round appeal as human beings 28 players, one inflatable doll and Wayne boarded the bus for this years Bunbury trip.

After getting away a bit late all went well for some ninety seconds until the bus broke down in Gilbertson Rd Kardinya. Some extreme intelligence from Leo Coleman and Mike Jolliffe, for which they were later fined, saw the bus fixed after an interlude of some half hour or two cans. During this unscheduled delay citizen of the year nominee Ross Read played Constable Care and directed traffic around the bus while the remainder of the party did their best to kill some poor unsuspecting Kardinya resident's lawn.

A quiet Friday night was had by few, particularly the policeman who got the free shoeshine from Mark Watton.

The highlight of Saturdays hockey came in the first couple of minutes via a lifted ball from an opposition player. The next few hours were spent being reminded that we were on an A Class Reserve and you were only allowed to "use" alcohol in the designated 2 metre by 2 metre licensed area. After listening to the inane ramblings of the announcer on the microphone the boys suddenly remembered that things go better with coke.

Out of the blue appeared Jesus not with his fishes and loaves but with his coke and additives and suddenly everyone's SPIRITS were lifted.

Not only were the organisers of this carnival determined to see us stay sober but when it came time to go on Saturday afternoon they didn't want us to leave, yes the bus was blocked in by a couple of cars, the true Melville spirit showed through and we valet parked the offending vehicles without having to bother the owners.

That evening a young unsuspecting local girl who was quietly celebrating her twenty-first birthday at an Italian restaurant had her peace shattered by twentynine starving hockey players who by that time were suffering the effects of twenty four hours on performance reducing drugs and were desperately in need of solid food.

After the meal most of the boys went back to the P.O.W. where a lone guitarist/singer attempted to entertain. The one most taken by this entertainment was none other than Mason Paynter who enjoyed it so much that he first showed the singer his tongue and followed this up with his normal jeans dropping exercise and a suggestion that the singer should try and make an honest living and could start by selling his guitar.

Another highlight of this part of the evening came from Ross Inne-Mills, who with his freshly shaven head protruding from his polo neck jumper became a walking phallic symbol who struck terror into the hearts of some local young ladies.

Some of the guys then decided that the night club was the go and disappeared until the not so early hours of the next morning. It is understood that a new concept was developed at this nightclub which shall be known for evermore as G.U.E., for a detailed explanation see Ross Read.

On their return to the hotel, at 5.00am, a few of the nightclubbers decided that it was unfair that people, including the author of this piece recovering from an illness caused by something he ate, should be in bed asleep. Some incredibly lucky people were then entertained by the demented ramblings of dipsomaniacs and a practical demonstration from Ross Read on how to stop a moving ceiling fan with your head. I can tell you it was really thought provoking stuff.

Sunday started much better than Saturday for both Mike Scally and the hotel owners when Mike actually managed keep his breakfast where it belonged. Back at the hockey a quick scan of the results saw that our A grade team actually stood a chance of winning the carnival.

This inspired the boys into an exhilarating performance against Uni where the team's pace and skills were outstanding, the other highlight of the game was that Wombat actually kept his shorts on for the entire match. The team was drunk on the emotion of this first up performance, certainly it couldn't have been alcohol because we were on an A Class Reserve. This high carried on to the final qualifying match against McNess after which the boys were very despondent about ending that clubs hopes of winning a pennant.

The grand final against Rockingham was 1-1 at half time and twenty five minutes later at the end of the game 7-1, enough said. A gracious acceptance of the pennant speech from our bar captain Jesus and the boys were ready for the trip home. Fines master Mike Scally ensured that enough money was in the kitty for food at Mandurah where the memorable parts were some seriously immense amounts of self control displayed by Gav in not pushing a certain he shall remain nameless Wayne into the water and even a pelican getting bored with and flying away from the same nameless Wayne.

All in all, despite the efforts of the organisers of the carnival, a good time was had by all and we hope that nearly but not quite all front up again next year, perhaps at Merredin.

Finally the courage award of the weekend goes to Adam Sparks for Bungy Jumping, without a rope, down the stairs of the Prince Of Wales Hotel and the quote of the weekend award goes to our spiritual leader Jesus - "Wayne, you're excess to our needs."