

MELVILLE CITY HOCKEY CLUB (INC)

LIFE MEMBERS

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D. SPITTELER (1969)

P. NOAD (1971)

R. HALLIDAY (1972)

B. SPITTELER (1975)

M. CURRELL (1978)

W. MEACOCK (1979)

K. TIMMEL (1980)

W. FORWARD (1982)

J. COLE (1984)

M. REYNOLDS (1985)

B. HANCOCK (1987)

I. DEVESON (1988)

J. PICKERING (1991)

N. KIDD (1992)

W. ATKINSON (1993)

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

28TH NOVEMBER 1994

7.30 P.M.

AT THE CLUBROOMS

MELVILLE CITY HOCKEY CLUB (INC)

CLUB ADMINISTRATION 1994

PATRON:	Mrs J. Barton (Mayor, City of Melville)	
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WINDELYA SPORTS ASSCN REPRESENTATIVE:	Wayne Atkinson	(Life Member)
AUDITOR:	Rhys Gray	

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

1994 has been quite a successful season on the field. 12 of our 14 Junior sides and 5 out of 9 Senior/Veteran teams made the "4" with the 4B's finishing at No. 1 and receiving the Guth Ardagh Pennant and promotion to 4A's for 1995. They also won the "Challenge Cup".

The "off field" team has once again put in a long, hard season to ensure your Club runs as smoothly as possible. We've had our ups and downs, traumas and tribulations but generally our efforts have been fruitful. We've also had offers of assistance for which I am grateful. These offers also extend to next year and that means we can spread the load. Three of this year's committee, Pam Deveson, Colin Willis and Wayne Atkinson have advised me that they will be "stepping down" at the end of this year. Between them they have served on your Club's administration in excess of 20 years. I thank them for their tremendous efforts.

Our social functions were generally not well supported this year, a trend that most clubs are experiencing. We seem to have the same people supporting our social/fund raising activities all the time, so the budget to be presented for approval at the Annual General Meeting for next season will reflect an increase in fees across the board so that all participants wear the cost. Traditionally the "balancing figure" in the budget has been fundraising but obviously this has become unfair to the relatively few who support the social activities and needs to be addressed.

This year's Annual General Meeting will be held at the Clubrooms from 7.30 p.m. on Monday, 28th November. I trust you will take sufficient interest in the administration of your Club to attend and voice your opinion. Remember, any member 16 years or over is entitled to vote.

Finally, I'd like to thank my wife Pam and children Jodie, Kelly and Michael for their efforts and patience in answering the phone, coping with irregular and interrupted meal times, providing supper after meetings and the myriad of other functions they performed.



**IAN DEVESON
PRESIDENT.**

SENIOR ADMINISTRATION REPORT

A very successful year as a whole. Many of the young players from 1993, having gained valuable experience under the guidance of David Audesho, are now the backbone of our Club, both on and off the field. Thanks David for a very dedicated year. Well done.

The 1B and 2B grades are currently 3rd and 2nd respectively and should play a major role in the finals. With up and coming juniors from U/17 grades, the future of the Club is an exciting prospect.

The 3A grade was not a happy one again this year, but as the season progressed, the signs were there of better things to come. Many thanks to Geoff Ranford and company for their persistence and dedication in holding this side together.

The 4B side has had an excellent year, already winning the 'Challenge Cup' and a chance to finish on top and gain promotion for 1995. Pat Matthews and his near veteran group, have done the Club proud and I thank them for their efforts.

The 5A team struggled for most of the season. However, I believe they will hold the grade for 1995. Having Mike Brookes in control ensured this team was really having a go and was probably the most active team at senior training. Thanks Mike for your tremendous effort.

The Regional South side, better known as the "Scrubbers", magnificently led by Gary Thomas, is a chance at the finals and I'm sure they will give it their best shot. A very supportive group both on and off the field. Many thanks Gary and Co. for your contribution to the Club.

The Veterans united for a very enjoyable season with the 'B' grade and 'F' grade playing in the finals. The magnificent "F Troop" should have gained promotion but blew it on the last fixture. Thanks are extended to Johnson Orr for his work in organising the Vets this season.

A special thanks go to Gary Bowater and Mike Brookes for their assistance in taking senior training during the year. Also a top effort from Warwick Fry and Paul Field for their outstanding contribution during the season.

Thanks to Geoff Read for the work he has done behind the bar on Saturdays.

The Committee has worked tirelessly for you all to enjoy your hockey and it is good to see and hear that some of the younger seniors are getting involved for 1995. I'm sure you will get total support from all members.

Finally, thanks to my wife Christine and team of Scott, Ryan and Brooke for their support. They tell me there is life after hockey. I'm about to find out!

Many others have helped me during the year and I thank them all as one and wish everyone all the best for 1995.

COLIN WILLIS
VICE PRESIDENT, SENIOR ADMINISTRATION.

JUNIOR REPORT

Melville City Hockey Club has, arguably, the best junior club in Perth. We fielded more teams, fourteen in total, had more 'A' grade teams and the highest number of sides in the top four (finals) at the end of the season with a total of twelve.

The reasons for this, we believe are great kids wanting to have fun and improve their game skills, good coaches and managers and very supportive parents. A club is only as good as the support it gets. Having three children playing hockey, I can vouch for the tremendous effort that goes into coaching them and giving them a good time.

We believe the most important factors in junior hockey are engendering team morale, promoting unselfish play and encouraging fellow team members. These are skills that the children can take with them into later life. It is up to us as parents, to do as much as we can to encourage fair play and good team spirit.

Congratulations are due to Chris Munro and Luke Munro on their selection in the State U/16 Schoolboys team and Graham Watts and Luke Smith on their selection in the State Under 14 Development Team and to Craig Wood who was selected to tour with them as an umpire.

On behalf of the junior administration (Peter Steel, Mark Gooding, Jim Stewart and myself), I would like to thank all the coaches and managers that have voluntarily spared their own time to ensure that teams are fielded on the day.

Please help us next year by volunteering for coaching, managing or hockey administration and keep Melville junior hockey on top.

TERRY PARKER
MEMBER, JUNIOR COMMITTEE

FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT REPORT

The 1993/94 season is another season where Melville City must extend our sincere gratitude to all our sponsors for their support.

As I continue to say every year, our sponsors are very important members of the Club. Their injection of money directly helps in keeping your playing fees to a minimum. In return, all they expect is the return loyalty by being given the chance to compete for your business. Please remember this, and where possible give them a call, whether it be during the season or off-season, please help them to help you.

A very special thank you to our major sponsors, Patrick Wee (L.J. Hooker, Leeming), Steve McEntee (Duracraft Car Repairs), David Rowe (AHL Pty Ltd), Luke Schoonens (Urban Landscaping) and Bruce Shannahan/Stam Bibra (Melville Toyota).

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GRAHAM NAPIER
VICE PRESIDENT, FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT

SENIOR AWARDS 1994

FAIREST & BEST AWARDS

1B (Founders' Shield)

DEAN REVELL

2B

BRUCE HANCOCK

3A

GEOFF RANFORD

4B

KEITH HARPER

5A

ROBERT KNYN

REGIONAL SOUTH

CHRIS WEST

VETERANS 'B'

RUSSELL SCANLON

VETERANS 'C'

FRANK WILLIAMS

VETERANS 'F'

BRUCE JOHNSEN

JUNIOR AWARDS 1994

	<u><i>FAIREST & BEST</i></u>	<u><i>MOST IMPROVED</i></u>
17A	MATTHEW WEBSDANE	MICHAEL DEVESON
17C #1	TRENT JACKAMAN	DANIEL PICKERING
17C #2	NOT AWARDED	MARK JOHNSON SCOTT LEHMANN
15A	GARETH FINLAY	DOMINIC REAY
15 REG. SOUTH #1	ANDREW KING	DIETER VON MOLLENDORF
15 REG. SOUTH #2	TIM GOULDTHORP	SIMON LALOR
13A	SVEN TEGELER	JAMES PICKERING
13B SOUTH	STEVEN WILLIAMS	KELLY RYAN
13C SOUTH #1	CHRISTOPHER INGLIS GREGORY ROOS	CORINNE JOHNSEN
13C SOUTH #2	ALISIA HARMON	ALANA WAKE
MOUNT WAVERLEY HOCKEY CLUB TROPHY (Most Talented U/17 Progressing to Seniors)		CRAIG WILSON
LIFE MEMBERS TROPHY (Most Improved Junior)		MICHAEL DEVESON
DAVID PORTER TROPHY (Most Improved Goalkeeper)		SCOTT SPARKES

MELVILLE CITY HOCKEY CLUB (INC)

GAMES PLAYED AWARDS - 1994

500 GAMES

KINGSLEY McGUIRE

300 GAMES

BRIAN MATTHEWS
BRUCE PORTER
COLIN WILLIS

200 GAMES

TODD BARRETT
JOHN D'ALTON
BRUCE HANCOCK

100 GAMES

CHRIS AVENT
GRAEME JAMES
IAN KNIGHT
BARRY LANSDOWN
ALAN MARSHALL
TREVOR OSBORNE
MARK WATTON
MATTHEW ALLEN
ALEX HALLIDAY

BRADLEY HILLER
SHAUN HOOPER
BRENDAN JOSS
SIMON LALOR
LUKE MUNRO
JAMES PICKERING
BRENT RADFORD
CRAIG WOOD

50 GAMES

GARY BOWATER
EARLE HARPER
MIKE JENSEN
KEN JOSS
ADRIAN MAHER
NEIL McPHAIL
JIM POLINELLI
RUSSELL SCANLON
KYM WILSON
RYAN BACKHOUSE
ROBERT BELL
EVAN BOWATER
NICHOLAS BOWATER
ALISTAIR BURTON
STEVEN COOPER

BETH GOULDTHORP
MICHELLE HITCHENS
BYRON LAST
STEVEN MOORE
MICHAEL PARKER
CAMERON PORTER
DAVID POZZARI
BLAKE ROWDEN
TRENT ROWDEN
KELLY RYAN
LUKE SMITH
PAUL SPEERING
DALE TRIBBICK
DEAN WALKER
MATTHEW WALL

THE TOP SQUAD

1B & 2B

DIRECTOR - DAVE AUDESHO
GENERAL MANAGER (PART TIME) - GRAHAM NAPIER

1994 has been a very successful year. At the end of round 2 we held 3rd in 1's and 2nd in 2's. On reflection though, the lack of composure and true commitment in vital games, cost us the real chance of promotion. We have the ammunition, we have the organisation, both on and off the field, we just need the 24 hour dedication and complete *team* (support) in both top grades to get us to Classic League. Well done squad, onwards to 1995.

A special thanks goes to a number of U/17A players for their contribution to the 1's and 2's sides. **CHRIS MUNRO**, who made his mark as a force to reckon with in goals. **LUKE MUNRO** who showed maturity at right half and not phased by the giant opposition. **ALEX HALLIDAY** showed he has speed and a willingness to learn. Those runs out of the corner are sensational Alex, well done. **SHAUN HOOPER** a quiet but an effective forward. **SCOTT WILLIS** a solid, tough fullback with an excellent short corner hit. Another with a big future and not phased by giant opposition. **CRAIG WILSON** a very skilful player who showed he can read the game and can mix it with the big boys. Also has a big future. Well done Craig.

DAVE AUDESHO (Club Coach)

Uncompromising in his enthusiasm and dedication to his job. Dave's results bear testament to this approach. His preparation and tactical proactiveness has seen our best results for many years. 1B's - 3rd; 2B's - 2nd; 17A's - 2nd. A great season Coach.

JOHN COOKE (Captain)

John continues to lead by example. A rugged and solid back/centre who gives experience and composure to his team.

DEAN REVELL (Deano)

It is a pleasure to see Deano back with the club this year. He is one of, if not our best, player(s) and has had a very good come back season. As always, his experience is invaluable and he has been nothing but a positive influence on other players around him.

STEPHEN MAHER

The youngest addition to the team, Stephen has earned the respect from all who know him. He will never give less than 100% and with his unpredictable reach, can irritate and upset any opposing back line. A player who, if continues to go the way he presently is, has a bright future in hockey ahead.

MARK LYONS

Leads by example, no one is harder on himself or works harder on the track and this is highlighted in his performances. Great guy to have around when the chips are down and could play at this level indefinitely.

GAVIN MAHER

Good to have "Flash" back, excuse the pun, has outstanding skills and when totally focused is capable of tearing any defence apart. Great shot at goal and capable at any level.

TODD BARRETT

First year in 1B's and has shown great potential. Has great fitness and works extremely hard on the track. With all he has learnt this year and his ability to strike short corners, should score a swag of goals for years to come. Future club stalwart.

DALE REEVES

A newcomer to the club this year. Dale has fitted in well. Dale is a person who could pass for 17 or 30 and it is rumoured 'Oil of Ulan' are wanting to sign him to a substantial contract. Dale is a very talented forward with speed to boot and has featured in a lot of goals this year.

TOP SQUAD (Cont'd)

1B & 2B

MARK WATTON (Watto)

Watto, that smile, that laugh, what more can one say. A real character with strong tenacity and never say die spirit. He is a great clubman and is always encouraging and getting the best out of the people around. A talented player how, when not injured, can match the best opposition with ease. He has been the strength in the 2's and could easily have played 1's but for the necessity that he play 2's to help us win!

ANDREW STARLING

The Scotsman of the team. Unfortunately we all know what this guy has underneath his kilt. A great team guy who has an uncanny **desire** to want to score goals and loves running. In fact, Andy runs outside of training for fun - says something about those cold Scottish winters.

BRUCE HANCOCK (Brucester) (Hank) (Mr Polite Guy)

Great player who has this year graduated from the world of Oakleys and beach volleyball gear to Raybans and suits. Hanks work commitments have meant that perhaps he hasn't played at the level he would have liked, but the old Hank is still there as shown when he turned up at Narrogin still drunk. A great team guy who is always around for a laugh and a beer.

MATTHEW READ

Matthew has made the transition from Juniors to Seniors as a tough and solid left half. His enthusiasm to overlap and get into the circle and score was rewarded with a fine goal in the last game of the year. Well done Matty.

BRYON LITTLE (Goal Keeper)

A new addition to the club, Bryan is an extremely talented young goal keeper who as the last line of defence has saved the team on numerous occasions. If only he could afford singing lessons Melville would be even more appreciative of his talents.

NATHAN ELLIOTT

Nathan is a team member who is renowned for his continual effort. He always pushes himself to give 120% throughout the season. His strong tackling and determination is a highlight of his skills which he has become well known for. He is always positive on and off the field and a respected team player.

STEFAN WILLET

Cool, calm and collected when in possession of the ball, yet he always had the opponents guessing where the ball was. His experience and ability to make the play were crucial to the team's success. Stef also was on hand for most of the 1B games as well - thanks Gobblebok.

SIMON ATKINSON

Simon has been one of our most improved players this year. He has gained greater confidence in trying to eliminate players by himself, using his blistering pace. With a little more strength work he will become one of our best strike forwards.

MATT ORLANDO

The fastest stickwork in the west. Matt dazzled many defenders during the year and even dazzled himself on a few occasions. His disposal of the ball improved as the season progressed and with his continued desire and ambition, will play at a higher level of hockey and win many games.

PAUL EARLY (Stringer)

A player who with strength and skill is capable of casually preventing any forward play which the opposition can throw us. His welcomed return from retirement has been nothing but positive and we hope to have him remain for years to come.

GAVIN SCALLY

A very tough and skilled fullback who in 1994 is a 'Born Again Hockey Player'. No booze, no women (well just one) and not many other vices has seen this Jenny Craig graduate, play some fine defensive hockey.

ANDREW SCANLON (Scanners)

Andrew has had a good season of hockey. He has cemented a position in the 1B team as centre halfback, showing us his great distribution skills and strength on the ball. Scanners is also probably holding the record for the most amount of jokes told in training sessions.

NATHAN ROWDEN

Nathan is developing into a very good player. He has adjusted well to senior level hockey, playing an important role in the forward line in the 2B's. With continued hard training he will go closer to reaching his true potential.

TOP SQUAD (Cont'd)

1B & 2B

JEFF WEST

A very skilled and dynamic forward who produced some enthralling hockey early in the season, but went missing. Where did he go?

STEPHEN MILLER

Our No. 2 goalie who was a newie to the club. Played some bright hockey early but we lost his services overseas. Thanks for your early contribution.

MIKE JENSEN

Has made a welcome return to the Club in the latter part of the season. His experience and knowledge of the game has been an asset to the team.

PAUL FIELD

Paul came into the 2B side very late in the year. His attitude, dedication and enthusiasm is unsurpassed. A player who gives 200% on and off the field. A team man that no team can do without.

GRAHAM NAPIER

The manager's manager - spending many hours in the "freezers" at the stadium and McGillvray Supergrasses. Thanks for your efforts although we missed the Classic lemon cordial this year. Also thanks for your co-ordination of the sponsorship game.

Congratulations to each and every one of you. Well done!

3A

The 3A team struggled throughout the season, particularly in the first round due mainly to a shortage of players. The team did not have a regular goalie all season and in three or four games played without a keeper. In the second round, with a full side, the team proved it was equal to most sides in the competition and had some narrow losses to the top sides. Unfortunately the team was doomed from the start of the season and it is a credit to the players who stuck at it each week, we were able to achieve some good results.

ADRIAN MAHER (Fullback)

Recruited during the season and provided excellent strength in defence. Possesses good skills and is always ready to encourage other players.

PHIL TODKILL (Fullback)

Joined the team midway through the season from the 2B's and proved a handy acquisition. Strong and reliable with a powerful hit.

CRAIG LUNT (Left Half)

Lunt proved to be a handful for all opposition wings and occasionally umpires. Always plays an attacking style and scored a great half field solo goal against the top side.

GEOFF RANFORD (Centre Half)

Captain, Coach, Manager and part-time miracle worker. Usually seen before the games with his fingers crossed praying for at least nine players to turn up.

SCOTT FORBES (Fullback, Right Half)

Forbsie had another good season and consistently rescued the team with his deceptive pace and skills. Promoted to right half during the season but still couldn't score.

JOHN DALTON (Right Half)

A forward deep down and always had the confidence to leave his wing wide open and make devastating runs into the attacking half. Became the teams leading goal scorer and then decided to quit while ahead and go to Europe.

STEPHEN CRIDDLE (Forward)

Improved as the season progressed and played a couple of great games in the second round. Scored a couple of memorable goals.

ANDREW CRIDDLE (Forward)

It was no coincidence that the team started playing better when Andy joined us from the 2B's. Always maintains a high work rate and set the example for other players.

SCOTT PITTER (Forward)

Normally a halfback, but slotted well into the forward line. A consistently hard worker who played many good games on some very experienced inside forwards during the season.

BRAD PIKE (Forward)

Started at half back but found his spot at right wing. Made some telling runs during the season and provided some good crosses which frequently beat the opposition and our forwards as well.

BRAD SHEARER (Forward)

Joined the team midway through the season and provided plenty of drive at centre forward. Brad was not overawed by any opponent and always stuck to his game plan, get the ball and head for the goals.

**Thanks to these players who played during the season:
BILL REDDICK, DAVID LONG, NATHAN ROWDEN, PAUL
FIELD, WARWICK FRY, GEORGE WATTS, MIKE JENSEN,
MARK WATTON, SCOTT WILLIS.**

4B

Oh what a team!

**The Stats - Played 16 (Won 13 - Lost 2 - Drawn 1)
Goals Scored 58 - Goals against 8
Average age - about 30**

Won Challenge Cup and first after qualifying games with finals to go.

This year brought together many of Melville's legends of the past (back to the 70's) to form the oldest, most experienced, balanced and versatile team in the competition.

The stats say it all; a high scoring forward pack averaging on just under 4 goals a game, supported by a uncompromising mean defence which didn't concede any goals in the second round.

The year was a nice change from the many seasons of tougher competition in higher grades, but we still had our fair share of close fought games against some rough and ready teams. The team has the benefit of being extremely mobile and flexible and the high skill level allowed us to control most games.

Unlike last year, we were able to maintain a regular side and particularly we thank Warwick Fry for accepting the role of goalie, and our other key recruits including Daryl Dedman, Brian Matthews, Bruce Porter and David Halliday.

Hopefully we can all progress a little older and wiser towards an equally successful 4B's campaign next year.

DAVID HALLIDAY - Halfback

A true gentleman of the game and a fine recruit this year. Always enjoys his game and never gets involved with umpires or opposition players. Often seen smiling on and off the field despite pulling the occasional leg muscle. A solid defender who still shows all the skills from 20 years ago.

BRIAN MATTHEWS (BAZOUKA) - Fullback

Solid (getting bigger every year), tough, uncompromising describe this stalwart who was a fine recruit after a long retirement from the game whilst enjoying life too much. Still has that trademark clearing full back hit and solid tackle. Wouldn't like to front this guy in a dark alley.

KEITH HARPER - Forward all over

Another top year from one of the quickest and best goal scoring forwards in the competition. Our top goal scorer who converted some miraculous but lucky goals from very odd angles. Highly mobile and skilled player who can ride rough shod with an opposing defence. An interesting player to watch as he is unpredictable leading to some amusing incidents.

EARL HARPER - Right Wing

Returned to his best this year and proved a big bonus on the right wing. Scored his share of lucky goals following in his brothers footsteps and is always keen to run hard against any defence. We hope that Earl will invest in a new pair of white shorts next year.

ALAN MEACOCK - Forward

Some memorable moments from this tenacious and skilled all rounder who has lost one of the Meacock determination. Had the occasional lay off this year, but made his presence felt with every appearance. Best suited to the inside forward position but didn't mind the occasional spell in defence. Always introduces himself to umpires and it's on a first name basis from then on.

BRUCE PORTER - Left Wing

Watch out when Bruce is around because he's liable to run over you like a steam train with little regard for his own safety. Sometimes worries his team mates with those agricultural tackles but against agricultural opposition he does a fine job. Recruited for his pace and vigour and is a fine asset to our forward line.

4B's (cont'd)

NICK (WHERE'S MY STICK) TWEEDIE - Forward

Woken at 10.30 a.m. one Saturday morning after a heavy night and immediately answered the call and accepted a full time position in the team. Too good a player to have missing from any top side as he possesses a good turn of pace and ball carrying skills which set up many goal scoring opportunities. Known to misplace his hockey stick before games.

MAT WRIGHT - Fullback

Played a key defenders role before sustaining injury midway through the season which required his withdrawal from the team. Involved in some crucial defence plays which saved our bacon.

SIMON FORD (WOOSHA) - Fullback

Slightly cut down version of look-a-like John Worsfold but plays the game with the same determination and same ferocity. Another top defender which rarely lets one through. Blood rushes to his head on occasions and once inspired will determinedly dribble the ball from our deep defence past half a dozen opposing players before passing off. Often heard discussing dubious decisions with umpires always adopting a very logical argument. Didn't help him on one occasion when sent off for the mandatory five minute spell.

WARWICK FRY - Goalie

Our prayers were answered when Warwick agreed to be our regular goalie this year. He is extremely reliable and can boast having only let 8 goals past him in qualifying rounds. Not a bad achievement. So enjoys his hockey that he often played two games on the same weekend. Also one of the gentlemen of the team.

PATRICK MATTHEWS - Halfback

Has the honour of scoring from spinning and dribbling balls which confused opposition goalies. Occasionally shows that old time magic from bygone days with some fine stick work. Gladly Patrick as Manager, was able to ensure that a full side was available every week.

JOHN (FRED) MEACOCK - Halfback

A strong and consistent year holding the pivotal role at centre half which with his experience enabled him to control the mid field and utilise his distribution skills to constantly feed the forwards. Unusually controlled this year and it was great to see. Always puts in a 100% effort providing constant encouragement to all players and plenty of on field advice to opposing players that overstep the mark. Our chief short corner hitter and even scored a few.

DARYL DEDMAN - Forward

Started at Hale this year, but soon realised the gravity of the mistake when his team was by our 4B's in the third game of the season. Not to mention the age difference between him and his team mates who were barely out of prep school. Did the back flip and joined our team after realising that good days lay ahead. Glad to have him back as one of our chief ball carriers and play maker. He has tremendous close in skills which frustrate opposing players who give up trying to get the ball off him. Enjoys his hockey and like David, always carries a smile on his face. Just a happy guy.

5A

ALEC JAMES

Alex might be getting long in the tooth but the dependable runs down the wing and handy crosses keep coming.

JEAN-LOUIS DE SOUZA

Some best on ground efforts at halfback and the usual skilful runs around a string of opposition a feature of Jean-Louis' game.

RENE LEMERLE

After a quiet start in the forward line, Rene showed some strength and determination at half back.

BRUCE TURNER

Forward turned fullback. Bruce provided the strength and experience needed in our defence after the drubbings we received early in the season.

MIKE BROOKS

Found goals hard to come by the whole season, beating all but the goal keeper on a number of occasions and when the keeper was beaten, the post was often there.

PAUL FIELD

We are not the only team to have benefited from Paul's skills in goal. An excellent team player destined to play a higher grade next season.

PAUL SHENTON (Soon to be Father)

Paul proved himself dependable all season. Ask him to show you his famous falling down trick - very entertaining.

PAUL STEELE

Best improver over the season, forming the basis for a sound defensive unit and providing medical backup through a kit and our number one supporter, Caroline.

PHIL DUNSTAN

Showing the skills from years past but also the rust, Phil created many opportunities and converted a few rippers.

ROB KNYN

The newest Dad in the team controlled the centre of defence and provided a settling skilful influence, throughout the year.

THANKS TO - GRAEME JAMES, JUSTIN DE SOUZA and GLEN TWEEDIE for helping out and **DANNY DOLZADELLI** who was away with work for over half the season.

REGIONAL SOUTH

After a season in the wilderness last year the scrubbers found some form this year, or is it just weaker opposition. At the moment the team is in a fight for fourth place and looks like it might just hang on. The team is becoming extremely mobile, the main evidence of this is the amount of players missing every week on overseas or eastern states trips.

ROB ARTS

After going missing last year Rob made a come back to the team. Though always itching for a run in the forward line he had a good year at fullback. Surprised even himself with a few short corner goals.

CHRIST AVENT

Grandad had his customary season at full-back where not much gets past him, like Slat's he also improved his punctuality, when he remembered his boots.

SIMON BIGNELL

A new and welcome face in the scrubbers this year, when Jenny and their kids turned up for games it increased our spectators by about 400%. Spent most of the year at centre forward trying to tell us he would be better in the backline.

NOEL BACKHOUSE

Actually played about half a dozen games this year in between working on an oil rig and holidays to Bali. His work rate was as high as ever when playing but his fighting rate was well down.

TERRY BROOKS

Supposed to play when Noel was away working, but decided that a two month trip around Australia appealed a lot more. Being the kind of person he is, he always tells the truth, particularly when describing umpires' sexual preferences.

GRAHAM (LEO) COLEMAN

A scrimmage in the goal front and Leo swoops in and scores another goal - Leo is to goals what a seagull is to a chip, an absolute scavenger. Another year for Graham at the top of our goal scoring list.

MIKE JOLLIFFE

Not a guy you want to ask what the time is but still a great goalie. Mike or Adrian as he is known to his friends, what friends, had another great year in goals. Fortunately he didn't get quite as much work as last year, but when called upon didn't let us down.

JOHN MAHER

Right inner whose relief at actually scoring goals this year was evident to all. Once he broke his duck and got his first goal, they came quite often.

AL MARSHALL

After a mid season break of a couple of months in Europe, Al played his steady game at left wing.

MARK MEYER

The quiet man of the team, perhaps he just can't get a word in. Our right winger who continues to improve.

ROSS READ - WHO???

KIM SEWELL

Our spare parts man in the forward line. Kim would have played in all forward positions this season and scored a number of goals. Always encouraging the others an all round excellent team man.

COLIN SLATTERY

The nemesis of all right wingers in this competition. An unusually punctual Slat's, in between trips to Indonesia, played his normal cool headed game at left half each week.

CHRIS WEST

Our other recruit for this season, Westy took some time to adjust to the pace and skill level of our grade, or should that be lack of pace and skill. Had a great year at centre half and showed great fighting attributes. Also chimed in with some very timely goals.

NEIL TAYLOR

Missed most of the season with a number of different injuries, but when available made a great contribution in a number of positions across both the forward and half back lines.

GARY THOMAS

In a hockey career as long and showing as much promise as Dermot Brereton, what can you say about Gary Mudguard Thomas that hasn't already been said. Gary's trademark has this year, as always, has been his consistency (he plays bloody awfully but he's worn the same haircut to every match this season). As usual this year Mudguard (credited with the return to popularity of the pudding bowl) has spent more time on the sideline than Karl Langden. Gary Thomas, some call him the Molly Meldrum of Melville City, we take our hats off to you.

VETERANS 'B'

Like many other teams in Vets we were probably the strongest side when everybody was 100% fit and available. Unfortunately, this was not the case and we struggled to get 11 players for most of the season with other teams preferring to play with 12, 13 and even 14 while we had 10. In younger days 10 was O.K. but someone forgot to tell us we are over 40 now. Although we had our fair share of injuries, illness, holiday and work commitments, a good time was had by all. At this stage the final four is a likely possibility and all being available and fit, we hope to play in the grand final. No predictions on that result though. Thanks for the numerous players who lent a hand from other grades.

KINGSLEY McGUIRE - Captain (Fullback)

Kingsley was ever reliable in defence, always talking and combining players around him. He showed the coolness of a Captain and his half time pep talks proved fruitful.

JIM PAPAS (Goalie)

Jim made the circle his domain repelling many shots at his fortress. Jim's an old fashion tough goalie carrying minimum protection. The umpires did not know which way to turn when Jim marched forward with his helmet exemption.

PETER DAWKINS (Halfback)

Peter with good ball skills proved to be a strong attacking half-back who was not shy in having a shot at goal.

RUSSELL SCANLON (Halfback)

Russell as usual was the pivot of the team. Many times the deft tackle and then the distribution to the forwards. Sorry Russell, but I see many more years for you at centre half. May be next year you can have more shots at goal.

SID WILSON (Halfback)

Sid as always was like the Rock of Gibraltar. Not many players get past Sid and if they were fortunate enough to, they did not have the ball.

DAVID PORTER (Everywhere)

Again Dave proved to be the utility player of the team. Dave was always willing to take on the vacant position from stopping goals to scoring goals.

IAN HALLIDAY (Centre Forward)

Ian's knee seems to have recovered well but the turning circle is a little larger. Still as usual, Ian was scoring a bundle of goals. Unfortunately, illness robbed him of several games. Maybe he's made it to the finals.

TERRY PARKER (Inside Forward)

Terry is a very good inside forward with good ball skills. Just as willing in defence as attack.

PETER KAZAKOFF (Inside Forward)

Peter is another strong forward with good ball skills. Peter sold the dummy well, but at times the opposition was too dumb to be dummied.

STEVE NEEDHAM (Wing)

Steve, new to the club brought the running legs to the team. When not on his legs, he was scoring goals with his diving deft touch.

NEIL ASHLEY (Halfback)

Neil started very well, but a broken wrist saw him lose most of the season.

BRUCE CAMERON (Wing)

Bruce was coaxed out of retirement for a few games to fill the many holes. Although out of the game for a couple of years, Bruce reproduced form of old.

BOB WILLIS (Wing)

Bob was another retiree called upon to help out. Bob showed he will be a force to reckon with now that he's back in action.

NORM HOSKIN - Manager (Fullback)

Well, the toughest job of all was getting a team together. Endless calls to endless people to make a team. It was good to look forward to a rest on Saturday arvo. Just as well I played better than I did at convincing others to play.

SOUND COMMITMENT (Unavailable)

We all reach an age where hockey is down on list of priorities, but nobody likes playing with a squad of 14 and worse nobody likes playing with less than 11. Thanks to all team members who didn't plan other activities on umpiring days.

VETERANS 'C'

The Vets 'C' team has had an interesting season with many early games having results that didn't reflect the quality of the side and the amount of play we had in them. Many were lost on a moments lack of concentration in defence while the forwards were unable to convert despite having many opportunities.

We finally got it together at the end of the season and went from a position where we were worried about relegation to one where we were trying to make the finals. With one match to go we can still finish anywhere between 5th and 8th with four teams separated only by a point.

JEREMY ALLEN

A reliable defender who cut off many opposition attacks and sent the ball back towards our goals.

JEFF ANDERSON

One of our solid half back players, who will even leave conferences early to play a game.

GARY BOWATER

Played inner and centre forward. Consistently in the best players and always fighting for the ball.

BILL CALDER

Despite his leftist tendencies (left wing, left inner and left half) he obviously has money to spare as he can afford to leave his hockey stick at the competitors fields.

KEITH JACKAMAN

Mainly played in defence but occasionally filled a spot in the forwards. Keith was often willing to make the sacrifice and stay on the sideline when we had more than 11 players.

BARRY LANSDOWN our Goalie

Improved over the season and made some important saves in the last few matches as we chased a final's berth.

STEVE McENTEE

Played at centre forward for most of the year but moved to centre half in the latter stage of the season. This re-arrangement was the start of our winning run - was this just coincidence.

JOHN PICKERING

A stalwart fullback who unfortunately could not play every match because of his coaching commitments to junior hockey. Always appreciated when present.

PETER STEEL

An inner and occasional wing who blitzed the poor defenders with 5 goals in the last match against Mods.

FRANK WILLIAMS

A halfback who seems to run all day every week and consistently one of our best players. You'd hardly believe he was over 40, would you?

COLIN WILLIS

A versatile player who always put in a good effort. Can play anywhere from the forward line to kicking fullback.

KYM WILSON

A fast sprinter for those long passes down the wing. Often finds it easier to run towards the goals than away from them. Was the first player this season to see red in a game.

KEN WOOLLAMS

A good fighter on the half back, especially against Wolves.

VETERANS 'F'

This was a most enjoyable year, we had some tough games and some easy games. One that springs to mind was the long trip to Whitfords and then to find they forfeited, so we played a scratch match anyway. We gave them a couple of young fellows and our spare players, one being Sven Tegeler and he scored a goal against his Dad!!! Later he was seen walking home! Thanks to all our players and I'm sure they will be back in '95. This is what sport at our age is all about. Just like the Minkey kids, only older.

DENIS BAWDEN (Awe-Inspiring Forward)

It has been said previously that if we all improve half as much as Denis, I am sure that we would all be happy. Denis has an everlasting source of energy and it is reassuring to know that if a ball has been hit deep into the attacking left wing, Denis will chase it to the back line.

IAN DEVESON (Breathtaking Fullback)

First year back after a rest and our President held our defence together with some marvellous tackling and long through balls to the inners from the 16 yard hits. I hope that the rumours of going back into retirement are ONLY RUMOURS!

TONY ILLMAN (Indomitable Halfback/Forward)

One of the new members to our team this year, Tony added great depth to our attack and really showed enthusiasm right throughout the season. Thanks for your contribution Tony, see you next year.

BRUCE JOHNSEN (Formidable Inner)

It has to be said that we would have struggled without Bruce's contribution to our team this year. OUR BRUCE (keep your paws off him Vets B & C) scored most of our goals and contributed to our great season this year. See you next year Bruce.

TERRY BISHOP (Audacious Halfback/Forward)

Terry has been our stand in player for most of the season after we lost Ross and has been great to have him with us. We look forward to him playing a full season next year.

NEIL McPHAIL (Esteemed Centre half)

Yes, it has been said before, Mr COOL, was his usual self, the one we have come to expect. Our centre half, who seemed to be everywhere on the field. That BIG hook had some life saving tackles this year.

JOHN TEGELER (Indefatigable Goalkeeper)

John's second year as a goalkeeper and never played before. He has done a terrific job for us this season with some outstanding saves and lots of encouragement to us all at half time.

IAN KNIGHT (Daunting Fullback)

The rumours that Ian is a Ballet dancer are I think, untrue. If the rumours are true, the benefit of the Ballet connection is open to question! Never the less Ian had a great season.

JOHNSON ORR (Garrulous Forward)

The man with the PINK sheet, that was known to be wrong on occasions, just ask Trevor. Talks back too much, just as well the umpires can't understand him.

TREVOR OSBORNE (Distinguished Right Wing)

Trevor was slick and fast on the right wing this year. He made this position his own, with some scintillating running off the ball and some hard accurate crosses from the right corner.

GRAHAM RAYNER (Marvellous Halfback)

Graham's accurate passes from dead ball situations were superb, picking out the forwards on many occasions. Mind you, the forwards didn't get them all.

JOHN SANDERS (Glittering Halfback)

Chief ground marker, who always has an anecdote as we run onto the field. John's great vision during the game sets up some wonderful attacks.

KEN JOSS (Astonishing Inner/Halfback)

Our Ken, plays wherever he is needed. Ken played a good season and the through balls that Ken was capable of laying off, were sometimes too good for our forwards. Great stuff Ken.

ROB WALKER (Stalwartly Halfback)

Rob's new stick this year was awesome. Half time would not be the same without Rob keeping us on the straight and narrow, that's if we allow him to talk. Thanks coach.

ROSS HANNAGAN (Zealous Forward)

Ross was injured half way through the season and up till then was used in two or three positions and I'm sure he enjoyed the run at centre forward. Thanks Ross. Hope to see you fit and well next year. WE WON'T MENTION THE NIGHT ROSS WAS LATE HOME, after the busy night with two other VET players mmm.

UNDER 17A

COACH - DAVID AUDESHO

ASSISTANT COACH/MANAGER - COLIN WILLIS

The team has had a very successful season, finishing 2nd to Subs. Not blessed with many individual stars who play classic league and 2A grades like other sides, the team really is a "**TEAM**". Everyone plays well together and players have moved to different positions and continued to link and combine as one. Much of this team play is due to the methods of David and his style of coaching and I would like to thank him for stepping in to coach when all seemed lost at the start of the year. The players should be looking forward to the finals with confidence.

Thanks to all the parents and friends who supported the team during the year. Your help has been greatly appreciated.

CRAIG WILSON - Centre Half (Captain)

A true leader with exceptional skills and ball control. Playing in the pivot role, Craig was always very attacking and created many opportunities for his forwards. He will have a very successful career in Seniors. (Goals - 3).

SCOTT WILLIS - Left Full Back (Vice Captain)

Scott is a very strong and aggressive player who has good ball skills and a very strong hit. He always used the players around him and is very team orientated. He looks forward to playing seniors in 1995. (Goals - 10).

CRAIG SHEARER - Left Inner (Deputy Vice Captain)

Craig also had a very consistent year working hard up and down the field. His ability to run hard for 70 minutes always puts pressure on his opposing players. Craig is another who moves to seniors next year. Craig also put on the pads for a game with much distinction. Thanks Craig. (Goals - none but set up many).

MATTHEW WEBSDANE - Right Full Back

Matthew moved from Aquinas to play with us this year. A very wise move. After a quiet start, Matthew became a major cog in our strong defensive unit. His confidence grew with every game and finished the year in excellent form. I hope you continue your hockey with Melville. (Goals - nearly in the last game).

TRENT ROWDEN - Right Wing

Trent was moved to the wing in one of our many positional moves this year. He has great speed and anticipation and was a success in the position. Some of his creative play was excellent and his goals were worth seeing. (Goals - 2).

MICHAEL DEVESON - Left Half Back

The move from Under 15's to 17's was a big step for Michael. However, he acquitted himself with great assurance. His ball skills were excellent and his tackling and team play were always of a high standard. Michael will be one of the leaders in U/17 A in 1995. (Goals - none but who cares when you played so well).

ALEX HALLIDAY - Left Wing/Right Wing

Alex moved across the forward line this year and played mainly on the left. His transposition of game tactics was excellent and his speed would often leave the opposition wondering which way he went. This asset was used as part of our short corner defence. Well done Alex. Good luck in seniors. I'm sure you will do well. (Goals - 3).

SHAUN HOOPER - Right Inner/Left Wing

Shaun is a very skilful and creative player. He works tirelessly all game, working deep in defence and pushing up forward to score goals. A very consistent year. The seniors await you in 1995. (Goals - 4).

UNDER 17A (Cont'd)

CHRIS MUNRO - Goal Keeper

Chris is an exceptional keeper with the speed and reflexes of a cat. His many fine saves have greatly assisted the team in its success this year and his selection in the State U/16 team. Well done Chris. (Goals - none, but many saved).

LUKE MUNRO - Right Half

Was once Chris's little brother, but not any more. Luke has grown in body and ability and turned into one of the best half backs around. Also being recognised by State selection in U/16 team. Great year Luke. (Goals - 1).

CRAIG WOOD - Centre Forward

Craig became our regular centre forward this year. A far cry from full back where he has played most of his hockey. His determination to get the ball often sees him on the deck minus some skin. However, he really acquitted himself well and will be dynamic in 1995. Great effort Craig. (Goals - 4).

MATTHEW ALLEN - Left Half/Left Wing

Matthew is a quiet achiever. Good skills and reads the play. Adapted well to the switch of positions during the year. Always gets the job done with little fuss. A very consistent year. Enjoy your senior hockey. (Goals - 2).

ROH WEDDIKKARA - Centre Forward/Right Wing

Roh only played the first half of the year with our team and during that time showed he has the dedication and the talent to be a crucial member of the 1995 team. (Goals - 2).

BRENT RADFORD - Right Inner

Like Roh, Brent also only played the first half of the year and in an unfamiliar position to him. However, he worked hard to prove himself and he too will be a major contributor to the 1995 side. (Goals - they will come).

STEPHEN MAHER - Centre Forward

Stephen played for the team when Chris and Luke were away and his goal scoring ability would have been handy all year. Stephen played seniors all year, but his presence in the games he played, was extremely valuable. (Goals - 5).

DAVID AUDESHO - Coach

A very dedicated and hard thinking tactician. His contribution to this team was enormous, especially in the latter half of the season when work commitments did not allow me to assist as much as I would have liked. Many thanks Dave for your effort and I am sure the players have learnt a lot from the experience. I know I have. (Goals - coaching the future of Melville City).

COLIN WILLIS - Assistant Coach/Manager

I have enjoyed the season immensely. Seeing the future of Melville City seniors progressing so well this year makes it all worth while. The team itself, is very well united and I'm sure they have enjoyed it also. Thanks again to all the families and supporters for their encouragement during the year. I wish everyone all the best for 1995. (Goals - to see everyone enjoy their hockey).

Thanks to **AARON SMITH** and **RYAN WILLIS** for filling in.

UNDER 17C #1

I guess this was the season that could have been. The grade was re-drawn half way through the season which cost us dearly. In addition, 2 further sides pulled out which severely disrupted our preparation. We finished 5th and had opportunities to play in the finals but in the end were not fortunate enough to win a couple of close games. Thanks to Geoff Smith and Paula Bone for managing our team throughout the season.

PHIL BORDAINS - Centre Half & Captain

Phil was a terrific leader. His strength and skill were a fine example for his team mates. Will do very well in senior grades.

TRENT JACKAMAN - Fullback

A real quiet achiever. Trent was rarely beaten and his position play was superb. Trent has a powerful clearing hit and a solid tackle. He also will do well in senior grades.

AARON SMITH - Goal Keeper

We were able to get Aaron to play with us, although he qualified for Under 15's. He did not let the grade worry him and showed considerable potential as a goal keeper. Certainly has plenty of confidence and should go very well in Under 17's again next year.

CLINT DYMOND - Left Inner

A real hard worker as an inner who scored goals as well. Clint still has another year in Under 17's and next year, as his speed and strength improve, we can expect a lot more from him.

DALE TREBBICK - Fullback, Centre Forward

Dale probably played in a couple of other positions as well. He is best suited in the forward line and he scored some superb goals. If he was prepared to train hard and develop his skills, there is no doubt he could play in the "A's" next year.

MATTHEW WALL - Right Wing

A real speed merchant, Matthew was a potent attacking weapon. Perhaps a trifle erratic with his shots on goal. I am sure if he could have trained, he would have scored many more goals.

DANIEL PICKERING - Right Inner

Daniel had a very good season. He worked very hard, scored some nice goals and above all passed well to his right wing to set up our attacking play.

MATTHEW KING - Left Half

Matt was a great asset to the team. He is enthusiastic and was always happy to take on the opposition, verbally or otherwise. A little more concentration on his hockey skills could see Mat as a real solid performer in senior hockey - a good driver too!!

BEN REAY - Left Wing

The second of our speed twins. Ben came back to hockey when the team was short and his presence was much appreciated. His quickness down the left wing caused concern for all teams. Unfortunately he couldn't train and had to miss some games because of work commitments. Scored a few goals too.

GARETH FINLAY - Fullback, Forward

Gareth was a regular fill in for us and we really appreciated his efforts. Like most fullbacks, he wants to play centre forward and when he had the chance, he showed us what he could do. Well done Gareth!

LUKE SMITH - Right Half

Luke, son of Geoff, brother of Aaron, soccer player, happened to fill in for us one day and showed that he knew how to play. Once we discovered that, his Saturday afternoons were taken. Well done Luke.

UNDER 17C #2

Season '94 was a year of real growth for all of this team. From the early difficulties of playing short, to the luxury of having substitutes, the members of this team never gave up their determination to carry on with the game and try for the winning points. From the bottom of the ladder to a final four position is a credit to these young players and their ability to gel together as one team.

BRAD TAYLOR - Coach

A 17 year old himself, Brad stepped forward at the start of the season, when no one else would volunteer. He has done a great job in his first year as coach and being the same age, has produced a unique camaraderie into the team. He filled in where necessary and led by example. Well done Brad.

STEVEN COOPER

Played a few positions this year and did well in all of them. A valuable forward he helped set up many goal attempts, and always runs hard for that possible ball. Steve has great team spirit and will do well in future years.

MARK JOHNSON (Boondy)

Solid as a rock in fullback, Mark never let us down in his attempt. Has improved out of sight this year and even looked flashy on the right wing. Well done Mark, a great season.

SCOTT LEHMANN

Another team member whose ball skills have improved in leaps and bounds. As right wing he was superb with his crosses and amazing goal scoring shots. His hockey vision has widened greatly and will be a big asset to any team.

SCOTT MARTYN

Right half back, left half back, doesn't matter to Scott, he plays both with 100% effort. Good skills, runs all day and was another guy who was rock solid in his defence and creative in attack. Always contributed to team discussions and game tactics - thanks Scott.

BRENT RADFORD

Brent is one of those players who will go far. He constantly has his great skills on display and at centre half he was always reliable. Not only did he score goals, but kept them out at the other end as well. Superb stamina and a great contributor, Brent is a pleasure to have in any team.

JOSHUA SMALES

A great year for Josh, as he has come a long way. His skills have improved out of sight and he is now a great asset as left wing. His last several games were great to watch. Keep it up Josh.

JARROD SYMES

One again a big improver. As a halfback, Jarrod is a very strong player. His attacking skills rewarded him with great goals. Not even a plaster cast wrapped in plastic could dampen his enthusiasm. Always contributed in team discussions and a great encourager. A good season Jarrod, thanks.

STEVEN WALSH

The other half of a great fullback team. Not only can Steve defend excellently, but his runs into attack were almost always rewarded by some form of strong goal attack by the team. A pleasant nature and good team contributor. Enjoyed watching you play Steve.

ROHIMAL WEDDIKARA - (Roh)

It is all there for the taking for Roh. He has superb skills, great vision and ear, and is constructive in his ball handling. An unselfish player, he has helped many others in the team develop their own confidence simply by watching and playing alongside him. Roh will be a welcome team member wherever he plays.

KANE WOOLLAMS

Kane has grown in confidence and skills immensely this season. As a utility player, he went from forward to half to back play, to fill in where required. As an attacking player he combined well with others to set up some good scoring shots during the season. Good effort Kane.

GEORGE WATTS

"Stolen" from the 15's every week, George claimed the goal square as a sacred site and was reluctant to let any of our players in, let alone any opposition. Without George, we would not have done anywhere near as well. The team salutes you George.

BRETT MARTYN

A special mention here for a promising young player. As an under 13's player Brett came along with his brother and mother to watch and in the early season games, was asked to fill in for us. Rarely have I seen a 13 year old hold his own against 17 year olds like Brett did. The team thanks you for your efforts Brett.

KEN WOOLLAMS (Manager)

As "part time" manager type person, I would like to thank all the parents who stuck by and supported your boys during this season. The end result is very satisfying given the efforts required by the boys. I feel they have become a good example of what a "team" means and they have been a credit to you all and the Club in general.

UNDER 15A

We finished 6th in a tight competition. We were one of the hardest teams to beat having the 2nd lowest number of goals scored against us, but we also scored the 2nd lowest number of goals. If we can find a goal scorer by 1996, we'll be in the Under 17A Grand Final in that year. Make it a target boys. A fine bunch of young men who were a team. It was a pleasure to work with them, and their parents.

TIM PRICE

Team Captain and an extremely talented player with a fine hockey head. His sleepy attitude before a game fools many opposition players because he becomes an aggressive young man once the whistle goes. Unfortunately exercises his tongue too much sometimes! Tim just missed selection in the State Team and then missed the last part of the season when he joined his parents on a trip around Australia.

GARETH FINLAY

Team Vice Captain who took over leading the team after Tim left. He kept his best for the year until he took over this leadership role and week after week, put in real inspiring stuff. Plays any position, likes being a forward, but really is an excellent full back who quickly turns defence into attack.

GARRICK ALLEN

Had the hardest role in the team. The coach's son! He handled it with ease. Garrick took over from Tim at centre half and his performance here meant that the team did not falter. His tackling, ball skills, cover chasing and wise and accurate distribution suggest that Garrick has far greater potential than he expects himself.

PAUL BRADBURY

Paul has only been playing hockey for 3 years. Each year he has gone up a grade and this year completed his first in 'A' grade with flying colours. An excellent left half back who is also an extremely reliable fullback (although he always gave me a look of disappointment when I put him there). He really loves his hockey and always emerged from the most rugged passages of play with a smile on his face. A real fighter with a tremendous attitude.

BRADLEY HILLER

A specialist fullback player who was regularly the stumbling block for opposition forwards and the steadying influence in our deep defence. Extremely quiet young man but fiercely competitive on the field. Made numerous exciting and spectacular saves on the line. Keeps getting better each year.

BRETT MCKENZIE

A tremendously enthusiastic player who started the season with the A's and then went on to be a power in one of the Regional South teams.

DOM REAY

In only his second year as a hockey player Dom has performed creditably all year. Played much of the year in the important position of left inner, learnt from each game, was fiercely competitive and continued to improve all year. Has developed the ability to move into positions of support when team mates had the ball and this resulted in him always being involved in a lot of play. Disposal was usually good but sometimes needs to be quicker.

LUKE SMITH

An altercation with a car resulted in Luke having a slow start to the season and he had to force his way into the side after the start of the season. Good performances in his Regional South team meant he couldn't be overlooked for long and he became a reliable avenue to attack for the A's. At the start of the season he often waited for the ball to come to him and didn't work back when dispossessed. He worked on this and by the end of the season he always attacked the ball and any defender within striking distance soon knew Luke was around. The next thing to work on Luke, is keeping the ball more under control when going into attack. Was selected in the State Under 14 Development Squad as a reward for his efforts.

PAUL SPEERING

Paul's presence in the team was a bit of a luxury because his speed meant that we didn't need to fear giving away penalty comers. From memory Paul's speed in defending comers restricted opposing teams to only two conversions all year. However, I had great difficulty in getting Paul into a position where we would fully benefit from his abilities. The reason was that once on the field Paul tried to build his game purely around speed. This looked spectacular from time to time but only occasionally produced a real result for the team. Paul, your game will improve out of sight and you will get less frustrated if you work on your ball handling skills and slow your game down a little.

UNDER 15A (cont'd)

BRENDAN JOSS

This boy is a real worker. He started the year working well as an inner but in the latter part of the year he really came into his own at right half. In this position his tremendous stamina and speed meant he could repel attacks as a defender then overlap into the forward line. Not only is his endeavour top rate, but over the past two years his skill level and hockey mind have greatly improved.

GEORGE WATTS

The team's joker while off the field, but in the game it was all business as he guarded his goals. The low number of goals scored against indicates what a great year George had. His movement around the circle has improved immensely this year and he was probably the team's most consistent performer.

GRANT WATTON

Really loves his hockey and has plenty of potential, but needs to identify himself why his performances are so hot and cold. On his day he could really turn it on as both a fullback or a forward. Needs to work hard on his speed now that he is going into Under 17's. Rivalled Paul Bradbury for his ability to smile in difficult situations.

RICHARD WILLIAMS

Had some illness early in the season which led to a lack of stamina and a slow start. Nevertheless, he worked hard at training and on the field and won back his form to become a dominant member in the team at right inner. He always thinks while on the field and mixes up his play. Some moves are simple but effective, while others are really imaginative and creative. A cool player who is also fiercely competitive.

GRAHAM WATTS

Was not impressive in the grading games at the start of the season and wasn't initially picked in the side. Putting this aside he took his opportunity when it came along and forced his way into the side with guts and determination. Needs to work on his speed and to play with the ball a little further away from his feet. These two things contribute to why he is often involved in physical clashes. Made the State Under 14 Development Squad and this year will be great grounding for next year.

OTHER PLAYERS

During the year, **TIM GOULDTHORP, CLIVE PATERSON and SIMON LALOR** all played creditable games with the team.

JEREMY ALLEN - (Coach)

Enjoyed working with the boys and their parents. Finished the season feeling that he had not succeeded in getting the boys to play to their full potential more often, and for longer in each game, but was extremely happy with the friendly atmosphere in the team.

KEN JOSS - (Manager)

Top Manager, chief sideline encourager, ace video camera man and astute commentator at half and full-time. Great man to have on the team.

JUDY WATTS - (Deputy Manager)

I could have written Vice Manager, but I was not aware that the team had any vices to manage. Judy stood in the couple of times Ken was not available and was always on hand to look after injured players (most often son Graham!).

UNDER 15 REG. SOUTH #1

The players in this team enjoy their hockey. The effort that they put in is always what is asked of them. Early on in the season, we lost our 'star' forward, but we compensated and a number of players have developed from being defensive players to forwards. The team is strong on defence and have slowly developed the ability to score the goals needed to win games. However, mostly they enjoy playing hockey.

A big thanks to Mr Sparkes our manager and part-time coach. Also thank you to the parents for your support in getting the players to practice and games, also the enthusiastic support during the games.

SCOTT SPARKES

A good goalie that delivers when required. He made some excellent saves this season.

MICHAEL PARKER

A very good fullback because of his ability to always stop the ball. He is a defender one can always rely on. Also works well as a halfback in getting the ball to the forwards. He has a very accurate hit.

BEN STEEL

A good defensive player that puts his best effort in when asked. He sometimes plays in the inner position. A quiet achiever.

BRENDON RIPP

A tenacious player that has proved his worth at fullback. He has developed good skills in defence this year. As a halfback he hassles the wing to no end.

MATTHEW JONES

An enthusiastic and skilled centre half. He contributes to the team's excellent defence and makes sure the ball gets to our forwards as much as possible.

SIMON McINNES

A good halfback that tenaciously tackles and hassles the opponents wing.

ANDREW KING

An enthusiastic and skilled player who started off as a centre half and has played the last part of the season as a centre forward. He consistently gives his best. Not many opponents get past him when he is defending.

DIETER von MOLLENDORF

He started the season with the team as a fullback and has contributed to the fact that few goals have been scored against us. His speed made him a good candidate for a forward and as such, he played wing in the last part of the season. He has developed in this position and has contributed to the overall goal tally.

ADAM HALL

An inner that takes hi hockey to heart. He pours himself into each game and contributed to many good attacks made this year.

RHYS JOHNSEN

He started playing hockey this year and has developed tremendously. He enjoys the game and has contributed to the success of the team.

BEN DUNSTAN

Our top goal scorer. He works very hard in the inner position. He plays consistently well. He is very hungry for goals, an ideal forward.

COREY PATTERSON

A very good defensive player that is a sure footed fullback and useful halfback.

RAY von MOLLENDORF - (Coach)

A person who under-rates his ability as a coach and motivator. His quiet attitude and manner was well received by both the players and parents. Never raises his voice to make a point or loses his cool in a crisis.

UNDER 15 REG. SOUTH #2

It has been a successful year both on the field and in terms of enjoyment of hockey by the players. A highlight of the season so far, was success in the Challenge Cup. Congratulations to all team members for their contribution and especially to our coach Terry Parker who juggled his own hockey commitments to provide us with coaching support.

JUNE GOULDTHORP TEAM MANAGER.

REGAN JONES

Cool under pressure and saving our bacon in the Challenge Cup, goalie Regan has played a consistently solid game throughout the season. Regan is a good team player with a workmanlike approach to his role and combines excellent reflexes with the ability to read the direction of attacking play.

MARK CARSON

Mark's sound trapping and clearing skills have been invaluable in our backline. Mark reads the opponent's game accurately, positions himself and uses his skills to counter the thrust of an oncoming attack.

ADAM MARGETTS

Adam is cool under pressure and persistent in his tackling of an attacker. He backs up his team mates well and makes good position in defence. In sending the ball forward, Adam places the ball intelligently.

STUART CURRELL

Stuart played the season at centre forward, providing strength in our attack by scoring many goals for our team. His good skill level and sense of position has enabled him to make the most of opportunities presented.

SIMON LALOR

Simon has played the season mostly at centre half. His game is solid and dependable. Simon works hard for the whole game. He has used his good on the ball skills and sense of position play to control the midfield, making a significant contribution to the team's success.

TIM GOULDTHORP

As right inner, Tim provided sound defence as well as penetrating attack always giving a maximum effort for the whole game. Skilful stick work, good positioning and team play are strengths in Tim's game. He has made a significant contribution to the team and has been a regular goal scorer.

TRISTAN ANDREWS

Tristan has played a number of positions but mostly in defence. He is tenacious in tackling an opponent with the ball and has used this on many occasions to the benefit of the team.

BRETT McKENZIE

Brett joined us later in the season and established himself as a strong attacking player with good speed. His good on the ball skills, combined with his speed, have enabled him to be a very creative player for the team.

CLIVE PATERSON

Speedy on the right wing, Clive has set up many successful moves by our forward line, with a nice square pass. Clive always contributes 100% effort, playing his position effectively and assisting in the team's success with his consistent and determined play. He reads the play well and positions himself to receive or tackle effectively.

BRAD POORE

'Smiling Brad' on the left wing enjoys his game and at the same time confounds many a defender with his unorthodox style. Brad is fast and so tenacious; he just does not give up at all! As the season progressed, Brad has developed increasing skill in disposing of the ball to complement his ability to effectively tackle and spearhead an attack down the sideline.

BYRON LAST

Bryon has played most of the season as a halfback. A combination of speed and a tenacious approach has made his contribution to the team invaluable. He combines good attacking skills with effective tackling.

MICHAEL SALIBA

Michael has played left inner for the team. He always gives his best both in attack and in going back to assist in defence. His skills and team play have improved throughout the season making him a most valuable asset.

UNDER 13A

BRETT MARTIN

A hard-working, skilful forward who, by making better use of the players around him, will score many goals in his career.

TRAVIS McINTYRE

A wonderful team member with a fine range of skills and a terrific work rate. Is destined to play top grade hockey.

SIMON RATE

This has been his best season. Has developed confidence in demanding the ball at centre-half and will become a key player in any team.

BLAKE ROWDEN

Played mostly on the wing where his pace gave him many opportunities. His trapping and close-in skills have improved significantly and this enables him to be played on both sides of the field.

SVEN TEGELER

The most versatile player in the team being equally at home in attack or defence. Could have been the team's key striker but his conversion rate has been disappointing to nobody more so than himself.

ALISTAIR BURTON

Has had an excellent year on the wings. Also has the potential to be an outstanding centre-forward, but is still learning the specific position play required.

DAVID POZZARI

A quiet achiever who continues to improve and who has developed knowledge of defensive and attacking roles. His tackling and dodging are the skill areas requiring most attention.

ADRIAN DUSSELDORP

A player who was used in just about every position on the ground. Needs to assume a less casual attitude in his defensive roles and to make better use of his innate talent.

ROBERT BELL

Another very quiet achiever who played mostly at left half where he has developed confidence in his close skills and improved his distribution.

JAMES PICKERING

A chip off the old block! Worked hard on improving his distribution to the right and his tackling in the fullback position. Still learning to protect the ball in tight situations.

DANIEL CREEDON

The youngest member of the team who has fine close skills which will get better next season with greater physical maturity and the experience of playing in this tough grade.

NICK BOWATER

A vocal defender whose mobility, position play and striking have all improved this year. Still has to learn to take the easy option from deep in defence.

CHRIS MARSHALL

Like all good goal keepers, lacks nothing in confidence. Shows fearlessness beyond his age and with greater mobility which will come with physical maturity, will terrorise forwards for years to come.

UNDER 13B SOUTH

Under the capable coaching of Rob Walker, the team has had a very successful season, finishing second on the ladder and drawing in the Challenge Cup. We are looking forward to competitive finals matches.

Thanks must go to the players who have been dedicated to the team and very supportive of each other during the season.

Rob's efforts in coaching the team are much appreciated by both the players and their parents. He has been ably assisted on occasion by John Cole. Thank you. To Ron Wilson, the Team's thanks, for all your advice which has helped us all.

Thanks also to Scott Willis and Simon Atkinson who have umpired very capably and given up Saturday morning sleep-ins.

A final thank you goes to the large group of parents who have attended matches every week and have given positive encouragement to the players.

MICHAEL ASHLEY

Has played in mid-field and has shown development in his skills, which should be consolidated with another year in Under 13's.

KELLY RYAN

A persistent mid-fielder who has developed tenacity over the season.

CORY ATKINSON

A reliable forward who works hard to get the ball into attack.

MICHELLE HITCHENS

A relentless tackler who always applies maximum effort (to the annoyance of any opposing players).

RYAN BACKHOUSE

Instrumental in scoring several of the team's goals. Ryan is consistent on the wing.

RICHARD PARKER

A very capable player who often provides impetus in attack.

PATRICK COLE

Has been a speedy player on the wing and has often provided leads in attack.

DEAN WALKER

Our full-time goalie whose skill has contained the opposition on many occasions.

JAY GAWLEY

A hard-working player in defence and a skilful tackler.

STEVEN WILLIAMS

Uses excellent skills to be ever reliable in defence and add drive in attack.

JAMES HACKETT

A reliable and consistent player who is always ready to back up his team mates

RYAN WILLIS

An aggressive forward who consistently takes the ball into attack and often scores.

JANE HILLER

A stable defender with good skills, who always works hard.

UNDER 13C SOUTH #1

For many of the players this was their first year in the Under 13's. Without exception the development and skills of all players was excellent. The players not only played as a team supporting each other, but showed sportsmanship which made the coach and parents proud of them. With the development, came the results and they should be a competitive team in the finals. This team was fortunate in having such a skilful, enthusiastic coach, Craig Inglis. The team was well supported by a loyal group of parents. A special thanks to Mr Gouldthorp for this help in umpiring during the season.

CHRIS INGLIS

Fullback, then played in a forward position. A hard working skilful player who has good anticipation.

MICHAEL GOODING

Left half back. A solid and skilful defender who is always relied on.

RYAN KELLY

Halfback. Always there to make the right moves and complimenting others.

GREG ROOS

Centre forward. Gives of his best at all times. They key on many occasions to successful forward play.

ELISE THATCHER

Left wing. Always reliable to be well positioned and has developed well during the season.

JACK BENTLEY

Played most of the season across the half back line. An enthusiastic player who's skills have improved throughout the season.

TIM McENTEE

The ever reliable goalie who has developed his ability well over the season.

SHARON PATERSON

Right half back. Sharon is a skilful and reliable player. She is always a solid defender.

MADELAINE DANE

Played in both forward and defender position. A skilful player who always anticipates the play well.

JUSTIN ROSE

Played both forward and back. Always a reliable and solid player. His hard hitting is always an asset to the team.

GRAEME WALSH

The hard hitting fullback that could always be relied on. A real asset to the team.

BETH GOULDTHORP

The quiet achiever in the forward line who always plays the correct position with a lot of enthusiasm.

CORINNE JOHNSEN

Played forward and developed very well during the season. A very skilful player.

CHRIS BUSWELL

Joined late in the season and from game 1 was always an asset to the team. Played forward and was always reliable.

UNDER 13C SOUTH #2

The team (aka the 'jelly bean' team), had an excellent and competitive year. The season was filled with both team and spectator spirit with several very exciting games. Not only did the team have a successful season, they gained respect from their opponents for their competitiveness and skills. The success of the development of the players' skills, both as a team and as individuals can be attributed to the dedication and effort of the coach, Peter Steel.

Thanks goes to the support of the parents and special thanks goes to David Gardner, Bruce Porter and Bill Calder for umpiring.

TYSON BULLOCK

A hard working forward and team member who used his strength and skills in pressing home attacks with his passing and hitting.

ADAM IVEY

Right halfback, who through dedication and skills, became an integral part of the team and defence. A valuable member of the team.

AMBER CALDER

A reliable and dedicated winger who used her skills to get the ball to the inner forwards in an efficient manner. Her skills were missed during the time she was absent due to injury.

GRANT LEHMANN

Illustrated his skills as inner forward as a good offensive player, passer and accurate hitter which resulted in plenty of goals. A job well done.

JADE CHEESBROUGH

A dedicated and persistent winger who tries his best in bringing the ball into attack as well as being a good team member.

STEVE MOORE

A stalwart fullback who demonstrated strong hits and strong defensive skills with confidence. A good effort for the team.

KELLY CREIGHTON

A skilful and reliable fullback, who also at times, played in a halfback position. She has the tendency to appear from nowhere to stop the attacking opponents with success.

CAMERON PORTER

An inner forward who showed his stick skills and a desire to make goals. Being able to play halfback as well, makes him a versatile player.

HUGH GARDNER

An enthusiastic and skilful team player who works very hard in attack and in giving assistance in defence. The jelly beans were always appreciated, Hugh.

AMY STEEL

An inner forward who through her own skills, was able to push the ball through her opponents and then proceed with the ball in attack. Thus, a very valuable asset to the team.

TOM GARDNER

A confident goalie who demonstrated his skills in defending the goal, particularly under pressure. A job well done.

ALANA WAKE

A halfback, who through her skills and dedication, became a reliable team player in defence and putting the ball into offence. Well done, Alana.

ALISIA HARMON

A centre half, who also played at times, as fullback and forward. A tenacious player who through her skills and persistence, proved a threat to her opponents both in attack and in defence.

UNDER 11A SOUTH

PAUL ASHLEY

Member of the defence which continues to improve. Distributes well to wingers and has learnt to read the play and attack the ball solidly.

EVAN BOWATER

Versatility and the ability to link defence and attack have made Evan an important team member. Skilful ball controller and user.

ANDREW COCHRANE

Shows good skills and combines well with other team members. Works hard in defence and has improved finishing skills around goals.

JANE FINLAY

Works hard in defence where her ability to attack the ball and cover for other team members had been terrific. Struggled early with hitting, but has improved significantly.

CHRISTOPHER GILL

Continues to impress with ball skills and work rate through the midfield. Distributes well to wings and runs hard to make himself available in the circle.

XAVIER MARTINEZ

During the game, it was commonly heard from the sideline, "Good save, Xave!" Xavier really shone as our goal keeper, frequently making saves from the last line of defence and clearing strongly. Renowned for giving the ball a solid whack.

TEGAN MARTYN

Tegan has had more than her share of back luck this year, but her level of enthusiasm has been inspirational. Even with a broken arm in plater, she would be seen at practice giving of her best. Later in the season, an injured foot didn't stop her and she was always keen to take the field. Most of her experience this year has been as a half back.

CRAIG ORR

A dedicated player who concentrates 100% on his game. As a left winger, Craig has made many penetrating runs down the sideline and has combined well with the inside left.

DARREN PALMER

Darren is one of the team's little dynamos. He is very keen, with good stick skills and as an inside forward, has contributed to the strength of the forward line. Has provided good links with the half back line.

TIM ROBINSON

Has adapted well to various positions on the field. Shows good ball control and is team oriented. Runs hard to make position.

JACK STEEL

Jack, in his quiet way, has blossomed as a full back. Through the season, his skills and positional play have developed to a degree which, in turn, has resulted in a marked increase in the confidence of the back line.

COLLIN STEWART

Collin has developed a reputation as a speedy winger with a determination to shoot for goal in the circle. His enthusiasm and skills have improved so much this year that some people thought that his Dad became jealous and tried to "rub him out" during a "friendly" practice game of soccer.

PAIGE TUCKER

One of our little terriers, Paige never gives up. Throughout the year her skills have developed and with her determination, she has overcome any size limitation. She has contributed well to the half back line.

UNDER 11B SOUTH

The team had a great year and played some very entertaining and exciting hockey. All parents thoroughly enjoyed the excitement of each game and were very proud of the way the kids played and encouraged each other.

ROBERT PORTER (Fullback)

Developed control and strength over the year to become a dominant defender who often set up the forwards with his long clearing hits. Held position well and controlled the defence.

MICHAEL RITCHIE (Goalie or Forward)

A dynamic player whether stopping goals or scoring them. Michael was always quick to put new skills into practise.

MATTHEW BROCKMAN (Forward)

Loves his hockey and it showed every time he played. Improved his stick work and skills and was involved in a number of exciting forward moves during the year.

KATE HALLIDAY (Forward)

Consistent player throughout the year. Always very determined when going for the ball. Kate was involved in some key forward plays.

ANDREW TAYLOR (Midfield or Goalie)

Andrew had a great year and was always willing to try new positions. Very determined wherever he played and showed considerable skill improvement over the year.

LUKE SMITH (Fullback)

Luke played a solid defenders game all year and showed his versatility with several games in goals. Luke's long reach and good positioning made him a very effective tackler.

RHIANNON BARTLEY (Halfback)

A very tenacious player always keen to be involved in the game. Rarely beaten by her opponents and a great improver over the year.

BROOKE WILLIS (Forward)

A very enthusiastic player who gave the team plenty of drive down the left side. Held position well and always provided passing opportunities for the halfbacks.

JAMES BARTLEY (Forward or Halfback)

A very enthusiastic player who covered a lot of territory in each game. Very solid in midfield and started to develop effective distribution skills.

BRENTON JACKSON (Midfield or Forward)

Very skilful and creative player who engineered many of the teams attacking moves. Brenton was able to distribute the ball and involve other members of the team.

BREONY ALLEN (Forward or Halfback)

A quiet achiever of the team who played some very tenacious and effective games at halfback. Played her best in the tough games.

DANIEL McENTEE (Forward)

A speedy and mobile forward with a great hit. Daniel combined well with Brenton and Evan to score some great goals.

DEREK ROSE (Forward or Halfback)

A very determined player who improved markedly during the year. Always keen to be involved with the play.

EVAN KELLY (Forward)

A very constructive and penetrating player able to carry the ball forward. Evan played some good thinking hockey to score a number of goals.

IAN HALLIDAY (Coach)

Always enthusiastic, always trying to improve player skills.

STEVEN McENTEE (Assistant Coach)

Always involved, great support.

JEREMY ALLEN (Umpire)

Made sure all games were fun and played in the right spirit.

DAVID PORTER (Manager)

The man with the drinks and a collection of clothing.

UNDER 11C SOUTH EAST

For the majority of the team this was their first year playing "real" hockey. They had come through Minkey and had to adjust to a full-size field, a larger team, definitive rules and increase their skills. Under the consistent and patient training of their coach, Nigel Atkinson, each player has developed a firm foundation in skills and game strategies for their future selection in the Olympics. The team has been highly successful, finishing second on the "ladder" and will be a force to be reckoned with in the finals. The team have been faithfully supported by a wonderful group of parents and a thank you goes to each one of you. A special thank you to Mrs Jan Davis who has been our umpire. Congratulations, Mr A. and players on a great season!!

JOEL LE BRETON

A very talented goalie, unlucky not to be in the top side. Joel has only let in 8 goals all season so far and has made some spectacular saves. Joel needs all his protective gear at home when he and his brother Cory go to it all the time.

ANDREW MEACOCK

One of our rock solid fullbacks whose long hits out of defence set up many of our attacking moves. Somewhere inside Andrew is a centre forward dying to get out. Good luck in the 13's next year Andy.

ANDREW POWELL

The other brick in our wall in defence. "Flounder" has used his skill and judgement to repel many attacks. The opposing forwards could not get past the lump of wood he calls his stick. Andrew came into the team to fill in at the start of the season and has stayed to the end. Thanks "Flounder".

KATHRYN ATKINSON

A very reliable defender, Kathryn has held down the right half position with distinction. Not afraid to mix it with the boys when the going gets tough. Like most defenders, Kat thinks she would make a great right wing. Good first year Kat. (Also known as "CHIMP" for swinging on goals at training).

JAN HAAK

Jan is probably our most energetic player who runs hard at the ball all day. His tackling is ferocious and it doesn't matter who is near the ball, them or us. As an inner, Jan works hard in attack and is quickly back defending our goal when needed. Thanks Jan for a great season.

SCOTT FAULKNER

As centre forward, Scott has been our main goal scorer (6 in one game!) and like others in our team, should have been playing in a higher grade. Scott plays his position well and should have scored many more goals which just missed the posts. Well done Scott.

BEN DAVIS

Ben is the quiet achiever in the team, playing as the attacking right-inner. He has combined well with Scott and the wings. Ben always seemed to do a good deal with the umpire each

CORY LE BRETON

Our youngest player. We had to play Cory on a wing to keep him as far away as possible from his brother Joel. (It must be hell at home!) Cory has learned to play his position well and will become a very good player over the next 3 years in 11's.

OWEN POWELL

Owen is our centre-half and has controlled the mid field very well. Always in the thick of things when in defence and is not afraid to venture into the circle when in attack. Owen is a tireless worker and had a great season. Thanks Owen.

DEMELZA DRAVNIKS

Demelza has really come on in the latter part of the season. She shows no fear when going for the ball and doesn't mind travelling all over the ground to get it. Although playing left half, Demels likes to cover the centre and also the right side of the field. Well done Demelza.

NADIA LEHMANN

Nadia had a good start to the season and then decided to have a "break" - her arm that is! The team missed her talents and her friendship during her absence, but Nadia has slotted straight back into the side and is a valuable addition for the finals.

NICHOLAS DANDIE

Nick is our specialist left-wing and has nearly scored a lot of goals for us if he could only have stayed on side. Nick was "caught" talking to the opposition goalie during one of our forward thrusts. Nick has shown steady improvement throughout the season. Thanks Nick.

BLAKE ROSE

It is very satisfying to see the improvement in Blake's hockey over the year. He gives it his all, follows instructions and plays his positions well. Blake will continue to improve over the next couple of years. Keep it up.

JONATHON BOYLAN

Jono came to us into the season and has acquitted himself well throughout the season. He has improved with every game and is a tenacious player. Good luck in 13's next year.

UNDER 11C SOUTH WEST

I would like to thank Ailene Ivey for assisting in coaching, Barry and Rod Wake for sharing the duties of Team Manager and John Miller for umpiring. This season has been very rewarding for all involved in the running of the 11's. The kids have both been a pleasure to train and get to know.

FRANK WILLIAMS

KATE BEST (Full Back)

Started the season at right wing and ended at left full-back. With this change of position, Kate needed to develop a more aggressive and positive style of play. Pleased to say that this worked well for her and allowed her to show some real cool play while under pressure.

JAMIE DREW (Full Back)

Convinced the position for him would be full back. We allowed him his wish, but through the season we repositioned him in the half back line. Although these were only for small periods, it didn't seem to alter his natural playing game. Plays well, we all have to agree at full back but could play other positions with the same eagerness.

DANIEL IVEY (Full Back)

Natural defender, we had Daniel playing centre half back at first. Read and dispersed the ball well, but found the pace hard to keep up with. Moved into the roll of full back and showed signs of a natural team leader.

JUSTIN WAKE (Full Back)

Plays his hockey with a great deal of energy and excitement. Held full back duties well and shared the goal keeping. Justin's physical size and agility enabled him to keep a secure hold of his goals.

BRONWYN WILLIAMS (Half Back)

Started the season quietly but confidently and developed into a strong and attacking half back. Free hits taken by Bronwyn in the attacking half have shown good understanding of angles to pierce the defence and feed her forwards. This year has increased her skills and game play.

SANDRA PARKER (Half Back)

Has tried hard to improve her game in all ways, with success this year. Always shows good team spirit with back tackling and passing to forwards with good through balls. Eager to run into attack and help forwards with their forward thrust.

KATE LEAVY (Half Back)

Has demonstrated a quiet approach to her hockey this season. Kate has a natural ability to move with the ball while being tackled. When confidence comes, she should make herself a slippery forward.

DEVLIN JOHNSEN (Half Back)

Devlin plays a tight zone defence, if the opposition enters her zone then she strives to reclaim the ball for Melville. Has improved her skills steadily and shows she enjoys her hockey. A player who responds well to calls from the coach and supporters.

UNDER 11C SOUTH WEST (Cont'd)

MATTHEW WILLIS (Half Back)

Matthew has developed a hard running, endless tackling approach to his game. When he combines his speed and skill, has created some good free flowing hockey for us. Combines well with other team mates and always trains hard at his game.

CHAD SILVER (Forward)

Not the fastest of our forwards but shows maturity in attack whether setting play up or having a shot at goals. Always eager to display new skills on and off the field. This year, has played well and displayed good team-manship.

VAUGHAN TAYLOR (Forward)

Vaughan has steadily developed with this his first season of hockey. Has been the main drive and scorer this season for us when playing in the forward line. Agreed to share the roll of keeper and has ambitions to follow this avenue.

REMY DONDRAADT (Forward)

Endless energy, but needs to hold his position and not be found running the whole ground. Sadly missed when he left with his family for a holiday in Europe. With time and work on his skills, Remy should develop into a valuable player for Melville City.

GARTH DICKSON (Forward)

Garth has proven to be a dangerous striker when inside our scoring circle. Has hit some cracking shots at goals and knows to follow the ball up for the rebound. Garth plays a determined game for his team and sets a positive example to younger players.

LAUREN MILLER (Forward)

Small in stature but works hard with and for the ball. Lauren has good stick skills and can read play which has made her a valuable player. Lauren has covered positions such as full back, half back and striker with great confidence this season.

BRAD WAKE (Forward)

Like most of our players this year, Brad has played both forward and back positions. With Remy going on holidays, Brad agreed to play half his game in goals as keeper. On this move Brad has excelled and showed signs of developing into a skilled goal keeper.

POISON PEN OF THE YEAR

To My Fellow Club Members,

It has been decided to include the following as a reminder to all those who caused some mirth during the year **and** were dobbed in to the "*Poison Pen*".

Remember, I'll be watching next year.

POISON PEN.



- Why did **Neil Ashley** (Vets C & Sponsor) have his arm down the "S" bend at the Club? His car keys, complete with alarm control, slipped from his pocket. Proved that control wasn't waterproof - had to "phone home", interrupt the cooking of their roast while the spare set was brought down to the Club.
- Amazing how many parents have registered their children's birth dates as 1994 - yes **Rob Walker** (Vets F & Coach U/13B) you are one of them, **Dean's** a big boy for a couple of months old.
- Note quite as bad as **Jeff Robinson** (Father of **Tim** - U/11 & **Victoria** - Minkey), who contacted our President to check to see if he'd put his daughter's correct christian names on the Registration Form. Perhaps Jeff's wife should do the registrations next year!!!
- You see some old sticks in the Vets competition, but **Ian Knight's** takes the cake. It's been suggested that Vets 'F' ("F Troop") can't play a late game because Ian has to have his stick back to the museum before it closes at 4.30 p.m.
- **Gail Atkinson** (Mother of **Corey** U/13, **Simon** 2B & wife of **Wayne**, Social Convenor) has a nice new car (as in "Beep, Beep Barina"). She was busy tending the spilling jam and cream containers as she turned a corner so that she didn't dirty the new car and found herself driving along the verge - a quick embarrassed look to ensure no-one saw her and then down the kerb back onto the road.
- Speaking of cars, **Cecil Radford** (Father of **Brent** U/17) has had an alarm installed in his vehicle - still yet to master the intricacies I gather, as twice on Friday last, to my knowledge, the doors were opened prior to disengaging the alarm.
- Spied four sons dancing with their Mums at the Rock & Roll Nights.

Craig Wilson (U/17) and Mum **Wilma**
Scott Willis (U/17) and Mum **Christine**
Simon Atkinson (2B) and Mum **Gail**
Matt Orlando (2B) and Mum **Anne**

Truly a bonding experience for all!!!

- The **Sparkes** family, ever ready to assist the Club, came up with novel fund raising activity a week or so back - left their cheque book in the match bag. Nice gesture **Derek**, perhaps next time you wouldn't mind signing a few.
- Who was the "sandy" haired, life member of our Club (stop guessing, its **Wayne Atkinson**) who went home after the Rock & Roll Night with the key to the Rec. Centre in his pocket, before he locked up. One of these cans he drank must have had anaesthetic in it!!!

POISON PEN OF THE YEAR (cont'd)

- Our poor **President** - not only does he have "dish pan hands" and "peg strained digits" wife **Pam** was berating him because the clothes dryer he took in for repairs 2 weeks previously hadn't been picked up. Red face for Pam, the dryer had been on it's wall bracket for more than a week!!!
- A Poison Pen Salute to **Michael Ritchie**, (Goalkeeper U/11B South). He played so well against the top team that the U/11B South's drew with them. Michael made the "save of the year" in which he received a broken thumb and continued to play in the second half with his painful injury. Well done Michael.
- The Under 11C South Wests are holding their breaths at the moment, hoping that **Remy Donraadt** hasn't shared his chicken pox with the team. Get well soon Remy!
- Noticed **Collin Stewart** (Under 11A) extracting \$2.00 from the **Club President**. **Collin** knows enough about the Wildcats to lighten the **Pres's** pocket.
- Heard a rumour that the Under 16 Schoolgirls' State Team proved to be fitter than the boy's team during a recent fitness test. Chris Munro (U/17A & State Schoolboy) was heard to comment "well it was only 1 girl and she runs marathons" - still couldn't keep up with her could you Chris?
- **Johnson Orr** (Manager Vets 'F' - "F Troop") hands out a "pink slip" to everyone each week that details their next fixture, along with the other Vets teams and other sundry information. **Johnson** has promised that next season he'll even get the right fixtures each week - definitely an improved service eh!!
- "The West Australian" was a little short of news last week and so published a photo of your **President** and a snippet of info. **Gary Thomas** (Reg. South) threatened the **Pres.** with a dastardly deed if he (the Pres. that is) spoilt Gary's breakfast ever again!!!
- Towards the end of 2B's demolition of Kalamunda (9-0) last week, **Stefan Willett** had a "blow out" in one shoe. **Stef** casually discarded the "flat" and continue to play in what was to become a fairly soggy sock as it mopped the Astro turf dry.
- **Graham Rayner** (Vets 'F') has an interesting piece of info. on why **Wayne Atkinson** shouldn't be sharing your table at an electronic Quiz Night. Something about not listening, making a sole decision, pressing the button to the wrong answer etc. etc.!!!
- Seems **Michael Ashley** (U/13) sure knows how to destroy a clothes-line - you swing on the arms don't you **Michael**???
- No names, no pack drill but 5 members of our top squad managed to commandeer a L.J. Hooker 'For Sale Sign' and plant it in the front yard of Coach **Dave Audesho**. Photographic evidence available at a later date.
- Would you believe **Peter Steel** (Coach U/13 and Committee Member) was late for the last Committee Meeting because he got bogged in **his own back yard** - mumbled something about **Ken Joss** (Vets & Manager U/15A) being the cause!!!
- Our treasurer **Cheri Bowater**, has just **returned** from a trip to the U.S. for her brother's wedding, much to the appreciation of those that stayed behind to "enjoy" Dad's (**Gary** Vets & U/11 Coach) cooking. **Cheri** reports that **Nick** (U/13) and **Evan** (U/11) are eating everything she cooks, including previous dislikes in the green vegetables line. Good on you Mum!!

POISON PEN OF THE YEAR (cont'd)

- Both U/13 Teams had a social outing at the roller skating rink - rumour has it that **Tom Harmon's** (Manager U/13C #2) co-ordination deserted him when he put skates on - everyone appreciated your "lack of balancing" act but suggest you don't give up your day job!!!
- Snippets from U/17 State Championships;
 - * **Aaron Smith** was scaling the fence to get a ball when his pants slipped to his ankles, yuk not a pretty sight!!!
 - * **Craig Wood** got down the grandstand stairs a lot quicker than anticipated when he decided to miss the last 15 or so by slipping at the top.
 - * **Steve Maher** was late for one game when he went to pick up his girlfriend.
 - * **Steve Maher** (again!!!!) left his bag of gear behind after training on Thursday night at the Club and so for Friday's game had to use another set, which included, an undersize protector -- sure cramped his style, among other things.
- Rumour reached me this week that an U/17 (with the initials **Jarrold Symes**) was seen teaching the 5-6 year olds in his street how to skid their bikes in a large puddle. Pity many of them fell off and got soaked. *Good one Jarrold!*
- **Trevor Osborne** (Vets 'F') was earlier than usual for a 3.30 pm game last Saturday. Pity his 1.45 pm fixture had just finished!! - or maybe he just didn't want to get wet.
- **Warwick (Wazza) Fry** (Goalkeeper 3A's) found who his mate wasn't on Saturday. **Wazza** had got all kitted out and took to the field when he realised he was missing a vital part of his anatomy protection. **Scott Forbes** retrieved the required protector from Wazza's bag and took it out to him, but refused....yes refused....to put it in place for **Wazza**, making the goalie remove his gloves to put his own protector in place. What ever happened to comradeship???
- Heard a whisper that **Graeme Coleman** (Reg. South) is known as "Seagull" because of the way he attacks any loose ball in the circle. (As in like seagulls on chips at the fish markets!!!) Still, he does manage a few goals.
- **Michelle Hitchens** (U/13B) is known by some of the regular spectators as the "Smiling Assassin" - and I know why now, having seen Michelle, smile on her face, walk back into position as the opposition player who just left the impression of his face on her shoulder, picked himself up off the ground!!!
- **George Maher** (Dad of **Stephen 1B's**) was booked for speeding by the country constabulary when returning home from the R & I Cup fixture in Narrogin recently. What peeved George more was that **Possum Napier** was ahead of him, doing the same speed, or more, and was not stopped.
- The Vets 'C' had a reasonable win last week (9-1) with **Peter Steel** getting 5 (must check to see the goals aren't overwidth) with 4 others getting 1 each. Amazing how many claimed "assists" with the 9 goals. Let the Club records show half goals - *I think not!*
- Why were **Johnson Orr** and **Ian Knight** wearing pink tights and green tutus last Saturday Night?? I know, but you'll have to ask them.
- It wasn't the fact that it was a Vets game, nor that he had a long, flowing grey beard that made him look 400 years old, it was the shorts worn outside the track suit that gave it away. The Phantom is alive and playing hockey.
- Noticed **Brett McKenzie** (U/15C) at half time in the Challenge Cup nonchalantly holding an ice pack to his groin area - looked a bit different though, when Mum held it in place while he had a drink.

POISON PEN OF THE YEAR (cont'd)

- Quiz Night Quirks!!
 - * **Ryan Willis** (U/13B) would have done a lot better in the "sit up" competition if he didn't have to stop so frequently and pull up his pants.
 - * Table 12 (**Daniel Pickering, Michael Deveson, Craig Wood, Luke & Chris Munro** and friends) did so well at one round that even the vacant table scored more!
 - * The **Inglis'** table needed help, but to resort to the mobile phone was a bit much (**Mrs Inglis** will probably claim it *rang!!!*)
 - * **Gail Atkinson** left the Quiz Night for a while to take daughter **Emma** to work. Came back all a tither (or was it Excited???) . She'd been stopped at an RBT. Well, you will drive a sporty red model **Gail**.
 - * The "Smiling Assassin" strikes again - this time **Michelle Hitchens** (U/13B) got hold of the microphone and wished team mate **Corey Atkinson** a happy birthday.
- Who was the former player, now our barman, (Clue: **Geoff Read**) who was reported in the "West Australian" as suggesting that the Fremantle "Dockers" should be known as the "Albatrosses" - Geoff's reasoning; "As every golfer knows an albatross is one better than an eagle." What a thinker! - remember to check your change now when Geoff gives it to you. He may be off in "la la" land thinking up other gems!!!
- Heard from the Club President that **Aaron Smith** (U/17) was asking for my identity at the club last week because of some snippet about him. (Remember his pants fell down as he climbed the stadium fence to retrieve a misguided ball?) Aaron you'll never find out who I am because its a **big secret**. To give you a clue though, the vowel "E" might (or might not) appear in my name.
- Did you hear about **Gary Bowater** - he forgot his hockey shoes so he borrowed some from **Steve McEntee**. Gary broke free and paced towards the goals. With no-one left to beat, he tripped over and out of his borrowed shoes and missed the open goal by the proverbial mile.
- Who is the U/17A player who wears his sister's black and white striped bike pants under his white shorts??? (Stop guessing - it's **Craig Wilson**).
- Heard a rumour that one of the **Munro** boys (and it wasn't **Luke**) shared a billet with one of the U/16 girls team when they went to the championships in Albury-Wodonga recently.
- Remember the story about **Ian Knight's** (Vets 'C') ancient stick a few weeks ago? - Well I thought it a bit below the belt last week when the Prez wished Ian a happy 47th birthday and at the same time asked him who had the foresight to give him that stick for his 1st birthday!!! Mind you it still hits well!
- Who is the U/11 coach (with the initials **Frank Williams**) who now knows why you "save" your computer work as you go - Frank now has to re-type all his team's pen pictures again.
- Congrats to **Gary Thomas** (Regional South) for being awarded Life Membership of Melville Cricket Club after 24 years of loyal service.