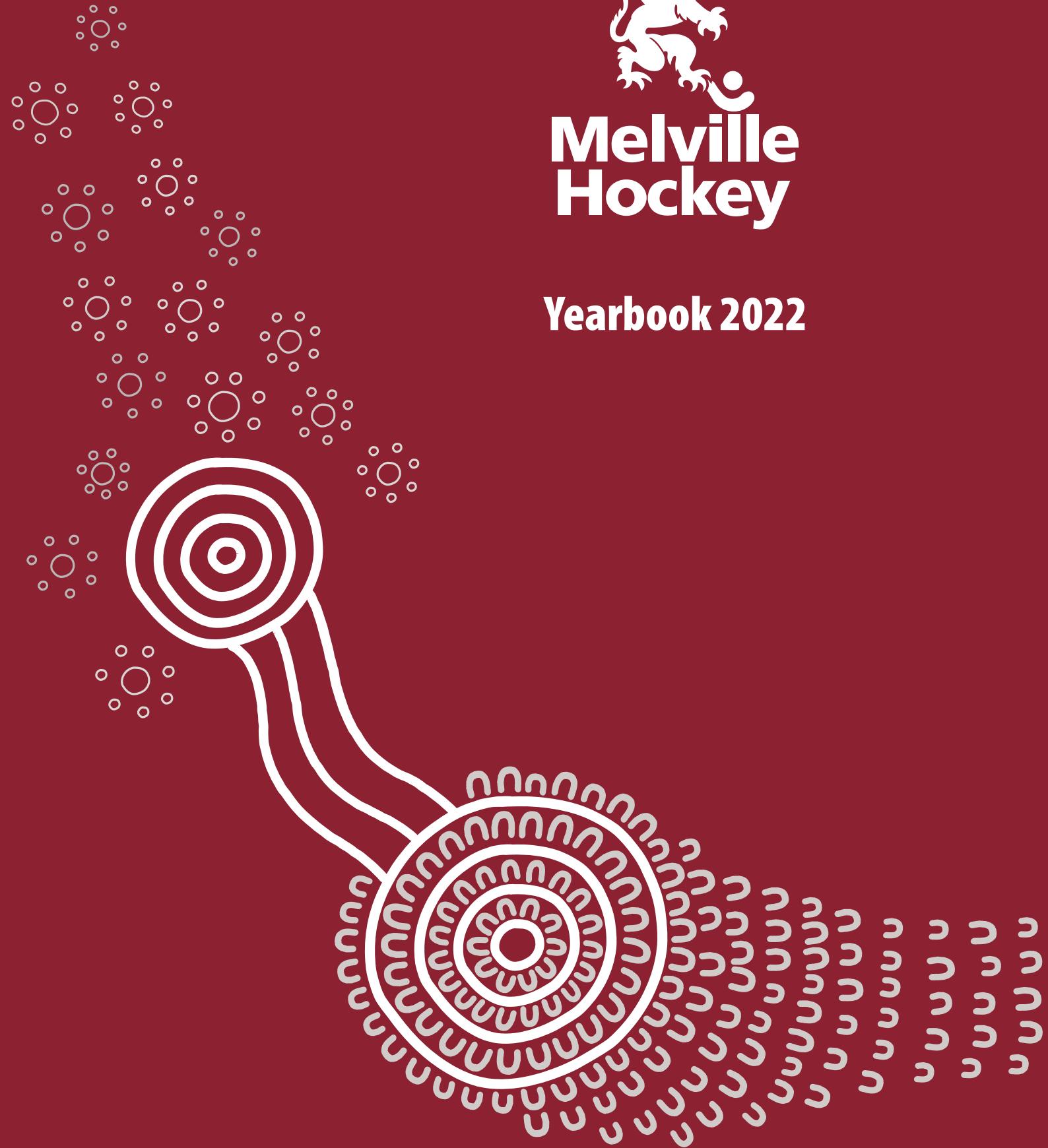




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Yearbook 2022





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Indigenous shirt design: "When creating the design for your Indigenous shirts I explored the history of your club. It wasn't long before I came across how it all started when I was looking at a photo of these young boys who are the beginning of the creation of your club. Back in 1956 there were sixteen young boys who wanted to play hockey closer to their home. Rodney Dalton, David Spitteler, John Cole, Brian Spitteler, Peter Dalton, Ian Atkins, Tony Oats, Graham Clifton, Selwyn Cornish, Howard Taylor, Ian Ross, Bob Halvorsen, Colin McDonald, Ian Odgers, Clive Griffiths and Don Spitteler, were these young men.

Each of these men have been recognised in the design and are represented by a star. These stars are positioned over the shoulder and on the front of the shirt around the first meeting place, which represents the Applecross Hockey Club that played at Tompkins Park and was a pivotal moment in the history of Melville City Hockey Club.

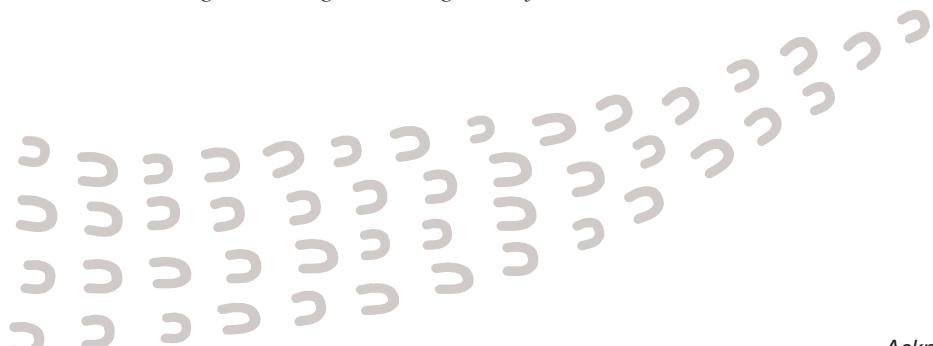
The journey lines that connect and continue down the front of the shirt are full of significant moments. Too many to name all of them in a rich twenty two-year history of the club thus far, but to name a few: It would not be until 1960 the senior men would start playing, then later there would be an amalgamation of Applecross and Melville YMCA Hockey Clubs which would bring some of its own challenges. In the years that followed, there would be highs and lows that would see the stalwart members having to dig deep to hold their beloved club together, which they did. It would be in 1978 that the move from Tompkins Park to Windelya, or as known today, Morris Buzacott Reserve, would happen.



The journey lines finish when they connect to the larger meeting place which represents the Melville City Hockey Club located at Morris Buzacott Reserve. The final name change came in 1983 from Melville City YMCA Hockey Club to becoming Melville City Hockey Club. The club would be enhanced and strengthened in 1998 when the Applecross Women's Hockey Club amalgamated with the existing Men's club. Their relationship and connection to the club had been built over fifteen years of sharing the facilities and attending all the social events.

The U shape on the design represents a person. Inside the meeting place there is a U for every life member that has given so much to your club. The U shapes that flow around from the back of the shirt to the front gathering around the meeting place are symbolizing all the members that create the Melville City Hockey Club. It is showing the proud and ongoing connection all the members have to the continuing success of your club."

Terri-lee Golding, a proud Noongar woman
with heritage in Minang and Goreng country



Acknowledgement: Many club members have contributed to this yearbook with reports, player write-ups, photographs, awards and other information and content. We are grateful for the time each member/coach/manager/player put into the write-ups. If you find any errors or omissions please let us know and we will correct online version where possible. Janine and Jodi



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MCHC LIFE MEMBERS HONOUR BOARD

Melville City Hockey Club Inc. Life Members

Vic Dalton (Dec'd)	1959	Nicola Ogden	2007
David Spitteler	1969	Johnson Orr	2008
Peter Noad (Dec'd)	1971	David Timmel	2009
Ross Halliday (Dec'd)	1972	Graeme Coleman	2010
Brian Spitteler	1975	Pat Hall	2011
Max Currell	1978	Jan Davis	2011
Walter Meacock	1979	Bruce Cadd	2012
Keith Timmel	1980	Lynda Forbes	2013
William (Bill) Forward (Dec'd)	1982	Wayne Hudson	2014
Sonia Bell	1983	Maureen Welten	2015
John Cole	1984	Gary Bowater	2015
Max Reynolds (Dec'd)	1985	Gavin Scally	2016
Sandra Grey	1985	Neil Ashley	2017
Hilda Klass	1986	Steve Silvey	2019
Barry Hancock	1987	Janine Tate	2019
Ian Deveson (Dec'd)	1988	Matt Read	2021
Devon Markham	1988	Bruce Porter	2021
Sue Niven	1990		
John Pickering	1991		
Gaye Richardson (Dec'd)	1991		
Norm Kidd	1992		
Wayne Atkinson	1993		
Catherine Bayens (Dec'd)	1993		
Graham Napier	1994		
Colin Willis	1994		
Maris Margetts	1996		
Keith Jackaman	1997		
Kingsley McGuire	2000		
Rob Walker	2001		
Merv Bennetts	2002		
Colin West	2002		
Jean Rate (Dec'd)	2002		
Betty Bennetts (Dec'd)	2002		
Keith Harper	2003		
David Porter	2005		
Hans Geers	2006		
Steve McEntee	2006		
Paul Meacock	2007		



Wayne Hudson - Life Member



MCHC CLUB ADMINISTRATION 2022



Patron George Gear, Mayor, City of Melville

Vice Patrons Wally Meacock (Life Member)
Colin West (Life Member)
Keith Timmel (Life Member)
Kim Giddens (MLA – Bateman)
Ben Morton (Federal MP – Tangney) (to May 22)
Sam Lim (Federal MP – Tangney) (from May 22)

President David Timmel

Treasurer Geoff Riley

Secretary Janine Tate

Club Registrar & Club Records Colleen Bentley

Vice Presidents Brianna Coleman - Senior Administration - Women
Royce Bond - Senior Administration - Men
John Harmsen - Junior Administration

Assistants/Co-ordinators Brittany Lawrence – Assistant Treasurer
Maris Margetts – Assistant Secretary
Simon Mathew - Masters Co-ordinator (Men)
Lisa Anderson - Masters Co-ordinator (Women) (to May 22)
Marie Farrow – Masters Co-ordinator (Women) (from May 22)
Lauren Anderson & Todd Elliott – Assistant VPs (Juniors)
Rebecca & Roh Weddikkara – Minkey/ J3/4 Co-ordinators
Colin Willis – Life Members/MOFTA Co-ordinator
Gavin Scally – Sponsorship Co-ordinator

Facility Manager Graeme Coleman

Immediate Past President Gary Bowater

MCHC Turf Inc Hans Geers (Chairman); Geoff Ranford (Treasurer)

Windelya Sports Assoc. Representatives Andrew Ogden – (Windelya President) (to July 22)
Alan Marshall - (Windelya President) (from August 22)
Jake Coleman – (Windelya Treasurer)
David Timmel
Graeme Coleman



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is with pleasure that I provide the 2022 President's Report. A year that has passed very quickly and will leave me with a sense of both great pride and mixed feelings. Pride in the way that the Melville City Hockey Club (MCHC) has again grown and across the season displayed all the values that we are well-respected for across the hockey community. This culminated with our First Division Men's team doing something which is very, very difficult, winning back-to-back premierships. In arguably one of the toughest domestic competitions in the world, against high quality opposition, our highly drilled team withstood the pressure, week in week out, to achieve the ultimate success. The mixed feelings come from the current unknown status of our Premier 1 Women's team who, despite a fantastic effort by all involved, have not achieved the success they were looking for on the field and may not play at this level in 2023.

Thank you

Running a club of circa 1,000 members takes a lot of effort from a lot of people, both individually and collectively. It also thrives on new people coming through the many positions within it, hence on your behalf I would like to acknowledge the following groups or individuals for what they have contributed to the club over 2022 and prior years, however have opted to play a lesser role in 2023.

To your Secretary, Janine Tate, who after 12 years on the club committee in a variety of roles has decided to stand down. Janine will still be in the background in several supporting roles however would like to take the opportunity to refresh her batteries and simply enjoy going to the hockey.

Gavin Scally relinquished the role of Sponsorships Coordinator as his career and a move to the USA took priority. Singlehandedly, Gavin has raised well over \$60,000 for the club whilst in this important role.

Geoff Riley has held committee positions for several years, most recently as Treasurer. As President, it gives me one less thing to worry about when I know that someone of Geoff's focus and integrity is overseeing our finances. During 2022 Geoff has slowly handed over responsibility to Assistant Treasurer, Britt Lawrence, and they will swap roles in 2023.

Bec & Roh Weddikkara have, after 3 years, decided that the Minkey program requires some fresh thinking, and they would like to get their Saturday mornings back. The Minkey program is a very important step in the development of our Junior program and under Bec and Roh has enjoyed solid growth in numbers.

The Windelya Sports Association (WSA) is the reason we have the facilities we enjoy which are the envy of the hockey community. It also provides the structure and governance required by the City of Melville, including ensuring we meet our financial commitments. After overseeing the building project and the settling in period, the WSA Chair, Andrew Ogden, and Treasurer, Jake Coleman, have decided to step away and have been replaced by Alan Marshall and Mark Timmel.

To your committee who work long hours to support what is in reality a small business. They do this in their own time and the only reward they receive is the joy of seeing 50-plus teams enjoy our great game every weekend.

The club is very fortunate to have both the support and confidence of the City of Melville as we continue to maintain and improve the assets we run on their behalf. We look forward to building on this relationship we and all the other sporting groups benefit from at Morris Buzacott Reserve. To the Mayor, Councillors and staff of the City of Melville, we thank you.

The final group I would like to acknowledge on your behalf is our volunteers. Over 150 people or close to 15% of our membership base give of their time over winter, without them we couldn't achieve the results and outcomes that we do year on year.

Club Activities

I think of our club as a vital community organisation that focuses on hockey, as opposed to a hockey club within the community, and it was with this thinking in mind that we undertook several new activities in 2022.

Mental Health – our initial plan was to incorporate the painting of a blue tree close to our pavilion into a "Mental Health Awareness" round. We were not able to gain permission to paint the tree but about 80 club members heard from Australian Goalkeeper and Premier 1 player, Andrew Charter, and long-time club member, Claire Timmel, who spoke very openly on their respective mental health journeys.

Indigenous Recognition – in recognition of the contribution of our First Nations people, we now commence all Committee meetings with an acknowledgment of country, fly the Indigenous flag at home games and held an Indigenous Round vs UWA. Working with Fremantle Cockburn Hockey Club member and proud Noongar woman, Terri-lee Golding, the Indigenous shirts were fantastic and were universally praised. Melville will host the round in 2023 and we look forward to building on this significant event in our calendar.

Strategic plan - We commenced the 2022 season with a new strategic plan in place and this has guided us in a lot of our longer-term thinking



PRESIDENT'S REPORT cont

The graphic below shows our progress against the various pillars and action items. Work will continue on the plan over the summer months.

Performance Against Strategic Plan Objectives

		How we will measure success?	Status	Comments
Strategic Pillar 1:	Continued Prudent Management of the Clubs Resources – Financial and Human	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a 3 year Capital Management Plan by end 2021. Audited financial accounts presented to the AGM annually. Two short term projects undertaken annually to help advance elements of this plan. Maximise cash reserves in accordance with budgets and future needs. Skills database for volunteers defined by February 2022 (off 2021 data). 	● ● ● ● ●	1. In progress 2. Completed 3. Lights over more grass fields 4. In line with plans 5. Yet to commence
Strategic Pillar 2:	Continually Improve the Quality of our Governance Systems	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Publish an approved Code of Conduct by January 2022. Develop a Risk Management Framework with mitigating actions by January 2022. Ensure a new Constitution is in place by the end of the 2022 season. Develop a Governance Improvement Plan by the end 2021 and implement by the end of 2023. Have an updated suite (or those adopted by Hockey WA/Australia) of Processes and Procedures by the end 2022 	● ● ● ● ●	1. Completed 2. In progress 3. Voted on at 2022 SGM 4. Yet to commence 5. In progress
Strategic Pillar 3:	Ensure Sustained on-field Success	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> All junior grades having an "A" team (or equal) by 2024. A second Men's Premier League premiership and inaugural Women's Premier League premiership by 2025. Maintain Premier 1, 2 and 3 senior grades and a spread of competitive senior teams through the current linear structure. Build from the current number of teams in Masters grades. Build Minkey numbers to 240 in 2022; grow this number year on year 	● ● ● ● ●	1. In progress 2. In progress 3. Under review (Women's program) 4. Achieved 5. Grew but not to 240
Strategic Pillar 4:	Continually Grow and Strengthen our Club Community	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Planned social events that cater for all groups across the club are well attended. Representation on a minimum two Hockey WA committees. 	● ●	1. In progress 2. Achieved
Strategic Pillar 5:	Sustain our Success	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Schools' programs developed in 2021 and implemented in Term 1 2022. Ensure every Year 12 player is contacted, preferably in person, and asked to return to play senior hockey. Ideal demographic shape developed in 2021; shape fulfilled by 2024. Turnover at committee level at no less than 1 but no more than 2 per year. 	● ● ● ●	1. Planned, COVID impacted 2. Achieved 3. In progress 4. Is higher, but manageable

Governance - Within the strategic plan, the need to update our constitution was highlighted. Governance is becoming more and more important irrespective of the type and size of organisation you are running, with the hockey club being no different. We will transition to the new plan over the 2023 season.

The Turf Committee, under the leadership of Hans Geers, undertook the significant job of replacing both the turf and underlay in the early months of 2022. Battling COVID restrictions and supply chain issues, it was still completed under budget, albeit slightly late. The positive which came from this delay was to reinforce how lucky we are in having our own turf and being able to train at home and at times we choose. The Club and Turf Committees continue to work very well together as we balance the need to build up our cash reserves for the next turf replacement whilst being cognisant of the increasing costs of playing hockey.



Left Photo: Ila Reynolds (wife of Life Member Max Reynolds (dec.)) and Right Photo: Life Members Walter Meacock, Keith Timmel and Brian Spitteler all with the 2021 Premier League - Mens - Premiership Cup, won by Melville City Hockey Club.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT cont

Juniors and Minkey

With close to 200 Minkey players and over 300 juniors representing our club each week, it is important to recognise that John Harmsen and his hard-working committee are running a program that is bigger than a lot of individual hockey clubs. It is with this in mind that I congratulate the whole Junior Committee on another successful season. Thanks to the many coaches, managers and volunteers involved, Melville continues to supply a very strong pool of players that represent our State at representative competitions.

In 2021 we appointed a Junior Development Coordinator, current Premier 1 player Matt Willis. Matt's work with coaches will take some time to bear full fruition however the early indicators are very positive. As noted above we say thank you to Bec and Roh Weddikkara for the great work that they have done with the Minkey program.

Senior Program

Our Seniors programs have achieved very mixed results. As mentioned above, despite a very good coach and committed squad, the Premier 1 Women have struggled to string together the number of wins required to assure our place in the top level of hockey. The club's management are working with HWA to see if a decision for the betterment of hockey can be achieved. Deeper into the Women's program great success has been achieved.

As per my introductory comments, our Men's top side, after finishing the regular season on top of the ladder for the third time in four years, have gone on to premiership glory. This result has been years in the making, but for this group commenced with a post season review in 2021 where goals were established, a catch cry adopted, review sessions undertaken and against quality opposition they never weakened in their resolve to be successful. I would also like to congratulate Ben Staines who was recognised as the equal best player in the competition, being awarded the Olympians Medal.

On your behalf I would like to thank and recognise the efforts of Matilda "Tilly" Carmichael and Craig Wilson and their Assistant Coaches on the effort that they have put in.

Behind the scenes, the coaches have been incredibly well supported by Brianna Coleman (VP Ladies), Royce Bond (VP Men), Marie Farrow (Masters Coordinator - Women) and Simon Mathew (Masters Coordinator - Men). Thank you to all these people.

Our Treasurer, Geoff Riley's, report follows, and I would like to thank Geoff and Britt for the fantastic job they have done running the club's finances.

Thank you for allowing me the privilege of being President of the Melville City Hockey Club and I look forward to work with and for you again over the next 12 months.

David Timmel, President - Melville City Hockey Club

September 2022

2022 Grand Final photograph
courtesy of Gary Day/HWA





TREASURER'S REPORT

The Club remains in a very strong financial position, with an expectation of finishing the 2022 calendar year with little or no debt and approximately \$150,000 in the bank (slightly more than 31 Dec 2021):



This will be achieved with no increase in membership fees for a second year and increased expenditure in some areas, including club development, through:

- Very welcome support from Melville Turf Inc, in the form of two important initiatives:
 - a dividend in recognition of the significant support the club provides the turf and its operations,
 - a fixed price agreement for training.
- Increased support from our sponsors (see sponsorship report).
- Improved membership numbers, with better management of fee payment plans.
- Ongoing management of monthly cash flows vs pre-agreed budgets.

My sincere thanks go to everyone involved in my time as Treasurer and particularly:

- Past bookkeeper, Maria Grigorescu, who advised the club in December 2021 that after many years of excellent service she was unable to support us going forward.
- Bookkeeper Paulette Shakibaee and her Manager Rae Thompson from Additions Bookkeeping Services, for taking over so capably from Maria.
- Assistant Treasurer, Brittany Lawrence, for adapting to her new role so quickly and helping in many valuable ways.
- The MCHC and Melville Turf Committees, for their participation and support.

A big thank you also goes to Mike Pitcher, the club auditor, who has audited our accounts once again in a highly professional manner.

Geoff Riley
2020-2022 Treasurer





2022 MELVILLE TURF (INC) CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

Introduction

As another productive year passes, I sincerely thank the hard-working members of the Turf Committee and support team and those of the MCHC membership for their ongoing efforts in continuing to maintain our turf and its surrounds to a high standard. The year's commencement saw uncertain times due to Covid-19 restrictions, our committee and support personnel continued sound management practices.

Although we have again had wet weather conditions this year, a recurrence of the previous flooding of the TD box has been averted. I thank David Porter and Graeme Coleman for ensuring the replacement of the turf went as smoothly as conditions at the time would allow. Graeme's overseeing of lamp replacement also ensured our players were able to play safely. We are now back on track, operating the turf facility with a great deal of efficiency. Special thanks go out to Neil, Barry, Bill and Graeme for their outstanding efforts in maintaining our facilities, Greg Hunt for overseeing the Turf Operations in general, Geoff Ranford in dealing with all matters financial and also to Olive Hasselerharm for her diligence as our personnel/HR coordinator. Also, to the myriad of volunteers whose skills we utilize in some way, but who I have not listed, thank you. I also thank Matt Read and Andrew Ogden for their astute advice and work behind the scenes. We are extremely fortunate to not only have such great support across our Club, but extremely lucky to have members with not only integrity, high level skills and expertise, but also their willingness to give up many hours of their time in supporting our Club. Aki Etalaaho has joined our group and adds another perspective to our discussions.

Over the off-season our new turf and underlay were laid, with the new turf finally ready for use after some delays due to travel constraints as a result of Covid restrictions. The new turf has proven to be very successful and far better than our aging turf. This year we also found a turf sweeper which suits our needs and we were also able to on-sell our aging sweeper.

In his second year as President, David Timmel has worked diligently to maintain our high standards as a lead hockey club in our state. His hard work, financial management and general Club oversight this year have been influential in maintaining and growing us as one of the power clubs in the broader hockey community.

Finally, it would be bereft of me to not acknowledge the ongoing support from the City of Melville, whose employees work closely with our committees to continue to enhance our facilities.

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

Governance

- Committee Meetings: The Turf Committee met regularly at approximately monthly intervals which exceeds the minimum requirement of the Associations Incorporation Act. All Melville Turf (Inc) Committee meetings are minuted and provide detail of authorisations and assigned actions.
- Accounts are accurately maintained and audited annually.

Finances

- Melville Turf (Inc) Honorary Treasurer has again provided a valuable service in keeping our books in a highly organised manner and I commend the financial reports prepared by Geoff Ranford with input from David Timmel. The Profit & Loss (P&L) and Balance Sheets reflect that the turf continues to operate in a financially sound manner.

Key Points.

- Turf Charges: The Committee will be closely examining its cost base for 2023 and also against the charges from HWA.

Operations

- The Turf Treasurer has continued to bill Clubs directly, contributing to ongoing savings.
- In the past, Turf Damage due to corellas has been an ongoing problem, however the City of Melville has not as yet presented any potential solutions. We will continue to observe these pests over the summer.

Hans Geers, Chairman, Melville Turf Committee, August 2022



SPONSORSHIP REPORT

After three years as Sponsorship Coordinator, Gavin Scally, has moved to the United States for work and can no longer continue in the role. On behalf of the club, I would like to thank Gavin for his excellent work whilst Sponsorship Coordinator and the funds that he was able to generate.

Sponsorship is one of the many ways the club can assist with the financial cost of playing hockey, whilst giving back to those that give so freely and at Melville, we are fortunate to have such a loyal group of sponsors.

The following illustrates the support that our major sponsorship have provided over the past nearly ten years (or more):

- The Pulse Property Group – via either the stadium or the Women's Top Squad shirt sponsorship, The Pulse Property Group have been a supporter of the club since 2014.
- The Health Linc – the Men's Top Squad have been supported by The Health Linc since 2018.
- Porter Commercial – Life Member Bruce Porter and his son Cameron have been supporting the Minkey section of the club since 2014.
- Satalyst – Todd Elliott not only provides his time to assist with the running of the Junior program, his company was a major sponsor in 2015, 2016 and 2022 and were minor sponsors in 2018-2021. Satalyst was acquired by Canon Business Systems in 2022, however Todd has continued with his sponsorship, supporting the junior program and our inaugural Indigenous Round.
- Hockey International – Jinder Chouhan has provided all our hockey equipment since the early 2000's and it is always great to see him at the club.
- Western Irrigation – owned by Andrew Ogden and provider of all water-related services to the turf, Western Irrigation have supported the club since our first turf went down in 2005.
- McEntee's Duracraft Panel and Paint – have been both major and minor sponsors since the original turf went down in 2005. Taking up the opportunity as major sponsor of the turf initially, Steve, and now Daniel, have been great supporters of the club since that time.

Many other organisations contribute either cash or in kind and we are indebted to them for the support that they provide. These include:

- Reynolds Graphics
- Old Bridge Cellars
- Porter Consulting Engineers
- Kim Giddens MLA – Member for Bateman
- Moncrieff Realty
- Allsports Trophies
- Priceline Pharmacy Canning Vale
- Waste Water Services Pty Ltd
- Night and Day Pharmacy Canning Vale
- Custom Mouth Guards
- TJM Photographics

Looking toward the future, all organisations are looking for a return on their investment and our newly formed Business Partnership Committee, under the direction of Paul Coghlan (Over 40s Goalie), are undertaking activities such as building our value proposition, scanning the local market for companies which have similar values to our own, reviewing and growing our social media channels to more fully support our sponsors, considering the establishment of the MCHC Business Club, and developing social membership packages as other ways of more deeply connecting with our community.

Whilst never easy, the offering our club provides is significant, including:

- 50,000 visitors per annum
- 21,000 players looking for game fixtures, sometimes weekly, at the Pulse Property Group Stadium
- 1,000 members in a tight geography around the club

To the many organisations who continue to support the Melville City Hockey Club, thank you, and to our members, please support these organisations whenever the opportunity arises.

David Timmel, Acting Sponsorship Co-ordinator



SPONSORSHIP HONOUR BOARD

STADIUM SPONSOR

Pulse Property Group Di Addenbrooke
Kiri Addenbrooke

PLATINUM SPONSORS

Porter Commercial Bruce Porter
Hockey International Jinder Chouhan
Satalyst / Canon Business Systems Todd Elliott

PREMIER LEAGUE SQUAD SPONSORS

Pulse Property Group Di Addenbrooke
Kiri Addenbrooke
The Health Linc Brad Potter

GOLD SPONSORS

Reynolds Graphics Andrew & Jodi Reynolds
Western Irrigation Andrew Ogden
Old Bridge Cellars Jay Beeson
Porter Consulting Engineers Brad Harris

BRONZE SPONSORS

Kim Giddens MLA Kim Giddens
Duracraft Daniel McEntee
Moncrieff Realty Jim Moncrieff
Allsports Trophies Jan Davis
Priceline Pharmacy Canning Vale John Cooke
Waste Water Services Pty Ltd Johnson Orr
Night and Day Pharmacy Canning Vale John Cooke
Custom Mouth Guards Shane McCamish
TJM Photographics Teresa Forbes

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



INDIGENOUS ROUND – SHIRT LAUNCH 2022

As a club we are proud of the journey we have embarked on in celebrating the Indigenous cultures, the players and their contributions to hockey.

Melville have been guests of Reds Hockey in previous years, when they have had their Indigenous round and have involved the Men's team in their ceremony. After much discussion with Gav Scally and then with David Timmel, this year we were finally able to arrange our own. After recommendations from Fremantle Hockey Club, we spoke with Terri Golding, as she had designed their indigenous uniforms a couple of years ago. Luckily for us she was interested in designing a shirt for us. After many meetings and learning about our wonderful club, she agreed to help us and now we have our amazing shirts.

The story of our design is on the inside cover of this Yearbook. Please take a moment to read it and understand the meaning, so you can be proud when you see the players wearing the shirts and you wearing the specially-designed supporter gear.

Thank you to Satalyst (Todd Elliott), who as well as being one of our Junior sponsors, is the major sponsor for this special round of hockey and we thank them for their support.

In July we celebrated the round against UWA at their turf, and next year it will be at Pulse Stadium, alternating each season.

Colleen Bentley





INDIGENOUS ROUND – SHIRT LAUNCH cont



Business
transformation
underpinned
by technology



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SENIOR ADMINISTRATION REPORT - MEN

The Men's teams continued to build on the great foundations from last year to have a very good season of hockey. The pre-season training by many of the players across all the grades has helped us all to have a successful season right from the start.

In the 2022 season MCHC fielded seven Senior Men's teams, losing our long-standing "Marquee team" who moved into Masters Over 40s Division 1. Covid 19 was peaking at the beginning of the season and the mandatory isolation requirements influenced the decision to stay with seven teams.

As the reigning Premiers, our Premier 1 team were always going to be the team to beat this season. With this in mind, the planning to defend the title was put into motion at the end of 2021. The plan is progressing well, with the minor premiership secured for the third time in the last four years. Onwards to the finals campaign.

Our 2s team had a season of mixed results, their efforts and dedication got them to the last game of the season, keeping them in the hunt for finals right to the very end. Premier 3s finished 3rd on the ladder. Well done boys on a great achievement during another challenging year.

Melville 4s were promoted to Division 5 in 2022, following on from their successful premiership win last season, and made it to the finals again this season. The lower squad teams all made semi-finals. Fantastic to see.

Overall, we had six out of seven Men's Senior teams make finals rounds this season, with our Scrubbers (Division 9) team winning their semi and going straight through to the grand final. It will be great to watch and support all these teams in the finals.

To all our new players to club, I hope you have enjoyed your first season. I'm looking forward to seeing you returning and other new players starting in 2023. I'm also looking forward to helping our current Year 12 boys successfully transition into our Senior Men's teams in 2023.

To all our sponsors, thank you for your continued support of the club this year. It goes a long way to help drive the excellence the club strives for.

Many people support the club and are important to the success of the club as a whole. There are so many to acknowledge but they include MOFTA, Graeme Coleman (Facilities), Matt Willis (Junior Development), juniors playing seniors, umpires, coaches, managers, Andrew/bar staff, Sophie/kitchen staff, turf committee, Olive/turf staff, James the Commentator, social events organisers, supporters, etc.

Thanks to everyone, the Committee and DT for your support this year.

Royce Bond – Vice President - Men's Administration





SENIOR ADMINISTRATION REPORT - WOMEN

What an unpredictable year 2022 has been! Navigating Covid and unavailability was extremely challenging this season and credit to all our players, Coaches and Managers for adapting so well to the constant change.

This year we put nine teams and over 120 players out on the field each round, with five teams making finals and three finishing the season as Minor Premiers. With some teams on occasion missing up to six regular players due to Covid and injuries, combined with the ability and want for most to now travel again, this is a fantastic result. Now three seasons into the Senior Linear Model, we are seeing a lot of movement up the grades and teams proving they have what it takes to push to the next level. In 2023 we will see three teams promoted, making it four teams promoted since the introduction of the Linear Model, and it will be great to offer a good mix of equally high quality and social hockey to a greater number of players in the years to come.

Our finalists gave the whole season their absolute best crack, right to the end. Our 5s and 7s went straight to the Grand Final from their Semi and our 4s had a fantastic Semi Final win, falling just short in the Preliminary Final. Our 8s and 9s unfortunately didn't get the wins they needed to advance through to their Grand Finals. All teams unfortunately fell short of their respective Premierships, but definitely showed some great potential to come back again stronger and hungrier next year to secure us a Premiership or two!

Our Premier Squad had an extremely tough season, with the results of our Premier 1s unfortunately finding us finishing at the bottom of the table, however our Premier 2 and Premier 3 teams, despite missing out on finals, proved throughout the season we have what it takes as a club for our 2s and 3s to remain competitive in their respective Premier grades. I am excited to see what this talented young group can create as they continue to develop over the next few years. A huge thank you to Mathilda Carmichael for giving her everything to the club this season. As challenging as the year has been, she has held this group together so positively and it has been a pleasure to see the group develop in their game and personally throughout the year. Thank you also to the massive Off-Field Team behind the Premier Squad – Coaches Mal Cowan, Matt Tate, Mark (Clarrie) Lyons, James Day, John (Cookie) Cooke and Managers Colleen Bentley, Janine Tate and Bonnie Meacock.

Our Middle and Lower Squads had outstanding seasons and true credit to the coaching teams for making this happen. John (Cookie) Cooke, Ryan Hyder, Wayne Harries, Bruce Vanderzwan and Christian Gallagher- thank you all for the countless hours you put in on a weekly basis! Thank you also to our Team Managers for keeping everything ticking along, Brian Ballard, Bronwen Anderson, Caitlin Jarvis, Meg Stone, Emma Bradley, Ash Chauvin, Vanessa Carmody and Fiona Power, particularly Caitlin, Meg, Emma and Ash for getting fills-in organised when needed each week! Our online Best Player voting system was up and running for the second season, continuing to reduce the administrative burden for our Managers on a weekly basis.

We continue to develop our Juniors and provide opportunities to experience Senior hockey on a weekly basis, with 16 juniors filling-in and helping us out throughout the season, and eight juniors providing they have what it takes to play high level Senior hockey and finding themselves with a permanent position



in our Premier Squad on a weekly basis. It is a credit to our Minkey and Junior programs to see so many talented players coming through each year. It was also a pleasure to be able to support some of our Year 11 and 12 girls this season permanently in the 6s and 8s teams – it was a great experience for all! Thanks to Lauren Anderson and the Junior Committee for your support of the Senior Women's program.

A big thank you this season to Kylie Mishra, who took on the role as assistant VP this season and provided support anywhere and everywhere that was needed. Being in this role now for 10 years it is difficult to delegate and let go, so thank you to Kylie for your patience this season and offering a hand as much as possible!

Finally, thank you to all our Senior players and supporters this year. Our group have been so flexible and supportive in every way this year and it has been great to see the continued success in middle and lower grades and looking forward to seeing what our Premier group can create over the next few years with our young and energetic squad.

Brianna Rennie – Vice President Women's Administration



MASTERS REPORT - WOMEN

Season 2022 has been a resounding success for the Ladies Masters Division with an increase in player numbers and three of our four teams taking out Minor Premierships – Over 35 Division 2, Over 50 and Weekend 9s. An amazing effort!! With the introduction of an O50s division to the midweek competition we recruited hard over the off season and were able to field three midweek teams for the first time in the club's history. It has been wonderful to welcome all these new, and in many cases much younger, faces to the joys of Masters hockey. We also migrated our weekend Metros team to turf, and it is safe to say no one missed playing on the grass!!

The O35 Division 2 team, managed by Marie Farrow, had an outstanding season, finishing on top of the ladder with 13 wins, 1 draw and 2 losses from their 16 matches, scoring 59 goals and conceding only 13 goals. Regardless of the outcome in finals the team is guaranteed promotion to the Rae Blunt Pennant (O35 Division 1) next year. Well done ladies! The O35 Division 3 team, captained by the passionate Conor Smith and managed beautifully by the ever-efficient Kylie Mishra, have had a great year on and off the field, finishing just out of the finals with 4 wins, 7 draws and 7 losses from their 18 matches. With so many new players, many of whom have returned to hockey after extended periods out of the game, you will be a force to be reckoned with next season!

Our inaugural O50s team, expertly coached and managed by Jan Davis, have dominated and at the time of writing sit on top of the ladder with a guaranteed place in the Grand Final with 15 wins, 2 draws and 2 losses from 19 matches, with one round to go. A fabulous result!

Our weekend Vets team (Melville 9s), led magnificently by Vanessa Carmody (Captain/Coach) and Fiona Power (Manager), have had an outstanding first season on the turf. The W9s finished on top of the ladder with 12 wins, 2 draws, and 2 losses from their 16 matches and are also guaranteed promotion next season. Well done Ladies!

Congratulations to all our milestone ladies – Allison Hall (400 games), Marie Farrow (400 games), Fiona Power (200 games) and Gail Anderson (200 games) and our State Masters Representatives off to Cairns in September – Natasha Woodhouse (O50s), Gail Anderson (O65 Division 1) and Maris Margetts (O65 Division 1).

A huge thank you to everyone who has helped out in the kitchen or the uniform shop this season on Thursday nights. You have all done a wonderful job and the club is grateful for the assistance we have provided, to Sophie in particular, on a Thursday night each week. Well done everyone!! Lastly, to all our lovely ladies a big thank you for turning up each week and making my first year as Ladies Masters Coordinator so much fun. We love our hockey and we love our club! Go Melville!! **Marie Farrow – Masters' Co-ordinator (Women)**

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MASTERS REPORT - MEN

Men's Masters membership numbers proved remarkable, despite the impacts of ageing and COVID-19 effects on families, with a record 136 brave souls signing up for Masters hockey this year. This on-going support is much appreciated, and allowed us to nominate a record eight Saturday afternoon Masters teams, plus one mid-week team – Over 40 Mid-week.

All proudly represented Melville with great spirit and post-game camaraderie, regardless of results and the fact that many of our Saturday (Over 40 Div 1 x2, Over 40 Div 3, Over 50 Div 1, Over 50 Div 3, Over 60 Div 1, Over 60 Div 2 and Over 60 Div 3) teams were quite different from last year. Some new blood was injected into the teams...

Kudos to these newbies joining the Masters category in 2021:

Michael Ashley, Paul Coghlan, Craig Downey, Nathan Elliot, Kulvinder Singh, Vhinodhan Veerapalan, Kenrick Armitage, Brendan Joss, Lloyd King, Russell Lee, Davis Mavunduse, Brent McMillan, James Pickering, Leon Platel, Dominic Reay, Benjamin Rushton, Michael Starling, Brad Wake, Roh Weddikkara, Richard Williams, Nathan Davis, Peter Dias, Garren Knell, Phil Wilson, Ian Churchward, Colin Howell, Chris James, David Lockett, Brian Robinson, Jaspal Sembhi

I am hopeful that more brethren will be wiser and take the leap in the coming season. Recruitment has begun... Minkey and Junior parents, please come and join us next season.

While all the teams showed much potential and promise, most were dogged with injuries, coaching, work and family commitments. Below are the results for this season.

- Over 40 Midweek – 6th
- Over 40 Div 1 – 3rd & 4th
- Over 40 Div 3 – 2nd
- Over 50 Div 1 – 5th
- Over 50 Div 3 – 3rd
- Over 60 Div 1 – 4th
- Over 60 Div 2 – 6th
- Over 60 Div 3 – 6th

Overall, it's been a challenging but enjoyable year of Melville Masters hockey, and a privilege to share this with you all. We probably need to turn up more for the Thursday and Monday night trainings. I look forward to improving our results in 2023.

Below is the list of players selected to represent WA/Australia:

- WA Over 45 – Matthew Read, Todd Barrett
- WA Over 50 – Cameron Robinson, Mark Watton
- WA Over 55 – Darran Wilson, Mark Lyons
- WA Over 60 – Keith Harper
- WA Over 60 D2 – Michael Jensen
- WA Over 65 – David Lockett, Colin Howell, Craig Boyce, Philip Wilson
- WA Over 65 Country – Leo Welten
- Australia Over 60 Tokyo World Cup – Brian Robinson, Kevin Dempster

Sincere thanks to Greg Hunt and Mark Watton for their support to encourage Hockey WA to schedule O40 Div 1 and O50 Div 1 games to be played on turf as much as possible. We will continue to push for more games for the Masters category to be played on turf.

Please join me in acknowledging the background efforts of our Masters team managers who've done a great job of organising everything needed (team numbers, umpires, match ball, match reports, etc) before and after each game.

- O40 Division 1 Men Todd Barrett / Matthew Read
- O40 Division 1 Men James Pickering / Roh Weddikkara
- O40 Division 3 Men Justin Holt / Murray Casselton
- O40 Midweek Men Todd Barrett / Matthew Read
- O50 Division 1 Men Mark Watton / Cameron Robinson
- O50 Division 3 Men Richard Hooker / Anand Pillay
- O60 Division 1 Men Greg Hunt / Patrick Matthews
- O60 Division 2 Men Bill Morrison / Michael Pitcher
- O60 Division 3 Men Gary Bowater / John Smith

Many thanks for your efforts, guys. Well done, once again. Thanks also to everyone who helped with umpiring.

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

Best wishes to all and see you soon at the Melville Summer (Hockey 5s).

Simon Mathew - Masters' Co-ordinator (Men)



MOFTA / LIFE MEMBERS REPORT 2022

Another season has passed and we are hoping our teams have done well in the finals. Last year's Men's Division One premiership was the highlight for me and many others who have been involved with the club for many years. It was great to see Brian Spitteler, a foundation member from 1956, and his wife Kath, at the game to see this fantastic result. He was very proud of the achievement, especially as he was standing amongst Reds supporters.

This year was once again affected by some COVID situations, however the MOFTA Group again hosted the pre-season Sausage Sizzle for the Top Squads after their early morning training session. Thanks to all who helped organize and cook for the girls and boys.

The MOFTA Group can now be joined by any long-time financial club member who is willing to support our teams and proudly wear a MOFTA shirt or hat. If you are interested, please contact Barry Hancock or myself for further details.

The MOFTA Group organized a Multi-cultural Dinner during the year, and it was well attended by Club members and their friends. Also, it was great to see some junior parents attend. Thanks to Tony Illman for the live entertainment. It was a very successful fundraising event for the club. A very big thanks to all those who helped organize and assist on the night.

It is great to see our group, along with other Life Members, supporting our top men's and women's teams during the year. I am sure they appreciate the support.

A lot of work goes on behind the scenes by many of our group and, without naming them all, I would like to thank them for their continued support. We hope our top men can go Back-to-Back. Good luck guys. Looking forward to next season and hope you all keep safe and well.

Colin Willis





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JUNIOR CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

The 2022 season has flown by in what seems like the blink of an eye, and what a successful season it has been for our Junior program at Melville. The success of our Junior program comes down to the hard work and dedication of an army of volunteers across our Junior Committee, team coaches, team managers, and all of the parents, grandparents, siblings, and everyone else who steps up to help out each week. With all this help across our program, it allows the players to play hockey, develop friendships, and get the most out of being part of our Melville City Hockey Club community.

At the time of writing, results are still coming in and a number of teams still have a round to play which will determine their position on the ladder and if they will feature in finals. Our teams have been successful in a number of divisions, and from what I have seen, all teams have been successful no matter where they have finished on the ladder in terms of having fun, developing friendships, and involving their family in this sport of hockey.

The role of Junior Coordinator / Vice President at our club would not be effective without the team who make up our Junior Committee and volunteer their time behind the scenes to make our program run smoothly. The 2022 Junior committee was:

Boys Co-ordinator: Todd Elliott

Girls Co-ordinator: Lauren Anderson

Minkey/Grads Co-ordinator: Rebecca and Rohan Weddikkara

Equipment Officer: Paige Forbes

Junior Development Officer: Matt Willis

Goalkeeper Development Coach: Nic McCaughan

Junior Umpiring Co-ordinator: Steve Woods

J5/6 Co-ordinators: Tarryn Hughes (boys) Rebecca Reeves (girls)

J7/8 Co-ordinators: Lauren Anderson (girls) Steve Criddle (boys)

J9/10 Co-ordinators: Todd Elliott (boys) Fiona Power (girls)

J11/12 Co-ordinators: Marie Farrow (girls) Roger Mellor (boys)

Our Junior Player Development Officer, Matt Willis, helped run and coordinate grading, supported the coaches and players through advice, training sessions, helping out, and being supportive at games. Our junior development structure is very important in helping to develop our coaches and players and we hope this will continue to improve each year. This season we had 31 coaches for our 23 teams. Three of these coaches were still Juniors themselves, while another three only finished Year 12 last year. The other coaches are parents or Senior players and we thank them for the time and effort they put into our players. All have written reports on their teams in this Yearbook.

Thanks to our managers who organise the teams, helping them run smoothly, entering match reports, collecting money, and reading the many, many emails from the Junior Committee. All the coaches and managers are listed within the Yearbook. In 2022 we had a total of 499 players between the ages of 4 and 18 years playing in our Junior program, with 304 players in our 23 teams from J5/6 to J11/12, while Minkey and our J3/4 programme had 195 players. It is great to see so many kids getting involved in sport, and especially in hockey.

Our Juniors have been well represented in representative levels of hockey, with a number of players selected in the Indoor State Squads, School Sport WA Teams, Hockey WA State Teams, and Future Thundersticks Teams. Our older Juniors have been called upon throughout the season to play in the Men's and Women's competitions and support the Melville City Hockey Club Senior program.

As we do every year, Melville sent teams to the annual South West Junior Hockey Carnival in Bunbury on the June long weekend. The Bunbury Carnival is one of the highlights of the hockey calendar, and all who went down had a fantastic time. A huge thanks goes to Lauren Anderson for organising and coordinating the weekend.

In 2022 we have continued our very successful goalkeeper development program led by the Men's Premier 1 keeper, Nic McCaughan, who ran training sessions on Monday nights. We are very fortunate to have Nic's enthusiasm and knowledge to develop





JUNIOR CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT cont

our goalkeepers, and most of our teams from J7/8 and above have fulltime goalkeepers. This year we introduced goalkeeping to our J3/4 program and will look to expand this in 2023.

A special thanks to Rebecca and Rohan Weddikkara who have been the Minkey and J3/4 Co-ordinators for the past few years and have done a fantastic job and will finish up at the end of the season. We will be looking for a team of people to replace them and to grow the grass roots of our club.

The Year Co-ordinators have worked tirelessly across the season from team grading, to the start of the season, and right through to finals. A huge thank you to all of them for giving up their time and energy to support the club.

The Girls' and Boys' Co-ordinators, Lauren and Todd, have been the key drivers in terms of running the Junior program. Lauren, in particular, has worked tirelessly to ensure that our Junior program is the envy of clubs in Perth, and we couldn't have been as successful as we have been without her energy and passion. A big thank you to both Lauren and Todd for all their support and assistance across the 2022 season.

Lastly, I would like to acknowledge the hard work done by Steve Woods to grow our umpiring numbers and make sure teams had an umpire each week. It is a tough gig, particularly during a pandemic, and Steve made sure that umpires turned up each week, and were mentored and supported as necessary.

In finishing, I have enjoyed the 2022 season at Melville, seeing our Junior program develop and prosper following a few tough years due to COVID. Whilst the main winter season concludes in the next few weeks, the indoor hockey season cranks up with the Indoor Club Championships happening during the Term 3 school holidays, indoor season starting in Term 4, and our summer social hockey program also commencing in Term 4. A huge thank you to the army of people that have made this season very successful and given kids the opportunity to play hockey at Melville City Hockey Club. Our Junior program is always looking to grow and for season 2023, we will have several Committee members leaving us- if you would like to get involved or have a particular talent, please speak with one of the Junior Committee members or the club President as we would love to have you on board.

John Harmsen
Junior Coordinator





MINKEY REPORT

The Minkey and Junior 3/4 programme has grown this year to just under 200 players. It has been a successful season with eight Minkey 1 teams, four Minkey 2 teams and seven Junior 3/4 teams. Over the season the coaches have worked with the players to develop strong foundation skills to ensure safe practices and confidence in playing. There has been a focus across all grades on positional play and developing an understanding of how to best use your team players to attack and defend.

An exciting addition to the Junior 3/4 programme was the introduction of goalkeepers. The teams shared the role around the players so everyone had a turn to experience this position. We look forward to having more kits next year so more players can get involved with this new initiative and link in with the Junior goalkeeper programme.

The two Friday night rounds were a great success, with players having the opportunity to play on the turf with the assistance of some senior players and skills sessions with Junior Development Officer, Matt Willis.

A highlight of the season was having Andrew Charter, Kookaburras and Melville Premier 1 Goalkeeper, join us at the wind-up along with Tim Geers, Matt Willis and Ross Hall from Perth Thundersticks and Melville Premier 1 team.

Thank you to the huge number of parents who volunteered their time to coach and manage teams, and help out in the kitchen. Thank you to Leon Platel for assisting on several weeks while we were away.

We look forward to seeing the continued growth of the Minkey programme and its players over the years to come. Best of luck to the Year 4 players moving up to Junior 5/6 next year.

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





CLUB GAMES MILESTONES 2022

700 GAMES

Todd BARRETT, Andrew CRIDDLE

600 GAMES

Graeme COLEMAN, James PICKERING

500 GAMES

Michael JOLLIFFE, Alan MARSHALL, Gavin SCALLY,
John SMITH

400 GAMES

Marie FARROW, Allison HALL, Ross HALL,
Robert KNYN

300 GAMES

Grace BOWYER, Jake COLEMAN,
Kyle McNESS, Tara PORTER

200 GAMES

Gail ANDERSON, Michael GIRDLESTONE,
Russell LEE, Bryanna MARTIN,
Andrew McINTYRE, Trent POTTER,
Fiona POWER, David RICHARDSON,
Jason TATE, Jasmine VICO, Georgia WADE,
Matt WILLIS, Andrew WOOD

100 GAMES

Jarron BAKER	Timothy HEARD	Corey RYNVIS
Thomas BERGIN	Ross HOPKINS	Claudia SADER
Ashton BORGWARD	Lloyd KING	Sarvesh SHEDBALKAR
Graham BRAID	Nicholas McCAGHAN	Lily SKIPSEY
Daniel BROWN	Rosie McCAGHAN	Monique SMITH
Beatrice CLIFFORD	Narelle McMILLAN	Meggan STONE
Hannah CARMODY	Brent McMILLAN	Dannielle SWINTON
John De'Laney	Jude MELLOR	Rae THOMPSON
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Nathan ELLIOTT	Cailey PICKARD	Shanae WARDROPE
Sarah GILBERT	Anand PILLAY	Aiden WELLER
Jemma GREEN	Sean PSZCZOLA	Madison WOODS
Isabelle GURBIEL	Sienna ROBINSON	Madeline WEST
Jackson HARMSEN	Alex ROLLS	Kenneth WILSON

50 GAMES

Caitlin ARBERY	Rylee IRVINE	Archie RANDALL
Joshua BRIGHTWELL	Alexander KERVIN	Adam READ
Lucy CARMODY	Brittany LAWRENCE	Rohan SANDHU
Emily CHILWELL	Matthew LIPPIATT	Luca SORCI
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Lauren HEALEY	Mitchell PACE	
Hayden HORROCKS	Erin PICKERING	



MAJOR CLUB AWARDS

MAJOR CLUB AWARDS - SENIOR

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

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

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

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

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

MAJOR CLUB AWARDS - JUNIOR

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

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

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

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

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

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



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Keith Harper	1989
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Colin Willis	1996
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Pat Hall & Steve McEntee	2006
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Wayne Hudson	2008
Leanne Jarvis	2009
Pat Hall	2010
Brad Wake	2011

THE CATHERINE BAYENS AWARD

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

THE PRESIDENT'S AWARD

Johnson Orr & Graeme Coleman	2001
Greg Riley	2002
Rod Wake & family	2003
Bob Blachford (Bob the Barman)	2004
Linda King	2005
Conor Keating	2006
Lynda Forbes & Maureen Welten	2007
Daniel White	2008
Theresa Rayfield	2009
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Leo Welten & Wayne Hudson ...	2011
Janine & Craig Tate	2012
Jodi Reynolds & Steve Silvey ...	2013
Maureen Welten & Gavin Scally	2014
Matt Read, Brianna Coleman ...	2015
Tracey Hunt, Wendy Jordan, Jane Vickery, Teresa Forbes, Mathilda Carmichael & Emma Bell	2016
Peter Oudejans & Jake Coleman	2017
Janine Tate & Jodi Reynolds	2018
Maris Margetts, Peter Oudejans, & Mathilda Carmichael	2019
Lauren Costa, David Porter, Matt Read	2020
Susan Wilson, Brianna Coleman and Allison Hall	2021

HLADKY-BAYENS AWARD

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

Russell Lee	2012
Sean Ranford	2013
Janine Tate	2014
Kyle McNess	2015
Graeme Coleman	2016
Andrew Criddle	2017
Wayne Hudson	2018
Colleen Bentley	2019
Graeme Coleman	2020
Nic McCaughan	2021



MCHC JUNIOR AWARDS 2022

Team	Player of the Year	Additional Award
J 11/12 Division 1 Boys	Kirby Hobbs	Coach's Award, Eamon Cooper
J 11/12 Division 3 Boys	Ganleon Wong	Players' Award, Travis Canny
J 11/12 Division 1 Girls	Seraphina Andrew	Runner Up, Hannah Carmody
J 9/10 Division 2 Boys	Fletcher Horrocks	Coach's Award, Luke Hocking
J 9/10 Division 4 (Gold) Boys	Samuel Beeson	Coach's Award, Xeyon Mathias
J 9/10 Division 1 Girls	Petra Verster	Most Consistent, Lauren Healey
J 9/10 Division 2 Girls	Zara Gowland	Runner Up, Jasmine Leighton
J 9/10 Division 4 (Gold) Girls	Ari Lauder	Runner Up, Xanthe West
J 7/8 Division 1 Boys	Liam McMillan	Coach's Award, Brent Bottomley
J 7/8 Division 3 Boys	Andrew Blair	Coach's Award, Noah Karantonis
J 7/8 Division 5 Boys	Stewart Bilney	Coach's Award, Rhys Miller
J 7/8 Division 1 Girls	Chloe Patton	Most Improved, Isla Gilbert
J 7/8 Division 3 Girls	Lily Brown	Most Consistent, Olivia O'Dea
J 7/8 Division 4 (Gold) Girls	Georgina Brown	Most Improved, Caitlin Brown
J 7/8 Division 5 Girls	Kayla Cook	Most Improved, Emmy Morskate

Team	Award	Award
J 5/6 Division 1 Boys	Coach's Award, Bryn Wilson	Coach's Award, Jack Gilbert
J 5/6 Division 2 (Gold) Boys	Coach's Award, Edward Dias	Coach's Award, Brodie Fleming
J 5/6 Division 4 (Black) Boys	Coach's Award, Maxwell Klass	Most Improved, Ashley Kent
J 5/6 Division 4 (Gold) Boys	Coach's Award, Oliver Pearce	Most Improved, Charlie Richardson
J 5/6 Division 1 Girls	Most Consistent, Alyssa Dermody	Coach's Award, Caitlynn Simon
J 5/6 Division 2 (Gold) Girls	Most Consistent, Eloise Power	Most Improved, Matilda Nicol
J 5/6 Division 4 Girls	Most Consistent, Hadley Lyon	Coach's Award, Mikayla Stocks



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MCHC JUNIOR AWARDS 2022 cont

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

Ellie POLGLASE	Oliver COOPER
Talia ROBERTS	Kirby HOBBS
Dannielle SWINTON	Mitchell HORROCKS
Eamon COOPER	Lachlan PATERSON

Award Winners

Mount Waverley Hockey Club Trophy:

Most Promising Yr 12 Progressing to Seniors

Kirby Hobbs

David Porter Trophy:

Outstanding Season for Junior Goalie

Madison Woods

Ian Halliday Trophy:

Junior Player Scoring Most Goals (J11/12 Div 1 Boys - 16 goals)

Kirby Hobbs

Junior State and National Selections 2022

WA Under 18 (Gold) Women	Scarlett Huston, Ashlee Jarvis
WA Under 18 (Black) Women	Seraphina Andrew, Sienna Robinson, Mikayla Wardrobe
WA Under 18 (Gold) Men	Kirby Hobbs
WA Under 18 Women (Indoor)	Mikayla Wardrobe, Scarlett Huston, Jazmyn Banyard
WA Under 18 Men (Indoor)	Kirby Hobbs
School Sport WA 16 & Under Girls	Seraphina Andrew, Sienna Robinson, Erin Pickering (Train-on), Caitlyn Smook (Train-on), Madison Woods (Train-on)
Australian Schoolgirls (16 and Under)	Seraphina Andrew, Sienna Robinson (Shadow)
School Sport WA 16 & Under Boys	Jacob Woods
Australian Schoolboys (16 and Under)	Jacob Woods (Shadow)
WA Under 15 (Gold) Girls	Petra Verster, Lauren Healey, Madison Woods
WA Under 15 (Black) Girls	Chloe Billingham, Jasmine Brar
WA Under 15 Girls (Indoor)	Seraphina Andrew, Chloe Billingham, Jasmine Brar, Sally Curtis, Darcie Farrow, Jessica Heron, Caelee Power, Caitlyn Smook
WA Under 15 Boys (Indoor)	Jackson Harmsen, Dominic Kelly, Jacob Woods
WA Under 13 Girls	Rishika Kharola, Breanna Penman (Train-on)
WA Under 13 Girls (Indoor)	Ivy Klass, Sophea Andrew, Kaia Harmsen, Madison Woods
WA Under 13 Boys	Liam McMillan, Luca Sorci
WA Under 13 Boys (Indoor)	Dominic Kelly, Pravilash Pillay, Luca Sorci
School Sport WA 12 & Under Girls	Jaskiran Kaur, Lily Duckworth
School Sport WA 12 & Under Boys	Liam Atkinson, Bryn Wilson



MCHC SENIOR AWARDS 2022

Team Fairest and Best Awards

Award Winners

Club Champion:

Fairest and Best - Men's top side

Ben Staines

Club Champion:

Fairest and Best - Women's top side

Aimee Clark

Premier Division 2 Men

Kyle McNess

Premier Division 2 Women

Emily Grosser

Premier Division 3 Men

Thomas Robinson

Premier Division 3 Women

Georgia Wade

Division 5 Men

Stephen Gibson

Division 5 Women

Rosey Pearce

Division 7 (Gold) Men

Jayben Lister

Division 7 (Gold) Women

Tara Mishra

Division 8 (Black) Women

Narelle McMillan

Division 8 (Gold) Men

Ashley Ellis

Division 8 (Gold) Women

Maeghan Carlsen

Division 9 (Black) Women

Alyssa George

Division 9 (Gold) Men

Graham Braid

Division 9 (Gold) Women

Emma Bradley

O40 Division 1 Men

Chris Gilbert

O40 Division 1 Men

Brendan Joss

O40 Division 3 Men

Nathan Davis

O40 Midweek Men

Craig Downey

O50 Division 1 Men

Mark Lyons

O50 Division 3 Men

Micheal Watson

O60 Division 1 Men

Russell Scanlon

O60 Division 2 Men

Mike Jolliffe

O60 Division 3 Men

John Christie

O35 Division 2 Women

Jess Gallimore

O35 Division 3 Women

Conor Smith

O50 Division Women

Gaye Glaskin

Senior Highest Goal Scorer Award:

Christian Gallagher - 23 goals

Caitlyn Ogden Memorial Award:

Charlotte Hogarth

Senior goalkeeper who displays the greatest commitment to the club

President's Award:

Bec & Roh Weddikkara, Steve Woods and Marie Farrow

Hladky-Bayens Award:

Andy & Jodi Reynolds

Members displaying most commitment to club



SENIOR AND MASTERS COACHES & MANAGERS

Team

Premier Division 1 Men
Premier Division 1 Women

Premier Division 2 Men
Premier Division 2 Women
Premier Division 3 Men
Premier Division 3 Women

Division 5 Men
Division 5 Women
Division 7 (Gold) Men
Division 7 (Gold) Women
Division 8 (Black) Women
Division 8 (Gold) Men
Division 8 (Gold) Women
Division 9 (Black) Women
Division 9 (Gold) Men

Division 9 (Gold) Women

Coach

O40 Division 1 Men
O40 Division 1 Men
O40 Division 3 Men
O40 Midweek Men
O50 Division 1 Men
O50 Division 3 Men
O60 Division 1 Men
O60 Division 2 Men
O60 Division 3 Men
O35 Division 2 Women
O35 Division 3 Women
O50 Division Women

Craig Wilson, Stefan Willett (Assistant)
Mathilda Carmichael
Mal Cowan, Matt Tate (Assistants)
Andy Starling, Jon Smedley (Assistant)
Mark Lyons, James Day (Assistant)
Anthony Ricciardone
John Cooke

Alex Wragg
John Cooke

Ryan Hyder
Vanessa Carmody
Ross Hall

Bruce Vanderzwan
Ross Hall

Managers Todd Barrett / Matthew Read
Managers James Pickering / Roh Weddikkara
Managers Justin Holt / Murray Casselton
Managers Todd Barrett / Matthew Read
Managers Mark Watton / Cameron Robinson
Managers Richard Hooker / Anand Pillay
Managers Greg Hunt / Patrick Matthews
Managers Bill Morrison / Michael Pitcher
Managers Gary Bowater / John Smith
Manager Marie Farrow
Manager Kylie Mishra
Coach / Manager Jan Davis

Manager

Johnson Orr
Colleen Bentley
Alison Pace
Janine Tate
Mitch Scally
Bonnie Meacock/
Colleen Bentley
Stephen Gibson
Brian Ballard
Jason Tate
Bronwen Anderson
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Coming off the all-conquering 2021 Season (Minor Premiership + Inaugural Premier 1 Premiership), the 2022 campaign presented unique opportunities for the Top Senior Mens Squad/Group - as we transitioned from the "Hunters" to the "Hunted" at the Premier League level. In sensing this, the players, off-field team and club executives met during October 2021 and formulated a strategy with key pillars that looked at "Sustaining Success" in our Club. This is highly challenging as each year, the HockeyWA elite competition gets better and better, and this year a significant volume of National Development Squad players migrated to Perth to add further quality and depth to each team. We are pleased to report that the group actively engaged in many of these strategies and were able to finish the regular season with a record of 16W, 2D, 4L from the 22 games and finish as Minor Premiers for 2022 (the exact same win/draw/loss record as 2021). This group has now achieved Minor Premierships in 3 out of the past 4 seasons - creating a bigger legacy than just a one-off-win we are paving the way for.

During this Commonwealth Games Year (Birmingham 2022, Kookaburras Gold), we were able to further facilitate the progression of our own elite-club-junior-pathway-players - debuting both Zac MacKinnon (GK) and Jacob Woods in the Premier 1 grade, while also welcoming an energised National Development Squad Player Jake Staines (from ACT) to our mix.

The group would like to acknowledge and whole-heartedly say thanks to Stefan Willett (who also coached his first 2 Premier Game wins), Andrew Starling and Jon Smedley (leading the 2s group) and Jono Orr and Alison Pace and Janine Tate (Managing Super-stars) for their many hours of both seen and unseen effort in facilitating our Top Squad to perform at their best. Physical Conditioning leadership provided by Amac and Rossco once again took our group from January --> September in prime-playing-fitness: always incorporating a MOFTA BBQ to cap off the pre-season pure-running efforts. And "A-Star" Andy Reynolds never misses a moment (with 1 or sometimes 2 cameras in operation) who captures what in-game we can't often see and allows our group to reflect, learn, and re-load each week with video analysis: while also engaging our Maroon Supporters through Social Media avenues to keep following and cheering on our team - outstanding effort each and every week Andy (some times in very trying/dangerous conditions and positions) very much appreciated by all (including our Eastern States family/followers who love watching their boys play hockey).

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

As a Top Senior Mens Squad, we leave you with a statement/letter that the group formulated together post-the-Inagural-Premiership win back in October 2021, which we hold strong and use as guidance in the way we behave and what we are striving to achieve over the coming years. #kenya

"The Melville Mens Top Squad acknowledge and appreciate the efforts of everyone that make it possible for us to represent our club at the highest levels. Everyone involved in the Melville City Hockey Club, across all ages, genders and levels, now and in the history that has lead us to today, is integral to creating this fantastic environment.

We are keen to play our part in building on these great foundations and want to share the things you can expect from us as a group and as individuals.

It is our commitment that everyone in our club - player, supporter or visitor - feel connected, up and down the club, across grades, ages and genders. We act with respect and care for ourselves, each other, you and everyone we interact with.

We want to forge a legacy of sustained success for our club, by demonstrating the value of working hard and playing fair. We strive to be the best we can be on and off the field, and to set up those that follow us to be more successful than ourselves.

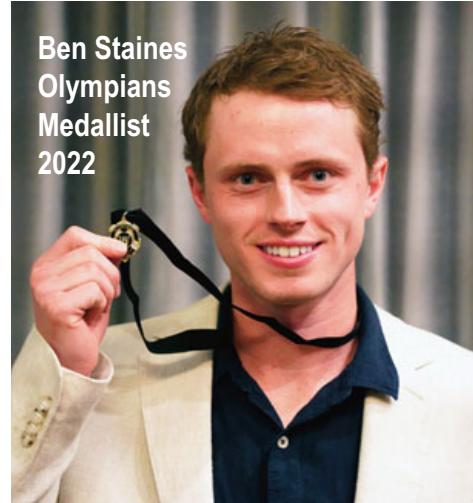
We will do this by being open and inclusive, and spreading the happiness that comes with playing our game as well as we can, while continuing the amazing Melville community that we will all be a part of long after our time as players in this squad.

If you see any of us around the club, please come say hi and let us know how we can support you.

Bring on Season 2022 and beyond!"

Coach Craig Wilson

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Ben Staines
Olympians
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Mark Brodie ("Brodes" / Striker)

This season we have seen a bit less of Brodes on the turf due to his passion for rocks and roaming the vast outback in the search of gold, however much like the glistening metal he seeks amongst the quartz veins you can be assured his performances are consistently just as precious. Mark can be compared to Helm's Deep in that his fortitude around the ball up front is second to none. An absolute pressing machine, he is ever reliable at locking down defenders and never allowing an easy route up the field for the opposition teams. On the ball Mark can be compared to salted pork, in that he is particularly good. He is a master at ball retention and an ever-reliable stick to hit moving forward. Potentially the only man on the team likely to tackle a ball into the goal, he is no stranger to finding the back of the net where others may lack the grit. Like a fine Chardonnay, Mark has only improved over the years and will no doubt continue to be a part of the Top Squad's continued success over the coming years. Mark's only challenge will be spending less time in Middle Earth and more time in the Maroon, though he may retort that not all those who wander are lost.

Andrew Charter ("Charts/Chart-o-meter"/ GK)

One of Australia's most decorated athletes (not just Hockey players) - 3 x Commonwealth Games Gold Medalist, World Cup Gold Medalist, Olympic Silver Medalist, numerous Champions-Trophy/Pro/FIH League Gold Medals, and Melville Premiership Player - has strung his third consecutive season at Melville together - and we are welcoming in making our Club his home. Spectators are amazed at how saves look effortless for Charts, with the sound off his pads crisp and clean. Watch Charts train and you will see an internal standard that drives the perfection of his craft (but always beware of the son of Jack ;-). We are very appreciative of Charts' efforts in broadening his contribution to our Club community with his promotion of the sport attending Minkey mornings, as well as value-adding to all our knowledge at the night on Mental Health Awareness and Education - where I quote Charts explaining "lets normalise the conversation". It is an exciting four-months ahead for Charts in our off-season as he is a significant component of the Canberra Chill (HockeyOne), he has his wedding in late November (much better planning/timing than previous Melville GK-ers) and will be sure to feature for the Kookaburras at the World Cup in January 2023. The Chart-o-meter going strong and loved by all!!!!

James Day ("Daisy" / Fullback)

James 'Daisy' Day continues to reinforce his position as one of the premier defenders in the Perth competition. Playing every minute this season except two games where he had Covid, Daisy continued to be extremely active in shaping the way the defence dictated the terms against any opposition whilst, when heading forward (not too forward though), Daisy used a variety of delivery skills either long in the air or cleverly disguised along the ground. The penalty corner threat resumed once again

this season with Daisy accumulating over 20 goals including a couple of hattricks. That illusive field goal will come soon enough too Daisy! Well done on another strong season Daisy and hopefully another successful one #groundhogday

Samuel Geers ("Sammie" / Striker)

Sam, or 'Player of the Week' as he is commonly referred to in hockey circles, has again shown why he is an important part of the striker line. Not only is he a valuable contributor towards keeping the average age of the striker group above 30, his ability also to apply pressure and steal the ball from opposition defenders is second to none. Sam's use of his elite pace and quick hands makes him a threat in both attack and defence. This year he decided to take a mid-season trip overseas, sampling some of the finest coffee Italy has to offer, technically promoting himself to World Player of the Week status in the process. In his return game, Sam finished a goal against Guildford with such power that he missed many of the subsequent games with a back injury. A great teammate, who is never short of a pre-game joke or dig at Daisy's spelling ability. Well done on another great season, we look forward to your organisation of the pink long sleeve training shirt next year!!

Timothy Geers ("Timmie" / Midfield)

Timothy 'Gold Medal' Geers : Our skipper Tim has had a brilliant year off the field when he has been called upon to utilise that big head of his as Coach for the Under 18s and Under 21s WA Men's teams, bringing home gold medals in both tournaments! This really is an outstanding achievement, and further proof that Tim's hockey prowess and contribution to our squad as a leader is mostly with his verbal contributions, which is lucky because when pre-season started this year you could tell this stallion had been in a green pasture!! Thankfully Tim worked his way into shape again, also recovering from his broken thumb from last finals campaign, to ensure that when not away coaching he provided a stabilising pivot point at centre half for Melville, leading us to another minor premiership! This was clearly not unnoticed and he was rewarded again with selection in the Thundersticks team competing after our season, hoping to land a trifecta. Congrats on a great year mate!

Ross Hall ("Rossco-MOSH-Man" / Fullback)

What a year Rossco has had, which has included being Player of the Grand Final in the Ric Charlesworth Pre-season Cup, making the Thundersticks side again and also being the cement in the "Melville Brick Wall" at the back with his side-kick Daisy. We can always count on Ross having a sh!t hair cut now that (with the assistance of his sponsor - MOSH) his hair has come back with both length and fullness last seen in a 1970 movie. And one thing we always know is that Rossco will do whatever he can on the field for the boys (or boooiiiss - as he spells it) and loves singing the team song at the end of a winning game. PS - the boooiiiss are still looking to get some discount on those hats in the off-season (mates-rates).



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Kirby Hobbs ("Kirbs" / Striker)

Continuing his integration into the Top Senior Men's Team at Melville, Kirbs further developed his craft as an emerging Striker at the elite level. Having some of the quickest hands in the game, Kirbs can "pull the trigger" and shoot on both sides of his body - the highlight being slamming his toma goal vs Guildford from the top of the circle into the bottom corner against an Australian Goal Keeper. As his physical development progresses, Kirbs will add layers to receiving the ball in varying situations and elimination skills that put defenders under additional pressure. A 2022 highlight for our whole Top Squad (and Club) was when Kirby (and his sister) spoke at the launch of the Inaugural Indigenous Melville Playing Strip - with warm and supportive hearts, we are all very proud of you Kirby. It has been a very busy year for the "boy with the fro" as he added in a Gold Medal when representing WA at the National U18's Tournament at the start of the year while combining his Year 12 High School studies (5x ATAR Subjects) as the year progressed and aims to attend University in the future. 2023 promises further success for Kirby both on and off the field - we are all here in continued support for you Kirbs.

Ryan Hyder ("Rizza" / Striker)

The man who has watched the 2021 Grand Final Replay more than anyone else kicked off the 2022 season with dual important roles - continuing as a Top Senior Mens Squad playing member in combination with Coaching one of our Womens Senior sides. Rizza has further developed his knowledge of the game through these roles and it is great to see him contribute both on and off the field. Rizza has a passion for coaching / playing / leading / business and combining the learnings from all these environments will make him a success in whatever he puts his time to. A twing-ie calf muscle momentarily halted the season for Rizza (potentially injured while on bended-knee proposing to Izzy), but he was back showing his "razzle-dazzle" as we got to the pointy end of the year. Our emerging players should look to Rizza as a "model-player" : being versatile (playing Striker and Midfield roles), having Penalty Corner skills (trapping, deflecting), possessing ball-retention skills to lock-down games in the last 1-2 minutes, engaging in learning the systems/structures of the game, and doing additional sessions on a Monday night to push further improvement. All this goes a long way to being a valued member of the Melville Top Squad for many years. Not bad for a kid who came from the South-West to live and fulfill his dreams at Melville!!!

Nicholas McCaughan ("Nic-o" / GK)

B.D.N. has impressive credentials (whooops) or should I say has THE impressive credentials of playing GK in the majority of 1s games in all 3 Minor Premierships the Melville Men have recently won!!! Challenging himself both on and off the field, Nic has had a busy 2022 as a Top Squad GK, GK Mentor/Coach for the Club and transitioning his University studies to Physiotherapy. Always in and around the Club facility, Nic's hard work and caring qualities are second to none and are admired

by everyone. Multiple times in season 2022 Nic made the save that mattered and facilitated a positive outcome for our team. There is more to see from Nic as a GK before he transitions to the pasture of "Scrubber-Striker-ville" - so watch this space on how 2023 unfolds.

Justin McDougall ("Doooooogs" / Striker)

Justin had a very solid year on and off the field, scoring goals comes naturally to him and his ability to provide insight to all members of the squad is highly appreciated by every one. Flying under the radar, Dooooogs is able to get away with minimal 'fines' from the boys, but one thing in particular that has been noticed is the fact Dooooogs has become Melville's most-capped Premier 1 player, clocking over 257 games for Melville. Overall Justin has played over 350 Premier 1 games across his time which requires a lot of grit, determination and passion, all of which Dooooogs exudes, and continues to demand from those around him. From all the squad and the MCHC, thank you for your knowledge, ability to score a tonne of goals and your massive calves! Congratulations on an amazing year, we look forward to many more in the future!

Zachary McKinnon ("Zac" / GK)

It was fantastic for Zac (a Melville home-grown product) to debut in the 1s on the 24th of April, 2022 : vs Guildford, and we all celebrated a clean sheet (winning 4-0). This is a result of many years of hard work and continual improvement that Zac has shown while playing club hockey. Still Under 21 years of age, Zac has a bright future in the sport and was able to assist NT during the U21s Tournament and play as their main GK. A berth for WA at the same age-group won't be far away as we have all seen greater attention to detail in his GK-ing skills - including calling/positioning his defence, saving short corner drag flicks and managing 1 on 1's. Hoping the off-season is filled with many "Road Trips" into the great outback of WA with mates and we look forward to seeing further progression and opportunities that arise in 2023.

Kyle McNess ("Killa" / Fullback)

Look up 'commitment' in the dictionary and you'll find a picture of Kyle. Week after week, Kyle puts in a shift, gets on and does his job with quality, then backs it up with a 60 minute performance in the 2s. Killa's highlight this year was being able to step in whilst Daisy was away and dominate his space at the back. His long ball delivery and aggression to punch through lines with sliders or slaps proves a nightmare to any pressing strikers (and their left hands). Killa thank you for the commitment you have to the success of this group and for getting the hurry up to warm up during pre-game talks!!! We look forward to another big year with you next year!

Mitchell Pace ("Pacey" / Flank Half)

What a roller coaster of a year "Pacey" has had, headlined by his inclusion in the WA Under 21 State team. Pacey had a phenomenal tournament, and seemed to take his game to a new level. Apart from setting up many great goals during the tournament, he also trapped and tackled anything that came near him. He was on



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track to play his best game yet during the gold medal match before he cruelly sustained another hamstring injury. This meant missing a small portion of Melville's games this year. At the pointy end of the season, we had him back and are reminded about what he brings to the team. His unique elimination skills along the sidelines and baseline cause havoc for opposition players. He will be a great asset during finals now that he's got the amazing experience of the 2022 year. Pacey will only strive for greater things in 2023 and beyond.

Season highlights: included hosting his 21st the night before a 2s game (they ended up losing terribly) and paying Timmie to select him for the U21s.

Trent Potter ("Pottsy" / Flank Half)

TP24. Another great season from Pottsy out at right half. If you see an overhead going to the baseline, you'll probably find Trent camped under it. Trent is a very attacking halfback, often finding himself high up the field, connecting passes into the circle. Pottsy has become a great two-way player and a valuable asset to our team. Also, who can forget the number of pull shots Pottsy has played on the post this season, as well as that BOG performance at Whitfords on a Tuesday night. Looking forward to seeing what Pottsy can add to his skill set next season.

Ashley Ranford ("Ash-Man / Ramma" / Midfield)

Ash's hard work and dedication to get better has paid off this year with his return to playing 1s hockey. Often coming to training straight from an F45 session, Ash's game has gone to another level with his strength on the ball and passing being some of the key reasons that saw him be rewarded. Ash's flexibility to play both midfield and defender means he has fitted in wherever the team needed. With his new-found speed enabling him to also break lines and attack more often, I'm sure there might be some more members of the Top Squad joining F45. Great season Ash and look forward to what next season brings!

Frank Reynolds ("Frendly" / Flank Half)

Frank Frendly Reynolds, one who makes the impossible look possible. Frank's unique game style is one to watch, often leaving the crowd (and the players on the field) mesmerised on how a particular skill came off. It is truly remarkable how Frank constantly eliminates players with ease through 'stirring the pot' as well as pulling off one-handed tackles like it is normality. Frank being our number 1 PCD runner is a true testament of character, to run straight down the barrel week after week is valued heavily within our team. His fun attitude and positive vibes brings about great belief within our team. 150 premier league games was achieved in 2022, a great milestone and plenty more inspiring games ahead, a human highlight real! Watch out for Frank in 2023.

Lachlan Sharp ("Big-Dog" "Sharp-ie" / HAHPP)

The "Big-Dog" Sharpie wore his entire Melville Playing Uniform for a Club-record 29hrs 31min 14sec consecutive period post the Grand-Final success of 2021!!! The name "Lachi" is never more true than when he was "Lachi-ed" in the Melville Club/Turf facility post the Grand-Final Celebrations, and then "Lachi-ed" his Passport in a Storage Unit and required bolt-cutters to get it out in order to fly to Europe to commence his professional hockey playing with Amsterdam!!! With an unfortunate concussion sustained while in Europe playing professionally, Sharp-ie had to make sure his long-term future would be healthy and hence was rested out from playing in Season 2022. That didn't stop the "Big-Dog's" active involvement with our group in an off-field role when he could - fine tuning both our Strikers skills and ensuring our defence was set up "Sharp-ly"!!! Many super-stars of all sports have pause-periods in their careers due to a variety of reasons, but what they learn about themselves during this down-time is often the catalyst for the greater/better athlete they become when they return to competition - let this be the warning to the world - watch out for Lachi Sharp in 2023 and beyond - he has the potential to be the spark for the Kookas like never seen before!!!

Ben Staines ("Benny" / Midfield)

After taking the competition by storm in his debut year at Melville, which saw him awarded Best and Fairest in our history-making Premiership-winning team, it has been another big year for Ben and the Staines family. Benny was joined by twin brother, Jake, for Season 2022, along with the news he and his partner Kate were set to welcome their first child into the world some time in August or September (what could go wrong?!). The boys were reassured by Kate that the baby's due date was the week of the Semi Finals, and that under no circumstances would Ben be fronting up to hockey if the two were to clash! Thankfully for all involved, Spencer Robert Staines was welcomed into the world (and extended Melville family) on 24 August and any potential crisis was averted. Congratulations Ben and Kate! Ben's high standing within the Melville Top Squad is reflected in his responsibility of telling the pre-game joke most weeks (a custom of the Men's 1s team) and in two seasons, he is yet to let anyone down. Much like his hockey, Ben's delivery, skill and execution of the pre-game joke is unrivalled. I'm unable to repeat many of the jokes he's told, but you know it's a good one when Ben laughs before anyone else after telling his own joke. On the field, players and spectators are often left in awe at some of the things Ben does, with his ability to make opposition players and goalkeepers look quite silly. There is no surprise that Ben's performances in his first two years at Melville have him regarded by many as one of the best players in the competition, if not the best, and it's only a matter of time before his call up to the senior National Squad arrives, one which we all believe he thoroughly



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deserves. Until then, we look forward to watching Ben continue to excel for Melville, as well as the Canberra Chill in this year's HockeyOne League, and hopefully by the time this Yearbook comes out Ben has yet another premiership tattoo on his bum!!

Jake Staines ("Jake-y" "Snake" / Striker-Midfield)

Good news travels fast across the Nullarbor! Ben's glowing endorsement of life out west and Jake's own selection in the National Development Squad meant that Jake and Bella made the trek across the desert to the Maroon zone. A skilful, determined, and hungry striker, Jake has slotted right into the Top Squad's frontline. Not only did Jake score two of the most ridiculous goals from the baseline in consecutive games, he also wowed many at one club function with some of the best dance moves seen at Melville to date. Jake was also selected on the Australia A tour to Japan in recent weeks, which was just reward for his hard work and dedication. I'm sure all of the Top Squad supporters will agree, Jake has had an exceptional first year at Melville and hopefully many more!

Mitchell Tate ("Spud-Tart" / Midfield)

Spud AKA a bottomless pit, hangs around till the end to see what food scraps are leftover to satisfy his endless hunger pains. Spud is a diehard Freo Dockers supporter who regularly attends home matches with his Mum (Mrs Spud Tart/Janine), they usually enjoy the game with some home-made toasted sandwiches and either a hot chocolate or cup of tea. Spud has gone from strength to strength this season, being an absolute asset in the midfield group, although he had a very hard time with his equipment being a constant attraction to the local Perth thieves, finding himself without gear on two separate occasions.

Patrick Welsh ("Paddy" / Midfield)

Paddy had a great season in the Midfield. As one of the Senior players, he is always setting a high standard at training and in games - pushing himself personally and our group to constantly be better. Unfortunately Paddy missed a few games during the season with a crook back but always put in the effort to get back into the team. Paddy's silky skills get him out of trouble when needed and if he finds himself in the D has a cracking shot at goal - both on the flat and the tomma. Celebrating the birth of his first child in early 2022, Paddy was often seen having a late-night shower at the Club after evening-trainings to ensure both baby and wife stayed asleep when he returned home as he snuck straight into bed. A player that each year finds out he is in some-way related to another member of the Melville Club, Paddy is Maroon through and through - bring on 2023!!!

Matthew Willis ("Willo" / Striker)

Great players have "consistency of performance" at their core - and Matt's hockey is a true refection of this. Playing as a striker, his assets of relentless pressing, ball retention (traps) in the front 1/3, clever elimination skills and goal shots that go "clunk" (eg vs UWA) make him a

focal point for our group up front. Celebrating success in multiple ways in 2022, Matt led (scoring all 3 goals in the big game) the Tamworth Frogs to a maiden Grand Final victory in the NSW State Opens Mens Hockey Championships (with the team coached by his legendary father, Richard), and was also selected in the Perth Thundersticks Team to play the 2022 HockeyOne Season. Off the field, Matt broadened his work/career opportunities, completing his University qualification to become a Teacher. Throw in his tireless work as the Junior Development Officer at Melville and it has been a cracking year for Matt !!! Hoping the off-season is full of River-Loops on your push-bike and time with your lovely partner Claire.

Jacob Woods ("Jacob" / Midfield)

Jacob has made a big impact in his first year of Senior hockey. Has filled a midfield role and made his 1s debut during the middle of the season after some impressive performances in the 2s and at training. In those games Jacob played with maturity beyond his years and will surely play a big role in our top team over the coming years. Represented WA in the U16s and was selected a shadow for the Australian Schoolboys which is a great achievement. Well done on a great season Jacob, it will be great to see your development in the seasons to come.

Valuable contributions during the year from Dan Moulin, Ryan Pace, Andrew McIntyre

PREMIER 1 GAMES MILESTONES 2022

250 PREMIER LEAGUE GAMES

Justin McDougall (250 for MCHC, 350 all Premier League)

200 PREMIER LEAGUE GAMES

Ryan Hyder

150 PREMIER LEAGUE GAMES

Frank Reynolds

100 PREMIER LEAGUE GAMES

Trent Potter

DEBUT

Jake Staines, Zachary McKinnon, Jacob Woods

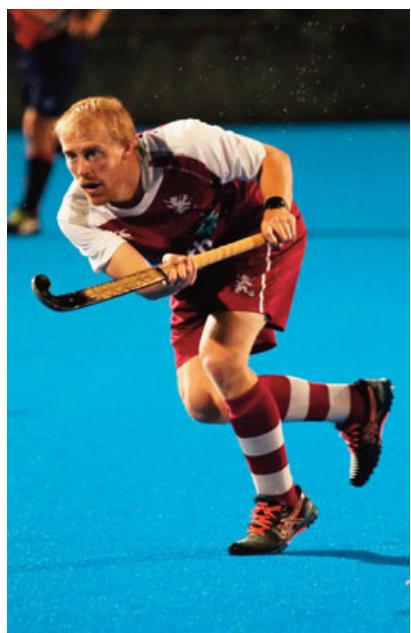


PREMIER DIVISION 1 MEN cont





PREMIER DIVISION 1 MEN cont





PREMIER DIVISION 1 WOMEN

The 2022 Women's Top Squad had an injection of youth from the Melville Junior Program, as well as the return of some seasoned campaigners. This meant the squad had a nice blend of knowledge and experience, as well as youthfulness and eagerness in others. The continued growth, development and learning of all players was there for all to see and meant we were always going to be a stronger team at the back end of the season. This was signified with back to back home wins against UWA and Lions, as well as matching it with competition heavy weights Hale, who had a combined total of 850 international games experience in their team, narrowly going down 3-4 in the closing stages of the match.

Whilst a tough season results-wise, the commitment of the entire squad, coaches and managers never waivered, with a positive and supportive atmosphere maintained, and acts of support for teammates evident throughout. There was plenty of celebration too, with ten players making their Premier 1 debut for Melville. Congratulations to these players on the achievement and your contribution across the season to the 1s team - Jaz Banyard, Hannah Carmody, Rosie Malone, Sienna Robinson, Jess Wade, Mikayla Wardrobe, Emily (Rabbit) Grosser, Lucy Lefroy, Seraphina Andrew and Tori Wade. To know that five of these players have played or still play Juniors at Melville shows the value the club places on the Junior level of the game, and the Senior teams are fortunate enough to reap the rewards of this.

There was also a mountain of individual success along the way, with Saysha Pillay and Lou-Ellen Edwards winning a Silver medal for Western Australia in the U21 Australian Championships; Saysha selected in the Australian U20 Squad in preparation for the U21 Junior World Cup Event in 2023; Aimee Clark and Saysha selected in the HockeyOne Squad; Seraphina Andrew and Sienna Robinson claiming Bronze at the U16 School Sport Australia Championships, with Sera being selected in the Australian Team and Sienna a reserve; and six players competed at the U18 Australian Championships at the beginning of the season - Saysha Pillay, Scarlett Huston, Ash Jarvis, Seraphina Andrew, Sienna Robinson and Mikayla Wardrobe.

A big thank you to the coaches and managers of this Top Squad. Not a day goes by throughout the season where we don't communicate with each other about something, someone, an injury, illness or anything else!! Thanks Mal for helping the team and myself for the past three years. It has been extremely helpful and beneficial to all having you involved for so long! Matt Tate for your help when possible around work and playing commitments! Mark Lyons (Clarrie) and James Day (Daisy) for taking on the 2s team, developing many players and always being willing to pass players up to the 1s team when absences occur. This is a hard place to be in, but your knowledge and guidance has helped prepare many of the girls for the step up from 2s to 1s. John Cooke (Cookie), once again not only taking on the 3s team, but the 4s as well! Nothing bad can be said about Cookie, and the results and enjoyment of both teams has been there for all to see! All these coaches contribute many hours at the turf and away from it in planning training, contacting players and ensuring selections are made with the best interests of the team each week, so thank you very much!

Colleen Bentley and Janine Tate, our two terrific managers who keep everything in order. The list of jobs which these two women do each week is countless, and I likely would forget (or not know about a few of them), because they get stuff done, and without a fuss. I am sure we have the management team many others are envious of, and I can't thank you enough! I know the girls appreciate it, even if you have to tell them the same thing twice!

To the leadership of the Women's Club, Brianna and DT, thank you for all the work which most don't know about to allow us to function so well. I know seeing the results this season has been hard for all, but we have always felt supported by both of you. To know of the planning, time and effort both of you commit to this club is admirable, and thank you so much for all you have done. I am sure that in coming seasons this squad will have stuck together and be back on the winners list week to week.

Coach - Mathilda 'Tilly' Carmichael

PREMIER 1 GAMES MILESTONES 2022

100 PREMIER LEAGUE GAMES

Jemma Green

50 PREMIER LEAGUE GAMES

Kim Hocking, Shanae Wardrobe

DEBUT

Jazmyn Banyard, Hannah Carmody, Rosie Malone. Sienna Robinson, Jessica Wade, Lucy Lefroy, Mikayla Wardrobe, Emily Grosser, Seraphina Andrew, Tori Wade



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PREMIER DIVISION 1 WOMEN cont

Seraphina Andrew (Sera)

Sera has been a great addition to the 1s group with her speed and pressure off the ball and her composure and skills over the ball. She's a hard worker and leaves nothing out on the field. Her tenacity and second efforts are valued amongst her teammates. She is definitely a quiet achiever but has definitely stepped up her hockey to another level this season. Well done Sera on an incredible season!

Jazmyn Banyard (Jaz)

Jaz's pace and tenacity has been a welcome addition to our defensive line this season. Jaz is fearless and goes into every challenge at full speed - though we would find it less worrying if she wore a mouth guard! Jaz has the potential in her mix of skills to be a seriously impactful defender in the years to come. Back yourself Jaz, you are a force to be reckoned with and hope you can believe in yourself as much as we do.

Sarah Bowyer

Sarah has such a bubbly and kind personality, is able to chat and make anyone smile. But when she gets on the field there's no stopping her! Sarah is such a persistent and ferocious player, often bringing everyone else up with her. She is such a superstar showing great dedication and always seen with a smile on her face, even when playing a game or training after working overnight at her busy job as a doctor! Sarah is such a great person to play alongside. You know you can always rely on her and her speed is such an asset within the team. She has been such an amazing teammate both on and off the field this season.

Hannah Carmody

Hannah has bought her speed, determination and ability to annoy the defenders to the squad this year. She is always trying 100% at trainings and games and is always willing to learn new skills and critique others. We have loved having Hannah around the group this season and we can't wait to see what she brings next season and beyond!

Aimee Clark

Aimee is our incredibly hardworking and selfless leader. On the field Aimee is a confident and determined player, with her skills highlighted in every game as she eliminates players and creates many attacking opportunities. Aimee leads by example with a positive attitude and inspirational words before each game. Her dedication to this hockey club and team whilst also studying to become a doctor is something to be admired and we can't wait to see what the future holds for her.

Briony Clark

Briony is a beloved member of our premier league defence who always brings her experience, communication and physicality to every game. She is an incredible leader within the group and a great role model for the young girls coming through the top squad. It is an absolute pleasure to play along side her every weekend.

Casey Donaldson

Casey has been a handy inclusion in our team over the season, bringing lots of enthusiasm and effort. Casey has great skills on the ball and is never scared to take on anyone. Despite a busy schedule Casey managed to make it to almost every training, which was greatly appreciated by all her teammates. Thanks for your hard work this year Casey!

Lou-Ellen Edwards

Even though Lou wasn't able to play the whole year due to injury, she went to every game and supported the team. She sat there when it was rainy, windy and cold and while personally I didn't want to play in it, she still sat out there anyway and supported us which was really appreciated. When she was able to play again her talking was calm, direct and very informative. Lou saved us many times and always seemed to save the hardest ball. She is a great leader and is willing to help other goalkeepers at training even when she can't train herself. It has been great playing with a goalkeeper who makes the best hot chocolate ever!





PREMIER DIVISION 1 WOMEN cont

Chloe Forbes

Chlo is a much-loved member of the team who we can always rely on to bring some positivity! Her hockey has really come on this year, with her being a solid contributor in the backline. Her calling and distribution skills are an asset to the team, as is her contribution and dedication to the club off the field. She also somehow manages to rock both blonde and brunette hairstyles that still look good after the game! We love you Chlo!

Jemma Green

Jemma, our resident part time surgeon and part time sprinter, has had a great year in our 1s group. She manages to balance crazy shift work while playing some of her best hockey all at once. She can catch anyone in a foot race, and is such a threat to other teams when she breaks through the midfield. Definitely our most patient and clever tackler, Jem has done a wonderful job playing both a defensive role when needed and more recently stepping up as a killer midfielder. I even heard she came to training in the rain more than once this year which is one for the record books. Don't be fooled by her very serious face, Jemma is a much loved and caring team member who's loyal through and through. We are so lucky to play with someone as experienced and skillful as Jem, and we hope to see her back in the Maroon in 2023!

Erin Hall

Erin has had an incredible year in the backline. Erin's strong tackles and crucial intercepts were a pivotal asset to our backline. Her smart out-letting and strong ball delivery skills also provided countless attacking opportunities. She also has an insane hit on the short corner battery! I have loved playing alongside Erin, and I can speak for all the girls on the team when saying her leadership, guidance and support has been a huge help to the young girls who joined our team this year.



Kimberley Hocking (Kim)

Kim has been an absolute pleasure to play along side this year. She has incredible slick skills with the ability to turn any defender inside out in a 1v1 contest. Her ability to possess the ball up front and get an outcome whether it be a corner, free hit or goal is something I greatly admire as part of her game. Kim's reverse pressure and work rate when playing is so high, she can always be relied upon to chase back and pester the opposition into a turnover. She is supportive and kind both on and off the field and is everything you could ever ask for in a team mate!

Ashlee Jarvis (Ash)

In her second year at the club, Ash has brought a fierce and exciting energy to Melville that keeps us on our toes. She continues to show her determination and willing attitude on the field in the 1s and 2s teams. She has bagged a couple of goals in 2s from short corners with her cracker of a hit and is continually developing her skills to be an important member of the top squad. Well done on a great year Ash!

Rosie Malone

Rosie joined us through the Hockeyroos Draft having been an established member of the national team for many years. Rosie made an impact on the field instantly, notably through her speed and elimination skills. A slight mishap whilst on national duties in New Zealand resulted in a slightly shorter than before finger, which kept her off the field for a few weeks. Fortunately she was back in time to compete at the World Cup, winning bronze, and Silver at the Commonwealth Games. Thanks for your time in maroon this year Rosie, hopefully you enjoyed the season, and congratulations on your achievements this year!





PREMIER DIVISION 1 WOMEN cont



Beatriz Monger Molowny (Bea)

Bea has been an absolute legend this year! Her hunger for the ball in the 'D' has seen her score many goals over the season, being one of our highest goal scorers. Bea has a strong presence in our forward line and always manages to steal the ball away from our opposition. Off the field Bea is encouraging, kind and always willing to help others. It will be sad to see Bea leave the club as she is moving to play hockey in Spain for a year, but we're wishing her the best of luck.

Saysha Pillay

What a year Saysha has had! Starting off with selection in the State U18s and then the U21s, her excellent performance in the competition then earned her selection in the Jillaroo's squad - an amazing achievement.

It's easy to see why - her impressive stick skills, speed, endurance and strength, all with a smile on her face, have made her an invaluable member of the midfield. Her ability to weave through players often makes skilled opposition look like cones! She is an absolute pleasure to play with, both on and off the field.

Saysha should be so proud of everything she has achieved so far. She is definitely one to watch - can't wait to see what the future has in store for her!

Sienna Robinson (Si)

Sienna is a testament to the Melville juniors and women's programs. In 2022 Sienna has represented WA at both u16s and u18s, and stepped up in to the Melville 1s team. She is so deserving of all the success that has come her way this year as she is determined, hardworking and a skilful player and teammate. Her confidence and leadership has grown every week, and we love her slick skills and watching her run rings around defenders. Sienna is at every training and game with a smile on her face, and always gives everything 100%. It has been a pleasure to play alongside her and we're all so excited to see what next season and all those to come, hold for her.

Renee Taylor

Renee returned to Melville for her eighth season with the club since relocating from Queensland with the national program. Unfortunately major hip surgery meant Renee was in rehab for many months and unable to take the pitch in maroon until the last game of the season, but our loss was the nation's gain, as she performed on the international stage. Selection in the World Cup and Commonwealth Games teams meant she has come home from a European summer with a Bronze and Silver medal. Congratulations Renee, hopefully the rehab is well and truly behind you, and we will see you on the pitch in maroon in 2023!

Victoria Wade (Tori)

Tori is a witty and humorous player in our team. She has a strong will and aggressive attitude when on the field. Tori is very strong in the forward line and is a nuisance to get past with her solid flat stick tackles. Tori is a strong asset to our team and it was amazing playing with her this year.

Shanae Wardrobe

Shanae has played really well this season scoring heaps of goals up front. I think the one timed shot to secure the team's first win was my favourite!! She always has a positive mindset and is always encouraging the younger players to do their best. Her presence in the press and hard work on and off the ball are commendable. She always gives 100% in everything she does. Shanae has shown she is a great player and has a diverse range of attacking and defensive skills. Her insane speed and skill make her unstoppable. Keep up the good work!!

What a season we've had! While it wasn't quite what we expected or hoped for, it has still been an amazing year. This group has stayed positive and cohesive and it's largely to the great leadership of Til and Mal and I thank you for allowing me to be part of it. To the ladies in this team I applaud you and am proud of all of you as you navigated through. While it was tough at times, it was fun. Thank you - I look forward to the future and where it takes us.

*To the whole Top Squad
OFT it has been fun
working together and
hopefully we will all be
around to take these
talented ladies further.
Special thanks to Janine
and Bonnie for helping me
and being managers for
the 2s and 3s. We've made
a great team ourselves!*

Bring on 2023!

Colleen Bentley - Manager





PREMIER DIVISION 1 WOMEN cont





PREMIER DIVISION 2 MEN

An incredible season, so satisfying to coach yet so disappointing not to make finals. This season was transitional and all about the “baby” Maroons, many still play Juniors or their first year experiencing Top Squad hockey but they learnt so quickly thanks to the remaining wise old men (some almost 30) that we had the best defensive record in the league. Scoring was more of a challenge but we will sort that next year.

30 players stepped up for 2s and special thanks to ‘Frendly Frank’ and the 3s boys for filling gaps caused by Covid, representative selections and other issues. Who will forget Liam’s drag flicks at Lemnos? We averaged six team changes week on week all season.

Warmest thanks must go to Smeds, injured but there to help every week providing a welcomed sounding board and stepping up when I was unable to be at training or matches. Courtney and Tricia are very understanding. **Coach: Andrew Starling**

Joshua Byrne-Quinn (BQ)

A consistent performer and member of the leadership group. He demonstrated his knowledge and skill on and off the field establishing a set of fundamental principles for the forward line.

Ethan Elliott

Ethan, aka “Boulder”, came into this season joining the forward lineup for the first time. He adapted very well into what the team was trying to achieve and managed a couple of deflection goals too. Ethan played his role well and developed into a consistent player ready to take the next step.

Kirby Hobbs

A regular in 1s again this year, Kirby was a welcome addition to the 2s when we could have him. His strength in posting up and knack for finding space in the D saw him score some nice goals. It was also great to see his impressive public speaking skills in action at the Indigenous Round shirt reveal.

Darcy Knell

Really took his game to another level this year as one of the young guns in the midfield. His work rate, great attitude and ability to take on feed back and put it into practice quickly makes him a great team mate with loads of potential.

Rhys McDonnell

Rhys played through the half back line most of the season. This position suits him because he marks tightly and uses his crafty poke tackle to regain possession and begin the attack with pace. Rhys nailed the role at half back and became a reliable part of the team.

Andrew McIntyre (Amac)

Has continued to outshine a number of team mates half his age. AMac provides sharp, quick turns and his rapid shooting style has the Keeper beaten most of the time.



Zachary McKinnon

Zac had an excellent season in the net, conceding a competition-low number of goals. His form throughout the season was rewarded with him making his debut in 1s and playing in the U21 National Championships. Zac is mentally involved throughout the whole game and is great at giving instructions to the backline and midfield. Great season.

Kyle McNess (Killa)

The defence’s foundation player, rarely taking a rest despite doubling 1s nearly every week. Led the best defence in the league and added a more potent aerial threat to his game combined with improved communication on-field and off-field mentoring. Even managed to score a few PCA goals off an option play. A great season all round.

Daniel Moulin (Knickers)

Picked up where he left off last year. Continued to improve with hard work paying off by 1s selection on several occasions.

Ryan Pace

An interrupted second half due to injury, work and seeking Australian Indoor selection, but when on song was a core player in the midfield. He is silky smooth and composed on the ball with a reliable drag flick when called upon.

Nicholas Page (Pagey)

The rock that almost never complains and never gives up. Lions will remember him running down six consecutive PCA. Took on a leadership role and all listened when he spoke. Always given the toughest contests and was rarely beaten. Another good season.



PREMIER DIVISION 2 MEN cont

Harrison Parkes

"Hazard" lived up to his nickname a few times this year, with team mates trying to dodge tomas going everywhere. When he got hold of one, it wasn't being saved. Harry stepped up his hockey and particularly his off-field input to the group and cemented his 2s spot this season. When Covid complications kept him out for 5 weeks he was absolutely committed to supporting the group every way he could.

Matthew Tate

Throughout the duration of the season Matt played both halfback and fullback, being equally effective at both. His long passing ability, both aerial and flat, created countless attacks going forward and allowing us to spread the field. Adding his great hockey IQ helped the backline be well structured and able to connect lines effectively. Matt's only downfall - only being available every other week due to work commitments. Having him available for a full season next year would be great.

Jacob Woods

This was 'Noodles' first season playing Senior hockey but you wouldn't have known. He improved leaps and bounds throughout, earning selection for the 1s and becoming a core player in the team's midfield. I am sure there are great things ahead in his hockey career.

Ashley Ranford (Ramma)

Had a great season this year, playing many 1s games and being a 2s anchor in the midfield. His flicking skills add an additional threat to most team corner variations. On top of playing he became a team leader for the younger players.

Thomas Williamson (Tommy)

Returning from injury, Tommy tried for the Mids but found a solid home in the back 4. Wide, attacking around the edges or in the centre providing the Mids with accurate passes. Still to reach his potential with so much more to offer next year.





PREMIER DIVISION 2 MEN cont





PREMIER DIVISION 2 WOMEN

At the time of penning this report in what can be best described as a 'very interesting season', the ladies unfortunately are (just) out of the running to make the finals. If we play to our capabilities, the side is well placed I feel to grab a couple of wins and finish the season on a high.

As the trainer wheels were off for me this year (I assisted in 2021), I would like to thank all of the Senior Women's coaches for their support and advice. Thanks also to James (Daisy) Day for his assistance throughout the year, I know it was a juggle for you at times with your playing commitments. Also a shout out to Janine Tate as our manager, we all know the power of work you (and Colleen) do around the club. Honestly, I don't know how you find the time to manage a side as well!

The season itself could almost be reflected in our first game - we managed to snatch a 2-2 draw when we were 2 nil up with 5 minutes to go. We were in every game played this year with a few 'almost' situations like the first game slipping through our grasp. Having said that, with the assistance of some of our more experienced players in the group we started playing a tougher and more disciplined style of play as the season went on. So to the playing group as a collective, all the selfless work that gets done on the field on game day does get noticed. This bodes well for the future not only for these players individually but as a club.

Then of course a big thank you to all the ladies that played in this side over the season. We had players moving between sides, doubling up, and quite few last minute moves with everyone at different times being asked to step up. With this in mind a big thank you to: Jessica Wade, Jazmyn Banyard, Sarah Bowyer, Briony Clark, Bonnie Meacock, Beatriz Monger Molowny, Elizabeth Stratton, Georgia Wade, Kiara Wardrope, Mikayla Wardrope. Everyone did this without complaint and helped wherever they possibly could and that's what I love about this club. I sincerely hope you all got something out of this season with my ramblings, dodgy white board scribbling (and the occasional rant) to take with you on your hockey journey. **Mark 'Clarrie' Lyons - Coach**

Seraphina Andrew (Sera)

Seraphina has had a great year, reflected in her selections in representative teams. Sera has been working hard to become a solid player at a high level and has so much potential at such a young age. Her skills and speed have been a great asset to the team and we can't wait to see where hockey takes her in the future.

Montanna Barnsby

Montanna is someone who was funny and always brought a positive attitude to training and games. She is strong on the ball when in the midfield and has a fiery hit when she gets her chance in the circle. Mon is a tenacious and hardworking player who can always be counted to do her best.

Mikayla Blackham

Mikayla has been a new addition for us this season and a very welcome one indeed. She's cemented herself in the 2s forward line and worked herself back there after two injuries. Even if she did fumble a couple of times and used her feet instead of her stick in her first game back, she made up for it with a goal 5 minutes later. It's been amazing getting to know Mikayla this year and I hope she's able to continue her development at Melville over the next few years.

Grace Bowyer

The 2s have been so lucky to have Grace this year. She has been a strong force in the backline this year, being a reliable and calm player under pressure. She can slap hit down the side of the field, cutting lines that tear the opposition apart. She works hard and does everything to the best of her ability. Grace has great knowledge of the game and helps other girls around her, especially the juniors who have stepped up this year. She has been so supportive and a bright person to have in the team. It has been a pleasure playing with you this season, and I can't wait till next year!

Hannah Carmody

Hannah has had an awesome season this year! Her work ethic has been unreal and she has improved so much. She is always early to set up the press and leads from her presence on the field. Her want for the ball is unreal which has lead to her scoring many goals. Han has continually developed her skills over the season and it will be great to see her enhance these next season!

Casey Donaldson

Casey is a prime example of what it means to play for Melville. Not only is she a very skilful and tough player on the field but does a huge amount of developing young players through her extensive hockey knowledge. Casey is all you can ask for in a teammate and her passion for the game is infectious bringing the team morale up. I also think she managed to play every position on the field this year! We love playing with you Casey and appreciate all you do!



PREMIER DIVISION 2 WOMEN cont

Darcie Farrow

Darcie has stepped up very well this year into the 2s group as a strong and decisive defender. She has a cracker of a hit that is a weapon on short corners. As well as being one of the youngest in the team, she is by far one of the most confident and slots into the team very comfortably. Darcie is a reliable player who is always there to get back and help her team. Your confidence and skills amaze everyone and you are always up for a chat. Looking forward to next season with you!

Jessica Gallimore (Jess)

Jess is a player with the mentality we all want. Her drive and determination always makes others want to bring it out on the field as well. Despite all the knocks, bumps, bruises and scars, it was never long before you saw her back on the field. Off the field Jess is just as kind and caring, which is the definition of an amazing player. Congrats on a highlight season, I look forward to be able to play with you again.

Emily Grosser (Rabbit)

Rabbit is a great example of enormous energy and intensity channelled right! She's fun, encouraging, team orientated and she stops goals which is always a bonus from a goalie. Rabbit brings an intensity to our team that sets an amazing example for the other girls. Looking forward to watching her journey ahead whether it's hockey, social influencing or otherwise. She has a drive to push herself for excellence and will gain success in whatever she does. We are lucky to have her and her family involved in our club. Thanks for giving us another amazing season Rabbit!

Scarlett Huston (Scar)

Scarlett has had another great year. She is such a hard worker and her efforts in the back line don't go unnoticed. Her skills and control over the ball are amazing. She never gives up even in the hardest situations and will keep going until the final buzzer. Off the field she is a bubbly and enthusiastic player who brings so much energy to the team. Can't wait to see what she brings next season.

Ashlee Jarvis (Ash)

Ashlee is a reliable and aggressive defender who has a hidden talent for scoring goals. Ash has done incredibly well this year making it into the U18s state team for the second time and also making it into the U21s squad. Her perseverance to make it to trainings and games between uni, work and visiting family in Margaret River shows her hardworking qualities. Ashlee's fun and positive outlook on the game makes for an entertaining and well grounded team mate and friend. Hopefully she doesn't scream at too many other umpires next season!

Lucy Lefroy

Little Lucy Lu! One of the teams most energetic, skilful and valuable players. You'll generally catch her up in the striker line running rings around defenders. With her fancy jinking right to left drag you won't find many defenders that can take the ball off her. This year Lucy even put her hand up to give midfield a crack. Breaking lines with her quick pace, Lucy proved she can make a significant impact no matter where she plays on the field - if only we had a Lucy in every line! As always Lucy had an amazing season, however this year she went one step further and made her debut in the women's 1s. Well earned and well deserved. Your happy and bubbly personality makes you a bundle of fun to be around on and off the field. Thanks for making it such an enjoyable season Lucy!

Rosie McCaughan

A player that shows a lot of guts and attitude on the hockey field. Rosie has shown why she is an imperative member of the 2s team by bagging a few goals including some that are viewed pretty specky from the crowd. She's got some fire to her, so be careful not to step on her toes, but once you get her riled up, you know she is going to have a good game. Well done on a great year Rosie!

Shaya Pillay

Over the last two years Shaya has certainly cemented herself as an irreplaceable seniors midfielder. Despite being plagued by injuries last year and this year, Shaya's commitment and attitude has never wavered. She's always a friendly face at training whether she's participating or not and is always willing to have a chat. Her drive brought her back up to 2s rapidly after her recovery, and her slick skills have" been greatly missed. It's wonderful to have her back on the field and it's fingers crossed for no more injuries!

Tara Porter

Tara is the type of person that you want as your captain. While she's incredibly talented at hockey, that alone isn't what makes her a great captain. Tara sets the standards for everyone. Whether it's training, running or a game, she puts in 100% every time. She never loses her temper at teammates, umpires or other teams (she just gives them her terrifying mum stare). She's always ready to support her team on and off the field; from copping rants to giving out stellar life advice. I'm proud to call her my captain and my teammate.



PREMIER DIVISION 2 WOMEN cont

Sienna Robinson (Si)

Si is such a lively and active member of the team. Always filled with energy and eagerness to play or train, she brings so much bubbliness to the team. Sienna is super-fast in the middle getting to the 'impossible' balls and chasing every player down. Sienna is an incredibly skilled player, often using her 3D skills to get out of tricky situations. Sienna was selected in both the U18 and U16 state representative teams this year and brought back many new skills, becoming a big asset to the team. Always bringing energy and passion, Si has been amazing to play alongside this season!

Victoria Wade (Tori)

Tori is a strong, passionate and supportive team mate. She never cracks under pressure and gives 110% for the team. Tori is such an honest and fun team mate to play with. Hope to see you for many seasons to come.

Madeline West (Maddy)

Maddy slotted into the 2s side so well this year, her calm nature on and off the field made her such a great teammate to play with. Maddy can tackle anyone from anywhere - she has a skill of putting her stick down in the right place so no one can get through! She can also play any position asked of her, whether it's shooting for goal up front or the last line of defence, she can do it all!

Thanks to Clarrie and the girls for allowing me to be part of the "team" this year. I love spending time with my adopted "daughters" every weekend. Even though the ladder may not reflect it, we've had a great season, and it's been FUN! I'm so proud of all of you, especially some of our Juniors who have really stepped up this year, but I'm also very proud of the way the more "senior" girls have guided and encouraged our younger players. Thanks to Tilly and the whole Top Squad off-field team, it's great working with all of you. Special thanks to Colleen, who is the real driver and brains behind the admin for the top three Women's teams – she does a mountain of work, and I am really just along for the ride!

Tara, our wonderful Captain who has lead from the front all year, made a great comment after our final game (I'm paraphrasing, because my memory is not that great!): "When I look back on all of the seasons of hockey I've played, I don't remember where I finished on the ladder, or how many games we won, I remember how much fun I had. And this has been one of my most enjoyable seasons yet!" Bring on 2023!

Janine Tate - Manager





PREMIER DIVISION 2 WOMEN cont





PREMIER DIVISION 3 MEN

With the core of the 3s team last year staying on we were able to build on the progress we made and the team has qualified for finals for the first time since the introduction of new competition structure. We were also able to add a number of players including Bobby, Hooks, Anto and Richo, in addition to an number of Juniors that played when available. The team had great attitude and it's shown in the results.

Well done lads!

Coach Anthony Ricciardone

Joshua Antoncich (Anto)

Came into the team mid-way through the season and added much needed skill for the second half of the season. Awesome to have Anto back at the club. Showed too much skill at times and was subsequently dropped to 2s. Hopefully he learns from this.

Thomas Bergin (Tommy B)

Only had Tommy in the team for a short time before his hip injury resulted in him being unable to play for the remainder of the season. Had as big an impact on the team as anyone when he was here, including the Guildford game where a level above everyone else on the pitch. Serious potential if he's able to get his body right.

Matthew Bowater (Matty B)

Throughout the season the senior citizen has managed about 15 different injuries despite going to the gym nine days a week. He gets back to the next game and manages to be the loudest on or off the field. Matty has been very effective in and around the D, scoring some awesome goals and changing the outcome of many games. Matty has been a great leader for the team, bringing the chat and making sure everybody is included. Congrats on a fantastic season Matty, hope you enjoy that Bali trip for the first week of finals.

Liam Colgan (Liam)

Liam has been an absolute jet this year. His dragflicking has become a force to be reckoned with (when on target) and has been a brick wall on the defensive end. He played more games this year, probably due to the fact he wasn't at a different wedding every other weekend which has definitely improved his overall game. Playing regularly in both the 3s and the 4s (in addition to 1-2 games of 2s) Liam has cemented himself as a vital asset week in week out. Great season Liam!

Ethan Elliott (Boulder)

Ethan's first full year as a Senior player and what he lacks for in vocal cords he well and truly makes up for with his skill and presence. Ethan has shown great strength over the ball and a lovely first touch while being able to slip into any position the coach has thrown him, all while doubling up most weekends. We look forward to next season and seeing Ethan continue to grow as a player.



Jackson Harmsen (Socks)

Jacko made his debut when injuries struck the team. He's an enthusiastic kid who's always keen to have a run on the field, even when sometimes his teammates don't need a sub. Socks gained the very nickname by forgetting his socks. He took this literally after that day and even rocked up to a 2s game wearing his full kit just to support the 2s that round. Thanks for the help, enthusiasm and effort this year Jacko and all the best in the future mate.

Callum Lee (Meat Box)

When not smashing attackers in the box, Callum is demolishing a Meat box in the changerooms pre-game. Despite this, Callum has shown maturity as the season progressed to now only eating hot chips pre-game. He started the season in 3s, before spending some time in 4s, however, he came back into the 3s team towards the end of the season and it was obvious how much he's improved. Another year under his belt and Callum will mature into a strong GK and part-time forward.

Rhys McDonnell (Rhys)

Rhys has had a strong year at Melville this year, playing between both the 2s & 3s grade. His speed has helped a very slow and ageing backline on countless occasions. His commitment to the team through the year was exceptional, highlighted by not being selected in a game up in Joondalup but showing up to support and bring his Mrs along too. Well Done mate, great year!

Daniel McEntee (Macca)

Another year, another great season for Macca. The seemingly never-ageing forward once again brought experience and reliability to the forward line. Dmac's positioning up front allowed him to put away enough goals to always be in contention for the Coleman. Macca was one of the leaders in the forward line, regularly offering his wisdom to the Juniors who were often filling in. Thanks again for the great season, we hope to see you return for another season next year.





PREMIER DIVISION 3 MEN cont

John McKnight (Hooksey)

Great bloke and hockey player with a drive for success that inspires the team to play to their full potential. Lightens up the team spirit with his energetic humour, especially when guys could decipher his accent. Was the team's anchor at centre half and provided great direction to others around him. Hopefully next year he won't have to borrow his wife's hockey gear and will have his own.

Jacob Mulcahy (Yakub)

Jacob, a derivative from the Latin, Hebrew, Greek and others: Iacob, Jakov, Yakub; translates directly to 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. All arms and legs, on initial appraisal, Jacob appeared some-what awkward on the field. Was his stick too short or he too tall?! Intervention required perhaps- After Jacob's first game in 3s, there were also initial investigations as to his general health - how could someone with a BMI less than 10 require a break after only being on for four minutes?! It was later discovered that Jacob had played two games of footy, a game of hockey and umpired a game earlier in the weekend. He has adopted a 'stealth approach' in midfield, turning side on, to perform a Houdini where opposition cannot find him to mark. This has been extremely effective as he reappears breaking the midfield line with the ball. Having found his stick to height length, Jacob's uncanny beanstalk reach has caught opposition players out on many an occasion this year, with his stats for steals through the roof for the second half of the season. Houdini on offence and Beanstalk on defence has made Jacob a force to be reckoned with this year and we look forward to more of the same next season from the big fella!

Harrison Parkes (Parksy)

This year Harry cemented himself as a full-time forward, however much like with most of our forwards, the scoring touch was not with him this year. May have had something to do with the constant demotions to 2s all season. Harry's goal tally was unfortunately less than the completed trips to games in the Datsun (which included trips to North Bunbury and South Geraldton) but he still had more goals than 'manager' Scally, which is what really counts. Highlight of the year for Harry was instigating the great Mitch Monopoly Deal Tantrum of 2022 at Varsity Fridays, which to this day is still one of the best off-field moments of the year.

Sean Ranford (Ramma)

Rama, aka the debt collector, is one of the oldest members in the 3s group, great in defence but not much in the oxygen tank. He's a utility player and the first person to falcon a hockey ball. Picking off attackers with his tackles in the halfback line, making some great plays and filling in the midfield role. Because of his old age, he takes the leadership role to help the younger guys in the group. Sometimes gives the occasional spray to them. Highlight for Rama was the game against Hale. He trapped an overhead ball with his head. Luckily his head is like a bowling ball, so no injury.

Jonathan Rayfield (Jonno)

Jono has been a pivotal member of the 3s squad this year, playing a commanding position in goals. Jono has provided the team with many game-changing saves and last-minute defensive scrambles to save the game. Jono's highlights this season included conceding 13 goals in two games upon his return to the 3s team. Jono's off-field performance has improved this season staying behind after training to enjoy a few beers, but is still yet to buy a round.





PREMIER DIVISION 3 MEN cont

David Richardson (Richo)

Richo is a unit in the midfield who you can always trust to pass the ball to. His ability to eliminate players is second to none and can always be relied on for a good pass. Although he could not play for majority of the season, he is a key contributor to the success of the team and his leadership off the field allows the younger players of the team to further their understanding of the game.

Thomas Robinson (Bobby)

Great to have Bobby back in the maroon after some time out of the game. The sheer pace of the two fullbacks the 3s rolled out week after week was something to behold. Bobby towelled up opponent after opponent, and it was nice of him to let them out of his pocket once the game was over. According to multiple reports, scientists around the globe are looking into the use of his asthma puffer pre games. Finally on a positive note, his mid season trip to Bali was extremely successful, Jordan de Goey please take note.

Joshua Scanlon (Scanners)

Taking every opportunity to get as much hockey as possible into his weekends, Scanners has put his hand up and spread his seed across the 2s, 3s and 4s whenever required throughout the year. Rotating through the midfield and forward line, he's always demonstrated a keen desire to eliminate anyone nearby, including his own teammates during training sessions. Always hungry for the ball, you can rely on Scanners to be there when you need to find a pass. Another year passes and he's got another great season under his belt. An absolute asset to the team and the sooner he realizes 3s is where he actually wants to play, the better off we will all be.

Mark Timmel (Stick)

Stick - a small skinny branch, but also the ultimate Ressie's captain, on-field umpire review system and all round top bloke, Sticks effort week in week out is what makes him a good leader. On the pitch or in the pub you can always count on him to rev the boys up. Stick has played a pivotal role in directing the team from fullback, pushing us all as we head into finals.

Maverick Yow (Mav)

Maverick's hockey this year is very much a fifo swing. Four weeks on during the school term and four weeks off during the wife's school holidays. When Maverick does play, he is always late to training as he would prefer to hold hands with his good friend Sean Ranford down at Fitstop. It must be said Maverick is a spiritual leader of the team and brings a wealth of experience to the backline. Maverick has the full cohort of skills from tackling, overheads, drag flicking to scoring field goals. Hopefully the school term goes for a bit longer next year.

Nicholas Zubrowski (Zibba)

Not too sure why Zibba is in our section of the Yearbook considering he's a 2s player but the polish sledgehammer has well and truly cemented himself in the starting forward line - literally as he never actually leaves the attacking circle. Give him credit though this bloke always gives 110% and often creating multiple goal-scoring opportunities per game. Looking forward to seeing him put in a big off-season and going for plenty more solo runs from the half line next year!





PREMIER DIVISION 3 WOMEN

2022 has been an enjoyable and rewarding and yet challenging year for all involved with the Ladies 3s team.

I truly enjoyed coaching the 3s this year. They are an amazing group of ladies. They were so very kind and respectful to me throughout the year. Thank you to all.

Personally, I am so thankful towards Tilly for her support, and also how very well all of the coaches and OFT worked together.

I mentioned it was a challenging year. One word to say and that is 'Covid'. It really affected everything. The lack of availability of players from furloughing and injury etc

In our season we had a draw at Round 4 but did not have our first win until Round 7. Yet only one of those games was decided by more than one goal. We were so very close to getting our first win.

A real effort made by all of us to make improvement really then started to pay off. We had at least six players that were coming back to hockey from a period of time off. Collectively as a group we started to gain the reward that was so hugely deserved.



We owe a lot to all of the fill-ins, to allow us each week to put a competitive team on the field. They came from the Masters, from Juniors, and from both the 4s and 2s teams.

In total, an amazing 33 players played for the 3s this season. A real testament to the Club's depth and strength.

We continued to improve throughout the season and finished the season well. In the next 10 games after Round 7 we had six wins and two draws. We were getting the reward for all of our efforts

I would like to thank many people

- The entire amazing player group that I am so very proud of.
- Colleen Bentley as Co-Manager, I truly thank her for her support and contribution during the season especially on game day. To Bonnie for also being Co-Manager and handling the team entries and scores - and lollies!
- The dream OFT that has been surrounding us all - Tilly Carmichael, Mal Cowan, Mark Lyons, Janine Tate, Matt Tate and James Day.
- To Bonnie Meacock as Captain and all of the leadership group, thank you so much for your support.
- The core group of team. An amazing group of ladies and just great people. There is a brilliant combination of young talented Juniors, experienced great players for the club and a developing skilful group.
- A special mention to Hayley Greenwell and Harriet Ward who unfortunately had season ending injuries. They continued to support the team which was great.
- Thank you to Lauren Healey and Jessica Heron who came from Juniors and helped us for the second half of the season and contributed and played really well. Also, to Ivy Filmer who came up from 4s and did many double-ups for us. Really appreciated that, Ivy.
- Thank you to all the significant fill-ins, namely - Montanna Barnsby, Grace Bowyer, Jess Gallimore, Emily Grosser (Rabbit), Ash Jarvis, Lucy Lefroy, Tori Wade, Loz Anderson, Abi Bell, Larissa Blechynden, Sarah Gilbert, Charly Hogarth, Rosey Pearce, Brianna Rennie and Madeline Northover. They fitted easily into the group and were so very good for us, all playing really well and bringing success for the team.

We look to be finishing 7th on the ladder this year. If some of the close games had gone our way, we could have easily made the top four. All of us should be very proud of our amazing efforts this year.

John "Cookie" Cooke - Coach



PREMIER DIVISION 3 WOMEN cont

Caitlin Bentley (Caito)

Caito has been an amazing vice captain and friend over the course of the 2022 season. She always has a smile on her face and yet is constantly fierce on the hockey field. Caito did a fantastic job transitioning from the midfield to defence line this season and we wouldn't have won as many games without her! She is consistently strong over the ball and she always strives to try her best which inspires us all. Her bubbly personality and positive energy will continue to make her a wonderful asset to any team.

Jordanna Beynon (Jo)

Jo was a welcome addition to the 3s team and Melville City Hockey Club this season! Showing courage and determination, Jo demonstrates natural flare, skills and knowledge that allow her to create opportunities, outcomes and quick shots on goal. She has been an asset to the forward line and a great team mate! We hope to see you back in maroon again next year Jo!

Mikayla Blackham

It has been an absolute delight playing with Mikayla in 3s this season. Mikayla always brings such a bubbly and friendly attitude to both trainings and games. She is a powerhouse up in the forward line, and her ability to keep the ball on her stick and dodge the opposition is something to be reckoned with! I can't wait to see what Mikayla achieves with her hockey in the future.

Stacey Bruce

Stacey is a valuable team member and formidable opponent. A spectacular forward, she always helps out her teammates, either by being in the perfect place or by words of encouragement. Stacey typically comes to hockey looking very beautiful, rushing from home, before sweating it off running a million miles per hour on the field. Stacey is a level-headed, calm player who has great composure and can take on an opponent when she wants, or often selflessly passes it off to teammates so she can get into the perfect spot on the post. She's a good laugh and we love having her around.

Darcie Farrow

Darcie has had an incredible season and she should be so proud. From the hits down the line to the accurate passes she gives under pressure. I love playing with her and her spirit for the game we love is so admirable.

Ivy Filmer

Jumping in from the 4s to help us for seven games throughout the year, Ivy has helped the backs create a strong shield from the opposition. Ivy's proven her ability to provide the ball to the mids and beyond as a strong strength of hers. Ivy's confidence and lovely personality has only helped her gain immense respect from her teammates and we look forward to many more years playing with her.





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Megan Green (Meg)

Meg has had a great debut season at Melville this year. It has been a pleasure playing alongside her in our midfield and defence and she has defined herself as a versatile player. Meg is a delight to have as a teammate, is always encouraging and supportive and brings a strong determination when she crosses that line. Look forward to playing with her again next season!

Lauren Healey

As one of the youngest players in the 3s team Lauren's young legs have helped the forward line immensely. By providing an extra person in our attacking D, Lauren's ability to be in the right position at the right time has proven her to be a great addition to the team. Lauren can only go up from here as she cements her spot in the Seniors whilst also completing her Junior years.

Jessica Heron (Jess)

Jess put her hand up to play for the 3s as numbers have been a challenge throughout the year, and we have never looked back. She's provided strength and security in the backline, often providing the fast paced sprint back to the defensive D to provide help as the last line of defence. She's a hard worker and a fantastic team player. Jess has a very calming personality on the field and the ability to remain strong under immense pressure. A great addition to the team!

Serena Matthews

Serena's presence in the midline is a driving force for our team and the younger players in the middle. Her ability to support players and link the mids to the backs and forwards has helped us propel forward in the second half of the season. As a more mature player in the team, her knowledge of hockey allows the younger players to begin their senior career with a strong understanding of hockey. She's a valued player that has brought a happy and positive attitude all year round. If there's one thing we love about her it's her ability to never stop running!

Bonnie Meacock

Bonnie has been a fantastic captain this year for the 3s girls - full of positivity and open communication. She has been a huge support to the back group in defence and has led us to some very successful wins. She is determined to get back for every break away and her speed is a very handy attacking strategy up the line. She is an awesome captain, team mate and friend and I can't wait to play with her next season.

Shaya Pillay

Shaya is an amazing player and friend. She can whip up an overhead or dazzle with her extraordinary skills when 1:1. Shaya has been a wonderful team mate and has supported the 3s with having such a fun, fantastic season. A ball of sunshine!

Zoe Polglase

Zoe is a key defender in our 3s team. She makes strong tackles when we are under the pump in defence and uses her speed to create play down the sidelines. Using her skill, she is ready in short corners as our posty to make outstanding traps and clearing the ball. Zoe has a strong dedication towards our team and we all love playing with her!

Elizabeth Stratton (Lizzie)

Lizzie has had an outstanding season. She is one of the most passionate and determined players on the field every week. She's always putting her body on the line and working her hardest to get every ball. Lizzie's hard work shows in some of the amazing goals that she has scored. She brings a big smile and lots of laughter to the team. Well done on another great season Lizzie.



Georgia Wade

Georgia gives it all every game never stops running. Has had a great season in both 3s and 2s. She's always hungry and determined to get goals, with some great goals scored this year. A great team player who is a pleasure to play with.

Kiara Wardrobe

Kiara is a hardworking midfielder who is not afraid to put her body on the line when it comes to running out and tackling. Despite her work commitments she still manages to get to training and give it 110%. Her tenacity on the ball and energy off the ball always sets a good tempo for the team. Her second, third and fourth efforts never fail to amaze anyone. She has had a great season, well done Kiara!!



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Mikayla Wardrobe (Miki)

Miki is easily one of the most dedicated players on our team, frequently going to double trainings back to back for Juniors and Seniors and always giving 110% despite this! Over the season she has proven to be an incredibly competent and skilful keeper against some really tough teams. With awe-inspiring over-head saves and dives and even breaking out into the splits, she will do whatever it takes to not let that ball in. Don't let her youth fool you, she is not afraid to yell at us defenders (and we are grateful for it). Thanks for always having our backs Miki!

Madeline West (Maddy)

Maddy is known to be an energetic and diligent player who has been more than happy to double up in many of her games this season. She is a dedicated individual and a big team player. Her slick skills and growing confidence have helped the team set up many goals this season. Her work rate, along with her determination and positive attitude is inspiring! Maddy is a well-rounded, fun loving and easy to talk to friend.

All in all the year was, and is, a great one for us to look back on. We've come through lows and highs and have remained so resilient throughout (resilience seems to stem throughout all 1s, 2s & 3s - one of the best traits we all have).

A true testament to the team and an opportunity for us all to look forward to in the next years to come.

We now head into a well deserved break, one the 3s girls and all who helped create the fabulous year 2022 deserve. They will be raring to go when February 2023 comes around! Thank you to our fantastic supporters - you may be a small collect group but the consistency behind the support from family and friends makes all the difference. Here's to some great years ahead from a great bunch of women and all the others who step up and join in.

Bonnie Meacock (Capt & Co-Manager)





DIVISION 5 MEN

After strategically throwing games last year to finish second and stay in Division 6, Hockey WA decided to update the divisions and promote us regardless. The team (along with the 3s) put their hands up to take the mantle of most amount of beers bought on a Thursday for the fifth year running, showing the Top Squads how it is done. It was a struggle throughout the year to field a team full of Seniors, having to rely heavily on the Juniors towards the end of the year. We would like to thank Eamon, Oliver, Jude, Will, Andy and Ben who all stepped up to help us out this year. Despite all the adversity, this team managed to sneak into the finals after going up a grade and should be proud of that achievement. **Coach Alex Wragg**



Benjamin Clark (The Worst Clark)

Another year down and another year of not taking up the family tradition for Ben - not dating someone within the club or being good at hockey. Maybe if Ben rocked up to training more often, he would be able to work on both of these. Normally upgrading your equipment results in an upgrade in performance, for Ben he was able to trap better and hit better however these upgrades severely affected his ability to mark, often losing his wingman who taps it in on the back post.

Jake Coleman – Orthopaedic Surgeon's Dream

Snake, the wake boarding expert, thought it was a great idea to try and wake board back from Rottnest this year which resulted in him fracturing his shoulder and missing a large portion of the year. After returning from injury, Snake went and hurt himself again in the Scrubbers, chasing a premiership. So, similar to Ash, he was not required this year.

Liam Colgan (Hanson the Caretaker)

This year Liam managed to remove his partner's thumb from his forehead and was able to wear the maroon more than his wedding suit. Liam was a handy inclusion to a short corner battery which had a worse success rate than the Jacob/Jaymon combo at Metros. Towards the end of this season, Liam has made a necessary adjustment to uniform, attaching a string to his dummy after constantly spitting his when short corners weren't pushed out straight at training.

Daniel Conlan (Flagmantle)

It was the second year down at the club for the Narrogin import and Dan has fit in nicely, even choosing Melville over his beloved Narrogin team. For Dan, the only thing more important than the Melville boys was going to watch his Flagmantle team lose in torrential rain. The boys wish Dan all the best over the off season, recently finding some trouble at home with his missus after a recent trainspotting incident.

Jason De Wind – Poor Man's Ken

We all think it is no coincidence that Windy's lack of appearances at Thursday night trainings and games coincides with Port Adelaide's horrible year. Windy has followed in the footsteps of a man who he adores, Ken

Hinkley, and taken over the coaching responsibilities of the Southern River women's top side, and all we can say is, lucky Southern River doesn't have a president like Port Adelaide otherwise Windy would have received an early pay-out of his contract.

Stephen Gibson (Father Time)

Being the second-best accountant in the team, Old Man Gib took over the mantle of manager/fines master this year to get some extra training in. This season was Gibbo's second year as fullback and he has become more confident in the ability of his fellow fullback in Windy, often going for an adventure up the field and leaving Windy isolated when the ball has been turned over. The lack of beers purchased by Gibbo this season has been noted and we all pray that he gets a pass for the end of season function to repay everyone this year.

Evan Kelly (FIFO)

Evan's nickname this year is the West Coast Eagles because like them, Ev only turns up to play when there is a home game and it isn't raining. Next year the team will need to set up a separate roster to the umpiring duties for the baby sitting of Ev's kids so he is able to play the full year. Taking a few games to get fit, Ev slotted into the centre half position and his years of 1s games started to show with his ability to break the game open and find passes which only he could make.

Bailey Knell (Stage Fright)

Bailey has continued on his good form from last year, being a work horse in the midfield all year long. His ability to find space and break lines between the 25s has helped the team's ball movement and his cool head (contrary to its appearance) has helped Bailey improve. The next stage on Bailey's improvement will be to overcome his stage fright when entering the D.

Callum Lee (Meatbox)

Callum has made the step up to Seniors this year and has fitted in seamlessly with the squad. After starting the year in the 3s team, Cal made his way down to the 4s after not sharing any of his pregame meatbox with Ricca. To Cal's credit he didn't let this get him down and continued to improve throughout the remainder of the year while increasing his pregame to chips, burgers, cokes and choccy bars. Although normally this diet would



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lead to many people wearing a rashie at the beach, Cal being young, has a high metabolism and able to keep his body in top shape, often sending late night photos of his rig to team members as a birthday present.

Jacob Mulcahy – You’re Cut

A new season saw a new questionable haircut for Jacob, opting for the shaved sideburn, afro haircut which raised a few eyebrows. This new haircut caught the eye of Ricca, often doubling up while driving back to Narrogin each weekend to play there as well. Jacob liked to show case his skills on the field, often beating a player with a drag to then stop the ball and let the defender catch up so that he can beat him again. Let's hope that Jacob can improve off-field like he has done on-field as he has often been unable to score in the nightclubs of Perth.

Jaymon Needham (The Worse Needham)

Coming off a record number of cards last year, Jaymon decided it was in his best interest, and the interest of the wider hockey community, that he stopped umpiring eight games a weekend and focused on playing hockey this year. This worked for Jaymon only receiving one card throughout the year, although we can put this down to luck rather than an improvement in his tackling ability. After coming into the year as the second-best Needham at Melville behind Tommy B, Jaymon has failed to make any inroads into this ranking and will need to put in some big work over the offseason to improve his ranking.

Brett Rankine (First Round)

After taking a large sabbatical from hockey and then coming back from the Scrubbers, Snake decided to get into Brett's ear and get him to chance his arm at running around in the 4s. Being one of the older team members, the Alzheimer's kicked in and Brett was unsure of where he wanted to play, often floating between forward and defence from week to week. Although Brett often forgets where he is playing, he never forgets to get the first round in and that's why he is first picked every week.

Jonathan Rayfield (SULO Bin)

Jono had a hiatus last year in the 3s but at the start of this year was promoted back to the 4s. He had a solid start to the year, on and off the field, making some great saves and by buying his annual round of beer for the team in the second game of the year and everyone thought we were seeing a new Jono. This was not the

case as the old Jono came out, attempting a Superman tackle not once but twice in one game (both resulting in goals) and it was also the last beer that Jono bought for the squad. To make things worse, Jono was then demoted back to the 3s for the rest of the year.

Michael Symonds (Jeff Newman)

With the weather being a lot more wet than previous years on a Thursday night, it has meant that North Melbourne has notched more wins this season than Symo has had appearances at training. Not leaving the centre of the pitch all season, Symo has been a rock-solid centre half or centre forward for us this year, often breaking lines and creating some dynamic plays. Even though he has been great through the centre for us, Symo left his best performance for his trip home, equalling his season total in goals and adding a card to top off the trip.

James Welten (Box)

With the longest rehab ever put into a knee injury, Box finally returned to the hockey field and it was evident that running was not a part of his rehab taking the majority of the year to get his fitness back. Once Jimmy was able to run longer than five minutes, he became a very useful asset in the midfield this season rarely getting beaten. It must be something in our midfield because like Bailey, Jimmy suffers from stage fright when he is put in front of goal but a couple of mistraps lead to Jimmy doubling his career total in goals from 2 to 4, well done Jimmy.

Alexander Wragg (Supercoach)

What can we say about this guy except that he is captain courageous? After leading the team to a flag last year, AJ Flagg came into the season rupturing his ACL in his left knee but that wouldn't stop him donning the maroon for the boys this year. Unfortunately, he was only able to put 5 games together prior to that said knee collapsing on him while being a hero at training but that didn't stop him from being equal fifth goal scorer for the team this year and helping motivate the team to string together some wins. Even though he was unable to play, he still turned up week in and week out to coach the squad with what has to be one of the best hockey minds in the club. Truly an asset to the club.





DIVISION 5 WOMEN

The Melville Minions (Ladies 4's) were promoted a division in 2020 and then in 2021 finishing third and progressing to the Grand Final, where we fell just short of a Premiership. That year is regarded as an absolute success and the new team would have a hard act to follow. 2022 (through all the COVID shambles) certainly was a difficult year. In spite of that, it was still very exciting to be back as a group. I (Coach Cookie) met the team for the first time at our practice preseason games. A real energy was coming from everyone, including those that had come off injury from last year. It was obvious that having had three retirements from the 2021 team as well as four players pushing their way into 3s division, we were going to be a new look team.

The new Minions were a combination of about half of team from the previous year, plus a some 5s progressing up and three returnees, after some time off from hockey. The season started with six wins on the trot and a record of seven wins from eight games at the mid-season break. We soon discovered they all had well and truly adopted the Melville Minion values and ways. The season recommenced, and although we experienced losses to a couple of top four sides, we managed to maintain 2nd spot for most of the season. Once again, it was just really good fun seeing how Brian (Team Manager) compiled his brilliant emails each week. I wish to truly thank him for his support for us all. Naturally I also want to thank Brianna, for just keeping me on track and for her huge support. We had a lot to concentrate on this year with all the COVID absenteeism across the grades. We are very proud of our core group for how they have stood up during these difficult times and we genuinely thank the 17 fill-ins (Vets, Juniors, 3s and 5s) for their support and endeavours to assist us in being a successful team. Also, Tilly I thank as part of a brains trust each week for getting a full team out on the park. **Coach John Cooke**



Lucia Alzetta (Luscious Lucia - Mid)

Lucia Alzetta, also known as 'Luscious Lucia' is an absolute asset to the Melville 4s team (The Minions). Week after week she dominates the midfield, her key positions being centre, halfback and inner. Lucia's commitment to the team is something to admire, without fail, always at training and games bringing a positive (un-intimidated) and cheerful attitude. Besides her exceptional stick skills and unmatched fitness, Lucia is a witty character always promoting laughter amongst the girls and breaking hearts. Without a doubt, you can count on her to fire up the ladies for a tough game ahead. The Minions would not be the same without her.

Lauren Anderson (Laser Lauren - Attack)

Lauren has been an amazing contributor to our team, as always. She brings so much positivity to our team as a captain and we all appreciate her determination, energy and critiques. Her quick thinking skills during game play and ball skills as a striker are incredible. Her season was interrupted with an overseas jaunt / holiday but we are all so glad she returned with that determination to make our season a successful one.

Mia Ballard (Mia Mouse - Def)

Mia the magnificent, the dream, mean, speedy tackle machine!! Great at answering calls and she always gets back to defend when needed. Penalty corners, what can we say, she always gets out there first with her super fast swagger and sway!! She is positive, loves to laugh and brings energy to every game. Mia is decently in the top, in our team hockey wall of fame and we have missed her when not there, injured due to a hammy tear or work commitments got in her way. However, she always gave 100% to the season in every game she could play!!

Abigail Bell (Princess Abi Bella - Centre)

Abi is the absolute 'centre' of our team! Running circles around her opponents, sticking up for herself and her team mates and her quick-witted banter means Abi livens up every game. Her composure on the ball, in the centre of the field, efforts in shoring up the defence and in supporting the forwards makes her the ultimate all rounder. Unfortunately, due to COVID and a hammy injury, Abi has not been able to play the full season, but the games she has played, she has always made an impressive impact on the game. Well done on a wonderful season Abi and looking forward to many more!



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Larissa Blechynden (Blocker Ris - Def)

Ris is an amazing asset to the team, her strong presence on the field makes it very difficult for the opposing players to get past her. When needed she's quite literally cleaning up at the back, or distributing the ball effortlessly. Quite frankly where the ball is, Ris is ready to back up her teammates. This year Ris has been quite the all-rounder playing pretty much anywhere she is needed. Though she has a calm and positive demeanor, Blocker can get feisty on the field which we love to see! Thank you for a solid season teach!!!

Monique D'Amato (Magnificent Mon - Attack)

Monique, Mon or M&M joined the Minions full time this year and was a great addition. Between all the parties and social events she managed to play some great hockey without breaking a nail or ruining the fake tan. In all seriousness, Mon displayed some real toughness, determination, resilience and speed this season. She is never ever afraid to get into a contest and has hounded the opposition to distraction. Mon has scored some cracking goals and really contributed to the Mighty Minions success. A great first season in Seniors and can't wait to see what is in store for the years to come!

Ivy Filmer (Ferocious Filmer - Def)

Ferocious Filmer is a reliable and skillful player, offering great composure to the defensive line, contributing to the success of many games. Though we lost her to the 3s a few games out of the year, Ivy makes a great impact on the team at training and at games. Ivy brings a positive energy to the team with her cheeky smile. She has a quick wit on the sideline and quick feet on the field, taking on the opposition and escaping them with her skills and fancy feet - Ivy embodies cool, calm and collected and makes the tackle and pass every time. She is a team player who works hard for the team, coaches and the club. We hope to see you back next year!



Sarah Gilbert (Silent (bd) Sarah - Attack)

While very quiet in the beginning, the animal soon surfaced and contrary to her nickname, Silent-Sarah is far from silent. She has no shame in dropping that she's the leading goal scorer of not only the team but the entire league. Sarah, not short of confidence, is consistently running across half the field, weaving around defenders and somehow finding space to get a shot away. Despite occasionally missing the ball completely, she looks quite speccy when she gets the ball on the right side of the post. Great to have you in the team. Sarah has great skills not only on the field but also on the sideline and at the bar after a game. She'll be the first to encourage you to stay for a drink. 10/10 teammate!

Crystal Hobbs (Precious Crystal - Def)

Crystal has been an absolute asset to our back line this year and a key contributor to the successful and almighty defensive unit. Composed and reliable under pressure, Crystal always reads the play exceptionally well. She is often seen stealing the ball from the opposition attackers and then whizzing around multiple players with her spectacular skills. Crystal is a very capable player, friendly and focused. It has been a pleasure to play alongside you as you also bring so much positivity and calmness to the mighty Minions!

Charly Hogarth (Chatterbox Charly - GK)

Charly you have been the backbone of our defence and communication on the field. You never fail to keep us motivated with your positive reinforcement and instructions. You are the voice of the team and communicate the play. We absolutely love your bubbly, caring demeanor and also love your fiery side that motivates the team. The team can fully trust that you will stop the ball going into the goal (at any cost) to rectify the odd errors that have given the opposition the opportunity to shoot for goal. We appreciate your hard work as our goalie and you are a very valuable team player. You are the team's cheer squad and we certainly appreciate you lifting up our spirits and praising our tackles and hockey play. Thank you for all your hard work and team attitude throughout this season- we are certainly lucky to have you.



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Meg Huston (Hustler Huston - Mid)

Hustler Huston. A key player in our amazing midfield! You would never have guessed that she joined the club mid way into the season as she fit in so wonderfully with us all and truly completed our team. Her bubbly personality, fierce game play and electric smile are all amazing qualities about Meg that we have been lucky enough to see and get to know over the season. On and off the field Meg is someone that we can always rely on to have our back and will always be there for us. Without Meg's passion, determination and commitment each game, our team's success would be very different to what it is now. We are so glad that you joined the Minions.

Ella Joynes (Mumma Minion - Attack)

Ella can always be relied upon in the forward line with her speedy skills and determination to put away a goal or two. After a much deserved goal she would spontaneously do a little jig to celebrate and we think, rub it in (Silent gets so angry). Ella certainly made her mark as a striker. She (unlike most teachers) is level headed and very encouraging to members of our team. The breakaways, tenacity and team spirit have all been missed. Ella was doing so well, but after registering a red line on her RAT she subsequently discovered it was a pregnancy test and had to leave half way through the season. A baby Minion is on the way. We wish Ella all the best in becoming a Mumma Minion and can't wait to see her back out on the field one day in the future.

Brittany Lawrence (Battler Britt - Everywhere)

Is she a defender, is she a midfielder? Hey you never know maybe one day she'll be a forward. It doesn't matter where Brit is playing on the field she always goes out there and gives it her all! She's a solid and reliable player and always dominates her position on the field. Not only is Brit a great person to have playing on the field she is always a great teammate to have off the field and we know we can always rely on her to come to social events and stick around for many a drink. Off-field she always displays a great commitment to the club through being on the committee, but be careful because if you haven't paid your fees she will come after you. Thanks Brit for being an amazing teammate and friend and let's not forget one of the few to bring a regular spectator to cheer us on!

Rose Pearce (Penetrator Pearce - Mid/Attack)

Rosey complemented and enhanced our midfield this year through her speed, strength and stamina. She was a key link in connecting the defence to the attack by setting up many goal-scoring opportunities. She loves the tomahawk and always backs herself, with no fear of taking the opposition player/s on with her quick and agile skills. Off the field, Rosey's bright and bubbly personality was a great contribution to a lovely bunch of ladies (the Mighty Minions) to play alongside this season. We hope to see you again next year.

Brianna Rennie (Eveready Rennie - Def)

Brianna's nickname should be 'Salt' - because she is in everything. She is our ultimate team coordinator and fitness guru! She is a phenomenal asset to our team on and off the field. Bree defends a hockey ball from entering the opposition's 'D' as if her life depended on it, showing her strong will and determination to win. Eveready not only reminds us about the weekly Thursday night dinner menu but instigates Tuesday fitness in conjunction to creating a platform for individual accountability. Thank you so much Bree on behalf of the whole team for being so supportive and motivational - especially on rainy days, your passion for hockey and our team in general does not go unnoticed and we are truly grateful.

Piper Sumich (One handed Piper - Attack)

Piper may look unassuming but she has a sneaky skill of knowing exactly where to be to create a breakaway run and use her deceptive speed to knock the ball into the goal. The one handed phantom may not talk all that much on the field but her efforts are full on and appreciated by the team. Only having joined the fours team last season, it was clear that Piper had a lot of potential, and this year it has been truly wonderful to watch her grow into an even stronger and more confident player on the field. Always smiling, kind and friendly, Piper is wonderful to have on the team.

Thank you to Rizza as we both supported each other at trainings, and congratulations to him and the team to be currently top of the ladder. It is a true strength of MCHC to always be able to put a competitive team out on the park. We owe a lot to all of those amazing fill ins (i.e. Erin, Loz etc.) that have allowed us to have the opportunity to now be playing finals. I always feel privileged to coach this 4s group. They are an amazing team of fine young ladies, with just an outstanding attitude towards each other, the Coach and Manager. . The Round 18 draw resulted in us finishing in 3rd position. This meant we played Hale in a KO semi and we did it the hard way, winning only after 2 x 5min extra times and then 10 shootouts (6 - 5). Oh my heart!

We aim to keep winning and see how far we can go this season for the Team, Spectators and the Club. GO Mighty Minions!

The Melville Minions should all be very proud as to what has been achieved already and in the coming weeks in 2022.





DIVISION 7 (GOLD) MEN

Year in a nutshell:

18 players on our list. Struggled each week to field 11. We won our first six then parked the bus. Finished with only 7 wins from 18. Annnndddd still made finals. Standard 5s rubbish.

Luke Beeson –
Nickname: Lemon – Refund needed

Everybody laughing until you pull up with a lemon car



Liam Cremen
Nickname: Father Christmas

"Dear Santa..."

Santa: "New number who dis"



Mitchell Farmer
Nickname: Learner's plates

Got my learners permit



Christian Gallagher
Nickname: 3 steps

Meep meep!



Mitchell Harvey
Nickname: Strike

Doctors have gone on strike but their demands are unclear



Tyson Harvey
Nickname: Top goal scoring Harvey





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Kieren Hill
Nickname: Doc

DR.: you're going to feel a little bit of pressure. Ready?

ME: yes

DR.: your sister is younger but already has a career path & owns her home



Brodie Hood
Nickname: Wheely Bin

Why is that ship named 3.14?

Because it's full of π -rates.



Ben Lister
Nickname: Plumber

When you didn't get your body ready for summer but you decide to hit the public pool anyway



Jayben Lister
Nickname: Happily Engaged

It's never too late to ask



Brodie Linfoot
Nickname: Jon Snow

Jon Snow in the tv show:



Jon Snow in the books:

Jon Snow

Declan Parkes
Nickname: Baby Boxer

When you wanna fight



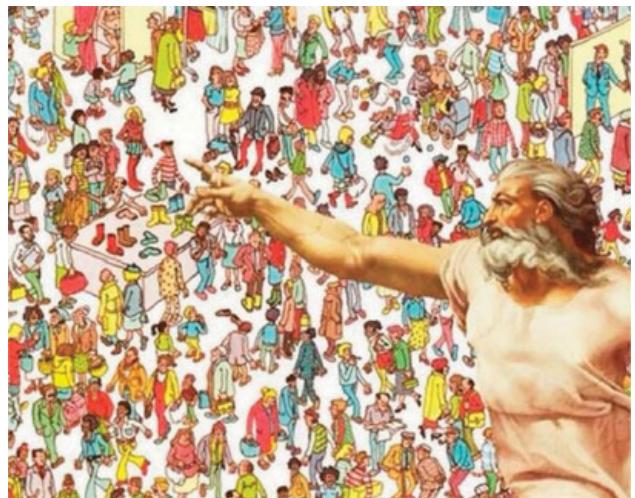


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Adam Riley
Nickname: Gone Fishing



Daniel Wallington
Nickname: Where's Wally



Jason Tate
Nickname: Dad

Dad: *Has heartattack*
Dad: Call me an ambulance....
Son: Uh...you're an ambulance...
Dad:



Mitchell Welten
Nickname: Laser Eyes



Griff Thomas
Nickname: 7 illegitimate children

"Anybody know what sort of bird this is?"



Joshua Wesson
Nickname: Karate Kid





DIVISION 7 (GOLD) WOMEN

2022 was a year of many challenges and the 5s women were presented with many of their own throughout the season. Testament to their quick ability to adapt and band together, the girls quickly found out that they had the skills and mindset to overcome these challenges and produce an outcome that many thought wasn't possible, a top of the competition finish! Well done girls!

We started with half the team from the previous season and the remainder of the team an injection of youth and talent from Juniors and also people who were keen to give hockey another go. With individual skills varying throughout the group and everyone having their own flavour to add to the mix there was a risk that the girls might not band together to fight a common enemy. This risk quickly dissipated when they all had the coach to aim their sights at and prove that they had what it took to be a formidable team. Throughout the season everyone continued to develop and raise their skill level and commitment to the team, it was very pleasing as a coach to have everyone eager and motivated to achieve the best that they could. Hopefully some of the game tactics and phrases during our pre-game chats stick with you - popcorn, player emojis, agitate etc. I truly appreciate the respect and maturity that was shown by all members of the team during trainings, games and off field functions.

A special mention to all the 'double-ups' and Juniors that helped us throughout the season. Many of the Juniors made their Senior debut when playing for us. Juniors girls, please know that you all have the skills and motivation (parents) to mix it in the Senior ranks, keep developing and having fun. We look forward to the permanent inclusion of our Junior warriors into the seniors ranks for many years to come.

Thank you to Bron Anderson (manager), JBQ (backup coach), Steve Woods (paparazzi) and all the parents, partners and fans that filled the stands during our prime time games at 7pm on Sundays or curtain raisers on a Friday night at 8.30pm. Also a massive thank you to Brianna Rennie for her continued support and assistance in the background. We really appreciate the effort that you all put in to support the girls and help them achieve their top of the competition result.

Cheers, Rizza (Coach) STOP PRESS: May Campbell 2022 Winners, Grand Final Runner-up

Amy Abernethy (Forward)

Amy has been a strong asset both on and off the field in the 5s team since joining the club last year. Her hard work and strength on and off the ball has been a key factor to the teams success this season. Her bubbly and sassy personality ensures there's never a dull moment when she is around, especially when she provides all the laughs falling over at least once a game and training session. Love your work Amy, never stop being you!

Emily Billingham (Midfield)

In three words you can describe Emily as strong, skilled and kind. She is a player who you can always trust and rely on to play at her best, with her composure and strength on the ball making her such a valuable and admirable player. As a team player Emily has always been friendly, open and supportive, pushing herself to improve and listening to others. Her efforts on the field don't go unnoticed as she is always there to help defend or push forward, playing such an important role that has been key in the success of our team.

Madeline Carmody (Backline)

This has been Maddie's first full season in Seniors, and safe to say she has been a great addition to our team. Her skills and confidence have improved week by week and is taking in all Riz's great coaching advice. Maddie always brings her big smile and great personality to training and games every week. You can always count on her making everyone laugh. The highlight of Maddie's season was asking Izzy if she was related to Riz.. safe to say this didn't go down well - p.s. thanks for funding our windup xox

Isabelle Gurbiel (Backline)

Izzy was a reliable force in our backline this year. Not only did she find ways to impact the game defensively, Izzy also effectively found targets and was able to outlet the ball when needed. Her ability to get back and stay in a tackle is an asset and reinforces her reliability as a player but also as a friend and team member. Effective elimination and communication has been a standout in Izzy's skillsets this year and contributes to our success in





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defence. A true team player and role model for the younger girls stepping up into Seniors this year. From pre-game tunes to post-game debriefs and after-training wines, we're so lucky to have you Iz!

Tegan Judd (Backline)

Where to start with Tegan! A key player in our back line this year, always stepping up to the occasion. She reassures her teammates with her constant communication through the back line while maintaining her own position and dominating any player who tries their chance at attacking. Her bright personality always helps to uplift and bring the team together when we all need a little boost of energy. Tegan is always one to share a story or two with the team about her adventures as a veterinary student, that either have us in stitches or disbelief of what she has just told us. No matter what we all still listen and are keen to know more, often firing questions about our own pets to her. Tegan has repeatedly proven herself in the backline this year and continues to prove stronger each game. Hopefully we all get the pleasure of playing with you again next year.

Natalie Matthews (Backline)

Natalie has been an absolute amazing teammate this year both on and off the field. She may have joined the team late, but we are so lucky she did. She is a great defender, with an abundance of skill and defensive hockey knowledge. It was comforting knowing that you had a reliable person in the back who could not only defend, but was always up to go for a run up the field and put us in advantageous position. She was an asset to the team this year.

Tara Mishra (Backline)

Tara is an amazing player who is one of the best tacklers in the competition. She uses her speed to outrun her opponents and has saved my bacon multiple times. She is a great teammate who is always fun to be around and always puts in 100% effort. Congrats on a great season Tara! See you next year.



Panashe Mudimu (Midfield)

Panashe was an excellent addition to the team this season. Her reliable, calm and composed game play was ever-present, clearing numerous dangerous situations with ease. Panashe's strength and determination on the ball quickly made her a key player in both defence and attack. 'P' always had a positive influence on and off the field. Thanks 'P' for a great season!

Holly Reed (Forward/Midfield)

Holly is a versatile and determined player who always gives 100% on the field. She is always happy to switch in between forward and mid lines, which benefits her in both positions as she fully understands the roles and strategy needed for both. Holly runs non stop and always manages to pass to the perfect spot, assisting in and scoring many goals this season through her tenacity and ball control. Her reliability and strength makes her a key part of our team, and the guidance she provides to her Junior coaching team clearly reflects her excellent game strategy. She is an asset to our team and continues to give her all in every tackle and short corner she is in.

Ellen Rolls (Forward)

Ellen is a dynamic forward. Every time she receives the ball and uses her reverse skills to get past the opposition, we always feel like a goal is on its way! She has a great short corner hit and uses her speed and skill to make space for herself and lead past players. Ellen is a massively positive person on the field and is greatly appreciated by everyone around her during tough games. Ellen is also the highest goal scorer in the team this year so congrats on the great season!

Claudia Sader (Forward)

Claudia, I've never met someone who looks so nervous in the change room before a game but so confident scoring goals on the field. Speedy in the forward line, you were able to run down passes that the rest of us were sure were heading over the baseline. 100% effort in defence, Claudia caused many turn-overs from the opposition's free hits this season. Your determination and your ability to consistently be in the right position to receive the ball resulted in more than a few goals. You are the ultimate team player, going out of your way to encourage everyone else. It's been a joy playing with you this year Claudia!

Kate Sayers (Midfield)

Kate is a hardworking and reliable member of the team as she is always willing to learn and improve her skills. She would consistently approach every game with a positive and encouraging attitude and give maximum effort, whether she was chasing back into defence or staying in the contest. Playing with Kate was a delight as her cheerful demeanour always put a smile on everyone's face. Thanks for a great season and hope to see you next year.



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Trilby Widger (Midfield)

Trilby it has been an absolute pleasure playing with you this season. You have such a bubbly and positive personality that rubs off on everyone at trainings and games, even when the results didn't go our way. You have dominated playing striker, reading the play effectively and taking on players when needed to achieve the best outcome for the team. You have a killer hit when taking short corners, and this has been proven through your multiple shots at goal this year. Trilby you have had a great season, and I hope to play with you again in the future.



Madison Woods (Goalkeeper)

Madi is our little pocket rocket goalie! She enters every game with energy and oomph. Although she appears small and harmless off the field, when it comes to game time her competitiveness and skills shine through, saving countless goals. Mads has gelled so well with the team, always giving amazing feedback and encouragement to our back four defenders. We are so grateful to have such a fiery, talented goalie, thanks Mads.

Congrats on an amazing season ladies! Your will to win and support each other throughout the whole season has been really awesome to watch. It has been a joy to manage you guys. I can't wait to celebrate this successful season (+ the flag) in a few weeks. Love you queens - Bron xx



DIVISION 8 (BLACK) WOMEN

2022 was the commencement of Melville 9s aka the Metro Team, the Visor Team, The Old Ducks! Regardless of what we or others refer to us as, we are by far a team of incredible ladies that push their bodies to the limit week in and week out. With the constant loss of players to injuries, Mums attending kids birthday parties, ladies' weekends away or simply from other life's commitments, we managed to scrounge a team together to put on the field each weekend. This year we were lucky enough to have three incredible juniors fill in for us, Caelee Power (Fi's daughter), Jasmine Leighton (Mel's daughter) and Lucy Carmody (Ness's daughter). We were privileged to have them play for us because without them we would have struggled during the hot games and against the faster teams. Thank you, girls, for keeping us young! We loved having you! Ash Power, thank you for the commitment to our team. Your umpiring was fantastic and your calmness even better! You now know how desperate we get for free hits when we get old! Seriously though, we loved having you each week and we hope we can have you for 2023!

With all that said, we did end up Minor Premiers for 2022 - not bad for our first year on turf! We are looking forward to nursing our bodies in the off-season and ready to fire again in 2023. Well done Ladies and thank you for your friendships, laughs and drinks after the game!

Coach Vanessa Carmody STOP PRESS: May Campbell 2022 Winners

Lisa Anderson

Lisa is our versatility player. She will play in any position at any stage of any game! Having a player with this flexibility is invaluable. Not only is she versatile, she is fit and will run all day. Lisa went on holidays a couple of times during the season and missed a few weeks and played her first game back like she had been training while on holidays. Thanks for your versatility, fitness, sense of humour. We love having you Lisa!

Vanessa Carmody

Ness is our fierce protector, our Mumma bear, our pack leader. Has found a new niche in the forward line this season, driving the baseline, penetrating the D and on the scorecard regularly. Never afraid to stand in the front line of the press. Body is hanging on by a thread. Has used the most ice packs, dencorub and neurofen this season. Managed to fracture her own team mate's ribs in an intense collision in the D and full of helpful advice for daughter Lucy when she fills in for us. Always up for a laugh, usually at ourselves and often during the game.



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Marie Farrow

Marie said this at the start of the year ... 'I am not going to play weekend hockey this year as I have lots of work, family and watching the Dockers commitments, so I will fill in when I am needed'. Marie played the second highest number of games for our team (17) - so thanks for the 17 fill-ins Marie.. ha ha ha. Marie, you are a true Melville girl and we are all so lucky to be playing alongside. Thank you for all that you do for our Masters Hockey and for Melville Hockey. Marie, a huge congrats on reaching 400 games! Thanks for being our rock at CHB and for consistently mopping up our spill overs! Super star of the game!

Olive Hasselerharm

Olive is a great team player and a Melville stalwart. It's been great to play with her again this year on the turf. Olly has been limited to only six games during the regular season due to injury and her turf manager duties at Melville and we have missed her. A calming presence at either left half or fullback, Olly knows just when to channel her player and when to lay a tackle. Looking forward to seeing her shine during the finals and hope to see her back as a regular player next year!

Christina Klomp

Chris - we have no words! We are just so happy to have you back playing hockey full time! We are so stoked that you have your health and smile! Chris, you role-model so many amazing traits for us ladies - your kindness, team spirit, commitment and determination. Your determination shines through every time you step onto the field. You see the ball and you go the ball. You never hold back and you give it 100%! We love you at left half but we also love you at other positions. Believe that you have the ability to play anywhere! See you in 2023 for another full season!

Melanie Leighton

Mel is a versatile forward /midfielder who is super fast and super reliable. Not only reliable for her skills, but also her commitment - she even played a game scheduled up to the last minutes before a family trip to Rotto was due to depart! These attributes aside, Mel is probably best described as the "Queen of Deflection". Always able to get a touch on a ball and knock it to her advantage, could be a ball thrown hastily in her direction, or a spectacular intercept, but perhaps most impressive is the deflection into goal. If you are ever caught out of breath or out of options, just smash a ball into the D - if Mel is anywhere in the 25 she'll get a stick onto that ball for a goal. It can be a sight to behold - like a sprinter throwing themselves toward the finish line, Mel can lunge forward, stick in the air and somehow connect with that ball for the win. Far too consistent to be luck, we hope the Queen will grace us with her talents again next season.

Narelle McMillan

Starring as fullback for much of the season - although she did have the occasional cameo as striker- Macca is nimble and skilful, and can always be relied upon in defence. She gives every game her all, chases every ball and puts up a fight in every contest she enters.

Macca is a selfless player, always commanding others on their game, but never acknowledging the great game that she has played herself.

Our resident physio, Macca can often be heard giving advice on injury diagnosis and management (as is a common requirement with women of our age)!

Macca loves a Matso after the game, and it is always well deserved!!

Kylie Mishra

Love playing with Kylie. Always looking out and caring for us on and off the field. Dons her kit and talks to us all game long, keeping us paying attention to all that is important, then when the ball gets through all our defences Kylie is there with a clearing kicker. Doing some brilliant saves this season, we know Kylie will have our backs as we head to finals this year.

Dee Murphy

Miss Versatility of the team, Dee has this season played every position on the field from left wing (diving goals are her speciality), to halfback (screaming back into defence to save the day!), to fullback where she generally terrifies the opposition with her cracking cover drive style clearances out of the D! Never feel under threat when she is back there and always feel like she will score when she is up front - so we are super privileged to have her play with us! She is also a master of consistency, never arriving more than 30 seconds before the game is scheduled to commence, but always turning up for us. Looking forward to many more laughs over the seasons to come with the great team gal.

Sandra Orr

Always solid in the back line, making up a awesome defence with Macca and Kylie. Sanj is more than a defender she is the voice that leads us and lifts us when the chips are down and never lets us give up. Even with an injury for part of the season, she is still on the sidelines making sure the team is working like clockwork. Sanj is definitely the heart of the team.



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Fiona Power

Fiona - our reliable right half. Fiona has a grace about her as she steps onto a hockey field, running circles around her opponents and making winning the ball look so easy! It has been great to see her rewarded this season with a couple of cracking goals and some incredible hits from attacking short corners. Fiona's kindness, encouragement and friendship is appreciated by every single one of her team mates. After a big birthday this year, we think Fiona is like red wine - she gets better with age!

Rachel Roberts

It's been great having Rach back in the team after some time away last year from hockey.

Rach has found her mojo again on the right wing and has slotted some handy goals.

Sadly Rach had the odd injury (unfortunately the last one we couldn't even blame the opposition players), she missed a few games but was always around, adding her wit and laughter to the team. Hopefully she is fully recovered for the finals. We love having you in the team Rach, thanks for a fun year and you make an amazing chocolate cake!

Anna Stevens

Anna is our dazzling dentist who rotates from half back to an inner. She doesn't let up in a hard tackle and can confidently play half a game with only one hand on the stick.

Not only is she a great team member, she will happily put up with back seat drivers all set on knowing the quickest way to Guildford Playing fields, epic fail by all involved, but the game was still won after four missing players ran on the field 10 minutes into the game.

Kimberly Welten

How lucky were we to secure Kim into our (inaugural turf) Melville 9 team.

Kim decided to drop from the 6s and come and play with the 9s Huge call Kim, which we were very happy that you did.

This year she has been able to play her usual fabulous hockey without having to worry about managing and admin stuff.

She is always willing to fit in any position that is needed. We love having you in the team Kim.

Susan Wilson

We all enjoy playing with sweet, smiling Susie, who sits high on the wing ready to score, calling with determination "Pass it to me!" She is a kind and enthusiastic support for her teammates, who always has a friendly word and time for her friends. Susie was incredible with the young girls that played with us. The girls always said 'ohhh we love Susie'. She scored a cracker goal against Mods - one-timed the ball to the top right of goals. It was the goal of the year! Thank you for your grit and love of hockey Susie!

Elizabeth Woodberry

Liz is a constant source of positivity amongst our team members. Keen for a laugh and a good time, she keeps the energy light and happy. Don't get me wrong, when she needs to, Liz will snap into serious white line fever and tackle any opponent that gets in her way. She is a strong inner that will run for days and always has the back of her teammates. Thanks for an amazing season, Liz!



DIVISION 8 (GOLD) MEN

Well done lads. Not since the days of Doug's pregame powerpoints and to-the-minute scheduled warmup sessions has the team made finals, but we are here! It turns out winning is more enjoyable than losing. Who knew? We should try to remember that for next year. A mixture of injuries, illnesses, failure to read the fixtures and 'significant' hangovers meant the on-field team was consistently inconsistent each week, which shows in some of the scores. At our best we could beat any team in the competition, but unfortunately we only played at our best every eight weeks or so. Hopefully sorting out those issues and a few people on the team learning another position or two and we will only improve going forward.

It's been a fun year. I look forward to going around with you lot again in 2023.

Coach Ross Hall, Manager Jared Malacari

Brodie Abrahams (Wing specialist #1)

One of the wing specialists whose speciality is the one timer, which could be said is done with varying degrees of success. He trained with the Top Squads and put in the strongest preseason out of all us. He must have learnt how to play from baseball players, one timing on the post with his hands glued to the top of his stick.

Matt Brockman (Wing specialist #2)

Newest player to the team, Matt is coming back from a hiatus and is learning to fit into his place, displaying flashes of brilliance and flashes of questionable decision making. Which probably makes him the perfect addition. Always asking questions and working as hard as his body will let him. There is no doubting his heart, it's just his lungs.

Ashley Ellis (Goalkeeper)

Ash is both the most reliable and least reliable goalkeeper - he'll save every ball that comes his way, just don't expect him to turn up every week. Ash never really needs to worry about the other team's strikers because it's his own team that gets him, more fullbacks have scored against him than anyone else this season so the amount of yelling at them tends to be justified. Won the B+F after voting for himself every week.

Blake Gillett (Wing specialist #3)

Blake has an uncanny ability to never miss the start of the game despite trying to cut it as fine as possible. He doesn't ever really need to tell you where he is injured each week, you could just close your eyes, spin around, point, and still be right. When he isn't taking on the whole opposition head down from our defensive 16, charging through sticks, he is agonizingly close to deflections on the post. Most reliable at giving advice in the team huddles, then completely ignoring his own suggestions.

Maxwell Harler (Centre Forward)

Max was the most valuable player this year for covering umpire allocations. Despite clearly having lots of \$50 payments saved up he never seemed to buy a round of beers. The only player on the team who consistently managed to put some past the keeper. Seems confused by the concept of 'subbing off' and manages to get lost on the field when his name is called for a rest, never actually making it to the bench.

Aidan Keogh (Inner)

A fun game you can play each week is asking how many Km's Aidan's warm up was. The only person on the team with any fitness, he can run a half marathon, play a game of hockey and look fresher than all of us by the end of it. Even though quiet on the pitch, you always know he's there because he just has a knack for being in the right place at the right time and actually having the legs to get there too.

Brandon Lawrence (Wing specialist #4)

A wing specialist who is incredibly elusive with a quiet and polite demeanor. A stealthy and underrated player, he is always there defensively or offensively... you might just not notice it unless you are looking. Brandon will break your ankles with a drag but then probably apologise afterwards.

Brenton Malacari (Centre Half/ Fullback)

If you have ever seen the image of the five large men standing behind the blonde woman on the couch, that's only how you can imagine Brenton's experience in the midfield. The man tasked with controlling the pace of the game, he usually gets the short end of the stick as he gets the ball after several mis-dribbles and half the opposition has time to tackle.

Jared Malacari (Halfback/ fullback)

Jared has had the pleasure of trying to find a team to play each week and between the rain and clashes with AFL games we have always managed to have a bench. After being the only person ever known to be sent off after a game, you would think he was antagonistic, much the opposite. A stalwart and level-headed halfback, he is probably the only defender where you feel safe when he has the ball. Also remembered to pay the turf fees each week.

Nicholas Malacari (Inner/ Centre half)

The tortured workhorse of the team who manages to get hit and hurt every single game. It may be because he pissed off a higher power or it may be his ability to always be anywhere and everywhere at once. Nick would do well with crafting some Ned Kelly-esque armour to bring to games, then again he would still probably get whacked in the knees.



DIVISION 8 (GOLD) MEN cont



Jarrad Peters (Halfback)

After coming home from the Greek party islands, Jarrod has come back to Melville to raise the average age of the side significantly. His warm-up routine makes you worry that he might be millimetres from any kind of injury but he still manages to be reliable and play out every game. Jarrad is the nicest man on the pitch and he is probably politer to the opposition than the team is to each other.

Alex Thompson (Fullback)

Alex turns up each week for the beers, with hockey as a warm up for the real event. A calm-headed defender, he gets the pleasure of taking the defensive hit outs, doing an excellent job of threading the needle to the wings hiding behind the halfbacks. His play makes you nervous but most of the time it turns out better than you could ever expect.

Maguire Walsh (?)

Maguire doesn't ever really play a position, he plays wherever the ball is. Even though he plays the Minkey style of chase the ball hockey, he certainly wouldn't fit in on a Minkey pitch. Using his body to effect, most of the time he will knock a man over, give away a free and then look at the umpire like he just kicked his dog.

Alex Ward (Halfback)

Alex has the 'give it a go' attitude to just play anywhere, - he might not do it to perfection but you sure as hell know he's trying. You can tell Alex yearns for the wing, he plays the highest halfback you will ever see, always ready for action and to get in there, just forgetting that sometimes you might need to mark your player.

Aiden Weller (Fullback)

Aiden can tackle like a 1's player and can pull out some magic that will amaze you (unless you are a Curtin player, then it's somehow a foul). Once he has the ball however, he looks like a deer in the headlights, throwing it at you as hard as he can. Trying to trap a pass from Aiden is like trying to catch M and M's with chopsticks, looks amazing when you do, most of the time you won't.

Thanks to all those who filled in this year.

Thanks to Ross Hall, Nic McCaughan and Frank Reynolds for attempting to teach us some skill at training throughout the year. It didn't work but we appreciate the effort regardless. Jared Malacari





DIVISION 8 (GOLD) WOMEN

This season our team just missed out on finals, which is pretty good considering the challenges we experienced with COVID and injuries. The team gelled together and even started to listen to the coach half way through ('pass to the maroon shirts'). We had some tough games against Uni and Kalamunda, but other than that we were equal or better than the competition, where we improved week on week. The highlight was our 5-0 (should've been 6-0) against CTP. Well done for always doing your best for the team. **Manager Caitlin Jarvis**

Ciara Browne (Centre half/ forward)

Ciara just doesn't stop running. She was our main centre half and did a lot to build our attack and penetrate the D. Part of the penalty corner battery and even a multiple goal scorer.

Maeghan Carlsen (Right half)

A lot of our attack was built via Maeghan and her intelligent movement of the ball in the attacking 25. When she connects, a fantastic hit for moving the ball forward

Maddie Hollander (Forward)

Maddie has an amazing knack of being able to dribble her way out of tight situations and also intercepted a lot of plays to provide a counter attack.

Caitlin Jarvis (Forward)

The on and off-field leader and manager extraordinaire. Caitlin has great stick skills and knows where to be all the time. Pulled off many hard-running efforts to save the team.

Christine Jarvis (Forward)

Christine was adept at attacking quickly and did the best passes and crosses to put the team in the position to shoot on goal. Like Maddie, she can dribble the ball out of trouble and into attack. A key member of the corner battery with such a good hit.

Jae Kalma (Goal keeper)

Returning to hockey after some years' break, Jae was able to get her eye in and feet working to be a reliable goal saver and great talker from the backline. Her season was cut short with a knee injury but we hope to see Jae back.

Eliza Keogh (Forward)

Our import from Kalgoorlie, this was Eliza's first season at Melville and she played well in the forward line. Able to provide strong defence when needed.

Samantha King (Fullback/halfback/inner)

Sam is another versatile player that is fast and a strong defender. Always charging out to defend penalty corners and is an excellent on-field talker.



Grace Murphy (Fullback/halfback/centre forward)

Grace is a versatile player and so a great asset to the team. She is able cover a lot of the field which helped us stop some of the fast attacking opposition players. A great reflex player which was useful in attack.

Hannah Patton (Fullback)

One of the blonde, shoes with orange highlights fullbacks. Hannah was always in the thick of it and played the classic sweeper role. She was essential in keeping the ball out of the net.

Olivia Patton (Fullback/halfback)

The other of the blonde, shoes with orange highlights fullbacks. A great on-field leader and very handy with the one-handed stick intercept on corners or field play.

Talia Roberts (Left half)

Talia had an excellent season at LH and was able to shut down the opposition right side attacks as well as build our left side rebound.

Alex Rolls (Forward)

Alex can hit the ball so hard - which was useful for our corners. She was always attacking.

Annabelle Standing (Forward)

An excellent inside forward, Annie reads the play well and was an important cog in our right side attack

Amy Thompson (Fullback)

Another returner to hockey after a long break. Amy has a good hit and reads the play well. Unfortunately for Amy, she also had her season cut short with a knee injury.



DIVISION 8 (GOLD) WOMEN cont

A big thank you to Caitlin for managing us and also a massive thank you to the players from other teams that helped us out by playing (and even scoring some goals) for us. Tara, Paige, Ivy, Bea, Nezza, Sally, Nat, Holly and Ellen.

Thank you to Wayne for stepping up to coach this year. The club has been very lucky to see you back as a coach. Your passion for the game and patience is admirable. Wayne stayed committed to the team even though his daughter Amy unfortunately suffered an injury very early in the season.



DIVISION 9 (BLACK) WOMEN

This year has been surprising to say the least. Our team's success has exceeded all expectations, but it does show just how far this group and team has come. We have remained undefeated for the season and only conceded three goals. Although we may not score double figure goals during games, we certainly dominate midfield and defensive play, and create many opportunities through the strikers. This has resulted in many solid wins, and a progression over the year in both skill and playing simple, intelligent hockey. We go into the finals with a lot of momentum, and have certainly given a message to the other teams who try and work out our structure and press.

Getting to this point has been no mean feat, and if we hadn't had the support of our Manager, Meg, we would certainly not be in the position we are today. Meg has been instrumental in getting a team on the field every week. It has taken a lot of time and effort to achieve this and we are all very thankful.

A massive thank you to coach Bruce! It's no coincidence as to why we have made finals two years in a row and remained undefeated this year. Bruce has such a raw passion for hockey which shines through in his coaching. The effort and detail with which he coaches is what has helped the girls on the team grow into amazing players, with Bruce always pushing us to play the best version of hockey that we can. It can be tough to get a bunch of social girls to listen, but somehow he manages (most of the time). From the yelling on the sideline to laughter during drinks with us after the game, we wouldn't change a thing. Bruce, thanks for coming back and leading us to success! Hopefully we'll bring home a flag this year!

Also we need to thank the support we have received from the other teams this year, especially Emma and Tegan from the 8s, who have helped us out so many times (and I think have played more games for us than some of our team members!), and Mia from Juniors. A big thank you to all the other fabulous subs from other teams too.

Finally a big thank you to the team for what they have done this year, you all never cease to surprise me every week. We have worked very hard to be at this point, and have only one more hurdle to overcome. I know, however, that this won't be published until after the finals are complete, but I am sure I will be standing along side you all when we hold that pennant aloft!

Coach Bruce Vanderzwan STOP PRESS: May Campbell 2022 Winners, Grand Final Runner-up



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Ashton Borgward (Outside Mid / Fullback)

Joining us again for another year, Ash is our beloved Junior who plays in our fullback and outside mid lines. She has a brilliant tackle and never seems to run out of legs, sometimes having a crack at running half the field with ease. Ash is a little firecracker, in warmups she's doing cart wheels and rolls, sometimes trying to teach us these tricks, with little success. The team wouldn't be the same without her, she loves a juice box (or 20) and is great company. We will be stealing you again next year Ash!

Emily Chilwell (Attacking Mid/Defensive Mid)

Having Emily on your team is an instant relief, she demonstrates some of the best skills over the ball on the team and her passes are consistently strong and fast. As well as being incredibly skilled in controlling the centre of the field, she is also an impressive goal scorer, showing how much of an all-rounder she is on field. Off-field, Emily is an incredibly inspirational and funny team mate who always brightens your day with funny stories and antics. Thank you Emily for being a reliable player and teammate!

Beatrice Clifford (Attacking Mid)

Bea is our local superstar! We would be completely lost without her in the team. She dominates in the midfield 100% of the time, and somehow manages to manoeuvre around multiple opposition and run rings around them time after time. Bea is possibly the most dedicated one of us in the team, always turning up to training with a positive attitude, while the rest of us complain, or "opt out" of training. Bea is an integral part of the team and is always up for a chat and a laugh. Can't wait to play another season with you next year!

Annie Drane (Attacker)

Annie sure brings the life of the party to the team! She is always up for a laugh, a beverage, and a light-hearted joke. Annie is a killer in the attacking line and is one of our top goals scorers again this season. Her level of commitment to the team is admirable, sacrificing her knees to the turf week after week, slide after slide. We love her nonsense-filled chats, endless energy, and uplifting comments of support. It has been so great to see Annie find her place and grow in the team over the past few years, and I know we all look forward to seeing her again next season.

Alyssa George (Attacker)

Alyssa was our top goal scorer for the season. Her killer leads into the D, and sneaky last-minute shots on the goal continue to amaze the team. Her legs that go for days mean that she can outrun any defender that comes her way, and make those reliable leads week after week. Off the field, Alyssa is such a friendly, charismatic part of the team. She is always up for a chat with a smile and a laugh.

Katherine Gurbiel (Fullback)

Kate is one of our defenders, and always seems to be in the right place at the right time. She is a key element in our defensive structure and in our team. She's kind and friendly and always good to have a laugh with, so we hope she will come back next year.

Wendy Joyce (Fullback)

Wendy once again saved our team over and over. As a strong player in our defence, she can always be counted on to stop the opposition in their tracks. Not only is she key to our defensive structure, but she is also a strong member of our Melville community. We love her pep talks and welcome her constructive criticism. She has always been a clear leader and helps guide the team throughout each game.

Janezza Lymbery-Joyce (Outside Mid)

Nez came back to our team this year and did so with enthusiasm. She is one of our outside mid players and so is key to our midfield. Even though OMs are often overlooked, Nez made herself known and helped build a really strong structure. We hope that she will come back next year and we can't wait to see how she will grow as a hockey player.

Bryanna Martin (Goalkeeper)

Where would we be without B?! She's a bloody good goalie and we would be nothing without her. Always bringing a positive attitude to every game, B is friendly and funny and a hard worker who always strives to improve her skills in goal. Well done this year B, we can't wait to see what you bring to the team next year.

Aili McMahon (Fullback)

This was Aili's first year on the team, dubbed "Aioli" first week into the season! Aili slotted into our backline taking on a fullback position. Aili became a solid member of the team, quickly learning our structures and gameplay. Sadly she fractured a bone in her foot half way through the season, meaning she could no longer play. However Aili made it down to many games without fail, even trekking it to our north of the river games to support and cheer us on. It was a joy having a drink and a laugh after the games with you Aili and we hope once you make a recovery you re-join us next year!



DIVISION 9 (BLACK) WOMEN cont



Cailey Pickard (Attacking Mid/Defensive Mid)

As a long time member of the team, Cailey is an essential midfield player, rotating through attacking and defensive mid position. Cailey possesses one of the best tackles on the entire team, she also isn't afraid to run and take out anyone in her way. In defence she is a solid wall, and in attack it is crazy how she never seems to run out of legs, Cailey can run and run and never seems to complain! It's always a joy playing alongside you Cailey, you provide a good laugh on and off the field and we look forward to seeing you for another season of hockey next year.

Lily Skipsey (Outside Mid)

Lily is a great hockey player whose skills on the field are a great help to the team. She is strong on the ball and a skillful trapper. Lily had a short season with us this year - but hopefully we will see her back again next year!

Meggan Stone (Outside Mid/Attacker)

Another year returning to play and take on the role of manager for Meg. This team would fall apart if it wasn't for her, every week she deals with the stresses and anxiety of dealing with us. Between finding subs, chasing up money and just dealing with Bruce, Meg has a lot on her plate. On the field she is our amazing all-rounder, with the ability to slot comfortably into any position on the field and perform. Some of the best goals scored this season have been pulled off by Meg, maybe it's the stress and tension of manager that lets her hit the ball so hard. We love you Meg (please don't abandon us)!

Quin Stone (Outside Mid)

Quin is an amazing offensive mid to have on your side. She's a team player; always looking for her next pass, always ready to help out in a tackle. Not only is Quin a great player on field, she's also a great player off field. She is kind and incredibly funny, Quin manages to make training in the cold winter weather enjoyable. Thanks for being such a bright and smiley member of our team Quin!

Rebecca Vanderzwan (Attacker)

Rebecca is one of our strongest attacking forces, no matter where on the field you are, you can always rely on Rebecca to put her all into a run down the left side of the field. Rebecca's control and skill with the ball as well as her split-second decision making is what has gotten our team the win many, many times. Off field Rebecca is an incredibly supportive and welcoming friend, always making sure everyone is comfortable and taken care of, traits she carries onto the field. Thanks for being an amazing player and team mate Rebecca!



DIVISION 9 (GOLD) MEN

After the nail-biting end to the 2021 season, the hit story that was 'Scrubbers - All or Nothing' was back and better than ever in the-all action sequel titled, 'Scrubbers till I die'. The story of the 7s once again attracted serious bidding from streaming services (Amazon, Netflix to name a few). Scrubbers = Beers, Boys, Bucket Hats.

This season has seen the culmination of a group of lads coming together in their quest for glory (and export cans), riding the highs and lows of the season to find themselves not far from writing themselves into Melville folklore as champions of the illustrious Division 9 (Gold) League. Season 2022 effectively started back in 2021, with a key contingent of Scrubbers taking part in summer hockey. This formed the early part of the Scrubbers pre-season efforts to demolish the pain suffered in the last game of 2021 season. Cobbling this together with a strong pre-season fitness program supervised by Ross Hall and Nic McCaughan, the Scrubbers were going to make sure they weren't run off the pitch this season. The lads (and Royce) were rocked when there were changes to the management structure of the team. Scrubbers Godfather Royce Bond, stepped up into the boardroom as VP of Melville's Men's hockey organisation, leaving the running of the Scrubbers in the questionable hands of first-time manager Paul Schutz and Skipper Nic (Carpool, Pork Chop) Edwards.

While the team retained its core players from last season, fresh blood was needed to strengthen the squad depth and fill out a team that had become too reliant on fill-in's last season. The Scrubbers were busy in the transfer market, bringing in fresh blood in the likes of Robbo. Graham Braid made the permanent move over to Scrubbers after a successful loan spell last season and the team was further reinforced with the promotions of Corey, Zion, Ben and Fletch stepping up from the Junior squads. There were out's too, as 2021 team champion Brett Rankine was jettisoned to the 4s after a contracted transfer saga. With the squad set and a great pre-season having been completed, the lads were ready to take on the 2022 season (with team buckets hats to match). Or so the Scrubbers thought... After the first 3 games of the season, the card read 1 win, 1 draw and 1 loss, not good enough. The team were finding it difficult to gel early in the season. A couple of decent wins were picked up over Southern River and Kalamunda before complacency crept into the side during a run of games against Kwinana and Rockingham respectively. This left the Scrubbers well behind the leading pack and questioning whether we would even make finals this year. Things had to change and fast. Simply stated, the Scrubbers had become flat-track bullies, great against the soft sides, poor against the good ones.

From there a spark was lit amongst the Scrubbers. Taking things back to basics and improving our brand of smart, no-nonsense, short passing hockey instilled by Coach Mosh-Hall, the team put in a good run of results, winning four of our next five games, which saw the Scrubbers move into the top-four. Having found their groove, the Scrubbers took the league by storm, going on a five game winning streak which included scoring 30 goals and conceding only 3. The team was finally playing with a lethal discipline that made any Scrubber in the D dangerous in front of goal. With the regular season ending, the Scrubbers have been the in-form team and will look to seal their place in Melville history by winning the Div 9 Championship once we commence our finals campaign. A big thanks to Ross and Kinder for their coaching efforts over the season and to all that had the chance to fill in for the team across the Veteran and Junior levels.





DIVISION 9 (GOLD) MEN cont

Jarron (Snagz) Baker (Winger)

One of the Scrubbers' most passionate team members, Snagz always gave 110%. Operating as a utility player across the team this season, Snagz was brilliant in his ability to play in attack, the midfield or backline when needed. Flying across the pitch, many would wonder how a man of his age could apply such immense bursts of energy throughout games. Snagz's passion and voice were invaluable to the team throughout the season. It was great to see Snagz limit his actual flying skills this season, keeping both feet on the ground in matches.

Royce (Slim-ting VP) Bond (Winger)

The Godfather of Scrubbers, having relinquished his control over managing the team, found more time to dedicate to leveling up his hockey skills. When he wasn't busy skipping training to sit in the club boardroom or sitting on the bench to escape the rain, Royce was applying himself to becoming a capable forward for the team. Operating on the wing this season, Royce took many half-backs by surprise with his swift movement and some-what decent dribbling skills. It was in front of goal though where Slim-ting VP has made his true mark, scoring (or stealing) 7 goals this season. Also, who was your PT because you're LOOKING SLIM??!!!!

Graham (The G-Train) Braid (Inner/Wing)

Where St Kilda had Fraser Gehrig, the Scrubbers had our very own 'G-Train' in Graham. A regular in the Scrubbers this season, the silver fox outwitted the opposition with his fast and nimble skills. A key focal point in the team's attack, Graham has been devastating in front of goal with 10 goals this season. He puts the rest of the team to shame with his levels of endurance in games being next level. The G-Train is a machine! CONGRATS ON TOP GOAL SCORER THIS YEAR!!!

Jake (Snake) Coleman (Centre Half)

The only Coleman not known in the club. Snake uses his anonymity to play across 18 grades of the club plus a Juniors game on a weekend. Possessing the skills of a lesser sibling, Snake was regularly subbing off to call Brianna and/or Corelle to ask for hints and tips to being a better hockey player. Jake's biggest contribution to the team this year was his time working away (Cheers Twiggy). No, jokes aside, it was great to have an extra punching bag around the group and we really appreciated the speaker you brought on the trip to Rockingham.

James (Spearmint, Rhino) Cewe (Halfback)

After being scouted as an announcer off the back of his performances at 'The Spearmint Rhino' James' priorities moved to

1. Getting in trouble for making good announcements
2. Being the most passionate person on the field
3. Getting angry at mistrapping untrappable balls
4. Throwing dollar bills
5. Doing everything to 'Make The Scrubbers Great' again

Between all this, James managed to play another season at halfback for the Scrubbers, keeping opposition wings quiet and yelling at them anytime they tried mis-time a toma near his head. Ross (the real doctor, not the hair growth one) unfortunately didn't get to have a good look at James' gash this year as his head was just never in the game. Only getting his helmet out at home (Safety 1st).

Andy Criddle (Centre Half/Fullback)

In every great dynasty there is a grizzly old veteran who is there every year to get the team through it on and off the pitch. In the Scrubbers case that is Criddle. Off the pitch he was tops at making sure we were kept in good company with the red cans. Another solid season from Andy in both defence, midfield, forward across 10 different teams in the club. A vital player in the team with his pinpoint accuracy and his ability to nick the ball away from an attacker at just the right time. A calm presence on the pitch that set up many a successful attack for the team. His experience at attacking short corners was pivotal to the team. Also a big thank you for keeping the boys hydrated with high quality H2BEER week in week out.

Nic (Car-Pool, Pork Chop) Edwards (Centre Forward)

The team's self-appointed captain throughout the season and our leading goal scorer with 11 goals (or is it Graham?). Carpool continued his trend of having a keen eye for goal and always ensuring it was his stick that last touched the ball before going over the line. It was great to see ole P-Chop add to his game this year, illustrating to all that he could defend as well as attack, pressing and chasing opposition fullbacks into mistakes. One of the guys to be first down to training, Nic showed a strong commitment and passion for the team, delivering focused team talks and always reminding us how to play 'our game'. Notable moment for Car-Pool was when he sank to his knees in disgust when he realised Graham had scored another goal in the game ahead of him.

P.S Big thank you to Nic's mum for ensuring 'El Capitano' arrived at each game on time and that every team member got a "Lift" too.



DIVISION 9 (GOLD) MEN cont

John (The Best Harmsen in the Club) Harmsen (Fullback)

John stepped up from part-time fill-in into season regular this year. Only prioritising hockey after house cleaning and man flu. Every game John stepped in to play, he gave 110%. His experience and skills at fullback provided our backline with excellent strength. Keep up the hard work mate and you'll take Jacko's spot in no time!!!

Fletcher (Fletch) Horrocks (Forward)

Fletch came into the side as a fill-in halfway through the season and quickly made himself an integral member of the Scrubbers. Coming off the bench, he was no match for aging senior players, outpacing and dribbling past them at every opportunity. His dedication and sharp awareness made him lethal in defence and attack where he scored three goals for the team this season.

Ben (Like Brett But Better) King (Fullback/Centre Half)

Another Junior player to step into the ranks of the Scrubbers this season. From Ben's first game it was evident that the Scrubbers had discovered a real gem of talent. Fearless and not afraid of taking on the older crowd in this grade, Ben put his head down and got to work every time he played. Playing from fullback he was excellent at pushing the play up the pitch as well as showing several of us up with his skills. Great highlight for him was picking the ball up at the attacking 25 before dribbling into the D and slotting an easy goal for the team. Unfortunately, while Ben was playing great games for us, other teams were watching him. The Scrubbers wish him well as he moves up the grades.

Kieron (The Chrome dome) Lawlor (Inner)

Chrome Dome was back at it again this season, another one of the infamous members of the Atta-Dads' gang. Kieron was tireless in his efforts at inner this season. Opposition inners found themselves on the backfoot constantly due to his dribbling and smart passing. Just when Kieron was hitting some peak form, his season was cruelly curtailed by injury after seven games. One can hope though that we have him back in time for finals!

Paul Loh (GK)

He's a real Keeper! The team's rock at the back, Paul's cool composure, quick reflexes and strong voice played a vital role in the team's defence all year. On the occasions where he had to make a save, he was quick, smart, and crafty when it came to his shot-stopping. A particular highlight would be Paul making a save before pushing the ball back into attack for the team to launch a successful counter-attack. Off the field, Paul was crucial in maintaining hydration levels in the team with the all-important red cans.

Ross (The Real Doctor) McBride (Halfback)

Second best Ross in the club. It was great to see one of the infamous 'Attadale-Dads' return this year. Rossco was also known as the team doctor, despite no one needing use of his specialised training in his field of medicine once again. The Giraffe-like reach he possess comes in handy both on AND off the pitch. Rossco really does know how to find holes out of the back line. Having built on last year's brilliant debut season this year, Ross has gone leaps and bounds in terms of his skills. One of the team's sturdy half-backs, his giraffe-like long reach time and again would bamboozle opposition players, nicking the ball away from them at the last second before quickly moving it on to our attackers. Once again, the culture of the 'Attadads' has shone through - now if he can convince fellow AttaDad, David Mundy, to play Scrubbers next year then who knows what could happen?

Nicholas (Big Nic - Kinder) McCaughan (Forward)

Manchester United got Ronaldo- WE GOT NIC!!! - That was the line in last year's yearbook - well, unlike Ronaldo, Nic managed to maintain his form and love for the Scrubbers going into his second season with us. What else is there to say? When Nic played, Nic scored, chipping in five goals for the team this season. We all know if it hadn't been for that 'other commitment' that Nic would've likely banged another 10-15 before the season was out. Hopefully next year-Nic sees the light and comes to live out his field playing days with the Scrubbers. Can't forget about his 'cute emergency' that ruled him out of scoring more.

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Tim (Fish King of EB) McEntee (Winger)

'TRADE N SAVE AT EB GAMES TODAY' It was good to see Tim back down at the club again this year- even if it was just for one game. Unfortunately, a combination of injury and becoming a father (Shagger) meant that just as his season started-it also ended. The Scrubbers legend lives long in our thoughts. While the team missed his starfish manoeuvres this season-we are sure he is in a better place - even if it is messier and more sleep deprived. P.S make sure to visit EB Games and be sure to ask for the Scrubbers' discount!!!!



DIVISION 9 (GOLD) MEN cont

Andrew (Robbo - The Rampaging Scrubber) Robertson (Fullback/Centre Half)

Having been scouted in the Summer 7s league, Robbo was one of the new additions to the team. Nicknamed the 'Rampaging Scrubber', Robbo slotted into the team backlines (and opposition forwards) with ease, becoming an integral member of the team. The booming sound a forward hears just as he's about to receive the ball isn't his heart beat or the large crowds that come down to support the Scrubbers every game, it's the sound of Robbo as he is about to roll right through the bloke, and nick the ball off the opposition team before initiating the Scrubbers attack.

Scrubbers note: Talks are in place for Robbo to pass his skills and knowledge down to younger generations, though there seems to be some confusion regarding the appropriate clearances, with his WWC and Police clearance yet to come through. A reliable Melville source (Maxxy) stated the reason behind this delay was that, 'Robbo has no problem running through small players'.

Corey (The Lost Sheep) Rynvis (Halfback)

Making the move up from Juniors, Corey provided fresh blood and athleticism to our midfield. Playing as halfback on either side of the pitch, Corey would come off the bench and run the opposition into the ground with his youthful energy. Growing more into his role as the season continued, one highlight included a run forward that saw him ghost past three opposition players before passing the ball off to what would be a goal. Another highlight would be at our home game against Southern River, where Corey found himself at Southern River's turf rather than playing Southern River at Melville one Saturday. In the case of the Scrubbers-this little bo-pete had found its 'Lost sheep'.

Mitch (Tijuana Icepack) Scally (Forward)

The fifth best Scally in the Family (Yes, Lucy the dog is ahead of you). After years of horrible injuries that were sustained from a series of Tijuana Equestrian show, the Scrubbers took a gamble and made Mitch a late-season signing. Risky at the time, as it was hard to tell if he possessed even a shred of the skill his dad had, let alone one good leg to stand on, the Scrubbers took a gamble on Mitch hoping it would pay off. To say the least, in his short time playing for the Scrubbers, Mitch fits like a great saddle in one of this south of the border rodeos. His skills in the forward line added another element to the team's attack and his eye for goal was excellent, notching up 5 goals in four games. Not all things have been perfect for Mitch though - the team learned he is not the man to turn to if you win a penalty flick. THANK GOD SEAGULLS DON'T NEED KNEES.

Paul (Schutzy) Schutz (Inner)

Becoming the gaffer didn't de-tract from Paul's hockey skills this season, it actually improved them! One of the team's hardest runners, putting in a solid shift every game. As inner, Paul was crucial in the link up play that made up our attacks. You would always feel sorry for an opposition player though, if they tried to take the ball off ole Schutzy-as any attempt to do so would likely result in snarling remarks and a slew of strong tackles to follow. When he wasn't creating goals for his teammates, he managed to score a few as well this season. Off the pitch, Schutzy would be the calming presence in the dugout during team talks.

Kieran (Under the Radar) Smyth (Fullback)

A key player at the back this year once again. Thanks to a few more fullbacks in the side, Kieran didn't have to play every second of every game we had! Mr. No-Nonsense at the back with his approach to defending, Kieran's strong voice helped with keeping us organised (and sometimes the umpires) and always found a way to get the ball moving out the back to kick-start our attacks.

Zion (Big Daddy Z) Williams (Wing)

THE MAN, THE MYTH, THE LEGEND!!! The Big Daddy Z stepped up to the Seniors this year after the last few years in the Junior sides. Taking his place on the wing, Zion flexed his 'Big Daddy' stature and sought to improve himself throughout the season. Zion could always be found snapping at the heels of the opposition halfback, pressing them to result in effective turnovers for our side. Massive highlight for the Big Z was against WASP's where Zion nicked the ball on the halfway line, ran the half before winning a short corner for the team. Zion then scored from the resulting short corner to give him his first Scrubbers goal. Great effort!





DIVISION 9 (GOLD) WOMEN

Another season almost over, and what a season it has been! From early round success to a series of draws and then rallying together in the second half of the season to finish in 3rd. Definitely our best season yet! This season has seen a number of new players enter the team alongside our regulars. Whilst that usually comes with a whole adjustment period as we learn each other's playing styles and how to play together as a group, we actually adjusted really quickly. And it just shows we shouldn't be underestimated! Here's to success in the finals ahead!

Emma Bradley /Ashley Chauvin

Elise Bahemia (Elise/Centre Forward/Wing)

Wonderful season this year, our best yet. Never one for being on time/in the right location, you could almost guarantee Elise would entertain us with where she'd turn up each week. Regardless, it's always amazing when new players like Elise fit into our team so well. With her witty banter, jokes and awesome skills, Elise has been an asset to the team. Can't wait to play with you next season. Brilliant work Elise

Francien Boom (Fran/Wing)

Fran despite having a couple years' break, came back strong and not only took on a goalie but she has also taken on any other opponent that came her way. Fran consistently tries her very best and is always in the perfect spot on the field. Keep it up Fran! Can't wait to play with you again next season!

Emma Bradley (Em/Centre Half)

Em (occasionally known as 'Everywhere Em' for her ability to be everywhere on the field at once), is an absolute powerhouse in our team and shows that she is worthy of her title every single game. Apart from being exceptional on the field, Em has also done an amazing job as co-coordinator of the team this year. She is almost certainly the only reason most of us remember where and when we are playing on any given week. Thanks for another epic season Em! Can't wait to do it all again next year!

Ashleigh Chauvin (Ash/Inner)

Ash, always committed to the game, even if it means continuously putting your body on the line! Whether it's getting smashed on a short corner or knocked over for absolutely no reason, we'd be lost without her! Organising us both on and off the field, which, let's be honest, is a mission in itself! Always running down the ball and a never give up attitude. Thanks for a great season and here's to another one next year!

Paige Hudson (Paige/Goalie)

Paige; our reliable goalie of our team. Paige made some amazing saves this season in the goals, causing the opposition much frustration every time we play. You don't want to come up against her in goals that's for sure! What would we do without her? She has been a joy to play with once again and continues to improve each season. Thanks for another great season Paige.

Siobhan Maguire (Shiv/Wing/Centre Forward/Half/Inner)

Shiv: One of our most versatile players this year! Whether it's in defence or forward as inner or centre half, Shiv has continued to work hard this year and is always hungry for the win (whilst wearing her heart on her sleeve). It's always great playing with you Shiv, can't wait for 2023!

Sophie McMellon (Soph/Half/Wing)

Sophie is always a player who brings so much enthusiasm, positive vibes, humour and smiles to the game week after week. She is a huge part of the team's spirit as well as being a fantastic player on field. We love how much passion you have Soph, thanks for always bringing the energy. Cheers for a great season!

Tegan McNab (Tegan/Fullback)

Tegan, ever the reliable fullback and always calling us into our positions in the press. We'd be pretty lost without her! And, let's be honest, we were on those few games she wasn't available to play. Her strength on the field certainly hasn't gone unnoticed and we love all her team talks, pointers and encouragement. Let's not forget that amazing goal she scored off a stroke! So much confidence and textbook finish! Thanks for another incredible season Tegan and here's to many more!

Serena Ricciardone (Serena/Fullback/Half)

Another new face in the team this year, Serena really came in and made a name for herself. At the first training she told us that she'd never played hockey before, but after seeing her with a stick we didn't believe her, she was a natural! She picked up the basics from the get-go and didn't stop there! This season she's really come into her own as a hockey player and is an amazing team mate who is always right where you need her and willing to learn more. Nice going Serena, we hope to see you back for many more seasons of hockey!

Emma Robinson (Emma/Centre Forward/Wing)

Emma - what a little firecracker! She always brings so much energy to the game and we love it! With a determination to score and run down the ball, it's been a joy to have her join us in the team this year. Hopefully it was the welcome back to hockey she needed and we didn't scare her away with the craziness that is our team!



DIVISION 9 (GOLD) WOMEN cont

Monique Smith (Mon/Fullback)

Mon's biggest asset is her voice! Her positivity and can-do attitude always lifts the team. We play our best hockey when she is dictating play and directing us from the back. Thanks for another great season full of consistently strong performances!

Dannielle Swinton (Danni/Inner)

Danni is a bright young girl on and off the field. She has brought great laughter and cheer to our team this year.

Danni loves to go for a run with the ball, always managing to get past the opposition. She's a great inner, always running to help defend and helping us create the play in attack! I wish I had those young legs to keep me running. She is constantly smiling and having a great time out there on the field! Thanks Danni for a great season of hockey, we can't wait to play with you next season.

Anna Thomson (Anna/Fullback/Half)

As one of the young bloods of the team it has been such a pleasure to play with her. Anna is everything you could wish for in a team mate- skilled, enthusiastic, strong, friendly and ever so positive. Anna started the season as one of the forces behind the team's winning streak, giving us great confidence, which is why it was so very unfortunate that an injury put her out half way through the season. Thank you for your contribution and now cheering us on, we hope you are back playing again soon!

Anneliese Turner (Anneliese/Wing/Centre Forward/Half)

Anneliese always showed up as her best self, ready to go, with a fierce attitude to take down the opposition! A killer hit you just don't see coming tricked plenty of the other teams, and even us on some occasions. As a new player to the team it's always an adjustment figuring out the structure on the field but she fitted into the dynamic of the team from the start and it's been a great season with many laughs and memories made! Thanks for a brilliant season Anneliese!

Jasmine Vico (Jas/Half)

Jas is such a weapon. She's a great defender and a great team mate. Always bubbly and in a good mood for our games. She takes direction and gives direction really well. Being in defence with Jas has been a pleasure and I can't wait to watch her grow even more.

Despite the continual stress we cause him, week in and out, Christian returned again this year to coach and we couldn't be more grateful! He really deserves a medal (or a straight jacket, it's a fine line) at this point. But it really is thanks to him that we've come this far!

Special mention should also go to the 7s and Metros that have filled in for us throughout the season, our regular umpire Russell and of course our cheer squad! Always good to have you guys there on the sidelines - even if you're just laughing at us!





O40 DIVISION 1 MEN (MELVILLE 1)

The O40Div1 Melville 1 team was made up of a mix of new and old club members. The team fought hard through the year and successfully made it into the finals finishing fourth. Congratulations... and enjoy the rest and rehabilitation.

Thank you to the following players for stepping in to help:

Geoff Cooper, John Harmsen (2 games / 2 goals), Simon Klass, Richard Murray, James Welten, Stefan Willett, Vhinodhan Veerapalan, Steven Walsh, Nathan Elliott, Mike Fardon, Gavin Scally, Mark Watton, Mark Lyons, Simon Mathew.

Managers Todd Barrett / Matthew Read

Michael Ashley

Finally recognised he's too old, too slow, too brittle and quite frankly too #\$(@ to be playing 4s or 5s on a Saturday. Its rumoured he drank lots of milk in the off season to ensure his body would stand up to the rigors that is O/40s Div1 on a Saturday. Used to hit PCs quite hard and quite well and even that has becoming a stretch for him. Its become pretty clear to us that he's no longer the prime athlete in his family and more rumours are swirling that this may be his last year of hockey so that he can better focus his efforts both coaching Minkey and supporting his wife's footy career. Hopefully that occurs which will result in less goals conceded at the back and more goals scored from PCs up front.

Todd Barrett (aka TB / The Puppet Master)

Todd took the reins as Captain, Coach and Team Manager for another year. A huge effort from a huge man. We often had 6 confirmed players by Friday lunch but Todd somehow manage to request, beg and extort his way to at least 11 players by Saturday afternoon. A massive effort that should not be underestimated in a Covid year. Orchestrating a YM forfeit in the last round to see us into the finals was his season high. On the field Todd's ailing, failing body prevented his usual output. No doubt we missed his backline presence. Todd is looking forward to injury and covid free 2023.

Royce Bond

Bond Royce Bond.....got picked up mid-season when our team was struggling with the numbers due to covid/injuries. Royce had a great season with us usually running in the forward line where he posed a threat to the opponents. Good luck in the next season.

Jon Brett

Jon overcame some early season niggles to have another solid year. A resolute defender, Jon has made his mark in the full back and half back lines this year.

Mild mannered and good for a yarn off the pitch, he gives no quarter on it. Unfortunately he hasn't done anything silly enough to be called out in the year book.

Often heard yelling "Get Something!" from defence.

Douglas Brightwell

Dynamo energy levels describes Doug's hockey with seemingly unlimited energy as he surges forward from defense. Playing at half back Doug has been extremely reliable and a regular in the side which is a testament to his fitness. Doug's contribution to the side has seen him accumulate player votes regularly. A well liked player on and off the pitch. Thanks for a great season Doug.

Steven Brunt

Steve is a unique player in the team with an ability to fit into many areas along the front line that generally involves running where the rest of the team prefer a gentle stroll on a Saturday afternoon. Why he feels the need to run around with such vigor is a mystery to the rest of his team mates, but it is an attribute that everyone none the less appreciates. He is a very respectful and mild mannered member of the team, and we are all genuinely hoping that he scores a goal sometime soon- it has been a pleasure playing with him again this year and look forward to it again next year.

Paul Coghlan

When Paul decided to resume his playing days this year, I was over the moon. He is very solid in goals (sorry I forgot, no fat jokes).... but still he is consistent in the net, managing to concede on a regular basis!

All jokes aside, Paul is an asset to any side. He is tenacious and goal driven (picking balls out of the net).

It's been a pleasure to play with a great mate this year. Long may it continue.

Cheers Pal

Craig Downey

Another quality import from Canberra, Craig was our big off season signing. An injection of youth, skill and composure that the team desperately needed. The team had to hold off shameless counter offers from Richard Williams who claimed playing rights to Craig on the basis that Richie had once flown through ACT airspace. Craig proved versatile, committed and a genuinely nice bloke. Despite not fitting in, he soldiered on and was a big reason (along with a well timed YM forfeit) for a finals resurgence in 2022. A key plank of our youth led rebuild in the coming years. Thanks for a good season Craig.



O40 DIVISION 1 MEN (MELVILLE 1) cont

Chris Geers

Geersy started the year claiming he was a fill in and ended it missing the last few games as we weren't important enough for him. When he did show up, he was usually found roaming the midfield, slowly. His highlight was being promoted to the forward line for a game, scoring a hat-trick, then subsequently retiring from the forward line after not touching the ball in the following game. Hopefully next year Geersy plays some more games!

Chris Gilbert

When he wasn't kissing the kickers and pads of keepers, knocking himself out, Chris was actively ripping his hamstring in valiant efforts to get the ball somewhat near the forward line. Chris goes above and beyond for his team. One of our best players, Chris, Gilbo, Gilly had a great season.

Ross Hopkins

Great season Ross. If you hadn't missed some of those mid-season matches through injury I'm sure you would have scored a few more goals and we may have won a few more games!

Matt Read

Fair to say Matty was consistently on the field this year. Faded late with injury, but still played on like a determined veteran not willing to show his age. A player the whole team enjoys playing with and was a massive contributor toward supporting the club post-match each week. His pre-game motivational speeches in the absence of Todd were of the highest order and a whole shorter than the council meetings he attends. Without Matty on the pitch this year, the Div 1 men would not have made it to the finals or had such a good time getting there.

Sarvesh Shedbalkar

Sarvesh (The Wall) was a valuable asset to the team, playing between the forward line and halfback. Sarvesh again was the wall when playing halfback... solid and impenetrable. Focusing on stopping the ball first time rather than having to run back. We released into the forward line his smooth ball handling and stick skills came out to play, sneaking a couple of balls passed the keeper. Well done on a great season.

Kulvinder Singh

Kulvinder (aka Kul) is new to Melville and a welcomed addition to the team. An incredibly skillful and intelligent hockey player we were fortunate to have Kul join the 40Div1's. We all sincerely hope he's keen to go for another year.

*Finished fourth after playing 16 games - 8 wins, 1 draw
(Goals - 37 For / 28 Against / Diff. 9)*

Highest goal scorer: Chris Gilbert (6 goals)





O40 MEN





O40 DIVISION 1 MEN (MELVILLE 2)

Having fought the good fight for so many years, the touch up in the 2021 GF was the signal that it was time. TB's tentacles had finally dragged (in Richie's case with unbridled enthusiasm) the Marquee team into 40s. With everyone wanting to play on turf, it meant a selection was upon us and the left field decision to field two sides in 40s was made. An impromptu player draft during a skimpies sesh at the Kardy pretty much left us with the same team as 2021, avoiding the general unpleasantness of having to play with Todd Barrett. The Season commenced and so did the usual challenges of fielding a side with availability hindered by Covid, injury, holidays, home games at Rockingham - and the realisation that there were fixtures on grass. All in all another good season finishing 3rd, although somewhat tempered by the fact that somehow TB's mob managed to 'Bradbury' into 4th, meaning another finals series awaits.

Managers James Pickering / Roh Weddikkara

Kenrick Armitage

In our inaugural year in Over 40s, we expected the younger players to 'dominate' the competition. Unfortunately one of those younger players put his priorities in another younger team. Mr Armitage or Coach Armitage, seemed to prioritise coaching a Volleyball team over his Hockey team. The lure of a bunch of school girls who idolise their volleyball coach was too much for Coach Armitage, consistently rocking up late to games, pulling the 'I'm Coaching' card for Canteen Duty, being noticeably absent on field, and finally smashing his hand with his own stick, fracturing a few bones, just to coach 'his girls' through their finals series so as to avoid ours. We can only assume those girls are hot, otherwise he is just being a d#\$.#.

Brendan Joss

Once again this season I had the pleasure of playing alongside Bear! What is there not to like about Bear? Relentless in defence, passionate in attack and as always runs at that very steady pace that doesn't seem to changeever! Bear is the epitome of a defender. He holds the left back position very well and his eagle eye focus allows him to easily pick the ball of any attacker. This season brought about a different Bear. He was actually playing like an attacking forward. I was shocked to see him at the other end of the opponents "D" area. He

was hungry for goals! What I know is that when Bear is playing and you are a Left Wing, you are guaranteed to be steered in the right direction. Hope next season we get to do this again Bear! It was a pleasure playing with you: ~ Davis

Lloyd King

Lloyd, as he is preferably known to his mates (which is no doubt preferential to Wayne) is the barometer of our forward line when it comes to being out of position, running loosely to wherever he wants and did I say, spending most of his time out of position ! What 'Wayne' (in my time Lloyd has never once been called this but I think Wayne could catch on..) does provide is the grit, the hard ball gets, the in and unders and most importantly the head down dirty work which to be honest most of us are not going near ! The dirty work which ends up in a trip to hospital or a short stint on the bench looking for sympathy which inevitably ends in Lloyd copping a ribbing from the team despite a serious injury (albeit this has been escaped this season- - depending on your definition of serious). 'Kingy' is fast becoming an unassuming, out of nowhere, goal scoring maestro which we witnessed against Guildford but best of all is his natural ability to miss the simplest of goals ! Which there are too many to name.. Love you 'Wayne' and love being your team mate !!





O40 DIVISION 1 MEN (MELVILLE 2) cont

Russell Lee

Russell used to be good at hockey. Now he is crap. But despite only being available very infrequently, Russell is still a strong leader, topping the list for clangers and ordinary excuses for being unavailable. Disappointingly, Russ had to settle for second place this year in the 'spud who thinks he's a gun and demands only turf games, at prime time with international umpires' award.

Congratulations Grunter. Convincing! Every now and then Russ will play ok but it's not worth the bleeding ears caused by him telling anyone within ear-shot. Too old. Too slow. Pathetic.

Davis Mavunduse

2022 was a break out year for Davis, less injuries meant more time on the pitch. He's encouraging nature towards his team mates remains unique within the Marquee squad leaving his teammates confused as they wait for backhander to follow, and is something his mentors (Rushton and Lee) are seeking to remove from his game. Davis' forward craft has been on display throughout the year, his powerful shots on goal has found the keepers pads more often than the net but it has certainly helped Lloyd and Dom to improve their 2022 Goal scoring stats. Thanks Davis for your efforts this year.

Brent McMillan

Speed, grace, poise, agile, exceptional and calm are not words that are associated with Macca. Selfless, dedicated, fearless, driven and warrior are also words we don't associate with Macca, nevertheless we still have him in the team and he has remained here for a number of years now. The move up to Over 40s did not impact him at all. The fact that at age 65 he can still run around with the 40s is credit to his fitness and eyesight. In all seriousness, one of the nicer guys on the team (which is not hard with the likes of Rushton, Reay and Armitage). A great season, solid in defence and dangerous in attack. Hopefully not lost to the Over 50s or 60s.

James Pickering

The ever reliable team leader, ball bag carrier, stick flipping team manager. Moving into the Over 40s, Jim's job was to maintain calm amongst those that wanted to move into a new grade and those that didn't. An understudy to the puppet master (Todd Barrett), Jim planned to move the ever successful Marquee side from regular turf to a mixture of cow paddocks and home games as far away as Rockingham. Who would have thought? Jim did. Still a solid fullback but with the difficulty of grass now a problem, trapping and hitting became more of a problem. Certainly not being able to rely on his often misunderstood but gorilla like fullback partner Leon, Jim was regularly the cause of some very soft goals this season. Hopefully next year a solid hair cut or some sponsorship from 'Just for Men' #5 might shave a few years off his geriatric appearance.

Who knows what next year might bring for this junior puppet master. Perhaps a home game or two in Busselton or Geraldton.

Leon Platel

Another solid year from Leon, our big defender! Ever reliable and never shirking a contest, Leon has dominated the defence with his mercurial balance of robust tackling, silky skills and lofty aerials! His no nonsense old school "man or the ball" philosophy is a joy to watch and fun to play next to (not so much fun for the attacker coming the other way-or the umpire who cops a spray for awarding the free against)!

Dominic Reay

With Leon holding down a defensive post, Dom's return as a weekend regular meant he found himself playing as Mr Fix-it, be it playing the occasional burst at Centre Half, inside forward or as a striker, even managing to find the net on more than a few occasions. His vision and ability to create a pass, were only bettered by his ability to berate his teammates for failing to deliver the ball to him flat (even when they did). In all seriousness, Dom had a great year and is a good bloke to have around the team - except when it is his turn to come off.

Benjamen Rushton

The Marquee O40s team is well known in hockey circles and is frequently referred to by the rest of the competition 'A good bunch of blokes with solid skills, oh except that one angry f%\$# who is just an absolute flog.' While Benno has done his best to reduce the amount of tomahawk axe chops on the opponents head this year, unfortunately he is still the biggest blight on our teams shiny reputation. Despite this he still somehow find a way to contribute to the scoreboard and for this we are very appreciative.

Michael Starling

The roaming right half specialist. We were never in doubt when the opposition was within 4ft of Mickey, you knew it was either the ball or the body, otherwise the Umpire would cop a spray with some sort of explicit Scottish vernacular. On the flipside, there was always some wise words in the breaks from the Super coach, unfortunately no one could understand him. Great season Mickey

Brad Wake

It would be easy rehash jokes about Brad's aroma of stale sweat arriving to games minutes before he did, but in truth the team were already lining up on the pitch by the time Brad got the pads on so we could never validate the theory. Brad had another consistent year, consistent in that he once again managed to injure himself in the most innocuous of circumstances ruling himself out for 4-5 games late in the year and reminding us that, let's face it, if not a HWA requirement a Sulo Bin would do the job as efficiently, and smell better!



O40 DIVISION 1 MEN (MELVILLE 2) cont

Jokes aside, Brad has had another great season, making many a great save, often leaving teammates scratching their heads pondering how he managed to do so, and has once again been a valuable contributor to our success (if you can call it that).

Grant Watton

Our key pre-season signing, Grant proved he still has the ability to eliminate defenders, score goals, and tell the umpires how to do their job. Missed less certain goals than Roh.

Roh Weddikkara (Rohad)

Between illness and holidays Roh (or Rohad as he likes to be known) has probably only suited up for half the season and it's debatable which half was more beneficial to the team! Ever the strike forward, Rohad continuously put himself in position to score easy goals - only to completely stuff it up! Rohad was keen to assert his authority in the Melville Derby as frustration at missing numerous sitters got the better of him, oh that's right, there was a stick to the head wasn't there Rohad?! A passionate clubman, another massive year from Rohad behind the scenes.

Richard Williams

Having spent the offseason watching some flick about Venus & Serena, "King" Richard was inspired (assuming some sort of namely bond) and spent the early part of season trying to mould this team into his own - insisting on an intensive preseason pushing the team to both

mental and physical breaking point with a goal to achieve greatness. Thankfully no-one listens to the 'King', and quite frankly after years of petitioning and veiled threats, he should be happy he finally got his way dragging us up into the 40s (with a little help from TB). Once arriving there is was much of the same from Rich - trying (but typically failing) to exert himself on the contest and always insisting on the corner variation that revolves around him scoring. On a positive note, I've heard his Minkey Coaching career is going greatalbeit a bit intense!

We say this every year, but a heartfelt thanks goes out to those guys who were able to step in to ensure we fielded a team each week. Apologies if I have forgotten anyone, but thanks to Gav, Klassy, Welts, Jon, Doug, Watto (Old man), Timber and most of all Waz and Clarrie who helped out on multiple occasions generally having to back it up in their own games straight after- no easy feat when you are north of 50.

To the Partners, Wives, and Families - thanks again as always allowing us to escape for a few hours on a Saturday arvo for a run and a few post game libations, it is most appreciated!





O40 DIVISION 3 MEN

What a year the Mighty Gryphons have had. As I write this, we are on the verge of greatness as we have secured a place in the Big Dance this Saturday afternoon. We finished in second place at the end of the regular season, losing two games and drawing one. Our brand of hockey has again improved through the addition of some new players and a willingness to pass the ball around.

Managers Justin Holt / Murray Casselton STOP PRESS: Grand Final Runner-up

Scott Bessen (Sex Panther)

60% of the time, he works every time. Sex Panther, as the name suggests, holds down right half. He is a hard man to get away from with fierce tackles and the ability to run all game. Works superbly with Muzza and Monassa to bring the ball out the right side.

Murray Casselton (Muzza)

Muzza has given up the toy soldiers this year and has instead designed all the 40s 3 teams in the latest Sims expansion pack. Now he can feed the teams, make them fall in love, and most importantly, make them play virtual hockey. His avatar has a giant head which wobbles from side to side as he runs; with small feet it is a miracle he doesn't fall over more than he does.

Geoff Cooper (Wristy)

The addition of regular umpire, Oliver Cooper, has dampened the shenanigans the Wristy has displayed on the field this season. With a young, impressionable mind viewing his every move, Wristy has played within the rules lest the umpire tells Mrs Wristy what he has been up to and he finds himself in the dog house for the evening.

Nathan Davis (Batman)

Just like the City of Gotham, when the Mighty Gryphons are in dire need of a hero they send up the Bat signal and Nathan 'Batman' Davis appears. Leading the goal scoring in the league, Batman and his sidekick Nightwing have terrorised the opposition this year. When they pull out their utility belts on short corners, the opposition don't stand a chance.

Timothy Heard (Salty Balls/Heardy)

Old man Tim Heard is the David Mundy of the side. He started playing for the Gryphons even before the team was formed, some say he was around when Keith Richards was younger. Heardy, like his famous idols, shows the younger members the ways of wisdom, both on and off the field.

Justin Holt (Nickname Holty)

This guy does it all. From Wrangling all the superheroes on the field into position, to liaising with opposition officials, debating the finer points of law with the umpires, communicating effectively with the admin from Melville Hockey Club and writing the yearbook. In my spare time, I manage to Captain The Mighty Gryphons on a Saturday and play some good hockey too.

Bryan Kennington (The Flash)

It seems that the forward line of the Mighty Gryphons is made up of super heroes. The Flash is hard to stop at right wing - with his burst of speed and the ability to bamboozle opposition defenders, Bryan is hard to contain when in motion.

Garren Knell (Like Darren with a G)

Garren came to the Gryphons in their darkest times, when we were regularly missing our high-maintenance players like Wristy, Monassa and Danny. Garren started as a fill in, but as the weeks went by and more people went off on Amazonian spirit quests or explored the possibility of gender reassignment surgery, Garren was there. Need a player in Defence, there he is. Need someone to play forward, Garren is your guy. Thanks for playing mate.

Thayalan Krishnan (TK)

TK is a very knowledgeable player. He knows so many strategies regarding hockey but unfortunately he plays near Monassa and Muzza, both of whom have selective hearing, so most of it is wasted. TK holds down the centre-half position, his precise passing and deadly overheads are to be feared. Most players forget he is there, leading to a lack of ball supply. TK wishes the team would pass him the ball more.

Richard Murray (The Red Wiggle)

Richard loves to play folk songs about Geoff and gesture with his fingers a lot, hence the Red Wiggle tag. Together with Sex Panther and TK he forms a formidable defensive unit. When you need back up in defence, The Red Wiggle isn't far away.

Brett Pickering (Monassa)

Monassa purchased hearing aids after last season and was amazed at the number of people calling his name that he was unaware of in seasons past. He still doesn't listen to the other players, but at least now he can hear what they have been saying. A fearsome right inner, Monassa goes through opposition defences like John Cena in Wrestlemania.

Jeffrey Powell (Nightwing)

Nightwing is the sidekick to Batman and the partner to The Flash. The three forwards have scored 37 goals between them this season. Nightwing, like his name suggests, is a creature of darkness, the opposition defenders are scared of his supernatural ability to flick off short corners and batter the goalie.



O40 DIVISION 3 MEN cont

Sean Pszczola (The Weapon)

The Weapon is our secret. His penchant for running hard into space and crossing the ball to the forwards is legendary. After his Amazonian spirit quest he is requesting that we now call him the Zen Master instead.

Daniel Rowland (Danny)

Danny doesn't get a nickname as he is too real for one. Last year Danny took out the Ultimate Gryphon award during our team dinner. This award is for demonstrating passion, determination, and obsession in the pursuit of greatness. During our Preliminary Final, Danny declared he would make a difference, he banged in an early goal and guided a smooth flick into the net during penalties. Well done mate.

Dharren Selva (The Lone Ranger)

Dharren has come along strongly again this year. His fitness and hockey brain has allowed him to be in the right place at the right time and he has slotted some valuable goals. Dharren sticks to his opposition player and when he intercepts the ball, he always finds one of his team-mates.

Glenn Simon (Gandalf)

Glenn is a crafty goalkeeper. He reads the play like a champ and is always calling out advice to the defence. At times he is frustrated when Muzza wanders off to play Sims instead of Hockey, but for the most part, Glenn is cool under pressure. Glenn was shocked after going away for five matches to find we had conceded 11 goals in his absence. He is making up for it in finals.

Kelwyn Yeo (Roodog)

Roodog is everyone's favourite player. Give him a task on the field and he will complete it and ask for another. The debate on his teammates lips is just where Roodog is best suited to play, with all lines begging him to line up with them. Hard to get away from, other teams fear him but the Gryphons revere him.

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

*We love our club and we play to win and this is our cry.
Oh*

Take me down to the Melville City where the grass is green and the girls are pretty, oh won't you please take me home.



O40 MIDWEEK MEN

As it's said each year- a cast of thousands- some quality hockey (on occasions) and a great bunch of blokes.

Thank you to the following players for stepping in to help: Royce Bond, Steven Brunt, Paul Coghlan, Andrew Criddle, Aki Elelaaho, Warren Farrow, Stephen Gibson, Chris Gilbert, John Harmsen, Ross Hopkins, Evan Kelly, Russell Lee, Simon Mathew, Daniel McEntee, Brent McMillan, Leon Platel, Cameron Porter, Brad Potter, Brett Rankine, Dom Reay, Benjamen Rushton, Gavin Scally, Sarvesh Shedbalkar, Mark Watton, James Welten, Stefan Willett.

Managers Todd Barrett / Matthew Read

Michael Ashley

Sticks has put in a great season at full back. Strong in defense and controlling the play watch out for the occasional raking cross-field pass that may occasionally turn in to a 'bobbly one'. Not averse to putting the opposition in their place if they step out of line.

Accumulating a swag of player votes and the occasional goal from thunderous penalty corner hits when he gets permission to have some fun. Thanks for a great season Sticks.

Todd Barrett

Todd Barrett (AKA - Todd Who and Where is Todd). What more can be said about his hardworking full back? Well, not much to be honest as Todd was barely sighted for a midweek game this year. Cut down by calf injuries and a fear of rain and / or late nights, Todd's team value was

restricted to his diligent use of WhatsApp to scrape together a team each week. Seriously, Todd deserves huge praise for running the show. A full team and an umpire each week in a Covid year only took 100 or so texts. Thanks Todd - 100% true to acknowledge that we couldn't have done it without you.

Jon Brett

Jon had a great year as a solid defender, often running and covering for some of the midfielders who don't defend. Opposition forwards always found it difficult to get around his lanky frame. Hopefully Jon is back for more next year as we need the running power.



O40 MIDWEEK MEN cont

Douglas Brightwell

A team stalwart. By Garmin stats Doug was our standout performer this year. He has since admitted that he turns his tracker on 'a bit before game start' (ie, while driving to the ground) just to get some extra km's. Proving that it is, in fact, possible to cheat yourself, Doug's best games were at Lark Hill and Warwick. A versatile player, Doug plays left and right half with equal ambidextrous brilliance. Like most half backs, Doug is really a frustrated striker starved of opportunity. Next year Doug - there is always next year.

Craig Downey

Fresh blood, we thought, for the ageing midweek team, which we were rapt about until we found out he's 44-and we saw that he moves like he's actually 64- Claimed to be a full back, so Todd decided to play him at inside forward, fearing that a younger (better too just quietly) model would take his place in the team. Great bloke, great team player, willing to play almost any position to help the team on a weekly basis. Unfortunately the one thing we need a Melville is goals and he hits shots at goal like most hacks hit their driver-shanks.

Mike Fardon

Fard's is a valuable member of the midweek team and a consistent contributor. Being the elder statesman of the team he quietly goes about his trade and rarely makes a mistake. Fingers crossed his body allows him to play another year of midweek hockey.

Chris Geers

What can you say about this man? A willing defender, a more than willing attacker? I leave it up to you to decide. Availability was a concern this year due to the vast amount of cricket played in the summer months. But when he could play, boy did he. The man even sacrificed his veteran body post-match to support the vets 375ml hydration stations . Slotted a few goals, set plenty up, and usually the first back to halfway for a defensive PC. A pleasure to play with and a great umpire despite not umpiring once this year.

Davis Mavunduse

I goto say I love playing with Davis because you never quite sure what is going to happen when Davis steps onto the field. Davis is so enthusiastic, runs like a gazelle and when he connects hits the skin of the ball. You are great fun to have in the team and constantly on the lookout for that one time shot that is going to bring the house down when it happens!

Matt Read

What more can be said about Matt that hasn't already been said. Drags right to left, has a good "tomma" continues to bamboozle the same defences with the same skills he's used for years, forgets his drink bottle, forgets his stick, Matt can be confident that the squad will rally around him and help him remember Allegedly doesn't pass the ball. I disagree with the last statement because he seems to pass the ball to me. Another good season Matty!

Cameron Robinson

Don't let his age fool you. Timber is probably one of the top goalies in his league. The last line of defence. Ready to bark orders from the back that are heard right up to the attacking forward line.

Timber has a big heart and motivates everyone on the pitch regardless of the number of mistakes one makes. He is calm and collected and he certainly knows how to keep his defence in check. It has been a pleasure playing with you this season and hope to play alongside you next season!!!

Grant Watton

One of just a few players to record 13 games this season, Grunter was challenged by injuries for a good part of the season, like a number of the aging players. He still managed to play an influential role in many of the games, often relied upon to hold the ball or create play up forward following a fast breakaway. I was surprised to see that Grunter didn't feature as often on the scoreboard as in previous seasons, but it was a lean season for the team overall. No doubt he'll return in '23 and fire a few more trademark shots into the corners of the goal!



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O50 DIVISION 1 MEN

On paper, we had the group to really do some damage to the competition. We all had skill, vision, speed (not counting 'the Statue' of course) and an abundance of hockey nous! That was 25 years ago!

In 2022, we are now skilful in our minds, half-blind, slow and have probably forgotten more about hockey than we can actually remember. Unfortunately, 5th place was all we could manage this year and it's safe to say that the season ended a bit earlier than we all would have liked but getting out there each Saturday arvo with such a great bunch of guys was well

worth it. Thanks to everyone for an enjoyable year and to those guy's that filled in for us at various stages, it was greatly appreciated - Alan Chellew, John Cooke, John De'Laney, Bryan Kennington, Jarrad Peters, Andrew Starling and Michael Starling. **Managers Mark Watton / Cameron Robinson**



Andrew Criddle (Cridds)

The ultimate multitasker, can play in multiple teams, play multiple positions, and serve multiple people at the bar. Great season playing up front as forward for most of the year doing a ton of work and when needed dropped back to the half line to hold up the defence. Cridds' sheer pace to finish a game and be behind the bar before the rest of the team make it to the dugout is astonishing.

Aki Etelaaho

Aki has a few exceptional qualities:

- 1) In the most part is very accepting of umpiring decisions
- 2) until he isn't and then he is steadfast in his objections, and
- 3) Is a structural engineer, accepted by many as all round good blokes!

Mike Fardon

Another season playing together, we are a year older, a year slower and we are all slowly getting smarter because we can't move as fast as we once could. I don't know how you put up with me yelling at you all day but you keep listening, when no one else does. You also put that extra effort in and are always reliable. Thanks Fards!

Warren Farrow (Waz)

The Clark Kent of the team, able to speed along the wings and across the goal mouth to deflect in some highlight goals (when we scored some), he is one of the nice guys of the team. He is always up for helping other Melville teams when asked. A pleasure to have in the team and our resident team treasurer.

Bruce Hancock (Hank)

Bruce is a steady and versatile player who is a valuable asset to the team. He is a passionate player the team can rely on however he has to stop hugging me!!! His passion

for his towel that he lost at UWA reminds me of Linus from Peanuts. He has never been the same ever since and seems to have affected this 2021 F&B winner quite badly. A SAR team is required to retrieve or replace this valuable item in hope that it helps to position Bruce again as a contender next season. The team heard there are spots available up in the forward / inner positions.

Dennis Loffell

Dennis the Menace (is what opposition wingers call him!) A gentle soul with elastic hamstrings and a Phar Lap heart. Dennis catapults himself ahead of every 50/50 and boosts the odds to 80/20.... surprising even himself! A quiet achiever and reliable teammate in every game he plays, also etched in history for skippering a most memorable afternoon on the Swan. A tougher year than most, now looking forward to fun times (maybe a goal or 3) in 2023.

Mark Lyons (Clarrie)

If you went by his nickname, you would be led to believe that Clarrie's eyesight was an issue. In reality, his ability to see passes others can't is a standout, it's just a shame the rest of us can't trap! Clarrie is unassuming and goes about his hockey in a methodical way, cleaning up after those who play in front of him when they turn the ball over. This happens a lot, which is why he is probably one of the fittest in the team. He also looks far too young to be playing with the 50's, in fact, he doesn't look like he has aged in 25 years or more, which is probably why he still gets asked for ID at pubs.

Simon Mathew

Had a good start to the season with great control, some awesome passing, and even a few goals. After a mid-year 'Popping sound' Simon seemingly disappeared . Season over! Hope your body is ready for next year Bring on the Magic!!



O50 DIVISION 1 MEN cont

David Ogilby (Bisgy)

MOB international import served us well this season with his cameo appearances. Bigsy bagged a few goals along the way & was a good asset to the team.

Brad Potter (Pottz)

Pottsy has had one of those amazing seasons... never put a foot wrong, trapped everything that came his way, and every pass was a winner. Apparently a 100% goal shooting as well. At least that's what he tells me and anyone else who listens. I didn't see much of it myself and hope to actually see him play next year.

Cameron Robinson (Timber)

An exceptional goalkeeper who can be guaranteed to regularly make brilliant saves and rarely make any mistakes. Shame the same can't be said for me and the rest of the forwards, as our results might look a bit different. A quick review of last year's yearbook entries for Cam made reference to his substantial commitment to goalkeepers across the senior grades. No doubt he has backed that up again in '22. Well played Cam - great to play with you each week and enjoy a beer after the game!

David Ross

After spending a few years swigging Singapore slings at the SCC, the draw of playing hockey with this irresistible group, with the exception of the Statue, drew Dave back to WA. Mr reliable, always there in deep defence to make that saving tackle, give opposition forwards a bit of a nudge or some friendly advice. It was great to play alongside you this year.

Gavin Scally (Gav)

Combination of a hippo and a giraffe on steroids, but with skinny, dodgy ankles! When using the term cleaned up, it normally refers to his postseason surgeries. Has had more work done than Ivana Trump. More loyal than a Labrador with more longevity than Michael Tuck. Likes to quote Nike - Just Do It! But apologises after. That's Mr G Scally. As the policeman says, 'Not much to see here, move along!' Can't wait to see you back in Oz and donning the Maroon and White in the very near future.



Andrew Scanlon (The Statue)

Time stands still for no man. Well, except the statue. He's a bit like a Pompei resident back in the day, but without the volcanic ash part!

Mark Walton (Watto)

Smooth mover, planner, creative thinker these are great adjectives to describe the man we call Watto or the Grey Ghost. This is of course until he crosses the white line on the hockey field where it all goes out the window. For the man who last year managed a couple of cards without even crossing said white line (he managed to do it while coaching). He considers it a good game if at the end he hasn't received a card and he comes off uninjured.

Watto took over team selection this season, actually that's probably a stretch. How can you take over something that was never done before anyway? He did very well managing to guide us into 5th position. His pre-game and half time talks I'm sure were inspirational if I had been paying any attention.

Stefan Willett (Stef)

SuperCoach Stefan has spent the year resting on his laurels, after assisting coaching a premier league victory. There is obviously a large difference between coaching and playing, and as a player, Stef is clearly very good at coaching. Or at least helping to coach.

Darran Wilson (Wildy)

Wildy has finally come of age and shown us he's human by taking a break in the middle of this season. Over the years he has steadfastly refused to conform to the team's mantra of not running more than a few yards (total) and of bagging his teammates at any opportunity. He's an all-round nice bloke. Doesn't fit in with our team but keeps coming back.





O50 DIVISION 3 MEN

After a 2021 season which ended in some disappointment, there was fresh resolve in 2022 to take things not just a step further, but if possible several steps. But for guys playing 50/3s it's hardly their first rodeo, so there was no risk of anybody getting ahead of themselves or counting their chickens too early. The F word was avoided at all costs.

As it happened we did play some decent hockey at times, as well as some average (or worse) hockey, but enough to finish up in third place. We were conscious of having beaten the 2nd team both times we played them, and had been highly competitive with the 1st team (two draws and one tight, narrow loss). So things looked quite promising as we lined up for the First Semi Final.

Let's not beat around the bush. It was an unmitigated disaster. We brought our D game. Our opponents took full advantage, as they were perfectly entitled to. It was our worst result of the year by quite some margin. The mothballs came out and the Mad Monday planning began. Good thing we put a lid on those expectations.

Managers Richard Hooker / Anand Pillay

Craig Barrett

Craig's high quality defensive work and elite level tackling hit another snag this year with his work's ongoing insistence that he spend large chunks of time in New Zealand. The cheek of some employers. Fortunately some added flexibility in defence allowed us to plug the gaps reasonably adequately. Then it seemed he might be back for the Finals (those important games at the end of the season that are very important to qualify for). Maybe one anyway. Or two. How about the big one – the Grand Final? OK Craig, you're on. We'll save a spot for you at full back. Actually no – sorry ... there's now a slight problem. How about ummm ... 2023?

Brad Bocking

The inner sanctum had been moving heaven and earth to get this Masters stalwart back on the field. It wasn't totally clear where Brad had actually gone or what he was doing, but it seemed to be sort of, well ... COVID-related. Maybe. What WAS clear was that his quiet, uncomplicated skill with the ball and calm, unruffled demeanor were very much missed. Just when things were looking pretty doubtful for another season, there was a reported sighting – Brad had been seen at Thursday night training! So the selection committee excitedly did a quick fine tune, Brad's spot at right half was vacated for his return and then ... crickets. Turns out Brad had approached training with a bit too much enthusiasm and gusto and fractured his finger. In time the finger healed and Brad duly returned to the field. What's more he was good. Very good in fact. And durable. Until the First Semi when he ripped a groin muscle at the five minute mark. You've gotta love Masters hockey.

John De'Laney

Loyal readers will recall that in 2021, after a slightly complicated start to the season, JD had an excellent year. In fact, he took out the gong for Fairest & Best. All was ticking along nicely in 2022, too. Plenty more of the astute judgment, effective marshalling of the defence, and impressive reflexes (well, for a 50-something – or is it 60-something(?)). Things got a touch tense in about round 5 though, when JD marched up to senior management and asked "WHERE is my trophy?". Blink

blink. Ahhh, not 100% sure mate. Maybe try ... Cridds?? (Aren't things put somewhere behind the bar if there's no other spot for them?) Tune in at the end of 2023 for updates on the missing trophy as well as an exciting new dimension to JD's hockey – UMPIRING! You heard it here first.

Scott Forbes

We saw a real improvement from this bloke in 2023 with significantly more time on the park to display his considerable assets. Mind you he came from a pretty low base. The hamstrings were still made of tissue paper, but it was definitely a stronger fibre. The weekend work commitments were minimised and even a gaping head wound at Newman mid-year couldn't halt the new, match-hardened, durable Scotty. In fact he casually commented to management around late July that the expert word on his knee was a ... ruptured meniscus. He'd be right for the rest of the season, though. Going under the knife could wait, in the interests of team glory. (Riverton boys are TOUGH.) Big shame about the team glory, however. Book that surgery in mate – any time from the first week of September will be just fine.

Michael Girdlestone

What a year 2022 was from Girdy. Of course the yearbook is probably not the time to single certain players out from the rest of the team, but Michael showed us that he's a guy deserving of special treatment. Nothing half-hearted in his performances whatsoever. He's always been a courageous player of course, not concerned for his own personal well-being, but in 2022 really did show a helluva lot of ticker. Girdy is also well known as a true team player, but this season was especially prominent in the case of an emergency. Missed a few weeks due to sudden illness, but bounced straight back, playing with even more heart and soul than ever. All the best for your continued health, mate – you gave us all one massive scare so it was terrific to have you rejoin us and make real contributions to the team.



O50 DIVISION 3 MEN cont

Richard Hooker

Now here's another bloke who made real improvements in a number of key areas during 2023. Early booking of umpires was one obvious example. (Mind you, a couple of team "characters" confessed to missing those last minute mercy-dashes to the clubrooms/opposition supporters/innocent spectators/lovely UWA Associates ladies.) Calling the toss correctly was another (said by some to be at least a 75% success rate) and the seamless dialogue with JD about which end to pick was a delight to behold. Other KPIs were steady if unspectacular, such as post-game wine consumption, heady use of the "leave pass" concept, and highly selective deployment of the tomahawk. His disappointing performance in one area cannot be ignored though, in the interests of accuracy. Richard did an ordinary, no terrible, job at keeping tabs on the team's allocated supply of hockey balls. Several of them were of Kookaburra Dimple Elite standard or higher, too. He should not be permitted to hide behind Michael Lawrence's generosity in topping up the stocks. Rest assured that the club's most senior office holders have been informed.

Chris James

There may be a few different opinions held about Vic Park as a hockey club. Now is not the time to head down that rabbit hole. Suffice to say, you might not love 'em, but you probably have to respect 'em. That means it came as a pleasant surprise several weeks into the season that we had word of a handy bloke from Vic Park kicking around and looking to sign with Melville. Discreet inquiries were made and all the signs were positive. Clearance hassles? None at all. Issues with Hockey WA? Zip. Next minute, Chris (or CJ at times to his mates) was lining up, and firing up, in the maroon and white. We actually really needed a genuine striker possessing a decent whack and some smarts around goal, and that was what we got. With a good bit of jab tackling as a bonus (good for a striker, anyway). But the mystery remains – why did Vic Park let Chris walk? The club's recruitment sub-committee is right onto this, so stay tuned for further instalments.



David Joseph

One thing always welcome without fail at Over 50s level is fresh young blood. The younger and fresher the better really. We picked up a ripper in this category in the form of Dave. Carries the ball nicely, really hard to get past or around, and goes hard at the pill all day. Puts a bit of thought into the game, too. Devised a theory about how well the team played, which is way too complicated to go into here, but in short the quality of the hockey is inversely proportional to the quality of the weather. A pretty respectable and accurate theory it was too. But as we all know, finals can be very different to home and away games. You may need to approach the game differently, revise your thinking, test some of those theories that may have served you well. Sure enough, First Semi Final day came along and the weather was atrocious. But our standard of hockey was worse.

Matt King

The injection of youth didn't stop there by a long shot. Matt was another most welcome addition to the team from the ranks of the Over 40s. If he missed his former teammates and the perhaps slightly different style of hockey that those young blokes play, he certainly didn't show it, because he slotted in seamlessly and happily played wherever asked, whenever asked. Matt was chiefly used up forward, but there was always this underlying sense that he might have been champing at the bit for a run at full back. Finally, in the second half of the final home and away game, the hard nosed captain relented and the new combination of Matt and Ramma down back came into being. How those two blokes organised their communication and divvied up the tasks is yet to be revealed. Will it ever be revealed? There's yet another incentive to read on in 12 months time.

Michael Lawrence

If only there were more players like this bloke. Useful and flexible up forward. Gets on with the job with the absolute minimum of fuss and hoo-hah. Team oriented and utterly unselfish. No chit chat to the umpires, team management, or even Ted when his preferred forward manoeuvres are misunderstood or ignored (ie a few times per quarter). Always sends a timely email to advise of his availability with days and not hours notice. To top it all off, Michael provided a solution to the "wandering hockey balls" mystery that has been known to plague so many a hockey team – he generously donated a mixed bag of 15 or so balls to the team coffers from the Lawrence Family Collection. It was certainly the undisputed highlight of First Semi Final day.



O50 DIVISION 3 MEN cont

Ted Neesham

Ted's the sort of player you really like to draw when assignments are being handed out for the yearbook, because he offers plenty of source material. This year, however, there was some element of confusion about the club – is Ted definitely about and playing hockey? Come to think of it, has anybody actually seen Ted recently? It was all a bit unclear, even within the 50/3s themselves. How to say this diplomatically – look, for a few games the output up forward ... did dry up somewhat. So who WAS the guy starting at centre-forward? Then the penny dropped. A major haircut had taken place and it was actually Ted behind the clean-shaven face. And as well all know, form is only temporary and class is permanent. So things did improve up forward. Eventually. But there was one final component of the complex case that was Ted in 2022 - the clothing choices. This is where the diplomacy really could come to an end, but look in the interests of good taste we will keep it short and sweet. They were ordinary. VERY ordinary.

Anand Pillay

Those paying attention will recall that Anand had been part of the “welcome new blood” injection of 2021 so hopes were high for more quality contributions this year. In fact, after some eye-catching performances up forward in pre-season intraclub, it looked like we’d see another valuable trait from Anand – flexibility. Well, it turned out he needed to be flexible all right, but playing mostly at full back, not up forward. He was terrific there too, offered us an additional attacking short corner option and even slotted a stroke. But one key part of Anand’s hockey still screams for some answers – mate what is the story with these overheads in general play? When should we have the designated forward running with precision to a predetermined spot? When do we just carry on as per normal and take the drop wherever it may fall? When do all assume the foetal position in self-protection? This report has been able to provide answers to most of the curly questions, but some remain just too much of a mystery. Check back in 12 months for hopefully some sort of clarity.



Geoff Ranford

Ramma, believe it or not, was actually eligible for Over 60s this year. However after a few high level discussions some deals were done and Ramma stayed firmly put in the 50s. In short, we simply weren't in a position to go without the experience, defensive reliability and overall hockey smarts that Ramma has provided for many, many years. On top of that we needed somebody to calm the farm and actually talk rational sense at quarter and half time breaks. Clearly, the rest of the team appreciated these highly valuable contributions and there seemed to be almost a quiet, unspoken resolve to go that extra yard this year – to, if possible, take out the ultimate prize for a bloke who has given everything for Melville hockey and then some. What a fantastic concept and creative way of binding the team even closer. Unfortunately it ended in a way typical of most bright ideas in the Melville Masters programme – an embarrassing thrashing in the First Semi Final. Thanks for the memories, Ramma.

Glen Templeman

Decent player this bloke. Tackles really well and distributes the ball nicely. Gives it a nice whack too. Take him on at your peril. However he does like to make it a bit challenging for the selection committee. Last year it was an impressive set of blown muscles, all classic hockey player’s injuries, all happening at inconvenient times. The injuries did not go away in 2022, not by a long shot. But Temps added a new twist – the ol’ Offshore Plant Shutdown Trick. How is that a big deal, you might be thinking. How long can it take to shutdown a plant? The answer is at least half a hockey season. Not one to need hours and hours on the track to get right, Temps slotted seamlessly from plant to Melville O50/3s. Even looked to be tapering to a new level late in the season. Now there’s a thought – imagine Temps at his absolute peak for the big day, on that magical one day in September. Well, maybe one year but certainly not this year.

Rob Tancredi

Rob again played seductive hockey this year. No sooner were we tantalised us with his drive, pace, and willingness to have a red hot crack, then he was off again. Sometimes for weeks on end. Then there was the racehorse distraction. Supposedly this classy nag, or nice type as they sometimes say, didn’t lead to any games actually missed, but some seasoned club members (not to mention track watchers) were not so sure. One thing Rob did make very clear to the selection committee, however, was that he would be free and totally uncommitted come Grand Final day. Hell, he would even send the horse for a spell if need be. Management appreciated that level of commitment. Just a real shame it all went to waste.



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Micheal Watson

No folks, not another new recruit, but an old favourite back to the club after a few years absence. Apples was welcomed back to the fold with open arms. He's still in pretty fair nick for a bloke in his well ... 50s, adds a nice bit of zip and dash, and goes all right with the stick on ball skills too. Enjoys the social side of things as well. All in all, a valuable team member across the board. Just don't assume he's back with Melville hockey for good. Yes, there's the sailing. A lover of all things nautical, is Apples. Plus one other major pursuit – think of those game arcades of the 70s & 80s, the clattering lights and bells, that special flair that came when you were switched on and focused, but just didn't try TOO hard. Yep, this man is also a Pinball Wizard. If you've ever wondered who Pete Townshend's real inspiration was, well, it's Apples.

We were again fortunate to enjoy special guest appearances from a number of other Masters players who helped out on occasion when things got tight for numbers: Mike Pitcher, Leo Welten, Aki Etelaaho, Greg Hunt, Andy Starling, Darran Wilson, Peter Dawkins, Kevin Dempster, Kelwyn Yeo, Nathan Davis, Justin Holt, Geoff Cooper, Bryan Kennington, Simon Mathew, Brian Robinson, Jeff Powell, Warren Farrow, Matthew Hudson. Special mention is made of two people who made really strong contributions when we were most in need - Phil Wilson, who played in goals several times when JD was unavailable, displaying all his vast experience and keeping nous, and Tim Heard, who had a massive crack in the midfield for a number of matches when we were really hard hit with injuries and work absences. Oh and Cookie chipped in too, scoring in 100% of games he played. All one of them. For the rest of the time he was off coaching or skiing or drinking red wine or something.





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Some years ago when YMCC couldnt field a team in the grade, Melville 50s were blessed with the company of some of those YM guys. About 10 years on they came back to us again with a couple of extras. It was wonderful to have Colin Howell, Brian Robinson, Dave Lockett, Craig Boyce and Phil Wilson all join us from YM. Our season was good without being spectacular but we all had a great time and certainly hope that next year will see a return to the top of the ladder. We had good numbers this year but still called on Graeme Coleman, Pat Hall, John Meacock, Bill Morrison, Ian Munns and Leo Welton at times to help us field a team. Thanks to those guys. A special thanks to Joe Coleman (and chauffeur Mum) who umpired every game of the year except when he was on camp or stuck home with covid. We hope this experience helps you in the coming years.

Managers Greg Hunt / Patrick Matthews

Craig Boyce (Shep - FullBack)

Shep, one of the illustrious YM player to join the mighty marrons this season and has slotted well into the defensive role. Craig has been solid and reliable having found his rhythm in defence. Craig plays a very relaxed never flustered defensive game. His hit is strong and accurate except on the rare occasion when it is not and then his solid tackling comes to the fore. His vision is telling and less one eyed now that he has had the eye surgery!! Instrumental in holding off many an opposition attack and setting the forwards for success, which often went unrewarded. Great season and looking forward for the return next season now that you have the uniform. No excuse!!

Terence Brooks (Brooksie - Goalie)

What can we say about Brooksie that he hasn't already said himself! What a servant to the club and to our team! Having reached his 500 games this year he has now taken off the pads to make room for other clothes and chattels and move to the USA. His legs didn't let him play many games on the field this year so he chose to finish in goals where he felt he had something to offer. Brooksie had a great year and he will be missed on the field and around the club in general.

Ron Chesny (Ches - Striker)

Ever the optimist, Ches decided to defy history and plunge into a season hoping to play multiple games of hockey with his mates at Melville. Many bets were lost and so good was his form that he even opted to have a go at the State over 60s and was successful. Alas the hockey gods threw an arrow into the works (Achilles, I think it was) and Ches was struck down.

But he would not be denied the cracking sound of stick on shinbone or the shriek of 'Subs!!'. Ches was a regular on the sideline offering us all terrific support but his best work was done twenty minutes or so after the game at the bar. So he, and his mates at Melville were winners every game.

Peter Dawkins (Stretch - WingHalf)

That tall streak of misery for all right wings!

Peter had an exceptionally good season, always dependable and reliable. Well done.

Kevin Dempster (Mid/Half/Full)

Kev returned from his gig of managing the hockey venue for the Tokyo Olympics, full of energy and eager to play.

Being the youngest in the team (he only turned 60 in April) we expected him to be able to run all day, just like he did when he was 18. Unfortunately, we were sadly mistaken and father time has caught up with Kev just like everyone else. Although he did put in many a fine performance. That is until he fell off his bike and broke his collar bone, around mid-season.

It was around this time the Japanese Hockey Federation came calling and offered him a job in Japan. He said it was an offer too good to refuse. We don't know whether that was because the job was great or, they threatened to remove parts of his anatomy if he did not accept.

Either way Kev is now back in Japan sending us hundreds of photos from his travels and supposedly 'working'.

Another good, albeit short, season from Kev.

Keith Harper (Harps - Mid/Striker)

A goal scoring machine, Harps has had an exciting year at hockey and ALSO, when he should have been playing. Dedicated always to the club (more about that in a minute), Harps has stood tall for the entire season (more about that in a minute). Played multiple positions with aplomb and provided salient feedback at half time, even when not asked. His other passion, the Dockers (a dedicated club supporter) saw him miss multiple games, standing tall in the crowd whilst his teammates struggled on the field! Looking to improve in 2023 (the Dockers, not him).



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Colin Howell (Mid/Striker)

Colin was one of five recruits to the team at the beginning of the 2022 season. There was great promise that we would have a repeat of the 3Peat (O50s comp.) from a decade ago. However it was not to be. Colin like many of us missed some games due to travel and injury. He proved once again that he is the premier striker in the competition which means unfortunately that he is often/always marked closely and the target of opposition fullbacks with little protection from umpires. I am not a stats man like Colin but I am pretty confident he would be our leading goalscorer for the year. I know for a fact that Colin really enjoyed the season and he plays mainly for the exercise and to play with mates. So from that point of view it has been another successful year for Colin.

BUT we all know it is more fun to WIN!

Greg Hunt (Egg - Mid/Striker)

For most valuable team member, Egg sits on top of the pecking order. Egg has been an outstanding member of our, somewhat fragile, team. Dribbling through opposition defensive cracks with his elite skills, leaving them with egg on their face. His timing and expert management of our team has been supreme, some say he is our Saint Benedict. Scrambling to get team numbers together each week despite covid, injuries and general absentees. Hatched a plan that had an umpire attend all of our games which included the unenviable task of collecting a poultry payment from fried team members at games end.

Organized volunteers for our kitchen duty's, which is often hard but he is never beaten. All this and more, even when he left the nest for a well-earned break. Egg is a smooth and well-rounded gentleman who likes a joke with unbreakable devotion to team first attitude. Dozens have tried poaching him from our coop but while we rule the roost, Egg remains running with us. Cheers and Bon appetit

Michael Jensen (Jenno - Fullback)

"JENNO" the defensive Field Marshall calls most of the shots when play is in the defensive half, and more particularly the defensive 25. When the going gets tough, the tough get going and Jenno delves into the thick of it with word and/or stick, either barking orders to his defenders or getting a late saving tackle in the goalmouth. Mr Dependable is Jenno.

David Lockett (Locks - Mid)

Locks - the General. One of our best movers in the team for sure. He has slick skills which he uses to our advantage, slipping past opposition as though they aren't even there. Locks delivers a ball with the 'long handle' better than most and makes the job for our strikers so much easier. Locks had a good holiday early in the season and the other odd game away, so we missed him greatly. Looking forward to another season with the General next year.

Patrick Matthews (Mid/Striker)

Patrick would have to be the most nonchalant hockey player going around. His sweet skills are still there but sometimes he beats himself with them. He still has a cracking shot for goal and proved again this year how dangerous he is when he gets in range. Work kept him away from some games this year but when he plays he really enjoys it and loves the company of his teammates. Great season Patrick.

Paul Meacock (Whip - Fullback)

Whippa showed again the class that comes from years of experience playing, coaching and mentoring. His timing of tackles and his distribution with hitting makes him one of the best fullbacks going around in our grade. He is still commanding an audience and with Father Wal at nearly every game and daughters, nieces, grandies and brothers, Whip is the drawcard every team needs. Whippa had a sensational year and we all hope he is back for many more.

Brian Robinson (BR - Mid/Fullback)

BR is probably the best leader and player in our age group. His ability to read the play and instruct others in location and action makes him a delight to play with. BR can play any position and has this year. After a serious accident earlier in the year he came back and fitted straight into whatever role he needed to fill and worked his way back into the form we know he can maintain. BR can turn a game off his own stick but as its a team sport its usually the rest of us that stuff up the opportunities he creates. Another season with BR and the YM boys next year and we will be hard to beat.

Greg Ross (Gross - Mid/Fullback)

Gross-defn-extremely objectionable, offensive,or disgusting.

Surely not a true description of such a well liked and well credentialled player. We know him for his ability to provide excellent cover in defence, good distribution, very good tackling and his regular trips overseas. Made those infrequent appearances memorable. Good season Gross.

Russell Scanlon (Rusty - Right Half (only))

The Right half position is Rustys domain. He is quick to snub out any attack from the opposition that dares to venture into his territory. Once he has taken the ball off them he either dispatches the ball up the right or makes a breathtaking run into the opposition's half and delivers a rocket pass into the D. Rusty is a pillar the half line



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Steven Silvey (Stan - Mid/Striker)

Silky smooth Stan is a pain in the neck for all opposition. His tackling is a pleasure to behold, his stick skills are sublime and his passing is precise. If his body could hold together he would be more awesome than he is. Sore knees, pulled muscles - nothing much stopped Stan from playing. He seemed to enjoy the year with all his mates and next year will be a cracker for Stan, I am sure.

Andrew Starling (Mid/Striker)

Andy was committed to his coaching gig and played across a few teams this year but finished with the mighty 60/1s. He proved over and again how cool and collected he was when in control of the ball. His skills are a cut above most and his awareness of the game comes from many years of playing at a high level and many years of coaching elite hockey players.

We wish we had more games from him this year as it may have made the difference between where we finished as a team. Great games with us this year Andy and great work in the other areas of the club that you are involved in.

Ken Wilson (Striker)

Over a few beers a team mate described Ken as reflecting the spirit of the team. Ken is usually the first, or at least one of the first, to turn up at the ground every week. He puts his hand up for kitchen duty without having to be hounded. He plays every game with passion and a determination to not let anyone down. Often he has been called on to play various tagging roles on the field in order to negate an opposition key player. Whenever asked he always takes on this negating role without complaint even though it means not being able to play his natural attacking game. Ken is a true team player and a generous clubman, willing to do all that's asked of him for the benefit of his team and club.

Phil Wilson (Goalie)

Phil played a number of games with us this year when Brooksie was otherwise indisposed. He is a great team man seemingly loving being on the ground with his mates. He 'philled' in for many of the other Melville teams this year when asked and we hope to have him back next year as a permanent in a team.





O60 DIVISION 2 MEN

Our Mandate - Born to Lose; Mission Statement - Lose, lose, lose and then lose again; Success - 100%

Once every 30 generations comes a group of individuals with allusions of adequacy that have set the bar so low that they excel with their Mandate and Mission Statement so much that they can tick every box on underachieving. Such was our prowess this year that for a substantial part of the season one of the opposition teams fullbacks was our leading goal scorer after tipping in an own goal. These weekend warriors don't play hockey, they arrive, they go out onto a field, they wonder what they are meant to do then after 4 quarters they have beers and ask each other - 'what just happened? There are villages out there that want this rabble back.

Managers Bill Morrison / Michael Pitcher

Chris Avent (Gramps)

Our beloved Gramps is slowing down faster than a sleeping snail but still has a wiley tackle and the Oscar for his performance in 'sorry didn't mean to tread on that'. There is not much leg to hit but a statistical phenomenon occurred in one game where a ball hit him in the knee. After Geoff got sidelined Gramps wheeled out his experimental hit, one that looked like it was going into orbit but instead travelled less than one metre, surprising everyone and resulting in him having to panic backtackle the 11 opposition players that were usually camped in our circle.

Graeme Coleman

Runs around a lot waiting for the pass that never comes. This year he hasn't achieved his kicking the ball to games ratio of 63:1 and in fact has had competition from another in the forward line. His ability with trapping has remained a constant over the years which has enabled the opposition to do a turnover whenever Graeme goes near the ball. Graeme's major contributions this year were:

- Suggesting that we put the goal at opposite end of the field away at half time to save time after the game.
- Missing about the last sixteen games of the season after he picked up a coaching gig in the EPL.

Congratulations on his 600th game this year.

Mike Jolliffe (Mikey)

The highest possession getter this year with the ball living in our defensive D 73.5% of our games. Without Mike in goals we would not have drawn so many games and he even stopped a penalty flick (i.e. the flick taker plugged him dead centre). Some say it could have been worse but we don't know how. His new whirling Durvisher defence spin is something to behold also. Another milestone man playing his 500th game this year.

Robert Knyn (Robbie)

2021 Hippy look, 2022 was meant to be a business look with his grey locks but ended looking more like a runaway from Harry Potter. Did accidentally score a goal when a bad pass happened into the back of the goal. Robbins often known for a sarcastic comment here and there but



struggled this season as the truth was far worse than even he could put it. Ok he did score the second best goal of the year by realising it was futile to pass the ball to a forward in a better position so took the 1% option of slotting the ball from the backline behind the goalkeeper who had moved fractionally out from the line to cover one of our forwards. He should have known better once he heard the thump into the back of the goals.

Stephen Llanwarne (Stevo)

A lot of effort with little results -except being consistently voted Mvp (Most Veracious Punner) in the post game wrap up. Often in the right place but not always at the right time Stephen can always be relied on to put a positive spin on even our worse performances but even he was out of his depth this year in veneering over our games. His calls to Donald Trump's spin doctors at half time were to no avail as he forgot the time difference and they were asleep and/or no longer taking his calls.

Alan Marshall

AI Is in our team because he brings halftime snakes, nevertheless he clocked up 500 games this year, thoroughly debunking the old adage that 'practise makes perfect'. Ruined one knee last year at hockey, ruined the other knee this year playing put-put. His one hand stick style and ridiculous tackle style makes his teammates look better than they are. AI pulled off a couple of miracle goals and finally got our top goal scorer award back into Melville hands.

Bill Morrison

Our noble team manager has tried to organise the rabble and has been fighting against the odds with early onset retirement effecting both time and space for many of the team i.e. there is little space left in the brains for time keeping and direction. He has had a lot more of the ball this season but mainly through the opposition hitting him in the knees and other more vulnerable parts of the body. One game he got cracked in his penalty spot and still hasn't got rid of his squeaky voice.



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Eric Nell (Erica)

Missed the entire season last year because he picked a fight with a car on his motorbike and came second. Eric has been experimenting in the forward line whilst playing half back and has been doing some pioneering work in marking up 'remotely'. Next year we expect Eric to be playing virtual hockey and he has asked if there is a Teams link to the game.

Roger Nottage (Smiling Assassin)

Roger played more positions than Scomo this year but the smiling assassin has lost his yellow and red card edge this year with the fire in his belly all burnt out. Roger struggled with fitness after having to spend more than one game in its entirety on the field without his customary time behind the goal. By far Rogers standout performance this year was in single handedly taking on the molten lava party pies in game three. It must be said that no one beat Roger to the party pies, pulled pork rolls, roast duck, cheeses, sausage rolls and dips post game. If only he had that focus on the field.

Mike Pitcher (Humphrey)

Pitch is known for his half time speeches to which no one listens, particularly himself. Tells everyone to pass the ball and refuses to follow his own advice. Each year his speed slows down exponentially. By the time Pitch makes it into the D the quarter is over that is why he wants halves brought back. With the declining trend he will be moving backwards in 2023, however he has promised to double the accuracy of his passing next year, sadly even those embarking on their mathematical journey know that $2 \times 0 = 0$.

Colin Slattery (Slatts)

The man who brought Fabulon back into hockey, Slats remains a firm advocate of the quarter time grooming break. The best thing about Slatts and hockey is his immaculately groomed facial hair. Metro man has turned angry this year getting yellow cards on a regular basis. Often heard yelling helpful advice from the backline like 'Nooooooooo' - and 'pass it to anyone- no not him'.

Andrew Spear (Spearsy)

Spearsy accidentally did some good passes last year and everyone thought he knew what was going on. It didn't take long to set the record straight this year but he was by no means a standout. Often seen having some very stern words with his stick after its errant performance. He has however, perfected his most fierce look this year or perhaps it was a mix between Marty Fieldman and Catweazel which made the opposition tremble.

Leonard Welten

Our high draft pick for this season brought the average height of the team down 2.5 inches. Aspects of Leo's game continue to develop, particularly his ears, in fact if you got to the game early and saw Leo, Billy, Pitch and Robbie talking you could be forgiven for thinking that

you'd missed an invite to a Star Wars theme party. Leo missed the middle part of the season after pleading the 5th amendment. In the few games Leo attended he has moved forward with the ball and done something that caused the game to stop briefly and re start from the half line- we are still trying to figure out what happened.

Martin Whitley (Marty)

Martin is probably Graeme's biggest threat for the 'Golden Boot' and although he moves very slowly around the ground he has had moments where he stops the opposition attack to the amazement of his teammates and opposite forwards who wonder - did he mean to do that? Well yes, he probably did and surprised himself with a good result. Most memorable moment was when he tore into the circle like Hayleys comet, to 'one time' a ball in front of three forwards, sadly the comet proved more reliable, he missed the ball completely and stumbled out of the circle under his own momentum. Our Mr. Reliable again this year.

Geoff Widdicombe

Valiant effort from Geoff this year, that is valiant like the car, outdated and unreliable. Unlike the rest of the team however, Geoff was experimenting with a new surprise tactic where he would pass the ball to the nearest opposition player in our D then have to get it back (which he mainly did). He did have a 'road to Damascus' moment of clarity and promptly hung up the boots for the last three games (so that he can be a better husband or something to that effect) but did show up to dispense helpful advice from the sidelines. The team were thankful for the advice on which criminal code they could be charged under for the less than legal tackles etc. Luckily Grandpa picked up the good work in his absence in the nearly last line of defence.

Andrew Wood (Chips)

Chips is our special impact player and sits up in the forward line waiting for others to do all the work. On the odd occasion the ball has got through but being a true team player he waited for the other forwards to catch up and allowed the other teams defence a sporting chance at taking the ball back. He forgot to bring a stick to one game and no one noticed. Questioned about defence he reckons that is what goes around his house and was genuinely shocked to find that there were goalies at both ends (how else does he think the ball gets back to the halfway line). Never been seen on our defensive half of the field and thinks a visa is required.

Appreciated assistance from Ken Wilson, Whip and Fred when Covid and lack of interest occurred. Again many thanks to Jude Mellor for his high level of umpiring this year. This was noted and appreciated by the opposition as well.



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Gary Bowater

Gary is our Manager and Captain, the mainstay of our team on and off the field. Gary is respected by everyone and always discusses tactics and options with the team, inviting input from everyone. Thanks to the environment initiated by Gary we did improve this year with four wins, two draws and five losses by a goal. Next year if we can find some goals we could make the finals as our defence was second best in our grade.

Great job Gary as the Manager and as a player in a raft of different positions

John Christie

John back from operations, recovery, operations again and further recovery. What a great come back. It is great to have John on the team with his hockey knowledge and great stick skills on the field. The General in the back line or the Centre Half controls the game with skill and precision. A true team player and great to see him back. His half time comments are also spot on. We think it is maybe Johnno feeding him Guinness that has speeded up this recovery.

Ian Churchward

This is Ian's first year with the team and he fitted in really well. After not having played for a while Ian joined us part way into the season. We do have to mention that one game he did get three goals which is fantastic and consistently scored in other games during the season. Ian has worked his way into the team with hard work and effort and this was a great season for him with his new team.

Pat Hall

Pat plays Fullback and Half back at times. Always very organised on the field and not shy to give the more forward players instructions on how to play better and make position. While representing Hockey Australia in the Commonwealth Games as a committee member Pat managed to come back with a dose of the covid. Pat has found a stronger remedy than Johnno though and uses red wine to fix these nasty problems like covid.

Matt Hudson

Matty Hudson is the backbone of the team. Playing in goals now for several years after on field leg injuries and operations is an incredible achievement. Matt gives a 100% in effort and has saved our bacon so many times in the last line of defence it is not funny. He also is quick to let the opponent team know the error of their ways if tackled in an un-sportsman like manner. Nothing like being told of your heritage or hockey skills to make your day after a questionable tackle was to occur.

Steve McEntee

Steve joined the team a little late with some other planned events like most of us 60s players at the start of the season. It was great to have Steve back with us consistently. His hockey knowledge is great, and he makes up for speed with cunning and adeptness. Not to mention he is a very good umpire, and his talents were welcomed with umpiring some of the other games when required. We all look forward to seeing Steve next season.

Johnno Orr

Johnson plays fullback and is a legend in the club. You may think it is because he Manages the top squad men's team or loves Guinness like no other and maybe even because he is JC's best mate. No not so the team are so proud of him because he can own three x vintage Rover Motor Vehicles and his Mrs, Janis lets him get away with it. That is showing true grit and we are so very proud of him.

Tony Patton

Tony played mainly right half back this year and held the position very well. Both tackling and disposal were always excellent and gave us drive coming out of the back half. Tony loves his hockey and has great team spirit. So much in fact that when he had wrist/hand injury (we think broken) he was going to get his medical colleagues to fashion a sort of cast so he could get his finger around the stick so he could keep playing. That is what happens when you come down to watch the games and cannot get on the field to play. Like all the team you just want to be on the field with your team.

Keith Platel

Keith is a tenacious play everywhere needed 100% of the game type of player. As an inside position player, he often is found in the back half one minute and way up front the next. Keith did disappear mid-season for a few weeks. We are not sure where he went but think he may have been wine tasting some of that Red wine Pat likes just to make sure it is ok and of course for the healing qualities. Keith had a great season.

Bruce Porter

Bruce always has a good season. He is consistent, always plays hard and pushes the rules to the limit. Unfortunately, Bruce pushed the rules a little bit to far this season for one game. Although it was hard to get a clear view of what happened Bruce did get a week off for one game. Other than that, his games have been fantastic and his tackling back excellent. Bruce is a valued team member and the get togethers are great after the game specially if his brother Dave (an ex member of the team) comes down to join us.



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Geoff Riley

Geoff plays full on for every game. He has had a great season and is a true clubman. Geoff also doubles as our Club Treasurer which is another full-on role. If we could only convince Geoff to finance the team, he may even get best player. Geoff also has a personal coach in wife Mary who has attended most games and given the whole team support.

Jas Sembí

Great to see Jas back after many years with his old club. Most of us have played with Jas over the years and have been friends for some time. Jas must lead a busy life as it was noticed he just makes it before game time on a regular basis. The high strategies and set plays must be gone over again as Jas is brought up to speed. A great pleasure to have Jas back on the team and the odd goal score is much appreciated in a usually low goal average team. Welcome back Jas.

Jack (John) Smith

John has played several positions this year where needed. Half back, Wing and some others. He is also the team manager of funds. John's game is always decisive, and John always steps up to help on and off the field and in doing so completes a professional and accurate job with team funds. The tradition of us buying beers, food and paying our umpire never miss a beat and we are always on track financially where needed. Other teams see the results and always enjoy the after game get together.

Andy Toogood

Andy Toogood plays the game hard and never gives in no matter how dire the situation is. Good in attack and always amongst the action. Unfortunately, near the end of the season Andy had a very hard front on clash and came out with a broken Rib. He did not actually tell us this until after the game. Knowing Andy, he will be playing again soon. We think Andy needs some of Johnno's Guinness.

Kelvin Woodward

Kelvin always has a good solid game in his regular fullback role. After he came back from a holiday away it was good to have numbers back up again. Kelvin did miss a couple of games either due to arriving at the game late or going to the wrong game. Not a hard thing to do as while he was away our div 60 – 3s schedule changed three times and we had teams move in and out of the grade regularly. The lesson here is check every week on the roster as it changes so very much for us old guys.





O35 DIVISION 2 WOMEN

What an amazing season! Minor Premiers!!! After the disappointment of losing the grand final last year in torrential rain on a flooded pitch we were determined to bounce back this year and bounce back we did albeit with slightly different personnel. With the advent of an O50s division this year there was a changing of the guard - we lost a few of our stalwarts (Sue C, Gaye, Lisa, Corelle and Susie W) but recruited hard and welcomed our newbies Tara, Jess (a regular this year), Mel, Lauren and Kobie who slotted right in. Team dinners were a highlight once again - Curry night, Italian night and Liz's delicious slices - if only HWA could schedule more 7.00pm home games! For the most part we played beautiful team hockey and scored a plethora of goals with lots of laughs thrown in for good measure. Loz, Maddie, Mel and Ness terrorised the opposition defenders with their speed and skills upfront; Liz, Jess and Tara owned the midfield; Fi and Lauren were brilliant shutting down the opposition forwards at left and right half; Charly reigned supreme at the back with the support of Macca, Chris and Kobie; and I filled the gaps playing every position except goalie (Phew!). Well done ladies, we played our hearts out each week and whatever happens in the finals it's been a blast. Division 1 here we come!! **Manager Marie Farrow**



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Lauren A Anderson (Striker)

Every team needs a Loz, she never gives up, never stops running, and never stops talking. You can always rely on her to pass the ball in the D when she should have had a shot, or had a shot when she should have passed it. Plus, there's never a dull moment when she is around, she's either scoring goals (just ask her) or getting under the skin of the opposition. And when we aren't playing, you can always rely on her for her great banter on the group chat. She really is a fantastic hockey player and team mate! Great season Loz!

Vanessa Carmody (Striker)

Ness has had to listen to her body a little more this year and moved from her usual midfielder position to striker and didn't miss a beat. Ness played striker with impressive drive into opposition defence with the ability to link in with other strikers terrorising our opposition. Ness surprised herself but nobody else when she regularly started to sneak some goals into the net. Ness continued to battle her body, but regularly pushed on and couldn't be held off the field, Ness loves her hockey too much, and we need her heading into finals!

Marie Farrow (Midfield/Defender)

It would be remiss of us not to firstly express our thanks and gratitude for the amazing work Marie does as our team manager and captain. Marie's organisational skills and efficiency are next level. Handling players, umpires, fixtures that don't come out until the last minute - no matter what it is, Marie has it covered. She even anticipates the forgetfulness of her team members, right down to the replacement sports bra and contact lenses! Marie's efficiency also translates to the hockey field. Not

only will she adapt to almost any role to cover the absence of other players, but the speed and efficiency with which she carries out these roles is legendary. Marie's speciality would have to be the 'surprise tackle', or maybe it could be called 'the ambush'. The enemy is only momentarily aware that they have possession of the ball and they are already under attack. The attack is swift and effective, the expression on the enemy's face priceless. Often fighting at close quarters, Marie can deliver a sustained 'poke tackle' attack, and even outnumbered, she rarely concedes any ground. After all, she's not out on that field just to look good....but on that front, Marie has it covered - Wednesday night games often coinciding with her only available day to schedule a hair appointment.

Jessica Gallimore (Midfield)

Possibly our youngest team mate. Probably our strongest over the ball. Definitely our most likely to get hit with stick in the head and not complain! Jess is the team workhorse, dominating the left side inner channel and with an uncanny ability to score spectacular deflections into the goal. Good with an air fryer and in the canteen, Jess's relaxed attitude on and off field makes her a team favourite.

Charly Hogarth (Goalkeeper)

Without a doubt, Charly is our most important team member! Ever-reliable in goals, Charly is cool under pressure and we appreciate all the guidance and direction she calls out. After succumbing only 13 goals in 16 games, it's easy to see how valuable she is (when she isn't running late with car trouble!). Thanks for your superb agility and reliability this season Charly!



O35 DIVISION 2 WOMEN cont

Christina Klomp (Defender)

*Chris is always so happy in every game,
She supports, she always gets back, every time I call her name.
Chris always gives her feedback in a positive way,
And is a fantastic team member who dominates the play!!!!*

Chris is a left side specialist who knows just when to channel and when to lay a tackle. This year she has alternated between her favoured left half and a new role at full back and she has been outstanding in both. Well done Chris!

Melanie Leighton (Striker)

One of our fast and furious goal hungry strikers. Mel scored a whopping 8 goals this season, which is more than I've scored in 8 seasons combined. Her lightning quick speed up front gives her the ability to turn defence into attack in the press, always gets her into dangerous positions in the D, and you can always rely on Mel to be sitting on the post ready to tap one passed the goalie. Mel is always happy to help the team out where she can, even putting her hand up to play inner whenever she was needed, where she covered the position with ease and confidence and was equally as impressive. Mel's determination and hard work make her a fantastic team mate on the field and her bubbly and energetic personality make her an every greater team mate off the field. Her butter chicken on curry night was a hit!! Thanks for always bringing your enjoyment and passion every Wednesday night, you've made it a truly special season.

Narelle McMillan (Defender)

Where do I start with Macca - we would be lost without you! Macca you are an amazing defensive player and can be relied upon to give 100% each game. This season has seen you battle a few pesky injuries and remarkably your body has held on through all those amazing lunges for the ball. Its been a pleasure to play with you this season, we are all in awe of your tenacity and never give up attitude. Macca you are my hero!

Madeleine Northover (Striker)

Maddie is one of our fast, goal-hungry Strikers. She fears nothing and regularly puts her body on the line. This year Maddie has been an integral part of attacking short corners, she is our key injector and has done some brilliant injections which has led to goals. Maddie herself has also scored many goals this year and is right in the tussle for the 'Golden Kooka'. Maddie also loves a laugh, with her and Loz having great banter on our whats app team chat after every game - very entertaining! Congratulations on a great year of hockey Maddie!

Tara Porter (Midfield)

One of our star new recruits, Tara has been a welcomed addition to the Masters Div 2 team! Although for her it's more like a training session, and with Tilly umpiring, it's a convenient place for her to display her skills in the hopes of being reselected for the 1s team. She has been the

voice of reason and ever safe hands in the midfield all season. Always cool under pressure, Tara has a calming effect on the team, and has provided reassuring counsel on and off the field. Tara has wowed us with her skills, especially the drag flicks that she demonstrated beautifully on many occasions to score off penalty corners - something that the rest of us could only dream of doing. Our new team MO - if you're under pressure and don't know what to do with the ball, pass it to Tara and she will sort it out!

Fiona Power (Defender)

Fi, what an awesome season! She's a powerhouse right half specialist with one of the best hits in the team. Playing with Fi this year has taught me a lot about being humble and kind but still intensely competitive on the field. She reads the game so well and instinctively overlaps down the right to put our team in a great attacking position. If not outright intercepting she will often get one touch on the ball to save the day. Congratulations on a brilliant season Fi, looking forward to playing together in future.

Kobie Richardson (Defender)

Kobie is one of our quiet achievers. New to the team this year and in her first season back playing hockey after a long break she has been an absolute star at full back. Kobie has been rock solid in defence, combining beautifully with Macca, Chris and Charly. She is super cool under pressure, so calm and never flustered - stopping a breakaway striker is a breeze compared to wrangling those 4 kids at home!

Elizabeth Woodberry (Midfield)

Liz has the perfect balance of calm and competitiveness which is perfect as a mid-fielder. Liz seems to have a magnet on her stick in the press, everything sticks, and she always looks to pass which is why the forwards were able to drive the circle all year long. Liz always rocks up with a smile on her face which is matched with our own smiles when she walks in with home made caramel slice. You are a true team player Liz and a fabulous midfielder.

Lauren Zaknic (Defender)

It has been an absolute delight having Lauren back at the club this year- although to see her play you'd never believe she'd been away at all. Lauren is strong over the ball and tenacious, and more importantly never whinges when we make her play inner - Exactly the type of half back you want on your team! We have all loved playing with you this year Lauren!

A huge, huge thank you to Tilly our amazing and ever reliable umpire for rocking up each week and even finding a fill in for the one game she was busy. Thank you also to our fill ins - Tegan, Tash and Susie W - who all played games for us this season at very short notice - much appreciated! Have a fabulous summer and we look forward to seeing everyone back next year.



O35 DIVISION 3 WOMEN

The 2022 Season saw a breakup to the Melville Masters Div 3 side - out with the old and in with the new - a new team, lots of fresh faces and a new dynamic. The first game was a fresh look at the new outfit, and it wasn't pretty, however as the season has progressed, we have developed great unity as a team both on and off the field. By round 2 of the fixtures, the team that thumped us 5-0 in the first game found themselves facing a much tougher opposition and we came away with a draw - a real measure of the improvement that we demonstrated as we developed our game play. The team has shown the ability to rely on each other, pass well and use the field to our advantage. With the back line holding strong, our midfielders and forwards worked hard to create forward momentum. We had our chances, but conversion was not our strong point this year. We look forward to cementing our team as a dynamic force in the seasons to come and we are sure that the progress that has already been shown this year will continue.

An extra special thanks to Nick and Ash Jarvis for umpiring for us this season. **Manager Kylie Mishra**

Jessica Bond (Left Half)

Jess joined our team this year and has been a breath of fresh air. One of the biggest improvers on our team, she tackles hard, laughs harder, and can run all day with her long legs. She seems to enjoy the game on the field (and certainly enjoys herself off the field in the bar after the game!) We look forward to playing with her again in 2023.

Natalie Brown (Right Half)

Nat has been a reliable and powerful member of the team all season. The right half back of your dreams. Always present in the clubrooms to help finish a bottle of white wine and always there on the field to defend and give the team a good old "let's go Melville, we've got this" which is so appreciated by the newbies. Cheers to a successful season.

Rosemarie De Bari (Fullback / Halfback)

Rosemarie, another new face at MCHC this season has slotted in well in defence this year. Making a comeback to hockey from junior years Rose has certainly grown and developed more confidence as the season passed. A quiet achiever and always happy to put her hand up to contribute to team meals Rose has slotted well into the Div 3 team.

Demelza Dravnieks (Midfield)

Demelza's comeback to real hockey this year has been filled with diversity and flexibility. She has shown consistent skills and determination on the field. She has been our most versatile player having played almost all positions this season. She has been a very welcomed addition to the team. She's a great communicator and always delightful.

Justine Griffin (Fullback)

Justine, inspired by her children, has made a long-time comeback to hockey and we are delighted to have her and her family at Melville City Hockey Club. She brings a dynamic spirit on and off the field. Justine has played a solid game all year improving week in week out. She slotted in well with the direction of Kylie and Sandra and we look forward to her continued comeback next season.

Sally Hall (Striker)

The 3s welcomed Sally to the team after a big shake up to the structure of Masters hockey. Luckily, she fits in like a glove. Sally works hard on the field to get herself into the right spot and make leads for her teammates. She brings a calm, light-hearted energy to the team and is always up for a run on the left or right wing. Cheers to a great season, Sally!

Kate Jones (Striker)

Kate has been a very welcome addition to our team this year, slotting straight into the role of the forward striker. Kate spends her games showing how second, third and sometimes fourth efforts can bewilder the opposition and put us straight back into attack. We are so pleased that you have joined us at Melville, and look forward to many more seasons watching her endeavour and speed on the field.

Kylie Mishra (Goalie)

Directing from the D, our fabulous Ninja Superstar guided some new and not so new players, to where the encroaching enemy balls needed to be intercepted and sent back to the forward line. Kylie the heart of our team demonstrated her goalie prowess in every game, but the best was saving a penalty stroke that had the home and away team both cheering in admiration. Kylies' ability to be a beast in the goals with a warm gentle soul to encourage players on the field has made for a great season.

Sandra Orr (Fullback)

Sanj is the voice of our team. She directs all play from the back and her strong stick skills mean the ball rarely gets passed her. She's the kindest player who backs all her teammates. Sanj, you've been a very welcome addition this year, mentoring our new players and being the warm fuzzy member of the team. We look forward to your commitment for 2023.



O35 DIVISION 3 WOMEN cont

Conor Smith (Right Inside Forward)

Conor. Our mastermind midfielder mixed with a measure of management and mettle. We have enjoyed having Conor captain us this year, who early on, enforced a very strict, 'the rule is you MUST stay for at least one drink afterwards!' policy. Which we did, and as a result, we had the opportunity to build our unity as a new team with lots of new faces. Conor's speed and skill through the midfield, along with her hunger and determination to score, often lifted and inspired the team. Conor has been the heartbeat of our team this year, even turning 'the big 40' didn't slow her down.

Anna Stevens (Left Inside Forward)

A quiet but tenacious achiever on the field, Anna gets the job done. Calm and collected, never appearing to be rattled by the more "intense" opposition players. Anna took on the challenge of inside forward after an early play for a more defensive position and has owned her position on the field as one of our strongest players. We also came to know she makes an exceedingly good mint chocolate mudcake!

Anne Tomlinson (Striker)

Anne has a great hockey sense and is always in the right position up front. She is fit and strong on the ball. Anne managed a miraculous escape from Covid when travelling all around the world- but then it caught up with her in Kalgoorlie of all places! Anne is a fantastic all round team member and it's been great playing with her this year.

Rebecca Weddikkara (Centre Half)

What would we do without Bec in the centre. She stables the team with her calm demeanour. Her amazing skills help drive the team both forward and back and her second efforts never go unnoticed - scoring game votes majority of the time. Luckily she is not all perfect getting green carded for over using her body.

Kimberly Welten (Striker)

Cementing her dominance as our Centre Forward, Kimmy is a force in the forward line we can not do without. We can rely on her to bring a ferocity to each and every game. Kimmy's skills and strength over the ball sees her dominating her defensive counterparts time and time again and if she gets a strike on goal it's almost a guaranteed score (unless on the reverse- no tommas please) As one of our social starlets Kimmy is always up for a good time and sharing the pride of Melville City Hockey Club.

We would also like to extend an extra thanks to our super subs this year - Emma, Tegan and Dee. These girls did more than just make up the numbers on a regular basis as we battled out the season with Covid and injuries. Emma with super strength in the midfield, Tegan steadfast in defence and Dee with her striking prowess we look forward to making them part of the list for Div 3 next season.



O50 DIVISION WOMEN

What a great year. As you know, Masters start at 35 years of age (not sure why that makes you a Master of your sport – I always believed Veteran was more apt – being able to last enough seasonal ‘campaigns’ seems more fitting). Anyway, we in the Over 50s have been chasing those ‘young things’ for too many years, and it is a relief to now be part of the **inaugural** Over 50s grade this 2022 season. And what a season – we are the Minor Premiers this year and hoping to top it off with a Grand Final win. (**STOP PRESS: They did it! May Campbell and Premiers 2022**)

The wonderful team that has got us to this point are a great bunch to be part of and we have had some fun along the way. Before I introduce them, there is a little issue that needs to be aired in public: There seems to be a consistent **failure** to follow the intricate legal clauses of our “Serviette Contracts”. It expressly states that there will be no mid-season holidays/leave of absence/Goofing off/breaks/trips (you get my drift). In the past there has been some leniency shown but this behaviour will have to stop. All contracts are being reviewed and there may be some penalty clauses added. We may have to get together (aka a wine-tasting) to re-sign. Apologies to our readers for this small outburst.

Coach / Manager Jan Davis - Now here are our **girls** (poetic licence taken):

Lindy Coss (Goalkeeper – sometimes known as the ‘barbeque shapes’ kid)

Lindy gained some extra family members this year with two new dogs. Only problem was, every time Lindy left the house the dogs barked the entire time. If she didn’t know the neighbours before, she certainly does now. Regardless of the noise at home, she still has got the goals covered.

Rae Thompson (Fullback)

Rae is another one to take a holiday mid-season. Headed to Dirk Hartog Island to spend some time with the man in her life. Rae is the other half of the full back line, and calm and steady...

Maris Margetts (Fullback)

Maris has lost more drink bottles than most and this year she had to resort to a ‘Paw Patrol’ mini bottle for a couple of weeks. At least she brought a bottle! – one week she brought the wrong stick bag and ended up with three sticks (none of which were usable), no mouthguard and no visor – was forced to dash home to get the necessary – missed the first quarter. Thank goodness for reserves.

Allison Hall (Halfback also known as Carolyn)

Another player who lives part time at the club, well, in the Uniform Shop at least, and is our team’s fun fashionista. On wet and windy nights, when the field is only suitable for ducks, she has turned up in Wellington Boots and a Shower Cap in response to Jan’s: “It certainly is a night for wellies and raincoats”.

Gail Anderson (Anywhere also known as the Shuffle Queen but maybe not for long)

Gail is showing first signs of dementia – one sock inside out/trying to take a long corner for the opposition/warning everyone that there was only 37 seconds left in the game while the clock said 8:37 (the rest of us were a little mystified) – Jo has always said that Gail has CRAFT. Gail has waited until playing Over 50s to learn how to run, not shuffle. Now she is speeding down the right wing and scoring goals.

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O50 DIVISION WOMEN cont

Sue Clark (Centre Half)

Sue has reached an age milestone that on the surface is hard to believe. She played centre half and was our general on the field, keeping us all motivated. She has also motivated us off the field. Without Sue we may not have enjoyed our 'Curry Nights' that were a huge success. Our Curry Queen is 'hot' on and off the field. (Please excuse the puns)

Olive Hasselerharm (Halfback used to be New Girl but now, that doesn't seem right)

What can I say? This girl will do anything for anyone, knows more people than Gail (almost) and spends half her life organising the tech box. You can be forgiven for thinking she has a bed here. Also known as Maris and Jan's carer – now you know why they invite her to go to the games with them – so they are assured of getting there.

Jo Rosso (Forward / Half also known as Reeks or Reebys)

Only one to put her body on the line for a goal – DIVE; DIVE! Then after that brilliant display of willingness and commitment she takes herself off for a mid-season camping holiday with friends in a camper van that not one of them knew how to erect. Took two hours on the first night to do what should be a 15 minute job. Thankfully they got the hang of it before the holiday was over. Personally I think it was because of all that alcohol they took with them.

Gaye Glaskin (Forward / Half also known as Gaysey)

Quiet, smiling Gaysey showed us another side when she got up close and personal with the opposition from Hale. Another player who seems to think holidays during the season are OK. Only just redeems herself by being back for the Grand Final.

Rae Hetheringham (Forward also known as Raz)

Our baby, but still capable of getting a green card for being too rough when she tripped and fell onto the opposition. Really fast on the field – she is still coming to terms with playing with 'old' people and that speed has something to do with running away from us!

Dee Murphy (Forward also known as Geraldine)

This is the year one of Dee's long held secrets has been revealed. Due to a misread text, Jan inadvertently let everyone know that Dee's real name is Geraldine. Dee also became a little enthusiastic on Purple Bra night when she manhandled Nic as she attempted to help him re-adjust his bra. Not sure it was necessary, but she wasn't complaining – not sure about Nic!

Lisa Anderson (Forward)

Lisa is another holiday-maker who entertains herself on her weeks home with a game of hockey. If you follow her Facebook, she pops up at the cricket in Melbourne; the soccer in Sydney; a ball at the Opera House; holidays in New Zealand and even a weekend watching sport in Mukinbudin. COVID may have restricted most of us, but not this little lady – she moves around just as thoroughly on the field as well.

Nikky Blowers (Forward)

New to the team this year – but who could be called new when we have all played for so long? Some of us even played with her mum! Nikky has been known to do some 'drain inspections' mid-game and is also believed to be colour blind – red lights are a real problem. But this doesn't stop her from being a great caller during the games.

Tash (Forward - Import player)

Tash is our Instate Import from Esperance who flies up every couple of weeks to instil a bit of dash and flash to our team and once on our 'Chat' page, turned up for all social functions as well.

Jan Davis (Manager also known as She who talks to God)

Jan has had another fabulous year at guiding our aging team into the finals – if we bothered to look at the stats she probably holds the best figures for making finals (and winning GFs) of anyone at the Club – Nay, perhaps in the State. This year is a massive age milestone for Jan (not for me to divulge the actual number), and you wouldn't guess it from just watching her still buzz around organising not just us but all of the social events at the club – once again, a big thank you from us all.

Milestones / achievements

Congrats to this year we have some great achievers:
Allison Hall – 400 games; Gail Anderson – 200 games;
Rae Thompson – 100 games; WA Over 65s Masters selection: Gail Anderson, Maris Margetts

Thank you - It wouldn't be a great season without people to help you out when you need it.

Susan Wilson- Thanks Susan, who filled in at short notice when she wasn't in Tassie.

Rachel- Also Rachel coming to the rescue from a late call.

Matt Willis (Umpire)- Thanks Matt for keeping us and the opposition in line. It is a thankless task.

PS: Maris is trying not to blame the stick for her less-than-acceptable passing.

Marie - Last but not least – Marie for organising such a great year and getting the Over 50s off the ground. You kept us informed and encouraged the social side of hockey that has bonded the teams together. Congrats also on your 400 games with the club.



JUNIOR TEAMS - COACHES/MANAGERS

Team	Coach(es)	Manager(s)
J 11/12 Division 1 Boys	Matt Willis	Roger Mellor
J 11/12 Division 3 Boys	Darcy Knell, Callum Lee	Sue Cann
J 11/12 Division 1 Girls	Shanae Wardrobe, Mitch Tate	Kath Polglase
J 9/10 Division 2 Boys	Tom Williamson	Anne Kelly
J 9/10 Division 4 (Gold) Boys	Gemma Eckermann, Peter Kervin	Kate Floyd
J 9/10 Division 1 Girls	Gemma Cowan	Fiona Power
J 9/10 Division 2 Girls	Mel Leighton	Janet Gowland
J 9/10 Division 4 (Gold) Girls	Ellen Rolls	Marianne McKenzie
J 7/8 Division 1 Boys	Keith Harper, Matthew Bottomley	Narelle McMillan
J 7/8 Division 3 Boys	Paul Coghlan, Sean Webb, Tony Fitzpatrick	Sarah Tsocas
J 7/8 Division 5 Boys	Trev Bilney, Peter Kervin	Tricia Lawler
J 7/8 Division 1 Girls	Mitch Tate	Jo Cobill
J 7/8 Division 3 Girls	Scarlett Huston, Sienna Robinson, Ash Jarvis	Rosie Hough/ Nat Brown
J 7/8 Division 4 (Gold) Girls	Phil Bradshaw	Paige Forbes
J 7/8 Division 5 Girls	Colleen Bentley	Marnie Beissel
J 5/6 Division 1 Boys	Mitch Pace, Shaya Pillay	Todd Barrett
J 5/6 Division 2 (Gold) Boys	Matt Read	Vaughn Lee
J 5/6 Division 4 (Black) Boys	Simon Kent	Scott Maloney
J 5/6 Division 4 (Gold) Boys	Ben Rushton	Amelia Jones
J 5/6 Division 1 Girls	Kirby Hobbs, Crystal Hobbs	Justine Griffin / Kate De'Laney
J 5/6 Division 2 (Gold) Girls	Fiona Power, Caelee Power	Shane Herbert
J 5/6 Division 4 Girls	Lloyd King	Erin Stocks



J 11/12 DIVISION 1 BOYS

The J11/12 Division 1 team have had a challenging but enjoyable season playing in the top division against the best U18 players in the state week in, week out. The first part of the season posed several challenges with Covid, injuries and other commitments. As the season has gone on, the boys have started to develop and have played some hockey they should be immensely proud of. We have been quite an attacking-minded team, playing in several high scoring and entertaining games. Training on Tuesdays combined with the J9/10 Div 1 team has been a success and developed some great comradery throughout the older Junior age groups.

Thanks to Roger Mellor for managing the team, it has been a pleasure to work with you. It has also been a pleasure to collaborate with Tom Williamson (J9/10 Div 1 coach) on a Tuesday for training and I know the boys appreciate the experience and knowledge you share with them.

Given injuries and illness interruptions this year we have had several guys who have filled in and contributed to the team. A huge thanks to Cosmo Quartermaine, Seth Elliott, Dom Kelly, Billy Fehlberg, Travis Canny and Jarrad Fong.

Coach Matt Willis

Joseph Coleman (Goalkeeper)

What a great season Joe has had. Playing in the top team for the first time has been a great reward for his enthusiasm and dedication to improving his craft as a goalkeeper. Has made some outstanding saves at crucial times in games this season. Melville has a history of producing strong goalkeepers and Joe is heading in that direction if he continues as he is. Well done on a great season Joe.

Eamon Cooper (Midfield)

Our team captain who has lead by example this season. Has smooth skills in any midfield position and is able to turn defenders inside out with his nice turns. It has been pleasing to see Eamon's development and leadership progress over the last few seasons. Has experienced some Senior hockey this year which I am sure he is looking forward to next year. Well done on your Junior career.

Oliver Cooper (Defender)

Trusted with a new role at full back this year, matching up against the opposition's most dangerous forwards, Ollie has 'tackled' the challenge head on. Rarely gets beaten in a contest and denies many attacking chances for the other team. Has started to develop his passing range to add an extra threat with his outletting. Has experienced some Senior hockey this year and will be well-suited moving there full-time next year. Congratulations on your Junior career.

Andrew Gibson (Defender)

One of our returning players from 2021, Andrew scored goal of the season in an exhilarating run from left half, beating several defenders with his right to left drag and finishing from a tight angle. Has really improved his positional play this year and his eagerness to listen and learn is a credit to him. Another player who has experienced some Senior hockey this season which hopefully will see him back in the maroon in the Senior ranks full time next year.

Jackson Harmsen (Midfield)

Jackson has filled a role in our midfield this year. Has some silky skills and a turn of speed which make him difficult to deal with for the opposition. Has improved his decision making and hockey smarts this year and has dedicated time with extra sessions to work on his skills. I am looking forward to seeing more development from Jackson in the coming seasons. Well done on a solid season.

Kirby Hobbs (Striker)

Kirby has had a strong season as one of our Senior players. Has scored some pivotal goals which have made the difference in several games. Knows where the goals are which is a skill that you just cannot teach. Kirby's efforts to often play some big minutes on a Friday night before his games of 1s or 2s on the weekend are very much appreciated, as is his coaching skill with the J5/6 girls. Well done Kirby on your Junior career and I look forward to seeing your development on future years in the Top Squad.

William Johnson (Striker)

Will has found a home at striker this season. Blessed with great speed and strength which he is now starting to use more effectively with and without the ball. His penalty corner flick is a great skill to keep developing moving onto the Senior ranks. Scored a nice hat trick in a memorable win at home on a Friday night. It has been very pleasing to see how far Will has come in the last two years, now being one of our key players. All the best moving into Seniors next year.



J 11/12 DIVISION 1 BOYS cont

Ben King (Defender)

Our free defender for most of the season, Ben has made great progress in reading the game and being able to clean up in our defensive area. Has a never say die attitude which he takes into every contest no matter the opponent. He is developing a nice overhead and is continually trying to work on his different passing range and types including hitting, slapping and pushing. Having experienced some Seniors as well as school hockey this year, it will be great to see Ben firing again next year.

Preston Knell (Striker)

Preston is one of our speedy forwards who has a great understanding of his position in the press and able to create good space when we have the ball. He is always asking for feedback on how he can improve and acts on this feedback to make sure he is always striving to get better. Has experienced some Senior hockey this season which I am sure he has enjoyed and will be looking forward to more of that in the future. Well done on your first season of J11/12s Preston.

Jude Mellor (Striker/Defender)

Jude has been a bit of a Mr. Fixit for our team this year, spending time in the halfback line and the striker line. Has good hands and elimination skills to get him out of trouble. He is developing his game, playing a game of Seniors each weekend also, as well as being a promising umpire. Looking forward to next season where Jude has the capability to become a major player in this age group if he can continue to work hard on his running. Great to have you this year Jude.

Aidan Rolls (Striker)

Aidan's confidence has increased as the season has gone on. Becoming more comfortable in his role as a striker to use his pace and skills to trouble opposition defenders. To continue his development Aidan can work on his positional and situational awareness to be a consistent contributor at this level. Great to work with you this year and looking forward to your progress next season.

Nicholas Williamson (Defender)

Nick has had a solid year again this year. After a steep learning curve in the top division last year Nick came into the season well prepared and hit the ground running. Nick always takes on feedback and goes out and puts it into action which is a great quality to have. Always trying to improve his passing range to complement his defending skills. It has been a pleasure to have you in our team this year Nick.

Jacob Woods (Midfield)

Jacob has been our centre half for this season. Possesses some excellent skills and poise on the ball despite his young age. Continuing to work hard and develop his match awareness and positional play will hold him in good stead for next season. Has made his 1s debut this season and his composure under pressure was evident in this. Well done on a great season Jacob! Hard work over the off-season will see you pushing for higher honours next year.



J 11/12 DIVISION 3 BOYS

This season started with some big losses, seeing us dropped a division, so the 2nd half of the season made for much more exciting hockey. Although we ended up with only a few wins we were so very close on many occasions and gave all teams in Div 3 a run for their money! A really good effort put in by a great bunch of young men throughout the season.

To Darcy and Callum, a huge thank you for stepping up and volunteering your time to coach, you have done a great job in what was a bit of a topsy turvy year, coaching and training wise, for this team. Thanks also to Tom, who coached the first few games and filled in for emergencies, along with the couple of others who helped out in the dugout while we secured permanent coaches. With several cancelled training sessions due to rescheduled games, thanks go to the 'Scrubbers' for having the boys train with them on more than a few occasions too. Also, thank you to Michael for umpiring our games this season and taking time to chat to the team or anyone who had a query.

Thanks to our couple of fill-ins who happily came to our rescue in the odd game we were short and a big thank you must also go to all the wonderful parents and family members for all the support they offer during the season, it's great to hear some yelling and encouragement from the sidelines.

Lastly, all the best to the Year 12s moving to Seniors full time next year and those who do not continue on I hope you have only fond memories of your time in Junior hockey. Hope to see all of the Year 11s next year!

Manager Sue Canny (Coaches Darcy Knell, Callum Lee)

Zane Bloomfield

Mr Versatile, Zane has played nearly every position possible on the field this year and is always willing to accept and succeed in different roles for team, whether it's scoring goals on the wing, or defending as a halfback. We hope he continues to grow his hockey career at Melville and hope to see him in years to come.

Daniel Brown

Dan has proven to be a dangerous threat in the midfield. His skill, running and determination make him a valuable member of the team. His unique one-hand play of skill and tackling makes him difficult to match up against. His jokes from the sideline have made him a very entertaining player to coach and talk to.

Zac Burvill

Zac has been a defensive beast who has embraced his role of half back and even filling in as a fullback. Zac has really improved his tackling and his game IQ during this season, developing his skills to take through to next year.

Travis Canny

Travis has been a brick wall in our defence, as a last line he has saved our skins more times than not. Thank you to your family for always bringing the lollies and fruit, and always keeping track with our schedule. Keep working on your talk Trav, as it really sets our backline up and will be a vital tool for Seniors. It's been really great coaching you this year.



Billy Fehlberg

Billy has taken on a leadership role in the forward line, providing lots of valuable insight in the team chats. As our leading goal scorer, Billy has what it takes to be a lethal scorer and is likely to score many more in the future.

Ethan Forbes

Ethan could be called 'The Flash'. He is always ready to pounce on a fast break opportunity while playing wing or hurrying back for defence as a half back. His ability to trap is a great asset for our team and we have relied on him in many moments. Thank you for being such a great player to coach.

Mitchell Horrocks

Despite being out due to injury for a time, Mitch has shown what a true midfielder is. He has a great affinity to run with the ball and break lines. We hope you have enjoyed your final year of Junior hockey as you have shown true determination and grit. We wish you luck going into Seniors.

Zachary Kelly

As an 11/12 player for two years now, Zack has provided a solid understanding of his position and proven he can be a threat on offense if not manned. Zack has shown what it is to be a Melville player and we hope to see him continue playing.



J 11/12 DIVISION 3 BOYS cont



Matthew Lippiatt

Matt has mastered his role as a half back, providing lockdown defence, while learning where to position himself on offence. When Matt has confidence in himself and is focused on the game, he can perform to the level we know he can. Matt's one time passes down the line were legendary and it was awesome having you on the team.

Jacob McKenna

Jacob found a new role playing midfield this year, often playing centre half. Always a positive player and constantly asking for feedback. We were very glad to have a weapon like you for the short corners.

Ross Miller

Ross is another versatile player who can play both midfield and attack. His willingness to take the game on is second to none and we are grateful for his constant and persistent presence on the field, once playing an entire game as a centre forward with only two strikers. Thank you for being such an awesome member of the team and we wish you well on your hockey career, hopefully a Melville one.

Oscar Nordon-Ramsay

Oscar's improvement has been out of sight. He has always played his role within the team but has excelled in the back and he has now begun to develop his elimination skills. Thank you to your family for umpiring us through the games and hope you continue to play for Melville as you are a great addition to the club.



Lachlan Paterson

Lachie has been a vital member of our midfield unit, locking down the centre half position. He provides a great option to the fullbacks when out-letting and can be relied on to make good passes and traps. He is a great transition player and we hope to see him in Seniors next year. Thank you for always providing a positive outlook to the team and showing your leadership.

Aiden Weller

Aiden added some experience to the team, showing leadership skills. You really strengthened our defense, while developing your overhead skills, allowing for dangerous transitions. Thank you for your game-saving tackles and hope to see you in Seniors next year.

Ganleon Wong

Ganleon has proved to be a rock in defence, even willing to put his body on the line. His hitting has been a potent weapon for us, allowing for many outlets and a threat for short corners. Good luck for next year and hope to see you again.



J 11/12 DIVISION 1 GIRLS

The year J11/12 girls have had a really successful year. Starting the year off strong, scoring lots of goals, conceding very few and working as a team to move the ball from one end of the field to the other. The girls have only had 14 people in the team this season and have had some help from the J9/10 girls to help fill spots when we were low on numbers. The girls have really taken a big step towards playing a fast, passing game using the width and baseline as their friends. The team and the people in this team have a lot to showcase in years to come, so keep an eye out.

Coaches Shanae Wardrobe, Mitch Tate STOP PRESS: Grand Final Runner-up

Seraphina Andrew (Sera)

Sera is such a hardworking and skilful player who has had an amazing season. She is so fast up forward and has the skills to get around anyone. She always puts in 100% and doesn't stop until the final whistle. She has scored some outstanding goals which none of us thought were possible, but somehow she always gets the ball in the back of the net. Great work this season Sera, it's been a pleasure watching you work your magic up forward.

Ashton Borgward

Ashton is a very hard working, supportive and loving person. She always brings a huge smile to every game and training and is always a pleasure to talk to and play with. Her skills have improved so much this season, and with that, her confidence has grown and really enhanced her hockey abilities. Great season, Ashton.

Hannah Carmody (Han)

Hannah is an exceptional player who comes to every game and training ready to put in 100%. Her positive and supportive attitude towards the game and her team makes every game enjoyable. She is able to use her fast speed and skills to defeat players and run up the field to put the ball in the net. She is hardworking and always presents herself to receive the ball whenever she can. Hannah is such an enthusiastic player, and it has been wonderful playing with her this year!

Ashleigh Farrell (Ash)

Ash is a bright and smiley player in our team. She is cheerful and always has an optimistic attitude when playing. Ash is very strong in the backline and is very

speedy when she runs up the sideline for a weighted ball into space. She is a strong asset to the team, and I can't wait to play together again next year.

Darcie Farrow (Darc)

Darcie is an amazing full back who clears the ball out of the D under pressure and always finds a gap to pass to the forwards. She is also a very encouraging and supportive teammate. Darcie has also been working hard all season to implement overheads into the game, even though she rarely needs them due to her hard and accurate hits. She is a true team player, and the team wouldn't be the same without her.

Mia Gurbiel

Mia is such a positive and humble player. She is an attentive listener, continually trying to implement what the coaches suggest. Mia is always in great position in the forward line and is also constantly ready on the post to deflect a goal.

Jessica Heron (Jess)

Jessica has been a key player in our team this year. She has been a strong player through our midfield and defence. She is reliable and strong on the ball and always encourages everyone around her, doing what is best for the team. She comes to every training and every game with a good attitude, ready to play her best. When she is asked to do something, whether it be marking out a player in the game against Whitfords, working back to defend or attacking hard with speed and strength, she does it to the best of her ability. I can't wait to play with you next year Jess, and good job on a great season!





J 11/12 DIVISION 1 GIRLS cont

Scarlett Huston (Scar)

Scarlett is a huge asset to our team, her strong defensive pressure has definitely been felt by our opponents. Occasionally having a run through the midfield, Scarlett has been very useful when giving the early ball forward. Her ability to remain calm under pressure is admirable and she always makes us laugh at training. This is what makes her a great team player. You've had a great season Scar, keep up the good work.

Brooke McKenzie

Brooke is a strong player, that inspires her teammates to exceed. She is always positive and is always smiling whenever you see her. Her determination to get to the back post is so admirable and she should be proud of this season.

Bailey Old

Although Bailey joined the team during the season, it felt as though she'd been there since the start. We admire her commitment in coming up from Bunbury every Friday for our games. Bailey's skills are unable to be matched and she plays such a valuable role in the team.

Erin Pickering (Ez)

Ez is such an important part of the team, on and off the field, always seen with a smile on her face. Erin is such an integral part of our midfield, sometimes dropping into defence, always remaining calm and composed wherever she is on the field. She is such a strong and reliable player! Her versatility and 'go with the flow' attitude has allowed others to try new positions, as well as helped her continue to dominate from all positions. Erin is the super star of the team, knowing how to drag flick hard and fast!! She is greatly loved by the whole team and often provides us all with some good laughs.

Ellie Polglase

Our team captain, you continue to amaze me every year, in the way you develop as a person and at hockey. You are very friendly, you make everyone laugh, and you are full of energy! Thank you for the amazing season and all the best!

Sienna Robinson (Si)

Sienna is an incredibly skilled hockey player, her movement and control of the ball are outstanding in our competition. She is determined, quick-thinking and motivational in the team environment. She is someone you need on your team if you want success, thanks Sienna, not only for being there when we need you on-field, but for being active in helping us off-field as well.

Shanae Wardrope and Mitch Tate (Coaches). The best coaches we could want. They have worked us hard and prepared us well - skills we will use forever. They are always there for us (except when it's raining!!). They are a dynamic coaching duo: Shanae steps in when Mitch is late; and Mitch calms Shanae down when she gets angry at the umpires. We've learnt a lot and had a lot of fun too - Kath Polglase



Mikayla Wardrope (Mikki)

Mikki is a skilled and talented goalkeeper. She has made some amazing, game-changing saves this year. She always communicates with us from the back of the field and gets us to work together to get the very best outcome in every game. She is coordinated, determined and every game she gives it her all. Mikki works hard and trains hard and when she steps on the field, she is determined to do her best. It was great to play with her this year and can't wait for next year, well done Mik.



J 9/10 DIVISION 2 BOYS

As many teams would have experienced, we had quite a disrupted start to the season with players getting COVID at various stages. We struggled with consistency and to carry momentum from one game to the next. As the season progressed, and we returned to a full complement of players we were able to build week on week and started to see some rapid improvements. One area we struggled in was our ability to close out games and play to the game plan for the entire game. As a group we addressed this issue and found a solution that has seen us play with intensity and intent throughout the game during the second half of the season. This was very impressive and showed great maturity throughout the group. This group has also reaped the benefit of learning to play as team and be unselfish in their decisions which has been rewarded with a great finish to the season. **Coach Tom Williamson**



Lachlan Braid (Lachy)

Lachy played as one of our fullbacks throughout the season. He is very solid in defence as he successfully gets the ball or at least slows the play down when caught in a one on one as the last man back. Having a marking fullback that you can rely on allows the free defender to play a more attacking role. I have been really impressed with his hockey knowledge and readiness to get involved in constructive conversations on what we need to improve. As Lachy's passing skills continue to improve he will become a more dominant full back.

Jack Chapman

Jack had a very good season, his maturity and commitment to the way he goes about his hockey has helped this. Jack played in the midfield for the duration of the season, a position that fits his skill set very well. Throughout the season Jack has been able to control the tempo of the games and is also able to use his game sense to create opportunities going forward. The next level to Jack's game would include broadening his skill set to include long passing options that he can use when the opportunities arise.

Thanush Daivandran

Thanush has improved greatly throughout the season in his consistency and game sense. Early in the season Thanush moved between the forward line and the midfield. As the season went on, he consolidated his spot in the midfield, where he used his speed and elimination skills to create good opportunities going forward. He has also improved his ability to mark his opponent tightly for the duration of the game without any lapses which is an important part of a midfielder's skill set.

Seth Elliott

Seth played as our primary central midfielder throughout the year. His skill set is very well rounded, allowing him to find lots of attacking options when he gets the ball, making him a very reliable player which suits the centre half role very well. He is also able to filter in behind and assist the defenders by slowing down an opposition attack. In the coming seasons I encourage Seth to use his voice more to help direct the team and play.

Xavier Fitzpatrick

Xavier had a much interrupted start to the season with injury keeping him out for a lengthy period. Once Xavier returned to playing, he fitted straight back into the group and played in the halfback line. Xavier has a great ability to find a teammate with a hit and progress the play forward. I look forward to seeing Xavier enjoy more consistency in the next season without having to worry about injury.

Jarrad Fong

Jarrad played through the striker line throughout the year, predominantly as our centre forward. Over the season Jarrad's pressing ability has continually improved, this has created many easy turnovers for the midfield due to his excellent pressure. Jarrad also consistently finds opportunities for us going forward, giving early passes but also at times keeping his stick on the ball and eliminating players before getting into the circle. Jarrad's unselfishness and pressing efforts make him a player that any team would love to have. Well done Jarrad.



J 9/10 DIVISION 2 BOYS cont

Luke Hocking

Luke has been the engine of our team throughout the season, he always brings the energy and is able to get the boys up and about before a game. It is extremely important to have a player like this in a team. Luke played predominantly as a forward during the season but was able to swing back when needed without any complaints. He has habit of being in the right position at the right time, scoring many goals from the back post and around the goal mouth. He is also great at marking his opponent which is a valuable trait for a half back or winger.

Fletcher Horrocks

Fletcher has had a great season and is very mature in the way he goes about his hockey. He always gives 100% effort no matter the score or the stage of the game. Fletcher has great left to right and right to left drags that he can use to eliminate his opposition. One area Fletcher can use to elevate his game is more pre-scanning to assist him with where to direct his next pass.

Dominic Kelly (Dom)

Dom started the season playing on the right wing but as the season progressed learnt to play through all positions in the striker line. Dom created countless opportunities for us during the season with his signature drive down the right side of the field. Dom has been very impressive in his development throughout the season, learning when to use his elimination skills and when to pass the ball early, this has made him much more unpredictable going forward. When Dom has the ball in the circle, he is extremely efficient at finding a way to get a result whether it's a shot or a short corner. Continuing to develop his forward craft will see him become even more valuable in seasons to come.

Rory McMillan

Rory has really grown into his role as a free defender. As the season went on, he's read the play very well and intercepted the ball high up the field allowing us to rebound and find attacking options. From free hits, Rory is great at using his long passing skills, either hitting or over-heading the ball forward which are important skills for a fullback. One thing Rory can work on is staying in the tackle and not overcommitting in an attempt to win the ball.

James Middleton (James)

Throughout the season James found his home at half back. He is very solid in his skill set and smart in the way he uses the ball but also in the way he moves without the ball. He can always be relied upon to lockdown his opponent. He showed throughout the season that he can attack forward, and it is something I would like to see him do more, especially when he is at right half.



William Penman (Will)

Will is the goalkeeper of the team and he has done an amazing job throughout the season. He often makes great saves both in open play and on short corners. Just as impressive is Will's talk throughout the game. He reminds people to get in position in defence and vocalises attacking options throughout the game. It is important to have a goalkeeper that is mentally involved throughout the whole game, not just when they are called in to action and Will is becoming very good at this.

Christian Troskie

Christian played in his first season at Melville this year and he was ready and able to make connections and build chemistry with his teammates over the duration of the season. Christian played as a forward throughout the year and has the skill set to become prominent in this position. He has good elimination skills and can connect with the midfielders and find the ball. The next step for him is to pre-scan and improve his awareness of the position of players on the field so that he can find the next pass quickly. This will come naturally as he spends more time playing with the group. Well done Christian.

A big thank you to all the parents and family members for all the support they offered during the season to the team. To assist the team in its time of need, we were supported by a number of players from J7/8s over the season. Special thanks to Hayden Horrocks, Liam McMillan, Finn Cooper, Adam Read and Andrew Blair (GK) for giving up their Sunday to play with us.



J 9/10 DIVISION 4 (GOLD) BOYS

2022 presented many challenges for the J9/10 Division 4 (Gold) team. Not only was it the first time that many of the team had played together, but the team also included a few first-time players. That did not faze the boys, who started the season with a long string of games without defeat. This was despite often being short of players and relying on many J7/8 fill ins at various games (with some of these scoring winning goals). The boys have always been friendly and respectful towards each other and the coaches; working hard at training to improve themselves and their teamwork, most turning up rain, hail, or shine. They have been a pleasure to coach, and they should all be proud of what they have achieved this year.

Coaches Gemma Eckermann and Peter Kervin

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Samuel Beeson (Halfback/Fullback)

Sam always worked hard, never gave up on a tackle and ran back quickly for a second effort. He showed a positive attitude at training and games and provided encouragement to his teammates. Sam was keen to ask questions, looking for areas of self-improvement and tried to implement any advice provided. His mature attitude saw his skills improve greatly and he became one of the team's key players, guiding others during games. It would be great to see Sam take a little time to plan his disposals for greater accuracy. Sam was one of our most consistent players this year, winning Best Player by one point! Well done on an amazing year.

Hayden Eckermann (Halfback/Wing/Inner)

Hayden was a fantastic first year player. Initially a little nervous and unsure, Hayden made tremendous improvement in his skills over the season, due to his positive attitude and willingness to learn. As he gained a better understanding of the game, Hayden had a chance to play in various positions. Hayden is very fit, speedy and can run all day. His speed and aggressive nature in the 'D' meant that he was a fierce first runner in shorts and had several long runs down the field, quickly moving away from opposition. With further understanding of the game and practise of ball skills and strong hits on the run, Hayden has the potential to become a skilled hockey player. Keep up your hard work!

Archer Floyd (Fullback)

Archer is a reliable player who is as committed to training as much as game days. Archer provided a jovial influence on the team, creating an element of fun at training sessions. Archer primarily formed part of the last line of defence but was happy to take on other positions as required. Undertaking some fitness work in the off season



will help Archer recover quickly from a tackle pushing forward and help in his ability to get back to support the last line of defence. Keep that positive attitude, Archer!

Conor Hussey (Wing)

A great first year player who has learned and improved a lot throughout the season. Conor has consistently attended training and shown a willingness to learn. Over the season, Conor gained a good understanding of his role on the wing and positioned himself well to receive the ball. As the season went on, he gained more confidence with tackling. Conor should keep practising his skills and we look forward to seeing his development as a hockey player. Keep it up Connor!

Alexander Kervin (Fullback)

Our small, but mighty defender with a great work ethic! Alex continued to improve his hitting and speed this season, working hard to get back, often stopping the opposition in their tracks. Alex is reliable in a tackle and has a good understanding of the game with accurate disposals. Alex would benefit from developing his strength of hitting and being more vocal to direct play. Well done on a great season Alex!



J 9/10 DIVISION 4 (GOLD) BOYS cont

Will Maddeford (Halfback/Fullback)

Will is a quiet achiever who reliably fulfilled any role given. Will always listened to feedback and happily went about making changes to develop his game. Over the season, Will worked hard on his tackling and improving his skills of pressuring and channelling the opposition. Will has a strong hit, often clearing the ball well from the defensive area, and rarely gives up. Have confidence in your skills and you'll be amazed at what you can do!

Xeyon Mathias (Inner/Striker)

Xeyon's attitude and dedication to training and games is second to none. He always gives 100% and covered the most amount of ground in the team. Xeyon is a speedy and dynamic player who was pivotal in many break aways. Although not the highest goal scorer, Xeyon was involved in most plays resulting in a goal. He is a keen listener and easily makes changes to his game as needed. Xeyon won the Coach's award this year. Well done on an amazing season Xeyon!

Edward Moncrieff (Goalie)

Eddy is our superstar goalkeeper. He has a positive and energetic attitude, creating a great atmosphere at training. He improved over the season and used his quick reflexes to save many goals. During the season, he gained confidence and became more vocal in directing the backline. It would be great to see Eddie work on confidence and projection of voice to help position the full backs. Well done on a fantastic season Eddy!

Archie Randall (Halfback/Fullback)

Archie has a great understanding of the game and played a pivotal role, primarily as centre half. The world's quietest sledgehammer, Archie's powerful hit was a force in short corners, intimidating opposition and often resulting in a goal. Archie also has a magnificent work ethic, is solid in defence and penetrating in attack. Archie quietly helps direct play but could develop as a key leader within the team by developing confidence to direct teammates. Archie was one of our most consistent players this season, narrowly missing the best player award. Well done on a fantastic season Archie!



Finn Robinson (Striker/Inner)

Finn was a fantastic late addition to the team after injury earlier in the year. Finn understands his role well and was great at eliminating a player to receive the ball and make fast attacks forward. He often covered a lot of ground and worked hard showing some impressive skills. Finn is a happy and enthusiastic member of the team with a calming and positive presence. For Finn to develop as a key player, it would be great to see him find his voice and trust his teammates to get the ball to him. Well done on a great season Finn!

Taisei Slater (Inner/Striker/Halfback)

Taisei started the season as a key striker, but despite some hesitancy, showed that he had the skills and understanding of the game to also play well in the midfield. Taisei has a habit of charging out of nowhere to intercept the ball, driving the ball forward and finding a sneaky goal. Taisei could improve his game by working on his endurance in the off season. Never give up Taisei!

Harry Spackman (Striker/Inner/Wing)

Harry was a pleasure to have on the team. Often early to training, Harry showed dedication to the team, always offering to help move the goals, and was a positive and enthusiastic presence at training. Harry took a few weeks to feel confident in the team but soon showed great speed, endurance, and ball skills. He worked well with the team and showed great perseverance. Harry was greatly missed towards the end of the season due to injury. Stick to hockey and not climbing on roofs, Harry!

Varad Vaidya (Wing/Halfback)

Varad missed some games and training this season due to other commitments which made it harder for him to find his place within the team. Even so, Varad has happily taken on positions on all three lines. Varad has shown improving ball skills to beat players and has a strong hit to clear the ball to space. With work on fitness and endurance during the off-season, Varad could improve his ability to maintain positional play and get back for second efforts. Keep it up Varad!

We would also like to give a special thanks to the following J7/8 players who filled in for us, providing much needed support. Stewart Bilney, Alex Cooper, Angus Croall, Hannah Eckermann, Amalie Harmsen, Art Jauncey, Matthew Kervin, Rhys Miller, and Lucas Wallington. I must admit, stepping in to coach last minute, I was a little nervous. I was happily surprised by the amazing group of boys with great attitude and willingness to learn. It has been a pleasure to coach the J9/10 Div 4 (Gold) boys and witness a huge improvement in skills and teamwork. I would like to thank Peter Kervin who offered to help with coaching. We have worked well together and with the team to help the boys develop their hockey skills. I would also like to thank Kate Floyd, our manager for her fantastic contribution. Well done J9/10 Division 4 (Gold) boys on a fantastic season! We hope to see you all back again in 2023.



J 9/10 DIVISION 1 GIRLS

Firstly, I would like to thank all those that make a hockey season run as efficiently as Melville seems to do year in and out. Without your support and work behind the scenes our girls would not have a seamless season. My biggest thanks goes to my very efficient, chilled manager, Fiona Power, who I would call a friend, for keeping me in line and being our chief organiser. You have been a wonderful support to the girls, their families and myself.

Our 2022 year proved to be another successful season on and off the field. We began with 12 players in the knowledge that we would need fill ins each week. More often than not these players also attended our training sessions to further develop their skills and extend their friendships with both teams. A special thank you must go to Charli Costa, Sharlynn Simon, and Sally Curtis from the J9/10 Div 2 team, and Rishika Kharola, Jaskiran Kaur and Chloe Patton from the J7/8 Div 1 team. This J9/10 group also had a mix of players who helped them achieve a third place at the Bunbury carnival and a win at the J9/10 State Championships in Perth.

With a few injuries and COVID once again having an impact in 2022, it threw a few curve balls for the season. I couldn't be more proud of the core group of girls who stood up each week and gave every game their full enthusiasm and effort. We started the season with a winning streak until round 5 when YMCC stole the show with a 1 - 0 win. After this loss we gained momentum again for another winning streak until round 11, when Wolves came out fighting after our previous win against them. This has set the scene with finals rapidly approaching.

This group of girls have been an absolute delight to coach with an even mix of Y10 and Y9 girls, all very talented and all keen to improve their hockey. The highlight of the season thus far, has been the friendships that have blossomed and the drive to achieve their best. Although the girls still loved a chat and time to have fun, they should be commended on their focus and improvement throughout the season. A hockey highlight would have to be our rescheduled COVID game against Wolves, when we came from behind, having never given up on our structure and processes, and slowed the game down to our pace to eventually come away with the win. Such a fantastic response to instruction and reward for their hard work. I'm looking forward to the excitement of finals hockey and hope the team reap the rewards they deserve.

Coach Gemma Cowan

Chloe Billingham (MID/FWD)

Chloe is a great asset to the team and is amazing on and off the field. Chloe always uses her wonderful skills not only to eliminate defenders but also to set up goals and opportunities for others in the team. Having her in the midfield makes the game exciting to watch, as you never know how many defenders she will take on or how many turnovers she will make in our press. Chloe also brings a positive and enthusiastic attitude to hockey each week. She is always willing to give everything a go, ensure that everyone is having a good time and has a smile on their face. Chloe has had an awesome season and has been a pleasure to play alongside. I wish Chloe all the best for next year!

Thank you Chloe for always being bright, bubbly, and willing to take on any challenge thrown your way with a smile on your face.



Lauren Blair (FWD)

Lauren is a player who always gives 110% in training and on the field. She dominates the forward line with her lighting speed to eliminate players which sets up great opportunities to score. Her attitude to never give up is one of her assets that helps her become a pocket rocket. She has improved so much over the year with her skills and determination. She constantly listens to other people and her coaches to further develop her hockey. Lauren is an amazing friend who is happy to give things a go.

Thank you Lauren for always listening to improve and for being our lightning striker who can eliminate a player with speed, determination and skill. You never give up and should be commended on your mature approach to your hockey development.



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Jaime Fardon (BACK/MID)

Jaime is an invaluable player on the team. She excels in all aspects of the game, including her fierceness when driven to win the ball. Amongst the team, Jaime always makes sure everyone is included and having fun. Jaime always puts 110% into her training and her games. She is a crucial player in the back line and any team would be lucky to have such an outstanding player. Despite being petite, Jaime never backs out of a battle with a larger player. She is someone that you want in the changing rooms before a game, she brings positivity, supportiveness, and reliability. I am grateful to be able to play and train against and with Jaime.

Thank you Jaime for leading, inspiring and mentoring your teammates. You have risen to another level this year and should be commended on your versatility, determination and drive.

Tayla Fardon (FWD/MID)

Tayla is an amazing player who always puts in her all. She looks after her teammates and is always nice to be around. Tayla is a strong forward who always seems to find a way through players and is great at finding the back of the net. Congrats on your season Tayla - can't wait to play with you again.

Thank you Tayla for taking another step up this year. You have set a very high standard of skill, focus and work ethic. You have been our work horse in the forward line but have shown your adaptability to skilfully fill in the mid.

Lauren Healey (MID/FWD)

Loz, where would we be without you! You always provide 100% effort and make it difficult for the opposition. In addition to being an amazing player, Loz you are a big role model in our team. You are such a friendly and positive person and we know you are going to be a future champion!

Thank you Loz for being our leader in more ways than one. You have demonstrated a maturity way above your years. You must be commended on your versatility to control the middle, score from the front, and maintain composure and focus across the field.

Jasmine Kaur Brar (BACK)

Jasmine is a reliable fullback, who can always be counted on to save us in defense. Her skills have grown from strength to strength this year. Her composure is nothing short of fantastic, it's no surprise she made the U15 State team. Jasmine is going to have a big future in hockey. I can't wait for many more seasons with you.

Thank you to our quiet assassin in defense, who could sweep up any opposition who broke through the lines. Your composure, poise and ability to read the play is second to none.



Airi McDonnell (MID)

Airi is such a valuable player to the team and creates so many opportunities in the mid-field. Even though she hasn't scored many goals this year, it is the effort and intensity that she puts in that creates these goals. The team is so glad that in those last minutes of a match when it's tight, Airi is there to do the simple things. She has picked up her confidence so much from when the season started until the end. Airi uses her skills when necessary and passes the ball at the right time. But one of her main assets is HER TRAPS! Whenever there is a bouncy ball going to her back stick she always seems to somehow trap it. Thanks for making this year so much fun.

Thank you Airi for bringing intensity to training sessions and being driven to improve at every opportunity. Your quiet demeanor would often give a false pretence to the opposition, especially when those silky skills and clever passes eliminated them.

Caelee Power (BACK)

Caelee is a brilliant defender who works hard to support the midfielders and forwards while also working back to defend. Her passes are amazing, especially her overheads. Caelee's last second clearances from the goal line were absolutely spectacular. She is also a great teammate who is easy to play with and helps you move into the right position. She always made training and pre-game talks more fun, Caelee is a magnificent player.

Thank you Caelee for being a very reliable defender who was willing to try new skills (AKA the overhead), listen for improvement and throw your body on the line when necessary. You bring humour, friendliness and a calming influence to your team.





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Olivia Sanderson (BACK)

Olivia is one of our trio at the back. The opposition dares not try and enter our goal territory or you will suffer a well-timed tackle. Before you know it the ball will be back up the field with the classic Olivia slap hit. She is always well placed and able to channel anyone away from our goals. I feel so blessed with our defensive crew. I just want to say well done to Olivia, she certainly kept those strikers away. It is a pleasure playing with you. Thank you for all the fun memories we made. I will cherish them forever.

Thank you Olivia for continuing to improve and develop into a strong, skilled defender. You have definitely taken a leap and bound up this year, and it has been a pleasure being a part of your growth and development. Keep playing with the confidence you have shown this year.

Caitlyn Smook (BACK/ ASSIST COACH)

Caitlyn is one of the strongest players who has an amazing slide pass. She is a real force to be reckoned with. She is very strong over the ball and never gives up. We have missed her this season due to injuries, but we are all hoping that she is back for the finals. Thank you Caitlyn for being an amazing hockey player, teammate and assistant coach. We look forward to having you back.

Thank you Caitlyn for showing your resilience, commitment and determination for our team. You have been my right hand girl in the dugout due to your untimely injuries this season, but I am very grateful for your help and encouragement for our team. With your drive I am sure 2023 will be your best season yet!

Petra Verster (FWD/MID)

Petra joined Melville hockey club this year and it has been amazing having her on our team. Petra is a very versatile player and can play in the midfield or the forward line, she has constantly played well throughout the season and has been one of our top goal scorers. Even though Petra lives a long way away from the Melville turf, she comes to as many trainings as possible and is always looking to improve her skills. It has been great playing with Petra this year and I hope I can be in her team again next year.

Thank you Petra for your versatility and never give up attitude. Your strength over the ball, maturity to read the play and ability to release passes at the opportune time has been your asset to our team.



Madison Woods (GOAL KEEPER)

Madi is a very reliable goalkeeper, and I don't think that we would have won so many games without her. The team can always rely on her in the goals, and whenever one of us makes a bad tackle or pass, Madi is there to cover it up with a great save in the goals. Even when Madi hasn't had much action in a game, you will still see her directing the team from the goals. She has such a positive attitude on the field, and is always there to cheer you on, even if it is from the other side of the field.

Regardless of whether we are having a bad game, she brings a positive spirit saying, 'guys, why are you all so sad, we aren't even losing.' Madi is not only an awesome goalkeeper, but a skilled player on the field. She is a valuable player and a huge asset to the team, and I think that everyone would say we are so lucky and relieved to have her as our goalkeeper.

Thank you Madi for being our voice, our saviour and our energiser bunny! You have so many attributes that are positive to assist a team. Whether you wear the pads or just come with a hockey stick - we were very lucky to have you.

I wish all the girls the best of luck for their future endeavours with their hockey progression and hope they have all enjoyed the 2022 season.





J 9/10 DIVISION 2 GIRLS

It has been an absolute pleasure coaching this beautiful, bubbly, positive bunch of girls for the 2022 hockey season. They came to training every week with a positive attitude and they brought a fighting spirit to every game, making the job as coach an easy one.

We were against some tough competition this season, being paired against many other club's top division teams. It's a credit to the girls that they were well and truly in the contest against the opposition every week, and it's a testament to Melville as to the depth of talent at the club.

My feedback to the girls after almost every game this season, was that the score line didn't reflect the game, and this really was true! The girls worked as a team, played a lovely style of hockey, and put up a gallant fight each and every week!

Coach Mel Leighton

Sarah Blakeley

Sarah had a great start to the season and was another one of our very versatile and skillful players who could play reliably in any position. Unfortunately, Sarah's season was cut short due to injury, so we had to battle on without her for the second half of the season. We hope that Sarah can join the team and play hockey again next season.

Summer Bloomfield

A versatile player who can play any position, Summer has played predominantly in the midfield this season, but also featured as a force to be reckoned with in the fullback and striker line. Summer is always happy to help out wherever required and can run forever. She has been fantastic in our half back line, never giving her opposing strikers a chance. Summer plays with tenacity and determination and really mastered the tricky position of left half this season. Well done on a great season Summer, you have a very bright future ahead of you in hockey.

Charlize Costa (Charli)

Charli is a player who has really blossomed this season. She has always had lovely hockey skills, but she has now also developed the killer instinct, a key ingredient in any successful striker - just ask her Mum! Charli played left wing for most of the season, and really made the position her own. It's a tough position to play, but Charli used her skills beautifully to lead and create space, receive the ball, successfully eliminate opposition players and create many scoring opportunities. Charli has great strength over the ball and worked tirelessly in every game throughout the season. Keep fighting Charli and the goals will come!



Sally Curtis (Sal)

Sal is another player who can run all day! She came to training every week with a positive attitude and applied herself to trying and developing new skills. With a work rate second to none, and as one of our key strikers, Sal was tirelessly making leads and creating space and opportunities. Sal fought hard in every contest that she entered, displaying a beautiful low tackling style that meant she won most contests that she entered. This paid off particularly in our attacking D, where Sal drew many penalty corners and scoring opportunities. Well done on a great season Sal!

Zara Gowland

Zara is another player that is both versatile and skilful. She has a beautiful style of hockey, always getting down strong and low when she tackles, receives, and disposes of the ball. Zara has played predominantly midfield (inner) for our team this season, and has proven her ability to link in with our midfield to drive forward our attack, while always working hard back to help out in defence. Zara, never doubt yourself or your abilities, you are a very valuable and strong hockey player!

Ivy Klass

Ivy was our fabulous goalie this season, who kept the team on track with her great communication and game awareness. She is a very skilful goalie and we were very lucky to have her in our team, making countless saves over course of the season! Following in her dad's footsteps, I have no doubt that he would be very proud of her achievements this season and for keeping the family legacy going strong. Keep up the great work Ivy, you've got this!



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Imogen Leighton (Immy)

Although she wasn't a massive fan of training (especially fitness), this certainly didn't reflect when it came to game day. Immy is a consistently reliable mid-fielder, who particularly likes to play right inner. Immy has really started to develop her skills in leading and creating space in midfield, creating many opportunities for penetrating the goal circle. Immy played her heart out at every game, chased down every ball, and ran back to help out in defence every time. Keep up the good work Immy!

Jasmine Leighton (Jas)

Although Jas couldn't train with the team, you never would have guessed it on game day! Jas was a team player, always rallying and encouraging her teammates. She relished in the position of centre half chasing down every ball and fighting hard to win every contest. Jas was a pivotal player, who played a big role in our attacking game, while also helping to shut down the opposition's attacking game. Jas has developed great vision and game awareness, making clever and well-timed passes while linking together with the midfield to drive our attack.

Alyssa Read

Alyssa always comes to training and games with a smile on her face and some insights as to how she thinks we could get an edge over the opposition or win the game! She was our fearless fullback, who also liked to cameo in the attacking penalty corners! Alyssa loves to take the ball from deep in defence and travel up the field, weaving through the opposition, wowing them with her skills, until a clearing opens where she can safely dispose of the ball. As a fullback, Alyssa plays an agile and attacking game, demonstrating the maturity of her play and desire to win! Alyssa also stepped up to assist with fitness training and was a great mentor for younger players.

Savannah Repacholi (Sav)

Sav was one of our key fullbacks this season, reliably anchoring our defence. Sav displayed great skill and precision with her perfectly timed tackles and was unwavering under pressure. Sav has great game awareness and can always be relied upon to intercept and clear the ball out of our defence. A quick trip to Europe meant that Sav missed a few games, and we sure missed Sav while she was away! Showing great maturity and leadership skills, Sav also stepped up to assist with fitness training on many occasions.



Sharlynn Simon

Softly spoken and always calm under pressure, Sharlynn has beautiful skills, soft hands, and a fierce hit, making her a key asset in our team. Sharlynn always worked hard at training, honing her skills, often taking time to help teach her team mates some new tricks. Sharlynn featured in our midfield this season and plays an attacking style of hockey, successfully reading the play and intercepting many balls and driving forward our attack. I have no doubt that Sharlynn will go far in hockey, keep up the fantastic work Sharlynn!

Bailey Stammers

Bailey has continued to develop her hockey skills this season as a striker. Although late in the season she also tried her hand at half back, and I think she surprised herself, as she actually played it like a natural! Bailey has great speed and is a very dangerous player whenever she has the ball out at right wing. She showed great discipline in maintaining her position and width, which meant that she was always in the right spot to receive the ball and travel down the line, regularly crossing the ball into the D with a beautifully timed hit. Keep up the great work, and keep fighting hard, and this will serve you well in your future hockey.

Sophia Tancredi

Affectionately known by the team as 'Dimples', Sophia is a versatile and skilful player who can play equally as well in the striker, midfield or halfback line. Sophia has great game awareness, and is very good at reading the play, successfully intercepting balls and capitalising on opportunities to drive forward. Sophia demonstrates very good ball carrying skills and great vision, she is very skilful at dragging around the oppositions defence all the while looking for the perfect pass to a teammate. She is a much liked and valued team member, always happy to play her part. Sophia, I wish you the best in your future hockey career!

Thanks to the wonderful assistance from Janet Gowland, who put her hand up to be our Team Manager, making it a smooth and stress-free season from a coaching and parenting perspective. And of course, thank you to all of the parents for your support, encouragement and kind words throughout the season (both to myself as a coach and to your girls as players). Keep up the great work girls, we'll get em next year!





J 9/10 DIVISION 4 (GOLD) GIRLS

The J9/10 Div 4 (Gold) girls had a great season, maintaining second on the ladder for majority of it, and becoming a strong group of girls who work hard for themselves, and for the team. Despite way too many injuries than normal for a team, they continue to come back each week stronger, and ready to train and play hard. Thank you to our consistent fill-ins Caitlin and Shameerhaa for helping us out, even driving to Peel just to fill in. A massive, massive thank you to our awesome manager this season Marianne, without you we would have not been anywhere near as organised or prepared, you've done an awesome job this season and we appreciate it so much. Congratulations to all the girls on a fantastic season and we can't wait to see you again next year! **Coach Ellen Rolls**



Nicola Barnwell (Fullback/Halfback)

Even injured, Nikki has been such an impressive player on the field who has developed greatly over the season. Showing us just how tough she is by pushing through a Hamstring injury and being an influential player in the success of the team. Our defence would haven't been so efficient if it wasn't for her determination and persistence, showing confidence in her own abilities when challenging the other teams. She has grown so much since the start of the season as her happy, outgoing and determined attitude has giving her the opportunity to grow herself as a player. We hope to see her confidence continue to grow and her own style develop as she persists to be an important member of the team.

Jessica Booth (Wing/Halfback)

Jess is a great all-round player who is happy to play where the team needs her skill and ball control. She has learnt so much this season about her role in each position, who she has to mark and where her area of the field is. Jess is a star wing and half back, and her ability to adapt between the two in between rotations is reflective of how she plays for the team, and works hard for her teammates. Jess is always willing to learn at training and always puts her all into new drills and techniques, often mastering them by the end. Jess is an asset to the team with her uplifting personality and enthusiasm, and continues to be a reliable player.

Imogen Knight (Inner/CF)

She is a runner who will never stop running. Imogen has a determined, confident and competitive personality which has made her a challenging player that will use her strength and skill to take on any player. Always willing to help her team on the field and running back to help, but also running with the ball to attack and back again, Imogen's ability to keep running has given the team an

advantage that has lead to so many successes and wins. She is a hard working player that we hope will be able to reach new heights with her skills and will continue to work hard.

Ari Lauder (Inner/Wing)

Ari is a strong, calm and strategic forward with versatility that makes her an asset to our team. Her ability to create attacking game play is a great quality, and has lead to her scoring and assisting in many goals this season. Ari is strong in tackles, marking and can run for days. Her strongest point in being an excellent attacker is her constant watching and adapting to the defensive role she plays. She is always aware of who her player is, and follows them back into our defensive D to help clear the ball, then chasing it up. Ari has developed so much in her communication on the field and this has helped other players to realise their defensive role, even when playing an attacking position. Ari has been essential in short corners, sitting in the left position and receiving slip passes which she slap hits at the goal, often scoring.

Isla Lockwood (Fullback/CH)

Isla is an energetic defender who always enters every tackle with perseverance and determination. She is an essential part of both attacking and defending short corners, and is a leader in the set up of these. Her bright personality and enthusiasm joins the team together and she is a vital part of our team spirit. Isla is a reliable, talented player who has developed her control and strategy greatly this season and has seen her harness her great hit into great leads often resulting in goals. Her uplift of her teammates and can-do attitude has been a great asset this season, and she continues to shine in new roles such as centre half. Isla is always willing to give 110% effort into any position and leaves nothing on the field.



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Annabel McAuliffe (Wing/Inner)

She may be the smallest player but she has shown that she owns her place on the field when trying to take on the other team. She has been a valuable player, in both a striking position and as an inner. We have had the privilege of seeing her personality really shine through this year, she is not only a friendly, encouraging and funny character, she also has a little bit of sass. Her confidence has grown over the season as she has really shown herself to be a challenger to the other teams. We can't wait to see how strong she gets as she continues to play and become a warrior of a player.

Piper McKenzie (Inner/Wing)

As someone who's quiet but speedy, Piper has been the player that we could rely on to strengthen the forward line and help the team put more goals on the board. When she is in the zone she can take on multiple players, one after the other, being a force to be reckoned with from her multiple efforts and winning the ball. Her confidence in herself shows as her persistence on the field drives her to run with the ball down the field and use her own skill, having confidence in herself and her team which helped them then grow into the top-tier team they are today. We can't wait to see her inner drive grow and see her become a challenger to any team trying to take her on.

Lucie Patterson (Fullback)

Sprite is a determined and strong full back who never backs down from a challenge and always gives her all, often surprising/scaring the other team with strong hits from the backline which makes them give us 20, not 5 from free hits. Sprite's passion for hockey is obvious on the field, clearing the ball wide and being an amazing defensive first runner who often stops the hit before it happens, and subsequently plays the ball down to our

attacking 25. Sprite is always willing to learn new things and is always asking at training to develop advanced skills and techniques. The potential Sprite shows as a strong, skilled defender is amazing, especially once those powerful hits become slightly more controlled & directed.

Breanna Penman (GK)

Brea is our superstar goalie who has stepped up to play for two teams this year. Despite it being her first season of goalie-ing Brea has learnt so quickly and saved us many, many times. She has caught on so quickly she has even been selected as a State level train on squad member, which is an incredible achievement. She has become an essential member of our team and her leadership from the goals has been great to developing our defensive structure and cohesion as a group. We are sure she is only going to get even better as a goalie and are so excited to see where it takes her at Melville. Thanks again Brea :)

Rafaela Thomson (CF/CH)

Raf is a star centre forward and half, holding control in the middle of the field and ensuring our structure and press remain set up. Despite injuring her ACL towards the later half of the season, she has been a core player in our strategic development and has shown herself to be a leader in our attacking side, scoring and assisting many of our goals this season. Raf always comes to training ready to focus and perform drills with accuracy and intent. She is always strong on the ball and easily adaptable to any position asked of her. She has so much talent and has grown so much over the season, and is becoming a leader of whatever field line she is in. We really hope to see her fully recovered and ready to start again next season.

Abby Warburton (Halfback)

As graceful as she is tall, Abby has been an energetic and impressive member of the team. Abby has shown herself to be a sweet, friendly and outgoing player who knows what she has to offer on the field. As a foundational part of our defensive team, she has displayed to us just how smart, tough and elite of a hockey player she can be by her efforts and successes on the field. Always with a smiling face at training, Abby is a player you would want on any team as she puts in the effort and persists in learning new things as she had grown in skill and talent. She has been such a pleasure to coach and we look forward to seeing her grow on the field and continue to be such an amazing team player.



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Xanthe West (Fullback)

Xanthe is someone you can always count on, as a player who is confident in defence with her ability to control the ball and run around any player and who is capable of being a role model for her team members. A mature, leading player whose skills are impressive, she can pass a great ball or hit towards one of our players with confidence that it will make its target. It has been such a pleasure coaching her, seeing her grow with the team. She has always been a happy, bubbly and funny character who you will hear having a laugh at least once during training. We hope she continues to grow in her strength and style of play as she is already a valuable player.

Erin Wheeler (Wing)

Erin has coped most of our team's injuries this season, and has even had the ambulance called out for a brave ball to the head (which stopped a potential goal). When she isn't being bruised up she is a fast, determined and skilled attacker who knows her role and position. She is one of our most versatile players, offering to step up into goalie, and even half back when we need, doing all of this with intent and knowledge of her position. Erin's ball skills often allow her to make leads up the entire field and run straight into our attacking D, outrunning every player in her path. She has continuously developed her voice and communication on the field which has lead to much more effective teamwork in our attacking side, and is always contributing ways to improve our strategy and what she notices on the field.



J 7/8 DIVISION 1 BOYS

The boys have had a character-building year, with the majority of games for the season going to the opposition. The first half of the season, Keith experimented with moving players around, looking for their natural positional play upon which we could build as a team. The second half saw the team a little more settled and the experimentation started to pay off, as we started to see greater team work with the players working to their strengths. Each of the boys can be proud of the improvements they have made this year, we hope to see them all continue their hockey journey and continue to build on their team play, skill and speed.

A big thank you to Botts for sharing the coaching in the first part of the season and Steve for regularly providing assistance at training. To all the parents, thank you for getting the boys down to training each week and providing support on the sidelines.

Coaches Keith Harper, Matthew Bottomley

Liam Atkinson (LA midfielde)

The flash that is LA is a sight to behold. His speed has enabled him to terrorise all defences and was the standout quality that saw him selected in the School Sport WA Under 12s state team. He has a very good fore stick drag but needs to mix it up with a reverse drag and beat opponents on their weak side. Liam does his best work in the midfield and plays right wing exceptionally well. His aim for next year is to score more goals.

Brent Bottomley (midfielder)

Brent's love of the game is palpable. He is super keen to learn and improve. The way he worked to improve his injections skill at penalty corners was a great example. Brent played predominantly as a midfielder but played at right half when we needed a player with hockey smarts to fill that role. One of our fittest players, his work rate offensively and defensively was a credit to him. The team benefitted from him being in the right place at the right time.

Joshua Brightwell (goal keeper)

It was a tough gig being goalkeeper in this side especially in the first half of the season when we were finding out who could defend with some discipline and poise. Josh can work on the offensive/aggressive side of his game and attack opposing forwards and trust his defenders to get in behind him. Intimidated forwards never play as well as when they are cocky. Scare the living daylights out of them next year, Josh.

Oscar Coghlan (forward/halfback)

Called into the side part way through the season, Oscar started in the half line but often spent time in the forward line. Quick and strong, Oscar regularly gets the ball but he needs to make his passes work to the advantage of his teammates. It will be to Oscar's advantage, next year, to settle into one position and learn how to play that position well.

Finn Cooper (midfielder/high fullback)

Finn is going to end up as a midfielder. He reads the play so well that he intercepts opposition passes and when he has the ball he gives it off to the team's advantage. His work rate offensively and defensively is second to none in the team. He still needs to develop the 'voice' that I spoke of last year. When he does, he will bring himself into the game even more and become an on-field leader. Finn served us best as a centre-half but had to fill in the high full back position to give us a cool head in a hot environment. Finn, it has been a true pleasure to coach you.

Hayden Horrocks (left half)

Very similar to last year, Hayden's speed and tenacity gave the team a great shut down role model at the left half position. The biggest improvement in his game was his ability to read opposition passes and step up to intercept. As the season progressed so did his passing. Hayden began to have more faith in his ability to hold the ball and give himself the time to make constructive passes. Hayden's all in, 100% effort was exactly what we expected from our captain. He's a young man Melville can be proud of.

Oliver McKinnon (midfielder / forward)

It was in the latter half of the season that Oliver settled into the role of a midfielder. His best work was done defensively, but he began to show the signs of a quality inner when he passed intelligently to get his forwards into the game. Next year, his priority should be to get reward for all his hard on field work - score goals.

Liam McMillan (centre forward)

Being everywhere on the hockey field to solve all our problems was not sustainable. So, in the second half of the season, when he played the role of our key, central attacker he played much better, and the team benefitted so much more from his efforts. Highly skilful and always wanting to take on the entire defence of the opposition, Liam led our attack for the entire season. His true improvement, though, came when he began to pull his teammates into the game by passing to their advantage. He is to be congratulated on making the Hockey WA Under 13s squad.



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Pravilash Pillay (halfback & fullback)

With his skill and hockey smarts, Prav settled into our right half position with aplomb. He carried the ball into attack with the ease of someone who has done it for a decade. A good tackler and a disciplined marker, Prav gave us a sound defender and a great outlet pass on 16s. We are all still waiting for that growth spurt.

Tom Randall (forward)

Tom spent most of his time between the half-back line and the wing. Tom scored 'that goal' that gave us a draw against Wolves - it felt like a win. Our quiet achiever, he always took advice on and set about improving his game. Like most of our forwards, one of Tom's aims next year should be to score more goals.

Adam Read (midfielder / high fullback)

Adam and Finn, between them, gave the team the strength in the midfield and full back positions that the team required. For Adam to forgo his attacking traits for the benefit of the team is a real credit to him. In the future, I see Adam as an attacking midfielder more likely as an inner who can easily slot into the centre half position. Adam can hold the ball under pressure better than most and this contributed to the high quality of his passing. He needs to become an on-field leader not just by his action but by his voice. As a dominant player he needs to direct the players around him so that he and his teammates get the best out of themselves.

Rohan Sandhu (forward)

I remember someone telling me when I was going through my growth spurt that, as a hockey player, I was really good at soccer. Rohan's loping, long strides suited him best on the wing. He often found that his hockey brain was working faster than his body and he'd attempt a skill before he'd gained control of the ball. Rohan, later in the season, began to make leads into space which helped us play a passing game. He should aim to be scoring more goals next season by getting closer to the goalkeeper and picking up deflect goals or rebound goals.

Luca Sorci (sweeper fullback)

One of, if not the team's best tackler, Luca settled into our deep defender position and was crucial in us holding firm under pressure. He was a leader in this zone and often directed teammates to position. Luca was one of the few players in the division who could use the overhead pass with great effect. Luca has a great love of the game, and this is going to help him achieve the high goals that he sets himself. He is to be congratulated on making the Hockey WA Under 13s squad.

Aiden Turner (forward)

Being so tall and strong, Aiden was first tried as a deep defender, then a half-back but played his best hockey at right wing where his speed and strength at carrying the ball set up many scoring opportunities. Aiden can get sucked into ball watching and chasing the ball. Next year he needs to develop his understanding of the roles that each field position player has, play that role and trust his teammates that they, too, will do the same.

Last year, we were disappointed at being relegated to the J7/8 Promotion grade. The positive of that outcome was that we dominated and eventually won the division. This year, we held A grade (Division 1). It's where the club wants us to be. It was a tough gig, though, and we regularly found ourselves outgunned by teams with multiple players with elite speed and skills. Being in this grade gave our boys a clear understanding of what it takes to be a quality player and how high-quality teams play. With the majority of the boys being in their second year of 7/8s in 2023 it will be a year in which we will be hoping to see the boys move higher up the division ladder.

Good luck for next year and the rest of your hockey journey. Keith Harper (coach)



J 7/8 DIVISION 3 BOYS



The year 2022 for the J7/8 Division 3 boys has been one of changes and adjustments.

The season started with Paul Coghlan and Sean Webb in the coaching role and then due to his son moving up a grade, Paul moved out of a coaching role and we were fortunate to have Tony Fitzpatrick take on the coaching role with Sean. Thank you to Sean, Tony (and Paul) for sharing your talents and time to these young players who are still on their journey to becoming excellent hockey players. A focus of our season was trying to find the right positions for the boys that matched their talents and approach to the game. We thank the boys for their flexibility and positive attitude in being open to trying roles that they weren't confident in. We hope that this experience has helped you on your hockey journey and that you've found some positions that you will enjoy playing over the coming years.

Our team showed a tenacity throughout the season that enabled them to have many successes, even though they did not always show on the scoreboard every game. Highlights of the year include our undermanned team playing great team hockey against YMCC and a comeback win versus Whitfords where the boys scored 2 goals in the last seven minutes to claim a 3-2 win.

We are proud of the growth you made as individuals, how you matured as a team, and the great hockey you played.

Manager Sarah Tsocas

Andrew Blair (Goal Keeper)

You know you have a great goalie when the opposing coach tells you in the middle of the 4th quarter of a tight game that he should get best on the ground. Andrew is a very stoic young player, who stays calm under pressure. Through the season Andrew really found his voice, particularly in communicating with his backline, and this just complemented his skills with the pads. Keep developing yourself Andrew!

Alex Cooper (Striker)

A flair for striking and one of the two Year 7s in the squad. Alex comes to training sessions with a genuine excitement and he hits big! Given Alex will be in J7/8s for one more year, we expect him to lead and dominate if he continues to put in consistent effort at training. You've a bright hockey future ahead Alex.

Max Creighton (Inner & Centre Half)

Max has a great attitude that makes him a pleasure to coach. He started the season as our centre half and wasn't too keen on trying the inner role. But he gave it a

go and flourished in it. Your willingness to help your team in both attack and defence, coupled with an ability to work the ball up the field through your passing is invaluable. Keep embracing this role as it is natural for you

Joseph Dias (Fullback)

Joey just loves being a Fullback and he left us with no doubt that it was where he wanted to play. Tenacious in defence and consistently chasing the ball in attack if it ever goes past him. We encourage you to try other defensive roles as we have such faith in you and your enthusiasm. Trust yourself Joey and you'll go far.

Kaleb Elliott (Striker)

A man on a mission, with a cheeky smile and a keenness to show off his skills. A ball falls to Kaleb and he beats three opponents before you can blink an eye. Kaleb just wants to push through opposition. He's such an exciting player to watch! Kaleb, you'll shine again next year if you just keep your focus, your attitude and enthusiasm.



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Evan Fitzpatrick (Inner & Centre Half)

The other Year 7 in the squad. He started the season as Inner and switched to Centre Half Back. Evan's ability to be in the right position to intercept the ball and then follow it up with a great slap hit allowed him to distribute the ball well and set up play for the team. Evan, the world is your oyster next year as you'll be a senior player in the squad. We think you'll go really well!

Kieran Ho (Halfback)

Kieran became our go-to left half who we trusted to run with the most attacking player from the opposition. It's no coincidence that your best games coincided with the team's best games. You showed us an ability to turn defence into attack and this is your key area of development for next year to grow yourself as a player.

Noah Karantonis (Striker)

One of our most consistent and naturally skilled players. When Noah got the ball we knew something was going to happen. As a right wing with the ability to take the ball into attack and deliver to his fellow strikers, Noah set up so many goal opportunities for his team. Next year Noah, you'll be a major complement to any team.

Zeon Kim (Inner & Halfback)

Another player who showed his flexibility and value to the team by playing a number of roles really well. You started as a great defender, and as you showed more of your attacking skills, we felt that you'd be suited to the inner role. We were right! At inner, your combination of attacking and defending skills were a real asset to the team. Keep working on this Zeon and grow into the role.

Cody Ruzicka (Inner)

Mr Reliable shows us how a young man can turn up week to week and deliver. Cody distinguished himself this year with continuous efforts and dedication. As an Inner it means you have to just keep working, and you do. You've delivered this year Cody, use that to continue building confidence in next season's exploits.

Jett Talijancic (Fullback & Halfback)

Cool under pressure, a real gentleman and a pleasure to coach thanks to the great attitude that he brings to game day and training. When Jett owns his role in defence he dominates the opposition and becomes an impenetrable line of defence. This role is yours Jett, continue to grow in your confidence and skills and you'll go so well.

Michael Tsocas (Fullback & Halfback)

We love your 'take no prisoners' approach to playing fullback. When you focus your aggression, lock in on an opposing player and attack him with the sole intent of getting the ball off him you're hard to stop. Then you'd fire the ball out of defence, kicking off our attack. Keep growing your understanding of the role of the defensive player and how to read the play. Then your confidence and ability in the role will only get better.

Lucas Wallington (Striker & Halfback)

Lucas was our switch player with the ability to play at either Wing or Halfback depending on our needs for each game. Your strong passing and ability to link up with other players to transition the ball from defence to attack was a real asset to the team. Continue to develop the defensive side of your game and you'll be a valuable right half to your next team.





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As coaches, we would like to also thank those people from around the club who helped us this year. Thanks to:

- * Steve Criddle for being the J7/8 Boys Co-ordinator and supporting us throughout the year.
- * Fletcher Horrocks and Xavier Fitzpatrick from the J9/10s who assisted with training. You've been great role models for the boys.
- * Stewart Bilney and James Lee who filled in when required.
- * Our parent group, for their support and encouragement as we went through the changes and adjustments.

A huge thanks to our team manager, Sarah Tsocas. We appreciate your counsel, organisation and support that helped the year run smoothly and made it much easier for us to focus on coaching. You're awesome!

We wish all the players moving up into the J9/10 grade all the very best for the upcoming 2023 season. We hope you all endeavour to continue to grow and mature as players and learn from each other. May the players who will become the senior members of their teams next year, learn to become great role models and show the leadership skills they have nurtured during the 2022 season. Good luck!!

Paul Coghlan, Sean Webb, Tony Fitzpatrick



J 7/8 DIVISION 5 BOYS

The 7/8 Div 5 Boys team came together from four different 2021 teams and many of the boys hadn't played together before, but after one training session we were into it for 2022. We started the season in Div 4 where the boys ran into a few mismatches and were winless for the first 5 rounds. Thankfully we were regraded to Div 5 and immediately scored our first win against Mods, then with a hard fought draw against Whitford and opponent forfeit, all of a sudden we were second on the ladder and the boys' spirits were lifted going into the school holiday break.

As our coaching focus for the remainder of the season was on improving our ball movement and getting some more scoring opportunities, we built some more confidence and held our position high up on the ladder.

Our major contribution to the club this year has been our team's willingness to fill in for other teams that are short on players. The J7/8 Div 3 and J9/10 Div 4s benefitted by many of our players helping them out during the season, even if it meant playing two games in one day on one occasion. All the boys acquitted themselves very well at the higher levels and were always looking forward to the opportunities to help out other teams in the club.

Coaches Trev Bilney, Peter Kervin

Stewart Bilney

Stewart has great game presence and striking skills and as a result we could rely on him to be there with a goal or a goal assist when the game was there to be won. He always works hard on and off the ball and his ability to create opportunities with a fast break and penetrating attacks from the wing or centre forward has been excellent. He has great enthusiasm and desire to improve was demonstrated by filling in with the 9/10s on many occasions, which will help set him up for a great hockey future.

Angus Croall

Angus is tenacious and energetic and has a great work ethic that shows through with his pushes into attack or fast work in defense. Opposition teams regularly underestimated him and were turned back as he used his courage and skill to move the team forward. When Angus plays well so does the team.

Hamish Croall

Hamish has reliably padded up at training and games each week and maintained his enthusiasm for the position despite the challenging opposition teams early in the season. We are looking forward to seeing Hamish expand his confidence and strength as a goalie with both his physical movement in goals and verbal engagement with the backs. Hamish had a short foray into half back and the wing during the J7/8 Carnival weekend and acquitted himself very well without the pads on.

Lachlan Hughes

Happy and hardworking, our huge-hitting fullback Lachie was our key defender from the first moments of the first game. He was the foundation of the team defense with his play stopping and long reaching tackles that thwarted many attacks. Lachie was also very good at running down any that managed to slip through the defensive line. He always had a lot of great input at training and was a great teammate.



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Art Jauncey

Art is quick and enduring. He is a strong defender who often stopped a certain goal and turned the ball back to our forwards. Art has played in a variety of positions with enthusiasm and is often asking questions on how to improve.

Matthew Kervin

Matthew K is a very skillful player who reads the attacking side of the game well. He has a great work rate and excellent field presence and his ability and willingness to tirelessly work off the ball and into defense has been a great help throughout the year. Moving forward, Matthew will benefit from improving his goal sense when in attack and overall fitness.

Heath Langley

Heath started the season full of promise and renewed vigor from last year, but alas was kept out of most of the season due to illness. Look forward to seeing great things from Heath next year.

Matthew Lawler

Matt L is a very versatile player and is as happy in any position on the forward line as he is in the midfield. Matt has the hockey skillset and as he develops his hockey game play and positioning knowledge, he will be an absolute menace for opposing teams to deal with.

Thomas Lawler

Tom is a highly skilled hockey player as he demonstrated through the season by being one of our few goal scorers for the year. He has a great sense of purpose in the goal circle. As Tom learns to play his assigned position using his skills and increased confidence, the opposition teams will be in trouble.

Rhys Miller

Friendly, happy and energetic, Rhys always gives his all at training and is one of our hardest running players on a Saturday. Rhys reads the game well and puts his skills to good use in attack and defense. He is a great team player who plays well in any position he is placed in. Rhys' great strengths are working hard to get the ball and working back to help out the defense. His next step forward will be to keep the ball in control to capitalise on the great effort put in to get it.

Hamish Moore

Hamish sneaks around the field and pops up at opportune time so to surprise the opposition. He consistently showed his very good game sense and skills when playing at half back. Hamish will continue to improve and grow as a hockey player as he finds his passion for a particular position.

Jake Olsen

Committed and reliable, Jake is always at training and games early and was committed to improving himself and the team every week. He played in most positions throughout the season and it was great to have such a flexible, friendly and respectful player in the team. Jake has a great hockey future ahead of him as he continues to grow his skills.

Lucas Prince

Lucas has continued to grow in his beloved defense position at full back. Quietly moving in defense, supporting our other defenders, Lucas was often the last line of defense where his cool and calm approach ensured he stopped many attacking moves from the opposition teams. Lucas will continue to develop his hockey as he improves his skills, speed and fitness. Lucas is an absolute pleasure to coach.

Tim Scanlon

Tim had a quiet start to the season but has grown as a hockey player and improved his skills as the season has progressed. He continues to learn and has found his place as the team centre half back. Tim's hockey will improve as he masters quicker decision making and the reliable skills to execute the decisions. Tim is excellent to coach as he is willing to listen and learn and happy to take on new positions and learn new skills.

Matty Zmitko

As a developing midfielder, Matty Z has played a variety of positions throughout the season. Always willing to give a position a go, his versatility has been important for the team this year. Matty will improve his game with more attention to positional play and improved fitness.



J 7/8 DIVISION 1 GIRLS

Most of the girls this year had played with each other before, so the first training was really easy and we could get stuck in straight away. This year was a year of two halves - the first half of the year the girls hadn't found their rhythm yet and were still getting re-acquainted with each other. The girls knew they had it within them to have a better showing against the teams we lost to earlier in the season, so with hard work and lots of practice the girls turned it around. In the first half of the year we earned four points from our seven games, and in the second half of the year we earned eight points and doubled our total. If I had to sum up what made our team a great team this year, it would be the never-back-down attitude and that we fought all the way until the final whistle. In our final two games the girls played the top two teams, losing to second place in the final minutes 2-1 and to undefeated first place 5-1 (they had conceded 3 goals all year). Even though these games were lost, it reflects how far the girls have come from the start of the year.

It was a pleasure to coach this team this year as they took everything on board. We could have fun, but also knuckle down and work on some skills we needed to focus on. I would like to say thank you to our manager, Jo Cobill, for helping every thing run smoothly as always, to Craig Tate, for helping coach when he could, as I think it really benefited the girls hearing a different voice other than my nagging one. Last thanks goes to the parents of the girls, thank you for being supportive the whole year. The positive and encouraging atmosphere on the sidelines really helped the girls. **Coach Mitch Tate**



Jessica Brunt

Jess is one of the many quiet achievers in our team this year, with the ability to play any position in the backline she was a joy to coach. She would take every bit of advice on board and try her best to put it into her games. I hope to see Jess' angry side in future years when tackling. Well done Jess.

Lucy Carmody

Lucy's bubbly and bright personality made it a pleasure to coach her this year as she would always take on feedback. Lucy's strength in her tackling and running with the ball helped our team immensely as I knew I could put Lucy in Fullback and know that she would stop the opposition's attacks. As Lucy's confidence grew, she started to take control of games and play in the midfield as well. Good luck for next season Lucy, and continue to have confidence in your hockey ability.

Matilda Cobill

The more hockey Matilda played this year, the more her skills improved. Matilda would often be found in the midfield but with her speed and skills, would occasionally go up front to try and score us a goal. Matilda's ability to run around the opposition, even on her back stick, fitted in perfectly with the rest of our team. Good luck for next year Matilda.

Scarlett Costa

With Scarlett's ability to run all day out on the hockey field and very fast, she found herself at home playing wing/halfback. Scarlett would be able to get the ball out wide as a winger and run it all the way into our attacking 'D' without anyone touching her. If there was a speedy winger on the other team, Scarlett would then also use her tackling skills and play halfback to nullify the opposition.

Lily Duckworth

Lily has a powerful hit that often makes the defenders stand back from her when shooting. Lily's dribbling has improved heaps since the start of the year and while at centre forward for most of the year Lily was our equal highest goalscorer. Lily's great year and hard work was capped off by making the State U12 School Sports team.

Isla Gilbert

While watching our games this year you would often see Isla in perfect positioning for a right winger, and always on the back post. As the year progressed Isla added skills to her game such as being able to carry the ball and drive around a defender and into the 'D'. Well done on a good season Isla.

Amelie Harmsen

Amelie was our goalkeeper this year and was always there to help the defenders if the strikers got through. With weekly goalkeeping training with Nic, Amelie's confidence grew throughout the year, game by game. Amelie's game recognition and realising what to do in different scenarios was outstanding by the end of the year. Look forward to many more year of you saving goals, Amelie.

Jaskiran Kaur

Jaskiran is the second of the great additions to the hockey club this year. With her strength on the ball and being able to drag around players and find a pass, Jas played well as our main Centre Half this year. Jas also made the State U12 School Sports team this year, a credit to her hard work.





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Rishika Kharola

Rishika was one of two new players to the club that were in our team this year, and she slotted in seamlessly. With her skills and speed to run at the defenders, she also used her skills in midfield this year whenever we needed. With the ability to score on both sides of her body, I hope Rish continues to back herself to shoot when inside the 'D' and also go one-on-one with the opposition in the front half.

Brooke Peachey

Brooke was part of our hard-tackling midfield brigade this year. If there was a 50/50 contest with the opposition, Brooke would often be coming out the other side with the ball. Often in games I would be able to tell Brooke to go and mark the other team's best player and she would give it her all. Great year Brooke.

Chloe Patton

Chloe was the only player from last years J7/8 A team that was in the team again this year and her leadership was something that really helped the team. Chloe's strong tackling, strong hit and ability to run the ball and start our attacks meant she played a mix of fullback and midfield this year. Good year Chloe and good luck for next year.

Grace Shackleton

Grace was our equal highest goal scorer this season, playing as our teams left wing in most games. Grace's ability to run fast and then turn back onto her flat stick to shoot or find a pass complemented the rest of our forward line's skills. As the year went on Grace's confidence kept growing, hope there are many goals to come in future years.

Ruby Tresize

Ruby's speed matched with her tackling made her perfect for fullback this year. Ruby's grit and determination along with never wanting to concede even one goal when we were winning, made it a pleasure to coach her this year. Ruby would be organising the players in front of her and who they needed to mark on a regular basis.

Charlotte Trotter

Charli was part of our strong-tackling half back trio this year. She would rarely lose a 1v1 when facing an attacker running at her. As the year progressed, Charli added to her game and her skills improved which allowed her to also be a threat going forward. Good luck for next year Charli.



J 7/8 DIVISION 3 GIRLS

The girls had a great start to the year, being Melville's second team in Division 3. There has been a few ups and downs, but the girls dealt well with the challenges they have faced this year, including Covid, rescheduled games, and playing with no subs. They grew so much this year, learning how to be better players individually and as a team. All their hard work and determination has really paid off.

Having a large loss to start the season definitely set us off on a rocky start, but the girls took it in their stride and ignored it, having a 2-1 win the week after. We've had lots of laughs this season and this bunch of girls are definitely special, even if they sometimes are a little bit cheeky at times. We are SO PROUD of you girls and you should be too, you all have such bright futures ahead of you!

We would also like to thank our two managers, Rosie and Natalie who have been extremely efficient and committed to the team, always supporting us and the girls. And to the parents, thank you so much for letting us take on this role and trusting us and we hope to have helped your daughters as much as we could.

Coaches Scarlett Huston, Sienna Robinson, Ash Jarvis

Caitlin Arbery (Fullback)

Caitie has been a very reliable defender this year and always manages to get us out of trouble. We enjoyed seeing her get out of her comfort zones whilst playing a bit of Centre Half throughout the season. Always calm under pressure, Caitie managed to pin point her passes through the opposition's press and was a huge asset in our transfers. She also managed to get a few goals in the net, being a key player in our short corners with a great hit. Great season Caitie!

Lily Brown (Halfback)

Lily has been a bubbly and bright team player this year. She has taken on new skills, learning and listening and even was open to being moved into a different position to half back, learning on the go, giving the team strength and speed down the sideline coming out of defence, and helping out where she knew the team benefited, putting her team before her. She is a very chatty and friendly person, who is not afraid to ask for help, ultimately helping her improve greatly throughout the season. Her great channeling and tackles down the side-line has helped the team get out of some sticky situations. I can't wait to see where you go in the future!

Alexia Gallon (Centre Half)

Alexia shows strength and skill through the middle of the field, creating great attacking opportunities from centre half into our attacking 'D'. Though she is quiet, she is hardworking and aggressive in the game, wanting every ball and fighting for it. She works hard for her teammates and helps out where she can. As coaches, we can rely on her to get us through tough games, even putting her into full back when needed, and she does this willingly, helping her team out, even if it isn't her preferred playing position. Alexia's great skill and calmness under pressure are what makes me see a very bright future ahead of her, congratulations on a great season!

Lilian Hough (Striker)

Lilian is a great asset to our team, whether it is her strong presence in our forward line or her leadership skills off the field. She always puts the team first and gives 100%. Her skills have improved tremendously over the season, and it's been great to watch her confidence grow. You have been a pleasure to watch develop and learn over the season. I can't wait to see your hockey develop in the future!

Poppy Huntrud (Striker)

Poppy had a ripper start to the season, playing as a striker she scored lots of goals using her speed and skills, outrunning defenders. Unfortunately, after breaking her thumb at the annual Bunbury carnival, her role in the team changed, still rocking up to games her positivity and leadership was still heard from the sidelines and helping us coaches out on the bench. We've loved having Poppy a part of our team and can't wait to see her back out on the field scoring goals!

Zara Kent (Striker/Midfield)

Zara has been a fiery player this year, always wanting to get the ball and get a goal, no matter what it takes. She is a player that you can count on to get the job done. Her strength on the ball is great and helps our team majorly when we have a counter attack, with her running down the wing, out-skilling the opposition. With her want to learn new skills at every training and ability to take on criticism from her coaches, I can see a bright future ahead of her. Great season Zara!

Olivia McNally (Defence/Midfield)

Olivia you are a delight to coach and have improved so much this season, you're a hard worker who has great hockey knowledge. Liv puts her head down and gets it done, she's great at lifting team morale and won't give up until the final siren sounds. Every game I've seen improvement, whether it's out-skilling your opponents or having a crack at goal, it's amazing to watch from the sidelines. You have so much potential so keep working hard at hockey and I can't wait to see what player you'll become.



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Alyssa Mitchinson (Goalkeeper)

Alyssa has shown great improvement this year from one game to the next, thanks to the goalie coach, Nic, and her already inbuilt natural ability. She always stays calm under pressure, having a great ability to clear the ball all the way out of the 'D', breaking down tense situations, and stopping lots of great shots. I can't wait to see her grow and her future as a goalie in the coming years!

Olivia O'Dea (Midfield)

Olivia, you have so much potential! You have some of the best ball handling skills in our team which makes for a great midfielder. Keep working on some more skills to enhance this. Your attitude at each training and game is a model to others. You always seem to put a smile on everyone's faces, and we wish you luck for your hockey future! We are all really proud of how you played this season! Good work!

Sienna Pitt (Striker)

Sienna is definitely a force to be reckoned with, with her speedy legs which never seem to slow down! Her control over the ball is unmatched and she uses that to her advantage to get past multiple players. She's an excellent team player and valued greatly by us coaches. It's been great to see you play this season!

Shameerhaa Thayalan (Midfield/Striker)

Shameerhaa has been one of the most versatile players on the team this year, moving from the backline, through midfield and into striker, sometimes all in one game. She has a great work rate and great knowledge of the game, knowing when to use her skills and when to distribute the ball. She has improved a lot throughout the season, learning new skills and implementing them into her game.

Her teammates and coaches know they can rely on her in tense and tough situations. Keep up the good work Shameerhaa!

Shameetta Thayalan (Defence)

Shameetta has had a great season, she started off playing in the midfield but cemented her role in defence. Her great ability to read the play always left her in the right position and her improvement in tackling hasn't gone unnoticed. Shameetta's got a strong drive for the ball and is very handy at channeling other players. She's taken on advice from us coaches well and put it into action each week!

Ella Walden (Striker)

Ella is one of our top goal scorers, a quiet achiever and definitely has a talent in reading the game, meaning she's always in the right place at the right time! Ella is a delight to coach and her willingness to learn is shown every week, taking on advice and putting it into her games on the weekends. Her consistency and reliability is valued amongst her teammates, knowing any ball that goes her way will be trapped and many times scored. Thank you Ella for a great season I can't wait to see the player you develop into!

Tia Woods (Defender)

Tia is one of our most reliable defenders, saving plenty of goals this season from her sneaky tackles and workrate when running back. Tia is loved amongst her teammates, knowing that she'll be there to stop any striker that comes her way and is very humble in everything she does. She takes on all feedback amazingly and is a committed player, we hope to continue to see you grow as a player Tia!





J 7/8 DIVISION 4 (GOLD) GIRLS

The 2022 season started slowly, with the larger numbers allocated to each team working well as a broken bone meant Hannah was out for the first six weeks. The girls were consistent and strong, showing in the small goal margins for most games. When most of the team travelled to the Bunbury Carnival, their return to regular games showed greater confidence to hold the ball and talk on the field. The team demonstrated exceptional passing, positioning and vision during the season - with some special sprint training giving a bit of push to the last few games of the season. A strong, agile defence has made it difficult for other teams to build their attack and the girls are in a strong position at the end of the season leading into finals.

Coach Phil Bradshaw STOP PRESS: Grand Final Runner-up

Ella Bradshaw (Halfback & Inner)

Ella started off the year thinking that she may be more suited to a half back position, but as the season progressed, she took a 'shine' to the right inner position. Being naturally fast, she was able to outrun her opponents and break into the 'D'. This was evident in our last game against the Reds, where she delivered a superb pass to Hayley who ended up scoring our winning goal. It was also great to see her improved tenacity on the ball and use of peripheral vision to look for penetrating passes.

Caitlin Brown (Halfback & Wing)

Caitlin had a fantastic season, demonstrating a consistent work ethic on the field and application during training. As a result of this attitude, she steadily improved and became a formidable halfback and occasional wing. Her intensity on the ball was outstanding and she quite often won the ball through sheer persistence. At training, she listened carefully to advice and was always focused on perfecting the basic skills of hockey which she applied with increasing confidence throughout the season.

Georgina Brown (Fullback)

Georgina was our 'rock' in defence with her consistent performance on the field and at training. She was very much a team player who could always be relied upon to back up the defensive line when needed. Her tenacity under attack resulted in her becoming a formidable defender. Strategically positioning herself, she would pounce on an attacking forward as soon as they took their eyes off the ball. In tackling duels, there were few equals, as she invariably wore the opponent down until she came out with the ball.

Sadie De Bari (Centre Halfback & Fullback)

As the season progressed, Sadie demonstrated that she was a natural fit for the centre half position. In this role, her ability to read the play was outstanding and led to strong passes that penetrated the opposition's defensive line. She was also very strong on the ball and showed increasing confidence in controlling the ball in tight situations and getting the ball out of a pack through sheer determination. When required she was also a quality full back that could be relied upon to position herself on the 'hot line' to cut off any attack from the opposition.

Hannah Eckermann (Halfback & Wing)

Hannah started the season in her favourite halfback position but as the season progressed, she warmed increasingly to playing right or left wing. In this position, she was able to use her incredible speed to catch the opposition off guard and break-away down the sideline to penetrate the 'D'. In the left halfback position, she also showed increasing confidence in controlling the ball in tight situations and getting the ball out of a pack.

Alexis Forbes (Halfback, Inner & Wing)

Alexis had a fantastic season, demonstrating a consistent work ethic on the field and application during training. As a result of this attitude, she showed tremendous improvement over the season and became a formidable halfback, inner and wing. Her intensity on the ball and willingness to include her team players was outstanding. At training, she listened carefully to advice and was always focused on perfecting the basic skills of hockey which she applied with increasing confidence throughout the season.

Amelie Forbes (Halfback, Inner & Wing)

Amelie started off the season with a somewhat timid approach to tackling the opposition. However, as the season went on, she became far more aggressive in tackling duels and frequently came out of these contests with the ball. In terms of playing her role, she was always keen to listen to advice and was very much a team player. Towards the end of the season, she also showed increasing confidence with her ball control and passed the ball effectively to mount an attack in our forward half.

Georgia King (Wing & Halfback)

Starting later in the season, Georgia was somewhat unsure of her positional role. However, as the season progressed, she became increasingly confident in understanding her position on the field and her role as a team player. She also proved herself to be incredibly tenacious on the ball and frequently 'won the day' due to sheer persistence.



J 7/8 DIVISION 4 (GOLD) GIRLS cont

Hayley Leighton (Halfback)

Hayley displayed a clear understanding of her positional role as left halfback, always manoeuvring to cut off any attack from the right wing. Her ability to block the opposition and channel passes from the back line was also an area of strength. In any tackling duel her determination and tenacity led to her winning the majority of contests. She was also one of the few hockey players who was able to apply a back stick tackle without giving away a free hit. This determination to win the ball also proved useful when she pushed through defensive lines and passed the ball effectively to our forwards.

Lucy Middleton (Centre Halfback & Fullback)

Lucy was always eager to get out on the field and was an absolute force to be reckoned with. Her consistent work ethic on the field and application during training seasons was exceptional. At training, she listened carefully to advice and was always focused on perfecting the basic skills of hockey which she applied with increasing confidence throughout the season. Her intensity on the ball was outstanding and penetrating passes were a joy to watch.

Lyla Moonen (Centre Forward)

Lyla owned the centre forward position throughout the season. In this position she became increasingly adept at dragging the ball to the right and passing defenders on their weak side. In one game against Hale, she did this superbly to break inside the 'D' to score four goals. Her tenacity on the ball was commendable and led to several break-way runs down the centre where she worked particularly well with her inside forward, Reagan.

Ava Munday (Fullback)

Ava could be relied to play any position you gave her in the back line to the best of her ability. In defence her persistence and tenacity on the ball was commendable and 'saved the day' on several occasions. As a full back she played a pivotal role in winning the ball and distributing it effectively to our forwards which led to several break-way runs through the centre of the field.

Breanna Penman (Goalkeeper)

Breanna had a fantastic season as goalkeeper. She started off being somewhat tentative but transformed rapidly into a confident goalie who owned the 'D'. She was decisive in her decisions and attacked the ball when the moment was right. This resulted in defensive kicks which turned defence into attack. In the goal mouth and short corners, she demonstrated leadership and communicated effectively with her team mates. Her attitude throughout the season was superb on and off the field and she was an absolute delight to have on the team.

Ella Smith (Fullback & Halfback)

Ella played in several positions over the season but was clearly more comfortable in the back line. In this position she showed increasing confidence in controlling the ball in tight situations and getting the ball out of a pack. In these defensive situations, her ability to use her back stick automatically and manoeuvre the ball to her advantage was an extremely useful skill and a joy to watch.

Reagan Wenn (Inner)

Reagan's favourite position over the season was left or right inner. In attack, she had the ability to cut through defensive lines with her pace. This was typified by her throwing the ball forward into space and racing to pick up the ball. When this all came together, she would break into the 'D', where she quite often looked dangerous and had a shot at the goal. This resulted in her being one of our highest goal scorers for the season.

The team would like to thank the quality umpires we have game after game, and the amazing support of our passionate families and supporters who provided an incredibly positive environment around this team, the season would not have been the same without you.



J 7/8 DIVISION 5 GIRLS

How exciting this team has been this season. The girls came together as a mixed group, with seven of them already having the experience of playing together in J7/8s last season and six coming up from J5/6s. We also had three brand new to hockey which was exciting. With a team of 16, it was sometimes hard to organise on game day, but it also meant that we never had to find fill-ins as the girls covered each other. We've had mixed results - won a few games; lost a few and drawn a few we could've won. We also came up against some turf teams that tested us, but we accepted the challenge even if it didn't go our way. The turf was a new experience for all the girls and the realisation that the ball does actually move faster than on grass! They worked together, built a good foundation and for the second half of the season, they played as a team together. They have improved so much over the season and I am so proud of what they have achieved - so much more than expected - and they too should be proud of themselves. They have been a fun and interesting bunch of girls (very talkative!) and I can't wait to see what happens next season and in the future.

Thanks to Neil Worland for helping me on game day, listening to me, running the subs (even when it was confusing), giving advice to the girls and the loud voice! Thanks also to Mark Beissel for running some extra skills sessions. To all the parents for their support - it's been so welcoming. And finally, to our team manager, Marnie Beissel for organising all the information, the apps, the parents, the girls and game day (Mark too) - it has been very much appreciated. Thank you.

Hope to see you all back in Maroon in 2023 - **Coach Colleen Bentley**

Nieve Beauchamp

Nieve is one that who has so much ability but doesn't like to believe it herself. It looks like she is never listening to any of the team talks or at training, but once she gets her head around it, executes what has been asked. Nieve has played some good games and should be happy with her season. Good luck in J9/10s next year and stay strong!

Sophie Beissel

Sophie was part of our solid defensive line and saved us many times. I'm sure she deceived the opposition with her demeanour and took them by surprise, as she used her strength on the ball to stop them and then get it away to our mids and strikers. Sophie was always enthusiastic at training and happy to try anything new that could be put into the game on the weekend. Keep building your skill base Sophie and you'll be a striker's nightmare for many years to come!

Eve Branch

Eve has settled into the mids and is a quiet but determined player. Eve needs to trust her ability and fight for possession - she is stronger than she knows and needs to use it to good effect. Eve will be a lovely player in years to come and I can't wait to see her progression over the next few seasons. All the best in J9/10s Eve.

Kayla Cook

Kayla was our rock down back with Sophie and together they stopped many an opposition. She was strong, forceful and mobile, which made her effective in carrying the ball to our mids and strikers giving them an opportunity to move forward. She was always exhausted at the end of games, which showed how much effort she was putting in. Kayla deserves her Player of the Year award, and I wish her well for next year as she progresses to J9/10s and gives the opposition a tough time. Great work Kayla.

Erica Du Preez

Erica was new to hockey this year and eventually settled into being one of our outside strikers. She started the season quietly and has finally found her voice - and on the field too! Erica has picked up some of the necessary skills to run the outside lines and cover the attacking D. She is fast and getting stronger with stick on ball and I look forward to seeing Erica progress even further next season and continue in this new sport of hers.

Olivia Edel

What can I say about Olivia except that she has really surprised me this season. She started the year super excited to be playing and was like an energiser bunny. No matter what position I put her in she was all over the field, but somehow still doing her role. During the year we had tackling training from a couple of 1s players and Olivia took to it effortlessly. She used her new skills to good effect for the second half of the season and her game improved ten-fold! Excited to see how you progress in J9/10s next season and hope to see you playing for Melville for many years to come. Well done Olivia.

Gemma Fiedler

Having coached Gemma last year in J5/6s it has been great to see the improvement in her game. She never gives up and tries her best every week. Having started as a striker, she has moved into the mids and has settled in well, even scoring a goal. Gemma loves to train, is so enthusiastic that she helps the team stay happy and positive. Gemma has a lot to offer on the field - she just needs to turn her stick around! Well done Gemma.



J 7/8 DIVISION 5 GIRLS cont

Rebekah Gauntlett

Rebekah has been amazing this season with the amount of improvement she has shown. Another of our first time players, she took to the game with some trepidation but ended up so determined. As a striker, Bek used her speed on the wing to get into the circle and covered the post like all coaches want and was rewarded with a couple of goals. Bek needs to use her voice to demand the ball, but this will come more easily with experience. Hope you enjoyed your season Bek and I look forward to seeing many more.

Lily Moore-Neesham

Lily was our goalkeeper and like most keepers, walks to the beat of her own drum and likes to do things in her own time. Lily fitted in well with the team and was effective when she wasn't sick or injured! She would talk to the defence with authority and saved many a game for us. Lily, I hope you take the opportunity to take on board the training that is available to you and become the keeper we know you can be. Good luck next year in J9/10s and enjoy your hockey.

Emmy Morskate

Emmy was one of our new players this year and her progression has been amazing. She still doesn't say much but she is making a lot of moves on the field. She attacks and defends as an inner and she isn't afraid to tackle the opposition or run with the ball. We just need to work on keeping her feet away from the ball, but apart from that, Emmy has many exciting hockey seasons ahead. A wonderful first season Emmy.

Charley Petersen

Charley worked really hard in the mids, giving her all every game. She would always run, tackle and fight for the ball. Charley ended being our highest goal scorer this year which shows her determination in getting the ball forward. She finished the season playing in defence and proved she can match it with anyone. Charley was one of our quiet achievers and most versatile players. I wish you well in J9/10s Charley and for many years in maroon.

Isabella Ricciardone

What can I stay about Izzy without smiling? She is a force to be reckoned with and keeps everyone on their toes. Iz was a goalkeeper last season and this year wanted to play on the field, where she played in our defensive pack. She would often wear the opposition down with her zealous and often successful tackling style. Iz filled in quite a few times this year as our goalkeeper when needed and did a great job - often singing and dancing when the ball was down the other end! I hope Izzy continues with her enthusiasm and I look forward to seeing her for many years in maroon.

Olive Rowden

Olive is a bit of a surprise packet in that we're never sure where she is going to be on the field. But once she gets the ball, she is off like a rocket, forcing her way down the wing towards goal. Olive needs to be stronger on the ball, which will come with more experience, and use the speed she has to go past her opponents. When Olive is in the game, she is exciting to watch. Hope to see you continue playing for many years Olive.

Olivia Trotter

When Olivia has her head in the game, she is almost unstoppable; with her dangerous runs at centre striker through the middle of the field or when she positions herself in front of the goalie in the circle. Olivia needs to believe in herself every game, as she is an important player for the team. With her natural ability and willingness to learn, I hope Olivia's confidence grows so she becomes that dangerous and annoying striker. Good job Olivia.

Aida Worland

Aida started the season in defence and gradually worked her way to the striker line where she has been rewarded by scoring a couple of goals. Aida was full of confidence and would help fire up the team with some motivation at half time. She works hard, likes to train and gets amongst the action - she just needs to build on her strength on the ball and she'll go even further. I see good things for Aida in coming seasons. Keep up the good work.

Ella Young

Ella was our quiet one in the mids and learnt to be an effective centre-half. Eventually Ella would be one of our rock wing halves, helping stop the opposition from getting through. She would also move to our defence when it was required. Ella had the foresight to keep the ball wide and move it forward at every opportunity. She was also one of our injectors in attacking penalty corners. Ella always listened and tried to implement the team plan. Ella will become a force in future seasons and I look forward to seeing it, starting with J9/10s next season.

A fantastic camaraderie has developed amongst the mix of girls and parents in Melville 4 this year. Socially the team bonded right from the start, with team dinners and parent vs girls games at training being very popular! The fact that ours was the only team to put forward a full team for the J7/8 Carnival shows the love these girls have for the game and the team. Finally thanks must go to the tireless efforts of coach Colleen Bentley for whipping the girls into shape. Go Melville!!



J 7/8 DIVISION 5 GIRLS cont





J 5/6 DIVISION 1 BOYS

Our season consisted of 5 wins, 5 draws and 4 losses, meaning we finished the season in 4th position. Our team was filled with a wide range of skill sets, with different players stepping up and taking the game on each week. This team really started to find some form at the end of the season, only losing one of our last five games, with the loss coming from a short corner after the siren. A great year from a group of boys that just love to play. Competitive all year, they were an extremely strong defensive team only conceding 15 goals.

fortunate to be coached by **Mitchell Pace** and **Shaya Pillay**, the boys were taught a similar style of hockey that is currently being delivered by Melville's Top Squad. Mitchell and Shaya's time and effort is greatly appreciated.

We look forward to watching this playing group work hard and grow as teammates into the future.

Manager Todd Barrett

Oscar Barratt (Striker)

Oscar has had a fantastic season as a striker. His ability to always be in the right spots has resulted in scoring goals. He also has a fantastic hit to go along with all of his striker-like qualities. Oscar was also great at pressing and putting the other team's defenders under pressure. Great work this season Oscar!

Harvey Barrett (Defender)

Harvey's tenacity over the ball always sets a good example for the others to follow. His tackling skills and his ability to never give up makes him a great halfback. He also sets a great example as a team mate by encouraging everyone and putting 110% into training. Great work Harvey!

Rohan Braid (Midfielder)

Rohan is a hardworking midfielder who never fails to intercept any ball coming his way, and his hitting in short corners has even gotten us a few goals. His snarky comments at training always make everyone laugh. Well done Rohan on a great season!

Max Coghlan (Goalkeeper)

Max played a vital role for our team this year, being our goalkeeper. We were able to stay in games and get results in games multiple times this season, all thanks to Max. Max made some outstanding saves this year, as well as communicating with the defence to call them into positions. Well played this year Max!

Quilan Cooper (Midfield/Defender)

Quilan has played in the back line and has stepped up to be a midfielder as well. His vision and flat hits never fail to open up the play and create opportunities for his teammates. His tackling skills also have made getting past him a challenge for anyone who dared to try. Good work this season Quil!

Nathan Forbes (Midfielder)

Nathan was one of our main attacking midfielders this year. He is another player in this team with some nifty skills, often able to get himself out of tricky situations. His passing ability is another key skill he showed this year, making passes that created good opportunities for our team to score. Well done this season Nath!

Ewan Geen (Defender)

Ewan started off as a quiet fullback. Throughout the season his voice has grown and his versatility has been a very valuable asset to the team. As a defender, his vision and tackling has improved every weekend. Keep up the great work Ewan!

Jack Gilbert (Defender)

Jack is the definition of a coach's dream. Always coming to training wanting to get better, asking questions about how he can improve and not complaining about any position that we put him in. Jack's main position was halfback, making it look easy every week. He showed really great skills both at training and in games, often making runs down the sideline, beating opponents on the way. One of my highlights of this season was Jack making a run down the right and breaking his opponent's ankles in the process. Really excited to see what the future holds for Jack and his hockey career. Well done Jack and keep up the great work!

Ethan Koekemoer (Defender/Striker)

Ethan is a very sweet and humble player who was one of the most versatile players we had this season. He has stepped up his game every week and was always more than willing to give new positions a go. His second and third efforts when running back are always a big help when we're defending and under the pump. Keep it up E!

Fraser McMillan (Striker)

The team's little pocket rocket up front. Although Fraser isn't the tallest of players in our team, he finds himself in the right spots to receive the ball as a striker. When he has the ball, he can attack with speed and often uses 3D skills to eliminate opponents. At the back end of the season Fraser found himself on the scoresheet multiple times from standing low on the back post. Great work Fraser!

Finn Mitchell (Striker)

Finn has created many goal scoring opportunities as a striker for his teammates. He works hard off the ball to open up gaps in the play. His work-rate has exponentially increased over the season, his skills and confidence has also improved a lot since the first week. Well done Finn!



J 5/6 DIVISION 1 BOYS cont

Aaron Webb (Defender)

Where do I start? Aaron was primarily a full back for our team this year. His current skill set suits the position as he showed with his performances this year. The ability to hit the ball forward accurately through a press to find a teammate, as well as his great tackling ability, were a few reasons he was a valuable part of our team this year.

Well done Aaron!

Bryn Wilson (Midfielder)

Bryn had a great season this year, playing primarily as our centre half. Bryn's presence on the field was well known, often making the midfield a space of his own, creating turnovers and multiple opportunities for our team going forward. Bryn also often found himself on the scoresheet, being our primary hitter on corners. Bryn's dedication to training paid off this year, with him being selected in the State 12s team, coming away with a bronze medal. Congrats on a great year Bryn!

The team has showed some really great improvements over the course of the season, which is a promising sign for the future. I'm really excited to see what the future holds for this group and the development of their hockey careers.



J 5/6 DIVISION 2 (GOLD) BOYS

What a year for J5/6 Melville 2s. Some wins and some losses. Was great to see the boys develop as a team. The most positive thing was the even contribution across the board. Well done on a solid year boys and hope to see you all down at the club next year!

Coach Matt Read





J 5/6 DIVISION 2 (GOLD) BOYS cont

Temujin Bloomfield (Tem)

Our quiet achiever. Tem could always be relied upon in the forward line and hit the scorer's sheet multiple times

Edward Dias (Eddie)

Dazzling skills and a powerful strike. Ed consistently backs his ability. Keep doing that mate!

Ryan Fitzpatrick

A fiery defender when down back and dangerous when forward. Always quick to support and acknowledge his teammates' efforts.

Brodie Fleming (Brodie)

Another quiet achiever. A wall when down back. Could always be relied upon to stop countless opposition forward thrusts. No fuss attitude, just gets in and does it.

Archie Gould

Ever-reliable. Archie's skills are developing nicely and he always give 110% no matter what he's tasked with.

Xavier Hughes

Loves his spot out wide on the wing and worked hard all year to create space and support his team mates.

James Lee (Jahamez)

Jim made the goals his own. His decision making when defending was spot on and looking forward to watching him develop even more next year.

Jack Lloyd (Lloyd)

Always working hard, listening and learning. Always positive and smiling. Onya Lloyd.

Jack Nicol

Never stops running. Always in the thick of the action.

Oliver Read (Oli)

Regularly in the right spot when attacking, resulting in a few goals this year. Always on the move. Well done Oli.

Charlie Ross

Solid contributor all year no matter the role given. Always trying to bring his team mates into the game. Well done mate!

Benjamin Somers (Ben)

A competitor in every sense of the word. Loves a goal and always gives his all.

Finley Turner

Always played his role. Keen to play any position and give it 100%. Great tackling skills and rarely beaten in a 1 on 1 contest. Well done mate.



Huge thanks to Matt for the effort he piled into coaching the boys. Thanks to all the parents for the support through out the year, be it fruit, fees or just getting the boys to games on time. Shout out to Tarryn also for supporting me while managing the team. Can't wait until next year! Vaughn Lee



J 5/6 DIVISION 4 (BLACK) BOYS

2022 - what a hockey season! The boys had natural talent, endless enthusiasm, energy and with the right guidance they were able to achieve successful growth both in their hockey mind and in their ball skills. It was a pleasure to see this group of boys implement the plays and skills that we practised at training. To see these strategies convert into goals was a real pleasure to see. I would like to say a big thanks to Scott Maloney, who played the role of manager and as assistant coach. Scott did an awesome job of assisting me with training, organizing the team, sending out reminders, organizing the orange roster, being our number one first aider and providing shelter on those Saturday mornings when we received most of Perth's rain fall :). Scott and I thoroughly enjoyed coaching the team and seeing the boys' hockey skills develop over the season. The boys should be very proud of their efforts which enabled them to finish strongly as second on the ladder. We were the only team that beat the top team (YMCC) during the season.

Simon Kent - Coach

I would like to thank Simon, the team, the parents and families for all the support and effort during the season. We came together with players new to the game, goalies that hadn't padded up before, boys that didn't know each other and hadn't played together. We have become a great team that has grown in spirit, skills and determination and showed fantastic sportsmanship throughout the year. Well done boys, you should be very proud of yourselves and what you have achieved this year.

Scott Maloney – Assistant Coach/Team Manager

Flynn Armitage (Goalie & Left Inner)

Flynn enjoyed playing at both ends of the field. Flynn is a natural goalie who showed passion, determination and great vision in reading the play and positioning himself to save many goals. He is also a good field player who assisted the forwards in tackling and passing the ball forward.

Joel Cooper (Left Wing)

At the start of the year Joel was our quiet forward. By the end of the season Joel was more aggressive in collecting balls off the pads and shooting for goal. As a wing he held his position out wide as instructed and was in the D waiting to trap passes when the forwards on the right-hand side centered the ball across the goal face.

Harrison Cooper (Inner & Goalie)

Harrison was a good tenacious forward. He has very good ball skills and speed to get past many fullbacks that were in his way. A small goalie that packs a big punch, his skill levels have grown each week and his ability to clear the ball and position himself to save goals has helped win us the game. Our last game against Westside Wolves was Harrison's best game of the year, a reflex save with his glove was one of the highlights of the game.

Flynn Dreverman (Fullback)

Was very reliable at defending our D, our last line of defence. He was strong and solid at stopping on-coming forwards and equally strong at slapping the ball away from danger into space on the wing. Flynn had a strong and reliable 16 yard hit which was able to penetrate the opposition and reach our forwards on the wing.

Thaneesh Daivandran (Centre Half)

Thaneesh became our strong centre half, able to play both offensive and defensive. Has the ability to take free hits and direct balls to our forwards on the wings. He enjoys playing the ball with one hand on his stick which is

difficult to do and very humorous for the spectators. He kept the opposition and spectators guessing on where he was going to go with the ball.

Ashley Kent (Fullback)

Ashley was part of our power-house fullback line. He was very good at tackling and cutting off forwards from penetrating our defensive half. Ashley developed his stick skills and further refined his ability to jink over forwards' sticks. Ashley always gave 110% on the field and never stopped defending until the final whistle. He has really developed his skills in the last half of the season and his ability to tackle back and beat other players to feed our attackers has made Ashley one of our best defenders.

Max Klass (Centre Forward/ Right Wing)

Our centre forward who transformed into a strong right wing. Max was our lethal weapon on the right wing. He was a key focal point on our forward line, leading and dribbling the ball down the right wing. By staying wide and playing his position he really opened the game for us and was one of the reasons we were able to take so many balls into attack and score goals. Max was able to cross the ball with a penetrating hit which enabled our left side forwards to trap and slap the ball into the goals. Over the season Max grew into a well-rounded player, seeing the benefit of passing to his team mates when they were in a good position to score goals. Max was very effective in hitting in our successful short corner battery.

Tate Maloney (Left Half)

Strong left halfback, listened and implemented coaching feedback on correct positioning. Tate gained more confidence over the ball as the season progressed to enable him to apply stronger tackles against his opposing forwards. Tate has worked hard on his trapping and hitting and especially his tackling back, the last few games have seen his skill level grow which has helped him feed the ball to our attackers.



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Xavier Price (Left Wing)

Xavier was very good at creating a lead for his halfback to hit to. He was also good at running with the ball into the forward half, especially in the last game at Hale on their turf. Xavier has continued to improve his skills this year and been very good at positioning himself to pick up a goalie's deflection or one of our attacker's cross and get a shot at goal.

Oscar Richardson (Right Wing)

Was a key plank in our mid field who played his position and always ran back to defend when our opposition had a fast break and defences were being tested. Oscar was extremely reliable and supported the forwards using his speed to make some fast breaks and score some excellent goals. Oscar was also very successful as our first runner on our defensive short corners.

Kobe Taylor (Right Half)

Extremely reliable and strong halfback. This guy should be called Mr Dependable. He was always there when the team needed him in defence, and he was also there to support the forwards in attack. As a second runner on short corners defence he was unstoppable.

Kyven Thayalan (Centre Forward)

Our small forward which has a big punch! Kyven has excellent stick skills could jink or drag any fullback even if they were twice his size. Kyven skills improved overtime it would be good to see him look up and pass more balls out wide to beat the opposing wall of defense in the middle of the field.

Taj Wenn (Centre Half, Inner)

Our very dependable/flexible defensive and forward player. Anywhere we needed Taj to play, he was flexible to play that position, which is a sign of a well-rounded player. He played well at centre half, having the ability to distribute wide to the half backs. He also was good forward, using his stick skills to bypass approaching defenders. Taj was very effective on trapping and hitting in our successful short corner battery.

Thank you to everyone for being part of our season; all our Melville Umpires and big thank you to our parents, brothers, sisters, uncles, aunties, and grandparents for bringing the boys to training and to the game and supporting us each week rain or shine! For Scott and I, it has been a pleasure and honour to coach this side.

Warm Regards, Simon Kent





J 5/6 DIVISION 4 (GOLD) BOYS

Season 2022 started with a rush! After four weeks of trials our team of misfits was created. We all got to know each other quickly with only a few training sessions before the first round. Our first game was out at Perry Lakes in the morning mist, starting with unpacking the freshly provided goalie gear and locating the correct ground. All seems like years ago. A great start with a full side learning the ropes very quickly. We had a good mix of experienced players (Year 6s) and new players (Year 5s) to the Junior grade, also with at least three kids who haven't played before. Learning and building on positions, what is required of you in those positions and lasting a full game were some of our early goals. Something that could be assured each Saturday when the team ran onto the park, was the 100% effort each player would bring. Moments like our first goal (and Joe's first one for the club), coming back from 2-0 down to draw 2 all against a quality side and scoring three goals in one quarter.

COVID again had an effect on us, making it difficult to field a full side more than once this year. Regardless of playing with no bench or even one less field player, our team competed well against all sides. There wasn't a game all season where we didn't think we could win and that goes to show the great attitude everyone had out on the field and the parents cheering on the sideline.

A big thank you to Amelia Jones for stepping up as manager of the side. You did an amazing job organising umpiring fees, team notifications and the all-important orange roster. I strongly encourage you to be a manager next year as you certainly made my job easier. Also another big thanks to Alana Field who stepped in when Amelia or I couldn't be there. Your knowledge of hockey helped run trainings and games. Finally a big thank you to all the families who came each week to watch and cheer on your kids. By the end it felt like every boy out there had all families cheering for them. What an amazing year of hockey for everyone involved.

Coach Ben Rushton

Manager Amelia Jones, Fill in Manager / Fill in Coach Alana Field

Kyson Fairhead (Centre Forward)

As a first year player, Kyson has high skill levels and is a very strong hockey player who will push himself all game to run hard for the team. He is very quick and has awesome ability to read the play. Kyson has improved incredibly with a very powerful shot and great defensive work. He is a very exciting player to watch, gives great encouragement to the other players on the field and helps the other guys out with their positioning. Kyson will become a very strong player as he continues to grow. Keep up the enthusiasm and the excitement you bring to the game.



Liam Field (Half Back)

It was awesome to see Liam improving his skills and gaining a better understanding of the game as the season progressed. One of the first to training and the game, Liam's enjoyment was infectious and would often involve a few laughs. Liam's main opportunity is to focus on training where he can build on his hitting. Thanks for all your efforts for the season. We hope you enjoyed it and especially your efforts when being the goal keeper, even if Mum tried to stop you. Well done!



Alistair Goodsell (Left inner)

Alistair raised the team's attacking strength during the season. His fitness and natural sporting ability was important in building and executing offensive play. He also stood up in the back half when the team needed him. His desire to help out the team in both offence and defence was noticeable. Alistair's improvement opportunity is to remain at the inside left position so we can transfer the ball through him and attack down the left. Congratulations on a great season.



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Cameron Hough (Fullback / Half Back)

Cameron showed consistent strength and game knowledge that the team came to rely upon each week as part of the defensive half which was at times impenetrable. He is a valued member of the team as he assisted in the build-up of many waves of attack during the season. Cameron needs to make sure when he plays half back to position himself correctly to defend and be a part of the attack when we get the ball. Another player whose hitting improved incredibly over the season. Nice work Cameron, your skills and your work rate were greatly appreciated.

Joe Hunter (Right Wing)

A solid understanding of attack allowed Joe to be the last link in the chain for a few goals and some short corners. He always listens to instructions and takes on tips about his positioning. His ability to read the play, run hard and position himself to receive the ball has resulted in some clinical finishes. Joe has the perfect balance of being hungry for the next goal but never at the expense of setting up better opportunity to score by passing to his team-mates. Brilliant season, well done Joe.

Daniel Hussey (Left Wing)

It has been amazing to be a part of Daniel's improvement in the ways of hockey. Every week I see Daniel improve his reading of the play, his passing, and his positioning on the field. Daniel spent a lot of time running up and down the side line to be a part of attack, to then turn around and help his team mates in defence. Daniel has progressed so well throughout the year, and I am proud as a coach to see how well he did training and playing on the turf. Well done mate, don't change a thing you are doing, keep practising and working hard.

Millen Jones (Half Back)

It was awesome to see Millen improving his skills and gaining a better understanding of the game as the season progressed. He has shown continual improvement with regular training and shows a real work ethic during the game. Focus on practising your hitting in the off season to help take your game to the next level. Thanks for all your efforts for the season, we hope you enjoyed it (and talking with Owen).



Owen Jones (Half Back)

Owen has progressed well throughout the season and tries hard every week. He has the ability to really get amongst the game with great tackling and intercepting. One of Owen's most memorable games was when he demanded his team mates get back and defend. A quality that good hockey teams demand of their players. Continue to practise at home and keep pushing yourself. Thanks for the year and I hope you enjoyed your hockey (and talking with Owen).

Robert Neck (Half Back / Wing)

A great season from Robert, with him showing his desire to be a part of the action every game day. Robert consistently inspired his team with half time talks and ideas on how to improve and beat the opposition. We look forward to watching his game continue to improve by getting into position early and being a part of the defence. In the off-season, spend some time practising your hitting and receiving of the ball to take your game to the next level. Great job this season, well done.



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Oliver Pearce (Right Inner)

Throughout the year Oliver has played inner and has been pushing himself. Oliver listens well to instructions, runs hard and has a good understanding of the game. He was a key link in so many of our attacking moves during the season. Oliver needs to work on being a little selfish sometimes as he gets himself into fantastic attacking positions and chances to score. Oliver will continue to strongly develop as he continues to grow and learn the game. Well done mate, keep up the good work.

Charlie Richardson (Fullback)

It was impressive to see Charlie's first year in hockey and watch his skills develop with his confidence. This has resulted in discovering a natural affinity for defence and a very powerful hit. The team came to rely on the strength and work rate that Charlie would consistently give in protecting the defensive half. His attitude and effort throughout the season set the bar for the rest of the team. Charlie showed leadership in the back half and helped direct his team mates to get into the good positions that he does. Well done on your unbelievably good season.

Samuel Rushton (Fullback)

Sam is not new to hockey, with many years spent watching older family members playing. Sam has shown that if you put your head down and put in the effort you can be a great player. As our regular right fullback, he was key to starting some of our stronger attacks down the right wing with a solid hit into space for the forwards to run onto. Sam also possesses one of the team's strongest tackles with the ability to get low and limit opposition players' movements. A great season Sam. Continue to show that drive and enthusiasm we all know you possess.

Jacob Soh (Centre Half)

Jacob plays with great passion and determination to win and is a very exciting player to watch. His opportunities for further improvement are to hit the ball harder, organise the players around him, and move the ball quickly. Jacob will become a very strong and skilful player and we love the passion and determination he brings to the team. Keep it up Jacob and enjoy your hockey. Great season.

A very big well done to all of the lads that were goalie this year. While we didn't have a consistent player who chose this very tough position, every person that attempted it did so with amazing effort. To those smart enough to choose not to do it I can totally understand! Well done on a fantastic year where everyone improved. Be very proud of all of your efforts as the coach, manager and all the parents certainly are. Hope to see you all around the club next year.



J 5/6 DIVISION 1 GIRLS



The team started with a win on the turf in the annual Melville Vs Victoria Park preseason game for the Ron Wilson Cup. The girls owned a sense of achievement in being part of a club who held the 2022 title to proudly display the Ron Wilson Cup in the Melville Club Rooms. A mixture of new players playing for the first time in J5/6 and older players returning, made for a team of experience, eagerness, names to learn and positions to fill.

With expert guidance from coaches Crystal and Kirby, the season saw the team develop skills and a good game strategy to see them comfortably compete in the Division 1 competition.

As is with this period in history, COVID played its part. I think at the time of writing this, we are still yet to play an entire game with the whole team! Well done to the Div 1 J5/6 Girls. It's been a great season with some great friendships made.

Managers Justine Griffin / Kate De'Laney

Coaches Kirby Hobbs, Crystal Hobbs



J 5/6 DIVISION 1 GIRLS cont

Alexis Alder

It was always a pleasure to have chatterbox Alexis around at training all the time telling us about her weekly events. She showed enthusiasm and passion every time which made our coaching experience extremely enjoyable. Alexis possesses an extremely strong feed pass which allows her to distribute the ball with ease. It did not go unnoticed when Alexis applied defensive pressure to the opposition as it often resulted in an outcome favourable to our team. Once Alexis develops her hitting ability she will be a key to her future team's success!

Matilda Burke

Matilda has been a core player in our backline and a valuable asset to the team. Often during games, Matilda leaves Kirby and I absolutely speechless, and questioning how she can make such hard tackles look so effortless and on top of this, then zings the ball through the opposition so calmly like it was nothing. Towards the second half of the season Matilda really showed how solid she is and improved her strength over the ball immensely. As soon as Matilda adds hitting to her arsenal, she will be a force to be reckoned with in the future!

Mary-Jane De'Laney

Mary-Jane has been our rock solid goalkeeper throughout the season. It has been such a pleasure to see Mary-Jane flourish and improve her technique each week. Her shuffling within the goals makes this little goalkeeper reach balls in the corners with ease. You are a very talented goalkeeper and have proven time and time again how valuable you are in defence, especially with you winning 1 on 1s so effortlessly. We wish you every success for your hockey future as we are sure it will be bright!

Alyssa Dermody

New to hockey this season but you would never have guessed it! Alyssa is our powerhouse center-half, who has a variety of skills which she uses to turn players inside-out but also has the ability to thread passes to our handy forwards. Whether it's her work rate to always run back and help the defence or getting her shirt dirty diving to keep the ball in play, Alyssa always puts 110% into every game. Her on-field aggression and dedication to the team is appreciated by all. Great season Alyssa!



Evie Griffin

Evie is an adaptable player who can be relied upon to get the job done in many positions across the field. Evie has mastered the strong roll around opposing defenders and excels at scoring goals and getting rebounds in and around the goal mouth. Her second and third efforts in the midfield help prevent breakaways and she always comes off the field exhausted with the immense hard work she always puts in! Once Evie masters her hit from the top of the D she will be making her opposition sweat.

Rylee Irvine

Rylee's silky skills and ability to shake and bake the opposition often leave myself and Crystal questioning if this is Rylee Irvine or Kyrie Irvine?! Rylee has had a cracking season this year and has a natural gift for being in great positions in our attacking D and always making a statement by putting the ball in the back of the net. She is one of our most fearless forwards as she stands right in front of a free hit with her stick down ready for the intercept. As soon as Rylee starts getting her powerful hit off quicker, I am sure she will have no trouble scoring anytime, anywhere! Great season Rylee!

Alby James

I find it funny that Alby loves a good chat at training but when it comes to game day she is locked in and focused to play! Alby has tried nearly every position since the start of the season and she is always asking to try something new. Towards the end of the season however, Alby has settled into the overlapping left half role, often being the fuel to our attack. 'Ice Queen' is the definition of the perfect teammate, whether that be racing over to the ice machine when others get injured, or making everyone look forward to an entertaining training by commentating drills (usually so she doesn't have to do them). Alby has been a pleasure to coach all season and always puts a smile on our faces. Awesome season Alby!



J 5/6 DIVISION 1 GIRLS cont

Gurleen Kaur Brar

Although Gurleen is the 'baby' of the team (only turning 10 years old through the tail end of the season) it definitely did not show on the field! Gurleen has a monstrous hit that was often seen to break the opposing team's lines or roll perfectly to allow our players to run onto. It was evident that Gurleen had been practising her skills in her own time, as this translated onto the hockey field during games

Eloise Lockwood

15 minutes at training is all it takes for Eloise to consistently play quality hockey. Eloise is one of our fiery forwards who always goes hard at the ball and never gives up! One of Eloise's highlights for the season was scoring two cracking goals in one game, which got her 10 well-earnt dollars from her mother. Ellie brings the energy to all our games which puts our team in ready mode to play some great hockey. If Eloise in the future practises stick on ball and strong passes, She will be a force to be reckoned with. Nice work Eloise!

Indie Morin

Wow, what a season Indie has had. Indie always brings her positive and bubbly personality to training and games which puts a smile on everyone's face. Indie makes handy tackles high up the field, which suddenly sees her running at lightning speeds down the wing, leaving the opposition in the dust. Indie also loves combining gymnastics and hockey to score extra style points for our mini skill competitions at training with an added cartwheel or two. Awesome work Indie!

Grace Peachey

Grace started out playing half back throughout the start of the season, however when she debuted in our striker line, she instantly scored a textbook hit from the top of the D, evidently showing her inner striking ability. Grace has silky smooth skills that always eliminate players with ease and has great strength with her stick on ball. You'll often hear us call 'Grace, Fire', which is code word for a straight shot in a short corner as Grace possesses a monstrous hit that usually thunders against the backboard! Grace is consistent week in and week out and it will be great to see what she will bring to her future teams. Great work Grace!

Kirrily Pulford

Kirrily has been a trusty member of our defensive group. It has been great to see Kirrily improve throughout the season by making multiple tackles to stay in the contest. This allowed her to be in the best position to distribute the ball to our forward line which is a skill that improved with each game. As soon as the ball entered our defensive 50 Kirrily was ready to back up her teammates. Goodluck in J7/8s Kirrily!

Isabella Ryan

Isabella has played consistently throughout the whole season. She always gives 100% in attack and this often resulted in assisting in many goals this season. Isabella constantly did the unrewarded work, running the ball down the wing or sprinting to stretch the field. These are attributes that will make her a dangerous striker in the future that will leave the opposition sweating! Her discipline to get on the post promptly resulted in some very well-deserved goals. She also scored a cracking hit off a short corner which, although not counted, still should get an honourable mention. Great season Isabella.

Caitlynn Simon

Caitlynn really stepped up this year in terms of her leadership skills. She has been our reliable right half who has really improved her timing on her tackles and defensive marking. Caitlynn is very methodical with her skills and dribbles the ball in a way in which she can always deliver lethal passes. Caitlynn always finds a way to get herself out of trouble and is constantly surprising everyone with the sneaky skills she stores up her sleeve. Her efforts from a defensive aspect have been valuable to keeping us in the game. Well done Caitlynn!





J 5/6 DIVISION 2 (GOLD) GIRLS

This year has seen the girls in the J5/6 Division 2 team develop and gain confidence in their own abilities and thrive in a team environment which was rewarding to see as a Coach. Melville has a healthy future in Women's hockey with the talent coming through this group of girls.

Coaches Fiona Power, Caelee Power

Hollie Booth

Hollie is a delight to have in our team and has had a strong year of hockey. Either up front or in defence she was always reliable. Wishing you well for J7/8 competition next year Hol, keep enjoying your hockey.

Ingrid Edel

Ingrid is another player who has really developed this season, she is a steady, reliable and composed player who takes direction well. Keep going with your hockey Ingrid, I see a bright future in hockey for you, thanks for a great season.

Indiana Gabrels

Indie has had a good season of hockey and it was rewarding to see how much she has grown as a player. Indie has natural drive and determination to win the ball which will see her progress into a strong player in the future. Thanks for a good season Indie.

Amy Gregory

Amy is a very composed player who was always happy to play where ever she was needed. She has settled into a half back/full back role well this year and has been a pleasure to coach, and was a regular at trainings with her two buddies (Lauren & Elise), enjoying a chat and a giggle.

Maya Hall

Maya has been a strong player in our attack and midfield this year and is a delight to coach. She has a mature attitude and natural talent that will take her further in her hockey future. Good luck in J7/8s Maya and thanks for a good season of hockey.

Mila Herbert

Mila has been a surprise packet this year, she can play strongly in defence but is a dynamo in attack who will take the game on with the aim to score a goal. Good luck with your hockey next year Mila.





J 5/6 DIVISION 2 (GOLD) GIRLS cont

Kyla Jarvis

Kyla it has been a pleasure to coach you this year you have a natural ability to read the play well and have a rocket of a hit, another player that is versatile in the midfield and defence. Thanks Kyla for a good season, all the best in J7/8s.

Torah Kirkham

Torah was a player who always tried to learn and try new skills at training, and it's been wonderful seeing her confidence grow each week. The last few games of the season have shown that Torah has developed into a keen, determined young hockey player. Keep enjoying your hockey Torah.

Elise Moonen

Elise was the quiet achiever for our team who had a great experience at the Bunbury Carnival and was awarded the Team Spirit award for kitting up in goals and going the extra mile for her team-mates. She has a great attitude and I wish her well with her hockey journey in the future.

Matilda Nicol

Matilda has been a stand-out in her favourite position right inner. She has been our top goal scorer and can be relied upon to take the game on with her speed and drive to goal. Good luck next year in J7/8s Matilda, thanks for a great season of hockey.

Eloise Power

Ellie has had a strong year of hockey this year in the midfield, she has shown determination and developing skills to direct play up the field to feed the strikers and is also strong in defence. As the young gun of the team Ellie has fit in well and will enjoy another couple of seasons in J5/6s.

Lily Reeves

Lily is a great all-round player who has natural skill and ability which has developed through the season. Always happy to help out, she is a great team person. Well done Lily for a strong year of hockey, we hope you continue enjoying your hockey.

Lauren Roberts

Lauren is part of the three musketeers and has been a delight to coach this year. It's great seeing her enjoy herself at training and working on her hockey skills. Good luck with your hockey next year Lauren and keep smiling.

Holly Wingfield

Holly with a 'Y' joined us mid-season from Team 3 and fit in right away, always keen to play all over the field. With her trademark bright smile she was a pleasure to coach.

Thank you to our fabulous Manager Shane, ever-reliable, especially with the shelter on all those wet hockey mornings. Your assistance was much appreciated, thanks Shane.

Big thank you to Bec who stepped in to be Super Coach when I could not be there to coach the girls on game day - your help was really appreciated.

Thank you to Caelee for umpiring the girls each week.

Lastly - a big thanks to all the wonderful parents/grandparents for your support during the season, you should all be proud of the amazing girls you have raised. It's been a pleasure getting to know them and you this year. Hope to see you all around the club in the future.

Fiona

Coach J5/6 Girls - Div 2



J 5/6 DIVISION 4 GIRLS

'TEAM THREE' Bringing together a relatively new team with only a couple of players playing together previously and a couple of new players to hockey, it has been awesome to watch each week as the girls learned new skills and how to hold their positions correctly. Although we didn't win a game this season, we had started to play really well as a team and will be a definite threat next season. A huge thank you to Lloyd for taking on the role as coach. Your experience and encouragement has been invaluable in helping the girls improve their skills and overall knowledge of the game this year.

Manager Erin Stocks Coach Lloyd King

Ashling Bailey

Watching Ashling develop her skills has been a pleasure. I can always count on her to listen to the coach's instructions, whether it's keeping her stick down or standing in front of the opposition to let the ball go through. Great job and looking forward to next season.

Florence Jauncey (Floss)

Floss was a pleasure to watch play, you could see her in deep thought on how to tackle the opposition and then she would flick the switch on and take them on no matter their size and light the field up with her wonderful dribbling technique. Looking forward to next year, awesome job.

Eliza King

The little go-getter, Eliza would always hunt the ball from player to player whether it was in the forward line or deep in defence. She is reliable to get the ball wide from the back or pass it up the line. She was late into the team but slotted right in. Superb effort.

Harriet King

Harriet has natural leg speed and endurance and well-timed tackles, making her an opposing force with her ability to get the ball off the opposition and run up the forward line. She then makes her way back to defend without breaking a sweat, making her a great addition to the mid field. Looking forward to next season. Great job.

Hadley Lyon

Small by stature but not by heart, Hadley was always seen in or around the ball with the ability to swoop in and steal the ball and run off up the field. Always eager to get in on the action in our defensive short corners and take the lead of first runner. Awesome effort.

Olivia Perry (Gary)

Such an awesome live wire in the team, never a dull moment in our defence knowing she was there to defend to the last. Her heart was set on fullback, but her natural skills put her in the midfield, controlling the play. Looking forward to what next season brings. Great job.

Charlotte Rees

Charlotte is a great all-rounder with talented stick skills. With a great tackle at halfback or tackling the opposition up forward and running away with the ball, I could always count on her to play in any position with great success. Superb effort.

Mikayla Stocks

Such a versatile player in our team, with her eagerness to learn each position she plays and never shy to ask what needs to be done. With a nice solid tackle in defence and clean passes up front her effort could always be counted on. It's been a pleasure to watch your development this season. Awesome effort.





J 5/6 DIVISION 4 GIRLS cont

Abigail Suda (Abby)

Abby has wonderful natural ability, with her clean tackles and well-timed runs up the side line the makings of a great forward. It's been a pleasure watching her develop those skills each week. Great effort and good luck for next season.

Ruby Wagner

Starting the season learning how to hold a hockey stick to getting in on the action and holding her positions correctly, it has been a pleasure to watch Ruby's development each week. Looking forward to next season. Great effort.

Caitlyn Wallington

The goalie's side kick, a fullback at heart. Always putting her hand up to defend and with a persistent tackle we were never in doubt. Watching Caitlyn progress from wanting to stand next to the goalie to defend to coming forward to tackle and getting the ball out of defence. Awesome effort.

Beatrice Woods (Bea)

With her lighting speed mixed with wonderful natural talents, the makings for a perfect inside forward, Bea could be put up front to push the ball up to the forward line and with vision to pass the ball to the next player or stand down back and be solid in defence. Awesome effort.

Adele Zebrauskas

Our mid-season goalie was a sensation in the net and followed up on the field with a tackle to stop the attackers in their tracks. Combined with a powerful hit, this will be key for the perfect defender. Great effort Adele.

It has been an absolute pleasure to coach this wonderful group of girls, always looking like they enjoyed each game no matter the result. I would like to thank all the parents for getting the girls to training and games and bringing the oranges (and a sneaky lemon) during the season. Special thanks to Joh for getting the goalies ready each week.

And last but definitely not least, a super special thanks to our wonderful team manager Erin, without fail telling us where to go each week, helping run the bench, filling out the team sheets and keeping us honest with our umpire and turf fees. Thank you!!

Looking forward to next season.

Lloyd King - Coach





2022 MINKEY TEAMS

JUNIOR 3/4 DIVISION

J 3/4 T1

Inferno

Coaches: Matt Cooper & Shannon Blake
Manager: Anne Armitage
Abigail Armitage
Toby Smith
Keira Worland
Hayley Cooper
Hazel Cooper
Kirsten Blake
Liam Platyes
Samantha Pulford
Rakshana Jay Vhinodhan
Veera
Emily Arathoon
Lincoln Blake

J 3/4 T2

Electro Dragons

Coaches: Doug Brightwell & Ross Hopkins
Manager: Steph Slack
Eve Hopkins
Henry Dias
Thomas Brightwell
Cameron Young
Bonnie Johnston
Oliver Pearce
Lincoln Hurn
Kai Pedroli
Nicholas Arathoon
Ashton Smith
Jude Colman

J 3/4 T3

Grizzly Bears

Coach: Brendan Joss
Manager: Ainsley Munday
Xavier Joss
Jackson Kennedy
Emerson Taylor
Archie Munday
Jacob Munday
Eloise Mitchinson
Kehlan Ruzicka
Isla Velzeboer
Matthew Durey
Richard Stott

J 3/4 T4

Flaming Dragons

Coach/Manager:
Scott Stevens
Jessica Stevens
Harry Velzeboer
Harris Lloyd
Nicole Wilson
Phoebe Douglas
Chelsea Chase
Bailen Allen
Daxton Allen
Nick Lynch
Samuel Beer
Cian Bailey

J 3/4 T5

Stingers

Coach: Rich Williams
Manager: Liz Woodberry
Brady Williams
Isabella Weddikkara
Natasha Morgan
Lucy Smith
Olivia Oakey
Harriett Hall
Hannah Platel
George Rankine
Joshua Pickering
Harry Binks
Hannah Beatty

J 3/4 T6

Kookaroos

Coaches: Zanda Cameron & Mike Pickford
Manager: Rebecca McNally
Noah Pickford
Tyla Coster
Michael Carcione
Ivy James
Veronica Parish
Josh Piggot
Noah McNally
Estelle Bolton
London Dean

J 3/4 T7

The Strikers

Coaches: Jasmine Banyard & Carl Engel
Manager: Megan Bottomley
Liam Adams
Flynn Kirkham
Josephine Middleton
Braedon Bottomley
Belinda Bottomley
Adelaide Bottomley
Mackenzie Engel
Evelyn Price
Genevieve Brennan
Coco Morton
Xavier Reddan





2022 MINKEY TEAMS cont

MINKEY 2 TEAMS

Minkey 2 T1	Minkey 2 T2	Minkey 2 T3	Minkey 2 T4
Fire Breathing Cheetahs	Melville Magpies	Flying Squirrels	Strikers
<i>Coach: Oscar Nordon-Ramsay</i>	<i>Coach: Pip Wenn</i>	<i>Coach: David Maffescioni</i>	<i>Coaches: Jim Price & Paul Schutz</i>
<i>Manager: Tina Mathanda</i>	<i>Manager: Paige Forbes</i>	<i>Manager: Lauren Gibson</i>	<i>Manager: Catherine Hayton</i>
Ethan Somers	Cameron Wenn	Poppy Maffescioni	Isabella Jones
Layla Richardson	Eloise Wallington	Lotte Ross	Amelia Engel
Hunter Nordon-Ramsay	Cressie McBride	Tahlia Gabriels	Aidan Rebisz
Elle Mathanda	Evelyn Wilson	Abby Connolly	Georgie Lumsden
Esme De Bari	Hudson Forbes	Riley Smale	Ella Northcott
Georgia Bax	Caiden Scammell	Neave Ramm	Neve Hayton
Amelia O'Donnell	Charlie Brand	Felix Morton	Elsie Miller
Stella De Medeiros	Georgia Hayes	Kyran Harvey	Huntly Schutz
Willow Clark	Stella Binks	Rowan Gabrielle Liquigan	Samuel Price
Zoe Paezold	Imogen Pittman	Isaac Abraham	Imogen Hester
Annaliese Keogh			Camille McPhee

MINKEY 1 TEAMS

Minkey 1 T1 Minions	Minkey 1 T4 The Smashers	Minkey 1 T7 Rhinos
<i>Coach: Jason Tate</i>	<i>Coach: Jim Pickering</i>	<i>Coaches: Eleanor & Ross Hopkins</i>
<i>Manager: Alana Wake</i>	<i>Manager: Kate Rankine</i>	<i>Manager: Amy Lumsden</i>
Hamish Tate	Hazel Geutjes	Anna Hopkins
Edward Stevens	Callum Schutz	Kate Northcott
William Hurn	Jack Pickering	Fraser Bong
Patrick Lynch	Jack Toon	Monty Richardson
Sean Lynch	Freddie Rankine	Caeley Burns
Leo White	Esme Crawshaw	Hudson Lumsden
Imogen Velzeboer	Lucy Tickner	Kayden Simon
Ava Field	Fletcher McPhee	Jayden Simon
Eryn Geen		Lucy Sealey
Hannah Murphy		
Minkey 1 T2 Melville Monkeys	Minkey 1 T5 Thunder Lightning	Minkey 1 T8 Lightning Dogs
<i>Coach: Justin Green</i>	<i>Coach: Dinah O'Donnell</i>	<i>Coaches & Managers:</i>
<i>Manager: Elise Gillespie</i>	<i>Manager: Rebecca Kelly</i>	<i>Michael Ashley & Chris Geers</i>
Varhi Gillespie	Charlotte O'Donnell	Max Ashley
Blaire Gillespie	Dionne Kelly	Darcy Geers
Jesse Bradshaw	Deon Koekemoer	Amy Richardson
Maddie Smith	James Bax	Emma Nicol
Oliver Green	Anna Bax	Sasha Osiejak
Alice Young	Jack Lassig	Willow Gerrard
Daisy McNaught	Hannah Tomlinson	Reece Lawson
Isla Gasmier	Mackenzie Lyon	Ruby Veitch
Teddy Browning	Aria Harvey	Evelyn Winnan
	Aaliyah Jones	Evie Steele
	Riley Pascoe	
Minkey 1 T3 The Cheetahs	Minkey 1 T6 Lizards	
<i>Coach: Fiona Connelly</i>	<i>Coach: Roh Weddikkara</i>	
<i>Manager: Julia Morgan</i>	<i>Manager: Leon Platel</i>	
Jessica Connelly	Noah Weddikkara	
Ivy Kingsford	Kelsey Smith	
Arcadia Greig	Zhara Morgan	
Amaziah Greig	Jasper Platel	
Luke Morgan	Emma Lum	
Gordon Dodd	Madison Price	
Sebastian Thomson	Jacob Rushton	
Esther Abraham	Harvey Rushton	
Ottlie McBride	Isla Henry	
Eloise Northover	Emilia King	



J 11/12 DIVISION 1 BOYS												J 11/12 DIVISION 1 GIRLS												J 11/12 DIVISION 3 BOYS											
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Hale	14	13	1	0	87	14	73	40	95.2	Westside Wolves	13	10	1	2	52	15	37	31	79.5	Kalamunda	12	10	0	2	33	8	25	30	83.3						
WASPS	14	8	3	3	45	34	11	27	64.3	Melville	14	9	2	3	33	7	26	29	69.0	WASPS 2	9	7	0	2	23	9	14	21	77.8						
YMCC	14	7	4	3	54	31	23	25	59.5	Hale	13	7	1	5	20	18	2	22	56.4	Fremantle Cockburn	14	10	1	3	60	25	35	31	73.8						
UWA	14	7	1	6	33	25	8	22	52.4	Whitford	13	6	3	4	28	32	-4	21	53.8	Newman Knights	12	6	3	3	27	22	5	21	58.3						
Reds	14	5	3	6	24	26	-2	18	42.9	Vic Park	9	4	1	4	8	12	-4	13	48.1	Mazenod	13	5	1	7	21	38	-17	16	41.0						
Melville	14	4	2	8	32	58	-26	14	33.3	WASPS	13	4	1	8	22	36	-14	13	33.3	UWA 2	12	4	0	8	18	33	-15	12	33.3						
Westside Wolves	14	4	1	9	29	53	-24	13	31.0	Lions	13	2	2	9	19	28	-9	8	20.5	Melville 2	9	2	1	6	9	22	-13	7	25.9						
NC Raiders	14	0	1	13	13	76	-63	1	2.4	Southern River	13	0	0	13	12	46	-34	0	0.0	J 9/10 DIVISION 2 BOYS	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%						
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Vic Park 2	13	1	2	10	6	55	-49	5	12.8	Lions	13	1	0	12	10	82	-72	3	7.7	Whitford	13	1	1	11	6	36	-30	4	10.3						
Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%						
J 9/10 DIVISION 4 (GOLD) BOYS	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	Westside Wolves	14	12	3	1	46	11	35	33	78.6	Modernians	13	10	2	1	47	6	41	32	82.0						
Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	UWA	14	9	3	2	40	9	31	30	71.4	Fremantle Cockburn	13	10	1	2	44	16	28	31	79.5						
Peel Rebels	14	8	2	4	40	21	19	26	61.9	NC Raiders	9	5	1	2	17	9	17	63.0	Southern River	13	8	2	3	25	9	16	26	66.7							
Rockingham	14	6	5	3	28	19	9	23	54.8	Vic Park	13	7	2	4	25	17	8	23	59.0	Westside Wolves 3	13	8	1	4	42	20	22	25	64.1						
Fremantle Cockburn	10	3	2	5	17	15	2	11	36.7	Hale	13	5	3	5	26	16	10	18	46.1	Rockingham	8	4	1	3	14	11	3	13	54.2						
Reds	14	3	4	7	18	36	-18	13	31.0	WASPS	13	3	1	9	13	31	-18	10	25.6	Lions 3	13	4	1	8	13	25	-12	13	33.3						
Southern River 2	14	1	4	9	19	45	-26	7	16.7	WASPS 2	13	2	3	8	13	36	-23	9	23.1	Melville 2	13	4	0	9	16	38	-22	12	30.8						
Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	YMCC 2	13	2	3	8	13	36	-23	9	23.1	YMCC 3	13	1	3	9	14	40	-26	6	15.4						
Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	J 7/8 DIVISION 1 BOYS	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	J 7/8 DIVISION 1 GIRLS	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%						
YMCC	14	11	2	1	65	12	53	35	83.3	Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%						
UWA	14	11	2	1	47	10	37	35	83.3	Peel Rebels	14	13	1	0	78	5	73	40	95.2	Modernians	13	10	2	1	47	6	41	32	82.0						
Westside Wolves	14	10	1	3	55	16	39	31	73.8	WASPS 3	14	8	2	4	28	24	4	26	61.9	Fremantle Cockburn	13	10	1	2	44	16	28	31	79.5						
Hale	14	7	3	4	29	26	3	24	57.1	Melville 3	14	5	1	4	52	12	34	-22	19	45.2	Southern River 2	13	8	2	3	25	9	16	26	66.7					
WASPS	14	5	1	8	24	37	-13	16	38.1	Hale	14	8	5	1	26	7	19	29	69.0	Westside Wolves 3	13	8	1	4	42	20	22	25	64.1						
Modernians	14	3	2	9	13	46	-33	11	26.2	WASPS	14	2	4	8	13	28	-15	10	23.8	Rockingham	8	4	1	3	14	11	3	13	54.2						
Melville	14	2	1	11	16	50	-34	7	16.7	Reds	14	0	2	12	5	42	-37	2	4.8	Lions 3	13	4	1	8	13	25	-12	13	33.3						
Whitford	14	1	0	13	10	62	-52	3	7.1	Lions	14	1	0	13	6	52	-46	3	7.1	Melville 2	13	2	3	7	5	18	-13	9	25.0						
Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	J 7/8 DIVISION 1 BOYS	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	J 7/8 DIVISION 1 GIRLS	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%						
Harlies	10	8	2	0	30	3	27	26	86.7	Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%						
Modernians 2	11	7	2	2	32	10	22	23	69.7	Westside Wolves	14	9	2	3	30	6	24	29	69.0	Joondalup Lakers 2	14	12	1	1	33	10	23	37	88.1						
Ellenbrook Falcons	10	6	1	3	33	18	15	19	63.3	Hale	14	8	5	1	26	7	19	29	69.0	Westside Wolves 5	13	10	1	2	48	14	34	31	79.5						
Whitford 3	7	3	1	3	10	22	-12	10	47.6	WASPS	14	5	2	5	17	12	-5	12	40.0	Ellenbrook Falcons	13	9	0	4	39	16	23	27	69.2						
Melville 3	8	3	1	4	12	19	-7	10	41.7	Lions 2	10	3	2	5	10	13	-1	11	36.7	Whitford 3	13	5	3	5	19	19	0	18	46.1						
Southern River	10	2	0	8	12	29	-17	6	20.0	Melville 2	10	3	1	6	19	14	5	10	33.3	Melville 4	13	3	3	7	12	26	-14	12	30.8						
Hale 4	10	0	1	9	10	38	-28	1	3.3	WASPS 2	10	0	2	8	1	23	-22	2	6.7	Westside Wolves 6	13	3	3	7	9	34	-25	12	30.8						
Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	J 5/6 DIVISION 1 BOYS	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	J 5/6 DIVISION 2 (GOLD) GIRLS	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%						
Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%	Westside Wolves	14	12	1	2	39	38	1	30	90.5	Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	For	Against	Diff.	Points	%						
YMC 2	14	12	2	0	49	10	39	38	90.5	UWA	14	9	3	2	30	11	19	30	71.4	Wolves/YMCC	14	7	6	1	29	6	23	27	64.3						
OGMHC	8	4	4	0	27	10	17	16	66.7	Westside Wolves 3	14	7	6	1	18	4	14	27	64.3	Modernians 2	14	7	6	2	24	13	11	23	54.8						
NC Raiders	12	6	3	3	32	17	15	21	58.3	Hale	14	8	5	1	26	7	19	29	69.0	UWA 4	14	5	5	4	10	12	-2	20	47.6						
YMCC 3	12	6	3	3	24	14	10	20	58.3	Wolfs/YMCC	14	3	3</td																						



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