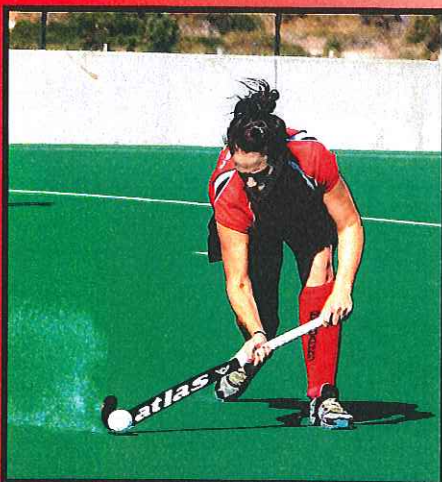


2013



Rockingham Redbacks



Hockey:

a game played by two teams of 11 players where the object is to drive the ball into the opponents goal.

Played in rain or shine.

In other words
COMMITMENT

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This year has been a difficult year for the board with the Junior Director resigning through the season for personal reasons. I want to say thank you to Dan for doing the work involved initially and would also like to recognise Glen Hutchinson for stepping into the role.

I would also like to thank the rest of the board who have worked tirelessly to keep things on track throughout the season. At the beginning of the year we started out with an aspiration to be a lot more strategic and focus on growing the club, but the reality was that we ended up being focused on the day to day operations of the club. The structure of the board needs to change so we can drive the strategic plan,

We have maintained the same number of teams this year in the Hockey WA although with a slightly different composition of those teams.

On the field we continue to perform well in both Juniors and Seniors and the spirit of all teams has been excellent. We had 11 of our senior teams make it to finals and at the time writing 3 teams into the Grand final, both the Women's 4's and Men's 5's lost their finals in what was quality hockey, well done to these teams. Well done to all teams for what was a great performance on the field you have done yourself and the club proud.

Congratulations to all Junior teams with J11/12 Girls playing in the Grand Final this Friday night, the boys 9/10 making through to the grand final but going down, also want to acknowledge all Junior teams for great season including the J 5/6'S who finished on top.

The regional comp performed well this season and our Minky and Grads continues to develop having a great year.

I would like to thank and congratulate all people involved with the Junior committee and the tireless work you have all done 12 months of the year.

Financially the club remains stable but the continuing cost increases are putting pressure on our operating costs.

Strategic Planning has recommenced with a complete re draft. I would like to encourage members to get more involved as I'm concerned that its been driven by the board and the feedback regarding some of decision taken by the board clearly shows that some members don't agree with the direction taken.

I would like to thank Russel and Linda Paton for managing the Bar this year in a very professional manner. Also, thanks to Karen and Emma Mills for operating the canteen and preparing that great food.

To Wendy Wales who takes on more work than she should and at times we all take her for granted. A big thank you.

To the Junior and Senior Committee's thank you, To the coaches, umpires, team managers and parent helpers thank you. To the board thank you for all your support. To all Import players a big thank you for coming out and assisting our club to achieve.

So my message to all club members is, the club needs to change to move forward, otherwise we will not grow or survive, we can't live in the Stan Twight era any more, things won't just happen they need be worked at by all not just a few.

Don't tell the board or committee's there is a problem or I have an idea - go to them with I can fix this problem or I can put in place this idea. I will guarantee that you will get more out than you have to put in and that's what will make our club the best hockey club south of the river.

Thank you
Manny Minissale
President
Rockingham District Hockey Club



Men's 1's

The 2013 season was a highly competitive one where the quality of the opposition and hockey was at a high standard.

For the 1's side the season was one where a slow start, with too many draws has seen us chase the competition all season, eventually finishing 4th.

Although we missed the promotion games, the side has dominated games without getting the wins which has been extremely frustrating and the teams downfall.

On a positive side there has been impressive performances from our experienced players, our imports and from the clubs younger players.

Players such as Jordan Barrodeen, Mick Plater and Reagan Watson are now poised to push for more first team hockey and provide support to the teams core of Brenton Smith, Brad Thompson, Tom Hunter, Lachlan McDonald, Steve McWilliams, Nick Gerard and Captain Christian Oskam.

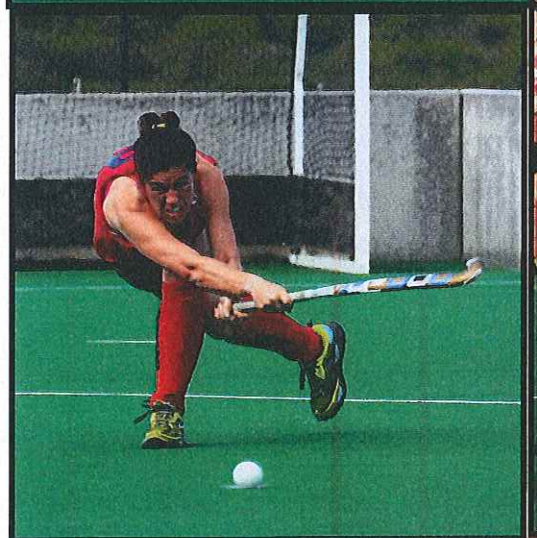
The Redbacks will be a force once again in 2014 but will need to learn the lessons of 2013 to win that elusive premiership.

Mark Sandhu



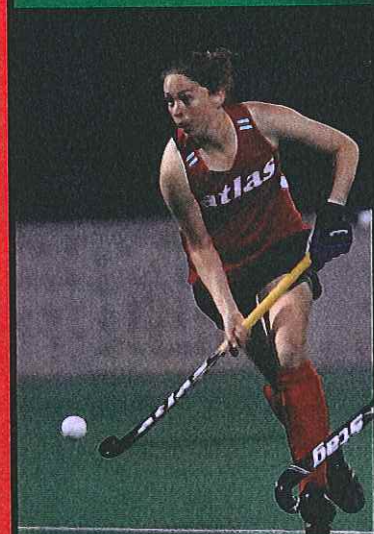


Ladies 1's





Push harder & reach new heights, that is the goal of a 1's player.



Minor Premiers

Ladies 2's

2013 was always going to be a successful season for our reserve's. As a coach I couldn't have been happier with the girls efforts throughout the season, right from the start of the season where the girls won their first 5 matches right through to the end of the home and away season where our girls won the last 7 games straight. Rocky 2's beat everyone in our grade, dropping just 3 games all season to finish deservedly on top. It's worth remembering in our grade the other 3 teams to play finals are either the opponents top team for their club or they were the reserves of a premier league club. It's a competitive grade and we won more games than any other side, earning instant promotion to premier two (if that is what the club chooses) to take on. Personally I hope the club just keeps with prom 1 and prom 2. Well done girls, gallant effort.

The girls played our new nemesis in Southern River in the 2nd semi-final. Unfortunately hockey was put in perspective the week of our semi, when we all lost a much loved club member. It was hard on the girls, and myself, however these girls put on their arm bands, wiped the tears from their eyes and played their hearts out. At the end of the 70 minutes the game was tied- and it wasn't till the last minute of the 2nd period of overtime where SR scored in golden goal. As a coach I couldn't have been prouder of the way the girls went about this match, they played a tough, gritty game under difficult circumstances and we just couldn't quite pull it off. In our preliminary final, we played Wasps, the reserves of a premier league side. We beat Wasps 4-2 only a few weeks ago however on this preliminary final we fought hard, but lost 2-1. We were more than competitive, probably had more chances but for a team who scored a heap of goals during the year it just didn't happen and missed chances unfortunately cost us. A disappointing way to end a season that promised so much.

Our team had a super strong defence, an attacking, confident and accountable midfield with a forward line who all contributed throughout the season scoring goals. A fantastic, super motivated and positive captain, four State U/15's - who all played key positions, a collection of girls who could easily be playing 1's including the best player in the grade- just wish she would train... What more could you ask for in a team.

Our superstar players

JESS BEER: Fantastic captain, great player who even at the ripe old age of 26 is still improving. Always does the team thing, works hard, scores goals, tackles hard, plays mostly midfield, but will do any job asked of her for her team. Even taught herself to stick stop. Well done Jess.

SARAH SHAW: Just quietly my tip for F&B this year. Beansy had a stella season, played left half all year, can't remember once her girl scoring on her, had endless runs up the flanks, great tackler, even scored her first goal for the club. Great season beans

NICOLE GALLOP: Nic was a real find this year to have back at the club. Played all year at right inner, never stopped running, scored one of the best goals all season, strong over the ball, 5 foot nothing but plays like she is 6 foot 10. Tough player who would be value in any side. Just don't bench her- she hates that and harasses you till you put her back on. I like that, well done Nic.

CAITLIN TIERNEY: Cate has as much potential as anyone else in the club. Skillful, quick, versatile, tough. She had a bit of an indifferent season though, coming up and down from 1's to 2's, it was a little difficult to find a set position for Cate but when she was on song she was great. In the Semi-final, she found the top net, on her reverse side to level the match. She also had a solid preliminary match. Really hoping for Cate she has an uninterrupted pre-season for 2014, finds her role pretty quickly and has an absolute blinder of a season and play consistently.

SHERIDAN GLENISTER: Sherri is near on the best defender in the club, has been for some time now, hard to remember she is only 22. She was invaluable down back this year, strong, extremely unselfish, did I mention strong. Solid season Sherri.

MELISSA LUFF: Missy is a sensational player. My honest thoughts are along with Caitly Wales is the best player in the club. You'd have to go along way to see a player in any grade have the sort of influence in games as she does. Missy is great to the younger players on the field and leads by example with her tough, skillful and smart hockey during the games.

MEGAN JANCYK: Megan was welcomed back with open arms. Surprised she didn't make the ones however that was to this teams benefit. Megs played up front mostly, scoring some great goals, her forward pressure is awesome and when we needed she played in defense and generally won her position. She even had a beaten opponent throw the ball at her head! Great season Megs.

RONA CRAIG: Along with Sherri, Rona was the other half of our fullback line. She is a consistent player, very positive on the field, and complimented Sherri down back with her strength and defensive skills to match. Rona had a real good game in the preliminary final. Good year Rona

DANIELLE HARTSHORN: Danni played as a striker all season. I kept her up front because she was consistent with scoring goals. She did all the right things that a wing should do, kept her width, forced short corners, always there when you needed her. Just wish you weren't so nice Danni and got some mongrel in you up front- hopefully dating a Collingwood supporter will help with this.

LISA ROSE: Lisa came into the team during the end of the season; after she was finished travelling all over the world. Lisa is a fantastic player, club champion only a couple years ago who hopefully will have a full season with the club next season. Thanks for helping us out at the end Lisa, you did a great job.

SOPHIE FIDOE: Soph, only just turned 15 and is already into her second season of playing 2's and 1's. She is recognized in the club already in the top handful of players for skill, starting to score some goals, creating endless opportunities up front. Even at her age she has had tags put on her in games due to the impact in games she is having.

JESSICA PAVITT: Pav is also in her second season in the top grades and it really showed this year. In the semi-final Pav was easily one of the best players on the field, playing left midfield. Pav's basics, trapping, passing, tackling are excellent, she is strong over the ball and rarely shows any skill errors.

SARA GUEST: Sara is the baby in the team, so I thought I would throw her straight in the deep end and played her as right half, occasionally at fullback. She did a fantastic job. Playing on girls twice her age who were quicker and stronger, more experienced, but Sara almost always won her position, put her player under pressure and constantly counter attacked, over lapping and supporting the midfield and attackers.

ANNE BARTLE: Easily the Best goalie in the Grade! And according to the state selectors; the best in her age group! Anne is such a positive young lady who keeps an older defense in full confidence knowing that Anne will have their backs if they push up. Anne was consistent all season. Only once did she let in more than 2 goals, which in modern hockey is excellent.

Can I also thank Tameeka Hood, Emily Higgs, Ashley Craig and Jessica Collard for playing a few games with us when needed this season. Really great to see the other grades supporting each other when needed.

Louise Higgs was our team manager this season, you did a great job and I know the girls appreciated having you around. Thanks very much. Also a big thanks to Gary Higgs and Donna MC for their roles this season. Once again, it is much appreciated.

Lastly a big thanks to Dave Wilson. Dave did the vast majority of the training sessions, and I know the girls learned from this bloke and the results were reflective on how not only our team, but his own team finished off the season. Thanks Dave, you're a top bloke, a good mate who'll be missed next season.

I've coached the 2's for 4 years now, finishing 7th, 5th, 3rd and now 1st- lost the last 2 preliminary finals and this one really hurts. As much as I have enjoyed it I'm unlikely to be coaching them next season, leaving the door for someone to keep developing this very young side and hopefully take them all the way to winning a flag! This side is full of great players, we need to hold onto them so they stay Redbacks for life!

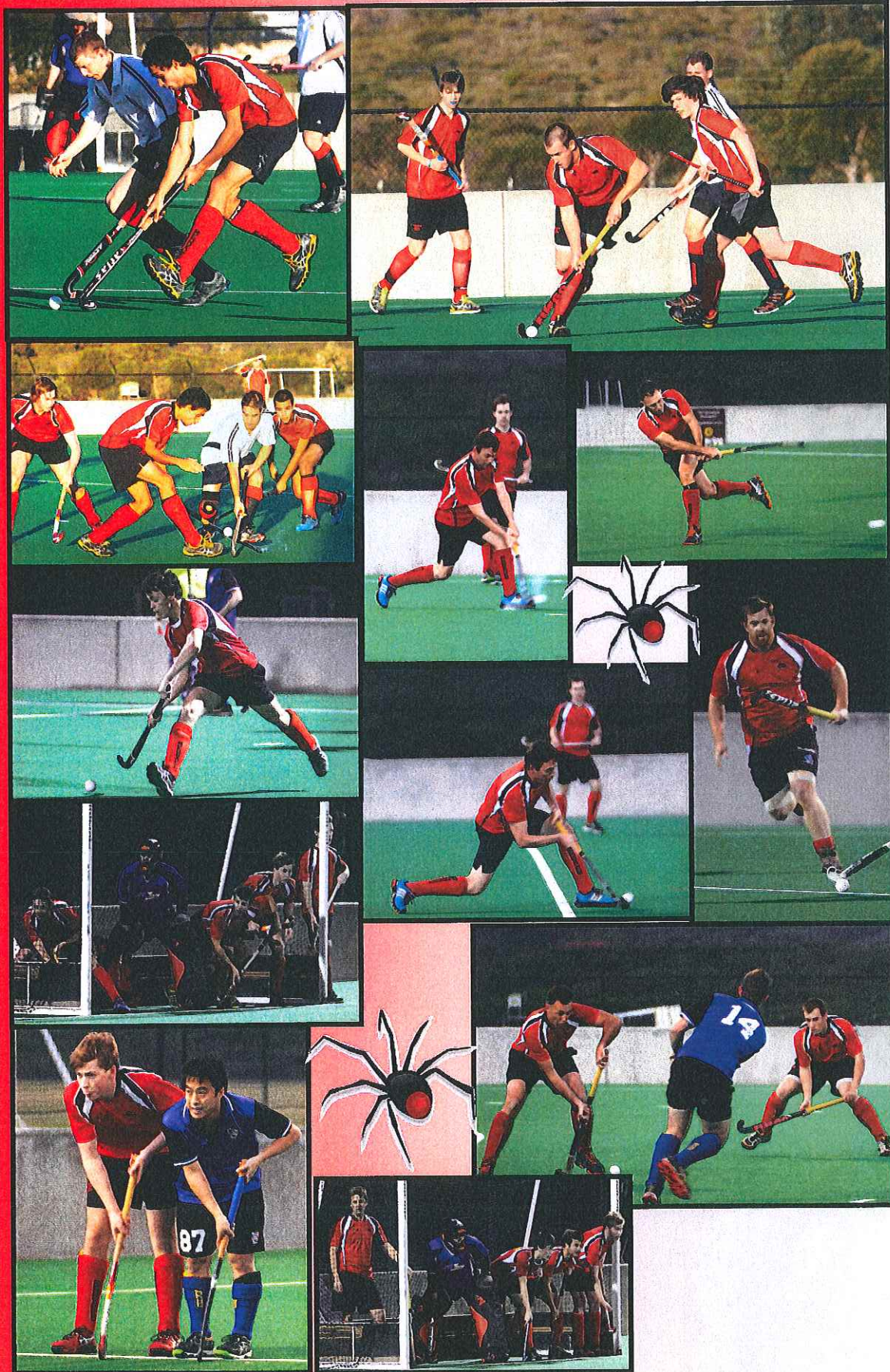
Thanks for the year girls, you're all awesome who deserved to play in that GF.

Millsy

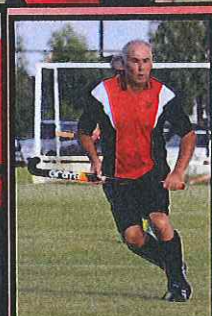
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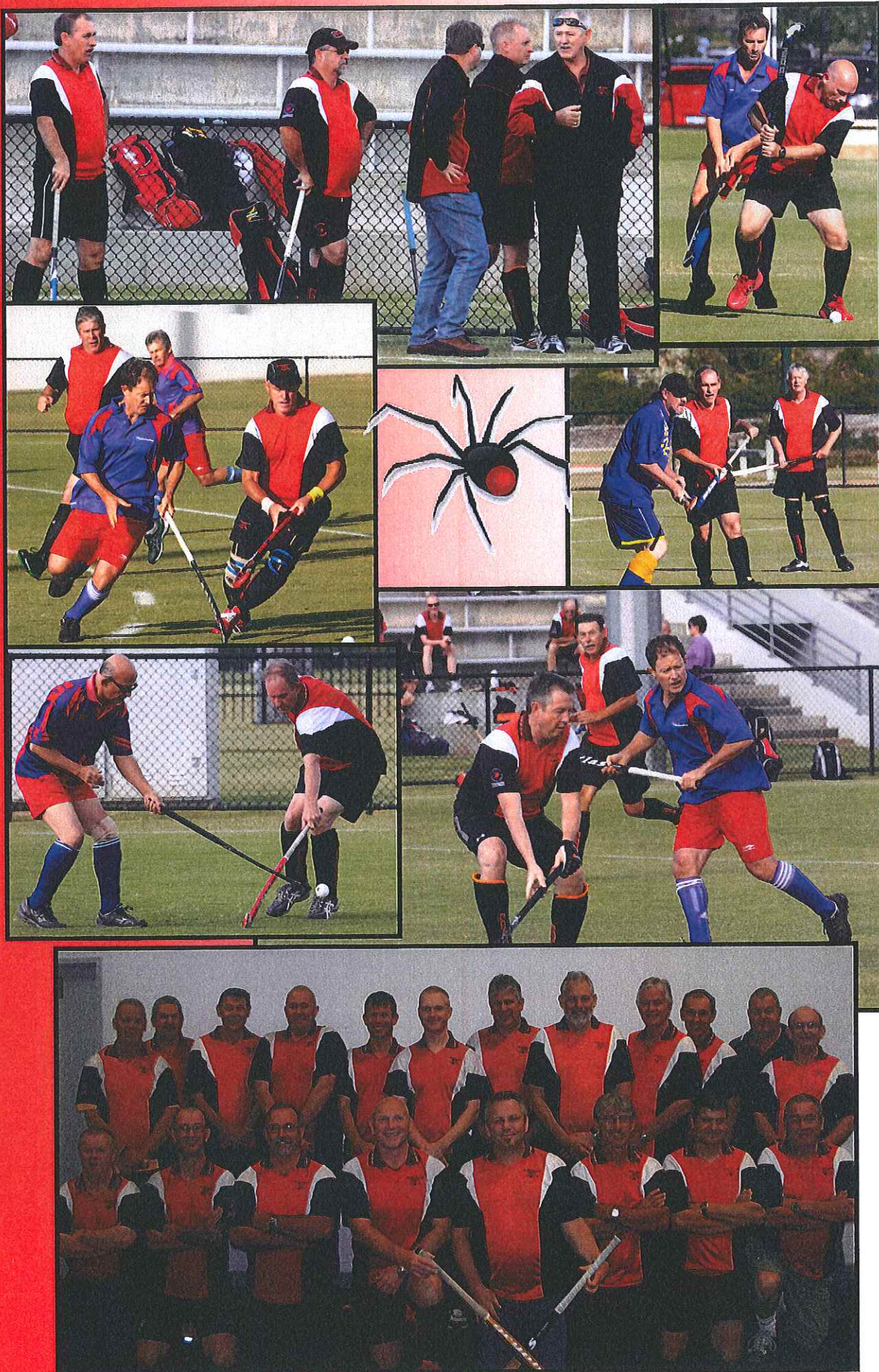
Mens 2's



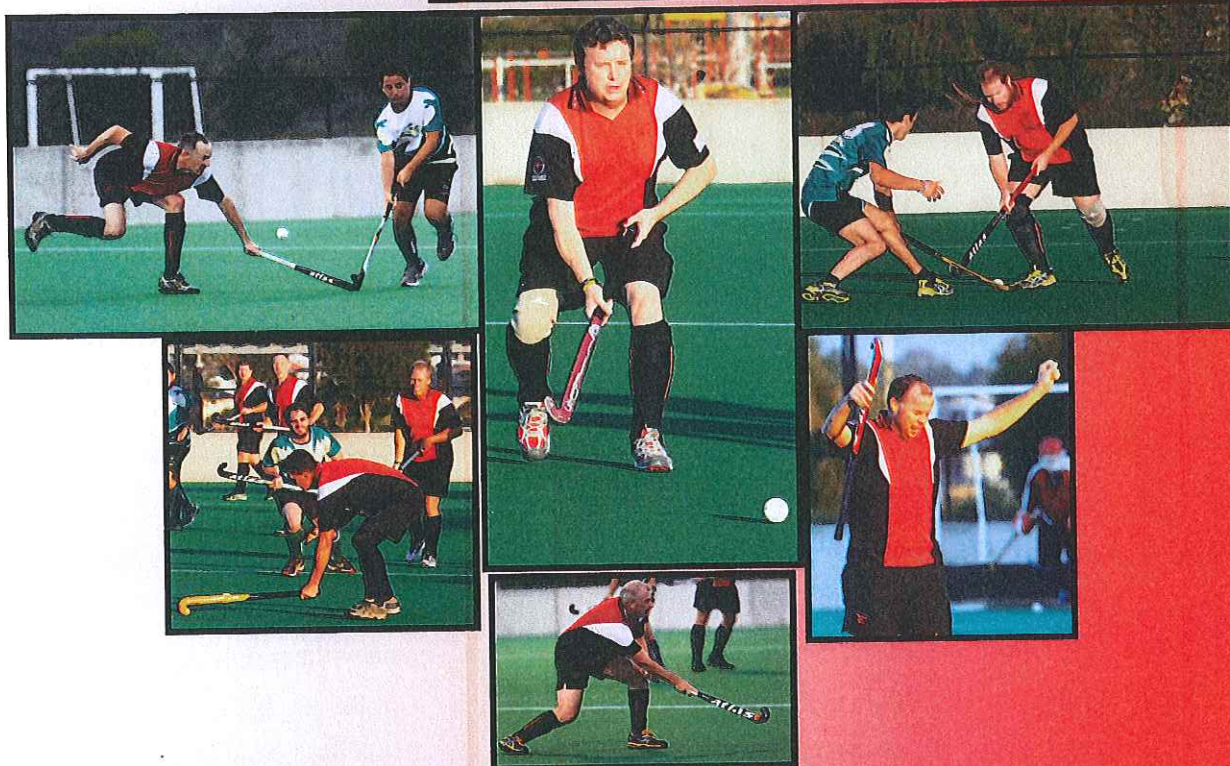
Men's Masters



Although our spirit for the
game is strong, sometimes our
bodies are not.



Men's 5's



This year started as a last chance to play turf hockey for many in the team. With an average age of around 41 hockey sticks turned into walking sticks after the game. The only time the average dipped below 35 was when young Jayden Cannella played one game. As the season began we were hopeful of just being competitive as my old men chase young men half there age.

Well as I sit here and write this we head into the grand final this weekend.

Lead by Captain Grumpy(Phil Lucas) the team has been magnificent, with only one bad game (against Kwinana). With a player offering \$20 to any one who passes him the ball so he can score (Denzal) and finishing the same game with a fractured skull to make this so, it was the kind of dedication the team expected. We all lived up to the tag of being grumpy old men often offering helpful advise to the umpires and opposition alike. The frustrated not able to play coach often looking to help the turfs we played on with construction help of the dug outs.

With our range of super subs (Bryan,Shaun,Adam,John,Eric and Gary) the team was never short. Clint finished the season as top goal scorer but often finished games looking older than his years would suggest. I thank all of the team for there work and hope we can finish on a high.

On behalf of the team I want to thank John Cannella who umpired most of our games and put up with all of the "helpful advise".



Ladies 3's

The 2013 season has proved to be quite successful for our Ladies 3's team. We had many of our players return from the previous season which allowed us to pick up where we left off, and finishing minor premiers was a fantastic result for the hard work we all put in.

We had many incidents occur during the year, both good and bad, which often left us laughing and hassling players for weeks about their stuff up! This of course lead us to create team awards.

Wendy: WHITE RABBIT: I'm late, I'm late, for a very important date! For always being late to games.

Jodie: IMELDA MARCOS: how can anyone possibly forget to bring shoes for a hockey match?

Jade: RESPECT YOUR ELDERS: for having the nerve to tell our most 'favourite' umpire that he needs glasses.

Karina: LOST & FOUND: for somehow managing to leave her stick at PHS and luckily getting it back almost 2 weeks later.

Suzy: ELECTRIC SHOCK: for having one absolute shocker of a game, with her only decent touch of the ball being with the back of her stick.

Sue L: GOLDEN GLOVES: within the first 5 minutes of the games, she was ready to take out both players from the opposition and the umpires!

Sara: TRAINER EXTRAORDINAIRE: for her painful fitness sessions, skillful training drills and the ability to keep us all going!

Kailee: JACK OF ALL TRADES: for playing in so many different positions and playing really well in all of them.

Kat & Jen: SPLIT PERSONALITY: sisters who are both such great goalies, who do an amazing job, but are very different people. (Jen, thanks for filling in when Kat couldn't make it)

Emily: ARTHUR OR MARTHA: as she never knew week to week if she was playing 2's or 3's.

Sue G: WHERE'S THE BAR?: for her socializing skills after a game (and training).

Claire: UNDER THE RADAR: for how quiet she always appeared to be, but we now know better.

Gail: BIG W: for her numerous, big 'windy' hits during the season.

Kaitie: CALENDAR GIRL: for showing up on the wrong day to play, at least she got to support the 1's and 2's.

Here's looking forward to a great season again next year.
Ladies 3's

Womens 4's

What a stellar year for the Women's Fours. There is something a little bit special, when a mish-mash of women of varying occupations and ages can come together and play some good hockey. Let me rephrase that. Some fantastic hockey. Baby babies, we made it to the grand friskee...I mean...grand final - awwwwwww snap!!

We had our new players, our returning players, our seasoned players and a haul pack load of determination. With only two losses for the year, it's pretty clear that this combination was a chicken winner. But it wasn't just focus and perseverance that got us through. Always pliant and willing to help, the Fours created a wonderful web of support, that saw leaps and bounds in improvement of everyone's skills and self confidence. This community domed out to our friends and family too, who came and watched and cheered from the sidelines. Thanks to all and all who ever helped run the bench (Clint, Brad, Jim, Kev, Rachel, Kaitie- to name just a few) or fill in when we were short or offer sterling advice or baby sit or chauffeur or don a pair of black tights, red boxer shorts and a skivvie with socks sewn on the side and raa-raa your pompoms as Reggie Redback in our prelim- you know who you all are and you're awesome! (Reggie was Tom Butler, by the way folks!)

Should we capture a snippet of what made our year and our team such a "Fourzapalooza"? I think so.

MEL – Credit to the girl who doesn't miss a trap. Miss a game? Nope. Five mins to running on and Mel's there. It's how we set our watches.

SUNEE – "Spider Sunee, Spider Sunee.
Does whatever a Spider Sunee does.
Can you get a ball past Sunee?
No you can't, she has long arms.
Watch out, here comes the skill from Sunee."

SARAH BEV/WALL – You can always tell how hard you play by the number of bruises you receive. How many this year Bev? Screw the expense and get that Adamantium skeleton you had your eye on.

ALLY – When she's not pointing out the difference between before and after Bali white, Ally is perfecting the "swoop in outta nowhere" fullback technique, foiling cocky forwards all year

KIM - The trooper, called into action when we were short and always answering with a "sure!" Our little secret weapon with such stick strength, she was thwarting opposition twice her age in their tracks with a well placed tackle.

ASH - Golly, she can just slide on through the pack and deliver the goods, no matter where she plays. And run. And run. And run...

DANNI – Persistence, dedication, success. Add on taking out the other goalie and stopping balls with your head- outstanding soldier!

DEE – Dee and The Wonderful World of Profanity, how she lets the clumsy opposition know not to get between her and a goal. 11 of them.

JOY – Joy-sie! Always knows that to say, be it inspiration at half time or a cheeky little comment on field. Love seeing the enemy flinch when she lines up for a crack out of defence.

KELLY – Who needs grip on your shoes? Falling over is much funnier. And who cares with 12 goals for the season. Means you did it with style.

EM – Ankles are for the weak. Just chop 'em off and carry on with the ten gazillion things you do a day and still manage to fullback like a Viking.

ROBYN – Played quality hockey anywhere on field, either cool as an Arctic cucumber or channelling frustration into successful plays. Hell hath no fury like a Palermo woman scorned.

TARYN – Obviously the utter skinhead of the team, taking home the only yellow card. When she's not warming the naughty chair, you can find her being awesome forward and half back.

BEC – Carving up at half back or ploughing down the line as a forward, nothing much slows Bec down. Bit of shoulder surgery? She'll be right in a week 'eh?!

LAURA – Our GK, dusting the cobwebs off the pads and getting back at it. And aren't we ever so grateful she did! Can stop a comet of a ball with a deft high five, dive like a bomb is going off behind her and psych out the foe with her gritty "C'MON" when she does a specky save.

Turns out our good company was compatible off field too. And not only bonding over a crisp 2004 Sauv Blanc or tin of Southern and a steak. Be it because of baby-sitting issues, sickness or injury, celebrations or saying goodbye to ones we love very much, that web of support was always there, ready to help. Which made it feel that on the weekends, come hell or high water (or driving to Joondalup) we weren't just playing hockey, we were having fun, mucking around with mates. Let's do it again next year eh?!

Thanks guys for being so patient and tremendous and I am truly, truly, sorry my skirt kept forgetting to turn up.

Cheers amigos!
George

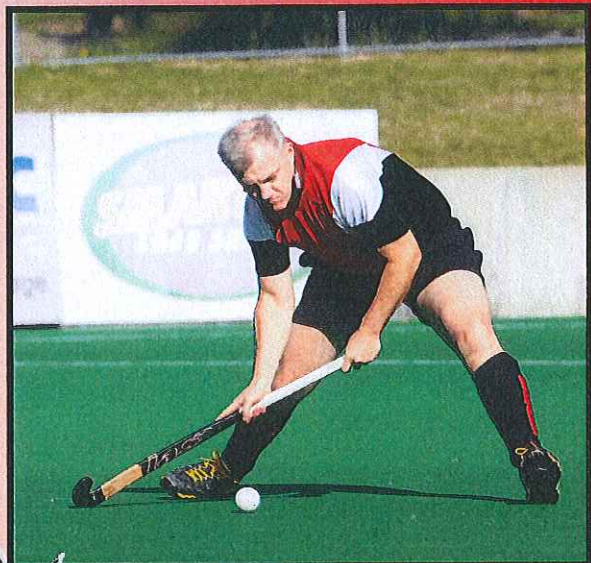


2013 Memories

Junior sleepover



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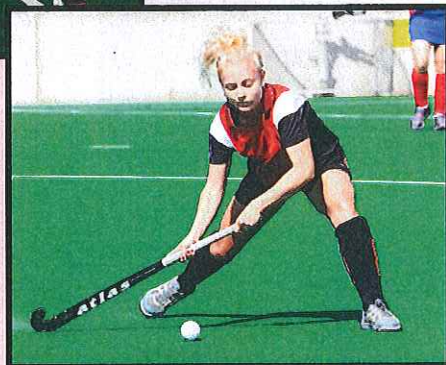




Rain or Shine
commitment



Aspirations
Together we grow



A family club

Rocky 1 Ladies Vets

A super season for the ladies this year with great results.

Top of the table finish with a grand final yet to be played.
Well done ladies on a great season, only 1x loss, 2 x draws
and 13 wins....

We all played well throughout the season and we had a good
laugh with a drink after every game.

What makes our Wednesday nights is a fun clean game; a win
is a bonus but the drinks afterwards with our hockey mates.

We had many home games which were fantastic for us and
although our away games were very few and far between, a
good road trip cackle makes them all worthwhile. Although
ourend of season games were not on a regular weekly basis
(seemed like we were playing every second week for a while)
we did great to perform as well as we did.

Well done.

2013 Ladies 1's Superstar Vets are:

Goalie - Paula Cameron

Full Backs - Rona Craig, Sue Lomax

Half Backs - Leica Cuff, Sue Greenaway, Sara Belmont-
Kleingeld

Forwards - Kerry Donaldson, Sam Forsyth, Emma Ross,
Wendy Wales, Kim Thompson, Julie Purser, Jodie Payne

Rocky 2 Ladies Vets

What a fantastic year it has been for this newly-created team who gelled together brilliantly and fought their way to the semi-finals, coming third on the ladder behind Vic Park and Fremantle with 9 wins, 5 losses and 2 draws. It has been a season filled with laughter and fun with a team of girls who never give – up come rain or shine; more rain than shine to be honest! We started off the season well and won our first 5 games despite not having a dedicated goalie and having to rotate the role between 3 players. A lot of the credit needs to go to our amazing defence team: Dee, Ally, Joy, Sue and Sunette, who defended like champions and kept us focussed and on track; especially to Sunette, who filled in on the first game and never left (because she wasn't allowed) – the way you keep running without an oxygen tank is inspirational!

Our first loss was against Vic Park (4-0) which was a hard game for us on two fronts; firstly, because we didn't have most of our usual players and secondly, because we were already tired from driving back earlier that afternoon from Bunbury Carnival. Our next game had the whole team back together and our brilliant forwards: Bec, Lynda, Robyn, Lisa, Maria, Jenny B. and Pamela ran their little hearts and lungs out to get another win in our cap.

Game 9 was against a team who had yet to lose a game, Fremantle and their skills and teamwork on the field was irritatingly good. We fought hard but lost 7-1 to a superior team. A special accolade needs to go to Lisa for scoring against Fremantle – only one of three people in the league who did this season. This game seemed to be a turning point for us and the next 3 games resulted in 1 draw and 2 losses with a worry that maybe we had peaked too early in the season.

Thankfully, our team spirit rose to the occasion and the next 3 games against the Pirates, Freo 2 and Melville resulted in some stunning team play and lots of goal scoring. Jenny Mac. had taken on the role of goalie now and let Maria, Lisa and Pamela off the hook – they were extremely relieved to pass on the 'Big Betty' bag of honour to a real goalie. They make better forwards than goalies! Well done to Lynda for being our super high goal scorer and to Bec, who had an operation mid-season and probably shouldn't have played again but came back and did anyway – a true hockey player through and through!

Our last 3 games were mixed: we fought hard against Vic Park and only just lost (1-2) although we all agree we had plenty of opportunities to even the score in that game but could not get that last couple of goals into that darn elusive net; we had a great win against the Wasps (5-2), despite being 0-2 down at half time but then faced our old nemesis Fremantle again and got whipped 0-9.

In the semi-finals we had a great game against Servio, a team with many similar qualities who were only just below us on the ladder who were a joy to play against. It was a hard-run game but our girls never gave up and there was some awesome running and defending which resulted in a 2-1 victory. Our next game is against Vic Park next Wednesday so wish us well.

To the gorgeous ladies who helped out at a moment's notice when we were short: Tess, Karina and Ingrid – never under-estimate how much you contributed to this team. Last but not least, a special big thanks needs to go to Ally who organised us, (a feat in itself), and did an amazing job as team manager. It is a thankless, tireless job for one person but we all know that we wouldn't even have a team if not for you – so thank you Ally from all of us!

Rocky 3 Ladies Vets

Rockingham 3, played in Over 35 division 3 Woman Gold.

The team was comprised of a lot of talented players but had not played together as a team before. It was a

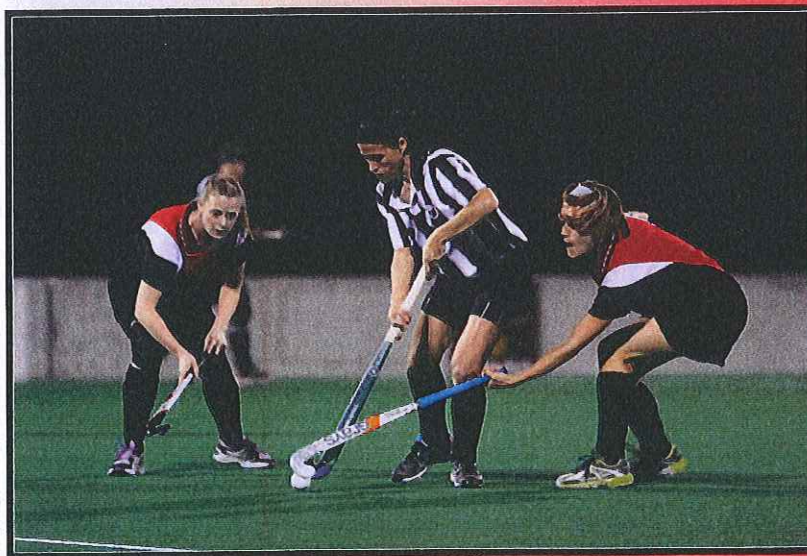
difficult start to the season as the team was getting to know each other and we had some heavy defeats against Rockingham 2 and Fremantle, however round four we had our first win on the board with a win against WASPS.

Throughout the season the team spirit came together fantastically, we had a very fortunate season with little injuries and fielded a full side every week (most weeks we had 3 subs!). Round 11 was the highlight of the season with a 1-0 win over the Rockingham 2 team putting the team into the top 4. Unfortunately at the end of the season we were just pipped out of the top 4 by a resurgent SERVIO team. I was very impressed by the team spirit and attitudes of all the players, hopefully we can keep the team together for next season.

Season Statistics

Played 16, won 5, lost 6, drew 5, 14 points for, 38 against finished 5th

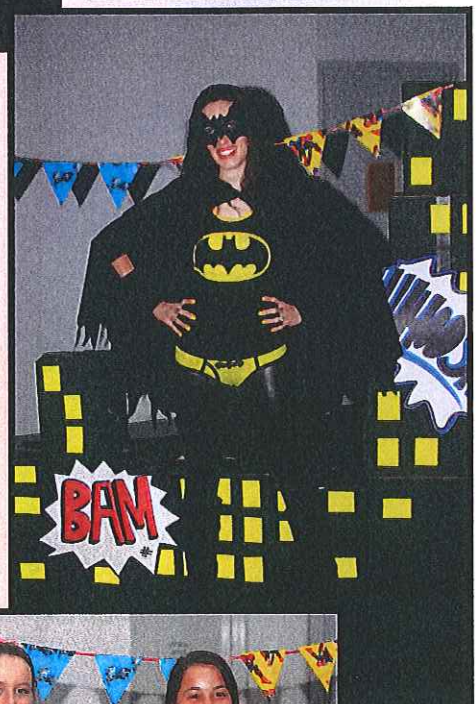
Side note, Fremantle team won all games, 105 points for, 10 against



Social Events



Fun
On
&
Off
Field



Senior Trophy Winners

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| Mens Prom 1 | | Ladies Prom 2 | |
| Fairest & Best | Brad Thompson | Fairest & Best | Sara Johnson |
| Runner Up | Christian Oskam | Runner Up | Taylor Collard |
| Team Player | Christian Oskam | Team Player | Hannah McDonald |
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| Mens Prom 2 | | Ladies Prom 2 | |
| Fairest & Best | Marc Foley | Fairest & Best | Melissa Luff |
| Runner Up | Jordan Barrodeen | Runner Up | Sarah Shaw |
| Team Player | Jeff West | Team Player | Jess Beer |
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| Mens Prov 2 Black | | Ladies Prov 2 Gold | |
| Fairest & Best | Alan Albion | Fairest & Best | Claire Bignell |
| Runner Up | Todd MacLean | Runner Up | Sara Belmont-Kleingeld |
| Team Player | Keith Bowron | Team Player | Karina L'Estrelle |
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| Mens Prov 2 Gold | | Ladies Prov 3 Gold | |
| Fairest & Best | Josh Lambert | Fairest & Best | Dee Hogan |
| Runner Up | Jayden Cannella | Runner Up | Sarah Beverly |
| Team Player | Jayden Cannella | Team Player | Laura Walker |
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| Mens Prov 4 | | Ladies Prov 4 | |
| Fairest & Best | Clint Mills | Fairest & Best | Julie Purser |
| Runner Up | Brad Ball | Runner Up | Deserae Shaw |
| Team Player | Jamie Kotzas | Team Player | Rachel Caine |
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| Mens 0/40 Div 4 | | Ladies 0/35 Div 2 | |
| Fairest & Best | Ian Yendell | Fairest & Best | Kim Thompson |
| Runner Up | Gary Higgs | Runner Up | Rona Craig |
| Team Player | Peter Ford | Team Player | Paula Cameron |
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| Mens 0/50 Div 2 | | Ladies 0/35 Div 2 Gold | |
| Fairest & Best | Kev Armstrong | Fairest & Best | Sunette Almeida |
| Runner Up | Bill Maybury | Runner Up | Bec Sharland |
| Team Player | Neil Johnston | Team Player | Lisa Guest |
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| Mens 0/50 Div 3 | | Ladies 0/35 Div 2 Gold | |
| Fairest & Best | Alan Mills | Fairest & Best | Elleke Bosworth |
| Runner Up | Terry O'Donnell | Runner Up | Ingrid Matthews |
| Team Player | Dave Amm | Team Player | Linda Paton |

Junior Club Representatives

| Regional Players | |
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| J7/8 BOYS | Tristan Guest |
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| J7/8 GIRL'S | Hazel Morley |
| | Mareleen Slabber |
| | Sabrina Earle-Sadler |
| J9/10 GIRL'S | Sara Guest |
| | Sophie Fidoe |
| | Jessica Pavitt |
| | Anne Bartle |
| | Kailee Greenaway |
| | Ashlee Craig |
| J9/10 boys | Caleb Beaumont |
| | Jonathan Fernandez |

| State Players | |
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| U12'S GIRL | Terri Nash |
| U15'S GIRL | Jessica Pavitt, Sophie Fidoe, Anne Bartle, Sara Guest |
| U16 State School Girls | Jessica Collard, Taylor Collard |

| All Australian U16's School Sports Team |
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| Taylor Collard |





Junior Trophy Winners



HOCKEYWA SOUTH REGIONAL JUNIOR COMPETITION

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| J5/6 F & B | CHARGERS: Rachel Jones |
| | COUGARS: Ashley Ford |
| | DEMONS: Kai Hills-Fillard |
| | STINGRAYS: Terri Nash |
| J5/6 R/U F&B | CHARGERS: Tegan Crick |
| | COUGARS: Maddy West |
| | DEMONS: Alex Tikkainen |
| | STINGRAYS: Zach Facey |
| J5/6 COACHES AWARD | CHARGERS; Zac Flick |
| | COUGARS: Josh Watt |
| | DEMONS: Art Hills-Fillard |
| | STINGRAYS: Ashley Crealey |
| J7/8 F & B | CHARGERS: Callum Maher |
| | COUGARS: Jake Yendell |
| | DEMONS: Jennifer Gunther |
| | STINGRAYS: Dylan Burney |
| J7/8 R/U F&B | CHARGERS: Natalie Walker |
| | COUGARS: Annie Koko |
| | DEMONS: Wian Ewald |
| | STINGRAYS: Lexie Trevenen |
| J7/8 COACHES AWARD | CHARGERS: Emily Smith |
| | COUGARS: Hannah Kruger |
| | DEMONS: Kiara Goddard |
| | STINGRAYS: Connor Gunning |
| J5/6 TEAM SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD | Demons |
| J7/8 TEAM SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD | Demons |
| J5/6 GRAND FINAL PREMIERS | 2013 - Stingrays |
| J7/8 GRAND FINAL PREMIERS | 2013 Cougars |

HOCKEYWA METRO COMPETITION

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| JUNIOR UMPIRE ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD | Jade Vorenberg |
| J5/6 BOY'S F & B | Jamison Johnson |
| J5/6 BOY'S R/UP F & B | Ben Tan |
| J5/6 BOY'S COACHES AWARD | Samuel Edlington |
| J5/6 GIRLS F & B | Maddi West |
| J 5/6 GIRLS R/U F&B | Rachel Jones |
| J 5/6 GIRLS COACHES AWARD | Terri Nash |
| J7/8 BOY'S F & B | Wian Ewald |
| J7/8 BOY'S R/UP F & B | Samuel Mackney-Walker |
| J7/8 BOY'S COACHES AWARD | Tiann Von Rechenberg |
| J7/8 GIRL'S F & B | Mareleen Slabber |
| J7/8 GIRL'S R/UP F & B | Natalie Walker |
| J7/8 GIRL'S COACHES AWARD | Zoe Peacock |
| J9/10 BOY'S F & B | Matt Newbound |
| J9/10 BOY'S R/UP F & B | Caleb Beaumont |
| J9/10 BOY'S COACHES AWARD | Kye Butcher |
| J9/10 GIRL'S F & B | Sara Guest |
| J9/10 GIRL'S R/UP F & B | Jessica Pavitt |
| J9/10 GIRL'S COACHES AWARD | Kim Carroll |
| J11/12 BOY'S F & B | N/A |
| J11/12 BOY'S R/UP F & B | N/A |
| J11/12 BOY'S COACHES AWARD | N/A |
| J11/12 GIRL'S F & B | Kirsten Henshaw |
| J11/12 GIRL'S R/UP F & B | Taylor Collard |
| J11/12 GIRL'S COACHES AWARD | Jessica Collard |

REGIONAL PLAYERS

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| J7/8 BOYS | Tristan Guest |
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Umpire Directors Report

Umpiring this season was again a mix of Hockey WA supplied umpires, Umpiring Bye or Self Umpired. There are pros and cons for each way umpires turn up to umpire your game; but remember without them (good or bad) you do not have a game.

Most pleasing note of this season was for teams who had an umpiring bye were almost filling all of their required games, without the assistance of our umpiring pool. This is a good sign that people are getting comfortable with the idea of umpiring and giving it a go or there are a couple of people in each team who put up their hand and do the task.

For the umpiring pool most requests came from teams who did not want to make the big trip to Rockingham. Thank you for those who did umpire for other clubs. I have been told by numerous clubs that the standard of umpires we supply at Rockingham is much better than those at other clubs.

With junior teams in both the Perth metro competition and Regional competitions and with us having teams compete at State Championships, Bunbury Carnival we have amassed the following statistics:

Umpires Supplied for Junior Games:

84 Metro fixtures,

116 Regional fixtures including Hub Days

56 games at Bunbury Carnival

32 games at State Champs

As you can see the numbers are quite high, but more than 90% of the games were covered by our junior players who started umpiring this season or have a season or two already under their belts. I would like to thank the parents and senior players who did assist with the games our juniors could not cover.

Food for thought for next season.....

You do not have to be the world's best player to be an umpire. There are pathways where you can officiate at National Championships or even the next step of International fixtures including the Olympics. If you think this could be you, or you want to umpire you own umpiring bye and not part with hard earned cash, have I got a deal for you. Early next pre-season next year there will be umpiring information nights and workshops being conducted. Check Facebook and club website for when it will occur.

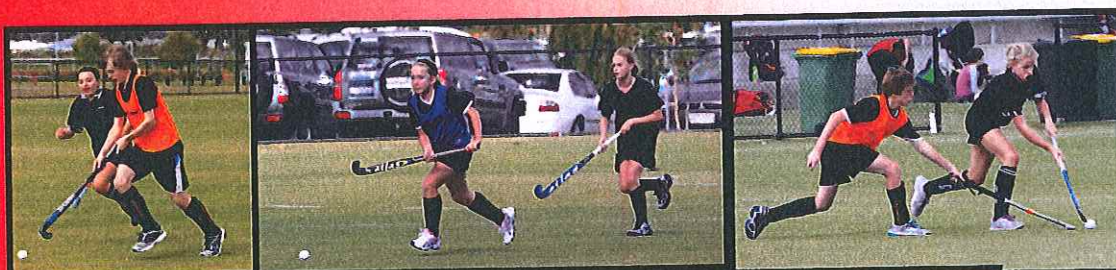


Rockingham Junior Carnival

Sunday 19th May, 2013 was the year that it all came together. This something that the junior committee had wanted for the past two years and after a round robin event in 2012 we started working on it in February inviting all our local clubs. The date was set (with both positive and negative reactions) and we were off and running, lots of communication between us and HockeyWA, other clubs and other junior coordinators; as well as our own coaches meant that a carnival was born.

Although smaller than wished for, after two years of working on it and planning. Rockingham Redbacks held their first junior hockey carnival. Whitfords, Collie, Busselton and Kwinana travelled to Lark Hill to take part in a J5/6 and J7/8 hockey carnival. We played both mixed and gender based teams, we worked hard and in the end, Busselton (J5/6) and Kwinana (J7/8) took out the gold. Feedback from players, parents and spectators was positive and we hope that the committee will continue to make it a traditional event.

Cheers
Marie
Junior Carnival Coordinator



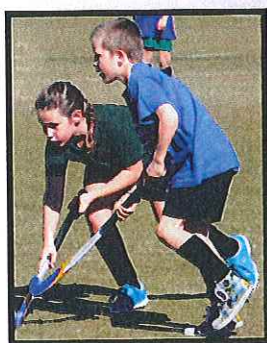
Events like this
don't happen
without teamwork.
So a huge thank you
to the umpires, the
parents, the coaches
and all the
Committee.



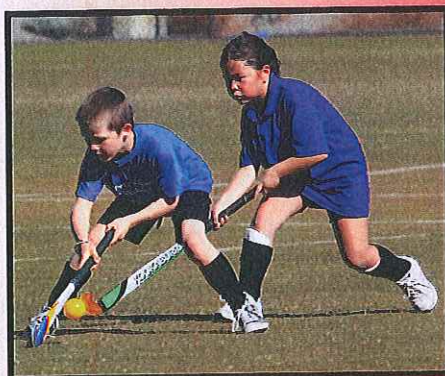
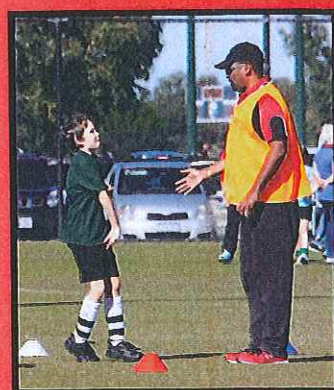
Minkey / Grads



Minkey is a modified form of field hockey designed for primary school children.



The name is derived from "MINi hocKEY", and originated in Aus-tralia more than 20 years ago

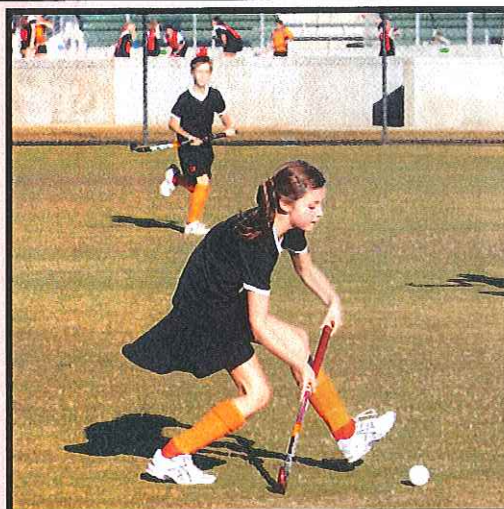


South Regional Juniors



2013 saw a change to our 'club' hockey with hub days against Peel, Pinjarra and Kwinana and our normal games days with Stingrays, Demons, Cougars, Chargers and Kwinana.

This resulted in some great hockey and an opportunity for our players to travel to other venues.



"You are never really playing an opponent. You are playing yourself, your own highest standards and when you reach your limits, that is real joy"

Arthur Ashe

South Regional Juniors

COUGARS J5/6

Our little team had a very enjoyable season despite being short most of the year. We started with 14 players, had 3 added during the season, borrowed one from the ¾'s and still only ended up with 11 regulars. This didn't deter us at all and we set about having some fun and to learn a bit along the way. Our skill level and effort improved dramatically during the year and all our players can feel very proud of where they finished by seasons end.

We did very well to finish the season in third position.

Our regulars:

*Grace Ball-first year to hockey and acquitted herself very well. Always keen with a big smile on her face.

*Hugh Buckley-had a couple of very good games in goals and loved running around up front.

*Patrick Burnside-spent most of the time in defence but did enjoy an occasional run forward. Very dependable.

*Caitlin Cooper-work very hard all year to improve her skills and started to see the benefits towards the end.

*Ashley Ford-covered a lot of ground every week and was always in the thick of things. Showed many good skills.

*Amber Morley-very useful in many positions. A strong presence on the field.

*Harry Morley-drafted one week when we only had 8 players and stayed the rest due to lack of numbers. Showed some very good skills for size and age.

*Brianna Pink-worked very hard to master skills every week. Will not be long before she sees a big improvement in a hurry.

*Ebony Trainor-enjoyed her game most weeks, not sure about her game in goals. Worked hard and we saw a big improvement during the season.

*Josh Watt- Worked really hard and always listened to advice. Improved a lot during the year.

*Maddy West-shows good control and determination. Always a strong contributor.

I hope you all enjoyed the year and come back next year with the same enthusiasm you showed this season. Thank you for a very enjoyable year coaching.

Peter Ford

DEMONS J 5/6

With the introduction of HUB games and having a Bye, the season seemed to go even more quickly than usual.

Demons went out every Sunday and added another piece to the hockey puzzle (code fo tried out another position.) By the end of the season, they had played some fine hockey although goals remained elusive.

What more could a coach ask for but a team of happy, eager children going out and trying to put into action the Coach's plan? Answer: at the end of the game, coming off the field satisfied they had tried their best and had had FUN!

To our "team" of parents, THANK YOU for all of your assistance and positive support throughout the season. We all appreciated the time you gave to support and help us each Week.

Thank you TEAM, it has been a pleasure to be your coach: my reward being that you deve oped into a co-hesive unit, working together and willing to trust in each other's abilities.

See you in the 2014 season!

STINGRAYS J5/6

The Stingrays have had a great season this year with 14 players we have had 6 play all 8 games, 6 play 7 of the 8 games and we have had at least 12-13 at all hub days.

We regularly get 10-12 at training also. These numbers have been reflected in our results with 6 wins 1 lose and 1 draw. Overall a very successful season from a great bunch of players who only have 3 players who played any form of hockey last year, and only 3 players who also play Metros on a Saturday. The team also had a great investment from our parents who all regularly attend the games.

STINGRAYS J7/8

With a number of players playing their first season of hockey, and myself only just having landed in the country, it maybe wasn't too surprising that we had a slow start to the year. However the players listened and worked hard at training (well sometimes!) and we steadily improved. Unfortunately we seemed to play our best hockey at hub days where we managed an excellent 8-0 demolition of Kwinana and 6-1 win against Pinjara. We managed to pick up a win and a couple of draws in the league which was good enough to sneak into 4th spot and gain a place in the finals.

It seems all our players enjoy the pressure of the big occasion as we played our best hockey of the season in our semi final game against the 1st placed Cougars team. Although we lost 1-0 everyone played well and put in a tremendous amount of effort throughout the whole game and we had several periods of sustained pressure but just couldn't quite get the goal!

Although I think I might have started to turn grey I have great fun coaching this team and all the players have got plenty of both character and hockey potential. They have done most of what I asked of them and were all great about taking their turn in goal and playing in a variety of positions. I hope they have all had fun this year and carry on playing for many years to come.

I would like to take this chance to thank Ethan and Terry from the J5/6's for filling in for us on multiple occasions and all the parents for their support this year. You've been a great group and even showed some skills on the pitch in our adults v kids match. I would particularly like to thank Petrece for all her work as manager and Gail for stepping in on the odd occasion Petrece couldn't make it.

I'll certainly remember my time coaching this side and who knows maybe I'll be back next year!

Dan Mills

“ Every game is an opportunity to measure
yourself against your own potential”

~ Bud Wilkinson ~

J5/6 Boys—Metro

This young band of Rocky players, began training in late February under the watchful and thankfully experienced eyes of Eric Hardy, Peter Ford, Damien Crick, Dave Abbott and myself.

24 boys had nominated to play Metro, a massive jump from 8 the previous season.

We soon lost Jarrod Crick to play a goalkeeping role with the all conquering Metro Girls side, but the remaining 23 trained their hearts out.

The hardest thing as a coach was to tell 7 boys they were not going to make the team this year. Fortunately most were young and therefore will have a chance again this year.

The Grading Carnival

WA Metro Hockey provides opportunities for kids of all abilities to represent their clubs and play against other kids of similar ability. This year we took the decision to step up from the B grade of the previous year and chance our arm in A Reserves. This starts with the J5/6 grading carnival. Held in April at Yokine Reserve.

16 confident boys, with 30 plus nervous parents, ventured out before dawn on a wet Autumn day to play a round robin of 6 games. Some of the other clubs had 8 teams in attendance, and at A reserve we were playing a mixture of First and Second string sides.

The results were perfectly balanced, W2, D2, L2. We knew the boys were at the right level. In fact we finished as the highest 1st team in our league, and were invited to play A grade, which after much thought we declined.

The Season Part 1 and Bunbury

The team had 8 players who had played the previous year and 8 newcomers, some completely new to hockey. Needless to say it took a while to bed the players in and understand the level of commitment, skill and team play required to be a successful team.

Our first game against the eventual league winners Wolves was a 5 – 1 loss, but the boys were spirited and competitive all game, and most importantly set Wolves as their bench mark side.

The next few games saw the boys score wins against Raiders, Freo and Hale, however all eyes were on Bunbury, the largest Junior Hockey Festival in the Southern Hemisphere.

Breaking with tradition we decided to enter the boys into the Championship rather than the more social Carnival grade. The Team was joined for the weekend by Cain, a Sunday regional player (who unfortunately has aspirations to win a Brownlow on Saturdays). This grade matched the top city teams, with the best country districts, and pitched one of our new boys Connor against his old district, Upper Great Southern (we won twice, Connor Slade, Ethan and Ollie scored). The boys finished Bunbury tied for 3rd, exhausted but very happy.



The Season Part 2 and Narrogin

With their new found confidence and developing playing style, the boys felt they could take on all comers and so it proved, with draws against Lions (another club with 8 sides) and UWA (slightly smaller with 7). We finished the half season in 3rd place, with only 1 defeat.

The second half of the season, saw the boys continue to improve, with, Alex and Slade scoring up front and Ben and Sam forming a formidable defensive partnership, well supported by Cooper, Patrick, Jimmy (who in fact played almost everywhere bar goalie) and our outstanding goalie Felix.

This defensive strength gave our midfield and forwards the opportunity to attack and they did this with growing confidence and skill. To maintain this momentum during the holiday period we decided for the first time to enter the Narrogin Hockey Carnival – had a brilliant time and best of all won. The boys played 8 games won 7, drew 1 (the final) with a plus 18 goal difference. As some boys were on holiday, this was also a great chance to blood some of the younger players Art, Tim and Jarrod (plus a big help from Teagan) each got late passes to be able to play. The boys played 8 games over the weekend, with midfielders like Ollie and Ethan and Mitchell running their hearts out.

Harry scored the goal in the final, surprising everyone including himself in the process. Taking part in this country weekend was fantastic and winning was the icing on the cake.

Back to the league, the boys returned to winning ways with victories over AW Reds, UWA and an unfortunate draw with Hale. The last game saw Rocky pitched against Lions, with both teams needing a win to guarantee 2nd place. Things didn't start well, although the boys were really competitive, with Kai, Mitchell and Ethan going really close. Lions scored two breakaway goals, and the season looked like it may end with a loss.

However these boys are special, Eric reminded them, they had 25 minutes left as this team, 25 minutes left in the season. The boys lifted, scoring two goals in 5 minutes from Bailey and Kai, and were unlucky not to have won.

It has been a pleasure to coach these young players, who have given everything this year, training twice a week, in rain and gales. They are a credit to the club and will be for years to come. A big thanks also to all the parents and extended families that have supported their boys through the season, it makes it all that much easier.

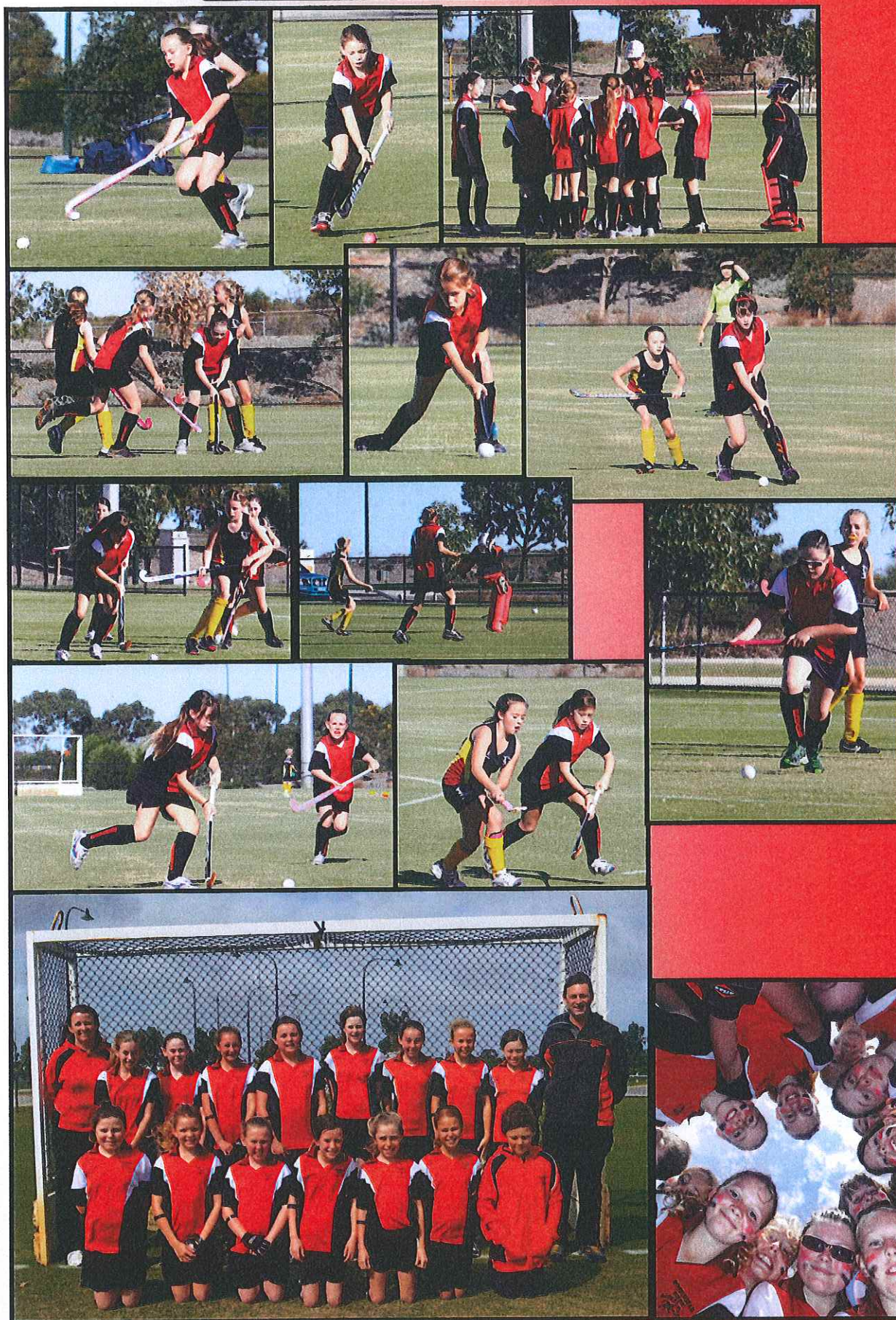
Season Statistics

| Played | Won | Lost | Draw | Goal Difference |
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| 14 | 8 | 2 | 3 | +17 |

League Position 3rd
Bunbury Championship 3rd
Narrogin Carnival 1st



J5/6 Girls—Metro



J7/8 Girls—Metro

This season has been a real roller coaster ride for the J7/8 girls, and anyone who's seen our results could see that. Like all teams, we've had some team lows, but I'm grateful to say that our team highs have far outweighed these. The girls have worked so hard this season, and grown so much both individually and as a team that they have become a force to be reckoned with. To have finished fourth on the ladder is outstanding and in true Redbacks form we can hold our heads high knowing that we have been the only team in the league to put it to the top side.

Taking on a squad of 15 teenage girls is never easy, but we couldn't have hoped for a more eager group of girls. Thank you all for always being willing to learn and take on foreign roles on the field, you have all shown so much heart that I wouldn't want to be on a roller coaster with any other bunch. Thank you also to the highly supportive parents, none of us could have done it without you, and I can't wait to hear you all cheering louder and prouder next year!



J9/10 Girls—Metro

This season for the Girls under 15's side saw some changes in personnel in the coaching role. I was delighted when Jeff West & Stuart Pavitt asked me to lead this very talented group of players. The season hadn't got off to a great start, with only a point on the board, but I couldn't fault the effort and commitment of the players on a weekly basis. Training was used to develop individual core skills and understanding patterns of play which would benefit the girls not only this season but in years to come.

With the girls achieving 1 win and 2 draws in the season, it's been a tough experience for them. However, they showed great desire and belief in themselves to keep 'bustin a gut' for each other and they eventually got the win they truly deserved. They should be very proud of themselves for playing the hockey they did through a very tough season. I'm a very proud coach!

Lastly, I would like to offer my deepest thank you's to everyone at the club. I have thoroughly enjoyed every second representing The Redbacks - as a player and in a coaching capacity. Everybody made me feel so welcome and it has been an honour to play and coach for such a fantastic club. Go Rocky!

Coach Jo



J9/10 Boys—Metro

Where to begin.

The boys, ever keen to get into hockey, started their six week preseason and have continued to learn grow and enjoy their hockey with a season culminating in them making the grand final. For those of you who are unaware there are 19 lads in this squad. Yes we understand that there can only be 16 players on the card. The lads were warned this could be a problem however they volunteered throughout the season to have games off on the understanding that should they make finals then the strongest team would be selected. To the boys credit I only had to select players to miss games on two occasions.

At the beginning of the year we dominated many of the teams we played with score lines of 5 to 6 nil not uncommon. Following a successful Bunbury Carnival where we were pipped by Peel in a penalty shoot out, the boys slipped a little with loss of structure and team play.

After electing Caleb Beaumont as Captain and Matthew Newbound as Vice Captain team play became a priority.

Enter stage left Dan Mills and John Sterlini. These two imports from the mens 1 team, brought fresh ideas and different voices telling the same story. Fortunately the boys listened and soon found their form and passion to win. Just in time for the final series.

It has been a pleasure coaching this group of young men. All players have progressed well with standouts being Tristan Guest as our goalie and Kye (Noodle) Butcher in his first year of hockey. Both these boys have shown a passion and willingness to learn that has been enjoyable to coach and exciting to watch.

At the time of writing, I do not know how the grand final turned out, but I can tell you I am honoured to have been associated with these young men and look forward to seeing them progress in their hockey with the Redbacks in the future.

Matt Beaumont



Minor Premiers

J11/12 Girls—Metro

Moving from one club to another can be daunting in itself, but taking on a team of young teenage girls you know nothing about adds to that scary feeling. Turning up to the first training session I was a little unsure what to expect, and so we laid some pretty early ground rules and let actions speak louder than words. Within the first few sessions the girls were pretty clear on the expectations as players and team mates. We welcomed back some players from a couple of years ago and got the season started, fit and ready for whatever challenges lay ahead.

The first game was against North Coast Raiders, and being the first hit out for the season, coming away with a draw was probably a good result. This gave us a place to start and things to work on going forward. For the next 5 weeks we were unbeaten, with a big win over Fremantle in round 5, 7-0. By now Taylor Collard had broken the team and probably the grades time to score a goal at 9 secs from the initial whistle to start the game. She had come to develop an amazing skill to take off from the centre, get around 4 or 5 players and get a shot off to start us in the right direction for a lot of our games. By round 6 the team was well and truly a well oiled machine and with a coach focusing on fitness and how to exploit other teams and use our skills and new hockey knowledge and awareness the rest of the teams had something to be scared of.

Players such as Kristen, Jess, Shannon and the every reliable Jaz out on left half really stepped around halfway through the season, and with a little goal sneak like Tia Sandhu ever present things were looking up for the team. Unfortunately, after an amazing 4-1 win against North Coast Raiders (only drawing 1-1 in the first round), we hit a bit of a lull and started to only play 35 mins of hockey for a couple of weeks. This resulted in our first loss for the season against Subs going down 0-1. To take on Uni at their home ground and to have to do it with regular players missing is no easy feat but we stood tall and managed to take away a 2-1 win and I was so proud that the girls fought back hard from 1-0 at half time, awesome work by Chloe Collard leading from the front.

The last 4 games never saw us look back and we stormed in as Minor Premiers 2013, clear from the rest of the teams by 3 games. Finals saw us face up against UWA in horrible conditions at Melville turf. We dominated the play and finally scored after so many opportunities. As the rain continued and the game got slower, it became apparent that this was just going to be a dog fight. Finally scoring again through a short corner variation we led 2-0 with 8 minutes to go. With the weather already souring the night, a break down in play allowed for UWA to go down and score a goal but time ran away from them and we ran out winners 2-1 to get through to a Grand Final....

Weeks



Club Award Winners

Sid Czabotar Club Person of The Year

Jamie Kotzas

Selecting a person for this award was extremely difficult, as there were many people who contributed to the club this year in a variety of ways.

This person has done a mirade of different things for the club, from organising our first ever skins tournament ensuring we had teams to play and a sponsor, to being selected as an umpire to represent WA in the Master Ladies Carnival in Adelaide.

This person has been in and around the club for a number of years, with this year assisting the Vets and Men's 5's ensuring they are getting teams on the field, helps out with umpiring both at the club and for HWA, seniors and juniors, he is a panel umpire of HWA and often umpires promo 1 games.

He is also on the committee of HWA masters ensuring we at Rockingham get the right assistance, and as I have said he has been selected to represent our state and our club at national master ladies competition as a umpire, he is held in great regard by all at the club.

A true Rockingham person dedicated to our cause.

Coaches Awards

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| South Regional Coach | Gary Lamont |
| Hockey WA Metro Coach | Matt Beaumont |
| Club Coach | Clint Mills |

Rising Star of 2013

Taylor Collard