



# CAMBERWELL HOCKEY CLUB

87<sup>TH</sup>  
ANNUAL REPORT  
2017-2018



ESTABLISHED IN 1932 THE CAMBERWELL HOCKEY CLUB IS NOW THE LARGEST HOCKEY CLUB ON THE EASTERN SEABOARD.

PLAYING MEMBERS RANGE IN AGE FROM 5 TO 75. THE CLUB'S AIM IS TO PROVIDE ALL MEMBERS WITH THE OPPORTUNITY TO PLAY HOCKEY AT THE LEVEL THAT BEST SUITS THEM.



## THE YEAR IN NUMBERS

- 1,066** Members registered under the Club banner in the last 12 months
- 1,250** Local school children introduced to hockey by the Club
- 148** Children aged from 5 to 8 introduced to hockey through the Hookin2Hockey program at the club
- 68** Children aged 8 to 11 took part in Stick2Hockey – our intraclub competition
- 46** Teams entered into the Hockey Victoria Winter Competition
- 10** Teams won their Winter Premiership – 4 Junior, 3 Men, 2 Men's Masters and 1 Women
- 7** Consecutive years the Men's Premier league team has appeared in the Grand Final
- 7** The Men's Thirds (MPA) won their seventh premiership in a row
- 5** Club members playing or coaching in the Australian Men's and Women's Hockey Teams
- 9** Club members playing in Australian Masters teams this year
- 11** Club members playing or officiating in Victorian Indoor Teams
- 62** Club members selected in Victorian Outdoor Teams
- 15** Club members who coached, umpired, managed or were physiotherapists for Victorian Outdoor teams
- 1** International Umpire
- 3** The number of consecutive years our women's 5th team have gained promotion to a higher competition
- 23** The average age of the Womens' Premier League squad
- 24** The average age of the Mens' Premier League squad
- 75** The age of the oldest men's player
- 63** The age of the oldest women's player
- \$205,000** The amount raised for the new clubhouse
- 300+** The number of volunteers who give up their time around the club



## FROM THE PRESIDENT

### It is with great pleasure that I present the Camberwell Hockey Club Annual Report for 2018.

During the year, there have been many highlights but none as important as the opening of The Matlock Centre, our new clubhouse. This new facility is a “game changer” for our Club as we now have the latest and best facilities for players and supporters alike. Our clubhouse has set a new standard in community sport and one we should all be very proud of. We have a fantastic facility that will be used by generations of players and supporters.

Like every community based not-for-profit organisation, we rely on everyone to put in. And put in they did. For 11 months of the year we operated out of portables crammed together between the pitch and the Matlock Street fence. Not once did we have a complaint about the situation, but what we saw was a steely determination from everyone to carry on business as usual as we watched our new clubhouse rise. In addition, our members contributed over \$205,000 and spent countless hours working with council and the builders.

There are so many at the Club who make things happen. So many tasks are undertaken quietly and efficiently to ensure the wheels keep turning so that players can play and that supporters can support. To all the coaches, team managers, ball kids, committee members (the list is endless) I would like to say thank you – you are all truly amazing.

While I am offering thanks, I would like to acknowledge our great sponsors for once again supporting us this season and we look forward to your continued support for many years to come.

Success can be measured in many ways. Like most clubs, one of our success measures is our on-field performance which again was outstanding. I am however glad to add that we also measure success by our progress against our Vision - “A community club for all ages, genders and abilities”. As you will see in this year’s Annual Report, we are once again successful across this measure.

After almost 5 years of having the privilege of being President of our great Club, it is time for me to hang up the Presidential boots and pass the baton to the next wave of leaders. We have very strong foundations in place to ensure we continue to exceed as a club well into the future. A great club is made up of great people and our Club is lucky to have so many great people involved. There are far too many people for me to thank individually, so to all that have supported me, advised me, challenged me and thanked me, I wish you all the best and I look forward to catching up with you on the side-lines as a spectator enjoying our brand of hockey.

I hope you enjoy reading our Annual Report and finding out more about our Club, our committed members and our successes this year.

**Harry Drakos**  
*President*

# THE MATLOCK CENTRE

August 2018 saw the completion and official opening of The Matlock Centre – the new clubhouse for the Camberwell Hockey Club. The building has already had a major influence on club activities and the ability to bring the Club closer together.



The building process was long but well worth the patience shown by everyone both in the club and in the broader hockey community.

The building is leased by the Club from the City of Boroondara. In turn the Canterbury Neighbourhood Centre has a Licence Agreement with the Club to use the upstairs of the facility on weekdays from 9.00am to 5.00pm. The Club has been very supportive of Council's objective to have these types of

facilities used as much as possible by a wide range of organisations within the community. We have warmly welcomed the Canterbury Neighbourhood Centre and look forward to many years of successful co-habitation.

There were many people who ensured that the building was not only built but built to both our and the community's needs. The Club would like to very sincerely thank our local councillor Cr Jane Addis

and Cherry Marquez and Sam Taylor from Council. Cherry and Sam listened to what we suggested and gave their utmost to ensure that as far as possible our wishes were





catered for. The architects and the builders should also be thanked for their involvement.

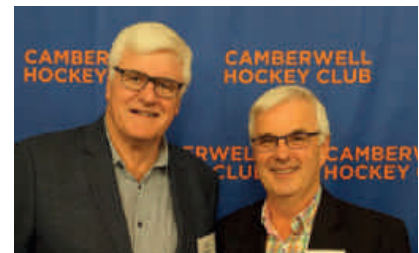
During the design process the Club asked for some additional space over and above that provided under the standard Council build. We asked for space for a gymnasium, recovery room and office. These requests were incorporated into the plan and now form an integral part of The Matlock Centre. The Club paid \$189,128 to Council to cover this request. With the addition of other expenditure on the project and surrounds the Club has spent over \$280,000 on the redevelopment.

The Club is indebted to the wonderful generosity of its members and others who contributed to our fundraising program. Over \$205,000 has been raised to date. Donations were big, medium and small but every one was important no matter the size. The Club will be erecting a special honour board to thank our generous donors.

The opening of the new clubhouse brings a new and changed world to the Club full of opportunities. Already we have had our Junior Presentation Day at The Matlock Centre where previously it had to be held elsewhere. Teams can now meet in a convivial atmosphere whether it be to discuss tactics or to socialise. Parents and

supporters can now find some shelter in winter and summer and enjoy the benefits of a well-stocked canteen. Happy days!

Finally the Club must thank two members who put enormous effort into the planning of the building and overseeing the actual build.



**John Unkles and Michael Barden spent hundreds of hours on this project and the Club is indebted to them for their hard work and commitment.**



## CAMBERWELL HOCKEY CLUB INC. BOARD MEMBERS 2017-2018

During the year there was one Board Member change. Narelle Richardson stepped down from the Board following her appointment as Club Administrator. The Board filled the casual vacancy with Sara Conyers.



### HARRY DRAKOS - PRESIDENT

Harry is an Elected Board Member and has been Club President since 2014. In addition, Harry has responsibility for the Club Liaison portfolio which includes liaising with Hockey Victoria, local council, state and federal politicians, and is also responsible for the Club House Redevelopment project.

Harry has been involved in the Camberwell Hockey Club for over 15 years as a parent, coach, manager, player, committee member and Chair of the Junior section.

Harry is a director of a procurement consulting company and is involved in a number of charities and community organisations.



### RICHARD HARRIS

Richard has been a Section Board Member since 2014 and Chair of the Men's Section since 2014.

As a member of the Board Richard has responsibility for the Club's Social and Fundraising portfolio.

Richard has been involved in the Camberwell Hockey Club for over 15 years as a parent, coach, manager, player and committee member.

Richard is a Barrister at the Victorian Bar and also sits on the Board of the JMB Foundation and a number of other non for profit organisations.



### ELIZABETH GRANT

Liz is a Section Board member and Chair of the Women's Section. Liz has been involved in the club for over 12 years as a parent, team manager and committee member.

Liz was a Junior Committee Member from 2011-2016 and was co-ordinator of the Camberwell Hockey Club uniform during this time. She is also one of the founding members of the Women and Girls Subgroup at Camberwell Hockey Club. Liz has been involved with the Women and Girls Advisory Group through Hockey Victoria.

Liz works as a School Psychologist with Junior and Middle School Students. She is also involved with the Friend's of Hockey Support Group at her school.



### STEVE PRIOR

Steve is a Section Board Member and has been Chair of the Junior Section since 2014. In addition Steve has responsibility for the Club Facilities portfolio which includes ground strategy and bookings, Matlock & Koonung maintenance, canteen operations and liquor licence compliance. Steve also participates in the Communications Working Group.

Steve has been involved in the Camberwell Hockey Club for over 12 years as a parent, manager and committee member.

Steve has run his own IT business for the past 20 years; developing and operating software for retail industry customers all over the world.



### SARA CONYERS

Sara is an Elected Board Member and is responsible for the Communications portfolio while also supporting the clubs Social and Fundraising portfolio and Inclusion and Diversity strategy. Sara first came to Camberwell in 2002 as a player and has contributed to the club through sitting on the women's committee since 2014, coaching juniors, assisting coordinating the Hin2H program, and coordinating the social and fundraising events since 2014.

Sara's background is in marketing and communications. Having worked at Tennis Australia for 7 years in participation, programs space Sara has recently taken on a new role in the world of Philanthropy at The University of Melbourne as a Development Manager.



### JOHN UNKLES - CLUB SECRETARY

John is an Appointed Member of the Board and is Club Secretary. He is also responsible for the Sponsorship portfolio.

Although having never played hockey he has been involved in some capacity at the club for 30 years following his four son's hockey journey. His first club role was managing Minkey Hockey - now Hookin2Hockey. He has since served on both the Junior and Men's Committees. Now retired John's working life was spent managing professional institutes and trade associations. His time is now divided between family including grandchildren, the hockey club, his roles with Anglicare Victoria and as a tour guide at the Melbourne Cricket Ground.



### STUART WILL - TREASURER

Stuart is an Elected Board Member and has been Club Treasurer since 2013. Stuart has developed consistent financial practices across all sections and will oversee the funding needs for the new clubhouse redevelopment.

Stuart has been involved in the Camberwell Hockey Club for over 8 years as a parent, team manager, player and Junior Section committee member.

Stuart is currently CFO at Optal Limited, a global payments organisation and is a proud supporter of The Mirabel Foundation.



### ELLEN WILLIAMSON

Ellen is an Appointed Board Member and has responsibility for Club Governance matters. She has a background of 30 years legal experience and is currently with PwC Legal.

Ellen has been involved with the Club for over 15 years, as a parent starting with Minkey (Hook-in-2-Hockey), team manager, very occasional player and spectator. She also sits on the Board of Hockey Victoria.

# STRATEGIC PLAN 2017 - 2021

The Club's Strategic Plan is the roadmap for our activities. In 2017 a new Strategic Plan was released and is readily available on our website. It is intended that each year we report via the Annual Report on our activities to meet Our Strategic Pillars and Goals.

## 1. PLAYER SUPPORT AND ENGAGEMENT

**GOAL:** *Provide the best environment for our players*

**2018 Strategic Assessment:** *4 out of 5*

During the year the Club continued to develop a range of pathways for players and supporters to reach their potential. This included transition programs for juniors moving to senior and additional training over summer for juniors wanting to improve their skills. Many senior players are also involved with coaching and mentoring junior players and this aids in the transition and retention from junior to senior ranks. It is intended that a "junior coaching manual" developed by key senior players be used in 2019 and beyond to provide a framework for junior coaches.

Our pathways are not just for "talented" players – they are constructed for all players regardless of age, ability and gender. In 2018, much of the emphasis was on the junior program. In 2019, it is intended that some of the senior and masters teams receive appropriate coaching and an opportunity to train and play at Matlock.

The physical environment at Matlock was enhanced with the additional items we included at our cost in the new clubhouse. It is hoped that all players will make use of the facility.

## 2. FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

**GOAL:** *Continued financial strength and independence*

**2018 Strategic Assessment:** *5 out of 5*

During the year considerable expenditure was outlaid on a range of facilities including our significant contribution in respect to the new clubhouse for additional space. Over \$205,000 was donated by members in respect to these activities through the Australian Sports Foundation. Our financial strength has not been diluted by the considerable expenditure.

## 3. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

**GOAL:** *Promote the value of the Camberwell Hockey Club to the Boroondara Community*

**2018 Strategic Assessment:** *4 out of 5*

The Club has enthusiastically embraced the concept of The Matlock Centre being a community centre for use by all in the Boroondara Community. The Canterbury Neighbourhood Centre (CNC) and the Club has entered into a Licence whereby the Centre has use of the first floor of The Matlock Centre on weekdays from 9.00am to 5.00pm. Along with Council we are looking for other opportunities to enhance our Community Engagement. Our continued relationship with Council is built on transparency and respect.

The Club is slowly building a strong relationship with the CNC, who joined us at two Open Days in July and August. It is our intention to meet on a regular basis and to offer our members a variety of community based activities.

## 4. HOCKEY ENGAGEMENT

**GOAL:** *Lead, promote and grow hockey in Victoria*

**2018 Strategic Assessment:** *4 out of 5*

The Club is the largest in Victoria so meeting this pillar is imperative not only for the club but also the wider hockey community. During the last 12 months the Club had over 148 children between the ages of 5 and 8 try hockey through the Hook-n-2-Hockey program conducted at the Club. In addition we showcased hockey to over 1,250 local school children. The Club is strongly involved in a range of Hockey Victoria initiatives both through individual involvement or the backing of their programs.

Hockey Victoria values the contribution that Camberwell makes to our sport. Our Club's management is held in high esteem and on a regular basis, HV seeks our feedback on key issues and looks to the Club to support HV's vision for the future of hockey.

## 5. OUR PEOPLE

**GOAL:** *Strengthen our culture across players, supporters and volunteers*

**2018 Strategic Assessment:** *4 out of 5*

Ensuring the health and wellbeing of all involved at the Club is a continual process. The need to ensure that all sections of the club receive equal opportunity is an imperative for the Board.

Planning has commenced to further increase female participation in the club at all levels and includes leadership, administration, coaching, umpiring as well as playing.

The Matlock Centre will also give us the opportunity to attract new players to the Club as well as re-engaging with past players and families. We also have the opportunity to interact more closely with the wider community and in collaboration with the CNC we look forward to this engagement.

## 6. FACILITIES AND INFRASTRUCTURE

**GOAL:** *Provide the best possible training, playing and social facilities*

**2018 Strategic Assessment:** *5 out of 5*

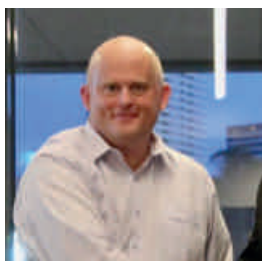
The 2017/18 year saw feverish activity in this area with the most obvious being the completion by Council of our new clubhouse – The Matlock Centre. The Club took the opportunity to also upgrade all the fencing on the eastern side of the ground, build a covered technical bench and include a range of additional facilities in the clubhouse. Our second ground at Koonung Secondary College will be resurfaced in the next four months and negotiations are underway to upgrade the facilities.

# ACHIEVERS

The Club would like to recognise the following members for their achievements during the year. Two members joined a select group of Life Members, one was recognised for a lifelong commitment to hockey and one achieved her ambition to play for Australia in the Hockeyroos. In addition we recognise the amazing success of Tim Burkhalter who has led our Mens' Pennant A team to seven winter premierships in a row.

## OUR NEW LIFE MEMBERS

### Paul Dixon



Paul is a long time member of the Club, playing through juniors, seniors and masters teams over the past decades. His contribution to the Club has been long both in terms of time and breadth of involvement. There is nothing that Paul would not do if it was for the good of the club he loves.

Paul, or "Dicko" as we normally refer to him as, has been coaching juniors at the Club since 1991 – an amazing record. Through his efforts we continue to have a thriving junior section equally split between girls and boys. Paul has also coached, managed and selected State teams and Hotshot teams. And of course he has always been ready to umpire at a moment's notice without fear or favour.

Dicko's senior history is extensive. He has played, coached, selected, captained and managed. He has umpired, he has filled in to make sure a game will be played, he has cajoled players to come back to the Club and he has conducted pre-season training.

Along the way Dicko has been recognized for his unstinting commitment being the proud

recipient of

- Carol Swann Dedication & Service Award
- Senior Women's Best Clubman Award
- Senior Men's Best Clubman Award
- Nominated by CHC in 2012 for the "Hero of Hockey" HV Volunteer Recognition Program

Paul "Dicko" Dixon has given so much to our Club. There is no doubt that he is more than worthy of elevation to Life Membership.

### David Wansbrough OAM



David is an 'original' of the Club in that he has been a member and a player of this Club alone since he commenced his hockey career. He loves the club and what it stands for in leading hockey, in being a contributor in the local community and in the hockey community.

David has always been a member who saw it as his duty to give back into the Club, because he recognised it was giving much more to players. He is passionate about the welfare and community standing of his Club. He recognised early that Club successes come from hard working effective committees, which implemented policies, guided on-field endeavour, recruited and retained good players, and particularly the need to nurture

the junior section to produce those players.

David has devoted so much of his time to every section of the Club. David along with other members, has ensured that the quality of coaching for juniors, no matter what their ability is the best they can receive. He played for and coached winning top league senior teams and is a recruiter non-one can say no to when asked about playing in the Masters. In addition he is an Olympian and was a Vice Captain of the Australian Hockey Team where he played over 200 games.

Hockey is in David's blood and we at the Camberwell Hockey Club have been the beneficiaries. He richly deserves the accolade of Life Member.

## A NEW HOCKEYROO

### Sophie Taylor

Sophie made her senior debut for the Australian Womens' Hockey team – the Hockeyroos on 12th September 2018 in Japan. She became Australian Female Player No 498. We asked Sophie's mother Libby Taylor to tell us a bit about Sophie's journey.

From an early age Sophie loved playing ball games initially football, cricket and basketball. She was blessed with very good hand eye coordination and fierce determination. Sophie joined Camberwell Hockey club in 2003 at the suggestion of Lisa Tadjell.

She was fortunate to enjoy great camaraderie from teammates and excellent coaching from all the hard



working Camberwell Hockey Club coaches who came to know her as a team player who plays hard, fair and creatively.

Sophie played in her first State team in 2006 and has been fortunate to be part of Victorian teams winning many State titles including the AHL last year alongside other Camberwell team mates.

Representative hockey has not only widened her friendships but given her the opportunity to play all over Australia and overseas.

For many athletes the road is often bumpy and Sophie has overcome chronic illness, injury and non-selection. These challenges required persistence and hard work.

Sophie played in her first International Hockey Tournament in the Junior World Cup in Chile, 2016, in which Australia won a Bronze Medal. Sophie has continued to learn at the VIS through the expertise of their great coaches and fellow athletes including Camberwell's Laura Barden and Krissy Bates.



Juggling Physiotherapy studies and athlete requirements is complex yet Sophie has persevered and last



Achievers Continued...

month, in Japan on her birthday, her sporting dream became a reality as Sophie made her debut for the Hockeyroos. A big thank you to the CHC family for your part in this.

**Libby Taylor**

## HOCKEY VICTORIA AWARD OF MERIT

**Katie Allen**



Katie was recently awarded the Hockey Victoria Award of Merit. Below is part of her citation. As well as all her other achievements Katie has been a highly successful coach at the Club. She is soon to leave us to take up the role as Assistant Coach to the Australian Womens Hockey Team. She leaves us with the very best of wishes for the next stage of her wonderful hockey career.

“Katie played with arguably the most successful women’s sports team our nation has seen. In fact, the team is rated in the Top 100 World Sport Teams of all time.

During her time as a player Katie won the 2000 Olympics in Sydney with the Hockeyroos as well as two World Cups, a Commonwealth Games and three Champions Trophies.

During Katie’s time as Womens’ Head Coach at the Victorian Institute of Sport, a role she held from 2009 to 2016, she has overseen the progress of over 10 Hockeyroos. Furthermore, Katie’s passion to see girls develop she has been heavily involved in the development of EMERGING PLAYER

programs and a strong involvement with female coach and player mentor programs established over the past number of years.

Katie has been a strong advocate for women’s participation in hockey, always supporting the initiatives of Hockey Victoria to strengthen the girls participation pathway and furthermore see more women engaged as role models and leaders in our sport.”

**Andrew Skillern**

*CEO Hockey Victoria*

## TIM BURKHALTER - LEADER



Tim Burkhalter is the marathon man. His stats are incredible. He has won 7 consecutive premierships as Captain of Pennant A and won a flag in 11 of the last 13 as a player in the team. There are few better examples of a player working hard to get the most out of themselves. He is a true role model to others in the team. Leading from the front, Burkie has helped build a great team culture and

preached the importance of training hard and has brought a level of professionalism to the thirds hockey, unmatched by any other team in the competition.

Burkie does so much for the team behind the scenes but never seeks any recognition. He is the one that organises the pre-season matches, fills-in the team sheet, ensures that there are half-time snacks, writes the match reports and perhaps most importantly, ensures that PA has signed a marquee player for the year (the likes of Tommy Allan, Sam Ganguly and Nick Rees).

Burkie also ensures that PA/PB get the highest quality coaching of any thirds. Not only does he run the training sessions, but he also seeks out the quality coaching from the likes of Stu Webster, Ash Carey, Will Unkles, Nick Rees, Dan Miles, Jason Reilly and Tav Cook. He has also been a dedicated contributor to the junior program at the club. He has coached many teams himself and encouraged younger players to train and play in the PA/PB squad.

Burkie allegedly once promised that he would run as many marathons as he does premierships. He has now run 2, so still has many more runs to go.

**Lachie Hunter**

*who has been with Burkie in the “7Peat”*





# INCLUSION AND DIVERSITY UPDATE

**This year Camberwell Hockey Club was invited by the City of Boroondara to participate in a series of six Inclusion and Diversity workshops throughout 2018. These workshops were aimed to build the knowledge of club officials on how to make our club more diverse and inclusive by building on our existing inclusion and diversity platform and creating safe, equal and respectful environments for all members, with a focus on women and girls.**

With six other Boroondara sporting organisations participating in these workshops, we were able to collaborate and learn from everyone's experiences. Starting with a session on why diversity is imperative for sporting clubs, the sessions then moved onto practical actions clubs can take to create more diverse and welcoming environments and communities.

The workshops concluded with a facilitated strategy development session involving 20 CHC members, run by Access Health and Community. This work will contribute to the development of the CHC Diversity and Inclusion strategy, which will focus on creating more gender balance across players, coaches, team managers, committee's and boards, as well as broader inclusion planning.

An Inclusive Club Audit was conducted and these are the following areas that we focused on:

- Club information
- Leadership
- Club Culture
- Membership and Engagement
- Volunteers and Employees
- Facilities

We thank everyone who has helped to date in contributing ideas to the strategy and look forward to sharing it early 2019.



# JUNIOR SECTION

2018 has been a strong and successful year for the Junior section. Over all our winter and summer programs we attracted over 740 registrations with our ratio of female players approaching forty five percent.



During winter we entered 11 boys and 7 girls teams in Hockey Victoria competition in addition to our HookIn2Hockey, intra-club and indoor programs. Eight teams reached the finals with two being Minor Premiers. Six of those teams progressed to the Grand Final with four victorious.

Congratulations to our 2018 Premiers:

- U12 Girls Shield coached by Suzanne Henderson & Ellora Kelly
- U12 Mixed Shield A coached by Ollie Harris & Matt Webb
- U14 Mixed District coached by Nathan Copey & James Dean
- U16 Mixed Pennant coached by Charlie Faulks & Matt Appleby

The Hockey Victoria program continues to evolve; this year introducing half field term based

competitions to the U12 District grade and adding a new Shield B grade above Pennant for mixed competitions at all levels. This presented some selection and team composition challenges and our selectors, coaches, players and families managed the changes extremely well. Thank you.

## HookIn2Hockey

The Junior year is bookended with HookIn2Hockey programs in terms 1 and 4. We again fully staffed our school roadshow program with club coaches and conducted sessions with over 1200 students at our local schools. It's a great tribute to our wonderful coaches that we've attracted over 150 HookIn2Hockey players into our program this year, now one of the largest nationwide.

## Stick2Hockey Intra-Club

In terms 2 and 3 we run an intra-club competition which now attracts the majority of our U10 players. Stick2Hockey offers the convenience of a fixed time slot and Matlock location each week with a skill, drill, game format focussing on fun and participation. This year we had almost 70 players competing in eight quarter field teams.

I'd like to send a big thanks to Sara Conyers and Alex Wong for excelling on the admin team and supervision of our coaching group. Harry Wallace for stepping up as coach team leader and all our wonderful roadshow and program coaches who's energy and enthusiasm make it possible to delivery our programs.

## Indoor Hockey

With the Summer Six program paused during our construction works the Club embarked on our largest ever indoor hockey program with 13 weekly and 8 Club Championship teams competing.

Well done to everyone involved and in particular James Heath and Jane Oldham who excelled to deliver a hugely successful and enjoyable program.





# 2018 AWARDS & REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS

The Club fielded 22 of 44 boys and 18 of 32 girls in the Eastern Hotshots this year. A terrific result with thanks to Blair Roxborough and Alex Wong. Congratulations to the further 7 boys and 4 girls who were selected in State School teams and to the following players:

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| <b>Eden Davis:</b>            | School Sport Australia                                   |
| <b>Issy Bozzone:</b>          | School Sport Australia (Shadow) & State Indoor U15 Girls |
| <b>Ally Wansbrough:</b>       | State U15 Girls Blue                                     |
| <b>Matisse Daniel:</b>        | State U15 Girls White                                    |
| <b>Charlotte Hodgson:</b>     | State U15 Girls White                                    |
| <b>Eliza Roxborough-Judd:</b> | State U15 Girls White                                    |
| <b>Angus Hendry:</b>          | State U15 Boys Blue                                      |
| <b>Liam Henderson:</b>        | State U15 Boys Blue                                      |
| <b>Oliver Worcester:</b>      | State U15 Boys Blue & State Indoor U15 Boys (Train-on)   |
| <b>Angus Oldham:</b>          | State U15 Boys White                                     |
| <b>Miller Smith:</b>          | State U15 Boys White & State Indoor U13 Boys             |
| <b>Lauren Phillips:</b>       | State U13 Girls Venom                                    |
| <b>Greta Wansbrough:</b>      | State U13 Girls Venom                                    |
| <b>Meg Mortenson:</b>         | State U13 Girls Volts                                    |
| <b>Chloe Tobin:</b>           | State U13 Girls Volts                                    |
| <b>Summer Satterley:</b>      | State U13 Girls Volts (Train-on)                         |
| <b>Josh Allen:</b>            | State U13 Boys Venom & State Indoor U13 Boys             |
| <b>Henry Laussen:</b>         | State U13 Boys Venom                                     |
| <b>Oliver Will:</b>           | State U13 Boys Venom                                     |
| <b>Lachlan Hodgson:</b>       | State U13 Boys Volts                                     |
| <b>Mietta Kendall:</b>        | State Indoor U15 Girls                                   |
| <b>Ben Allen:</b>             | State Indoor U15 Boys                                    |

## Congratulations to the following 2018 Junior section award winners

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| <b>Lachlan Dreher Award:</b>                          | Mietta Kendall        |
| <b>Paul Dixon Award:</b>                              | Nick Swanton          |
| <b>Andy Philpott Award:</b>                           | Bennett Baker         |
| <b>Karen Russ Award:</b>                              | Bailey Webb           |
| <b>Jim Unkles Award:</b>                              | Will Stevens          |
| <b>Carol Swann Award:</b>                             | Chris Smolarek        |
| <b>Hockey Victoria Best &amp; Fairest U16 Female:</b> | Samantha Guggenheimer |

## Umpiring

The Stick2Hockey program additionally gives us a terrific opportunity to begin the training of our newest umpires and allow them to take charge of their first matches in a friendly and managed environment.

17 boys and 8 girls participated as junior umpires in HV winter games this year with the Club again managing the complete U13 JCC program. We will shortly be providing our experienced umpires Level 1 training allowing them in time to umpire senior games up to Pennant A standard.

Thank you to Daryl Clarke and Lachie Avil who conduct for our Club an unparalleled umpire development academy and to all our mentors and young umpires who've started their officiating journey this winter. The officials are our club players too, and it's fantastic to see them grow in this alternative path of excellence in our sport.

We remain indebted to our Masters section who's generous donation of the summer raffle proceeds directly facilitate the operation of our umpire training and mentoring program. Thanks you all.

## Thank You

The Junior section programs are delivered by over one hundred volunteers too numerous to mention working all year round. From coaches & team managers, co-ordinators

and committee members, working group members and more, we thank you profusely for your wonderful assistance.

Lastly I'd like to thank Hockey Victoria and Hockey Australia staff, our local councillors and council staff, my counterparts at our competing clubs, club administrator Narelle Richardson, the Junior Committee and senior sections, the Board and our generous sponsors, friends, players and families for your continued and outstanding support and contribution.

This is my last year serving as Junior Chair. Thank you for the opportunity. It has been a great pleasure, a humbling experience and a huge honour to work with everyone.

Thank You.

**Steve Prior**  
*Chair Junior Section*





# WOMEN'S SECTION

**2018 got off to a flying start with all our coaches in place, teams ready to go and equipment sorted expertly by Pauline Webb. There was much anticipation and excitement as the new season commenced. We had players return from interstate and new players from the country and overseas. Many players represented Victoria and Australia so congratulations to all.**

For the first part of the year we continued with our temporary accommodation as we saw the new clubrooms gradually forming behind us. The wait was certainly worth it. We are so fortunate to have amazing clubrooms now with hot showers, spacious changing rooms, real coffee and a place to socialise. We held an end of season BBQ on a Wednesday night for the team's training prior to finals and Master's players were able to return to the club after their last home and away round. Our teams were also certainly spurred on in their finals by the crowds that can now gather and cheer from the top deck. We are looking forward to summer social hockey.

We had a number of players double up, in fact (85 players) for various teams throughout the season. We had 266 players across the 6 senior women's and 2 women's master's teams. Women's Pennant A had the most players through with 43 players playing in the team. We had 14 players goal keep across the 8 teams.

All coaches worked together under the guidance of our Chair of Selectors

–Bertie Thomson to field the teams each week. Thank you to Bertie who took over the role this year and has implemented a range of systems that have assisted all coaches. Bertie is very tech savvy which helps as it is like one giant jigsaw puzzle to fill all the teams each week. The cooperation and camaraderie amongst the coaches has greatly assisted the selections.

There was laughter, fun, tears and some awesome, exciting hockey games played. In the end, we were delighted to see 5 senior teams make finals. Sadly, WPB and our Master's teams missed out. Following are summaries from each of the teams.

## Women's Premier League

2018 was a year of growth and development for the WPL. The team comfortably made the eight again but was unable to progress past the first final despite a very spirited fightback towards the end of the game. It shows how competitive and hungry to win the team has been in 2018. We saw a good deal of change throughout the year with 27 players donning the tangerine and blue in Premier League.

The club was very pleased to welcome former Japanese international, Maz Arai who scored 15 goals in 16 games. Maz's influence was invaluable as she willingly shared her knowledge and experience about scoring goals.

The team also many debutants, including Jordy Polding, Ally Wansbrough, Izzy Bozzone, Eryn Norie, Millie Faulks, Sim Speet, Ash Morley and Mia Kendall. Sophie Sheahan made a welcome comeback after 12 months off with an ACL. Jordy admirably filled Jess Durst's kickers completing her first year as WPL goalkeeper. Jane La Nauze again captained the side and provided real leadership to the team both on and off the pitch.

On the coaching side, Ngaire Abboud (née Smith) made a significant contribution through her deep



understanding of the game and by instilling the desire necessary to win - we hope to see more of her next year. Former Olympian and long-time coaching mentor, Mike Craig joined the leadership group and helped institute a new style of play that featured direct and attacking play. The team adjusted to the revised game plan quickly and with good cheer as we worked to improve our fortunes on the field. This has been pleasing as the defence, midfield and forward lines connected strongly to materially increase our chances in front of the net. This resulted in our average goals per game improving on last year and goal conversion will be a key focus for next year.

A significant reason for the larger squad this year was the number of well-deserved selections to representative teams. Jane Elzinga and Lisa Benfell represented Australia in the Masters, and Jordy Polding, Caitie Philpott, Ally Wansbrough, Izzy Bozonne and Eryn Norie were selected for their respective state sides. Congratulations to Sophie Taylor who kicked off her international career in Japan. Sophie also led the goal scoring for Camberwell with 16 goals. The team is looking forward to the new season with a passion and drive to gain greater success. Finally, thank you to all our supporters and volunteers that gave their time for the team. Go Wellers.

**Michael Russell**  
*Team Manager*

### Women's Premier League Reserves

A season of fun and friendships for life. 2018 for the Women's Premier League Reserves was more than just about playing inspired hockey with our friends, it was a journey of discovery. We learnt that success at this level requires each of us to step out of our comfort zone and embrace the weaknesses in our game. Over the course of the year, players became leaders, proving that anything is

possible with the right attitude and dedication to the task at hand. As coach, I couldn't have been prouder of the contribution from everyone this season. Bring on 2019.

**James Heath**

### Women's Pennant A

The PA Team had a fantastic season, finishing 3rd and almost making the Grand Final. We had a team of very diverse players aging from 14 to 40+ years old!

We were very successful on the field with our never give up attitude and we approached every game as a 'Rumble in the Jungle'! We became a goal-scoring machine with goals coming from every angle from multiple players. Our midfield was some of the toughest and fittest in the competition and known for getting the job done. Our defense was simply solid and extremely disciplined, often going under the radar as the unsung hero's of the team. But, it was our 'goalies' that really helped us get across the line, and yes we mean multiple goalies! We had 6 different goalies appear for us throughout the season, all of whom did an amazing job and we could not have done it without them. While we experienced great success on the field, it was the friendships, confidence and personalities of each player that grew throughout the season that we are most proud of. We have really cemented a great group of women and girls in this team and this is our greatest achievement.

**Pip Mann and Steph Forsyth**



### Women's Pennant B

The Women's Pennant B captained by Cathy Warren team played with a total of 38 players throughout the year with the average number of games per players being only 6 games. 20 of the ladies played 3 or less games, while only 5 played 15 or more games. The ever reliable in all senses of the word Kate Fothergill and Tamara Dhankar played all 18 games and Eve Adams was also ever present missing just 1 game all season! Tamara and Eve also coached juniors, while Kate is a section committee member.

The season was enjoyable for all players and a strong esprit de corp was established amongst the group as evidenced by the social media activity between Wednesdays and game days throughout the season. Realistically we probably allowed 2 games to get away from us, during the season.

WPB combined experienced with developing players with the wiser heads providing solid leadership and personal individual support. There is no doubt many of the younger members would be able to hold their own in the higher grades after this year. The team had great support from the Pennant E group throughout the year and regularly provided support to Pennant A, though double ups and player promotions. We averaged slightly less than 1.5 goals per game, so developing stronger striking skills is essential. The team was always competitive playing persistent, pressure hockey and never dropping their heads.

Women's Section Continued...



We are very proud of the way the WPB ladies dealt with their individual and team challenges throughout the year. Thank you all for the commitment and love you've shown this team and the coaches this season.

**Robbie Philpott and Bill Unkles**

### Women's Pennant E-Premiers

These girls are 100% team. The average age of the team is 19. We had a hugely successful season built around developing a cohort that were keen to do well and develop their hockey. We worked with our young group to improve individual skill levels and also teach a structure and style of hockey that usually isn't seen at this grade level. The girls applied their craft and continued to strive to learn more and be 'the best they could be'. This was our team ethos and stood us in good stead as we began the season with 8 wins on the trot. A couple of losses mid-season was enough to have us re-focus and we finished the season without further loss. Deservedly, the team finished on top of the Pennant E ladder that ensured promotion to Pennant D in season 2019 – a great tribute to this cohort who had been promoted from Pennant F last year!

The girls were exemplary in behaviour and stood together as they faced a few unusually challenging situations throughout the season. Their connectedness was palpable and was

their signature trademark. They were complimented by many opposition clubs on their positivity and the way that they support and respect each other.

The icing on the cake for season 2018 was winning the Pennant E Grand Final. This game was testament to all that the girls had worked for this season – their individual skills, the ability to execute team plans and more importantly how to connect as a team and work together to simply be 'the best they could be'.

**Colleen McCormack and Bridget Pledge**

### Women's Metro A

In 2018 we saw a lot of new faces joining the Metro A squad for what turned out to be a fantastic year from start to finish. Throughout the season, I was treated to many spectacular matches filled with excellent team play mixed in with just as many amazing individual efforts. By the end of the season we found ourselves fourth on the ladder which lead to a finals campaign that came down to the final seconds of a preliminary final seeing us go down 2-1. A personal highlight of mine involves having to wear glitter in my beard and wearing pink fairy hair clips to one game thanks to a 10-0 demolishing of Werribee the week prior, which was my favorite part of coaching this group of girls. We had a lot of fun but put our game faces on every week and competed as hard as

we could. This gives me an enormous amount of hope for future seasons as this one was so successful, yet finished one week too early. Well done to all of the girls and thank you to all of the other women's teams, coaches and administrators, here's hoping next year can be just as great.

**Oliver Bell**

### Women's Master's A

The Masters A Team in 2018 had its share of successes and challenges. We had a strong start, winning the first few games, driving some team morale and enjoying the still warm Wednesday nights. We had a memorable game at Mentone at 9pm (fun for everyone!), with half a team of fill ins and no goalie facing the unbeaten Mentone...and only managed to go down 2-0 in the last few minutes. It was exhilarating! We also had 2 players head over to Spain midseason to compete at the Masters Hockey World Cup, fantastic opportunity, and about half the team competed at the recent Nationals Championships in WA.

A membership drive early in the season secured us 2.5 new players and provided these players with an opportunity to pick up the stick again. However, whilst they contributed to the core group that played every week, we were sadly continually challenged each week scrounging for players. Thankfully, this solid core group of women are absolute legends, retained the team morale, and still fought for every ball and every goal opportunity even when we only had 8





taking the field. And, because of this, even though we finished the season closer to the bottom of the ladder than we would like, we were still very competitive each week.

Needless to say, numbers and strength in both teams entered into the upcoming Masters Summer Competition are amazing and we expect to wipe the floor and get Camberwell back to the top of the ladder! Let's hope we can then take this into Masters Winter Season 2019!

## Women's Master's B

It's an end of an era for many of the B's. With over half the team retiring after playing together for many, many years. The B Ladies are a dedicated, fun and competitive group of hockey players who have come out each Wednesday night to play after wrangling work and kids, even in the depths of winter on a cold rainy night at 9pm Mentone. We have enjoyed success in the past and hopefully the team will continue with some new recruits!

Congratulations to our two recipients Tara and Kath are well deserved.

**Jasmine Howard**

## Special Thanks

Special thanks to Jo O'Brien and Sara Conyers who have been overseeing our Inclusion and Diversity Project. Jo has also taken over the Chair of the Women and Girls Subgroup. Thank you to Libby Taylor who has continued the development and distribution of our cook book – Eat Well, Live Well as part of the Community Strengthening Grant from Boorondara Council and the Rotary Club of Balwyn.

Thank you to Stuart Will who has overseen the finances in our section for a number of years and thank you to Peter Taylor who has come on board this year to assist with treasurer activities. Thank you to all the parents

who assist behind the season in various roles such as helping on tech bench, arranging ball kids, providing afternoon tea, helping with lifts and anything that requires assistance.

Thank you to John Unkles, Michael Barden and Narelle Richardson for everything that they have done throughout the year in managing and overseeing the new clubrooms. Their attention to detail has been outstanding and they are all able to answer any questions.

Additional thank you to Narelle Richardson for her ongoing support as Deputy Chair. Narelle is able to solve all sorts of issues that arise during a hockey season such as the ever changing location of finals. Thank you to our wonderful fellow committee members, our medical support team, our generous sponsors, the Junior and Mens' sections, the players, the coaches, the officials, team managers, the supporters and everyone who supports Camberwell Hockey Club. Thank you to Harry Drakos and fellow Board members for your ongoing support and advice.

After two years of being Chair of the Women's Section and having been on various committees for a number of years I am stepping down. I am delighted to say that Sara Conyers will be stepping up as Chair of the Women's section. Sara has a long association with the club as a player, a coach and as an administrator. Sara is a team player and has some exciting visions for 2019 and beyond.

**Liz Grant**

*Chair Women's Section*



## TEAM HONOURS

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| <b>CLUB PERSON OF THE YEAR</b><br><i>Sara Conyers</i>                      |
| <b>TOP GOAL SCORER</b><br><i>Milly Bell (33 goals – WMB/WPE/WMA)</i>       |
| <b>BEST JUNIOR GIRL PLAYING SENIORS</b><br><i>Alannah Gomezel</i>          |
| <b>NOEL PAYZE SHIELD – BEST &amp; FAIREST WPL</b><br><i>Sophie Taylor</i>  |
| <b>WPL BEST &amp; FAIREST</b><br><i>Sophie Taylor</i>                      |
| <b>WPL COACHES AWARD</b><br><i>Anna Moore</i>                              |
| <b>WPLR BEST &amp; FAIREST</b><br><i>Kate Langley</i>                      |
| <b>WPLR COACHES AWARD</b><br><i>Caitlin Smith</i>                          |
| <b>WPA BEST &amp; FAIREST</b><br><i>Prue Bouman and Tilly McGaw</i>        |
| <b>WPA COACHES AWARD</b><br><i>Carolyn Gangell</i>                         |
| <b>WPB BEST &amp; FAIREST</b><br><i>Tamara Dhankar</i>                     |
| <b>WPB COACHES AWARD</b><br><i>Eve Adams</i>                               |
| <b>WPE BEST &amp; FAIREST</b><br><i>Alannah Gomezel</i>                    |
| <b>WPE COACHES AWARD</b><br><i>Anique Price and Adelaide Wood</i>          |
| <b>W METRO A BEST &amp; FAIREST</b><br><i>Megan Fitz</i>                   |
| <b>W METRO A COACHES AWARD</b><br><i>Hannah Clauson</i>                    |
| <b>W MASTERS A BEST CONTRIBUTION FROM A PLAYER</b><br><i>Susan Cannell</i> |
| <b>W MASTERS A MOST VALUABLE PLAYER</b><br><i>Bronwen Kohne</i>            |
| <b>W MASTERS B MOST VALUABLE PLAYER</b><br><i>Tara Hore</i>                |
| <b>W MASTERS B MOST CONSISTENT PLAYER</b><br><i>Kathy Henderson</i>        |

# MEN'S SECTION

**Season 2018 was another outstanding success across all parts of the Men's Section with 9 of its 10 Men's teams playing finals and 7 of its 10 Winter Master's teams playing finals.**

**It culminated in 4 Premierships in total.**

**MPL** again had another successful year finishing minor premiers but falling just short in the Big Dance losing in penalty shoot outs to the emerging Southern United. The team blooded some younger players in Josh Henderson and Eden Davis. The team was again superbly coached by Katie Allen and assisted by Will Unkles and Hamish Ridland as Assistant Coaches, Rich Callaghan as fitness guru and Hamish Prior as Team Manager. Congratulations to Jac O'Shea on winning the B & F and George Bazeley, James Webster and Jim Unkles (umpire) on making the HV All Star Team.



We bid farewell to Katie Allen as she pursues higher fortunes as Assistant Coach to the Hockeyroos, her contribution to the Club has been outstanding.

**MPLR** were outstanding in the home and away season, finishing minor premiers and scoring well over 100 goals. This team evolves in personnel each year but barely misses a beat. Despite a small hiccup in the first final the team bounced back to win the one that counts against Altona 2 goals to 1.

The team was superbly coached by first year coach Bill Webb with Iain Jones as Team Manager whose informative match reports were works of art. Congratulations to Ed Unkles on winning the B & F.

**MPA** was coached by two players, firstly Steve Unkles, then after Steve was elevated to MPLR Nick Rees. Both were outstanding and particularly Nick who guided and

blended the mix of older and younger players into a formidable unit. PA also finished minor Premiers and claimed the Pennant to make it six Pennants in 7 years and 11 Pennants in 12 years an extraordinary performance. Well done to all who have played in this team for many years and thanks to Ian Launder and Tim Burkhalter for managing the team. Congratulations to Nick Rees on winning the B & F.



**MPB** with former State League 1 premiership player Jason Reilly as playing coach was able to further recruit past players in the likes of John Nailon, Simon Matschoss, David Hall and Steve Swann. The team was a blend of experience and youth and went from strength to strength in 2018 finishing minor premiers and winning the Pennant defeating Doncaster 2 to 1. Special mention needs to be made to Tom Webster, Bill Veitch, Steve Swann, and Jason Reilly who all missed out on playing in the GF. Congratulations to Charlie Faulks for winning the B & F.

**MPC** coached by playing coach Simon Forsyth finished third on the ladder for the third time in as many years, but missed out on the Grand Final going down in the penultimate game. Simon Forsyth after more than 10 years involvement with this team steps away from PC in 2018 and I thank him for his service to the Club. Congratulations to Dan Liu on winning the B & F.

**MPD** under the match day guidance of David Pratt and Duncan Scorer finished the home and away in third position. Unfortunately they lost the big one to KBH Brumbies 1 goal to 3. The team was ably assisted by its team's heart and soul Steve Wittwer on the sidelines. Congratulations to Andrew Affleck on winning the B & F.

**MPE** finished minor Premiers at the end of the home and away. They went down in the GF to KBH Brumbies 1 goal to 2. The team had a great balance of youth and seasoned players. Congratulations to Rob Brookes and Michael Fraser on jointly winning the B & F.

**MPF** finished in 6th, missing out on finals. Thanks to Matt Porritt and Paul Dixon on making sure this team was up and running each week. Congratulations to Nathan Keiller on winning the B & F for MPF.



#### **Men's Metro B Central Tangerine**

finished in 4th place and went out in the semi-finals to a Latrobe team who should have been playing in grades significantly higher. I thank Michael Butler for managing this team once again. Congratulations to Sayuji Datey on winning the B & F.

**Men's Metro B Central Blue** finished in 2nd position after the home and away season and lost the Preliminary Final in shoot outs. This team was made up of a group of Year 12 Trinity Students many of whom are capable of playing higher grades. Congratulations to Thomas Cohen on winning the B & F.

I would like to particularly thank Steve Wittwer, Duncan Scorer, Adam Levin

and Charlie Daniel for their tireless work with MPD, MPE, MPF, Metro B Central Tangerine and Metro B Central Blue. They manage to pull together 5 teams each week without as much as a hint of complaint.

I also wish to thank Nathan Copey, Matt Drakos, Ed Unkles, Charlie Faulks, Phil Martin and Tim Burkhalter and all of the MPL, MPLR, MPA and MPB players who volunteered during the year to help out with Wednesday night training for Metro. This is the fourth year this has occurred and is now cemented as part of our program.

I also thank Declan Geraghty who with Ian Launder arranged the pre-season



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transition program which was a huge success.

Congratulations to Nick Ryan on winning the Tom Askeff Award for Best Club Person and Eden Davis on winning the Jesse Foster Memorial Shield for Most Improved Junior Boy Playing Seniors.

I also acknowledge the two new inductees to Life Membership David Wansbrough and Paul Dixon who richly deserve their elevation within the Club.

Special thanks also to the medical team again ably lead by Roy Carey and Shauna O'Connor on their outstanding work during the year.

### Men's Masters

The Men's Masters Group has developed into a huge success through the untiring work of Jim Forsyth and Ralph Kerr and the hardworking Sub-Committee.

The Men's Masters fielded 14 Summer teams in 2017/2018 (over 200 players) and 10 Winter teams in 2018 (over 150 players) and contributes to the Men's Section enormously and is a major contributor to bringing hockey to many first time players.

In the winter competition, 7 Men's Masters Teams played finals, with one team (Men's 45+B South East) being crowned Premiers.

The 2017/18 Summer Masters was again an enormous success raising, through their Team Sponsors and wine raffle, over \$30,000 for the Club - an outstanding achievement.

I would again like to thank the entire Masters Committee headed by Jim Forsyth and Ralph Kerr for another outstanding year.

### Special Thanks

I wish to thank Phil Everist as Men's Secretary. Phil has again been outstanding as too has the remainder of the Committee Members comprising Tim Burkhalter (Treasurer) and the General Committee of Ed Unkles, Derek Vanden Driesen, Ian Launder, Henry Lourey, Nick Ryan, Duncan Scorer, Hamish Prior, Jim Forsyth and Ralph Kerr and I thank them for their great service and loyalty.

Finally a special thanks to the Club President, Harry Drakos and the rest of the Club Board and to Liz Grant the outgoing Women's Chair who has done an outstanding job.

**Richard Harris**  
*Chair Men's Section*





## 2018 INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENTS

### AUSTRALIAN SENIOR SQUAD

*Aaron Kleinschmidt*

### AUSTRALIA A SQUAD

*Max Hendry*

### U17 AUSTRALIAN SCHOOL SPORTS

*Josh Henderson*

### MPL ALL STARS TEAM

*James Webster, George Bazeley, Jim Unkles  
(Umpire)*

### 2018 AHL VICTORIAN VIKINGS

*George Bazeley, Aaron Kleinschmidt, Andrew Philpott, James Webster, Max Hendry and Declan Geraghty (staff)*

### VICTORIAN U21'S

*Max Hendry and Pat Coates*

### AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVE UMPIRE

*Jim Unkles*

### HOCKEYROOS ASSISTANT COACH

*Katie Allen*

## 2018 MASTERS

### AUSTRALIAN OVER 50

*Lachlan Dreher*

### AUSTRALIAN OVER 55

*Simon Winter, Kevin McLaughlin (Vice Captain)*

### AUSTRALIAN OVER 60

*Norman Same*

### AUSTRALIAN OVER 70

*John Longmuir*

### VICTORIAN OVER 45 (DIV 1)

*Grant Trollope, Jeremy DeZylva, Jordy Schelleback, Philip Barrett*

### VICTORIAN OVER 50 (DIV 1)

*Lachlan Dreher*

### VICTORIAN OVER 50 (DIV 2)

*Craig Avil, Darren Cutts*

### VICTORIAN OVER 55 (DIV 1)

*Andrew Crowley, Andrew Minter, Bruce Phillips (Capt), Jim O'Shea, Kevin McLaughlin, Owen Rogers, Simon Winter*

### VICTORIAN OVER 55 (DIV 2)

*Andrew Neideck, Michael Butler, Richard Pye*

### VICTORIAN OVER 60 (DIV 1)

*Norman Same*

### VICTORIAN OVER 65

*Doug Watson, Peter Ridland*

### VICTORIAN OVER 70

*John Longmuir*



## COMMUNICATION UPDATE

With the Club house under development for most of the season it was important that we used our communication channels to stay connected and informed about what was happening around the club. Similar to previous years we use the following platforms website, mailchimp newsletters, social media and Progress Leader.

In 2018 we focused on the redesign of our website. This year has shown that the new website is performing exactly as envisaged, to act as a brochure for the club and showcase our club while retaining important information on not only season relevant documents but our history and culture too. With the majority of traffic landing on the welcome page we have also seen considerable amount of traffic to the Get Involved and the Resources page. Additionally, people are taking interest in the pages with information about our clubhouse redevelopment, and are finding their way to unlinked pages detailing history of things such as Jesse Foster Cup, Team of the Century, First Grade Premierships and more.

The change in the design of the website has seen us move away from traditional layout that may become outdated, to an easier to navigate and useful website. Allowing for not only more access to resources and registrations but other relevant information being better centralised. Creating a clean, professional image while improving the experience for our administration and our visitors seeking information. A big thank you to Hamish Prior, Steve Prior and Narelle Richardson for all their work getting this new website up and running.

Our Mailchimp Newsletter program continues to be a strong channel for communication with over 1369 subscribers. This includes communication to Whole of Club, Women's Section Newsletter, Men's Section Newsletter, and Juniors Newsletters. Through weekly updates and selections but also the occasional survey so that we can stay up to date and across the needs and expectations of our members and community. All emails continue to showcase our Club Platinum Sponsors. A total of 143,337 emails were sent with an average open rate of 44.64%.

Our Social Media engagement is thriving with us using this medium to communicate but also celebrate some of our members throughout 2018. Conducting two campaigns that focused on celebrating strong and dedicated volunteers at the club during Women's and Girls Round (with a focus on females) and Men's Health week (with a focus on males).

Using twitter (588 followers – increase 7.69%) to inform our community about game progress and build awareness, Instagram (1204 followers – increase 6.07%) to inspire and tell stories and Facebook (1027 followers – increase of 4.9%) to enable sharing and discussion.

With a collective reach across Facebook, Twitter and Instagram of over 80,000 and 2,829 followers an 8% increase from last year. Huge thanks to both Britt Simmons and Hamish Prior for their social media support, creativity and advice throughout the year. Additionally, thank you to everyone who participated in posting during finals and keeping our community updated with scores and photos.

To support our social media communication we paired up with the Progress Leader to celebrate some important stories throughout the year: 1)Camberwell Hockey Club turns pink for BCNA as it celebrates women and girls round and 2) no place like home for wellers celebrating our new clubhouse. The ability for us to promote our club via the Progress Leader enables us to increase our exposure and awareness to our community. Many thanks to Suz Cannel for her contribution to providing text for these stories.

In 2019 we aim to continue with this positive growth and success with our communication portfolio. As we close out the year we will be collaborating with members across all sections to review our current communication plan, review and improve this as we step into 2019.

**Sara Conyers**

## FACILITIES REPORT 2018

Managing of our facilities fell under the role of our new Club Administrator, Narelle Richardson from February. It was a tale of two halves for our facilities this year. Up until July it was all about managing with what we had available and working around the new build, and since then it's been about working out how best to utilise our wonderful new facilities.

### Koonung

There will be a new pitch laid at Koonung at the end of the year, funded by Koonung High School and Camberwell Grammar School.

### Portables

The portables continued to be used up until July. The weather was kind for most of our major Premier League days in the first half of the season allowing us to utilise the 'courtyard' space after games to socialise. Thank you to all players and supporters for managing the majority of the season using these facilities.

At the end of July the call went out for volunteers to help empty our temporary facilities and move into The Matlock Centre. Thank you to the 12 who helped move everything from the portables and the shipping containers.

### Pitch Lights

Due to electrical work on the new site we had a few training nights of either no lights or strobe lights. Luckily these issues were able to be rectified in time for games. Otherwise the new pitch lights continue to work well.

### Tech Bench

At the beginning of the winter season a new tech bench was built on the eastern side of the ground. This has been used for all our Premier League games (with a few minor adjustments to make it more user friendly).

### New Fencing

With the completion of the new building we have had new green fencing erected along the eastern side of the ground.

### Canteen

We continued to operate the canteen out of the portable with a very limited service. Over the summer period we opened for our Monday night competition. As well as limited facilities, we faced the added challenge of a faulty fridge which finally gave up in March. This saw drinks being sold from esky's for the remainder of our months in the portables. At the

completion of the Summer Masters competition we said goodbye to our canteen staff of Andrea Lee and family. Many thanks to Andrea, Brendan, Samara, Elisha, Darvyn and Koriena for all your efforts in manning the canteen over the last decade.

In preparation for our new facilities we adopted a new model for manning the canteen. Moving forward it will be a combination of volunteers and Team Leaders, overseen by our Club Administrator.

We opened on Monday nights and for Premier League days only until we moved into the new premises, selling drinks, confectionary and running a bbq on the PL days. We also commenced selling coffee from our new coffee machine in July and it has been a hit from the start. (We've sold roughly 550 cups of coffee plus many cups of hot chocolate since June).

We finally moved into our new canteen (and the rest of the Matlock Centre) at the end of July. With a newly designed menu (taking feedback from our survey sent out earlier in the year), the new canteen has been going from strength to strength. The canteen now offers a wonderful range of food and drinks and opens during the winter season on a Monday, Thursday and Friday night, and Saturday and Sunday when games are on. We've used the canteen to cater for internal functions, our Open Day, the Official Opening and finals. Sales are definitely up and we've closed the winter season with a surplus.



## The Matlock Centre

Further to what has been written about The Matlock Centre, we moved into the new facilities end of July. Knowing there were ongoing works required from the builders and given how late we were handed it over, we looked to using the facility as a “trial run” for 2019. Our new gymnasium is slowly being stocked with equipment. The physio room definitely got a workout on Premier League training nights, and the recovery room was used a few times as well. The meeting room has been well used by our Committees and the canteen of course has been going well. The administration office will be used more once we get internet access to the site late November. We are working through our signage requirements and these will be put up early in 2019 to replace the temporary signage currently in place. With the current swipe card system only temporary, gaining access to the new facilities has been a juggling act but hope this will be sorted by 2019.

Canterbury Neighbourhood Centre have been using the upstairs space on three days during the week with our players and supporters utilising it on training and match days. The view from the deck on match days has to be one of the best viewing positions for hockey in the State! We are so very lucky to have the use of these facilities.

## Landscaping

The council has provided landscaping for the eastern car park as well as an area in front of our new building and to the southern end of the building. We are currently looking at options on what to do behind the goals on the northern end of Matlock Reserve, which looks a lot more open now that all the portables have been removed.

**Narelle Richardson**  
Club Administrator

## FINANCE

The 2018 financial year has seen the Club continue to build upon its already sound financial base.

The major focus for 2018 has been the Clubhouse Rebuild Project and ensuring that we have adequate funding to deliver a project which is in keeping with the high standards we aspire to as a club, whilst at the same time protecting the long term financial strength of the Club for future generations.

The Club's contribution to the rebuild project has been in excess of \$280,000 and the majority of these costs have been capitalised. This capital expenditure has been in part funded from our generous member and supporter base, with contributions totalling in excess of \$205,000 and the balance has been funded from existing Cash Reserves.

The Club's underlying Income for 2018 was \$434,434, a modest increase of \$8,494 (2%) on 2017. During 2017 we received a one off grant from the Federal Government of \$25,000 which has been adjusted for in the above analysis.

We have also recognised \$118,129 of Capital Income in 2018 as a result of the Clubhouse Rebuild Project at Matlock Reserve. This money is initially

received from the Australian Sports Foundation and held in a Reserve until qualifying expenditure is incurred. As at 30th September 2018 we have a balance of \$9 in that Reserve which means we have spent all the money we have received to date.

Operating Expenditure year on year increased by \$38,925 (11.1%). Of the total increase \$8,780 relates to increased Depreciation and is a result of the capital expenditure we have undertaken over the past two years. We also incurred \$6,049 of costs in respect of the clubhouse redevelopment which have been expensed in 2018. Increases in areas such as umpire fees, team registration fees and player related costs are a product of having more teams and more players, this alone totals \$15,535.

With regard to the Balance Sheet, the club has maintained a sound level of Cash Reserves which currently total \$798,555, a modest decrease of \$22,059 when compared to the same time last year. This is considered a very positive outcome in light of Net Cash Outflow from Investing activities of \$204,391. Each section holds cash to meet its own monthly operating needs and any surplus funds are periodically consolidated into a Whole of Club Term Deposit.

It should be noted that of the \$710,000 currently held on Term Deposit, \$480,000 is set aside for the ground resurfacing and the remaining \$230,000 is for other capital projects as and when required. It is pleasing to note that our Term Deposit has only decreased by \$5,000 when compared to the same time last year and when all of the above is considered, this is a great outcome for the club.

**Stuart Will**  
Treasurer





## SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING UPDATE

While the majority of this years social and fundraising opportunities were limited by the fabulous redevelopment of the clubhouse this didn't stop us still getting around some great events throughout the year. A large part of the social and fundraising committee is to raise awareness and support for particular areas of interest for our club and Hockey. This year we continued to support Women in Sport with a focus on supporting BCNA (Breast Cancer Network Australia), Men's Health Awareness supporting Hockey Victoria's partnership with Beyond Blue, and Fair go sport round to celebrate sexual and gender diversity in sport. Each of these events had a great following and saw our club come together for some great causes.

Additionally, we held our annual Trivia night which was a tremendous success held

at Camberwell High School. This was the first time the event was held at CHS and it was a great effort by all involved to raise just over \$8,600 in funds for the club. Many thanks to all who contributed to the night by way of donations for the silent auction and raffle items. With 197 people in attendance, the best attendance in 3 years, the success is a tribute to the organisation and commitment of all involved, and who wouldn't want to attend when it was a Where's Wally theme??

But who could forget one of the best social occasions of the year - the opening of our new Clubhouse. Boroondara mayor Cr Jim Parke was joined by Hockey Victoria CEO Andrew Skillen and our president Harry Drakos in officially opening the refurbishment. It was a great turnout and celebration of the change that we have watched happen since demolition commenced on June 2017. We look forward to hosting



many functions in this fantastic facility moving forward. Thank you to Narelle Richardson, Amanda Clarke and Pauline Webb for all their work in the success of this official opening.

And what a fantastic night we had celebrating Senior Presentation night at a new location, Junction Oval, with 196 people in attendance. Thank you to Ed Unkles for all his help pulling this event together.

Special mentions to all on the social and fundraising committee, we could not have pulled off any of these fabulous events without all the endless volunteer hours that you contributed to.

**Sara Conyers**

**Sponsorship** The Club is indebted to the many organisations that have taken a sponsorship role. Their support ensures that we can go that extra step to provide first class facilities for players at all levels.

This year we have seen the arrival of a new Platinum Sponsor – BlueNRG. We would like to thank Daryl Flukes for his assistance with the acquisition process. Whilst we gained one Platinum Sponsor we also saw one leave, Laser Electrical - Camberwell. We were sorry to see Kirk Drinnen (Laser) move on but hope that one day Laser Electrical will return.

For the 2017/18 year our list of sponsors was quite exhaustive and we thank them for their wonderful support.

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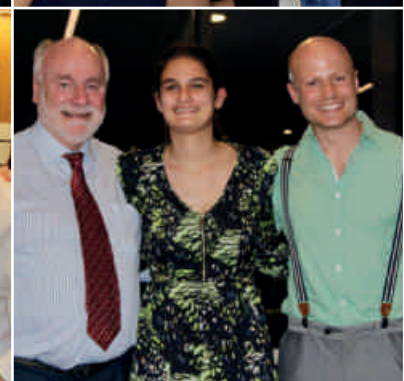
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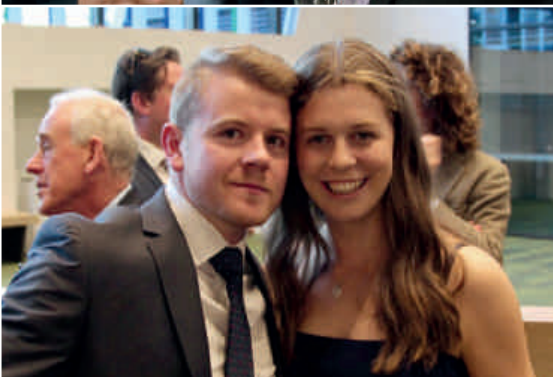
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# GOWELLERS





# TEAM RESULTS 2018

| TEAM                                | FINAL POSITION |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|----------|
|                                     | Ladder         | Final    |
| Men's Premier League                | 1st            | 2nd      |
| Women's Premier League              | 8th            | 8th      |
| Men's Premier League Reserves       | 1st            | Premiers |
| Women's Premier League Reserves     | 6th            | 7th      |
| Men's Pennant A                     | 1st            | Premiers |
| Women's Pennant A                   | 3rd            | 3rd      |
| Men's Pennant B                     | 1st            | Premiers |
| Women's Pennant B                   | 8th            |          |
| Men's Pennant C                     | 3rd            | 3rd      |
| Men's Pennant D                     | 3rd            | 2nd      |
| Men's Pennant E                     | 1st            | 3rd      |
| Women's Pennant E                   | 1st            | Premiers |
| Men's Pennant F                     | 6th            |          |
| Women's Metro A                     | 3rd            | 3rd      |
| Men's Metro B Tangerine             | 4th            | 4th      |
| Men's Metro B Blue                  | 2nd            | 3rd      |
| Women's 35A                         | 9th            |          |
| Men's 35B                           | 6th            |          |
| Womens 35B                          | 5th            |          |
| Men's 45A                           | 3rd            | 3rd      |
| Men's 45BSE                         | 1st            | Premiers |
| Men's 45BNW                         | 4th            | 4th      |
| Men's 45CSE Tangerine               | 2nd            | 2nd      |
| Men's 45CSE Blue                    | 8th            |          |
| Men's 45D Tangerine                 | 4th            | 3rd      |
| Men's 45D Blue                      | 8th            |          |
| Men's 50A                           | 1st            | Premiers |
| Men's 50B                           | 4th            | 4th      |
|                                     |                |          |
| U10 Half Field - Boys               | 3rd            |          |
| U12 Ron Ford Shield Boys            | 2nd            | Premiers |
| U12 Ken Parkin Shield Girls         | 1st            | Premiers |
| U12 Boys Shield B                   | 8th            |          |
| U12 Boys Pennant NC                 | 5th            |          |
| U12 Boys Pennant SE                 | 8th            |          |
| U12 Girls Pennant                   | 6th            |          |
| U14 George Stapleton Shield - Mixed | 1st            | 2nd      |
| U14 Marg Tomlinson Shield - Girls   | 4th            | 4th      |
| U14 Mixed Shield B                  | 7th            |          |
| U14 Girls Pennant                   | 6th            |          |
| U14 Mixed District                  | 1st            | Premiers |
| U16 Ric Purser Shield - Mixed       | 4th            | 4th      |
| U16 Ron Penpraze Shield - Girls     | 8th            |          |
| U16 Mixed Pennant                   | 2nd            | Premiers |
| U16 Girls Pennant                   | 7th            |          |
| U16 Mixed District                  | 4th            | 2nd      |

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