



60th ANNUAL REPORT – 2020



COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

- President – Greg Purser
- Vice President – Nicholas O’Connell
- Secretary – Jane O’Connell
- Treasurer – Matthew Foster
- Matthew Trounce
- Stuart Young
- Sarah Young
- Michele Henderson
- Tom Crowley
- Naomi Pickford
- Brenten Coulthard

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Presidents Report:

What a year we've just experienced!

Who would have thought that in a year when the clubroom redevelopment was finally underway everything would suddenly stop due to the spread of COVID. Even as the NDHL summer competition ended & COVID started to appear in Melbourne we never expected the start of the 2020 season would be postponed for 3 months before finally being cancelled when Melbourne went into lock down from June to October.

While writing this report Melbourne is still not back to normal yet & we can only hope the measures in place allow us to return to playing in the 2021 Season.

I would like to thank the Committee who worked hard with Hockey Victoria & Nillumbik Council to develop our COVID safe plans in preparation for a return to training & playing.

I would also like to thank all our club members past & present who responded to the call out for support when we realised the full financial impact of COVID was having on the club.

I am pleased to report we met the fundraising target of \$40,000 which has allowed us to meet most of last year's costs & will enable us to bounce back more quickly than expected.

COVID also took a toll on the running of the club with Committee members, Matthew Foster, Mathew Trounce, Michelle Henderson & Premier League coach, Joe Hill resigning as they needed to spend more time managing their businesses. I would like to thank each of them for their contribution over the last couple of years & hope to see them back at the club in 2021.

I would also like to thank James Dunell who took over the Treasurers role in September & Colin Riordan who took over as Chair of Hockey Operations & has done a lot of work updating the club's website, online presence & keeping members informed.

While the Treasurer is extremely important role he doesn't work alone & I'd like to thank Defrim Kutrolli on behalf of the Committee for the support he's provided over the last 5 years as Treasurer & also Assistant Treasurer to Matthew Foster & James Dunell. Thank you & I hope to see you at the new clubrooms on our Premier League home days.

The 2021 season is the start of an exciting period as we celebrate the 60th anniversary of the club's establishment in 1961 & finally move into the new clubrooms we've been talking about since we moved to Plenty in 1989 & built the first synthetic pitch in 1998.

After being the most successful Men's & Women's Premier League club for the last 20 years, we are now planning for similar success in the future with the appointment of Tegan de Man, Rob Zull & Heath Simpson as our Premier League coaches. We have also taken the decision to appoint a Junior Development Coach to work with the Premier League coaches to develop our juniors & implement the appropriate pathways for everyone to be the best they can be.

Lastly, I would like to ask all members to think about how they might be able to assist the club. Everyone may not have the time to serve on the club committee but everyone needs to contribute in some way to ensure we can provide the programs to help us grow & maintain the facilities for members to not only enjoy playing at the club but also socialising at the club.

I will be nominating at the AGM & hope I have your support for another year.

Greg Purser – President

Treasurers Report:

Although I was not the Treasurer in 2020, it gives me pleasure to present the 2020 Treasurer's Report.

Firstly, I would like to thank Matthew Foster for his service to the club in recent years, initially as the Treasurer for the Junior Section & then as the Club Treasurer. Unfortunately, Matthew needed to resign as Treasurer in mid-September due to family & work commitments but his efforts in recent years were highly valued.

I would also like to thank Bookkeeper & former Club Treasurer Defrim Kutrolli for his hard work balancing the books in the last few years & for stepping up as caretaker Treasurer from September to December 2020. He has continued to provide tremendous assistance while we transition to a new Treasurer & Bookkeeper & Defrim will soon be able to call time on his official duties at the club.

The financial result for the year was a net loss of \$15,665.83 compared to a net profit of \$25,070.22 for 2019.

This is not unexpected given the difficult year the club faced in 2020 with no Winter hockey & limited ability to trade given the COVID-19 lockdowns & the clubroom redevelopment. The major highlights were as follows:

- The continued interest in & growth of Summer NDHL. The 2019-2020 season was the biggest yet. Thank you to Stuart Young & the many others who made this happen.
- Sponsorship & grants of almost \$5,000.
- Income dropped by almost 75%. The turnover was low enough that the club did not need to be audited for the 2019-2020 financial year.
- Expenses were only reduced by around 63% despite cutting as many costs as possible, showing that some of the fixed costs of running the club are unavoidable.

It is important to reflect upon what the club & its members achieved to survive no Winter hockey in 2020, with key factors in our survival being:

- Review of all costs.
- 9-month freeze on ground resurfacing loan repayments.
- 18-month deferral of the club's financial contribution to the clubroom redevelopment until December 2021.
- Over \$40,000 collected through fundraising, grants & sponsorships with a significant portion of this coming from past & present members & their families.

Without the generosity of club members, financially & by giving their time, the club may have struggled to survive. We look forward to a better 2021 with new clubrooms & enhanced viewing for The Burra fans!

Year	Net Profit	Change	Term Deposit	Change	Bank Loan	Change
2015	\$11,266	\$4,658	\$190,703	\$21,624	\$215,526	\$46,643
2016	\$40,266	\$29,000	\$20,000	\$(170,703)	-	\$215,526
2017	\$(2,689)	\$(42,955)	-	\$(20,000)	\$417,360	\$(417,360)
2018	\$(11,167)	\$(8,478)	-	-	\$373,209	\$44,151
2019	\$25,070	\$36,237	-	-	\$307,383	\$65,826
2020	\$(15,665)	\$(40,735)	-	-	\$301,140	\$6,242

James Dunell

James Dunell
Treasurer

Secretary Report:

An interesting & difficult year this year with Covid-19 resulting in a fully cancelled season. Unfortunately, this didn't mean there was nothing for the committee to do & we still had fortnightly then monthly meetings throughout the year, utilising Zoom to continue to work in a Covid safe way.

We started the year with the following committee members:

- President: Greg Purser
- Vice-President: Nick O'Connell
- Secretary: Jane O'Connell
- Treasurer: Matt Foster
- HOC: Matt Trounce
- Junior Coordinator: Naomi Pickford
- Junior NDHL: Brenten Coulthard
- Sponsorships: Stuart Young & Tom Crowley
- MPIO/Communications: Michele Henderson
- Committee Member: Sarah Young

Covid impacted on many families & businesses, resulting in Matt Trounce, Michele Henderson & Matt Foster resigning from the committee during the year. Thankfully Colin Riordan was nominated & approved by the committee as HOC representative & later in the year James Dunell was nominated & approved by the committee as Treasurer.

The committee focussed on fundraising to cover costs of maintaining the club & to prepare for 2021, as well as developing Covid safe plans. The building of the club rooms & re-invigorating the communication platforms were our main objective. A very big thank you to all our committee members for the work & commitment they demonstrated throughout the year. A very special thank you to Colin Riordan who spent many hours researching on-line resources & creating interesting posts to try & keep members engaged while we were all separated.

Looking forward to season 2021 with new clubrooms & all getting back together again.

Jane O'Connell - Secretary

Clubrooms Redevelopment:

The clubrooms redevelopment is due for completion in Feb-2021 & hopefully while you are reading this report, we are holding the 2020 AGM in the new Social Rooms.

You may not be aware, but the process started almost 4 years ago in Jun-2017 when Bob Crowley & myself met with the Peter Clarke (Nillumbik Mayor), Danielle Green (State Member for Yan Yean) & some of the Nillumbik Council officers to show them the new pitch we had installed as Nillumbik were the guarantor for our \$480,000 loan.

Everyone was impressed with the playing facilities we had built but also recognised the off-field facilities were not fit for purpose.

By Dec-2017 with the help of Will Creed & Micky McLean we had prepared & presented plans to Council for a two-storey redevelopment based on the original designs prepared in 2003. The Council provided an estimated cost of \$3,000,000 for the redevelopment & we agreed to a cost share of \$2,000,000 (State Government), 800,000 (Nillumbik Council) & \$200,000 (GHC).

Throughout 2018, we worked with Nillumbik preparing all relevant documentation, applications for funding & refining the plans.

However, while we were successful with a \$2,000,000 application to the State Government's, Growing Suburbs fund, our \$500,000 application to the Federal Government's Sports Fund was unsuccessful.

This was extremely disappointing resulting result as we felt we had been let down by the Council.

However, a meeting with Nillumbik in May-2019 confirmed we only had two options as they would only build what they could afford with the funding they had secured.

1. Fight with Council & they would redesign on their own
2. Work with Council to get the best outcome for the club

After agreeing to the 2nd option, we spent the balance of 2019 redesigning the clubrooms, preparing to go to tender & in Oct-2019 the building tender was awarded with work due to commence in Apr-2020.

In Feb-2020 we found out our application to the Sports Fund had been ranked as one of the top 10 projects from 3,000 applications but had been rejected due to the electoral boundary we were in. This was extremely disappointing news as this funding may have meant we did not need to change the original designs.

In Mar-2020 we made a presentation to the Senate Select Committee Hearing into the "Sports Rort" regarding the impact on the club & the clubrooms redevelopment. However, this was too late for us to change anything & the redevelopment got underway in Apr-2020.

I hope all members appreciate the work put into the redevelopment over the last 4 years & I can confirm we have built a strong relationship with Council who are supporting the delivery of the following projects in the next couple of years:

- Upgrading ground lighting to LED
- Installing Spectator Shelter over the terraced seating on Ground 2
- Building additional car parking between Ground 2 & CFA training area

Note: The findings of the Senate Select Committee are due to be presented in Federal Parliament in Apr-2021.

Greg Purser – President & Clubrooms Redevelopment Committee

NDHL Summer Hockey:

The fifth season of #NDHL Summer Hockey again saw the playing group and team count grow on the previous year. Due to player response we added 2 new teams – we welcomed Research Rebels and Doreen Devils.

Name	Uniform	Name	Uniform
Laurimar Power	Sky / Navy	St Helena Saints	Orange
South Morang Lions	Red / White	Diamond Creek Demons	Navy / Red
Eltham Panthers	Black / Gold	Watsonia Wolves	Green / Gold
Whittlesea Warriors	Royal / Gold	Plenty Force	White / Black
Research Rebels	Yellow	Doreen Devils	Purple

The spread of players across club members consists of under 14 (top age) to over 50 Masters both male and female.

The Competition for #NDHL5:

- 10 teams of 18
- 170 playing on a regular basis
- 25 players who didn't play winter season 2019
- 25 players from other local clubs

Competition	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	Growth Rate
Female	16	31	35	37	52	40%
Male	78	103	107	108	128	28%
Total	94	134	142	145	181	28%

A big thank you to the Team Managers for really making this work and getting a team on the park every week. We had some return managers and few new ones – Brendan Carmody, Craig Armstrong, Leigh Jones, Leanne Reeves, Simon Dowsett, Amy Young, Naomi (Cuz) Pickford, Michael Shade, Ian Ludwick and Michael Coen.

Continuing with our mantra of providing a safe, fun & slightly competitive summer hockey environment for club members and players from other local clubs. The opportunity to have players of various skill level, age and gender play in a competition that is both welcoming, supportive and enjoyable. This has again provided a great cultural experience for those involved.

A special thanks to the "Young Ladies" – Deb, Amy & Sarah for helping with all the administration, drafting feedback and unwavering support to bring this competition to fruition.

There has been great excitement around the setup of this competition and the level of support still continues to surprise us. Plans are already in place for #NDHL6.

Regards

Stuart Young

Summer Commissioner

#NDHL

Hockey Operations Report:

The 2020 season was difficult for the club as we commenced training as usual in January before COVID resulted in the grounds being closed, and the start of the season was postponed for 3 months.

Unfortunately, after restarting training in June, we never quite returned to full training before the season was finally cancelled when the 2nd COVID restrictions were implemented from June to October.

The COVID shutdown also took a toll on HOC with Joe Hill (Men's PL Coach) & Matthew Trounce (HOC Committee Lead) resigning due to COVID impact of their businesses.

As a result, we have appointed Rob Zull & Heath Simpson (Co-Coaches) for 2021 Men's PL & re-appointed Tegan de Man (Coach) for 2021 Women's PL.

Team Results:

N/A

Team Management & Awards:

N/A

Senior Team Reports:

N/A

Masters Team Reports:

N/A

Junior Team Reports:

N/A

Greensborough Hockey Club Membership:

- Breakdown by Membership type:

Membership Type	Female	Male	2020	2019	2018	2017	2016
Life Member	6	18	24	21	21	21	21
Non-Playing				45	43	42	43
Masters				86	88	80	87
Seniors				126	132	129	164
NDHL – Seniors*				15	10	23	0
Juniors (U12-U16)				120	123	125	108
Juniors (U10)				98	103	90	44
Total	6	18	24	511	520	510	467

*Note: NDHL Seniors only counts players registered with other clubs

GREENSBOROUGH HOCKEY CLUB - STATISTICS:

LIFE MEMBERS:

No	Surname	Year	No	Surname	Year
1	Rick Purser*	1965	14	Michael McLean* (Snr)	2004
2	Arthur Stadius*	1967	15	Colin Riordan	2007
3	Jim Irvine	1969	16	Carol Brewster	2007
4	John Glover	tbc	17	Bob Aldersea	2009
5	Doug Stewart*	tbc	18	Henry de Man	2011
6	Jim Wilson	tbc	19	Lex de Man	2011
7	Don Ayres	tbc	20	Jean Bates (Purser)	2012
8	Bruce Smith	1989	21	Robert Kennedy	2015
9	Carlie Day	tbc	22	Helen Mirecki	2019
10	Murray Guy	tbc	23	Deb Purser	2019
11	Greg Purser	1998	24	Yvette Sherlock	2019
12	Ian Ludwick	tbc			
13	Paul de Man	tbc			

- Deceased

SENIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP REPRESENTATIVES:

OUTDOOR:

No	Name	Playing Years	No	Name	Playing Years
1	Rick Purser	1959-60	1	Lauren Austin	2002, 06

2	John Purser	1963	2	Emily Riordan	2003, 05, 12
3	John Glover	1967	3	Rachael Lynch*#	2004-05, 07, 09-19
4	Jim Irvine *#	1967-84	4	Tegan Riordan	2006-07
5	Adrian Lumb	1972-75	5	Stephanie Riordan	2009-13
6	Lance Scholes	1973-76	6	Hana Peake	2010-13, 15
7	Don Ayres	1974-78, 80	7	Lucy Ockenden	2010, 12, 14-15
8	John Creamer	1975-76	8	Kylie Myth	2011
9	Paul de Man	1978-85, 87	9	Alana Butler	2013
10	Greg Purser	1979	10	Alana McQueen	2014
11	Trevor Johnston	1980	11	Nicola Hammond	2016-19
12	Lachlan Vivian-Taylor *	1998-01, 03	12		
13	James Elmer	1999			
14	Michael Trounce	1999-01			
15	Jason Manos	1999-03			
16	Alex Snegov	2000, 02		AUSTRALIAN PLAYERS	
17	Andrew Monte	2002-09	1	211 - Jim Irvine #	1969-84
18	Daniel Mirecki *	2004-08, 10-14	2	324 - Lachlan Vivien Taylor	1998-01
No	Name	Playing Years	No	Name	Playing Years
19	Ian Smythe *	2004-10	3	363 - Ian Smyth	2007
20	Glenn Simpson *	2005-16	4	419 - Rachael Lynch #	2006-19
21	John Doyle	2006-07	5	374 - Glenn Simpson	2009-15
22	Malcolm Kemp *	2006-12	6	385 - Malcolm Kemp	2010
23	Josh Pollard *	2006-18	7	397 - Daniel Mirecki	2013
24	Heath Simpson	2009-14, 17	8	409 - Tim Cross	2015-16
25	Tyler Cowley	2011	9	TBC - Josh Pollard	2016-17
26	Sam Fraser	2011-12	10	415 - Casey Hammond	2016-17
27	Byron Walton	2012, 15-16			
28	Gordon Zull	2013-14		IRELAND	
29	Casey Hammond *	2013-17	1	Tim Cross	2019
30	Tim Cross *IE	2014-18			
31	Ashley Bingle	2017			

*Australian Senior Team, # Olympic Games, IE Ireland National Team

INDOOR:

No	Name	Years	No	Name	Years
1	Rowan Cumpston	1994	1	Emma Aldersea	1995-96
2	Matthew Trounce*	1995-01, 04, 06-07	2	Lauren Austin*	2005-06
3	Chris Grant	1997	3	Emily Riordan*	2001-13
4	Tony Lander	1997-98	4	Rachael Lynch	2007
5	David Tilker	1998-03	5	Tegan Riordan	2006
6	Peter Vivian Taylor	2004	6	Lauren Brook	2008-09
7	John Doyle	2004-06	7	Stephanie Riordan*	2008-10, 12-13
8	Matthew Pain	2005	8	Sarah Kutroli	2010
9	Matthew Pollard	2006	9	Hana Peake	2014
10	Ian Smythe	2008	10	Mel Houghton-Sims	2018-19
11	Jonathan Cross	2015			

*Australian Senior Team

PREMIERSHIPS (WINTER COMPETITION):

Year	Seniors	Masters	Juniors	Total
1959				-
1960				-

1961				-
1962	MA2		13N	2
1963			15A, 15N	2
1964			16N, 12A, 12N	3
1965			14N, 12N	2
1966	ME, MC		14A, 14N	4
1967			14A	1
1968	WE			1
1969			16A	1
1970	MD		16A, 12N	3
1971			16A	1
1972	MB, ME		12N	3
1973	MF			1
1974	MA1, WE, WD		G16N, M12A	5
1975				-
1976	MB1, MD4		M16P	3
1977	MG1		G16E, M12N	3
1978	MNWB, MNWD			2
1979	MSL1, MNWB, MNWC, WD, WE		M14N	6
1980	WEE, WDE, WDC			3
1981	MEA, MED, WCE, WEE		M16P, M10P	6
1982	WBE		M10N	2
1983	MNWB		M17A, G15S,	3
1984	WNE		M11E	2
1985				-
1986	MPA, WBN			2
1987	MPA, WBE			2
1988	WSL4, MPA			2
1989	WSL3		M17P	2
1990			M13P	1
1991				-
1992	MSL2			1
1993			M13A	1
Year	Seniors	Masters	Juniors	Total
1994	MSL2	V40A		2
1995			M15N, M13N, M11P	3
1996				-
1997	MSL2, W3N			2
1998	W4N			1
1999	MSL1, MPD, M2W, W5N		G15P, M11A, M11N	7
2000	MM3N, W4N	V40C, V40D	G17A, M15N, M11A	7
2001	W3S		G17A, G17N, M13A, M13N	5
2002	WSL2, MPB, MM2, MM3	V40A	G17A, G17N, M15A	8
2003	MPC, MM1, MM2, MM3, MM4, W3N	V40C	M17A, M17P, G17A, M15A	11
2004	MPA, MPD, MM2		M17A, M11A, M11P, M11N	7
2005	MM3, W4N		M17A, M17P, G15A, M13A, M13N	7
2006	MSL1, WSL1, MM2		M13A	4
2007	MSL1, MPB, MM1, MM2		M13A, M11A	6
2008	MPA, MPC, MM1, WM3, MM4		M15A,	6
2009	WSL1, MM3		M17N, M15P, G13A	5
2010	MM1	V50A, V40C	G17N, M17N	5
2011	WSL1	V40B	M17N	3
2012	MSL1, WSL1			2
2013	WPL1, MPC	V45C	M16P, G16P	5
2014	MPL1, WM3	M35B, W35B	G16P	5
2015	MPL1		M16P	2

2016	MPR	M50B, W35B		3
2017		M50B, W35B	G16P, M12	4
2018			M16P, G14P	2
2019				-
2020	N/A	N/A	N/A	-
Total				182

HOCKEY VICTORIA AWARDS:

Premier League 1 - Best & Fairest

Men - Fin McNab Medal	
2002	Lachlan Vivian-Taylor
2003	Andrew Monte
2004	Lachlan Vivian-Taylor
2011	Daniel Mirecki

Women - Don Vincent Medal	
2011	Emily Riordan

Premier League 1 – Goal Scoring

Men - Colin Batch Medal		Goals
2005-09	Andrew Monte	TBC
2010	Gordon Zull	40 *
2011	Gordon Zull	27
2012	Gordon Zull	44 *
2015	Gordon Zull	26

Women - Louise Dobson Medal		Goals
2009	Stephanie Riordan	TBC
2012	Stephanie Riordan	26

* HV Record