



2017 in Review

A BIG thank you to Nat Brown for all action photos in this book



Presidents Report

I am pleased to present this report for season 2017, and to reflect on a busy year that has been successful for our club in many ways.

ANNIVERSARY – This year marks the 80th anniversary of our great club. Arch Hardy officially started the City Hockey Club in 1937. Dorothy Anderson formed the Marians Hockey Club in 1971, and the 2 clubs combined as City Marians Hockey Club in 1982, and what a successful ‘marriage’ it’s been. The club has won many premierships across all divisions in mens, womens, and juniors, and we believe there are many more to come.

ON-FIELD SUCCESS – Obviously, our goal is to perform to the best of our ability and to aim for finals and, ultimately, premierships. Coupled with this is the desire to improve at all levels, and to help our juniors develop life skills such as teamwork and sportsmanship as well as hockey skills.

This year, we again competed in all divisions, and fielded the most number of teams (10) from clubs in our region, with a team in all the men’s divisions (3) and a team in all the women’s divisions (3), and we were the only club to have 2 under 16 teams and 2 under 13 teams. This puts us in a healthy position going forward, but there are obvious ‘down-sides’. In terms of senior sides, there is the issue of player movements up and down the grades to try and ensure that each side is competitive. In terms of junior sides, with 2 in each division, we try to even the sides to be fair to all players. This obviously makes it’s difficult to win as many games as those clubs that only have 1 strong team in each age group. That said, we can be confident in knowing that we would do very well if we just focused on 1 strong team, but it would lead to some juniors dropping out of the sport. What it does mean is that the club has a bright future with so many juniors developing their game under good coaching. We have already started a ‘think tank’ approach with a questionnaire to parents of our juniors, to determine the best approach for next year. Any input would be appreciated.

Congratulations to both our men’s and women’s division 2 teams for achieving the ultimate success of a Premiership, and to our women’s division 3, and our under 13 white team for playing off in the Grand Final, and to our men’s division 1, under 16 red and under 13 red for qualifying for the finals. Congratulations must also go to our Women’s Division 1 for making big improvements this year.

COACHES / TEAM MANAGERS – Thank you to those people who did the club proud in these roles, and worked hard to achieve the levels they did. Special thanks to the coaches of our junior teams. Your patience and encouragement is so vital in developing their skills and sportsmanship, as well as helping them to grow as young men and women of good standing.

PARENTS / FAMILY MEMBERS – We are so grateful for the background work and support of so many people, not only with being regularly ‘rugged up’ at the grounds, but also your work at home. It’s great to see so many family groups around the club.

ADMINISTRATION – We are so blessed to have such a hard-working committee of 16 men and women, who put in many hours behind the scenes. The club is very well served by Secretary Petrina Birtwistle and Treasurer Lisa Richardson and 2 very hard-working Vice Presidents Robert Cameron and Monique Grundy, as well as all other committee members.

FINANCES – With the hard work of many people in the club, we look like ending the season in a healthy financial position. A number of initiatives have significantly helped us to cover the increasing costs of ‘running’ the club, and have enabled us to keep the increase in player payments to a minimum.

a) Sponsors – We are so grateful to the following businesses that have agreed to help support us in providing the opportunities for sport participation, particularly with our juniors: Bolands Pharmacy, Print Domain, Jacko’s Cars R Us, Island Engineering Supplies and Jemrok Pty Ltd. Please support them in return. A new initiative this year was the ‘Player of the Round’ award, sponsored by Jemrok. An excellent new glossy promo brochure for sponsorship was produced this year, printed by Print Domain. Please feel free to ask for some of the brochures and give them to potential sponsors.

b) Socials – Thank you to Monique and her helpers in organising a number of great social events this year, such as ‘Night with the Stars under the Stars’, MKR & Bingo, Trivia, Vote Count. Thank you to everyone who supported these events. It’s a great ‘fun’ way to help with club costs, and also creates a good social atmosphere within the club.

c) Chocolates – Thank you to Louise Gates for organising this again, and for all those who managed to sell and/or eat their share (or more).

d) AFL Margin Tickets – Thank you to Fiona Barry for organising another new initiative this year, the AFL margin tickets, and thank you to those who supported it.

e) Bunnings – We were only allocated 1 Bunnings Sausage Sizzle spot this year but, thanks to Ricky Barrett and the team, it was very successful.

TROPHY / AWARD RECIPIENTS – Congratulations to all those people who are trophy or club award winners for this year. We are fortunate to have such quality people in the club.

STATE / NORTH WEST REPS – Congratulations to the following people for being selected in state teams this year: Madison Clark, Charlie Vandenberg, Jess Abey, Romani Kenworthy, Jemma Kenworthy, Linden McCarthy, Tracy Saward, David Kenworthy, Ronnie Cock, Shane James and Glen Cock. Well done to those who were selected to represent our region in the June long weekend carnival.

MILESTONES – One of the great things about our club is the loyalty of so many players being willing to commit to the club for a long time. This is shown by the fact that we have 44 players exceeding 300 games, 27 of them past 400, 16 past 500, 6 past 600, and 2 past 700. Amazing! We don’t have a particular award for combined games, but we recognise that Janine Gibson reached 1,000 combined games (field play and goalie) this year. Others to reach multiple 100’s were Brooke Grubb 300 and Fiona Jackson 200. Well done ladies.

COMMUNITY PROFILE – Once again this year we marched in club colours in the ANZAC Parade, and laid a wreath in honour of those who paid the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom. We also cooked a bbq lunch at the RSL. Thank you to those who represented the club in this way. We heard many favourable comments.

Finally, thank you to everyone who played for, or supported the club this year in any way, and thank you to those who were willing to umpire or match manage.

Graeme Goninon
President

Treasurers Report

Hello again from Treasury Land!

2017 has really flown by and I can't believe it's that time of the year already when our hard working secretary asks me to give you all a recap of the year –or as I like to call it 'The Financial Review'.

Firstly, huge thanks and appreciation to our generous and loyal sponsors. It was great to have so many back on board again this year including Island Engineering as a major sponsor and Jemrok who came on board and took on the Player of the Round sponsorship package which was a great new way of recognising some of our hard working and talented players. I really enjoyed seeing those posts on our Facebook and Instagram pages.

We have amazing sponsors please show your appreciation by supporting their businesses any way you can.

Please contact the committee if you or a business you know are interested in helping out in any way - we have several different packages available (and a lovely brochure – thanks to Print Domain!)

If you are eagle-eyed, you may have noticed a change in your invoices this year (and possibly been cyber stalked with emails from me). This is because we have transitioned to an online accounting system called Xero which has made a huge improvement in recovering debt, ensuring all players are invoiced correctly and providing more transparent accounting for our committee as the executive can access the software on their phones or wherever they are. We have really made a big jump forward and it's certainly made the treasurers life much easier! Thanks Petrina for all your help in getting this up and running and with set-up as well.

Fundraising is a vital aspect of any sporting clubs survival and helps keep costs down and provide us with much needed equipment etc. This year we had several functions including our very successful trivia night and vote count. In addition to this we had ongoing fundraising through the year with chocolate sales organised by Louise Gates (Thanks Lou) and a new venture from Fiona Barry who put in hours of hard work selling footy margin tickets. This has been great & I really appreciate their great ideas and their willingness to take on these roles. I'd also love to thank Mon for heading up the fundraising team and all those who helped to organise the events, raising not just extra dollars but providing great moments for members to get together to socialise and have fun off the hockey field.

Finally, I'd like to make special mention to the amazing people, parents and members who take match payments every week and keep track of who has paid and who hasn't. It's a huge, not very rewarding job and they are absolute legends who I couldn't be without, thanks to Fiona, Tamryn, Lou, Bob, Curtis, Brooke, Rob and especially Dougie who does ALL the womens teams for me – you' re the best!

If you are keen, please join us on the committee in 2018 - we are always looking for more members!

That's all from Captain Moneybags,

See you in 2018!

2017 Premiership

Division 2 men defeated Burnie Baptist 3-2



(Back Left) Rodney Evans, Ricky Barrett, Jansen Grubb, Jamie Vandenberg, Iain Cameron, David Kenworthy, Max Grandfield, Kurtis Armstrong, Ron Cock (Bottom Left) David Townsend, Jarrod Boys, Robert Cameron, Cameron Barry, Lawson White, Drew Barrett, Joel Ollington, Jayden Luke-Philpott

Division 2 women defeated Burnie Baptist 3-2



(standing left to right) Janine Gibson, Fiona Jackson, Tracy Saward, Janaya Revell, Tailey Goninon, Hope Edwards, Clare de Haan, Brooke Grubb, Veronica Wish-Wilson, Lauren Bonney, Jess Abey, Amanda Long, Fenella Pinner, Mickayla Abey.
(Bottom Row) Halle Revell, Zayna Jackson, Lisa Richardson, Ashley Murphy (goalie)

Club Awards 2017

ROHAN SUMMERS MEMORIAL TROPHY

Rohan Summers was a member of our Division 1 men's team when he was tragically killed in a road accident in 1987 on hockey duty. Rohan contributed more to the game than many who had played for a long period. Conscientious and dedicated in all he attempted, whether coaching or playing, Rohan was a great clubman.

This award is given for recognition of an individuals 'guts and determination' as so often displayed by Rohan both on and off the field.

***The Rohan Summers
Memorial Award***

Lisa Richardson

***Donated by
The McCarthy Family***

ARCH HARDY AWARD

Arch Hardy is recognised as the founder of our Club that was formed in 1937. His contribution to hockey was tireless both on and off the field with 556 games for the club and more than 20 years in executive positions. Arch was regarded as one of the top three half line players in the country. To this day he is still regarded as being our best player and hardest worker in every facet of the game.

This award identifies with Arch and is presented as a junior club person award to an individual who leads by example and takes on extra roles making their presence felt around the club.

The Arch Hardy Award

NOT AWARDED THIS YEAR

***Donated by
The Club***

ELLIS LAMPREY SUPPORTERS AWARD

Dedicated to Ellis, this award illustrates as a club the importance of our off-field supporters as well as the players.

Ellis was involved with the club as a player in the 'City' days and returned when his boys joined C.M.H.C. in the early 1980's. His role in the club involved being a player, attending club meetings, representing the club, and Tasmania at state level (being the oldest player to represent state) and he donated a car to the club to assist with paying off McKenna Park debt. He was a mentor to players like David Guest who has since represented Australia, not to mention the many he has had a quiet word with regarding any aspect of their game.

To those who did not have the privilege of knowing Ellis, please ask someone who does, as they are bound to have a story to tell regarding Ellis and the 'red & white'.

His commitment to and love of the C.M.H.C leaves the recipient of this award to be commended on their support of our great club.

***The Ellis Lamprey Supporters
Award***

Michael Gates

***Donated by
The Lamprey Family***

MOLLY COCK AWARD

Molly was a great supporter of hockey and the City Marians Hockey Club, and was a patron at the time of her passing. She would brave all weather to watch not only her family, but all teams particularly the juniors, giving encouragement to all.

The Molly Cock Award

Fiona Jackson

***Donated by
Glen & Jill Cock***

Club Awards 2017

FAMILY AWARD

Awarded to a family seen as making a contribution either on or off the field.

Family Award

Grandfield Family

***Donated by
North West Mowers***

CLUB ACHIEVEMENT

This award is not presented lightly as it is recognition of a fantastic effort put in by someone, whether it is on or off the field. The award recognizes that the recipient has put more into the club than any other individual in that year.

Club Achievement

Monique Grundy

***Donated by
The Club***

MOST POTENTIAL

This award is recognition of outstanding talent. The recipient is a player that is seen as having the potential for a great future in the game.

Most Potential

Cameron Barry

***Donated by
The Club***

Top 20 Game Players

1	Janine Gibson (field)	680	Leon Goninon	716
2	Jacki McKeown	520	Glen Cock	710
3	Petrina Birtwistle (Goninon)	469	Craig McCarthy	671
4	Debbie Drake	403	Ron Cock	660
5	Trudi Redman	401	Ian Morrison	646
6	Karen Challis (Chatwin)	376	Rick Barrett	576
7	Amanda Long	366	Arch Hardy	556
8	Colleen Ingles	365	Wayne Garland	544
9	Therese Howard (Gibbons)	329	Tony Jago	530
10	Gibson Janine (g)	326	Michael Tolland	518
11	Amanda Long (g)	324	Rodney Evans	512
12	Brooke Grubb (Clarke)	301	David Bissett	511
13	Lisa Richardson (Bonney)	298	Ian Cox	510
14	Trudy French	292	Brett Rowsthorn	501
15	Helen Morse	289	Tony Lamprey	469
16	Stacey Groves	288	Brian Bissett	465
17	Rebecca Hawkins	275	Shane Lamprey (G)	457
18	Jenny Jackson	272	Simon Vandenberg	443
19	Louise Gates	271	David Kenworthy	433
20	Bernadette Jago	268	David Townsend	425

Milestone Games 2017



- 350** Robert Cameron | Iain Cameron | Amanda Long (F)
- 300** Brooke Grubb
- 200** Shayne Sayer | Fiona Jackson
- 150** William Gates | Ray Howe | Hope Edwards**
- 100** David Townsend (G) | Lillian Gates | Therese Howard (G)

**This game was actually played in 2016 but was missed from last years book – sorry Hope 😊

The Committee

President	Graeme Goninon
Vice President	Robert Cameron
Secretary	Petrina Birtwistle
Treasurer	Lisa Richardson
Junior VP	Monique Grundy
Patrons	Shirley Kenworthy Graeme Goninon
Committee	Craig McCarthy Balt Vandenberg Janine Gibson Louise Gates Amanda Long Ricky Barrett Fiona Barry Lachlan Barry Tracy Saward Therese Howard Hope Edwards

The Coaching Team

Div 1 men	Coach – Jason Birtwistle Bench Coach -Ricky Clark Captain – Liam Grundy
Div 1 women	Coach – Craig McCarthy Captain – Monique Grundy
Div 2 men	Manager – Iain Cameron
Div 2 women	Coach – Ricky Barrett
Div 3 men	Coach – Ray Howe
Div 3 women	Coach – Tracy Saward
Under 16 - Red	Coach – Hope Edwards
Under 16 – White	Coach - Rodney Evans & Kerry Davies
Under 13 Red	Coach – Ashley Murphy & Luke Sayer
Under 13 White	Coach – Fiona Jackson & Lisa Richardson

2017 State Representatives

Under 13 Girls	Madison Clark
Under 15 Girls	Charlotte Vandenberg
Under 16 Girls	Charlotte Vandenberg, Jess Abey (train on)
Under 18 Women	Romani Kenworthy
Under 21 Men	Linden McCarthy
Under 21 Women	Jemma Kenworthy, Romani Kenworthy
AHL Men	Linden McCarthy
AHL Women	Jemma Kenworthy
State Masters	Dave Kenworthy, Ronnie Cock, Glen Cock, Tracy Saward, Shane James

2017 Association Best & Fairest

Div 2 women	Lauren Bonney – Runner Up
Under 13	Madison Clark – winner, Zayna Jackson – Runner Up
Under 16	Cameron Barry – Runner Up

Umpiring Achievements

Kris Chandra	Burnie Districts recognition
Ricky Barrett	Burnie Districts recognition

Player Awards

DIVISION 1 MEN

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Rhys Burgess
Craig McCarthy
David Townsend

Donated by Jemrok
Donated by C & H McCarthy
Donated by Club

GNL WOMEN

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Romani Kenworthy
Monique Grundy
Lillian Gates

Donated by Quanex
Donated by G & J Cock
Donated by Janine Gibson

DIVISION 2 MEN

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Iain Cameron
Jamie Vandenberg
Jansen Grubb

Donated by Cars R Us
Donated by G & E Goninon
Donated by Club

DIVISION 2 WOMEN

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Fiona Jackson
Lauren Bonney
Jess Abey

Donated by BRM
Donated by G & J Cock
Donated by Janine Gibson

DIVISION 3 MEN

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Shannon Rieder
Ray Howe
Zac Rieder

Donated by Jemrok
Donated by Print Domain
Donated by Club

DIVISION 3 WOMEN

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Belinda Walters
Zoe Becker
Katrina Grandfield

Donated by G & J Cock
Donated by Island Engineering
Donated by Club

UNDER 16 RED

Best & Fairest

Runner up

Most Improved

Coaches Award

Cameron Barry
Halle Revell
Yasmin Beattie
Jaiden Luke-Philpott

Donated by Bolands Pharmacy

Donated by Allison Lamprey

UNDER 16 WHITE

Best & Fairest

Runner up

Most Improved

Coaches Award

Isaac Gates
Madison Clark
Mitchell Hill
Max Grandfield

Donated by G & J Cock

Donated by G & E Goninon

UNDER 13 RED

Best & Fairest

Runner up

Most Improved

Coaches Award

Madison Clark
Sam Grandfield
Mackinley Luke-Philpott
Finlee Sayer

Donated by Quanex

Donated by G & J Cock

UNDER 13 WHITE

Best & Fairest

Runner Up

Most Improved

Coaches Award

Zayna Jackson
Mitch Hill
Avalon Brunetti
Ruby Richardson

Donated by G & J Cock

Donated by Island Engineering

Coaches Reports

Division 2 Men

Congratulations to the Div 2 men on winning another premiership, making it now 3 in a row. In typical Div 2 fashion the season started off slow, struggling to get the numbers together early in the roster. But in true city fashion with G&D lead by the juniors of the team we managed to get some solid results. As the season went on and we got a good mix of experience and with the addition of the juniors the team started to gel really well. With some good comradery, relationships were created, and with some consistent numbers on the ground we started to play some really good hockey. This resulted in taking some good form into the finals even if we did take a bit of extra time. I would like to thank each and every player from the team for your commitment for the year. Also to the club and everyone else that helps make it work on a weekly basis. Hope to see you all in 2018!!!

Go the Bloods

Camo

Division 3 Men

Div 3 Men Report

Well another season draws to a close even quicker than the last.

With much the same core team as last year, this year was pretty quickly shown to be a great year of opportunities to grow as a team and as individuals. Throughout the year we gave a number of challenges to players by throwing them out of their comfort zones and into new positions and were amazed by the growth and versatility by a number of the players.

The ranks were bolstered a bit by the return to our great sport by a few guys who had played many seasons before but not yet for our great club and of course we welcomed the relief and chance at a bench with open arms.

As the season ends I can sit back and look back at the season gone and certainly say that I saw a lot of improvement from the players this year not just as individuals but, most importantly as a team.

Wednesday night warriors signing off.

Curtis Goninon

Under 16 White

The white team had another great year of growth, with improvement on all levels with our captain Harriet and V/C Jess showing great leadership. It was pleasing to see the development of Tom, Jordan, Logan and Lily; some of the games they put in were top class. With our main engine group of Harriet, Jess, Max, Joel, Maddie and lead striker Issac, all showing their versatility with a run through centre half at some stage of the year, all on the forward line and most at full back to suit the game plan we required on the day. We then have our mosquito fleet of 2017 from the u/13's with Sam, Mitch and the other fill in throughout the year showing the potential coming up through our ranks. Last and by far not least, Max in goals who week after week gave 110% and kept us in the game.

Once again, it was pleasing to see high attendance at training, it makes it all worthwhile for head coach Kerry "Pidge", Hope and Rod "Evo" to put the time in when available.

GO WHITE

Pidge and Rod

Division 1 Men

Someone once told me the hardest thing to do in life is to start something and the 2nd hardest is not to quit.

This season in so many ways marked new beginnings with a new playing coach, new bench coach and leadership group. We made it back to the finals, finishing 4th after the home and away rounds only to be beaten in one of our poorer performances of the year.

Our year produced 9 wins 5 draws and only 4 losses throughout the regular season, of our 9 wins we belted out 7, 8 and 9 goals on multiple occasions and anyone who witnessed Rhys Burgess above the shoulder and across the body goal, Adam Lamprey's falling reverse stick from the base line goal or Matt Cameron's reverse flick over the keeper goal, would have agreed at times we looked first class.

There were two moments that defined our season, two victories where the group showed it had grown and the players were believing in and understanding being process driven.

They were our 'back's to the wall' 4-1 win over Devonport in Devonport that kept our season alive and our 2-0 victory over then top of the table, Queechy Penguins in Burnie that would seal a final birth. Both victories allowed us to unleash our Sydney/City Swans/Marians theme song that rattled the club room walls.

Everyone who represented our Div 1 Team needs to be recognised as at one stage or another throughout the year every single person played a role that enabled us to earn a finals spot.

Our team was Jason Birtwistle – Coach, Liam Grundy – Captain, David Townsend – GK, Craig McCarthy - R/Up B & F, Simon Vandenberg, William Gates, Rhys Burgess - Best and Fairest Winner, Tobin Mason, Kyle Wescombe, Adam Lamprey, Lawson White, Matthew Cameron, Lachlan Barry, Cameron Barry, Drew Barrett, Thomas Bax, Ricky Clark - Bench Coach

We also had Cameo appearances from the following players this year: Allan Bell, Michael Symonds, Linden McCarthy, Jono Hawkins, Vaughan Bowen and David Kenworthy.

Special thank you to Jason Birtwistle for Coaching. His commitment to the club was second to none, the planning that goes into his role along with the extra time the leadership group spent ensuring that the club is heading in the right direction can't be underestimated.

Throughout the season I witnessed a group of players of various ages and developmental stages bond together and at times do some amazing things, the emergence of some of the younger players and the reinvention of some older players, certainly points the club in the right direction.

Like all successful clubs and cultures, the ultimate triumph we seek must be preceded by years of hard work.

The journey has started, where it goes is up to you.

Ricky Clark

Division 1 Men

I would like to thank all the guys involved in the team it has been great working with you all.

I would also like to give a big thank you to Ricky for his work and commitment to our team this year, it has been first class, not only getting to training but always on the phone or meeting up to go over ideas.

Ricky bench coached our team. He is currently an Athletics Coach, Coaching at an elite level, he brings another perspective to our groups development, his honest feedback and willingness to share ideas benefitted our group.

Cheers

Jason Birtwistle (Birty)



Under 13 White

We started the 2017 season again with high numbers and keen and enthusiastic children, which is always a promising sign. The kids were eager to learn new skills and we had lots of new first year players joining the club.

We divided the kids into two teams, with an even combination of inexperienced and experienced, young and older players.

It has been a wonderful experience to watch everyone's progress throughout the year with improvements in their skills and confidence with their game and with each other. By the end of the season they showed us beautiful passages of play and passing, and really came together as a team.

We were lucky enough to make the Grand Final this year and in this game every player contributed and tried their very best to win. This was easily the best game we played all year and came right down to the wire, going into extra time and then to strokes. While we were not victorious on the night, as coaches we have never been prouder of how the kids all played and how they supported each other and we could not have asked any more of them. The crowd and all the parents were on the edge of their seats - it was certainly a fantastic game to watch.

We are so impressed with the efforts the players have put in throughout the season and would love to see everyone back next year. All the best to Mitch Hills and Zayna Jackson as they move up to the U16's.

Thank you to all the parents. They do a great job, some by helping with match managing and collecting money for us, even just getting their children to the games and training, (in all types of winter Tassie weather can be a big challenge at times and we really appreciate your commitment to the kids and their hockey). If you would like to help with match managing next year we would love to show you how!

A big thank you to Luke, Ash and Putty for all their help at training and on game day. We would also like to thank Jason and the Div 1 men who came out on the turf with the juniors to give some tips and advice. Our young players had a wonderful time, especially when they had a chance to learn some new skills – thanks boys!

Thanks also go to our junior players who stepped up to umpire on Friday nights and help out with umpiring Minkey on Saturday mornings, you all did a great job.

Cheers and bring on 2018!

Fiona and Lisa



Under 13 Red

City red had a slow start to the season, but as we learned to work together everyone improved tremendously. All of our hard work paid off in the end, with a well fought win against South Burnie in the semi-finals. It was amazing to see how the senior players supported the new and junior players who will now take their place next year as they move up to the next age level. Good luck to Fin, Maddie and Jess who are all moving up to U16 next year. I would like to congratulate all of the players who represented the North West at June long weekend, well done Maddie on your state selection and good luck with the upcoming competition. I hope to see all of you back again in 2018 for another amazing season, I have loved coaching all of you.

Thanks Luke for all of your assistance with coaching the under 13's. Thanks Fiona and Lisa for all of the guidance and support with trainings and games. Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to umpire, match manage, organise teams and the playing roster. Lastly, I'd like to thank the parents and family members for coming out in the cold to be there for trainings and games.

Have a happy and safe summer.

Ashley



Division 1 Women

From 3 points in 2016 to 25 points and 5th place on the ladder, what a year we have had in the GNL women's team. The GNL squad were eager and ready to continue to improve on our efforts from last season, starting preseason in November with a walking group and touch footy with the GNL men, both providing great ways to stay in touch with one another and to keep fit over the break. Our preseason running started in January with a combination of running and hitting on the grass (not as easy as it looks – 'those poor old people') at McKenna Park and also at a new location, Cooee Primary school, where we went back to the playground and tested our Ninja Warrior skills on the equipment.

We were determined to continue to improve and grow as a team and this was evident in the high numbers at preseason and the dedication each member in the squad showed on a weekly basis, which was again reflected at the turf trainings and running sessions during the season as well.

We were extremely excited to be 'importing' some new and returning players for the year, welcoming Sam Trevathern and Inti Callaghan to the club and welcoming back Jemma and Romani Kenworthy and Brooke Grubb as well.

Once again we had a range of players and abilities take the field for us this year and with the FI rule being non-existent for u16 players it meant that we had more flexibility in our squad for those eligible players to play more of both divisions this year.

Our leadership group this year, consisted of myself, Therese 'Twink' Howard, Jemma Kenworthy and Petrina Birtwistle. At the beginning of the season the leadership group sat down with Coach Putty to create achievable, measurable and timely goals for the season, after concluding 2016 with an excited and motivated group, keen to further develop and learn together in this season.

Once again our junior girls in Charlotte Vandenberg, Zayna Jackson, Madison Clark, Inti Callaghan, Sophie Johnstone and Jess Abey all continued to step up this year in a variety of key roles and in either their first or second year of GNL, showing maturity, composure and flexibility on the field.

Some players were asked to step out of their comfort zones and play in a variety of new positions again this year. Sam Trevathern showed a calm head as our central defender, down the back with our goalie star AJ Long. Lillian Gates played a variety of key roles, both defensively and attacking. Isabel Di Tomasso, Sophie Johnstone and Inti Callaghan all took on a key defending role at half back this year. We were fortunate enough to 'borrow' Fiona Jackson from time to time and we thank her for her efforts and willingness to fill-in when we had players away throughout the year. Our mid-field was stronger than ever with the return of both the Kenworthy girls, Jemma and Romani. Both bringing not only their skills but also good hockey brains that helped with conversation and positional support on and off the field.

Twink Howard and Petrina Birtwistle linked well with the midfield and were a force to be reckoned with up front, each scoring and setting up goals. Their trusty sidekick might have helped once or twice, too.

One of our major highlights for the year was our come from behind win over West Devonport. This game really showed that when we were totally focused and everyone was working together, we could beat any team. This game is still an ongoing reminder of the potential within the team and how important mindset and self-belief is, and how important it will be to continue to bring that same belief into 2018.

Congratulations to Romani Kenworthy on being awarded Best and Fairest for GNL this year, well deserved.

Thank you to Nat Brown for her involvement this year. A big thank you to Janine Gibson for all of her hard work on and off the field as team manager. Finally thank you to our coach Craig 'Putt' McCarthy for continuing to be patient with us and putting in the time and effort this season. There is no way that we would be anywhere near where we are now if it wasn't for your dedication to this team and your 'big picture' thinking.

Looking forward to 2018!

Monique Grundy



Division 2 Women

What a great season! North West Division 2 Premiers, after 10 years. Well done ladies, put those Bridesmaid's dresses away. The season started off well, winning our first 3 games, but with injuries and unavailable players we struggled to put a full team on the field. However, pinching players from Div 3 helped us out immensely. After taking out a double win in Devonport against all odds, we started to believe in ourselves. With the inclusion of Halle & Janaya Revell, we started to have a full team again, going from strength to strength. Our greatest attributes were our determination, passion, and fight when the chips were down to play as a team. This led us to our Grand Final win, and to see this build throughout the season was very pleasing from a coach's perspective.

We finished the season Minor Premiers, which gave us a home Semi-final against Devonport which we won 1-0 and we progressed through to a home Grand Final. The Grand Final against Burnie Baptist definitely didn't go all our own way with the score locked at 1-1 at full time and at the end of golden goal extra time the score hadn't changed. It was then on to one on one's, which we won 3 goals to 2. It wasn't until Baptist started congratulating us that it sunk in that we had won.

I would like to congratulate Fiona Jackson on being our Best and Fairest and Lauren Bonney runner-up in both Club and Association. I would like to thank Dougie for her contribution on the sidelines and for the snakes to stop me from saying too much. I would also like to thank Monique and Putty for their help on the sidelines and filling in for me as coach when I had to work.

BUT, most of all I want to thank the team, it hasn't all been plain sailing with many tears, blood, evil eyes and the odd swear word or 3, but our focus stayed true. There is no greater pleasure than to receive a Premiership medal around your neck.

We have a great bunch of girls with a great mix of youth and experience with things looking bright for years to come. Thank you to everyone for a great year and enjoy your success, which is well deserved.

Cheers Jibba

Under 16 Red

This year I had the privilege of coaching the u16's Red team.

This year's team had a variety of experienced and new players. With new u16's players Kasey Marshall, Yasmin Beatie & Hamish Cameron. 2017 was the first year of 16's for these guys and they absolutely smashed it with the help of more experienced players in Jaiden Luke-Philpott, Bradley Bugg, Aiden Denny & young guns Janaya Revell & Zayna Jackson.

This year we had a bit of a rocky start to our season with it taking a few games to get up on our feet. But when the team finally stood up and played as a team we came out and got up and over some of the more experienced teams. We had some great games together and all of these kids should be proud of their efforts.

This year we had a leadership group that consisted of Cameron Barry, Colby Chilcott, Halle Revell & Tailey Goninon. These core players all stepped up and lead the team in many different ways whether it be helping the new players on the field or at training or helping me sort out what on earth I was doing.

This year City Red did an amazing job and finished 4th on the ladder but unfortunately, we got knocked out of the finals series in the first final.

I am super proud of all these kids and what they brought to the games this year and I am extremely excited to see where these kids go in their hockey future.

Hope Edwards



Division 3 Women

Another year gone and another year we have been pipped at the post!

We started the year with numbers and then by the 2nd or 3rd week were struggling for numbers due to injuries in all divisions. After injuries settled our numbers were good and then by the end of the year we were overflowing, (which is a good thing on one hand but tricky for the coach with subbing in finals).

Here's hoping we can get a few more numbers so we can have two Div 3 teams next year, bring your friends, bring your family, and bring strangers! We had a small dedicated group of girls who trained just about each week and it was nice to see their enthusiasm.

Twink had another great year and had a couple of games rest when Hope stepped in. Janine, Bec, Hope, Shayne, Louise and Clare mostly made up our defence and were solid all year. Ellie, Rachel, Belinda, Nadine, Zoe, Jeanette, Ash and Katrina made up our forwards although, some played half backs at various times and all had a great year. Tailey also played a few games with us and we thank her for helping. Jeanette made a quick comeback, only missing one game, after copping a ball to the head, being carted off in the ambulance and 6 stitches. Great courage from Jeanette.

The girls won a nail biter to go straight to the Grand Final....apparently a first for Div 3, usually having to travel the harder route of the preliminary final, but this year we gave Brooklyn something to think about. Trailing 2-1 with 38 seconds to go and the ball at the half line, the bench was thinking about packing up, then (and I'm not 100% sure what happened) but a goal went in for us and we looked back at the clock and it ticked over from 1 second to zero. The girls then slugged it out in 15 mins of extra time. Then to one on ones and our first three girls scored and Twink, being in her element, "I wish the whole game was like this" stopped their first three. So awesome.

Unfortunately, although we played a good game and fought a strong fight, Brooklyn were too good in the Grand Final match up, winning 3-0.

Congratulations to Belinda who won Best and Fairest after a return to hockey after a number of years. Congratulations also to Zoe for runner up, another consistent year.

Just as much congratulations to all the girls who played each week and put in 110% effort. Believe me, I know the effort you put in and I am very proud of each and every one of you. Thanks to all of you for being team players, thank you for supporting me, thank you for playing positions you weren't familiar with, basically thank you for a thoroughly enjoyable year.

Thanks to Deb Drake who helped with coaching during the finals. Also to Deb Drake and Fiona Jackson who coached when I couldn't attend game day. Much appreciated.

Finally, I always save a special thanks to Janine who put us out there every week and does so much work behind the scenes.

Here's to 2018!

Tracy Seward

Senior Best & Fairest Votes - WOMEN

*Please note that single figure totals are not included in these results.
Votes were awarded by team members based on a 3 – 2 – 1 system*

DIV 1 WOMEN

Name	Total
Romani Kenworthy	190
Monique Grundy	147
Jemma Kenworthy	131
Lillian Gates	115
Petrina Birtwistle	87
Therese Howard	87
Sam Trevarthen	78
Charlotte Vandenberg	67
Madison Clark	52
Amanda Long	34
Isabel Di Tommaso	20
Zayna Jackson	20
Fiona Jackson	16
Jess Abey	10

DIV 2 WOMEN

Name	Total
Fiona Jackson	165
Lauren Bonney	162
Brooke Grubb	158
Zayna Jackson	149
Jessica Abey	123
Lisa Richardson	118
Ashley Murphy	77
Tracy Saward	33
Veronica Wish-Wilson	26
Sophie Johnstone	25
Janaya Revell	24
Halle Revell	19
Isabel Di Tommoso	18
Clare de Haan	17
Amanda Long	16
Tailey Goninon	16
Fenella Pinner	14
Inti Callaghan	12
Hope Edwards	11

DIV 3 WOMEN

Name	Total
Belinda Walters	279
Zoe Becker	178
Ashley Murphy	176
Nadine Abey	114
Katrina Grandfield	97
Shayne Sayer	95
Ellie Redman	87
Louise Gates	76
Therese Howard	64
Hope Edwards	57
Rachael Milhouse	51
Clare de Haan	34
Jeanette Cameron	32
Rebecca Seymour	23
Tailey Goninon	11
Janine Gibson	10

Senior Best & Fairest Votes - MEN

DIV 1 MEN

Name	Total
Rhys Burgess	201
Craig McCarthy	97
Liam Grundy	93
William Gates	93
David Townsend	89
Tobin Mason	80
Adam Lamprey	73
Jason Birtwistle	67
Lawson White	48
Simon Vandenberg	48
Matthew Cameron	45
Kyle Wescombe	22
Michael Symonds	21
Cameron Barry	16
Drew Barrett	16
Lachlan Barry	15
Vaughan Bowen	13

DIV 2 MEN

Name	Total
Iain Cameron	181
Jamie Vandenberg	118
Cameron Barry	87
Drew Barrett	84
Lawson White	77
David Townsend	74
David Kenworthy	58
Nicholas Reeves	51
Jarrold Boys	40
Joel Ollington	36
Jayden Luke-Philpott	32
Jansen Grubb	29
Lachlan Barry	28
Glen Cock	27
Simon Vandenberg	24
Max Grandfield	23
Adam Lamprey	19
Ricky Barrett	19
Matthew Cameron	15
Maurice Cock	13
Tobin Mason	13
Kurtis Armstrong	11
Robert Cameron	11

DIV 3 MEN

Name	Total
Shannon Rieder	133
Ray Howe	98
Luke Sayer	90
Shane James	88
Alex Rothwell	83
Zachery Rieder	73
Mike Rothwell	69
Jayden Goninon	45
Rodney Stubbs	44
Kris Chandra	40
Matthew Cameron	36
Curtis Goninon	33
Jamie Vandenberg	28
David Townsend	24
Adam Lamprey	19
Iain Cameron	17
Nicholas Reeves	16
Chris James	15