



**CITY MARIANS 2018
YEAR IN REVIEW**

2018 in Review

A BIG thank you to everyone who has contributed photos for this book.



Presidents Report

I am pleased to present this report for season 2018, and to reflect on a year that has been very busy, and quite successful for our club in many ways.

ON-FIELD – Fair to say that we always want to see success for our efforts, be it ultimate success, as in premierships, or at least, significant improvements in players and teams.

This year, we again competed in all divisions, and again fielded the most number of teams (11) from clubs in our region, with a team in all 3 men's divisions and a team in all 3 women's divisions (including 2 division 3 teams), 1 under 16 team and 3 under 13 teams.

A wonderful effort by our women saw them being minor premiers (i.e. finishing top of the ladder) in both division 1 and 2, and both our women's division 3 teams qualifying for the finals. Congratulations to our division 2 and 3 women for being crowned champions, and to our division 1 who put in a fantastic effort in the grand final, only to be denied in extra time.

We started the year with a high turnover of quality men's players which affected all grades and led to a lot of change across the teams. On the positive side, it meant that opportunities were opened up for some of our juniors, who improved considerably through the year. Our men's division 2 team, with some very promising juniors and some 'wise old heads', did the club proud when it really counted, and were again successful as premiers. Division 1 missed out on the finals by one spot, while division 3 struggled to field a competitive side at times.

In terms of our juniors, our under 16's, under 13 West and under 13 White all qualified for the finals, with under 13 Red missing out by just one spot.

COACHES / TEAM MANAGERS – Thank you to those people who 'put in the hard yards' 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 family groups around the club, and for the background work and support of so many people.

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 Therese Howard and Treasurer Lisa Richardson and 2 very hard-working Vice Presidents Robert Cameron and Monique Grundy, as well as all other committee members.

FINANCES – Thanks to the hard work of many people in the club, we are in a healthy financial position which enables us to keep any increase in player payments to a minimum.

a) Sponsors – We are so grateful to the following businesses that see value in supporting us: Bolands Pharmacy, Jacko's Cars R Us, TasValve, My Jewellers, Print Domain, MalTec Engineering, and Jemrok. Please support these businesses in return, as they provide opportunities for sport participation, particularly juniors.

b) Socials – Thank you to Monique and her helpers in organising social events this year, such as the Gala / Pizza Day with South Burnie, the Combined multi-club Function, the Trivia Night, and the 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) Bunnings – We were fortunate to run 2 Bunnings barbecues this year, including one at the Mothers' Day Family Night. They are great 'fun' times with very good financial returns.

TROPHY / AWARD RECIPIENTS – Congratulations to all those people who are trophy or club award winners for this year, including Zayna & Fiona Jackson as winner and runner-up in the division 2 women's association, and Sam Grandfield as joint runner-up in u/13 West.

STATE / NORTH WEST REPS – Congratulations to the following people for being selected in state teams this year: Madison Clark, Zayna Jackson, Charlie Vandenberg, Lilian Gates, Romani Kenworthy, Jemma Kenworthy. Great effort girls. Well done also to those who were selected to represent our region in the June long weekend carnival.

CLUB DRESS – This year was very busy in terms of club gear:

a) Goalie Gear – increases in the number of teams meant new gear required.

b) Playing Gear – we purchased new complete playing strips for our senior teams.

c) Hoodies / Beanies – don't they look good?

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 for patrons at the RSL. Thank you to those who represented the club in this way, particularly David Townsend for laying the wreath, and also for cooking the BBQ (with help from Jayden Goninon). The RSL President expressed their heartfelt appreciation in a letter to the club.

THE FUTURE – Where to from here, for hockey on the coast? There are a number of options / changes being considered at the moment.

a) Coaching – We are pleased to announce that Craig McCarthy will continue as head coach for women next year, whereas the men are forming a coaching panel. We will make some more coaching announcements after people have had a break from a busy year, and an opportunity to reflect.

b) Junior Academy – Craig McCarthy will be running this over summer, using it as a means of training people in playing / coaching / umpiring. It will most likely start on the Monday after the November long weekend. Craig will have more to say on that later.

c) Senior Hockey – Clubs have expressed some concern about the future of the GNL, and some suggestions have been 'floated' on how it can be strengthened, such as revert back to a NW competition. This may create some issues with pathways and development for emerging players. One possibility to remedy this is to have a NW combined team to play 'x' number of games against Southern Premier league teams. Discussions are ongoing.

Finally, thank you to everyone who played for, or supported the club in any way this year. The fantastic support, and the display of 'tent city' on grand final weekend would have to be the envy of all other clubs.

'GO THE BLOODS'

Graeme Goninon
President

Treasurers Report

A wise man once said "Show me the Money!" I have used these words as my mantra as treasurer this season and, with our members co-operation, prompt payments of accounts and the generous donations of our sponsors, the results are outstanding.

We have had an increase in members this year which is always a positive indication of a healthy club and I would love to see this trend continue into 2019. Our committee always works hard to fundraise and we have sold chocolates, held some fun events and undertaken several Bunnings BBQs this year which all help to bring in extra funds to buy equipment and help keep members costs as low as we can.

We have several new items of club clothing which have proved really popular and this year we introduced club uniforms for members to purchase outright and really got the Wally look happening for our players and supporters. Thanks very much to Monique for co-ordinating all the merch!

I would really like to extend my appreciation for our major sponsors, TasValve and Jemrok for their generous support as well as our other loyal sponsors who continue to come back on board with us each year, we really couldn't do it without you. Please support these local businesses whenever you can.

Finally, I'd like to invite any member or supporters to join our fantastic committee, it's rewarding and fun and we would love some fresh ideas, input and enthusiasm into our group.

See you in 2019!

Financially yours,
Lisa Richardson



2018 Premierships

Division 2 men defeated Burnie Baptist 3-2



from back left: Nicholas Reeve, Jamie Vandenberg, Max Grandfield, Michael Bates, Nick Richardson, Dave Kenworthy, Isaac Gates, Jaiden Luke, Curtis Armstrong

front row: Simon Vandenberg, Rick Barrett, David Townsend, Jansen Grubb, Iain Cameron (coach), Rob Cameron, Joel Ollington

fallen and can't get up: Luke Sayer

Division 2 women defeated West Devonport 3 -1



Back from left – Ash Murphy, Therese Howard, AJ Long, Jessica Abey, Gemma Rimmelzwaan, Fiona Jackson, Trudy French (coach), Tailey Goninon, Halle Revell, Clare de Haan

Front row – Isi di Tomasso, Tracy Saward, Hope Edwards, Deb Drake, Lisa Richardson, Zayna Jackson

Division 3 women defeated South Burnie 1 - 0



Back from left – AJ Long, Rach Blyth, Janine Gibson, Carol Bramich, Sam Trevarthen (coach), Tailey Goninon, Ellie Redman

Front row – Tracy Saward, Hope Edwards, Belinda Walters, Tayla Wigg, Katrina Grandfield, Veronica Whish-Wilson, Jeanette Cameron

Club Awards 2018

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***

Brooke Grubb

***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***

Zachary Rieder

***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

Tracy Saward

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

Club Awards 2018

FAMILY AWARD

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

Family Award

Jackson 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

Lisa Richardson

***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

Madison Clark

***Donated by
The Club***

Top 20 Game Players

1	Goninon Leon	716	Gibson Janine	700
2	Cock Glen	710	McKeown Jacki	522
3	McCarthy Craig	686	Birtwistle (Goninon) Petrina	489
4	Cock Ron	660	Drake Debra	417
5	Morrison Ian	646	Redman Trudi	401
6	Barrett Rick	585	Long Amanda (f)	388
7	Hardy Arch	556	Challis (Chatwin) Karen	376
8	Garland Wayne	544	Ingles Colleen	365
9	Jago Tony	530	Howard (Gibbons) Therese	353
10	Tolland Michael	518	Gibson Janine (G 95 -06)	326
11	Evans Rodney	515	Long Amanda (g)	324
12	Bissett David	511	Grubb (Clarke) Brooke	319
13	Cox Ian	510	Richardson (Bonney) Lisa	314
14	Rowsthorn Brett	501	French Trudy	292
15	Lamprey Tony	469	Morse Helen	289
16	Bissett Brian	465	Groves Stacey	288
17	Vandenberg Simon	460	Gates Louise	276
18	Lamprey Shane (G)	457	Hawkins Rebecca	276
19	Townsend David	448	Jackson Jenny	272
20	Kenworthy David	441	Jago Bernadette	268

Milestone Games 2018

- 700** Janine Gibson
- 450** Simon Vandenberg
- 400** Jason Birtwistle
- 350** Therese Howard
- 300** Lisa Richardson, Luke Sayer
- 250** Jeanette Cameron, Rachael Blyth, Clare de Haan
- 150** Lauren Bonney, Zoe Becker
- 100** Tobin Mason, Romani Kenworthy, Jemma Kenworthy, Kyle Wescombe
Katie Hardstaff, Kris Chandra, Ellie Redman

The Committee

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

The Coaching Team

Div 1 men	Coach – Jason Birtwistle Bench Coach -Ricky Clark Captain – David Townsend
Div 1 women	Coach – Craig McCarthy Captain – Monique Grundy
Div 2 men	Manager – Jansen Grubb
Div 2 women	Coach – Lisa Richardson
Div 3 men	Coach – Ray Howe
Div 3 women	Coach – Tracy Saward
Under 16	Coach – Rodney Evans, Lachlan Barry & Jemma Kenworthy
Under 13 Red	Coach – Lisa Richardson & Luke Sayer
Under 13 White	Coach – Hope Edwards
Under 13 West	Coach – Ashley Murphy

2018 State Representatives

Under 15 Girls	Madison Clark, Zayna Jackson
Under 16 Girls	Charlotte Vandenberg
Under 18 Women	Romani Kenworthy, Lillian Gates
Under 21 Men	Linden McCarthy
Under 21 Women	Jemma Kenworthy, Romani Kenworthy
AHL Men	Linden McCarthy

2018 Association Best & Fairest

Division 2 women	Zayna Jackson – winner, Fiona Jackson – Runner up
Under 13	Sam Grandfield – Runner up



Player Awards

DIVISION 1 MEN

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Matthew Cameron
Rhys Burgess

Donated by Tasvalve PTY LTD
Donated by C & H McCarthy
Donated by Club

GNL WOMEN

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Romani Kenworthy
Lillian Gates

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

DIVISION 2 MEN

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

David Townsend
Isaac Gates

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

DIVISION 2 WOMEN

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Zayna Jackson
Fiona Jackson

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

DIVISION 3 MEN

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Shannon Rieder
Ray Howe

Donated by Jemrok
Donated by Print Domain
Donated by Club

DIVISION 3 WOMEN WALLYS

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Zoe Becker
Cassandra Crawford

Donated by G & J Cock
Donated by Club
Donated by Club

DIVISION 3 WOMEN BLOODS

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Coaches Award

Belinda Walters
Zoe Becker

Donated by G & J Cock
Donated by Club
Donated by Club

UNDER 16

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Most Improved
Coaches Award

Zayna Jackson
Isaac Gates
Logan Evans
Jaiden Luke

Donated by Bolands Pharmacy
Donated by Allison Lamprey

UNDER 13 RED

Best & Fairest
Runner up
Most Improved
Coaches Award

Maitland Sayer
Lachlan O'Rourke
Sienna Dutton
Taig Birtwistle

Donated by Quanex
Donated by G & J Cock

UNDER 13 WHITE

Best & Fairest
Runner Up
Most Improved
Coaches Award

Joshua Hills/Cadel Barry
N/A
Cameron Jackson
Ryan Cock

Donated by My Jewellers
Donated by Club

UNDER 13 WEST

Best & Fairest
Runner Up
Most Improved
Coaches Award

Sam Grandfield
Daniel Hills/Hamish Cameron
Joel Cooper
Blake Wolstenholme

Donated by Maltec Engineering
Donated by Club



Coaches Reports

Division 1 Men

Season 2018 in Div. 1 men started with a loss of 4 quality players from our previous year's squad. This opened the gateway for some 'experienced' and 'not so experienced' players to join our group. Unfortunately, the group had lost motivation from the previous year but in saying this when it came to game day, the guys were up and about and played some good hockey. The development of the junior guys that came in and out of the group for the year was encouraging.

This year's team consisted of Captain, David Townsend, our GK come field player on a few occasions, including the last game of the year against Tamar where we played without a goalie! (We all learnt a lot from this game). Iain Cameron, who made a return to the side after a few years in the twos. William Gates, Craig McCarthy, Rhys Burgess, Matthew Cameron, Tobin Mason, Kyle Wescombe, Lachlan Barry, Cameron Barry, Drew Barrett (played half the season then went to the army), Adam Lamprey, Jason Birtwistle and Jamie Vandenberg, who started playing later in the season to help out with numbers but cemented a spot after playing some good hockey. We also had cameo appearances from Linden McCarthy, David Kenworthy and Simon Vandenberg.

Our juniors that played several games included, Max Grandfield, Joel Ollington, Jaiden Luke, Issac Gates and Mitchell Hills. These 5 guys were given specific roles when they played with us and they each played these roles very well. They were great at listening and always willing to learn. The club will have a bright future with these guys and the other younger ones moving their way up.

The team started to play some very good hockey later in the year, especially the last 2 games. It was pleasing to see that the guys had taken on board that we are a team, and when we work for each other we can do great things. I would love to encourage/beg/hope that all players going forward will work for each other (get to training) and work hard. If they can out train, work harder and work for each other, great results will happen.

I would like to thank Ricky Clark for his time, effort, words of wisdom and help again this year as bench coach you have done a great job thank you very much.

I would also like to thank the committee for their hard work and the spectators that followed us this year.

Cheers

Birty (Jason Birtwistle)

Division 2 Men

From the start of the season to the very end, it was a roller coaster ride all the way.

It was a great start to the season with a full deck of players, but with players in and out each week the team found it hard to settle players into positions. While we managed only 6 wins for the season, the improvement in our juniors meant our confidence was still high.

After finishing fourth at the end of the home and away season, it was now down to the finals specialists to lead the way. And lead the way they did! With our experienced bench coach Iain Cameron, rotation would prove to be a major factor in our finals campaign. It was a nail biting final series - with a great win in the preliminary final over Smithton. A goal after the siren off a penalty corner saw us make it through to the big dance.

A 3-2 win over Burnie Baptist in the Grand Final made it four premierships in a row - an awesome effort by every player and well deserved. Well done boys! A big thanks to the senior players that helped throughout the season with field positions and rotations, and also to our captain David Townsend for giving our junior players the confidence to take the game on. His efforts certainly paid off with the boys making their division 1 debuts.

Hope to see you all next season.

Jansen Grubb

Division 3 Men

The best word to describe City's Div 3 side this year, is *resilience*. The landscape of Div 3 continues to change, as it does each year, by the growing number of Div 1 calibre players present in opposition sides. It's a little known fact that the winner of Div 3 receives a really, really big golden cup. Needless to say, some clubs are very, very desperate to win it!

Meanwhile, City Marians continues to field a side of traditional Div 3 calibre. So, instead of your usual stacking story, let me illustrate with this tale:

In one game, battling against a very good Div 1, er-hum Div 3 side, City quickly found itself behind, to the tune of 10 nil down or thereabouts. Then, against the tide, City scores! Picture the City players crowding the scorer to celebrate, and pat a few backs to reward great running, excellent passing and all that development stuff with young players that makes a Coach proud. Alas, such a dent in the lead cannot be imbibed by our proud, now smarting opponents. With palpable desperation, they hurriedly retrieve the ball and restart from the centre whilst most City players are just beginning to break off from the celebratory huddle. The opposition need all of about five seconds to whisk the ball through a vacant City backline and around a lonely goalie to restore the original margin (oh, and celebrate this like the fate of the free world depends on a 10-goal buffer). I'm sure you get the picture. Big, golden cup.

Improvement, particularly in individual skills, is difficult to assess when the calibre of opponents continues to climb. But I think that our skills and team play did improve. This is where the word *resilience* comes in. So good to see a young player try again, tackle after tackle and game after game, despite the frequent skills mismatch and regular hidings of most weeks.

The nucleus of this year's side was Andrew Bates, Nathanyl Boeing, Kris Chandra, Curtis Goninon, Jayden Goninon, Ray Howe, Shannon Reider, Zac Reider, Alex Rothwell and Rod Stubbs, with veteran support where possible from Shane James and Mick Rothwell. Both of our individual awards are peer-voted. We have a deserved B&F in Shannon Reider. Shannon's turbo-charged hustle from fullback, or through the middle, forms the spine of our side.

Jayden Goninon earned the most-improved award through his willingness and adaptability to different on-field positions and roles. This was best illustrated in our final game of the year against Baptist, in which at quarter time, Jayden was sent to mind Baptist's best midfielder and shut him down. This had a huge impact in the game, for which his teammates voted Jayden the standout player!

Unlucky to miss an award this season was Alex Rothwell. Alex returned this year having shed weight and gained fitness. His reward was the ability to stay in the midfield all game long, and improved stability which allowed him to make more contests. Alex normally had the job each week on the opposition's best midfielder, and did it with aplomb, nagging away and winning his own ball frequently.

A grateful coach would also like to single out the following for special mention: Kris for carrying the umpiring load, Shannon for off-field administration, and Rod Stubbs for his on-field leadership and encouragement. Looking forward to battling them angry boys with you all again next year, fellows. Thank you!

Ray Howe

Under 16

We started the year as a team of champions and we ended as a champion team.

Anyone that watched our first few matches and then came to see the last few would think we had a lot of player changes but we played the same 14 all year. We jiggged and rejiggged our positions with even goalie Jaiden changing positions, and by the end of the year every team member was capable of playing 3 to 4 positions. Lead by captain Jess and our senior juniors Zayna, Isaac, Mattie, Max and Joel we blended into a formidable group. Logan and Steph on the back line, Mitch and Tom on the forward line and Yas, Kasey, Aiden on the halves and of course No1 goalie Jaiden, we showed our champion team could match it with the best.

The growth of the players and the skills Lockie and Jemma have taught them throughout the year was phenomenal, as was the teams training ethic with very few players missing any sessions. The teams willingness to listen to instruction has made it a pleasure to be a part of again.

Many thanks to Lockie, Jemma, Mrs Gates and everyone else that has helped out again this year.

Cheers

Rod (EVO)

Under 13

What an exciting year for the U13 competition. With some huge changes to the structure early in the season, the competition moved to two divisions and now included a team from Smithton as well as Devonport and West Devonport.

Our numbers were amazing! We had almost forty juniors registered which gave us more than enough for three teams, one in the West (Div 1) competition and two in the East (Div 2) competition.

The new structure has been fantastic in enabling our beginner and less experienced young players the opportunity to still play in key positions with lots of time on the ground and feeling the confidence to get in and have a go. It has been one of the most rewarding experiences this year to see their development from the start of the season to the end and see all their hard work and training paying off and their skills improving.

Our more experienced players and those moving up to U16 next year have had a great challenge, learning to hone their skills and work together as a team, they have seen what it takes to play at a higher level. We need to - as a club - nurture these juniors and encourage them to stick with it so we can watch them progress to senior level with the club.

Although not successful in finals, our three teams: red, white and yellow have definitely shown us as coaches that hockey is about more than success on the field. It's about fun and friendship and always trying your best. As a club we should be so proud of the way our juniors conducted themselves on the field and off, their sense of team play and sportsmanship was an example to us all and we can't wait to see how they progress with their hockey.

Another exciting program is being offered over the summer months, with Putty offering to co-ordinate some "Summer Skills Sessions" to continue our junior development – we hope to see many of our young players taking up the opportunity and welcome any senior players to give up their time to come and impart their knowledge and experience to these amazing young kids.

I'd love to thank the parents of our juniors in particular for their patience and enthusiasm to help with money collection, travelling, training and their ability to keep smiling in the freezing, wet Tassie winter while watching their kids out there on the turf. You made our job so much easier!

Thanks to Clare and Brooke who assisted in training and umpiring and the brave parents who offered to learn match managing. And thanks to our coaches, Luke Sayer, Ash Murphy, Cammo and Hope for all the hard work they put in.

We look forward to 2019.

Lisa Richardson & Fiona Jackson

Division 2 Women

Well, not a great start to the year for the twos. With no coach and a big squad, things were pretty hectic early.

Luckily most of the team have played together since Moses played full back for Jerusalem and were happy to help make the big decisions. Also of course, we had manager extraordinaire Dougie to make sure all the admin was done and we had balls and lollies so we quickly settled into the season.

Thanks go to our gallery of guest star bench coaches: Chook, Twink and even Grant (who may never be the same again). Then to finish off the year former coach Trudy French returning from retirement for the grand final to coach us to victory.

Our team has a good mix of youth and experience. Or – as Dougie puts it- speed and patience (which is a nice way of saying most of us are old and can't run fast anymore!) Thank goodness for Jess and Zayna and Twink who moved so fast sometimes even the umpires couldn't keep up!

With our big squad we had a lot of girls rotate back into the threes to help out Tracy with her two teams which also gave them more time on the turf which was great.

We finished minor premiers with a great defensive structure. Only allowing 14 goals in all season. Winning the semi against Baptist we went straight into the final. Surprisingly we were to meet West Devonport who had an excellent finish to their season coming from the bottom of the ladder to get through.

And then we won, because we won, because we won, because we won! Back to back premierships and it feels very good to finally shake the 'bridesmaid' tag!

Cheers

Lisa, Fiona and Trace

Position Vacant: Div Two Womens Coach for 2019. Anyone???

Division 1 Women

Our season began well before April 2018, starting an intense pre-season program in October 2017 twice a week. It was great to see so many of the girls' eager to get fit and ready for the 2018 season.

We had a fantastic home and away season, finishing the season with 13 wins, 4 draws and only 1 loss, ending the season on top of the ladder as Minor Premiers and securing ourselves a home Semi Final. Like any year, there were changes from the previous season. We were lucky to have some new players join the side, score an import (for a few games), we had some of the more experienced players in new positions and our juniors continued to mature, stepping up and being flexible in a range of roles as well. It was impressive to see the girls embrace the changes when they were thrown into different positions and asked to adapt for the best of the team.

Congratulations to Romani Kenworthy on being award Best and Fairest and Lillian Gates on Runner Up, both well deserved.

Congratulations to Jemma Kenworthy, Romani Kenworthy, Lillian Gates, Charlotte Vandenberg, Madison Clark and Zayna Jackson, who were selected to compete for Tasmania in their respective teams this year.

We entered our finals campaign excited and determined to show our opposition and the rest of the GNL competition that we were ready to put the last three years of hard work into action. The Semi Final didn't disappoint and was a super competitive match. A quiet first quarter lead to us being 0-2 down, but after some inspirational one syllable words from our coach we went back out with the right mindset to make some changes happen. We drew the game up in the last quarter to make it 2-2 and headed off the field ready for a penalty shootout. Well done to our super goal keeper Ash and the five girls involved in the penalties that got the job done and got us through to the Grand Final. It was amazing to see the support and encouragement shown to all the girls during the shootout.

Despite the way our Grand Final unfolded, I feel it's important to convey to all the girls in our team just how proud I am of our achievements and effort this year. It is a credit to each and every one of you for the commitment, drive and focus you displayed from October 2017 all the way to the last game in September. From a leadership point of view, it is extremely hard to motivate and to 'get' people to want to be completely committed and give the extra that is needed for teams to be successful. It was extremely pleasing and made our job a whole lot easier with everyone being on the same page, working for the same goal. It is also a credit to your character for the way our team gelled together on and off the field, despite a range of ages and interests; you made an effort to be more than just teammates and it was such a positive environment to be in.

A huge thank you to our coach Craig McCarthy for all of the effort he has put in with the team again this year. I'm sure at times it isn't an easy job coaching us but thank you for always having high expectations of everyone, including yourself and for your consistency and dedication every week.

A big thank you also to Janine for your efforts managing us again this year.

Hold on to all of the positives that came from this year together, think about where we started and please hold your heads high because we are a champion team.

Monique Grundy

Captain



Division 3 Women

A great year has been had in 2018 for Div 3. We had really good numbers for Div 3 - not enough at first for 2 teams but with some work we got together 12 a side and I was confident we would be able to sustain two teams given the overall positive numbers for the women's sides. The teams were chosen to be as close as possible to even. The most difficult games to coach were when the teams played each other - those games were always played with lots of fun and as frenemies.

Special thanks to those who have helped me coach this year, it is really appreciated:

Colleen Ingles, Debra Drake, Fiona Jackson, Luke Sayer, Nadine Abey, Zoe Becker, Sophie Edwards
Louise Gates & Sam Trevarthan

After careful consideration (and some pizza) the girls came up with team names: Wallys and Bloods

Wallys

Wallys had a slow start to the year and welcomed returning players, goalie Twink, Bec, Shayne, Katie, Louie (for half a year then she went to cycle [what??], Rach M, Nadine (for half a year and then out due to injury) and Zoe.

New players to the team were Kasey and Fin - as the resident juniors and what fantastic years they both had.

New players to the club were Cassie (coming back to hockey after a long break), Sophie (until she announced her pregnancy - everyone is so excited for the first Wallys baby), Cherinda (brand new to hockey) and Melanie (also brand new to hockey).

At about the halfway point Wallys were boosted by Mikayla and Fen from Div 2 - with perfect timing after losing Nadine, Louie & Sophie.

Coach made a few appearances when the team was short and we had a fly in player Bec Hawkins for a game.

Wallys were last on the ladder with one game to go and had to beat Brooklyn to push out Penguin and after a tremendous game they came away winners. Unfortunately this meant that Wallys and Bloods had to play it out in the first final and Wallys, despite a great game, were not able to win BUT next year it is on!!

Bloods

Bloods year started well with a few more wins than Wallys. Bloods had first time goalie Hope and other returning players, AJ, Dougie, Katrina, Jeanette, Veronica, Belinda and Ellie.

Returning players to the team were Rach B and Paula.

New players to the club Carol (who had not played for many years) and Tayla (brand new to hockey).

Bloods were boosted with Tailey from Div 2 about halfway through the year.

Coach also made a few appearances when the team was short and Sam and Gemma made a guest appearance for a game.

Finishing third on the ladder, having to play Brooklyn in the second final, it seemed a pretty tough task, especially having three players out. It was one of the Bloods best games and they came away with a 3-1 win and into the grand final against South Burnie. The grand final was a close affair with only 1 goal scored, and luckily it was scored by Bloods and we were all were ecstatic with the win.

The win capped off a great year for all of Div 3.

Finally, I'd like to thank all the players. A coach can only coach with co-operation and support from the players and I thank you all for making my job a little easier with team changes, position changes, substitutions, umpiring and match managing. Not to mention all the fun, laughs and stories. What a great bunch of ladies, although they can be rowdy at times!

I love the way the players in the teams supported each other, there had to be swapsies between the teams during the year to make up numbers and, once Wallys were not in the finals, they came to training to help Bloods and also came and supported Bloods with enthusiasm (as did the whole club). It's great to see the teamwork in individual teams but also teamwork as a club.

Always a special thanks to Dougie for her help in keeping us running smoothly.

2019 aims

Wally and Bloods play off in grand final!

Separate coaches - apply now!

Cheers

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*

Division 1

Romani Kenworthy	247
Lillian Gates	139
Kira Johnson	135
Monique Grundy	130
Petrina Birtwistle	101
Brooke Grubb	92
Therese Howard	77
Zayna Jackson	76
Charlotte Vandenberg	66
Madison Clark	61
Jess Abey	36
Ashley Murphy	25
Jemma Kenworthy	21
Claire Williams	18
Samantha Trevarthen	14
Sophie Johnstone	13
Molly Haas	10

Division 2

Zayna Jackson	264
Fiona Jackson	143
Jessica Abey	141
Ashley Murphy	97
Deb Drake	83
Lisa Richardson	81
Therese Howard	75
Isabel Di Tommoso	53
Gemma Rimmelzwaan	37
Lauren Bonney	29
Tracy Saward	28
Amanda Long	23
Mickayla Abey	20
Halle Revell	16
Clare De Haan	16
Sophie Johnstone	12
Veronica Whish-Wilson	10

Division 3 Wallys

Zoe Becker	191
Cassandra Crawford	133
Shayne Sayer	132
Nadine Abey	69
Rebecca Seymour	64
Kasey Marshall	64
Cherinda Batchelor	62
Therese Howard	59
Fenella Pinner	54
Mickayla Abey	49
Melanie Batchelor	48
Katie Hardstaff	43
Louise Gates	40
Carol Sailiai	35
Rachel Millhouse	32
Rebecca Hawkins	20
Jacqui McKeown	18
Janine Gibson	16
Isabel Di Tommaso	14
Finlee Sayer	14
Hope Edwards	12
Jessica Abey	11

Division 3 Bloods

Belinda Waters	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 deHaan	34
Jeanette Cameron	32
Rebecca Seymour	23
Tailey Goninon	11
Janine Gibson	10

Senior Best & Fairest Votes - MEN

Division 1

Matthew Cameron	200
Rhys Burgess	160
Ian Cameron	96
Jason Birtwistle	79
David Townsend	70
Craig McCarthy	65
William Gates	63
Kyle Wescombe	63
Tobin Mason	60
Adam Lamprey	59
Linden McCarthy	29
Jamie Vandenberg	29
Jaiden Luke	14

Division 2

David Townsend	155
Isaac Gates	137
Jamie Vandenberg	113
Simon Vandenberg	104
Joel Ollington	98
Robert Cameron	66
Dean Stubbs	52
Luke Sayer	45
Jansen Grubb	44
Nicholas Reeves	44
Nicholas Richardson	43
Max Grandfield	36
Michael Bates	33
Jaiden Luke	31
David Kenworthy	29
Cameron Barry	20
Iain Cameron	12
Drew Barrett	10

Division 3

Shannon Rieder	173
Ray Howe	116
Alex Rothwell	107
Rodney Stubbs	67
Jayden Goninon	65
Shane James	57
Zachery Rieder	56
Curtis Goninon	51
Nathanyl Boeing	45
Chris James	33
Andrew Bates	27
Kris Chandra	20
Mike Rothwell	15
Hamish Sinclair	11