

# The Magpie



Fremantle Hockey Club Newsletter

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## AGM Shock

The crowd of club members assembled for the second part of the AGM were taken by surprise by the words of club auditor, former treasurer Jack Rickie, when he stated the accounts for last year were in such a state that the auditors, himself and Kevin Martin, could not sign off on them.

He was at pains to emphasise that it in no way indicated that there was any shortfall in the funds banked but that the paperwork did not match up to the funds banked; the latter actually exceeding the former. This was a direct result of the club not having a treasurer for most of last year. Our hard-working president, Stewart Robertson, was left with the superhuman task of performing both tasks. It was a signal lesson in the need for a club of this size to have a dedicated treasurer with no distractions.

The accounts were accepted with the members noting the absence of the auditors' signatures.

## Club Financial Year Changed

The AGM approved a change of constitution making the club's financial year equate to the calendar year, i.e. from Jan 1 to Dec 31.

## Ladies State League Report.

At the conclusion of 2004 the ladies' grades had mixed results. Metro 4s had taken back-to-back premierships the party team (Metro 3s) fell 1 drink short of the Grand Final and the top side finished bridesmaids for the 2nd year running while the State 6s, Metro 1s and Vets Div 1 had less glorious seasons.

A meeting of club powerbrokers in October, (a few of us got together for a drink), determined that we needed to do a bit better in order to move forward. With a squad that was so nearly there and a good junior base needing somewhere to ply their talents the powerbrokers, (nearly drunk by now), committed the club to an extra Ladies State League side and created a competitive development team. The task at hand now was to recruit some extra talent to help fill the teams and begin to establish a bond between the seniors and the juniors.

## VIDEO RACE DERBY

This Saturday May 7  
7.00pm start

Real Tote Operates

Lots of Prizes

Buy a horse or a race and win!!!

See Lee at Club or on (08) 9339 2504

## 3D Finance

David Monteleone  
0413 830 230 or (08) 9201 8888

## 2004 Deficit Linked to Subs Defaulters

Last years deficit of around \$14,000 was largely as a result of a shortfall in subs collections of around \$11,000. In many cases the implementation of the no pay-no play policy would have resulted in great disadvantage to financial club members due to a general player shortage. It is galling to know that people register as club members with no apparent intention of paying their dues resulting in a greater burden falling on other members and a gradual run-down of the hard-earned assets accumulated over the club's 72 years.

Some excellent recruiting has taken place (thanks Sharron, Peta, Lee, Tania and also the players themselves who put out the word), and we have managed to field the extra team almost without a hitch. Results so far have been mostly good; all 3 State League teams have won their opening 3 matches. The development State 6s has seen 6 juniors so far cycle through the team and we have some outstanding talent there.

Thanks to Andrew Robertson for taking the reins of the 6's and Shanie for taking on the 7s.

## Welcome to new girls (State League):

*Julia Sissons*

*Jenny Nash*

*Katherine Evans*

*Lucy Carter*

*Tamara Mortimer*

*Hannah Reinertsen*

*Hannah Hoskins (Jr)*

& welcome back to

*Brenda Golding*

*Kate Brown*

*Karen Green*

*Glenn*

## Martin Consulting

Kevin Martin (08) 9315 7999

### Excellent On-Field Results

Never in my memory of senior hockey in this club (and it goes back a long way) has our top men's team been in second place after 6 games. Having only been only beaten by a bare 3-2 by WASPs, Peter's boys have amassed 13 points this early in the season so all congratulations to them – you have shown that you are a team the media finds worth talking about.

Mind you this strong result is generally mirrored by the rest of the club with half of our 18 senior teams in 2<sup>nd</sup> place or better and particularly the three Women's State League teams which have undergone much pre-season recruiting.

<i>Team</i>	<i>Points</i>	<i>Position</i>
Goundrey Cup	13	2
State 2A	7	6
State 3A	0	9
MW	6	8
M1A	9	1
M2B	0	8
M3B	7	1
M3D	0	9
O40D1	0	9
O50D1	7	1
O60	7	2
SL4	9	1
SL6	9	1
SL7Sth	9	1
WVD2	0	10
WM1	0	10
WM2	7	2
WM3	1	8

## Cambridge Street Associates

Accountants

Rory Mitchell (08) 9285 8156

### Over 60 Team Nominated

Good news – you can now play hockey at Freo and collect the Age Pension.

Some quick footwork by Bob Bowyer ensured our last year's O55 team was accepted into O60 grade only a couple of days before the start of season. With shortages expected over the first few weeks and most

members at least 60 or on the verge it was felt we would be more comfortable in the more senior grade. So far we have enjoyed our games which, we have learned over the years, is the main objective in playing this wonderful sport.

## Ballast Finance

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### Missed milestones for last season.

Craig Burgess	600
Graeme Nicholls	600
Gary Marks	600
Greg Gurney	500
Mick Shorter	200
Jason Musty	200
Dave Elliott	100
Jonathon Ellis	100
Tim Cole	100
Matt Bouse	100
Chris Lees	100
Peter Wilmore	100.

### This season

Leon Martin 300 games 3rd game this year

### Last week

Clay 200 games & Wazza 100 games

Lee Abbott 100 games this week

**Congratulations to all those having passed milestones. Especially hearty congratulations to Burgo, Nick and Marksy for their magnificent effort of 600 games.**



### Some Committee Contacts

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