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Fremantle Hockey Club Newsletter

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## Challenge Cup Results

### Two pennants back to the club!

"2 out of 4 ain't bad" shouldn't be Freo's catch cry, but that was the way it fell this year in the Challenge Cup matches.

With wins for our 2 top grass teams, Men Metro 1 and Women's Metro 1s, unfortunately our two girls turf teams went down in well fought matches.

Oh well, as the girls said - 'We will get them in the finals!'

### Women Metro 1 Challenge Cup Report



Challenge Cup Winning Women Metro 1  
Winning over Cowan Uni

### 11 Flicks to get your heart racings on a Saturday arvo!

**1pm** Everyone arrived nice and early to warm up for the Ladies Metro 1 Challenge Cup final. Unfortunately, the club was not open so the BBQ area quickly became the ladies change rooms as one set of work clothes were discarded for another. A full team, albeit with injuries, and three lovely subs from Metro 2 Black took to the field in what was expected to be yet another relatively easy win. After all, we had beaten Cowan Uni 4-0 in the last game of round one. Never underestimate the impact of a big game!

**2pm** A fairly even start with the ball going from one end of the field to the other. Both teams had shots on goal, but neither was able to put it away until finally Cowan did, with a deflection from the left wing to go 1-0 up. Time for Fremantle to get serious!

The game continued to swing from one end of the field to the other. With strong defence from both sides the game was still 1-0 to Cowan at half time.



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**Halftime** We go into a huddle and Greg advises us to start playing our normal game, pass out wide and generally get our act together. The team consensus is "this is not an option, we are going to win".

**2.45pm** We head out again for the second half even more focused on winning the ball and winning the game. We couldn't quite put it all together until, suddenly, there was a clear space from left to right wing. The pass was sent across from one side of the field to the other, Cara Wright was able to get the ball around a defender and into the "D" for a cracker shot which levelled the scores at 1-1.

With 5 minutes left everyone lifted their game for yet another attempt at goal and then, with the whistle blown for full time Freo was given a short corner. Everyone moved up. The tension was palatable as the umpire advised that the game would not be stopped until the ball passed over the 25 yard line. A nice hit out and a smash at the goals by Anna Parkin came within a whisker of going in, but still no goal, though, somehow we manage to get another short corner. On the sideline nails, were starting to disappear.

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Deep breathes all round and we take another penalty corner. Unfortunately, Cowan Uni is as determined as we are and this time is able to get the ball over the line to end the game. The umpires then advise that we will have to play 7½ minute halves with no golden goals.

**3.25pm Extra Time** Some very tired, battered and bruised bodies dragged themselves back onto the field for another 15 minutes with the end result the same score 1-1.

**3.45pm Penalty flicks time** This was getting desperate. Had we practised flicking? No.

Did we have five people who could do it? Not really, though Jen, Cath and Em Hoare, Elisa Thompson and Anna Parkin were going to give us our best shot.

Jo Bright, goalkeeper extraordinaire, was psyched and ready for anything Cowan had. Could we get over the line?

The umpires explain the rules, everyone moves behind the 25 yard line and the tension mounts. After 5 flicks we are still tied and its time to go to one for one.

People have stopped watching other games at Stevens as we continue. Flick 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and still the scores are even with Jo throwing herself at everything keeping us in the game. Finally, Cowan miss and if we can get this one in we win it.

Pacing up and down behind the team, the nerves are getting to Jen and it was her turn to flick. Pale faced and trying not to throw up, she ceremoniously retied her hair - just the confidence boost she needed to put the ball in the back of the net. This is it, its over; the umpire calls it and finishes the game.

**Approximately 4.15pm** Final score 5-4 to Fremantle and the Metro 1 Challenge Cup is ours!

**The Fabulous Team:** Anna Parkin (c), Jo Bright (gk), Jen Hoare, Cath Hoare, Em Hoare, Rachel Upton, Roz Occhuito, Jodi Hickson, Cara Wright, Elisa Thompson, Tania Smith, Shona Hunter, Jocelyn Hunter, Maryn Lord.

**Coach** – Greg “Get me another Jim Beam, oh all right I’ll have a green vodka cruiser” Bird

**Trainee Assistant Coach** – Nikki “talk you two” Green.

**Team Mascot** – Cookie

**Team Mascot Trainer** – Lesley “red shoes” Lawler.

*Comment from the coach: “The only thing I want to say is never, never again! Got more grey hair in one game than for all of last season.”*

*Tania Smith*

## Men’s Metro 1s Challenge Cup Win

Congratulations to the Men’s Metro 1s (otherwise known as the Phat Fives) who beat arch enemies, Vic Park 6-5 in their Challenge Cup match. It was an amazing grass game to watch with spectacular goals scored by some of the WA greats of the game from both teams.

Scorers for Freo were Andrew Smyth (3), Rob Golding (2) and Michael Bunce (1).

## They just keep coming..... Welcome to newest Magpie recruit

A new Magpie recruit was welcomed into the world.

Lee Abbott and David Winner are happy to announce the arrival of Amelia Jane Winner who weighed in at 9 pounds, 9 oz and at 58cms long.

No doubt she will be a great player like Mum when she is older. Lee, we will save her a position in the top team for 14 years – about the same age as when you were in the line up with Jack as your coach!

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## Women's Provisional 3 Gold

Our Challenge Cup was our coach, Shanie Algie's last game before heading home to England and we wanted to finish off her time with Freo with a win.

Our opponents were South Perth, who sit in first place on the ladder, and whom we lost in the round game 4 – 1 not so long ago, so we had no doubt that we had a challenge on our hands.

The day arrived with beauty, clear blue skies and a temperature of 24 degrees, nice for a glass of wine, but not that nice for running around a hockey field with the bare eleven players. The previous week, we had played in horizontal hail!

We won the toss and choose the ball and off we went. Luckily South Perth had the bare eleven also, so both teams were going to be equally tired at the conclusion of the game. It was a hard fought first half with numerous shots on goals by both teams, but none getting a result.



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Into the second half at nil all, we were trying hard again with plenty of short corner chance, at one stage three in a row, to no avail. Then Bronwyn Bishop was a bit too keen and received a yellow card for a sliding tackle.... Excellent we were down to ten players, who were all already struggling with the heat and no substitutes!

Once Bronwyn returned to the game, we looked like we had it in the bag with most the possession and many goal shots, but again no such luck, as at the end of the game we were still locked at 0-0.

So with a five minute break before heading into extra time, golden goal, and the incentive of the coach naming her yet to be born baby after our goal scorer, it was back on!

Again another very hard fought seven minutes, when just before the end of extra time, we received a short corner against us... oops my fault! (But we will blame the umpire for thinking it was Bronwyn making the tackle! *Ed*). We ran out hard to defend the shot, but after a few passes around the "D" the ball was in the net, game over. South Perth wins 1 – 0, sorry Shanie. As mentioned before, we will get them in the Grand Final, without a doubt.

Our thanks to Shanie for her great coaching so far this year, we are second on the ladder. For all her support and commitment to our team, we are all very appreciative. Our best wishes to you and your family in your new venture back to England.

*Kaylene Bishop*

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## Women's Willow Bridge League (Promotion 1)

We had to wait to a chilly Wednesday night for the Women's Willow Bridge League match between Fremantle and Vic Park held at the Perth Hockey Stadium.

Both teams have competed well this year, with Freo recording one loss only to Vic Park 1-0 in the last minute of their game and both clubs keen to reach first division next year.

The girls knew this was our chance to get even with a win. Vic Park came out hard with all they had, managing to give our defence a bit of a shock. Hard tackles were made but loose marking and a few vital mistakes meant Vic Park got the first score on the board. Freo brought the scores level with controlling a bouncing ball in front of goals - one goal for Melzy!

A penalty stroke was awarded to Freo in the first half, but unfortunately a wide shot left the score line 1-1. From here Vic Park pressed on to get 2 extra goals before the halftime.

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Being 3-1 down at half time is not the perfect position however success can come from here.

We returned to the field with the aim of pushing on, with a beautiful reverse stick goal by Gemma only minutes into this half. The score stayed locked at 3-2 for a majority of the second half, with Freo taking control of the game.

With many shots, we should have put some in the back of the net, but it wasn't meant to be. A final goal to Vic Park in the closing minutes pushed it beyond reach to a 4-2 result.

A hard fought game with lots for us to work on in the coming 6 weeks to finals. We will get them in the second round!!! Onwards and upwards to Wizard League division in 2008!

*Sharron Wharton-Street*

## Other Matches

### Women's Promotion 2

Our team is currently sitting fifth on the ladder. Although our last two games have been against teams in the lower half, the two wins have certainly boosted our confidence and finals hopes. A girl to watch is Taryn White who has played some fine attacking hockey in the past two games.

After a two week break Round 13 will see us play University who are currently sitting in second place. A must win game to be played Sunday 29 July 2007, 4pm at UWA-Turf – Spectators would be very welcome! Thanks to Mike Sutherland for filling in for the game against Mods while Kegs was slacking off in Melbourne. It is great to have two quality first division coaches involved in our team.

*Nic Weatherhead*

### Men Turf 4s v Raiders

How about this one for Sunday's match!

"Exit Stage Left" was the order for the day as novice defender David Paice took a dramatic fall just as the curtain opened on this exhilarating encounter between league-leaders Raiders and Freo's Men's 4s.

Defending a shot on goal with his ankle rather than stick allowed Stephen Kinslow (Esky) his first performance for Freo in almost 5 years and the resulting short corner was defended admirably. For the next 30 minutes, the assembled spectators witnessed some great hockey, some not so great hockey and a great deal of rain.

Father and son duo, Dan and Craig Burgess provided some rays of hope with some fantastic shots on goal when Freo had possession. Sadly, for much of the game Freo was left either fighting for possession or giving away possession. It was the former that really showed everyone what the team is capable of under pressure. Fantastic tackling from all the team ensured a scoreless first half and hopes of a David and Goliath scenario for the second.

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Unfortunately, this was not to be as the Raiders scored three well worked goals to leave Freo fighting from behind for most of the second half. A superb short corner effort by Craig Burgess denied Freo a goal that was deemed to be a direct shot and therefore must touch the backboard.

Despite the loss, Freo showed encouraging signs for a predominantly new team where some people, most notably the left back, are still learning everyone's names. Freo came a long way to redeem themselves for the 8-0 loss to the same team in the first half of the season.

*Matt Allen*

## Provision 2 Gold (Turf 3s) v Melville

Provisional 2 Gold played against the second position team, Melville last weekend. Expecting a very experienced team, we went out hard and pushed for as many corners as we could manage. Scoring from a corner, three players had a touch before Lesley finally flicked it into the goal to go 1-0 up. Our team played consistently well and held Melville at bay from then on.

During the second half, Melville came out hard, but we were determined to win and Natalie whacked in a fantastic cross to secure our win not long from the buzzer! Special thanks to Alison, Fiona and Nic who joined us this week.

Well done Turf 3's you deserved the win. *Pam*

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## More Vets State selections

Congratulations to Ian Brown and Bill Campbell who have been selected in the Over 55 Men Vets Team following their recent trials. All the best in your preparations!

**Did you hear??** Fremantle Over 50s got another win last weekend, with a 2-0 result over Old Aquinians. 2 wins from two games, are we seeing a run to the finals? We will have to wait to see. *- Ed*



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## Senior teams' Ladder Positions after Round 12 – Saturday 21 July 2007

Team	Points	Position
<b>Men</b>		
* Wizard Cup	22	Seventh
* Premier 2	18	Eighth
Premier Alliance	14	Seventh
Provisional 3	12	Seventh
Metro 1	26	First
Metro 2 Gold	18	Fourth
Metro 3 Gold	13	Eighth
Metro 4	8	Sixth
Over 50	8	Eighth
Midweek Vets 40	21	Fifth
<b>Women</b>		
Willow Bridge League	27	Second
Promotion 2	17	Fifth
Provisional 2 Gold	15	Fifth
Provisional 3 Gold	18	Third
Metro 1	31	First
Metro 2 Black	25	Second
Metro 2 Gold	20	Third
Midweek Vets 3	6	Fifth

\* Equivalent Round 16



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