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New year brings new opportunities

2008 brings new opportunities for our club, including a new naming rights sponsor.

We are happy to announce that Freedom Pools & Spas have joined the Fremantle Hockey Club in 2008 as naming rights sponsor and wish to foster a long term relationship with the club and its members.



You'll find everything you need to enjoy yourself at your Freedom Lifestyle Centre. With 25 pool designs, 15 spa designs, Far Infra-Red saunas and a wide range of accessories you will be spoilt for choice.

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Brett Lindsay, General Manager of Freedom Pools is excited to be associated with the Fremantle Hockey Club in our big 75th year. He is keen to watch our teams in action during the year.

If you, family, friend or colleague are looking at installing or costing a pool or spa for your home, please contact a Freedom Lifestyle Centre for a quote, noting you are from the Fremantle Hockey Club.

Our 2007 naming sponsor, Worldwide Online Printing Applecross, is proud to be associated with us in the new year, staying on as a strong silver sponsor.

Make yourself aware of your local sponsors via our website, send your business their way and tell your friends!

Every piece of business referred from the Fremantle Hockey Club ensures our sponsors continued commitment to us as a local sporting club.

If your employer or another business in your local area may be interested in the sponsoring our club, please pass their details to Sharron Wharton-Street who will arrange contact.

Are you ready?

Our top two men and top women's teams will be playing their first games this weekend on **Sunday 6 April 2008**. All games are to be held at Perth Hockey Stadium.

Game details are as follows:

**Game 1 – PHS2 – 12.30pm
Men Premier 2 vs Wasps**

**Game 2 – PHS1 – 1.00pm
Women Willow Bridge vs Vic Park**

**Game 3 – PHS1 – 2.30pm
Men Wizard Cup vs Wasps**

Come and see the top players of your club fight it out to get the first points of the season on the board. They will be fit, they will be ready, but the question is - will you be there to cheer them on?

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Men's top grade teams

The Men's top grades are looking forward to a very fruitful season this year mainly due, to not only keeping the core of players from previous years but with the return of Pete Blakeney, and incoming new players Phil Marshall (Fab), Tim Gillon (Bucket), Andrew Hawson (Horse), all NL players from Tassie; another Irish men Cliff Bailey who is a midfield demon (he has also brought his girlfriend Eran from Ireland), Rolly from UK, James McPherson (ex Mods), Stephen Coyle (Charlie's mate from NSW), Esky returns from Bunbury, Muggsy (ex NT U21 player), and the list goes on. We sincerely welcome you guys to the Club, and know that once you taste FHC you'll never want to go anywhere else.

On top of this we have secured Eli Matheson in the AIS draft once again, although we won't see much of him until after the Olympics and Lloyd is due to arrive from NZ half way through the season.

Without going over the great players we have already, it doesn't take much to see that we have the talent to do well this year. You will see a very special Fremantle 1s team this year, who will be a joy to watch, and one you can be really proud of.

Putting all this together is no mean feat and I want to thank Muss, Daz and Clayton for the support they have given me in the off season – yes, we would have contact about setting the top teams up at least every second day in the off season.

We play Wasps in our first game which will prove to be very challenging, but one team who we will be vying for a top 5 spot against, it's a must win.

Whilst I talk about talent, I believe that winning comes from hard work, hard running on the pitch, the mental toughness, which Fremantle proudly boasts. It is important that our First Team has the proper frame of mind to make sure that potential is realised.

Finally, all members of the top teams want to be club members and will be integrating throughout the teams either watching you play, or having a casual drink or three with other Club members. We won a Premiership in 2006 on the motto of "one shirt one Club" and aim to proudly represent that in 2008.

Peter Freer
Senior Men's Coach



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Or call (08) 9472 1128

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First Dinners & Fremantle Hockey Club AGM (Pt 2) Thursday 17 April

Thursday 17 April is the last training session before all senior grades commence their 2008 season, so what better excuse do we need to make it a big one at the club?

Dinners are being prepared by Chef extraordinaire, Rosco Jenkins who will be ably assisted by the Men Metro 3s, and will be reasonably priced – all Asian inspired.

Does anyone remember his exotic prawn skewers, vegie stacks and fried rice from last year? Definitely not a night to miss.

The bar will be open, fully stocked for us to talk 'tactics' before that first game, and we will also be kicking off the year with the first 'Chase the Ace' for 2008.

Following dinners, we will be holding the Fremantle Hockey Club AGM (Part 2) where **YOUR** club will be discussed. Please make your voice heard, all are welcome. Expected start time approximately 7.30pm.

Important Dates for 2008

Club AGM (Part 2) (incl first dinner for the year)	Thurs 17 April
ANZAC David Bell Match with social function to follow	Fri 25 April
75 th Celebratory Evening	Sat 19 July



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R.E.S.P.E.C.T Women's Senior Squad

When I was approached to take on the role of coaching the women's senior squad I was hesitant given the successful season the squad had had in 2007 and the great job Jack McMeekan had done. Now that preseason has come to a climax and we approach our first game I'm pleased that I made the decision to join the Magpies.

The girls have put in nine weeks of solid work in which attendance levels were above expectation, efforts unquestionable and commitment when requested unchallengeable, an example of this was during preseason we held a 2 day camp in which we had 30 players attend.

Given the work that the squad has put in over the last 9 weeks combined with the depth of existing players, add the new recruits, it is my belief that we have a group of girls that have the potential to dominate in the WBL for 2008 again.

RESPECT is the squad's motto for 2008

Responsibility, Encouragement, Sportsmanship, Pride, Effort, Commitment and Trust are all qualities that the girls have shown during preseason and have chosen to be the foundations of their 2008 season.

The girls would appreciate as many Magpie supporters to come out to Perth Hockey Stadium FD1 this Sunday at 1pm to watch them show off their new look team and demonstrate their motto against a formidable opposition in Vic Park.

Mal Cowan
Senior Women's Coach



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We welcome
Tom Harrison
Connolly to the
Magpie clan.

Arrived 18th
November 2007,
weighing 9'14".

Hope to see Tom in his 'black and white', with Mum, Belle at Stevens Reserve soon.

ANZAC Day 'David Bell Trophy' Game Friday 25 April

The annual 'David Bell Trophy' game between Fremantle and Old Aquinians Wizard Cup teams is scheduled to take place on Friday 25 April 2008, commencing at 2.30pm at Perth Hockey Stadium Turf 1 (PHS-1).

It is always an enjoyable game to watch, and I look forward to seeing Freo return the trophy shield to the Port this year, after last years defeat.

Our Men's Premier 2 team will play straight after this game, before all players and supporters are invited back to Stevens Reserve clubrooms for our year to host the presentation.

Following the games, the bar will be open with hot roast beef rolls and salads on sale. '

Chase the Ace' and other games are expected as the presentations lead into the first social event of the season. We hope to have David Bell available to present on this day.

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