

2011 Annual Report

Sydenham Hockey Club Incorporated

One Hundred & Thirteenth
Annual General
Meeting

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The Annual General Meeting will be held
in the Sydenham Bowling Club Rooms

7.30pm

Monday 30th January 2012

1. Apologies
2. Confirmation of minutes of 25th January 2011, 112th Annual General Meeting.
3. Matters Arising
4. Presentation and Adoption of the Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31st October 2011
5. Election of Officers
6. Fixing of Subscriptions for 2012
 Junior & Youth with Selwyn

Open Turf Grades	(\$350)
Open Grass Grade	(\$165)
7. General Business

NOTES From the Constitution:

[8] [a] The Annual subscription shall be fully paid by the 31st of May and shall be paid to the treasurer

[9] Resignations must be received in writing by the secretary prior to the meeting.

[12] **VOTING AT MEETINGS:**

All voting may be by show of hands and in case of votes being equal the Chairman of the meeting shall be entitled to a casting vote. If any four members should require the voting to be by the way of ballot, thereupon such voting shall be taken by ballot in ordinary way.

Sydenham Hockey Office Bearers 2011

Patron

Walter Perry

Ladies Patron

Dot Copley

President

Tim Crump

Vice Presidents

Jlm Anderton , Grant Templeton

Mens Club Captain

Ian Rhodes

Ladies Club Captain

Joan Johns

Junior Club Captain

Steve Smith

Hon Secretary

Merle Hall

Hon Treasurer

Bruce Cameron

Hon Auditor

Julian Smith

Committee

Rae Clarke, Alan Redmond Vanessa Cox ,Craig Iggo, Dennis Cox

Life Members

Messrs: W Perry, J Messervy, M Hall, K Cumberpatch, S Jesset ,A McAllister, R Fergus, B Perry, R Ganda, T Ganda, M Macann, A Tizzard ,A Prattley, M Coulter, D Kirwan, R Fife, D Cox, M Fitzsimons, A Redmond, R Spiers, P Mulgrew.

Mesdames: D Copley, B Simmonds, D McKinnel, J Mackay, Miss D Quinn

Fully Paid Members

Messrs: R Calvert, B McLaughlin, D Whalley, B Hill, D Petherbridge, R Ambler, B Hall

Presidents Report

The 2011 year has impacted on us all in many ways and we have been forced to re-evaluate many aspects of our lives in response to the forces of nature. One thing we have been able to do is to continue participating in our sport.

Thanks to the hard work of Canterbury Hockey and in particular the previous Chief Executive, Tim Shanahan, the hockey community could enjoy the use of a new hockey turf at Nunweek Park. With three main hockey venues in use, Canterbury Hockey was able to continue to accommodate hockey at all levels. John Tyler has replaced Tim as CEO of Canterbury Hockey some months ago. Our club had some significant successes on the field in 2011. Our Division Three Womens team won their grade final and were promoted to division Two. The Junior Eleven a Side boys won the Division and our Eleven a Side girls were recipients of the Cathy Baker fair play award. The strength of our Junior section run in partnership with the Selwyn club again operated in a very efficient manner. 22 teams of juniors played hockey every Saturday. A similar arrangement with the Selwyn Club was replicated at Youth level in 2011 and provided players with the ability to play in teams and grades that were appropriate to their levels of ability. The Senior section functioned reasonably well with good numbers in every squad. All teams played a good style of hockey at various times throughout the year. Significant progress was made by club representatives to formalising arrangements with Sydenham Cricket and Bowls regarding the most efficient and cost effective use of the Sydenham Park Pavilion and Bowling Club club rooms. Our artificial surface sustained some liquefaction damage, however insurance cover will ensure that repairs can be undertaken, but there may be a shortfall which will require additional funding. The Sydenham turf has been in use throughout the year all the same.

On a sad note we lost two members of our club this year. Wal Perry and Nikki Van Eekelen. Wal has been remembered on our web site and Nikki will be remembered with the annual presentation of a trophy in her honour.

This club must continue to look forward and we need more people to make themselves available to coach junior and youth teams. We also need people to come on to the committee and help us administer the club. Merle Hall, secretary for many years has tendered her resignation and we need a replacement. Thanks Merle for your efforts. In closing I want to thank all Sydenham stakeholders for their efforts be it, supporting, coaching, managing and playing for Sydenham teams. Our club thanks our committee for their great work throughout the year.

With Kind Regards , Tim Crump
President Sydenham Hockey Club

Team Reports

2nd Division Men

This years team showed great team spirit playing some games with less than 11 players and still achieving results which with a bit of luck would have seen them higher placed on the tables.

Twenty seven different players (with only two playing all games) were used during the season, with thanks to all those who filled in and those that joined during the year. Same story as last few years regarding practices, those that didn't turn up where the ones who needed to as playing at this level requires a bit of commitment to achieve a good placing in the grade.

For the future our club needs to work on bring young players thru as half of this team is made up of masters players who all contributed a lot to the team but in an ideal world most should be playing in the mid-week open grade.
Ian Rhodes

Men's Mid Week Men

The 2011 season started with the news that our two youngest players from the previous season were not able to play this year. The make up of the team was therefore overflowing with playing experience although a touch light on speed. We won a few games but unfortunately lost more so finished in the bottom half of the table. The season itself went well into September as they tried to catch up games lost due to earthquakes in June and 2 dumps of snow in July and August.

We managed to get a couple of new players Daniel Redmond from Southland and during the season Murray Marks and Steve Gowans who had both previously played for Sydenham some 15 years earlier. The commitment of the team during games can't be questioned but as we get older each year we do tend to struggle against the younger teams in the grade. Our average age is something close to 45 and some of the other teams are made up of twenty year olds. Thanks to the guys for their efforts during the year look forward to having a beer with you all after playing again next season.

Alan Redmond

3rd Division Women

The season started out well with a new team and varied skills from the team. With the trusty Gary Marshall coaching us again, in the rain, snow and hail, the team bonded really well and carried on to get to the final. On a mild Sunday morning, out the team went onto the field with the intention of having a great game and winning the division to get back in their rightful Division 2 spot. Half time there was only one goal in it, the snow came to help us run faster to keep warm, and by the end of the game Sydenham were victorious by one goal.

Up into Division 2 the team went to play in the Porrit Cup, and that great comradery and determination to win, got us through to the Final of the Porrit Cup. We were not victorious on this day, however we were gracious in our loss and were congratulated by the opposition for our courageous effort and it was agreed that the team was back in their rightful Division!!!

The team says goodbye for now and good luck to those moving on (Mel Voice & Annabel Gallagher), you have been an integral part of our team and we will miss you both!!!

Bring on the 2012 season, Sydenham Div 2 are ready to show the hockey community what we have to bring to this great sport.

Mid Week Open Women

The Mid week women had another enjoyable season finishing 8th out of 15 in the main competition and in the Porrit Cup Div 2, 4th out of 8

Grass Women

Not a great start to the year, due to disruptions caused by earthquakes and the lack of a goalie, and any goalie gear for the first four games of the season.

Unfortunately, we also lost two Rangiora based players who were no longer keen to enter shaky Christchurch. Eventually though, everything fell into place and a strong team emerged from the chaos, with all involved having fun playing hockey and socialising after the games. We finished the season well, with good efforts from all players, particularly Juliet Fry, but we failed to make the finals.

Our year was marred by the sad loss of one of the team stalwarts, Nicky Van Eekelen. Nicky pulled out of the team three quarters of the way through the season and not long afterwards lost her battle with cancer. She will be sadly missed."

Cheers, Joan

Youth Grade

The teams this year were entered in to the competitions as combined Sydenham-Selwyn teams.

The Boys Division 1 team finished 3rd out of 10 teams and the Division 2, 5th out of 11. The girls team, Division 2, finished 3rd out of 9, so overall a good result for the club.

Juniors

Once again this year it was a combined Sydenham-Selwyn junior club. The numbers have really grown and we had around 220 young players in the combined teams. Highlights of the season were the Boys 11 aside, Division coming 1st in their completion, and the Girls Super 8 Division2 also being their competition winner. Congratulations to both teams, and the superb effort by the Junior Club Captain, Steve Smith, in growing the playing strength of the club.

Web Site

We try to keep the web site, www.sydenhamhockey.co.nz up to date, and will make this our main way of communicating with you during the year, displaying any items of interest or news. There is currently some old newspapers clippings from the early years of the club that make interesting reading. If anyone has any further information you can let us know via the "Tell Us Your News" link. You can also register your details or notify a change of address. *So keep a watch for updates and why not add the site to your favourites.*

Acknowledgements

Thanks to all those, who helped out fundraising once again. This contributes greatly to club funds, your time is appreciated and hopefully you will all be available to help again in 2012.

Coaches

Once again a big thank you to all those who volunteered as coaches for the various teams. The club could not operate without you, and your contribution is much appreciated.

Obituaries

Obituary : Wal Perry Sydenham Hockey Club Member 1929-2011

Our Men's Club Patron, Wal Perry passed away recently at the age of 96. For those who have not been in the club long, you may remember him from our end of year function at the Sandridge Hotel a few years ago, where Wal presented trophies and awards. He reveled in the atmosphere of the night and he was especially pleased to be able to continue the longstanding tradition of enjoying one or two of Dot Copley's Strawberry lamingtons.

Dot advises that Wal always insisted that she provided lamingtons at any club function or meeting whenever he was going to be present

Wal joined our club in 1929. He served as an administrator within Sydenham Hockey for over 35 years as a Committee member, Club Captain and President. Wal was a Life Member of our club and became a Patron in 1973

Throughout his years of involvement in our sport, Wal exemplified all the traits required of a person who was committed to the sport of hockey. Wal played senior

hockey and also played in many other grades, including Presidents as a member of Sydenham Hockey Club.

For many, many years Wal either played, or coached and umpired on the same day in those times of Saturday afternoon grass hockey. With teams playing at 1.15 and 3pm, Wal could always be seen on the field and on the sideline in various capacities.

For over thirty years Wal was a graded umpire and also held New Zealand umpiring qualifications. Sydenham Hockey club was a huge part of Wal's life and this also enabled his family to have strong connections to our club.

The Sydenham Hockey acknowledges Wal Perry's contribution to our club, the Sydenham community and Canterbury Hockey. We extend our condolences to his family and friends.

The Club also extends its condolences to the family members of Nikki Van Eekelen a dedicated club member, and also to the families of any other person associated with the club who passed away during the year.

Supporters

We wish to thank all those parents, family members and friends, who turned up to watch and support our teams during the year.

End of Season Trophy Night

The Senior end of season trophy night was this year held at the Sydenham Bowling Club. It was well organised by Joan and Vanessa once again, and was a huge success. It was a great venue, and would be a huge asset to the club if the merger goes ahead. The associated quiz night was also once again very enjoyable. Thanks to all those that went along, participated or helped organise the event, Also many thanks to the Sydenham Bowling Club for supplying the venue staffing the bar and putting on the supper.

Trophy Winners 2011

Len Guy Cup

"The individual player in the underage (u15,U18) grades whose performance was the most meritorious"

James Kingston-Smith

Dot Copley Trophy

"The most meritorious women player in an open grade team"

Sarah Lee

Bull Memorial Cup

"The goalkeeper whose performance was the most meritorious"

Billy Reimer

Eric Hawker Rosebowl

"The most improved woman player "

Shelley Perfect

Bernie Hall Trophy

"The outstanding coach of a mens team"

not awarded

B Adams Trophy

"The most improved under 20 player "

Annabel Gallagher

Eric Pullan Cup

The player in the lowest open grade mens team whose performance was most meritorious"

Daniel Redmond

Burgess Cup

"The mens open grade team whose performance was the most meritorious"

not awarded

Lloyd Cup

"The umpire of the year"

Bill Reimer

Ladies Coaching Cup

"The outstanding coach of a womens team"

Gary Marshall

Holland Cup

"The individual player of the club whose performance was the most meritorious"

Cindy Grobler

Fleet Trophy

"The player with the most positive attitude and best effort in the under 15 womens team"

not awarded

R.A.Fox Trophy

"Club member of the year , who by their efforts has given the most to the club and the game during the year"

Tim Crump

G Cox Memorial Trophy

"For the outstanding Masters player of the year"

Jess Wilson

Rosebud Trophy

"Social cup to be awarded for the purpose to be decided by the cup holder of the previous year"

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Patel Cup

"The most improved womens team"

Ladies Mid Week Open

Beckenham Footwear Trophy

"The most meritorious performance by a womens team"

Division 2 Ladies

Nicky Van Eekelen Womens Grass Grade Trophy

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Juliet Fry