



JUNIOR WIND UP EDITION 2021

THE MAGPIE

P R E S I D E N T ' S R E P O R T



We've had a sensational season in the juniors this year, our second at our new home of Lakelands. In terms of our numbers we had 233 players including 77 Grads and Hin2H kids. That meant we had 10 teams; 3 in 5/6s, 2 in 7/8s, 3 in 9/10s and 2 in 11/12s. Almost every team was full except our 9/10 boys who played an excellent season with support from the 7/8 boys and the occasional 7/8, 9/10 and/ or 11/12 girl!

All of our teams have really improved over the course of the season and this is evident when we look at the improved results for most teams in the second half of the season. We had three teams in finals:

-11/12 AP Girls

-9/10 B Gold Boys

-7/8 B Gold Girls

And the 9/10 Boys were minor premiers, finishing in first place. This was an awesome effort for a team that had not won very many games in the previous two years. Congratulations to Bryson for making his debut in Prem 1 during the year.

Our 9/10 C Grade Girls also finished 4th but, due to a change in the way finals were played in their grade, they did not have an opportunity to play in finals.

Our 7/8 B Gold Boys were oh-so-close to making finals, just missing out by a draw! This was a great effort considering the boys started the season in C grade and were promoted in week 4.

The 7/8 B Gold Girls had a great season and were in the top 4 for most of it. The team was full of speed in their forward line and strength in their defence.

Our 11/12 B Boys had a number of players who had not played a lot of hockey before and a new coach and they approached the game with enthusiasm and energy. The improvement in these boys over the season was impressive and we hope to see the year 12s playing seniors next year. Congratulations to Akhil for making his debut in Prem 1 during the year.

Our 11/12 AP Girls had a very uneven grade with the top 3 teams quite a bit stronger than the rest of the teams. The girls were solidly placed in 4th and, in the second half of the season, they had closer games with those top of the table teams.

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C O N T I N U E D

The 9/10 AP Girls also had a very uneven grade compounded by regrading of teams both up and down in week 5. Their last few games showed that the girls really could compete against some of these stronger teams with some tight results.

Our 5/6 AP Boys had a tough season after we promoted them to the A Promo grade. This was in part due to the stronger grade but also due to some unfortunate injuries to players. There was no doubt that overall the boys' skills improved.

The 5/6 AP Girls finished the season strongly and only missed out on 4th place by goal difference. The improvement in skills, positioning and passing was evident in the results. We bid a sad goodbye and send out best wishes to Denise (Chicken), the girls' coach, and Evie Famlonga who are heading to Albany at the end of the year. Our 5/6 Mixed Team had an outstanding year and finished in 4th position. Many of these players were new to hockey but watching the last game and seeing pin-point passes, drags and solid tackles you would not have known.

We had 4 new umpires this year who had a great season along with our experienced umpires who have been with us for a couple of years. Well done to Tanayah Reynolds for joining the HWA umpiring program.

I would like to thank all the coaches for their commitment and positivity throughout the season. Every team has shown a lot of improvement and, not only that, players have had fun and enjoyed their hockey.

I would like to thank all the team managers who organised teams and lifts, entered results and supported coaches. The season ran very smoothly due to your efforts.

Thanks also to Gail Mounsey who mentored our junior umpires throughout the season. Without Gail supporting our young umpires would be very difficult. Thanks to Logan Pow and Lizzy Hanson who also helped out through the season.

Thanks to all those who volunteered in the kiosk. The funds raised from the kiosk are essential to ensure our facilities are maintained.

A big thank you to the Junior Committee who have been amazing this year. We have run without a Social Coordinator and a Junior Registrar and everyone has worked so hard. Thanks to Madonna, our Senior Registrar for supporting us. Special thanks to Delray, our Secretary, who organised the club Family Day in my absence.

Finally, thanks to all the parents and carers who have gotten kids to training, games, umpiring and supported them in the rain and shine.

On to season 2022!

CHRISTINE TRUSCOTT



Coach: Camryn Pow and
Anna Cooke
Manager: Kaye Skarratt
Best & Fairest: Heidi Hill

11/12 A Promotion Girls

What a season? We have had such an eventful year, starting out with a new and exciting team. We have all come into this season as year 11/12s who have a lot going on, however the commitment to the team and each other has been amazing.

We have been lucky enough to have two new coaches this year, Cam and Cookie whose passionate mentoring and tons of patience have brought us together and strengthened our team.

We have endured a couple of interesting conditions such as freezing weather and 8:30 games in Guilford. Even though we have faced some incredibly tough competition for our grade we have always fought hard and have also had many victories.

I think what is really great about this team is that everyone is so supportive and respectful of each other and quick to congratulate one and other's successes. As we are reaching the end of the season, we are currently ranked fourth and preparing to take on the top team in the finals, looking to end our season strong and have a bit of fun.



Coach: Jonathan Waston

Manager: David Reid

Best & Fairest: Akhil Pradeep

Memorable Moment: First
team win. Round 3 against
Reds.

11/12 B Boys

The Season for the Year 11/12 Boys was one of many firsts, including:

- 5 new players, many of whom had never picked up a hockey stick before,
- a Coach who had never coached a Junior team before, and
- the first time we had seen long flowing mullets streaming down the field....

Looking back over the season we won 3, had 3 Draws and 1 Forfeit (pestilence and the long drive on a Friday night to Joondalup was the only thing that broke the team). Oh, and a few losses!

The spirit shown by the team was great to see, the new guys slotted in perfectly and three of them scored goals, some multiples.

I don't think Jonno knew what he was getting himself in for! With a large proportion of the team inexperienced the normal was thrown out the window and the great team performance over the season is a credit to the way he bonded with the team and got the best out of them.

I also need to thank the players who filled in later in the season as the plague struck and numbers were short! Thanks to Keely, Tom, Sam, Tanaya, Bryson, and Charlie.

I do hope that all the Year 12 guys stay involved with the Club and join a Men's Team next year; we need young guys like you around the Club.

DAVID REID



Coach: Darrel Bruse
Manager: Delray Hill
Best & Fairest:
Tahne Hodson

9/10 A Promotional Girls

It's been a tough season for the girls with some very strong teams in the 9/10 A Promotional grade. The last part of our season has really seen the girls working hard to carry out Darrel's instructions for game day, with some nice hockey developing.

My personal highlights for the season would be making the Grand Final at the Fuel to Play & Go competition held during the July school holidays.

Another highlight would definitely be all the fun we had during the Bunbury carnival.

Well done to Macy Newman who played up from the 7/8s as goalie for the full season and completed many spectacular saves.

Special thanks from the girls to Darrel and Domenic who have done such a fantastic job as Coach and Assistant Coach.

It has been my pleasure to support the team as Manager this year (maybe I will get it right next year Darrel ☺).

DELRAY HILL



Coach: Declan Ryan
Manager: Virginia Curd
Best & Fairest:
Bryson Sweetman
Coaches Award:
Seth Darlston-Jones

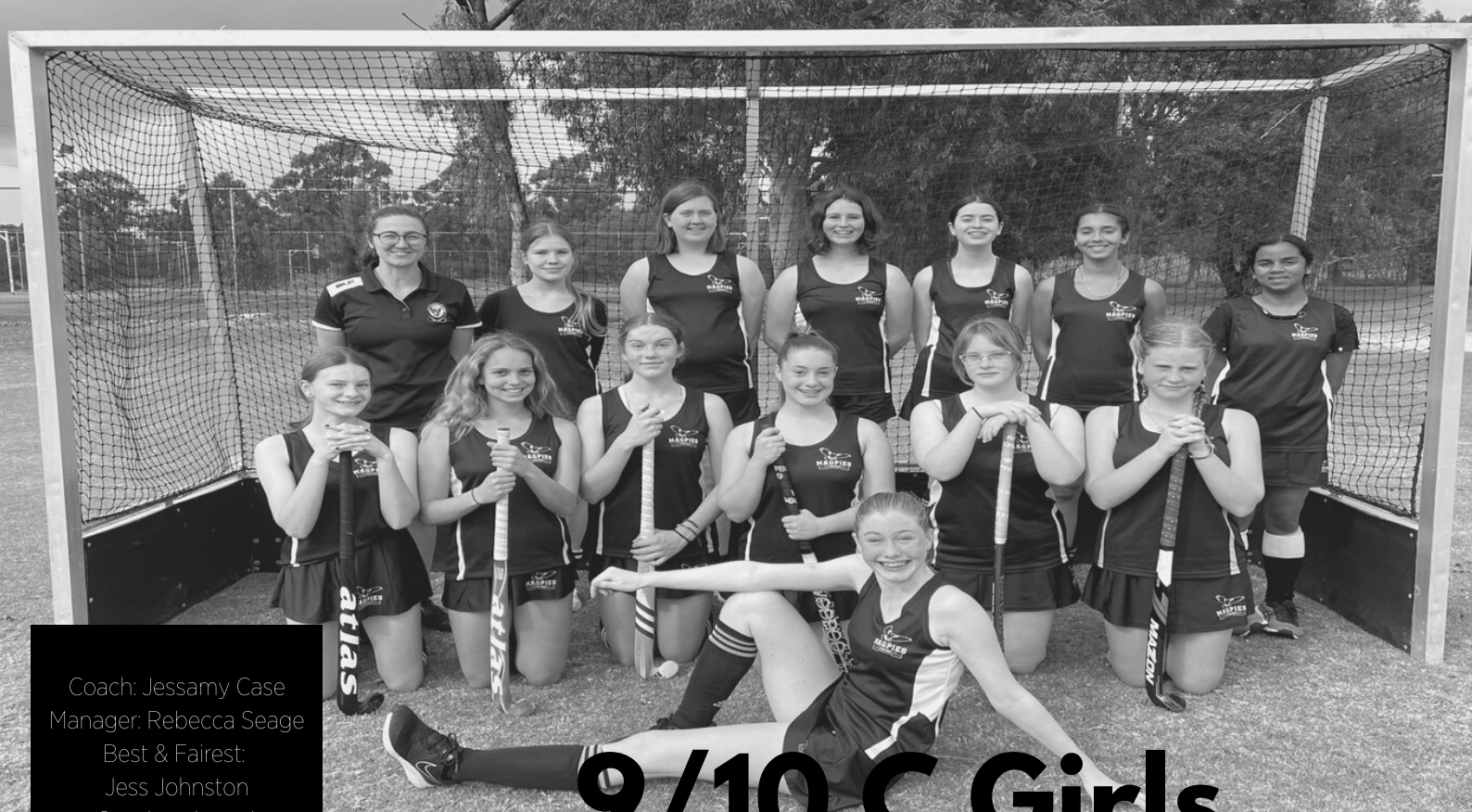
9/10 B (Gold) Boys

Well, what a season!! With only two weeks to go the boys have come such a long way this year. From only having seven registered players with a week and a half to go before the season started, the boys managed to gather some friends to fill a full team of 13 players. Coming into the season we were a bit unsure of how we were going to go throughout the year, however, much to our surprise the boys won the first game with an astounding 8-0 victory! The lads were a bit chuffed to sing the song as a few of them have not sung the song in quite some time, also a couple who were new to the team had never heard it before.

Moving through the season the boys were connecting and improving week in, week out with a few tough games and a couple close calls. All credit goes to the other clubs for putting on a great competition. Watching all the young lads grow as players and open up to each other, being able to see true friendships form and grow stronger is what the sport is all about. Loving the comradery on and off the field, great banter within the group and amazing chemistry on the field. While winning the majority of the games throughout the season, the most important ones are still to come.

Now with only the Semi-final and, fingers crossed, the Grand-final, the 9/10 Boys are looking strong to bring home that premiership pennant after securing minor premiership in the last round of the season. As the coach all I can say is I am so proud of this group, and I can't wait to see what the next couple of games can bring us.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to Virginia for managing the team this year, I would not have been able to do it without you. To all the parents thank you for getting the boys to trainings and games despite the location and time of those lovely Sunday mornings. Most importantly, THANK YOU to all to boys for an outstanding season thus far, I have enjoyed every minute of coaching you and helping develop each of you as a player and I look forward to coaching some of you again next year.



Coach: Jessamy Case
Manager: Rebecca Seage
Best & Fairest:
Jess Johnston
Coaches Award:
Abirami Pradeepkumar

9/10 C Girls

2021 started with several firsts for the 9/10C team. Jessamy Case made her debut as coach of the team and a few of the players started hockey for the first time. With the team mantra of "Go Wide" being shouted across the field from the start to the end of the season, the last of the season games saw the team use this strategy wisely using some great passing plays to draw with the top teams in the competition table. The team final ladder placement does not reflect the talent in this team with each of the members bringing something special to each of the rounds.

The teams scoring ability improved throughout season resulting in some fantastic short corner scoring opportunities with a double-digit win at Perth Hockey Stadium. Havana Edwards, Jess Johnston and Gabi Thomason proved their outstanding goal scoring ability's by bringing the teams goal tally up this season. Of note was Havana Edward's outstanding consistency scoring at least once in most of this season's games.

The positivity and persistence that this team established early in the season saw the team get stronger as the season progressed. Each of the

girls rotated through the Goalie position for a round gaining a very different perspective of goal scoring. It was an outstanding effort by all to be rotated through the goalie position and special mention to Ksenia Giles who took on the role most consistently.

To all the talented juniors in this team, well done on a great season!



Coach: Peggy Taylor
Manager: Phillipa Colgan
Best & Fairest:
Gemma Centrone

7/8 B (Gold) Boys

After a frustrating first game, the 7/8 Boys picked up where they'd left off the 2020 season with a series of convincing wins.

Clearly outclassing most of the opposition, when the divisions were reshuffled, the team found themselves bumped up from C division to B. The step up really gave them a chance to shine.

Guided by Coach Peggy, the play became more planned and deliberate, and the scores narrowed. Although not always rewarded with wins, they proved they were undeniably worthy of the promotion.

Week after week, every single player made a contribution to the team's work. No passengers. Ever!

Notable additions to the 7/8s team this year was a group of fast and fearless year 7s, showing great skills and energy. Also in the mix were three of the 7/8 girls (including our goalie, who we would have been lost without) who came seamlessly to the team, and were easily a match for the opposing boys in skills and strength.

It's been a fantastic season to watch, and I can't wait for more...hopefully in the finals, otherwise bring on 2022.

Written by Amin's fabulous Dad, Jamal Fozdar.



Coach: Jayde Newman
Manager: Rachel Zacharia
Best & Fairest:
Emma Roberts

7/8 B (Gold) Girls

The 7/8 B girls have made such impressive improvements in their gameplay over the course of the season. It took a few weeks for them to find their feet, with most girls making the big jump from 5/6s last season, but it didn't take long for them to really get going. There were some fantastic individual skills from the start, but only when the girls started truly working together as a team did those skills really shine through.

From the solid defensive line, the girls were able to clear balls out to our midfielders with precision (most of the time) and strength.

Through great vision, persistence, and teamwork, the midfielders would work the ball to the forwards, where things really started to pick up the pace.

The speed and ability to get results from the forwards was surely what kept the fire going, with every goal scored seeing all the girls get even hungrier for the ball.

We did have a few big losses over the season, plus a few broken bones, but what made me the most proud of the girls was their ability to keep their

heads up and keep fighting and supporting each other as good teammates should. Special thanks to Macy for stepping up to goalkeep for the last few rounds, and we wish Libby a speedy recovery with her broken foot!

Words can't describe how proud I am of these girls, their spot in finals was so well deserved.



Coach: Greg Gurney
Manager: Lisa Walsh
Best & Fairest: Augie Walsh
Memorable Moment: Jake coming back to finish the game after a worrying hit to the chin.

5/6 A Promotion Boys

A leap into the AP promotion division and a few new faces, the start of the season for the 5/6 Boys was a bit of a challenging one, but one with many glimpses of pure heart and brilliant plays by the Freo boys.

New to the team, Darcy, Shaan, Caleb, Alex and Oscar, and entirely new to hockey Barry (well done). Along with experienced players from last year, Daniel, Jake, Keegan, Augie, Oli, Joe, Jonte, Elijah, Xavier and Elliot, Greg was eager to motivate and inspire.

Jake, Augie, Keegan and Shaan showing some outstanding defence in the backline moving the ball out wide and moving quickly on frees. Oli, Daniel and Jonte with some stellar moves and keeping the middle of the field solid and courageous efforts by wings Darcy, Alec and Barry with Joe, Elijah, Oscar, Xavier and Caleb skilfully tapping the ball effortlessly between them to score many of the Freo goals.

Some season standout moments include Jontes' goal and stunning short corner play in game 3 which saw Daniel's strong hit outs and Augie converting 2 into goals to bring the game to a 3 all

draw. Star goalie Eliot continued to shine and in game 4 in particular, stopping oodles more shots on goals than the skilful Mods scored against them in one of toughest games of the season. And Jake's gallant effort in the turf match where a stray ball connected with his chin, saw him come back on (to cheers by all) to finish out the match.

In the last few games Caleb shone in centre half position exhibiting his development though out the season.

Freo's determination and dedication have certainly paid off as many of the later games have been super close and in most cases an unlucky loss to Freo, where they had the majority of the play. Round 10 in particular against Kalamunda, to start the game with only 8 players (2 sisters wrangled thanks Melody and Nikki) to end with a nil all result is outstanding and game 11 against the fierce YMCC to be 2 goals up in the first quarter was a highlight.

The 5/6 boys have shown what great team hockey is all about. Learning, persisting and most of all having fun and encouraging each other to try their best. What a great season of hockey! Well done boys. - Lisa Walsh



Coach: Denise Famlonga
Manager: Marnie Pascoe
Best & Fairest: Lara Healy

5/6 A Promotion Girls

The year has been a great development year for the team, and a steep learning curve for the grads players who joined us. The competition in the grade has been even, with one run-away team at the top of the table and then every other team competitive, with lots of draws and close results going either way.

Lara Healy was selected in the State U12 team and the squad for the State U13 team. Evie Famlonga, Charlie McCracken and Billie McCracken played with the 7/8 team in the Fuel to Go and Play Junior Championships in the July holidays.

We say goodbye to our coach Chicken (Denise) and Evie who are off for adventures in Albany. We wish them well, and hopefully we'll see them at the 7/8 Junior Championships next year.

Memorable Moment: various younger sisters yelling at older sisters from the sidelines - "get your stick down", "stop fiddling with your hair", "stay out wide" - can't wait to see these girls on the pitch in a few years.



Coach: Graham Collins
Manager: Maddi Phipps
Best & Fairest:
Hudson Woods-Smith
Memorable Moment: First
team win. Round 7 against
the Dale Dynamos.

5/6 Mixed

The 5/6s mixed team started the season very slowly, with many of the participants never having held a hockey stick before.

It was great to see week by week the improvement in the players. As the team gained confidence, an awareness of the various positions and the learning of new ball skills their game improved.

It's been amazing to have parents and friends of the children coming along each week to give their support to the team. A lot of parents have helped the coach at training each week which was much appreciated. Many parents have commented to the coach how much they have enjoyed watching their children and their development as part of a team.

The hockey clinic run by Matt Allen during the July school holidays was a real hit with the kids that attended. They all had such fun plus learning hockey skills in a fun format. The older kids of this group will go to 7/8s next year and many will remain in 5/6s for another season.

With the passion for hockey some of the children have shown for the game during the season, I'm sure they will go on to improve their skills and use opportunities to succeed in higher grades.



Coach: Darryl McCormick
Manager: Kate Brown
Helpers: Bryson and Raj

Grads

Let's call it 'Year of the Grad' because it's certainly been an epic season for our not-so-mini Magpies!

We set out with a goal of growing in numbers by a little bit, we never thought we would basically double in size! It is a testament to the kids and our coaches for making it such a fun environment but also one where they can start developing their skills and team play.

Darryl was back coaching again and this year we were joined by Bryson and Raj, with a couple of extras helping us out on Thursdays most weeks. Thursday nights were for training and Saturdays were for games - either playing intraclub matches or against Reds. We thank them all for putting in the time and effort with the kids, they were all really wonderful and skillful coaches.

Our kids were an absolutely crazy and fun group to have this year. It didn't matter whether we were winning or getting smashed on the scoreboard, they always played with great sportsmanship/sportswomanship and never gave up. The skill levels grew significantly by the end of the season and we were really starting to play some nice

looking hockey! There was always a bit of magpie-craziness chucked in, which kept us all laughing.

Thanks to our great group of parents who were always engaged and ready to help when asked. We really appreciate the support you gave to the kids and their hockey this year - the numbers we had a training each week despite the weather on numerous occasions, as well as games this year was impressive.

Next year we will lose our older kids to the 5/6 teams but we look forward to watching them further hone their skills and play on the full size pitch. They are ready for the challenge! Our younger kids.... We can't wait to do it all over again! Ps bring a friend... #magpieshavemorefun

KATE BROWN



Coach: Sharron Wharton-
Street
Manager: Jade Nelson

Hookin2Hockey

For many of our youngsters, this was their first taste of hockey. And, from the sideline you could definitely tell our littlest magpies were having a blast!

Under the watchful eyes of our amazing coaches: Sharron, Brendan, Maya, Bron, Elis and Henry I am sure our Mini Magpies have all learnt some new skills from 'over the mountains' to goal scoring tricks. Our Mini Magpies showed off their skills to the parents in our 'parents v kids game' in our last session. I think scores were pretty tight, and hockey was the winner in the end!

Our highlight from the season would definitely be our training session on the turf, closely followed by meeting Flynn Ogilvie and his Silver Medal!

A huge thank you to all the parents who stepped into help at the sessions.

A special mention to Sharron, who will be stepping aside as coach from Hookin2Hockey next year. Sharron has been the coach for many years, even long after her own children have graduated from Hin2H. Sharron, thank you for your dedication and genuine love for the kids and hockey!

Hope to see all the Mini Magpies next year for another fun season!

JADE NELSON

AWARDS



PORTER LEE THROPY

BRYSON SWEETMAN

DARREL BRUSE AWARD

TARA WHITNEY

**MOUNSEY TRUSCOTT
AWARD**

TANAYAH REYNOLDS

**HIGHEST GOAL
SCORER
BRYSON SWEETMAN**



THANKS FOR A GREAT 2021 SEASON

SEE YOU IN 2022
