

Snorter's Report



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Swinburne University Hockey Newsletter
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Welcome

In this month's issue is out a touch early. With April being a bumper month we have events starting from the get go (April 2 – Welcome Back Day) it was appropriate to bring this month's issue out earlier than normal. We touch on another serious issue affecting the club in this month's edition. Make sure you take note of all the upcoming events so that you don't miss out! While you're at these events make sure you speak to Elfy now that you know all about him. Anyway, enough from me. Time to get stuck into it!

Presidents Report

My, my how time flies. I thought I sent one of these in only last week! Oh well, Albury is only **three** weeks away and the Winter Season starts in **four**.

I would like to take a moment to welcome all the new players to the club. If I haven't met you in person yet my apologies for being lazy and slow in greeting everyone.

Also, while I am thanking people I must mention James Hardman, Matt Wright and Paul Dixon for there work so far with training.

Ok, now onto the nasty business. With the season starting all the bills for ground hire, registration, insurance, etc have come rolling in. So, players, it's time to start paying your fees! Insurance being the most important! Part payments are acceptable just see our treasurer, Dan Eason. Anyone making full payment by round 1 will receive a \$20 esky voucher redeemable anytime I bring them along.

Thank you for your time

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Keeping it clean



It's become a disturbing trend at training and other events where people are buying drinks from the Esky and then not throwing the empties out. Not one training session has gone past so far this year where once everyone has gone home those that are left don't have to throw somebody else's empty bottle or can out for them.

Take some responsibility for yourself and your environment. When you finish your drink, place it either in or next to the bin (if it's full). It's not like you have to travel far!

I know that we're not the only ones to leave empty drink bottles or cans around but that's not an excuse!

I like to think of an old saying from when I used to go camping: take nothing but memories and photos, leave nothing but flattened grass.

Thank you to all those that went to the Casey 7-a-side tournament. This was a good example of how an area should be left when you're finished. It only takes a few moments if everyone does it.

I would hate to have to stop the esky's coming to training 'cos only a few people couldn't do the right thing.

So, when you finish your drink. Put it in the bin. It's not hard and the whole club will benefit

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Welcome Back Day 2006!!!

It's happening again! Welcome Back Day. A day of fun, food and hockey! Bring the family and friends. You can even probably bring the dog!



This year's festivities will undertake a bit of a twist. There will be the usual game but this year will include the Swinburne 2006 Olympics!!! Teams will be

selected on the day.

When is this fantastic event happening? **THIS Sunday April 2nd! Goes from 11am – 2pm**

Come and join in the fun, catch up with your team mates from 2005 and meet the new players for 2006!

Dates to put in your 2006 diary:

Welcome Back Day – April 2
Albury Carnival – April 14-17
Shirt Presentation Night – April 21
Winter 2006 Starts – April 22/23
First Fees payment (\$10 – Swinburne students, \$110 - others) due – April 22/23
Final Fees payment (\$260) due – May 20/21

Pre-season Field Training

Has started as of March 1! Wednesday's 8 – 9:30pm on H2. Get there by 7pm for fitness training prior to taking the field.

Fitness training will still continue on Sunday's from 11am. If you turn up late head towards Glenferrie Rd and you'll probably find us.

Fundraising

As of the start of March we will be conducting a chocolate drive. We will be selling Freddo's and Summer Rolls. If everyone can sell just one box it would make a big difference.

What are we fundraising for? The club goalie gear is getting tired and starting to get dangerous for the players. The money will go towards updating required items to make it safe for our goalies again.

Courses

Due to lack of interest (i.e. nobody) the First Aid Course scheduled for late March has been cancelled.

Albury 2006 – April 14-17

Be part of the action! Drink, play hockey, drink, be merry, drink and have a good time. Good chance to play some fun hockey before the season starts. Positions in mixed, womens and mens teams are available.

Please speak to Donna or send her an email at albury@swinburnehockey.org to register your interest. Deposit of \$50 is required to secure your position. Deposits to be paid ASAP.

Cost for the weekend is \$200. We will be staying at the Garden Court Motel (same place as last year). Bring your bathers! They have a pool!

Sponsorship

Feeling broke? Having trouble scrounging together enough money for your fees? Here's the answer for you!

If you can broker \$500 worth of sponsorship money from local businesses then consider your playing fees paid (this does not include membership)!

Speak to Ed or Donna if you are interested in taking up this option. They will be able to provide you with a list of companies that have already been approached and information regarding what Swinburne Hockey is willing to offer in return for their sponsorship.

Social Membership

For only \$20 you get:

- Discount entry into all Swinburne University Hockey functions for 2006
- Copy of the Snorter's Report sent directly to your email
- Copy of the 2005/6 Year Book
- Individually numbered membership memorabilia

On the reverse stick:

Sos seemed surprised that a total of 8 people stopped to help her when her car broke down on Christmas Eve last year. When asked what she was wearing the response was "Oh, nothing".

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Player profile



Name: Phill Watts
Alias: Phill, aka Elfy in home town
Age: 19
Star Sign: Virgo
How long have you been in the club: 2
How did you find out about the club: Open Day
Worst injury: Hockey Ball to the Head, and was knocked unconscious during 2004 Grand Final
Position (on the field): Forward Line
Quote: "Charlton is a real place, I'm telling ya, between Ballarat and Bendigo"
Favourite Colour: Green
Favourite Food: Mums homemade Rissoles
Favourite TV-show: Stargate
Pets: Ronan, black Kelpie cross Blue Heeler
Favourite Music: Noiseworks
Least favourite thing: People telling me I'm wrong about something, when I realise I'm in fact incorrect, and then they continue to tell me.

Fees 2006

Fees have been updated. They are now:

Non-students - \$370
Students (all institutions) - \$270

We have modified the fees this year so that the total cost to non-students is the same as 2005.

Timelines:

Prior to Round 1 (22/23 April) – You will need to pay \$50 towards your fees prior to taking the field in Round 1

Prior to Round 5 (20/21 May) – The balance of your fees must be paid.

If your fees have not been paid by Round 8 you will not be eligible for selection in **ANY** team.

If you feel that you may have difficulty meeting any of these deadlines please speak to Dan Eason (Treasurer) **BEFORE the due date** to negotiate a payment schedule.

Early Bird Special

Just because fees haven't risen doesn't mean that the Early Bird Special has disappeared. If you pay your fees **in full** prior to Round 1 you will receive \$20 worth of Esky vouchers redeemable at your leisure

during the season. The Esky will be present at all Wednesday night trainings and home days.

Want to keep up with all the latest information?

Why not sign up to the Swinburne Hockey Official mailing list. You can manage your subscription at this url:

<http://lists.clarkey.id.au/cgi-bin/mailman/listinfo/club>

Subscribe and receive updates to your email account.

No email? Check out the website!

<http://www.swinburnehockey.org/>

Updates regularly posted from the start of the winter season.

Positions vacant

The following position is still vacant on the committee:

- Fundraising

Please speak to Ed if you are interested in taking on this role.

2006 Year Book

Bronwyn Clarke is acting as editor for the Swinburne Hockey Club year book for 2006. She is keen to see any photos of Swinburne Hockey and its members either playing on the field or socially. Bronwyn would also like you all to write down funny stories, match highlights or anything you remember about the Club over the last 12 months, ie Summer Comp, Albury, Winter Season, Training, Parties etc. Or if you happen to be an artist - give Bronwyn your best drawings. It is hoped that we will have the Year Book out for Winter Presentation Night 2006. Everyone please contribute.....

Submissions Close after Round 18 (3/9/06) to allow time for final editing and printing. Submissions can be emailed to gossip@swinburnehockey.org or handed over at training, games or whenever you see me.

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Girls Summer Team

L to R: Bronwyn Clarke, Lucy Marks, Bridget Soulsby, Sara Secombe, Donna Oram, Kimberley Trainor, Lisa Jones, Fiona Bird, Jo Raine, Clare Parry

In front: Tamra Brawn

Absent: Jo Mahony, Elise, Kristen Turra,