

Sydney South Hockey Association



ANNUAL REPORT 2018

**SYDNEY SOUTH
HOCKEY ASSOCIATION INC.**

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2. LIFE MEMBERS

We would like to thank our Life Members for their hard work and dedication to our Clubs and Association over the decades.

Mrs Olive Burrell/Watkins *
Mrs Edna Messer
Mrs Joan Stilgoe OAM
Mrs Sandra Fenton
Mrs Dot Symonds *
Miss Wendy Weir
Mrs Pat Wade
Miss Teresa Clews
Mrs Carol Harriss
Mrs Sylvia Brennan
Mr Lawrie Daly
Ms Heather Sutherland
Mr Kevin Connelly OAM *
Mrs Lyn Smith

*Denotes deceased



Life members Sylvia Brennan, Pat Wade, Teresa Clews and Joan Stilgoe OAM (front row left to right), Heather Sutherland (back row far right) at the Marang Hockey Fields official opening April 2018.



Carol Harriss & Teresa Clews



Lawrie Daly with wife, Anne



Joan Stilgoe OAM & Sandra Fenton

Life members at various Marang function throughout the year.

3. 2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS

SSHA Board of Directors 2018	
President	Lyn Smith
Secretary	Lee Davis
Treasurer	Donna Eagleton
Director, Competitions	Vicki Weeks
Director, Facilities	Carol Harriss
Director, Game Development	Mitchell Rowling
Director, Marketing and Communications	Scott Tully
Director, Representatives	Craig Holmes

4. 2018 CONVENORS

SSHA Convenors 2018	
Fixtures	Janice Tully
Indoor	Jodie McIntosh
Judiciary	Janice Tully
Registrar	John Dalla-Bona

Uniforms	Janice Tully / Jodie Flack
Umpires	Nathan Flack

5. VOLUNTEERS

To the volunteers, a small but dependable group, your efforts are greatly appreciated.

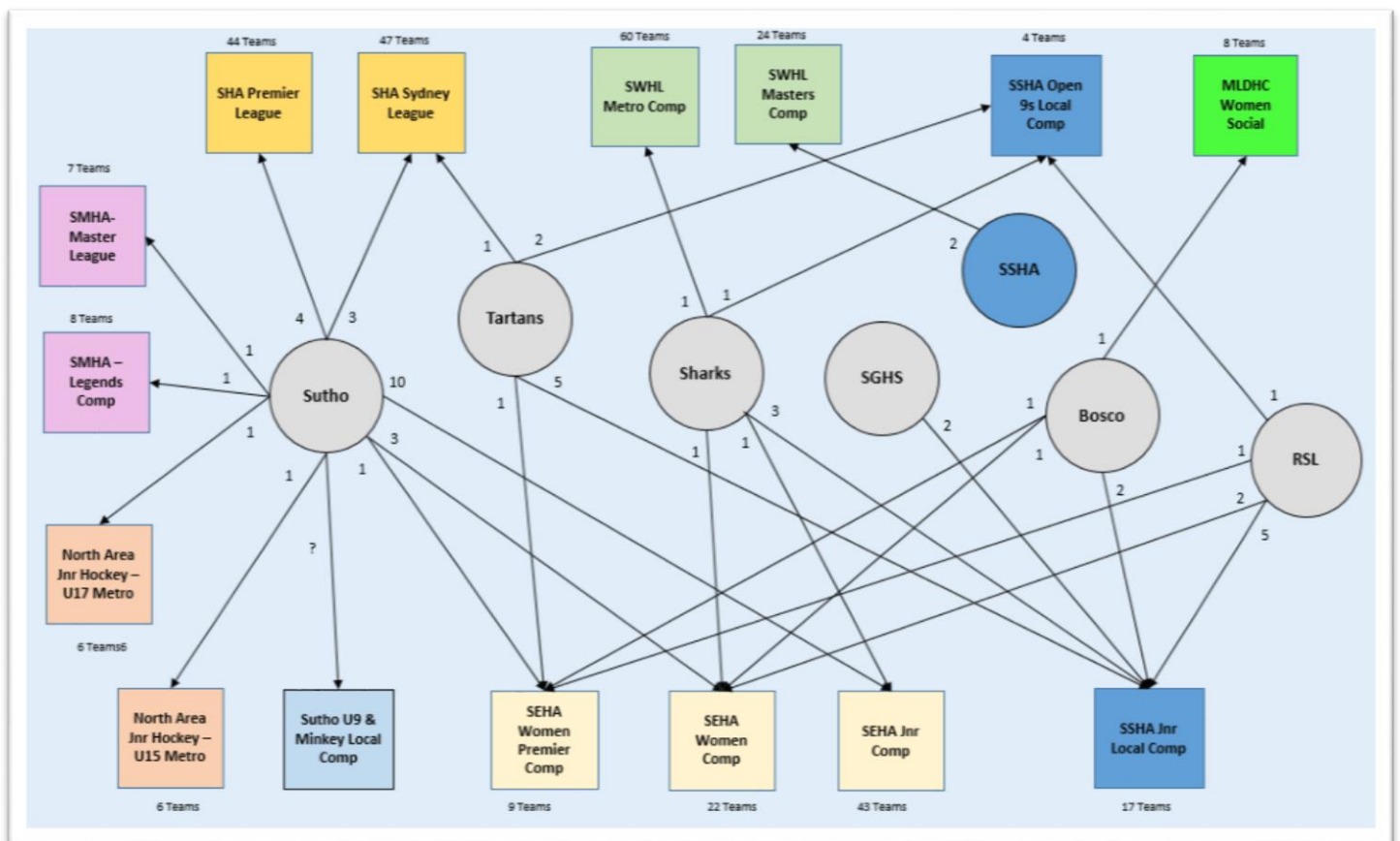


6. SSHA CLUBS & CONTACTS DETAILS

<p>Bosco Hockey</p> <p>President : Michael Mecham</p> <p>Secretary :</p> <p>Web Site : http://www.boscohockey.com.au/</p> <p>Facebook : https://www.facebook.com/BoscoHockeyClub/</p>	
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<p>Cronulla RSL Hockey</p> <p>President : Jenny Palmer</p> <p>Secretary : Eddie Jones</p> <p>Web Site : http://www.cronullarslhockey.org.au/</p> <p>Facebook : https://www.facebook.com/cronullarslhockeyclub/</p>	
<p>Sharks Hockey</p> <p>President : Andrew Bridgeman</p> <p>Secretary : Catherine Capelli</p> <p>Web Site : https://www.sharkshockey.com.au/</p> <p>Facebook : https://www.facebook.com/sharkshockeyclub/</p>	
<p>Sutherland District Hockey Club</p> <p>President : Craig Turner</p> <p>Secretary : John Mulcair</p> <p>Web Site : http://www.sutho.com.au/</p> <p>Facebook : https://www.facebook.com/suthohockeyclub/</p>	
<p>Sydney Girls High School</p> <p>Contact : Prasanta Panda</p>	
<p>Tartans Hockey Club</p> <p>President :</p> <p>Secretary : Janice Tully</p> <p>Web Site : http://tartanshockey.org.au/</p> <p>Facebook : https://www.facebook.com/TartansHockeyClub/</p>	

7. WHERE OUR CLUBS PLAY



SSHA Clubs play in many Sydney wide competitions and leagues

Sydney South Hockey Association Clubs have teams in the Sydney Masters Hockey Association's Masters League and Legends competitions, Sydney Hockey Association's Premier League & Sydney League, Sydney Women's Hockey League' Metropolitan League & Masters competitions, Sydney East Hockey Association's Women's Premier, Women's & Junior competitions, North Area Junior Hockey competition as well as our local Marang competition.

8. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The long awaited opening of Marang Hockey Complex was the highlight for Sydney South Hockey in 2018. There were tense moments for the Board during the week leading up to season start with no security of access and time running out to move in and prepare for play on Friday night and the opening on Saturday morning. But it happened and I thank the small group of Board members and their partners for what they were able to achieve in a short period of time to ensure the complex was ready. A special thanks to Carol as Facilities Director for the mammoth amount of time she has spent managing the daily operations of Marang.

As of writing this report the Association has a sublease with Sutherland Shire Council to occupy Marang. Once the land is handed over to the Council we will negotiate on a Lease. The time frame is still unknown as negotiations continue between Council and the landholders.

During the year I have been most encouraged by the number of positive and helpful volunteers who have a keen interest in ensuring success of the facility and strengthening hockey within our local area. Growing our local competitions is key to maximizing use of the facility and I encourage anyone who has an interest in establishing a comp or running an event to contact the Association Secretary.

Congratulations to all our Sydney South representatives this year. It has been a most outstanding and memorable year, with the number of State Championship wins and NSW and Australian representative selections. Take the time to read about our fabulous reps, coaches and officials in this Annual Report.

I thank the Board for what they have been able to achieve this year. It has not been easy for the 4 members experiencing their first year on the board and the other 4 taking on new roles. Added to this the extra demands of running a Hockey facility for the first time. Carol, Scott and myself have now served on the board for 4 years and may only stand for one more year. The Association needs the support of the Hockey community to fill any vacated roles in the year to come.

It is important that we celebrate and keep a record of what happens each year, the Annual Report is so valuable as a history of the Association. I thank all who have taken the time to contribute this year and to Lee our secretary for the many hours spent chasing up and putting this report together.

Finally and on a personal note it was so pleasing to see a women's competition again based in the Shire and to have all our junior competitions on a top quality pitch at a similar time each week. I would hope in the near future we are able to run a local comp for our older boys and a social men's competition enticing back some ex-players and their mates to the life time sport of hockey.

Lyn Smith

President

9. DIRECTORS REPORTS

9.1. Finance Report

The 2018 Finance Report has yet to be audited and has not been included in this report.

9.2. Competitions Report

The long awaited opening of the Association fields coincided with the 2018 winter season start. Extra games were scheduled to ensure all local teams had the opportunity to play on the new surface.

The junior winter season included mixed modified U7's, U9's, U11's, full field mixed U13's and Open Girls competitions. A women's competition was also run for the first time in some years. Four women's teams competed in the inaugural Marang comp, using a 9 a-side format.

The Summer Indoor competitions were again run at Port Hacking High for senior women and mixed Juniors.

Added to the calendar for this year- a six weeks half-field Family competition and a 12-week Women's half-field competition both held at Marang.

Local Competition Points Tables

Point scores - Open Women 9 aside										
Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	Forfeits	Byes	For	Against	Diff	Points
Tartan Tarts	16	12	3	1	0	0	60	18	42	55
Reef Sharks	16	8	2	6	0	0	32	27	5	42
Tartan Crème Puffs	16	5	0	11	0	0	16	46	-30	31
RSL Anacondas	16	4	1	11	0	0	28	45	-17	29

Point scores - Open School Girls										
Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	Forfeits	Byes	For	Against	Diff	Points
Tartan White	15	12	1	2	0	0	64	15	49	52
Tartan Maroon	15	11	2	2	0	0	54	7	47	50
RSL Quicksticks	15	9	4	2	0	0	46	15	31	46
Hammerhead Shark	15	6	0	9	0	0	38	42	-4	33
SGHS Gold	15	3	1	10	1	0	14	47	-33	24
SGHS Lions	15	0	0	13	2	0	3	93	-90	13

Point scores - Under 13 Mixed										
Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	Forfeits	Byes	For	Against	Diff	Points
RSL SlickSticks	15	12	1	2	0	0	41	10	31	52
Bosco	15	7	3	5	0	0	26	19	7	39
RSL Red Rockets	15	6	1	8	0	0	17	21	-4	34
Tartans Titans	15	2	1	12	0	0	14	48	-34	22

Point scores - Under 11 Mixed										
Team	Played	Wins	Draws	Losses	Forfeits	Byes	For	Against	Diff	Points
Blacktip Sharks	13	10	3	0	0	2	56	8	48	46
Bosco	13	10	1	2	0	2	39	11	28	44
RSL Blue	13	8	2	3	0	2	51	24	27	39
Tartans Terminators	13	5	4	4	0	2	33	22	11	32
Tiger Sharks	13	3	2	8	0	2	13	54	-41	24
Tartans Tornados	12	1	2	9	0	2	10	44	-34	17
RSL Gold	13	9	2	11	0	2	6	45	-39	15

Under 9 Teams
Bosco
RSL TrickySticks
Saw Sharks
Tartans Terrors
Zebra Sharks

Under 7 Teams
Great White Sharks
Tartans Tiny Teddies

9.3. Facilities Report

6th April, 2018 – a Friday night to remember for all those people from Sydney South Hockey Association who worked for so many years to get our very own turf complex up and running. Sincere thanks must go to our original ‘Turf Team’ of Bernie Riordan, Mick Clift and Brad Fussell for getting the funding and original idea and plans before Council. Teresa, our then-President, and I came on board some 8 years ago and took over the task of steering progress in what we hoped was the right direction. Although at times we had our doubts! Teresa’s dedication and determination to get this project completed was paramount to our success, and hockey in the Shire is greatly indebted to her.



Hockey association president Lyn Smith (left), Cr Michael Forshaw, Mark Speakman, Cr Carmelo Pesce and Cr Carol Provan at the opening of the hockey fields at Greenhills.

It was therefore very exciting to be present on the 6th to welcome the Sutherland U15 and U17 Metro A teams to their first ‘home’ games, and have our Open Schoolgirls back in the Shire after spending several years as nomads on Fridays and Sundays.

Saturday 7th April was the official opening, organized in conjunction with Sutherland Council. At the same time the fields previously known as ‘Greenhills’ were given their official name of Marang Parklands Hockey Complex. It was great to see so many people there – many life members, past players and present players from the SEHA and Moorebank competitions as well as all our junior and senior players in our own new competition.



Official opening of the Marang Parklands Hockey Fields at Greenhills

In the afternoon we also saw the brief return of some old Sydney South first grade teams, playing in the Premier grade of SEHA. We are working closely with the committee from SEHA to try and give the local teams more 'home' games in 2019.



Young players on opening day of the Marang Parklands Hockey Fields at Greenhills

As with many new facilities, we had our fair (some would say unfair) share of teething problems, not the least of which was a blocked sewer. Vicki, Lyn, Angelo and Jeff Davis were very instrumental in getting this and other problems sorted. Along the way a number of people have played a very large part in maintaining our facility and keeping the wheels of competition rolling. Apart from board members Lyn, Lee, Vicki and Scott, Ron and Ken did all those little (and some

not so little) jobs that no one ever notices until they go wrong, and Jeff was kept busy adjusting the guns for watering the fields and keeping an eye on all things electrical. Janice and Nathan also more than pulled their weight throughout the year ensuring the fixtures and umpiring ran smoothly.

One of our major challenges was sourcing outside users of the fields, at times that didn't clash with our own competitions. We were able to work with SEHA in getting the Sutherland U15 and U17 teams in the SEHA competition playing at Marang on Friday nights, on an almost home and away basis, which hopefully can be expanded next year. They also made several bookings for their Premier/1st grade games when other venues were unavailable and this also will be expanded in 2019.

Tartans entered their first ever men's team in the SHA competition, and again we were able to name Marang as their home ground, which saw them playing there on a home and away basis on a Saturday afternoon, after our competition games had been played. SHA also used Marang on a number of occasions throughout the year to accommodate teams other than Tartans, so our reputation as a top facility with the best playing surface was spread across the metropolitan area.

Our first major event was held on 19, 20 and 21 June, when we hosted the CHS State Championships. This went off very well, in spite of the heaviest rain in years on day 2 which resulted in a shorter playing day, and lower canteen takings. A very steep learning curve was involved, and a huge effort from Lee and Vicki, also Steph Flynn who supplied the best ever cakes and scones. Life members Sylvia Brennan and Lawrie Daly rolled up their sleeves for two days in the canteen and on the BBQ, along with Jenny MacGregor and Jenny Palmer, who took leave from work to come and help. We need more players and parents like these people to work with the Board to make the future of Marang and local hockey secure.

During the year, Marang has also been used by Sydney East PSSA Boys and Girls for training, the NSW State U21 Women's and Men's Blues teams for training, the Accelerated Athlete Program and Centre Of Development, Primary Schools knockout competition, U11 Training and Development, run by Justine, local Catholic Schools hockey on Friday afternoons and the majority of our rep teams have trained there prior to their State Championships. In addition, our Regional Coaching Coordinator, Alan Charlton, has also run a number of coaching clinics throughout the year. All of these 'outside' users have commented on the quality of our facility, and the State teams particularly said how good the playing surface is.

As the winter season ended, our Thursday night Summer Family competition started, and ran for 6 weeks, followed by our women's 6-a-side mid-week competition, running from 26th September until 12th December.

A working bee was held on 20th October which was well attended by several clubs and covered all things from gurneying the building, to overhauling the BBQ, to weeding the large grass surrounds and cleaning the canteen, change rooms, toilets and dugouts. This will be an ongoing commitment for all clubs in order to maintain our facility at its best.

On 29th October the fields were cleaned for the first time since the competition started in April. It was pleasantly surprising to find they were not as full of sand, grit and general dirt as we anticipated, given the almost constant winds blowing across the fields from the tip.

Following a meeting with the management of Breens, we were very pleased to learn that they would be sponsoring us to the sum of \$5,200 this year, and would renew that sponsorship in 2019.

I have mentioned a number of people in this report for their on-going work and support in our first year of operation, but there have been many more people doing their bit each week to keep our competitions running – moving the goals for our U7 and U9 teams, working in the canteen and on the BBQ, umpiring and doing tech bench duty, coaching and managing our junior teams. To all of you, thank you for your support. This is my first and last report as Facilities Director, as I will be overseas next year and not able to give the position the attention and energy required. Whoever takes over will need not only your continued support but a growing base of people working to expand our competition to fully utilize this wonderful facility called Marang.

Carol Harriss

Facilities Director

9.4. Game Development Report

Our Regional Coaching Coordinator Alan Charlton has been very busy this year running seasons for our Clubs, Coaches and players. We thank him very much for his dedication and support of Sydney South.

Alan also ran 2 Holiday Clinics for the U12's with over 30 kids attending each event. Centre of Development (COD), Athletes Acceleration Program (AAP) and Sporting School's Programs are also part of Alan's Activities and he has a number of other new initiatives planned for the off season to ensure our kids are skilled up and ready to go in 2019.

9.5. Marketing & Communications Report

The year had many opportunities for promoting Sydney South, our clubs and players. There were six Sydney South teams winning State Championships, 2 Play the Whistle Award winning teams, numerous players selected for NSW and Australian teams, the opening of Marang Parklands Hockey Fields, new competitions established and our clubs having success in competitions across Sydney.

These types of opportunities allow us to promote the sport on social and traditional media as well as to increase our profile with Hockey NSW, local politicians and Sutherland Shire Council.

Social Media

Our social media presence continued to grow.

The number of users liking our Facebook page (@sydneysouthhockey) increased by 17% from 527 at 1 October 2017 to 619 by 30 September 2018.

Over the year, we made 272 posts to the page. In total these posts received 7,643 likes, 724 comments and 439 shares. On average these figures were 28, 5 and 3 respectively. The average Reach of the posts was 434 while average Impressions was 795.

Our Instagram page (sydneysouthhockeyassociation) was launched late in the year and we have made 15 posts and currently have over 100 followers.

The Twitter account (@sydsthockey) was not used during the year.

Marang Parklands Hockey Fields were set up on Google Maps to enable people to find the fields and to contact us.

Traditional Media

The Leader published 6 stories over the year directly relating to Sydney South Hockey Association including:

- Under 13 national title to Kian Johnson (2 February)
- Seven under 15 boys and girls selected in NSW teams (19 March)
- Four under 18 girls playing for NSW at nationals (29 March)
- Marang Parklands Hockey Fields opening (9 April)
- Under 15 girls winning NSW State Championships (31 May)
- Open Mens winning NSW State Championships (14 June)

Post the end of the Association's year, The Leader has published 2 stories:

- Under 15 girls winning Indoor State Championships (24 October)
- Under 13 Girls winning Indoor State Championships (15 November)

Other mentions during the year included a reference to the Under 18 boys winning State Championships (15 May) in an article on Sutherland Hockey Club Premier League team. This resulted in information being sent to The Leader to explain the difference between club and Association.

Sutherland Hockey Club also had many mentions of team results in the Sydney men's competition while Tartans Hockey Club had a story published about the grand final win of that club's inaugural men's team.

We now have good contacts with The Leader journalists and will look to continue to provide them with relevant information for potential stories.

Following the end of the Association's year, we were approached about being involved in the 2SSR-FM community radio sports program *Sideline Eyes*. An interview was recorded with Stingray representative player Zoe Newman about her success and experience playing and coaching hockey. Zoe was an excellent interviewee and ambassador for Sydney South.

We will look to take advantage of this program in the coming year to increase our reach in the community.

Grants

Over the financial year, a number of grant applications were submitted. We were successful with some, others remain outstanding and we missed out on a few.

The successful grants received in the financial year were:

Tradies: \$6,000 to support our representative program via Club Grants

Tradies: \$6,435 for the purchase of a set of goals at Marang Parklands via Club Grants

Office of Sport: \$5,500 for the purchase of a set of goals at Marang Parklands via Local Sport Grant Program

We thank Tradies and the Office of Sport for the financial support during the financial year.

Thanks

Thanks to Vicki Vickery for supporting me during the year with the website and other content.

Thanks also to all the parents, players and officials who provided content to promote Sydney South Hockey during the year.

Scott Tully

Marketing & Communications Director

9.6. Representatives Report

‘It’s not the size of the dog in the fight, it’s the size of the fight in the dog’.

This is a quote that I think suits Sydney South Hockey Association. As a smaller association within the Sydney metropolitan area, we certainly punch well above our weight.

In my first year as Director of Representatives, it has been a steep learning curve but one that is always rewarding when you see our players enjoying this great sport. To our President Lyn, Secretary Lee and Scott, the Director of Marketing, thank you so much for being a great support throughout 2018. With a new facility this year, Carol has devoted many hours at Marang and at Sutherland Council. Thank you for always doing what is best for our players to access the new turf. Our Treasurer Donna has done an amazing job this year. To have our system on HNSW’s Revolutionise system was a massive job and I am sure that we all appreciate the ease in which we dealt with our financials in 2018. However there is one individual who has made a real difference in such a short period of time. Alan Charlton, our HNSW RCC has worked tirelessly for our association and has been instrumental in Sydney South player development, coaching and education of our players and coaches.

The year of 2018 has been a stellar year with several gold medals and the various field and indoor state championships. Our Sydney South teams have grown with more players representing our association than in previous years and the Under 11 development program is beginning to make its mark in the various carnivals in which they competed.

The results can be seen below:

2018 Field & Indoor Results

TEAM	FEMALES	MALES
FIELD		
13	13.1- 3 rd in Division 1 13.2- relegated to Division 4	3 rd in Division 2
15	Won Division 2	7 th in Division 1
18	18.1-5 th in Division 1 18.2- 11 th in Division 3	Won Division 2
OPENS	4 th in Division 2	Won Division 3
INDOOR		
13	Won Division 2	13.1- 3 rd in Division 1 13.2- 5 th in Division 3
15	Won Division 2	15.1- 5 th in Division 1 15.2 were 4 th in Division 3
18	Yet to play	Yet to play
OPENS	Yet to play	No team

Below is a list of our teams and the divisions they will be competing in 2019.

2019 Team Rankings

TEAM	FEMALES	MALES
FIELD		
13	Division 1	Division 2
15	Division 1	Division 1
18	Division 1	Division 1
OPENS	Division 2	Division 2
INDOOR		
13	Division 1	Division 1
15	Division 1	Division 1
18	Division 2 - yet to play in 2018	Division 1 - yet to play in 2018
OPENS	Division 2	No team in 2018

I would like to take this opportunity to all the officials and umpires who volunteered their time, energy and experience in 2018. The countless hours of training, preparation and planning that all

of you invested into your team was amazing. Your efforts are truly appreciated by Sydney South HA.

To the parents of Sydney South, thank you for your support. Hockey, as we all know is an expensive sport. The financial and time obligations are significant and the SSHA Board appreciates your commitment that you have all made in 2018 to your children and to the association.

Once again we have enjoyed many players gaining New South Wales representation. Many of the female athletes were part of HNSW history with all female teams in 2018 winning National Championships. However, special mention must go to Naomi Duncan and Grace Young who competed for Australia at the recent Youth Olympics. Grace and Zoe Newman also got included in the Hockey Australia Futures Program.

The following players represented New South Wales in 2018:

FIELD		
AGE	PLAYER	TEAM
13's	Christine Flack	NSW Lions
	Chloe Holmes	NSW Lions
	Lahni Woodger	NSW Lions
	Alexandra Singleton	NSW Stars
15's	Kian Johnson	NSW State
	Angus Callinan	NSW Blues
	Chelsea Holmes	NSW State
	Lili Maroney	NSW State
	Hannah Russell	NSW State
18's	Naomi Duncan	NSW State
	Claudia Johnston	NSW State
	Rebecca Janes	NSW State
	Grace Young	NSW State
	Harry Roberts	NSW Blues
21's	Zoe Newman	NSW State
	Claudia Johnston	NSW Blues
	Rebecca Janes	NSW Blues
INDOOR		
13's	Christine Flack	NSW Lions
	Chloe Holmes	NSW Lions
	Alexandra Singleton	NSW Stars
	Kian Johnson	NSW State

15's	Chelsea Holmes Lili Maroney Kian Johnson	NSW State NSW State NSW State
21's	Zoe Newman	NSW State

Craig Holmes

Director of Representatives

10. CLUB REPORTS

10.1. Bosco Hockey Club



The sun has set on another winter and as we reflect while the weather warms up, it is difficult to describe the 2018 hockey season as anything other than a success.

While it was a good year for Bosco Hockey Club, 2018 will be forever remembered as the year that the local junior and senior competitions finally moved to full time turf use, at the glorious Marang Parklands Hockey Fields. A number of people reading this report will remember the many months and years that went into securing this new facility and although a number of people who participated in that quest for a modern home of hockey in the Sutherland Shire (or Sydney South more recently) had the journey get the better of them at times, few people could be anything but thoroughly proud and impressed as Mayor Carmelo Pesce opened the facility on a beautiful Autumn morning in March. On the field, Bosco had the honour of playing in one of the first matches at the new venue, with Jami Maroney being the first player to score a goal in a competition match at Marang.

Looking more closely at the Bosco Hockey Club, we were slightly down on numbers in 2018, although we did see a number of new players join the club across the grades. We also formed a partnership with Sharks Hockey Club to fill places in our women's Premier League team and also had an RSL player and a Tartans player play in our women's second grade team.

On the field, the Club finished with a joint premiership in the Under 11 age group with Sharks Hockey Club in a grand final where the teams could not be separated after two periods of extra time. Both of these teams performed very well over the course of the season and the grand final provided a fitting result for that age group.

Our Under 13 team also were Grand Finalists in 2018, coming up against the very strong RSL team in the final. The Bosco team had put on an excellent display the previous week against Tartans to qualify for the Grand Final and went into the match full of confidence. The first half got away from the team a bit and the team was looking down the barrel of a blow-out score, however

some great words of encouragement at halftime saw Bosco hold RSL scoreless in the second half and create some genuine scoring chances, the final score ending 1-3 to RSL.

Our Under 9 team also performed well during the year and their skill level and overall standard of play lifted throughout the season.

Our junior teams were coached throughout the season by Lili and Miri Maroney and Luke Mecham, with assistance provided by Nicola McNally, Georgina Gunner, Melissa Mecham and no doubt one or two others.

In the Senior ranks, Bosco returned to participation in a Premier League competition (this time SEHA) for the first time in many years. We put together a team of mainly Under 18 players, with a few more experienced players complimenting the juniors in the team. Although there were a few tough games, this team finished the season in fifth place and gave some good tough senior hockey experience to a number of junior players, all of whom benefited from this experience. From the ranks of this team, Bosco was very proud to have Miri and Lili Maroney selected for Hockey NSW, NSW All School and Australian All Schools teams, with Alex Singleton also selected for Hockey NSW outdoor and indoor state teams in 2018.

Our Second Grade team had a tough season, with the core of the team moving to Premier League. This team was made up of a number of our more experienced players, with a few juniors moving into the senior ranks, most notably Taylor Leonard, whose game improved substantially this season. We were also fortunate to have Christine Flack join the team as goal keeper from RSL. Christine also achieved NSW outdoor and indoor team selection in 2018 and it was a pleasure to have her in the team.

Our Clydesdales team participated in the Moorebank Saturday afternoon competition and had a number of good performances throughout the year. A reliable source tells me they were desperately unlucky in the semi-final, conceding a goal in the closing stages of the match. A number of players in this team have been with Bosco since junior days and have come and gone as families and other responsibilities have crept into their lives. It is wonderful to see these players still enjoying playing and each other's company after all these years.

Off the field, we were served again by a small group of hardworking volunteers and my thanks in particular to Lawrie Daly, Melissa Mecham, Gary Tucker, Nicola McNally, Gayle Tregonning and Vicki Vickery. Thanks also to the senior team coordinators who organised their teams on a week to week basis. Thank you to Josh Wiggins who coached out Premier League team and congratulations on the results you achieved with that team.

Finally a major thanks to the Board of the Sydney South Hockey Association for your work and dedication to hockey in the local area. All Clubs in the area owe you a debt of gratitude and hopefully, in conjunction with the plans in place with Hockey NSW for hockey more broadly, we can look forward to another successful year in 2019.

Michael Mecham

President – Bosco Hockey Club

10.2. Cronulla RSL Hockey Club



Any report about the 2018 hockey season for SSHA clubs must start with a Yay and Hooray for having the Marang Parklands facility with two fields up and running (a.k.a. Greenhills). Only those involved from the very beginning of this facility, over a decade ago, can understand the trials, tribulations and effort that has led to this fantastic facility. It has taken many people over those years to continue the battle! We thank and acknowledge them all! Especially we would like to thank Theresa Clews, Lyn Smith and Carol Harriss for their marathon efforts.

The Cronulla RSL club would very much like to say how grateful we are to the SSHA Board for facilitating the 2018 season, which included operation of the new facility and working through the new procedures with the clubs to make this work. We are also very grateful to the Cronulla RSL club members that have contributed to the running of the SSHA association in 2018. Nathan Flack as umpires coach and convenor, Jodie Flack managing uniform allocation for SSHA rep teams, Donna Eagleton as Treasurer and Jen Palmer as Cronulla RSL President and association delegate ensuring our voice is heard with the club goal of providing input that supports and improves SSHA competition going forward.

Our Cronulla RSL Hockey Committee is small but an effective 'brains trust'. We especially thank Max Mumford as Treasurer along with Eddie Jones and Sherryl Arredondo in consultant roles sharing their knowledge, skills and wisdom.

Thank you to our umpires; Nathan Flack, Amy Lynch, Jodie McIntosh, Annie Flack, Alex Eagleton and Alison Banks who we could not have played without!

Thank you to the opposition clubs who work hard to provide wonderful teams that play in a great spirit so we have a wonderful competition for all. I know we all want the same positive hockey experience for all our players in the sport we love.

As many clubs will know, it is an unknown what teams make sense and can be fielded, right up until the beginning of the competition. Cronulla RSL volunteer coaches and managers think hard at this time on what teams will work best for all, based on several factors with the upper most goals in mind to provide the best playing and team experience. We fielded teams in all grades except U7's. It remains a challenge to recruit in the younger age groups but hope that with the support of SSHA and HNSW some recruiting options for clubs will be supported. We are hopeful that we can get U7's for next year, as they are the future of our club and the local hockey competition. It is also our intention to support a mixed U15 team in 2019.

Cronulla RSL Hockey club registered 114 members in 2018. We entered six teams in the Sydney South Hockey Association (SSHA) junior competitions in 2018 and are very excited to say entered a senior team in our SSHA run competition. We think this is important to encourage our young players to transition from juniors to seniors who wish to continue playing recreational hockey locally and build a strong, local senior hockey competition. We also entered three senior teams in the Sydney East Hockey Association (SEHA) competition.

In 2018, we can report wonderful success for all our junior and senior teams. We are very grateful to all the wonderful coaches and managers as well as the Cronulla RSL committee who enable

the teams to play and their families that support them in this role. Also to the parents and players that step up to assist with ground duty, canteen, Tech bench and fundraising.

Juniors

The junior coaches approached transitioning of skills and games played from grass to synthetic surface in a thoughtful and planned way, and the junior club training session, later in the season with Alan Charlton our Regional Coaching Coordinator was very positive in supporting that. It has been the clubs' aim for several seasons to get the benefits of the HNSW RCC's experience, drills and resources to every one of our players and coaches, not just representative players and we are grateful to Alan for helping make this happen. We look forward to a session again early in the season next year.

By the end of the season, watching the skill level and match play of all those players and teams, playing their first season on synthetic surfaces, the coaches did a fantastic job. It was also wonderful to see the positive attitude and qualities such as determination, fair play, supporting team mates, respect and friendliness towards the opposition be a constant feature of all RSL junior teams and players. Having two teams from the club in both U11's and U13's means there is additional balancing needs of coaches and managers to get right when managing these teams. Working together, they did a great job at managing players in those grades who showed a great maturity to have fun and enjoyment either playing with or against each other in games. Well done.

The Under 9 TrickySticks enjoyed themselves immensely and continued to develop under Coach Beth Bradley and Duncan Ashman supported by Manager Melissa Olsen as well as Glen Robertson who stepped up to help when Melissa went around Australia on a family holiday odyssey. We look forward to seeing all the U9s back next year and encourage them to bring friends to play as well.

Both Under 11 teams, (RSL Blue and RSL Gold) trained together as a squad with coaches Vicki Palmer and Dani Bennett. Champion move by Vicki recruiting Dani, they made an awesome coaching and management team for the kids and parents. Both RSL Blue and RSL Gold had fabulous seasons, their skills on turf great to see as well as their development as team players and understanding of positional play looked wonderful. RSL Blue played a great semi-final game against Sharks that was fast, skilful, end-to-end hockey, with the result just going to Sharks by 1 goal.

In Under 13s we fielded two teams similar to the year before, again training as a squad and mixing the teams with under 11 and under 13 players. Our coaches Nathan Flack (SlickSticks), Kath Fuz and Steph Brennan (RedRockets), once again did a fabulous job along with super managers Jodie Flack (SlickSticks) and Christa Rogerson (Red Rockets). Both teams made the finals series with the Slicksticks winning their semi versus Bosco to progress to the grand final and Red Rockets playing a great and close game vs Tartans, with the result a narrow loss to Tartans. The Slicksticks played a faultless grand final with some wonderful team goals as well a great defence, beating Bosco 4-1.

The open Schoolgirls team, The QuickSticks, coached by Sherryl Arredondo and assisted by Sonia McFadden enjoyed another season together with continued improvements in both individual skills and positional match play. They continued to display a never die attitude! They finished third on the ladder and progressed into the semi-final versus Sharks and successful progress on

to the final. The final was a very good game against Tartans; however, that is where the very enjoyable and successful season of 2018 ended for the Quicksticks. It was very satisfying to see these young women playing to their strengths, giving it their best for both the team and themselves, week in and week out.

Thank you to all those involved to running and maintaining the SSHA representative program. We appreciate the opportunity our players have to progress and develop their game of hockey. I know the parents of these players help as well so thank you.

A number of Cronulla RSL Juniors were selected to play representative hockey as follows:

SSHA U11 Girls: Imogen Olsen, Martina Murray, Freya Palmer, Anastacia Flack

SSHA U11 Boys: Rourke Bennett, Louis Olsen

SSHA U13 Girls: Georgia Eagleton, Audrey Fuz, Zoe Griffin, Mahalia Olsen, Camille Rogerson, Josephine Birt, Chloe Brennan, Anastacia Flack, Christine Flack, Maddison Gibbs, Elizabeth Jones

SSHA U15 Girls: Tamsyn Mackay, Lily Parker, Hannah Russell

SSHA U18: Tamsyn Mackay

We also had Christine Flack selected in the NSW State U13 team and Hannah Russell in the NSW State U15 team.

It was great to see many of our junior players transitioning to senior teams.

Seniors

We are glad to say that the Cronulla RSL Anacondas team were entered into the inaugural senior SSHA competition. This ran as a 9 aside competition and enabled several players (doing their HSC) to return to hockey and play other experienced senior players. The girls enjoyed the season and played a strong semi-final unfortunately losing to Tartans. Thank you to Courtney Riordan who coached and managed the team each week. The girl's skill and camaraderie on and off the field was a joy!

Cronulla RSL fielded three teams in the Sydney East Hockey Association (SEHA) Competition playing around Sydney at mostly Daceyville, Kyeemagh, Bankstown and Sutherland synthetic fields. We also had a few Premier league games played at Marang. We are hopeful to have more games scheduled at Marang in 2019.

RSL4 struggled each week to field a full team and were thankfully assisted by many of our junior players. Unfortunately, they did not quite make the semi-finals missing out by one goal. Thank you to Sarah Adams as Manager and Nathan Flack as coach. As always, this team has fun and enjoys their hockey led by the fabulous Sarah! We also welcomed some new recruits!

RSL2 were plagued by injury and always needed players from the lower grades to assist. The season did not progress as expected, mixed results but again all players enjoyed their season keeping fit and playing the sport they love! Thank you to Emma Cullen as Manager and Rebecca Teece as Coach.

RSL Premier also suffered a number of injuries and benefited with help from great depth in other grades. This team made it all the way to the grand final and lost against Esquires. Once again, a great social season! Thank you to Sherryl Arredondo and Rebecca Teece for ensuring we fielded a team each week!

In representative hockey, we had a number of senior players compete in the Masters Field Hockey and Masters Indoor Hockey competitions. Always a privilege to represent Sydney South Hockey Association and fun!

Indoor/Summer Hockey

Cronulla RSL have a number of teams entered in the SSHA Indoor competitions, two in seniors and one in juniors. The season has just commenced.

With the new facilities at Marang we have entered an RSL team in a 6 a side summer competition which is very social and enables our players to keep practising their hockey skills in the 'off-season'!

Thank you to Cronulla RSL for their continued support of our junior and senior hockey players. We are very appreciative of this support and love playing in the blue and gold!

Jenny Palmer

President – Cronulla RSL Hockey Club



Our grand final winners Cronulla RSL SlickSticks

10.3. Sharks Hockey Club



2018 was a big season for Cronulla Sharks Hockey, two significant events happened well before anyone took to the pitch. On November 29th the club became a legally incorporated entity and on December 15th we were admitted into SWHL (Sydney Women's Hockey League) the only club within the Sutherland Shire to have a women's team to play in this premier competition.

The club commenced the season with 99 members 28 seniors and 71 juniors playing over 4 competitions some travelling as far as Pennant Hills, and others no further than Marang Hockey Fields. We had 5 teams in the final series. 2 of which became Premiers.

Juniors Report

2018 marked a fabulous new start for Sharks Hockey with the opening of Greenhills Hockey Complex at Marang Parklands. The excitement of being able to play on top quality turf fields delivered some fantastic results, new skills and development, along with increased numbers of Club Members this year.

This season we were able to field a large contingent of Joeys, 2 x Mini Burra U9s, 2 x U11s Kookaburras - one of which were both Minor Premiers and Premiers, 1 x U13 team in the SEHA comp and 1 team in the Open Girls.

We celebrated our Sharks Junior Teams and their efforts this year with a fantastic end of season presentation party at Gunnamatta Hall, with fun and games, prizes and of course acknowledgement of our Best and Fairest and Most Improved Junior players.

We give a huge thank you to all of our wonderful Players, Coaches and Managers, our great Referees, in addition to providing a special thank you to the Association for the running of the Junior Program.



This year we saw our juniors playing with their mothers, truly a family club. We are hoping to see more mothers playing with their children next season.

Joeys U7s

Sharks Hockey Club fielded a great group of U7 Joey team members in 2018, most of which were new to hockey. The Great White Sharks all enjoyed meeting and playing together, along with learning new skills through supervised drills.



They also bonded with the Tartans U7s and of course all enjoyed game time the most. It was fantastic to watch them all grow and develop during the season, with everyone putting in a great effort to do well for their team and team mates.



Even during the cold months, the kids eagerly looked forward to their early Saturday morning starts. What a wonderful group of kids! With so many new starters, seeing the growth across the team during the season has been amazing. We never would have thought at the beginning of the season that putting a group of 4 – 6 year old kids together would bring out the drive to have fun,

to learn and a little competitive spirit as well, all supported wonderfully by their fun and very patient coach, Taylah! The importance of learning their skills was taken head on and while they were having fun they also learnt how to be part of a team. Well done to all our kids in the Great Whites. Near the end of the season a few of the older kids played up in the U9s teams to further their confidence and help them get to know some of the other children they may be playing with as they move up next year. A Best Team Player trophy was awarded each week which greatly helped build confidence and to act as a reminder of their achievement each weekend. We would like to thank their coach Taylah for keeping the little players in order every week, we look forward to seeing each of the U7s players back and roaring to go next year!

Mini Burras U9s

What an amazing group of players we have that make up our U9s teams, the Saw Sharks and the Zebra Sharks! Both teams bonded and grew during the season, both teams doing well and winning many games. As the season went on the Saw Sharks became the team to beat in the U9s comp, demonstrating brilliant team work and impressive results. The advanced skills these teams have will support the older group as they move up into the U11s, leaving the younger ones with a fantastic base for continued improvement and no doubt, lots of ongoing success!

U9s Saw Sharks

The Saw Sharks team showed fantastic commitment to each other and their Coaches this year, in addition to forming an incredibly strong bond between themselves.



They continued to turn up for training and their matches full of enthusiasm and drive, demonstrating amazing improvement as the season went on. The amount of focus and desire to win was incredible and their friendships held them in good stead accentuating their great team work and team spirit, further instilled in the kids by their wonderful Coaches Ruby and Sahara! We look forward to seeing this great group of kids continue their junior hockey next year and continue to be formidable opponents to all the other teams in the U9s competition!

2018 Most Improved Player: Marlee Pickering

2018 Best and Fairest Player: Emily Street

U9s Zebra Sharks

Our Zebra Sharks had a great season this year, with all players improving their skills and teamwork significantly. Everyone put in their best efforts into every game and the team work grew from strength to strength as the structure of and use of positioning developed during the season as a result of the fantastic coaching by Tanisha! It was wonderful to see each of the kids develop skills in their preferred positions, passing the ball to each other consistently and really becoming a cohesive team. A mix of fantastic stopping and running with the ball, alongside great defensive play, this team has great potential and we can't wait to see them continue to grow next year, especially as some start to move up into the older U11 grade.



2018 Most Improved Player: Charlotte Milligan

2018 Best and Fairest Player: Alice Krstanoski

Kookaburra U11s

A year of great success for our U11s! This year we had two U11s teams, the Tiger Sharks and the Blacktip Sharks, both made up of engaged, motivated and enthusiastic kids who absolutely loved every minute of playing together. The quality of the Coaches this year was evident as it was obvious that both teams played in a structured, professional manner and developed understanding and requirements of specific positions and how to work together effectively. It has been wonderful to see many of these players move through the Junior ranks and be more than ready to move up into the older competitions next year. For those players who will continue in the U11s comp in 2019, we are very excited to see what you will deliver with everything that you have learnt in this and the previous years!

U11s Tiger Sharks

This is their first season in U11's. The Tiger Sharks have worked hard this year and have been willing to learn new skills and develop their play. Each game the players improved their hits, pushes, marking and positional play, demonstrating an impressive level of consistency as the season went on. This close knit team should be extremely proud of the level of team work and sportsmanship they showed, never giving up and always trying their best. This determination and never give up attitude they learnt from their amazing coach Elly, who made such a difference to these kids and helped them so much during the season. Watch out 2019, the Tiger Sharks will be better than ever!

2018 Most Improved Player: Rose Richardson

U11s Blacktip Sharks



What an eventful season of hockey this has been for the Blacktip Sharks! Minor Premiers at the end of the standard draw – top of the U11s table! Taking that confidence into the finals series, their incredible efforts and stamina paid off, resulting in them being named Joint Premiers, not being able to be separated from Bosco after the full time whistle and extra time! Every member of this team played the season with dedication and determination, supporting each other and acknowledging the incredible guidance of their wonderful Coach, Tilly. With a mix of experienced U11s and a number of newly upgraded U9s and U9s playing up, this mix was managed wonderfully by their Coach and each team member should be congratulated for their commitment and contribution which delivered them the ultimate prize of a Premiership! We look to 2019 with excitement to see how this team will continue to morph and develop as some players move to the higher age groups and remaining players bond with and support the new players moving in. Congratulations to each of the Blacktip Sharks, their Coach, Manager and their vocal parents and friends who showed their support during the year!



2018 Most Improved Player: Charles Street

2018 Best and Fairest Player: Malcolm Love



U13's Bull Sharks

This team plays in the SEHA competition and this year played in the premier A competition and they had a fantastic season finishing in the top 4. The goal for the team was to improve their skills. This is a tough competition and gives the players the opportunity to play against different people and different teams. The team made the semi-finals which was a fantastic achievement. Unfortunately it was a 1v4 play-off which made it difficult. The team comprised all girls and one boy. They often played against teams that had all boys and 1 girl. It was great to see the girls match many of these boys in skill. Big thanks to Asen who was the only boy in the team. The team was fortunate enough to secure Rick a very experienced player who gave up his time to coach the team. All the girls and Asen learnt something from him.

OPEN GIRLS HAMMERHEAD



This team was made of children from the U13's and some older kids. They won some, they lost some, and they drew some and made the top 4 which was a fantastic achievement.

Amazing effort by a Team that has grown so much throughout the Season. Unfortunately, injuries took a toll and due to unforeseen commitments, we missed some key players who would have loved to be there for the semis. The score didn't reflect the fight our Sharkies put up, it was a gallant effort. We had some exciting attempts at goal but some didn't go to plan at times. Our Defence was a force to be reckoned with. The support of Parents and Friends made it a very spectacular game and our girls held their heads up very high as they played with every bit of their soul to try and grab that goal that just wouldn't go in. Looking forward to next Season we'll come back stronger 2019 Season watch out Angela

Sharks Hockey Junior Sportsperson of the year 2018

Sahara Waide

A special congratulations to Sahara Waide who Played, Coached, Umpired, and contributed countless hours supporting the club to be voted our Junior Sportsperson for 2018. A great effort. Although she was injured for half the season, Sahara still turned up for her team and helped out in goal every week.

Sharks Hockey are proud to have you in our club.

Seniors report

This year we had 3 senior teams each playing in different competitions.

The 2018 was a big season for Cronulla Sharks Hockey as we had 2 teams make grand finals with the SWHL team making the grand final at the first attempt and winning the competition.

The newly formed Reef sharks played in the newly formed local competition and also made the grand final but unfortunately lost.

The Existing 2nd Grade Women's team continued their participation in the SEHA completion.

Cronulla Sharks SWHL Team (Sydney Women's Hockey League)



When the hockey season began our first foray into SWHL wasn't great - we got smashed in a trial by the Moorebank ML5 side (who went on to win their premiership), but in difficult conditions the girls showed a fighting attitude that would carry them through the rest of the year. The season proper began much better, with a four confidence boosting wins in a row, which were followed by four confidence sapping losses in a row and by the time we got into the second round the girls had settled, our results improved, and it was a 7-1 victory over the previously undefeated Glebe side that booked our spot in the finals. 12 wins, 2 draws, 4 losses, 55 goals for, 17 goals against, good for 2nd place.

The problem was that victory over Glebe was our only win against any of the other 3 finals teams in 6 games. We struggled with the physicality of Glebe and the width of Macquarie but when the pressure was on the girls really found a balance between the two styles, finding a way to use the strengths of one to beat the other. It wasn't smooth all the way, we fell apart a bit after falling behind Glebe in the Major semi, but lessons were learnt and we struck early twice against Macquarie in the final, holding on 2-1, then striking early three times in the Grand Final and holding on 3-2.



My highlight of the year was watching this group test themselves each week against new opposition. These players got to run against Macquarie University, Wentworthville, Norwest Strikers & MosHarbour etc. Previously the only way to get this experience was either through representative hockey or leaving the association and now we can play these teams every week. Then again Grand Final day was a lot of fun too!

Individually there were a lot of highlights; Darcy v Wenty (R1), Sue v Wenty (R2), Hanna v NWS, Zoe v Macquarie, Mia's GF hat-trick, Izzy's entire final series, Micayla's waist high slap goal, Jemma's diving baseline goal, Tilly's wandering elbows, every time Elly decided not to tomahawk and beating Wests so bad Kiera called the cops to Bankstown. Apologies to all those I missed, there was a lot of fun stuff this year.

Finally, a big thankyou to all the players we took the leap into SWHL with us this year. The inaugural Cronulla Sharks SWHL team were; Susan Jay (Capt.), Isabell Scottis (GK), Jemma Akkari, Hanna Barnard, Darcy, Bronte, Tilly, Phoebe & Marisa Dalla-Bona, Zoe Jay, Micayla Krauklis, Keira McCracken, Elly & Peta Offord, Mia O'Rourke, Bronte & Ashleigh Ryan, April Drury, Paris Barnard, Niamh Rosser .

Matt Rowling

Cronulla SWHL Coach

2018 Reef Sharks Report.

As this was the first year on the new local Turf's it was great not to travel all over the country side to play hockey. We found we were happy settling into a strong fun competition.

The Reef Sharks team had a remarkable season making it into the grand final and putting up a good fight (while still having fun) to be placed a respectable 2nd. Not bad for a social team who managed players travel, work and injuries in the season and was still able to field a team each week.



We went from playing short and calling upon some of our talented juniors initially fill in, to a couple of them earning a regular spot and becoming a core part of the Reef sharks team (Em and Chels). It was awesome to have such a wonderful age mix of girls in our team and I love the friendships that were formed (we certainly did prove that age is no barrier to friendship).

There were so many spectacular goals, saves and tackles, some that stick in my mind were a few cracker goals from Hanna, Tanisha, Taylah and Em and the solid defence tackles from Katja.

Special thank you to Bronte and Chloe for playing at short notice, Ang for doing canteen duty and Wendy for playing the role of team taxi and support.

Thanks for a great season; we look forward to you all returning next year for more fun and friendship.

Kirsty

2nd Grade Women's

The 2nd Grade Women's Team had a tough season we lost our goalie before the season started and despite having a large squad it proved to be a challenge getting a full team each week. The two highlights were securing a great coach in Rick who is a very experienced player and watching many of our young players step up and play with us. The team developed through the season and we look forward to next season.



Representative Honours

NSW Representatives

U13

Massive, huge congratulations to Lahni W for making the U13s state team. This is a fantastic achievement. And we are all so very proud of you here at Sharks HQ. Also huge Sharks shout out to Christine F who plays goalie for the SEHA Bull Sharks who will be joining her teammate Lahni at the Nationals.

Both girls went on to win Gold for their NSW team this is awesome!



U15

Massive congratulations to this little lady Zoe J for being selected into the U15s state Squad. This is a fantastic achievement and we are all so very proud of you



Sydney East PSSA Team

Representing Sydney East PSSA Team at State Championship today at Moorebank our Shark's players Eliza Parslow, Lahni Woodger and Chloe Burne.



NSWCHSSA

Congratulations to the Sydney East Combined High School team that gave us a nail biting final after 3 lovely days in the pouring rain! Darcy Dalla-Bona, April Druery, Annika Agerakis, Zoe Jay

and Katja Lee. The title was snatch away in the dying seconds 3-2. You all played do well. Special mention to our 5 Sharkies below (that's nearly half the team!) who play for SEHA 1 and 2, Reef Sharks (SSHA) and our SWHL Teams. We are so proud of you all. Great job girls



SSHA Representatives

Congratulations to all the Sharkies whom represented Sydney South Hockey Association in the field and Indoor State Championships



Field Teams

U13/1 - Brydie Fairfax, Emily Hindmarch, Lahni Woodger, Coach – Kirsty Fraser

U13/2 - Chloe Burne, Eliza Parslow

U15 Girls Div2 State Champions - Darcy Dalla-Bona, April Druery, Kiera Greening, Zoe Jay, Tanisha Mavji, Katelyn Parslow, Manager – Susan Jay

U18/2 Girls - Darcy Dalla-Bona, Zoe Jay, Tanisha Mavji, Elly Offord, Isabel Scortis

Indoor

U15 Girls - State Champions Div. 2, Champions for the 2nd Year running - Darcy Dalla-Bona



U18 Girls - Darcy Dalla-Bona, Katja Lee



The Sharks made up half the U15s team that won the state champs. This is an amazing achievement for this bunch of dedicated girls. They have worked hard to get to this level of hockey through commitment to the sport and the help of great coaches, and being part of the Sharks hockey family. Oh and the parents who drive the children to these games, this is the furthest we have been Grafton, but with a win definitely worth it!

Playing reps is a great way to meet new friends and travel NSW, we urge all our players young and old to give it a go in 2019

John Dalla-Bona

10.4. Sutherland District Hockey Club



2018 was another excellent season for Sutherland Hockey Club, with notable achievements both on and off the field. In terms of playing results:

A SEHA Major Club Championship for our senior women's teams – congratulations ladies! 3 of our 4 ladies teams made finals, with 1 team (3rd grade Wildcats) getting through to the grand final.

A dominant year for our junior teams, with 11 of 12 teams making finals, 9 of those teams reaching grand finals, and 6 winning premierships: u17 Metro and SEHA Premierships in u17, u13A, u13B, u11A and u11B competitions

5 of our 7 senior men's teams made SHA finals, with 3 teams (4th, 5th and 6th grade) all making grand finals, alas none secured a premiership trophy. Our 1st grade men's team in the Sydney Premier League 1 competition had a superb season, missing the Minor Premiership only on goal difference. Unfortunately a poor game in the preliminary final cost them a spot in the Grand Final.

From a playing numbers perspective, we fielded 7 men's teams (an increase of 1 on 2017), 4 senior women's teams (an increase of 1 from 2017), and 12 junior teams (no change from 2017). The increase in senior playing numbers behind these extra teams was a positive sign!

Our Club also conducted the annual u11 Herb Fibbins Association Carnival for 16 u11 Association teams, our Term 3 Primary Schools Gala Day, and also ran our Term 4 Tradies 6-a-side Summer Schools Hockey competition – the latter involving 48 teams from local primary and high schools.

Representation in Association, State and Australian teams from our Club was again very strong, headed by Kieran Govers in the Kookaburras and Jack Hayes in the Australia A Men's team, along with Naomi Duncan and Grace Young in the Australian u18 Youth Olympic Team. We had 9 further players selected in NSW u21 and junior representative teams, plus 1 Australian Masters rep. Just as importantly, we had a very long list of junior players involved in Association representative teams participating at State Championships (both field and indoor), which has been terrific for their hockey development.

Administratively, we have been quite occupied with work preparing for the resurfacing of our home field at Sylvania Hockey Park – which is now scheduled to occur over the summer. Aside

from a \$20K NSW Government Grant through Eleni Petinos, State MP for Miranda, the remainder of the funding for the \$350K project has been raised by our Club and our supporters, which constitutes a huge investment by a community sports club in local infrastructure for hockey.

Finally, the long awaited opening of the two new fields at Marang Parklands, Greenhills, means there are now three top class water base hockey fields in the Shire. Such a change will hopefully be transformative for not only the Sydney South Hockey Association and its member clubs, but also for the sport of hockey in the Sutherland Shire. It's an enormous opportunity!

Craig Turner

President - Sutherland Hockey Club

10.5. Tartans Hockey Club



What an exciting year for hockey in the Sydney South Association in 2018. At Tartans, we were particularly excited that we were able to field our first ever men's team in the Sydney Hockey competition. The team played in Sydney League 6 and won the competition in a penalty shoot-out - an exciting finish to their first season.

The club again fielded teams in all competitions run by Sydney South. We also fielded a senior ladies team in the SEHA premier league competition.

Our club and players have really enjoyed being able to play our junior and senior hockey locally at Marang. Our two senior women's teams enjoyed the 9 a side competition immensely and our juniors all loved playing on the synthetic fields, with no washout concerns.

Our youngest players, the Tiny Teddies, participated in the Hockey Joeys U7 program and had a fun season. They all learnt a little bit more about hockey and wanted to be like their bigger siblings and friends so some of them came along to training on Monday afternoons as well. Thanks to our coaches Caitlin and Olivia and to Rachel for running the drills with the coaches each week.



Our Under 9s Terrors played a development season in quarter field 6 a side hockey. We were really tight on numbers in our team this year so often had our Under 7s filling in. There was a diversity of experience in this team. Some of our players were in their first season of hockey and others had played for a couple of seasons in Under 7s. They all improved during the season and had lots of fun learning more about hockey. The training sessions were possibly even more fun than the games under the guidance of Alexis and Morgan. Thanks to Valerie for being manager again.



We were caught between a rock and a hard place in our Under 11 age group this season. We had too many kids for one team, but not quite enough for two. In the end, we decided to enter two teams with many of the kids keen to play extra games each week. The kids again enjoyed the half field format and the move to Marang saw their skills and the speed of the game improve. Due to the number of kids playing for both teams, they all trained together under the guidance of Jordan, Courtney and Sarah. They were also often joined by the Under 9s and their coaches to create a link between the grades. Both teams struggled at the beginning of the season, but by the end, you could see that they understood their game and what their coaches wanted them to do. In the end the Terminators finished the season in 4th place and had a 1 – 0 win over RSL in the semi-final. In the final, they went down fighting in the second period of golden goal extra time to Bosco. Bosco went on to be joint premiers with Sharks. Our Tornados team finished the season outside the semi-finals, but had a win in their last game which was a positive end to a season of great improvement. Thanks to our coaches and the managers Christy, Renee and Tanya. We know how hard you all had to work to get teams on the field this season (and sorry we missed a team photo of the Tornados).



Our Under 13 Titans were a mix of kids who had played Under 13 hockey last year, kids who had played half field Under 11 hockey last year and kids new to hockey. They were brought together under the experienced eye of their coach Amy. The team struggled with the faster paced synthetic hockey at the beginning of the season but by the end they were understanding their roles and the team structure a lot better. They struggled all year and finished the season in 4th place. In an upset, they defeated RSL Red Rockets 3 – 2 in their semi-final, which pitted them against Bosco in the final. Bosco were too good for them on the day, but the Titans finished the season knowing they had progressed. Thanks again to manager Vicki for keeping the kids organised and supporting Amy all season.



In the Open High School competition we had a fantastic year. In a break from tradition, we fielded two teams which we hoped would be equally matched, rather than an older team and a younger team. It worked! The girls got to play with players that they had not played with before, and we had a Tartans v Tartans grand final. The teams trained together under the coaching of Glenn, Scott and Janice during the season. We were also able to bring some of the more experienced under 13 age players into the grade and they were able to train with the teams and play in the finals. Going in to the grand final the teams had played each other four times, for two wins each. The grand final was truly to be a decider. There was high emotion for both teams,

with a couple of girls having played in 4 losing grand final teams in their junior hockey years. The drought was to be broken for one, but not the other. On the day the Maroon team came out winners 3 – 2 over the White team. A close game, appropriate for a grand final. Fittingly, the trophy was presented by Sandra Fenton, a founding member of the Tartans club (and unfortunately, we missed the photo). Playing with a broken finger after filling in for the Premier League team the Friday before the grand final, Courtney Bates received the Carol Harriss Award for the player of the grand final. Thanks of course to our managers Scott, Shanene and Amanda for their hard work all year.



In the July holidays, Glenn managed to arrange a coaching clinic for our junior players with Anna Flanagan. We had 30 players attend, from our 7 year olds through to our 17 year olds. All gained some valuable insights and skills from Anna. We hope to be able to repeat this next season.



The senior women's Premier League team had a much better season than in 2017. After fighting hard to remain in Premier League, the ladies showed they belonged there with some strong results. The team ended up coming 6th out of 9 teams. It was great to see some of our 2017 juniors graduating to senior hockey with this team in 2018. The girls were able to step up to the new level of hockey, and fitted into the team well. The Premier League team also had an unusual end to the season, with an invitational game against Mt Holyoke College from the USA. The game was played at Marang on the Friday night, followed by supper and a chat. It was a really enjoyable night, with the college bringing over 30 players for the one game, including 3 goal keepers! Continual substitutions by the College team meant that the game ebbed and flowed, but overall the Tartans ladies came away with a win. Thanks as always to Emma for getting this team up and running, doing the admin and going to the meetings, we could not field the team without her efforts. Thanks also to coach and star player Cara. The team are looking forward to another even better season next year!





The Tarts and Crème Puffs played in the 9 a side competition at Marang. It was a fantastic competition and playing 9 a side allowed us to field 2 teams. We lost quite a few players over the off season, but also picked up a number of players new to hockey and some returning players. The Tarts were clearly the strongest side all season and were deserved winners of the first ever senior women's competition at Marang. The Puffs had only 5 players from their 2017 team return in 2018. They were joined by 5 players who had played hockey with Tartans before, although some of them only to Under 9 level and two brand new players. The team took some weeks to come together, but improved every game and finished the season in third place. They won their semi, but went down in a close game to Reef Sharks in the final. The Grand Final between Reef Sharks and the Tarts, commenced at a frenetic pace, with the Reef Sharks taking the lead in the first minute. The Tarts fought back and had the lead by quarter time. They went on to win 4 - 2. It was an enjoyable season for all players. With the competition being played at Marang, we were also able to use many of our Open High School girls as reserves during the year. They all enjoyed the experience and it is great to be able to create these links between the junior and senior clubs. Thanks to Helen and Heather for running the Tarts and Kim for taking on the role with the Puffs.





As mentioned earlier, we also fielded our first ever men's team in this year. The team composition was a decent mix of both experienced and inexperienced players. Some of the players had played together before, while others had never met one another prior to this year. Despite this, the team gelled well together. This was evident with the camaraderie both on and off the field, and with the strong season that they had achieved. The team finished the regular season in 4th place out of 7 teams. Taking the hard road to the Grand Finals, the team first defeated Wests in semi-final 3-2. The team then dethroned the minor premiers, Ryde Hunters Hill, in the final, winning 4-3. These wins were both quite a feat as the team had not defeated either side during the regular season. Rightfully so, the team was confident looking ahead at the Grand Final. However, three-days out from the game Les, the team's goalkeeper pulled his hamstring, which ruled him out of the game. It would not be a Grand Final without some drama, and the team was feeling a little nervous going into the game with the news they had received. Come game day, the team seemed to have put their worries behind them, and their faith in the backup goalkeeper, Dakota. The game between Easts and Tartans was still tied at 0-0 by the end of the second period of extra time, so a shootout was required. Dakota made some spectacular saves in the shootout, keeping the team in it up to the fifth round of the shootout. In the end, the hopes of a Cinderella Season came down to Mark, a player who had never played hockey before to this year. He ended up dragging the keeper one way before beating him the other way, scoring the winning goal with a tomahawk, and settling the shootout 3-1. Needless to say, the team was overjoyed with their achievement. They hope to build upon this success next year.



We again have a number of senior and junior teams participating in the local indoor competitions running from September/October to December. We also had a few families enjoy the short 6 week family competition run in August/September and currently have two teams, plus some spares, playing in the ladies mid-week competition.

The club again had umpires progress throughout the season. Amy Lynch was our hard working umpire's convenor and she did a fantastic job managing our junior umpires and also being required to provide umpires to the Sydney men's competition a number of times on short notice. Community level badges were awarded to Alexis Jackson, Morgan Tsang and Caitlin Tully. Lara Paton's umpiring also developed over the season and she progressed to umpiring unsupervised. Congratulations also to Amy who umpired at the Hockey NSW Open Women's state championships and Under 18 State Championships. Daktoa Jattan from our men's team was also acknowledged by Hockey NSW as an outstanding young umpire during the season with numerous umpiring appointments, including finals games at state championships and umpiring for NSW Schools at the national championships. Nathan Flack, also from the men's team was a HNSW umpire's coach at the Under 13 state championships as well as an umpire at the Open Women's state championships and many others. He was excited to umpire a trial match for the Hockeyroos earlier in the year!

Amy and Hannah were rewarded for their strong umpiring this season by being appointed to umpire the senior women's grand final. Well done ladies.



Like most clubs, Tartans has a couple of perpetual awards. Our Pat Wade Awards are for the senior and junior club person of the year and are named after one of our Life Members. Our Chidzey Family Award is for a junior umpire who has shown a commitment to umpiring, improvement and implementing feedback from umpire coaches.

Unfortunately Pat was unwell and unable to present her awards in 2018. They were presented by her daughter and long-time Tartans player, Nicole Hogan. The 2018 Pat Wade Senior Award went to Amy Lynch, the Pat Wade Junior Award went to Caitlin Tully. The Chidzey Family Award was presented by Michelle Chidzey and was won by Morgan Tsang.





Alexis Jackson was awarded the Dot Symonds Award by the Sydney South Hockey Association. That award recognises the junior female player who has made the greatest contribution to hockey in the Sydney South Association during the field hockey year.



Running a club is a job shared by many over the season. We would like to acknowledge our 2018 board members, Allen Kavanagh, Emma Kavanagh, Glenn Lim, Amy Lynch, Valerie Schulze and Janice Tully. We would like to particularly recognise Allen, who is retiring from the Tartans board at the end of this season after too many years to count. Allen, we appreciate all you have done for us over the many, many years you have been involved. We will certainly miss your contribution. We would also like to recognise Janice, who was awarded the accolade of becoming a life member of Tartans Hockey Club. Janice's tireless efforts throughout the year

have allowed our club to continue to thrive, particularly when we did not have a club president this year. Thank you Janice for all that you do.

Tartans would like to thank the Association Board for the work put in to hockey in our local area, from our 4 year old first year players to our Masters representative players, we could not play hockey without your support, time and commitment.

11. REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM

Under 15 Division 2 Girls State Champions

Under 18 Division 2 Boys State Champions

Under 18 Division 3 Girls Play the Whistle Award

Open Mens Division 3 State Champions

Open Mens Play the Whistle Award

Over 45/2s joint State Champions (south)

Under 15 Division 2 Girls Indoor State Champions

Under 13 Division 2 Girls Indoor State Champions

11.1. Under 11 Boys

Our under 11 boys played in division 1 at the Moorebank/Liverpool District Hockey Club carnival. The Stingrays did really well, ending up 3rd!

The carnival is played as full field. The result by our boys was doubly impressive as the boys are used to playing in Kookaburra 8s half field competitions.

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Under 11 boys

11.2. Under 11 Girls



Our under 11 girls and boys enjoyed a sunny day of hockey today at the Moorebank/Liverpool District Hockey Club carnival.

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11.3. Under 13 Girls

Under 13 division 1 girls.

The SSHA U13.1 Girls Team had a great 2018 representative season, placing a respectful 2nd and 3rd in the two major representative competitions.

I'm pleased to say they were all very inclusive of others in the team and Miri, Anicka and I were pleased to see the girls continue to develop as the season progressed.

Coach Miri's game notes were valuable feedback we sat together post each game and shared with as a team so the girls knew what they needed to focus on, how they could help their other team members and they were all developing the art of applying in the moment feedback with each game and building on their strengths.

The one game that stands out the most in my mind is the night game they played in Canberra, this saw the girls rise above their opponents in behaviour and skill and they played a solid game of hockey with the determination of a champion team. In particular, I saw them draw on their skills to play as a team, passing and calling for an early ball, leading and receiving on the run and reading the play to anticipate their next move (and going there, not just thinking about it), it was an absolute pleasure to coach as the game had the energy and excitement of a grand finale.

This year was also a year of building resilience and staying cool - we learnt early on what can happen when we allow a bad call to impact our mindset and making sure we stick to the plan and focus on playing well and ignoring the noise.

Congratulations to Alex, Chloe, Christine and Lahni who were all selected in the NSW squads and who worked incredibly hard all year (not just in the Hockey season) to achieve this honour of representing our hockey association at the State level.

A massive thank you to Miri Maroney for taking the role of Assistant Coach and for Anicka Leonard for playing the critical part of the team as the Manager and a great support.

As a final comment, those who are parents of teenage girls will tell you they can be a challenge at times, however, I feel blessed to coach such a lovely group of girls this year, we are so lucky as an association to have such passionate, smart, well educated, resilient girls and that's a credit to all the parents who are doing their bit to shape them this way, to you I also say THANKYOU.

Kirsty Fraser

SSHA U13.1 Girls Representative Coach 2018

Team: Chloe Brennan, Jana Dimitrovska, Brydie Fairfax, Annie Flack, Christine Flack (GK), Chelsea Fraser, Stormlee Gates, Maddy Gibbs, Emily Hindmarch, Chloe Holmes, Taylor Leonard, Camille Rogerson, Alexandra Singleton, Lahni Woodger

Coach: Kirsty Frazer

Assistant Coach: Miri Maroney

Manager: Anicka Leonard



Under 13 division 1 girls

Under 13 division 3 girls.

The girls under 13's 2 team had a good weekend away together, with some good close games, all the girls gained good experience.

They had a tight 1-0 loss against Newcastle. Their second game was a rematch against top of the table Parkes, this time with a much improved 3-0 loss. The relegation match was a nil all draw against Illawarra South Coast. The girls finished 4th in their pool

Scott Paton.

Team: Chloe Burne, Kalahni Crews, Georgia Eagleton, Audrey Fuz, Zoe Griffin, Izzy Jones, Jami Maroney, Piper Murphy, Mahalia Olsen, Jade Paton, Eliza Parslow, Charlotte Rainnie

11.4. Under 13 Boys

Took on the freezing fogs of Wagga in mid-July. Boys played well in Division 2, and finished 2nd in their pool behind Manning Valley. Despite a brave effort, they lost 2-0 to eventual winners Sydney East in the final. They improved dramatically through the rep season, developing a good passing game. We didn't have the strike power to score enough goals, but were fairly strong defensively.

Big thanks to Adam Palmer as manager, and to Will and his mum Jen who joined us from Crookwell to cover our goalie position.

Team: Jett Austin, Jonty Austin, Oliver Bollard ('C), Tom Bryden, Will Heffernan, Fletcher King, Asen Maroney, Sohan Mavji, Kai Morris, Noah Palmer, Mat Rose, Blake Shaw, Byron Watson.

Coach Brad Bollard, Manager Adam Palmer.



Under 13's Boys

11.5. Under 15 Girls

15's Girls State Champions Div. 2

A great lesson for the team in how to look at "Process vs Outcome" and that a "Champion Team will always beat a team of champions". We started out with no expectations just to make the final was the goal, the bonus was the WIN, play as a team and let the teamwork do the talking.

The team objectives were to 1. Identify the weakness in the opposition but still play the team tactics every game. 2. Play down the right, 3. Play out wide 4. Pass the ball in the circle, (no direct shots) 5. Passing looking for the player who is in a better position than myself.

Our number one team goal was to go ballistic in the first five minutes of every game, play fast, hard and relentless. We did this with our three amazing U15 NSW reps up front and to attack for the first 5 minutes. The inevitable outcome was to score in the first 5 minutes which we managed to do every single game.

The team warm up, cooled down, sat when we went through the team plan, listened to the game review and took on board all the important positives from the game and all the things we still needed to work on. Our mantra to play out wide and down the right was in place by the third game. It was a delight to see the team make good space when sticking to the team plan.

Accommodation at Maclean was beautiful. New apartments with Netflix was just what the team needed to stay relaxed and focussed. The hospitality of the owners made our time there feel like home. Spending time together as a team was very important and a major part of the plan to get us to the finals. The girls woke up early and did small session running around the park and doing yoga outside the local church overlooking the town of Maclean which was very special.

Early morning coffees for the management team going over the game plan.

Special thanks to Susan Jay the manager and Lisa Holmes my assistant coach, together we moulded the girls into a team that won each game for not themselves but for each other. I can honestly say that the team vibe was positive and very inclusive. This team was selected for its ability to come together and play as a team without anyone going rogue or anyone who thought they were special. The behaviour and sportsmanship the girls showed on and off the field is a credit to them, their parents and our association. Lisa, Susan and I were very proud of how they conducted themselves.

It was exhilarating to watch our young guns stepped up and did what was required, Shontae, Alex and Chloe you were amazing. All three played a vital role in the midfield and distributed the ball to our strikers with precision and minimal ball turnover. Their work rate was very high and this kept the game fast and furious. All three adapted to the pace of U15 hockey nicely. Can't wait to see you in 1st Division in 2019

Caitlin our goalkeeper had a brilliant tournament and was strong and calm under fire from the Goulbourn team. Her calls from the back provided the defence with the confidence to transfer the ball and work together to defend our circle with turnovers in our defensive 25.

Keira and Katelyn were a little nervous to start with but by the 3rd game they were moving forward with confidence and were always in space ready for balls from our clean transfers. I was so very proud of how well they handled the pressure and the yelling from the bench.

Lili and Chelsea brought their experience of years of playing in finals and playing hard hockey to the team and lead from the front. They stayed cool and played brilliant hockey. Their distribution and skill under pressure was a delight to watch.

Tanisha and April were dynamic up front with April also showing her versatility by playing off the bench in all different positions. Tanisha was especially brutal on the post ready for the passes in the circle which was crucial of the team plan.

Hannah was on fire this weekend. Scoring great team goals was her focus and she adapted her game in such a way that the selectors chose her in the AAP program. Hannah's last goal that won us the tournament was breathtaking, I never get sick of watching her play her fast and explosive style of hockey.

Zoe Jay found her mojo in the midfield and defence in this tournament, she tackled hard, ran for every ball and played simple skilful hockey. This was why Zoe Jay making the U15 squad was a definite highlight from a 3 day weekend of great hockey, because she did what was needed to make our team objectives a reality.

Darcy and Ella combined well in defence and games are won through strong defence. They were responsible for the transfers that made the opposition work hard and for our plan to work we needed them to send the ball to the midfield when under pressure. Darcy and Ella made more than one game saving tackles and were solid in defence which absorbed the pressure for the team.

Team: Darcy Dalla Bona, April Drury, Keira Greening, Zoe Jay, Lili Maroney, Tanisha Mavji, Ella Murphy, Katelyn Parslow, Hannah Russell, Chelsea Holmes, Chloe Holmes, Caitlin Tully, Shontae Salmon and Alexandra Singleton.

At our last team talk before the final I spoke of how the journey to division one for our U15 girls started in Grafton back in 2013 when Susan Roberts coached our U15 SSHA team to their first win In Div. 4 and began the slow climb to Division 1. Now it was our turn to make history and that's just what they did.



Under 15's Girls State Champions Div. 2 Team

Coach: Justine Maroney

Assistant Coach: Lisa Holmes

Manager: Susan Jay

11.6. Under 15.2 Girls Development Team

As the Association was only able to enter 1 team for the Under 15 girl's state championships in 2018, a decision was made to take a development team to the Regional Carnival in Canberra over the June long weekend. The team was made up of girls who trialled for the Under 15 team, but missed selection, girls who played in the Under 15 team at State Championships that were keen for another carnival and some girls who had not previously played representative hockey, including a couple of Under 13 age group players.

The Under 15 girls division in Canberra was played initially in two randomly allocated pools. Following completion of the pool games, the teams were divided into Division 1 and Division 2. Our girls were initially placed in Pool B with Northern Sydney & Beaches, Goulburn 2 and Canberra Yellow. Saturday afternoon saw the girls start with a strong and very close game against Canberra Yellow, getting up 2 – 1. Our 8.00pm Saturday evening game was, as usual in Canberra, freezing cold. Our defence was kept really busy with a very hard game against NSB, ultimately we went down 8 – 0, but held them out for a long time. NSB ended up topping our pool with a massive 24 goals for and 0 against in 3 games!

Sunday saw us front up against Goulburn 2 in the final pool game – a win would have put us in Division 1 and a draw or loss put us into Division 2. Unfortunately, we went down again in another close game 2 – 0. Our Sunday night game was against Sapphire Coast for a place in the final. In a fluctuating game we went down 1 – 0, with the goal being scored from a penalty corner played out after time. We then had a consolation game against Canberra Yellow on Monday afternoon. With a couple of injuries we played in many different positions and finished strongly with a 4 - 1 win.

The girls came together really well as a team for a most enjoyable carnival. It was great to see the more experienced players interact with and support the younger less experienced girls. We were able to get in 3 training sessions before we went away and this helped with team bonding and structured play. I hope the girls will all return to representative hockey with Sydney South in 2018. Thank you to the Association for supporting this concept in 2018. I recommend that a similar team attend this carnival again in 2019.

Of course, these teams cannot work without the support of the parents. All the parents who were able to be there on the weekend supported the team in a positive manner and put their hands up to help out wherever needed. I also cannot give enough thanks to our wonderful manager, Michelle Druery. She supported me in the dugout as a great sounding board, she ran the substitutions and managed to treat injuries, disappointments and manage successes at the same time. We would not have had such a great weekend without her.

Janice Tully

Coach, U15.2 Girls Development Team

Team: Maya Butler, Olivia Cimilli, Jenna-Louise Davidson, Lucy deSouza, April Druery, Charlotte Drury, Taylah Hindmarch, Tamsyn Mackay, Tanisha Mavji, Ella Murphy, Lily Parker, Nicola Riley and Caitlin Tully.

Coach: Janice Tully

Manager: Michelle Druery



Under 15.2 Girls Development Team

11.7. Under 15 Boys

Well done to our under 15 Stingray boys on finishing 7th in NSW at the Hockey NSW State Championships.

In their final game of the championships, the team had a 4-0 win with goals to Angus Callinan, Charlie Johnston, Kian Johnson and Isaac Olsen.

Thanks to coach Adam Johnson and manager Leanne Callinan.

Team: Mitchell Bardsley, Huon Bollard, Daniel Bryant (GK), Angus Callinan, Kian Johnson, Charlie Johnston, Zac Keelan, Lachlan O'Leary, Isaac Olsen, Lachlan Prentice, Elliot Stark, Oliver Turner, Harry Williams, Luca Zatchler, Zac Coles

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Under 15's Boys

11.8. Under 18.1 Girls

As you know we finished 3rd in our pool & 5th overall. Four out of five games the girls were amazing!! In the last 3 games all sides didn't look like coming close to us which shows in the results, Goulburn 4-1, Central Coast 3-0 and Newcastle 5-1.

With our game vs MSW which ended in a 2-0 loss to the eventual champions we controlled 40mins of the 50min game. I had one of the girls take some game stats, we had 30 circle entries to their 5 and 15 shots to their 4. Both their goals came in the last 15mins from break away plays after we had turned the ball over in our attacking 25yd.

The girls were understandingly upset after this game due to how well they controlled the game but the opposition goal keeper had a great game and we just couldn't find a way to put the ball in the net.

Our first game vs NWS was the game that let us down! Even though we had 3 training sessions before hand this was the first time that the entire group had been on the field at the same time. We played well in patches but we made too many mistakes to win this game! Our core skills were very bad and we were beaten by a team that worked well together.

I was disappointed that we didn't make the semis but 3 of 4 games the girls were amazing and I think the association should be proud of their efforts. There is a massive step up from Division 2 to Division 1 and with only 1 player having played in Div. 1 before all the girls handled themselves. I did play limited minutes for some of the weaker players in our tougher games but then the game time was more evenly shared in the last 3 games.

Four of the returning players for next year have asked me to coach again next year and although I understand that more than likely won't be possible if the opportunity was given again I'd love to be involved again. I would be happy to help any rep coaches in their preparation for state champs in future as well. One thing I did notice was that a fair few of the girls didn't really understand things like outletting options and pressing which when we did effectively in the last 3 games turned the ball over regularly showing that it is a very important part of the game at this level.

Alan Charlton

Regional Coaching Co-ordinator

North West Sydney & Sydney South

Team: Courtney Bates, Clare Callinan, Naomi Duncan, Chelsea Holmes, Rebecca Janes, Claudia Johnston, Kiara Le Gras (GK), Lili Maroney, Miri Maroney, Poulomi Panda, Hannah Russell, Morgan Tsang, Elizabeth Tully, Grace Young

Coach: Alan Charlton

Manager: Leanne Callinan



Under 18.1 Girls Team

11.9. Under 18.2 Girls

The 18.2s drew players from all over, with one player coming from as far down south as near the New South Wales-Melbourne border. Although they had very little time to get to know one another both on and off the field, the 18.2s really came together as a team. They knew the competition was tough, but they were not daunted by the challenge. Their effort in every game was visible, especially in their game against Parkes where the 18.2s clearly outworked the opposition in every facet of the game. Unfortunately, the 18.2s narrowly lost every game over

the first two-days of competition. Despite this, the 18.2s kept their spirits up and played each game as though each new game was a new opportunity to win. They were eventually rewarded on the third and final day with a win in their seed match. Off the field the 18.2s had fun with each other over the weekend. There were lots of laughs and jokes from everyone. The team bonded well and enjoyed playing hockey. At the end of the day, that is what the weekend is really all about. Well done, girls.

Glenn Lim

Team: Hollie Bragg, Darcy Dalla-Bona, Rachel Henshaw, Taylah Hindmarch, Alexis Jackson, Zoe Jay, Tamsyn Mackay, Jean Maroney, Tanisha Mavji, Emma Newman (GK), Elly Offord, Lara Paton, Niamh Rosser, Isabel Scortis (GK)

Coach: Glenn Lim

Manager: Amanda Jackson



Under 18.2 Girls Team

11.10. Under 18 Boys

Reflecting on the 2018 State Championship performance of the u18 Boys, who were ultimately successful in winning Div. 2 and gaining promotion to Div. 1 in 2019, it's clear there are many

aspects that went right for us this year – and that all contributed to the boys performing fantastically well as a team in an epic final against a very strong Grafton.

Our first game was against Grafton, a team that looked to be our toughest opponent in our Pool. We knew a good start to the tournament was essential – and a win over Grafton would certainly put us in a great position. We hoped the extra cold weather might affect Grafton more than us! Unfortunately we came away with a 2-4 loss and plenty to think about. A few lapses at crucial stages (especially the last 5 minutes of the first half when Grafton scored twice) were costly in an otherwise “good” performance.

Parkes were our 2nd opponent on Day 1, and whilst they weren’t the same challenge as Grafton, we weren’t going to be gifted a win. Fortunately our first half was excellent and we went in at the break with a 3-0 lead and looking very much in control. With a few key position changes we lost the plot comprehensively in the 2nd half, and in the end we hung on for a 3-2 win. Lesson learned!

The aim on Day 2 was to fine tune our game, and of course get two essential wins and a decent “for and against” to ensure our spot in the semi-finals. Perhaps we might also sort out our penalty corners!

We started with Illawarra South Coast 2, and defeated them 6-0, playing a terrific brand of counter attacking hockey. It looked like our midfield and attack was really starting to gel. We followed up that night with a game against the home team Bathurst. This was a very tough and hard game, probably our best to date, and the 3-0 win was very encouraging.

We had comfortably secured 2nd spot in our pool (behind Grafton, who had gone through their pool games undefeated). We now faced up to Newcastle 2 in the semi-final – at the uncomfortable hour of 8am on Sunday - for a spot in the final.

As in any competition, everyone lifts their intensity when it comes to finals – and the story was no different here. The semi-final encounter with Newcastle 2 was a nail biter to the end. We needed a win to go through, a draw would not be enough (given Newcastle finished 1st in their pool). We played most of the game at 1-1, then less than 2 minutes from full-time the breakthrough came with Matt Staples on hand at the far post to confidently put the ball into the net and send us through to the final.

Grafton had a fairly comfortable 3-0 win in their semi-final, and so the stage was set for a Grafton v Sydney South rematch in the Div. 2 final. This game was a fantastic display of u18 hockey from two teams who would clearly not be out of their depth in Div. 1. Again we played most of the game at 1-1, and again the decider came in the final few minutes – this time Matt Staples delivered a searching cross from the left (a stunning toma on the run) and Nic Donni at full stretch deflected the ball passed the keeper into the net. I think I only relaxed when the clock was down to 2 seconds to go and we had the ball in hand!

The positive attitude and effort from every player was a great foundation. We had 14 fit players into the final games, which doesn’t always happen in the cauldron of State Championships. In terms of performance, every player delivered – and many showed significant improvement. Above all they did what all successful teams do – they worked effectively together and supported each other.

Subsequent to the Championships, Harry Roberts and Matthew Turner were named in the 2018/19 AAP Squad, which is the training squad from which the 2019 u18 State Teams will be selected. In addition Mitch Shipp, team captain, was presented with the Hockey NSW Citizenship Award for his good sportsmanship and conduct at the Championships.

Just three of this year's team (Damon, Mitch and Ryan) have completed their time in u18s, so we have a great base of players to work with in forming our team for entry into Div. 1 in 2019!

Team: Damon Arapa (GK), Luke Arapa, Angus Callinan, Lachlan Cartwright, Nicholas Donni, Will Gair, Charlie Johnston, Riley Lloyd, Hayden Neale, Ryan O'Leary, Harry Roberts, Mitchell Shipp (C), Matthew Staples, Matthew Turner.

Coach: Craig Turner

Manager: Michelle Donni



Under 18s Boys State Champions Div. 2 Team

11.11. Open Women's Team

This year saw the introduction of the AHL format and rules to the Open Women's State Championships. This put both the coach and players on a rapid learning curve to modify our play to 15 minute quarters and goal conversions.

The girls quickly adapted to the new rules and format, resulting in us winning our first game 24 nil against Metro South West 3. A fantastic result but unfortunately it led to a goal drought for

the next 2 games where we lost 1 nil to Manning Valley and a nil all draw with Orange. Our final pool game was against Goulburn and the girls were back in a goal scoring mood, resulting in 6 nil win.

After finishing second in our pool, we played Tamworth in the semi-final. In a very tight game we had numerous attacking raids only to be thwarted by Tamworth's key defender Kate Jenner. Unfortunately we were unable to pull back Tamworth's first half goal and they went on to win 1 nil.

Again this year there were not enough nominations for a team but after approaching a number of our U15 and U18 players we were able to field a young competitive team which will achieve greater honours in future years. All players had an outstanding tournament and I hope they continue to play representative hockey next year. It was also great to see the return of Nicole Janes and Yolanda Thomas to the Sydney South representative program this year.

Congratulations to Zoe Newman on her selection in the 2019 HNSW U21 squad.

I would also like thank Ethan (Bob) Rowling's for his assistance in coaching prior to the State Championships and Justine Maroney for managing the team.

Until next time 2018 coach Paul Newman.



Open Women's Team

Team: Chelsea Holmes, Clare Callinan, Elizabeth Tully, Hannah Russell, Isabella Ancevski, Lily Maroney, Miri Maroney, Natassja Davidson Bunch, Nicole Janes, Rebecca Janes, Shakaya Bott (Lithgow), Susanne Hol, Yolanda Thomas, Zoe Newman.

11.12. Open Men's Team

2018 saw Sydney South Hockey Association field a team at the Men's Opens State Championships for the first time since 2016. Well we certainly entered back into the fray at Open's with a bang. We had an outstanding tournament, going through Division 3 undefeated, scoring 47 goals for and 1 against.

The tournament was played under a new timing and scoring format to be used in the AHL format in 2018. Playing in quarters and playing 'one on one's' when a field goal was scored proved both challenging and exciting.

This year was important for SSHA. We have so many talented players moving through the junior age groups at representative level that as an association we owe it to these players to provide a pathway for them to continue in their representative endeavours after U18's. Fielding Open's teams does this. I strongly believe the future of the association relies in part on keeping the momentum going and have our Open's teams play together in 2019 and beyond.

Our team this year was a mixture of youth and experience. There were no stand out players in our team just hard workers. Everyone had a job to do, and under the strong coaching of Wade Tonna and Blake Sharp (who both co captained as well), all fourteen players contributed to the team's success. A mention to Sean Kelly whose influence settled the younger players on the field when we needed to be in control.

An 11 nil win against Far South Coast in our first game set the tone for the remainder of the championships. We then played Sydney East and won 5 – 1. This was to be the first and last goal we conceded over the weekend.

Sunday saw us play Wagga for a 13 nil win, with a rematch against Far South Coast for another 13 nil win. Not a bad day at the office for the boys scoring 26 goals.

Monday was the start of the finals. We played a very strong Hockey Coffs Coast in the semi-final which we won 3 nil in a game which was both physically and mentally tough. Our next assignment was the final against an undefeated Manning Valley team. The final was what everyone expected between two undefeated teams. We kept focused on the end prize and a field goal to Nic Donni followed by a one on one goal conversion was enough for Sydney South to win the game 2 nil and claim the title of State Champions.

As a team we performed with great discipline. No cards were given to our team in the round robin games, earning us the 'Play the Whistle' fair play award for Division 3. Our success has earned us promotion to Division 2 for 2019.

As Manager this was a most rewarding experience with a great bunch of young men (yes including Sean). We continue as an association to fly a very big proud flag at representative level in 2018.

Manager: Angelo Donni



Open Men's State Champions Team

Back Row - Damon Arapa – Brady Machem – Matt Staples – Jay Kelly – Mason Neale- Mac Dunn – Angelo Donni (Manager)

Front Row - Luke Arapa – Blake Hernandez – Hayden Neale – Harry Roberts – Blake Sharp – Wade Tonna (Sean Kelly absent from photo).

11.13. NSW Women's Masters Half State Championship

Sydney South Masters sent its largest ever contingent of players to the Half State Championships held at Moorebank, with 5 teams being entered in a range of divisions. We had to borrow the U15 and U18 boy's uniforms to cope with the extra teams, but it was great to see many new players to state level masters hockey. A number of teams struggled with having most games on the grass fields which were not in the best condition, but they battled on in good spirit. Thanks to the managers of the teams (Kim, Di, Carol, Vicki and Caroline) as well as our umpires Amy Lynch, Dakota, Miri, Lili and Jean Marony and Alison Banks.

Susan Roberts

11.13.1 Masters Over 35 Division 1

Half State saw Sydney South back at Moorebank for three lovely days of hockey close to home. It also saw an unprecedented number of Sydney South teams (5) at the Championships.

Day 1: SS1 played in 35-1s again. Like last time at Moorebank, we had a late first game. Our first game 1-1 draw against Goulburn; our second was another 1-1 against Bathurst. The second game saw us down to 11 players in the first few minutes with Karen's torn hammy. Even with 11 players we played well, and maybe with a slightly longer game could have seen us come away with a win.

Day 2: Our numbers were boosted back to 14 with players returning from Friday night parties; it was a rough day playing both teams that ended up top of our pool. A 0-6 loss to Nepean didn't really reflect how the team played, and a 0-1 loss to North West Sydney game could have gone our way – if only we could have gotten past their goalie.

Day 3: unfortunately our two draws on day 1 were not enough to keep us out of last place play off. But I'm happy to report that, against Metro South West, we saved our win (1-0) to the most important game, to see us not wooden spooners, with 5th overall for the 35-1 division.

SS1 welcomed virgin players Angela James (roped in during New Year celebrations) and Anna Barton (in goals), with Birgit Heilmann, Debra McIntyre and Leanne Patterson returning for a second year, playing with old timers: Kim Addison, Donna Crossan, Sherryl Arredondo, Joanne Momsen, Wendy Russell (first time with SS1), Kim McCaw, Rebecca Teece, Susan Roberts and Karen Southwell.

The team would like to congratulate the 45-2 for making the finals (and commiserate on the loss in the final, but well played), and to thank the 35-3, 35-5 and 40-1 teams for their cheering while we were playing and companionship off the field.

We would also like to thank our wonderful umpire/coach Alison Banks. You are a gem to take time off work and spend it at hockey with us, you have no idea how much we appreciate you and your encouraging half time speeches

Kim Addi

11.13.2 Masters Over 35 Division 3

The 35/3 team answered the call up to masters for 2018 due to the convenient location of the tournament. Predominantly made up from Bosco's Moorebank team, we had a few new faces from near and far, including one player who raised her stick for its maiden voyage.

The shock of the tournament was the realisation of the grass pitch! Not sure how many games we won or lost, but the weekend was great fun. We thank the organisers and (some of us) hope to back up in Bathurst next year.

Caroline Denning



Women's Masters over 35 Div. 3 Team

11.13.3 Masters Over 35 Division 5

Once again we only had to travel to Moorebank for the championships this year – much cheaper but not as much fun as going 'on tour'.

There were very few changes to our playing list from last year – Brookie decided to have a baby instead of playing hockey, which is lovely for her and we hope she will return to us one day. Smithie 'deserted' us after many years of guiding us all around the field, and went to play with her club team mates in the Over 45 Division 2 competition. We wished her well, and crossed our fingers.

Rach was our only 'new' player and we all thought – excellent - fit, fast, good in defence and attack, what could go wrong. Her back was what went wrong, after 10 minutes of the first game!! I don't know who was more upset, me or Rach, but we had to cope with no subs for the rest of the game and managed to turn a 2-0 lead into a 2-3 loss at full time. Not good. Team drinks at Castle Harriss later in the afternoon put everyone in a more positive mood for the Saturday games, when we were hoping Rach would be able to play, and Michelle was able to join us after her annual 'school camp'.

For the rest of the weekend I can say that we played some good hockey and some not so good – hardly surprising considering the terrible state of the grass fields at Moorebank. We drank some good wine and had lots of laughs, and all came away looking forward to visiting Bathurst for next year's State championships!

The team MVP award went to our very brave goalie, Jane who made some super saves over the weekend. I would like to thanks all the players for making the championships so enjoyable, despite the lack of success on the field, and hope we 'can do better' in 2019.

The team: Michelle Chidzey, Liz Clarke, Paula Duncan, Sally Fallah, Jenny Flatman, Nicole Hogan, Carol Harriss, Jane May, Simone Morton, Rachel Roberts, Helen Rowley, Heather Sutherland, Deb Vrachas

Manager: Carol Harriss

11.13.4 Masters Over 40 Division 1

The last minute scramble for players and injuries plagued us again this year however, we got there in the end!

Composition of the 40-1's team was a bit different this year with some welcome new faces joining the ranks. The majority of players were from RSL and Bosco allowing some nice natural "linking" during the games. We also had a couple of players from other association teams and reinforcements from the ACT and the NSW 35 goalie from Molong. We won a few and lost a few but most importantly had a lot of laughs with a great bunch of girls.

Dianna Watkins



Women's Masters over 40 Div. 1 Team

11.13.5 Masters Over 45 Division 2

We welcomed some new team members this year, namely Lyn Smith, who gained dispensation from the golden oldies team (thank you!) and Sarah Adams from RSL. We had 6 round games in total and won our first 5, thereby securing our place in the grand final. Unfortunately, Kath got injured with a ball up off her own stick and had a nasty swollen black eye, so we lost her strength up front. We played Wagga Wagga again in the Grand Final and scored first, brilliant goal by Lynnie and were playing well on the turf, Wagga Wagga scored after half time and we went to full time at 1-1. We then went into extra time, the legs were getting a little weary, and we didn't score again but maintained our 1-1 draw, to finish joint premiers with Wagga Wagga. We received a lovely towel, had great fun and lots of laughs as always with a great group of girls, a few hockey games and a win....what more can you want 😊

Vicki Earle



Women's Masters over 45 Div. 2 Team

Back Row: Chris Hagen, Donna Lough, Lyn Smith, Fiona Edgar, Lisa Cummins, Bev Williams (Coach), Julie Singh.

Front Row: Jenny MacGregor, Megan Squires, Kath Hails, Vicki Earle, Sarah Adams, Lois Scott

11.14. Sydney Women's Hockey League

11.14.1 SWHL Masters Division 2

Commiserations to our SWHL Masters team who lost a tight grand final. The game went to a shoot-out with the final score 2-1.

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SWHL Masters Div. 2 Team

11.14.2 SWHL Masters Division 4

For the 2018 season, the SWHL committee decided that they needed to realign various clubs to make the competition – better? For them, not us. So, despite many years of a strict promotion/relegation policy (which we had challenged and lost several times), for 2018 our Division 3 team was ‘relegated’ to Division 4 – much to the relief of the Parramatta team, which had come last in Division 3 in 2017.

For this, and a variety of other reasons, we lost Lisa and Lois to our first team, and Julie and Megan who ‘retired’ but filled in for us a couple of times. Deb was injured, Sally spent most of the season fighting a bad cough, Anita’s Emma was very sick so Anita spent many nights in the hospital with her, and Jane was fighting cancer so things were looking grim.

The only bright light was finding Jenny P who came to us as a goalie whilst Jane was in recovery and then played back or half, wherever she was needed. We were also missing Lyn and Jenny Mac for what seemed like half a season (actually, it WAS half a season), so it was not a very happy band which took to the field for our first game, with only 10 players plus Rach who was kind enough to fill in from the first team. Playing SEHA, we had a 2-0 loss and discovered that the standard of play in Division 4 was not what we had expected!

Lurching through the season for 9 of our 15 games with only 9 or 10 players and sometimes with a fill-in player from the first team, we won 7 games and lost 8 to come 4th (by 1 point), but lost our semi-final to the very strong Nepean team. Throughout the season, and despite the lack of players, everyone remained very positive and enjoyed their hockey – and no one could complain of not getting enough game time!! The two (yes, two) occasions when we had a sub actually proved quite disconcerting for all of us!

I would like to thank all the players who did manage to turn up regularly, and those who struggled, but did their best to be there, and to those who filled in when I was truly desperate – Rach, Julie, Megan, Melinda, Dano and Lois. I am already hoping for a better year in 2019 – I don't think it could be much more difficult than 2018.

Congratulations to our Best and Fairest player Heather, with Jenny P not far behind, and our top goal scorer Sally with 8 goals. Imagine how many you might have scored if you hadn't been so sick!!

Looking forward to playing in 2019 with the nicest team in the comp – let's hope we are the winningest team next year.

Team: Anita Byers, Michelle Chidzey, Liz Clarke, Sally Fallah, Carol Harriss, Nicole Hogan, Jane May, Jenny MacGregor, Jenny Palmer, Helen Rowley, Lyn Smith, Heather Sutherland, Deb Vrachas

Carol Harriss, Manager

12. INDOOR REPRESENTATIVE PROGRAM

12.1. Under 13 Indoor Girls

The Under 13 girls won the Hockey NSW Division 2 Indoor State Championships with a 6-1 win over North West Sydney. The girls won all six games played over 3 days in Orange, scoring a remarkable 33 goals while only conceding 4.

Alex Singleton, Christine Flack and Chloe Holmes were selected to represent NSW at the Under 13 National Indoor Hockey Championships to be held at Goulburn in January 2019.

The team started the state championships fast whilst still working each other out after just 1 training session. As the games went on the trust between players grew which was great to watch.

The girls saved their best games for the finals, the team work displayed in the final 2 games was great, not only was our attack on but our defence was brilliant from the very first game. The defence was there to only let our keeper make 1 save at a time before they got the ball out of our circle.

The behaviour of some players during the final was disappointing and not to the high standard set by our Stingray rep teams. Being positive towards team mates and the opposition along with respecting umpires is expected.

Nathan Flack



Under 13 Girls Division 2 Indoor State Champion Team

12.2. Under 13 Indoor Boys

Under 13 Indoor Boys division 1 team

Off to Orange for Div. 1 State titles. Wow, what an effort. We knew our team was fairly strong without any super stars, and after day 1 we had 2 wins against Met South West and Central Coast, and we sat in first place. Day 2 and we effectively had a quarter final against Manning Valley, and in an epic match prevailed 3-2 to book our place in the Div. 1 semis the following day. Our final round game against eventual winners Newcastle wasn't great, but with our semis spot booked we did take the chance to rotate more and try some players in different spots, but a couple of poor periods saw us lose 8-1. Monday morning and semi time against Parkes. Unfortunately we succumbed to nerves and early pressure and let in 3 goals, fairly soft in the first 6 or 7 minutes. From that point we pushed Parkes hard and it was 2-2 for the rest of the game to lose 5-2. We were the only team to score twice against Parkes, who ended losing 1-0 in the final. A great effort showing that the boy's very solid structure and ball movement was able to match it with the best players in the state. Thanks to Andrew Brick for imparting his Indoor knowledge and Rachel Watson for her team management.

Team: Jett Austin, Oliver Bollard (C'), Cameron Brick, Tom Bryden, Asen Maroney, Sohan Mavji, Mat Rose, Blake Shaw, Byron Watson,

Coach: Brad Bollard, Assistant Coach: Andrew Brick.

Manager: Rachel Watson



Under 13 Boys Div.1 Indoor Team

Under 13 Indoor Boys division 3 team.

For the first time, Sydney South fielded a second boys' team for the Indoor U13 Championships in Orange. For many, this was the first time playing indoor hockey and our warm up tournament, a weekend before the state champs, at Niagara was certainly a culture shock! Playing Div. 2, the boys performed admirably, only losing to the 2 teams to make the finals and were even with the second placed team for much of their match.

The following week, the team headed to Orange to play some much more experienced teams. With 3 associations having their no 1 ranked teams in Div. 3 (due to not competing last year), there were to be some tough matches. Our team, with 4 ten year olds, was competitive in every match (excluding the eventual winners Goulburn, with all but one being 13) and for 28 mins were level 1 all, with the second placed team. The team eventually finished 5th.

Thanks to Adam Palmer for Managing the team and Brad Bollard for the extra assistance coaching during the games (and for beginning this project). We look forward to growing the boy's indoor experience and competitiveness next year (hopefully by warming up with the Sydney South Indoor competition)!

Team: Rhys Bollard, Jonty Austin, Connor Budd, Jack Margetson, Kai Morris, Noah Palmer, Corban Marinos, Olsen Perry, Louis Olsen

Coach: Kevin Margetson



Under 13 Boys Div.3 Indoor Team



Under 13 Boys Div.3 Indoor Team in action

12.3. Under 15 Indoor Girls

Congratulations to our U15 girls indoor state champions. Chelsea, Lili, Hannah, Darcy, Keira, Jenna, Chloe and Christine played strongly all weekend to come away with the win. Six of these eight girls also bagged a field state championship earlier this year. A nice double.

The girls won the division two title at the Hockey NSW Indoor State Championships at Niagra Park on the Central Coast having been promoted after winning the division three title last year.

The girls finished undefeated across the weekend, topping their pool before downing neighbours and rivals Sydney East 1-0 in the semi-final. The Stingrays found themselves 2-0 down to Goulburn at half-time in the final before a stirring second half fightback saw Sydney South score an epic 3-2 victory. The win secured the girls back to back promotions, with Sydney South to play in division one next year.

We went, we played, we have the trophy

Results

- Game 1 against Port Macquarie, 4-2 win
- Game 2 against Newcastle, 6-3 win
- Game 3 against Southern Highlands, 7-3 win
- Game 4 against Illawarra South Coast 2, 11-1 win
- Semi Final against Sydney East, 1-0 win
- Final against Goulburn, 3-2 win
- Division 1 here we come.

Congratulations to Chelsea Holmes and Lili Maroney on their selection in the 2018 HNSW U15 Indoor team.

Thanks to Justine Maroney for managing the team at the State Championships.

Your humble coaches Paul and Zoe Newman.



U15 Girls Indoor State Championship Team

Back row: Paul Newman, Christine Flack, Darcy Dalla-Bonna, Jenna Davidson, Keira Greening, Zoe Newman
Front row: Hannah Russell, Chelsea Holmes, Chloe Holmes, Lili Maroney, Justine Maroney

12.4. U15 Indoors Boys

Under 15.1 Indoor Boys

With great expectation, we headed to Gosford for the Indoor State titles in Mid Oct. All except Charlie had played previous indoor state titles, so we had a very experienced team. Despite playing very well, we fell just short again, with a poor 5 minutes in each of our games against Tamworth (2-4 Loss) and North West Sydney (2-4 Loss), in each letting in a run of quick goals that we couldn't claw back. This was enough to see us finish 3rd in our pool after wins against Metro South West and Central Coast. We finished strongly to beat Parkes and finish 5th in the state (in Div. 1), our best finish but short of where we wanted to be. Well done to all on some excellent indoor hockey, played with energy, spirit and sportsmanship. Big thanks to Lee-Anne for managing seamlessly once again.

Team: Huon Bollard, Daniel Bryant, Angus Callinan (C'), Kian Johnson, Charlie Johnstone, Zak Keelan, Lachlan O'Leary, Elliot Stark, Oliver Turner.

Coach: Brad Bollard

Manager: Lee-Anne Vine.



Under 15.1 Boys Indoor Team

Under 15.1 Indoor Boys

The U15.2 Boys finished the rounds in 4th place, but due to the structure of Division 3, they did not get to play semi-finals. A good effort from a young team.

Team: Jett Austin, Oliver Bollard, Asen Maroney, Isaac Olsen, Lachlan Prentice, Matt Rose, Blake Shaw, Byron Watson, James Holloway GK, Noah Palmer

Coaches: Adam Palmer and Brad Bollard

Manager: Natalie Shaw.

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Under 15.2 Boys Indoor Team

12.5. Women's Indoor Masters

Women's Indoor Masters Final Results

Our ladies master's team Div. 1 women finished 8th in the state after a close 4 - 3 loss to Goulburn.

The Div. 2 women finished 7th in their division with a very strong 5 -1 victory over Bathurst.

Well done to both teams.

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Women's Indoor Masters Team

13. DOT SYMONDS TROPHY

Established in 2007, the Dot Symonds Trophy is awarded for an outstanding contribution to hockey by a junior player. Once again the nominees for this award were of an exceptionally high standard.

Congratulations to Alexis Jackson for being awarded the Dot Symonds Award.



Alexis Jackson & Life Member Carol Harriss

14. KEVIN CONNELLY TROPHY

This award was established in 2015 to recognise the outstanding contribution of junior boys within the Association.

Congratulations to Lachlan Cartwright for being awarded the Kevin Connelly Award.



Lyn Smith – President, presents Lachlan Cartwright with the Kevin Connelly Award

15. BASIL SELLERS SCHOLARSHIP

Claudia Johnston received a Basil Sellers scholarship at Hockey NSW's annual awards. The scholarship was presented by Danni Roche OAM and former Hockeyroo. The scholarship is awarded to exceptional athletes who have shown promise on and off the field.



Claudia Johnston & ex-Hockeyroo Danni Roche OAM

16. PIERRE De COUBERTIN AWARD

Claudia Johnston received the prestigious Pierre de Coubertin Award from the Australian Olympic Committee at the Australian Sports Institute in Canberra.

The Pierre de Coubertin Award recognizes secondary school students who demonstrate values which are consistent with the Olympic Movement through participation in sporting activities

The award was presented by ex-Hockeyroo Lou Dobson and was in recognition of Claudia's sporting achievements throughout 2018.

Congratulations to Claudia and to all those who have helped guide her character and sporting talents.



Claudia Johnston & ex-Hockeyroo Lou Dobson

17. YOUTH OLYMPIC HOCKEY 5s

Congratulations to our Sydney South players, Naomi Duncan and Grace Young on their achievements with the Australian team at the Youth Olympic Hockey 5s in Buenos Aires, with a 5th place finish.



18. 2018 NSW COMMUNITY SPORTS AWARDS

Congratulations Nathan Flack who was a finalist at last night's Sport NSW Community Sports Awards. Although he didn't take home the big award, his nomination is deserved recognition for his terrific service to hockey.



Nathan Flack with Hockey NSW CEO David Thompson

In March 2018, Nathan Flack was awarded Hockey NSW's Community Official of the 2017. In 2017, Nathan coached our junior umpires, coached Cronulla RSL Hockey Club teams and umpired at numerous championships.



Nathan receiving his Hockey NSW's Community Official of the 2017 award.

19. SSHA OFFICE BEARERS

Until 1974 the Cronulla Section of the NSW Women's Hockey Association.

Year	President	Secretary	Treasurer
1942	A. Tucker	Olive Burrell	J. Dallimore
1943	Kath Law	Edna Knight	J. Dallimore
1944	Olive Burrell	Edna Knight	D. Gould
1945	Mrs Fahey	Edna Knight	D. Gould
1958	Olive Watkins	Edna Messer	
1959	Joan Stilgoe	Edna Messer	
1960	Edna Messer	Joan Stilgoe	Jill Freer
1961	Edna Messer	Joan Stilgoe	Jill Freer

1962	Edna Messer	Joan Stilgoe	Jill Freer
1963	Edna Messer	Joan Stilgoe	Beryl Freer
1964	Edna Messer	Joan Stilgoe	Beryl Freer
1965	Edna Messer	Joan Stilgoe	Beryl Freer
1966	Edna Messer	Joan Stilgoe	Iris Williams
1967	Edna Messer	Joan Stilgoe	Iris Williams
1968	Edna Messer	Joan Stilgoe	Margaret Richardson
1969	Edna Messer	Joan Stilgoe	Lorraine Cummins
1970	Edna Messer	Joan Stilgoe	Lorraine Cummins
1971	Edna Messer	Sandra Fenton	Lorraine Cummins
1972	Edna Messer	Sandra Fenton	Marion Finney
1973	Edna Messer	Sandra Fenton	Marion Finney
1974	Edna Messer	Sandra Fenton	Marion Finney
1975	Sandra Fenton	Laurelle Wallace	Marion Finney
1976	Sandra Fenton	Laurelle Wallace	Marion Finney
1977	Sandra Fenton	Laurelle Wallace	Marion Finney
1978	Sandra Fenton	Laurelle Wallace	Marion Finney
1979	Sandra Fenton	Laurelle Wallace	Laura Tanner
1980	Sandra Fenton	Laurelle Wallace	Kaye Booth
1981	Sandra Fenton	Laurelle Wallace	Kaye Booth
1982	Sandra Fenton	Patricia Wade	Kaye Booth
1983	Sandra Fenton	Patricia Wade	Margaret Weavers
1984	Sandra Fenton	Patricia Wade	M. Weavers/T. Clews
1985	Sandra Fenton	Patricia Wade	Teresa Clews
1986	Julie Percival	Patricia Wade	Teresa Clews
1987	Julie Percival	Maxine Barnes	Teresa Clews
1988	Julie Percival	Maxine Barnes	Teresa Clews
1989	Teresa Clews	Maxine Barnes	Teresa Clews
1990	Teresa Clews	Maxine Barnes	Teresa Clews
1991	Teresa Clews	Maxine Barnes	Wendy Webster
1992	Teresa Clews	Carol Harriss	Wendy Webster
1993	Teresa Clews	Carol Harriss	Betty Buckley

1994	Teresa Clews	Carol Harriss	Sylvia Brennan
1995	Teresa Clews	Gillian Powell	Sylvia Brennan
1996	Teresa Clews	Gillian Powell	Sylvia Brennan
1997	Teresa Clews	Gillian Powell	Sylvia Brennan
1998	Teresa Clews	Vacant	Sylvia Brennan
1999	Teresa Clews	Gillian Powell	Sylvia Brennan
2000	Teresa Clews	Gillian Powell	Sylvia Brennan
2001	Teresa Clews	Gillian Powell	Sylvia Brennan
2002	Teresa Clews	Gillian Powell	Sylvia Brennan
2003	Teresa Clews	Jennifer Baxter	Sylvia Brennan
2004	Teresa Clews	Jennifer Baxter	Sylvia Brennan
2005	Teresa Clews	Jodie McIntosh	Sylvia Brennan
2006	Teresa Clews	Jodie McIntosh	Sylvia Brennan
2007	Teresa Clews	Alison Banks	Sylvia Brennan
2008	Teresa Clews	Alison Banks	Sylvia Brennan
2009	Teresa Clews	Vacant	Sylvia Brennan
2010	Teresa Clews	Vacant	Sylvia Brennan
2011	Teresa Clews	Carol Harriss	Sylvia Brennan
2012	Teresa Clews	Carol Harriss	Julianne Clift
2013	Teresa Clews	Carol Harriss	Julianne Clift
2014	Teresa Clews	Carol Harriss	Julianne Clift

In January 2015 the Sutherland Shire Hockey Association (SSHA) became the Sydney South Hockey Association (SSHA).

Year	President	Secretary	Treasurer
2015	Angelo Donni	Carol Harriss	Scott Tully
2016	Angelo Donni	Carol Harriss	Scott Tully
2017	Angelo Donni	Carol Harriss	Scott Tully
2018	Lyn Smith	Lee Davis	Donna Eagleton

20. SSHA SENIOR WOMENS PREMIERSHIP WINNERS

Year	First Grade	Second Grade	Third Grade	Fourth Grade	'A' Res Grade
1942	Larool				
1943	Yarrenbool				
1944	Yarrenbool				
1945	Yarrenbool				
1961	Noels	Kookaburras			
1962	Noels	Noels			
1963	Noels	Sundowners			Noels
1964	Noels	Athletes			St George
1965	Noels	St George	Tartans		
1966	Noels	Seagulls	Noels		
1967	Tartans	Tartans	Seagulls		
1968	Seagulls	Endeavour HS	H'cote Hawks		
1969	Tartans	C'bah/Banksia	Burraneer		
1970	Tartans	Noels	Caringbah		
1971	Tartans	Cronulla RSL	Cronulla RSL		
1972	Tartans	Cronulla RSL	Caringbah		
1973	Tartans	Wrens & Banksia	Burraneer & H'cote Hawks		
1974	Banksia	Sharks	Burraneer	Gymea	
1975	Banksia	Sharks	H'cote Hawks	Noels	
1976	Tartans	Burraneer	Noels	Dragons	
1977	Cronulla RSL	Cronulla RSL	Shamrocks	Dragons	
1978	Doyens	Cronulla RSL	Port Hacking HS	Dolphins	Cronulla RSL
1979	Doyens	Shamrocks	St George GHS	Sir J Banks HS	Redbacks
1980	Doyens	Cronulla RSL	Noels	Dragons	Cronulla RSL
1981	Cronulla RSL	Sharks	Dragons	Tartans	James Cook
1982	Cronulla RSL	Dragons	Noels		Tartans
1983	Cronulla RSL	James Cook	Sir J Banks		Tartans
1984	Cronulla RSL	Gators	Sharks		James Cook
1985	James Cook	Tartans	Port Hacking		Arangas

1986	Tartans	Dragons	Jannali		
1987	Arangas	Munros	Tartans		
1988	James Cook	Dragons	Redbacks		
1989	Tartans	Arangas	Redbacks		
1990	Breakaways	Breakaways	Redbacks		
1991	Breakaways	Breakaways	Breakaways		
1992	Breakaways	Breakaways	Arangas		
1993	Breakaways	Cronulla RSL	Breakaways		
1994	Break & RSL	Tartans	Redbacks		
1995	Breakaways & Arangas	Cronulla RSL(2) & Cronulla RSL(3)	Cronulla RSL		
1996	Arncliffe Scots	Arangas	Redbacks		
1997	Arncliffe Scots	Cronulla RSL	Redbacks		
1998	Arncliffe Scots	Arangas	Arangas		
1999	Cronulla RSL	Sharks	Arangas		
2000	Arncliffe Scots	Cronulla RSL	Redbacks		
2001	Arncliffe Scots	Sutho Blues	Sutho Blues		

Year	First Grade	Second Grade A	Second Grade B	Third Grade	Fourth Grade
2002	Sutho Blues	Bosco	Cronulla RSL		Bosco
2003	Sutho Blues	Sutho Blues	Sutho Blues	Tartans	Sutho Blues
2004	Sutho Blues	Sharks		Tartans	
2005	Cronulla RSL	Sutho Blues	Bosco	Cronulla RSL	
2006	Bosco	Sharks Blue	Bosco	Cronulla RSL	
2007	Arangas	SB Wildcats	SB Cougars	SB Stingers	

Year	SEPL	Second Grade A	Second Grade B	Third Grade
2008	Sutho Blues 2	SB Wildcats	RSL Blues	RSL Pretenders

Year	SEPL	Second Grade	Third Grade	Fourth Grade
2009	Sutho Blues 2	Tiger Sharks & Seacliff	Tartans	SB Blue Jags
2010	Sutho Arangas	Tartans 2	Sutho Blue Stingers	Sutho Blues Blue Jags
2011	Sutho Arangas	Bosco Beavers	Tartans Tarts	Bosco Barracudas
2012	Tartans	SB Wildcats	Sharks	
2013	Moorebank 1	SB Wildcats	Sharks	
2014			SDHC Blue Jags	

21. SSHA MARANG PARK WOMEN'S 9 aside WINNERS

Sydney South Hockey Association started this competition 2018.

Year	Women's 9 aside
2018	Tartans Tarts

22. SSHA JUNIOR PREMIERSHIP WINNERS

Year	First Grade	Second Grade	Third Grade	Fourth Grade	Seven A's
1961	Moorefield	Cronulla			
1962	Caringbah	Penshurst			
1963	Port Hacking	Port Hacking			
1964	Port Hacking				
1965	Port Hacking	Port Hacking	Heathcote Hawks		
1966	Port Hacking	OLMC			

1967	Port Hacking	RSL	OLMC		
1968	RSL	Caringbah-Banksia	Heathcote Hawks		
1969	Port Hacking	RSL	RSL	RSL	
1970	RSL	Kirrawee	Heathcote Hawks & Jannali	Caringbah	
1971	Woolooware	RSL	RSL	Caringbah	
1972	Caringbah	Burraneer & St George	Kirrawee	Caringbah	
1973	Caringbah	St George	Caringbah	Heathcote Hawks	
1974	Kirrawee	RSL	Shamrocks	C'bah & OLMC	
1975	Caringbah HS	Caringbah HS	Cronulla HS	RSL	
1976	St George	RSL	Shamrocks	RSL	
1977	RSL	Shamrocks	RSL	Tartans	
1978	Dragons	Jayhawks	Tartans	Tartans	
1979	Jayhawks	RSL	Tartans	Tartans	
1980	Redbacks	Dragons	Tartans		
1981	Tartans	Dragons			
1982	Tartans	Tartans	Dominoes		
1983	Tartans	Port Hacking			
1984	Port Hacking	Dominoes			
1985	Dominoes				
1986	Dominoes	Port Hacking			
1987	Caringbah HS	Caringbah HS			
1988	Munros	Arangas			
1989	Arangas	Breakaways			
1990	Arangas	Breakaways			

1991	Arangas	Caringbah HS			
1992	Bosco	Bosco	Danebank		
1993	RSL	Bosco			
1994	Tartans	Breakaways & St George	RSL	Bosco	
1995	RSL & Tartans	Bosco	Bosco	Arangas	
1996	Tartans	Bosco	Arangas	Danebank	
1997	RSL	Bosco & Arangas	Arangas	Bosco	
1998	Arangas	Bosco	Bosco	Arangas	
1999	Bosco	Bosco & Arangas	Bosco	Arangas	Bosco
2000	Sutho Blues	Sutho Blues	Sutho Blues & Tartans	A: Sutho Blues B: Sutho Blues	Cronulla RSL
2001	Bosco & Sutho Blues	Sutho Blues	Tartans	A: Bosco B: RSL	Tartans
2002	Bosco & Sutho Blues	Sutho Blues	Sutho Blues	A:Sutho Blues & Bosco. B: Bosco	Tartans
2003	Sutho Blues	Sutho Blues	A:RSL & Tartans B:Sharks & Sutho Blues	Sutho Blues	Bosco
2004	Bosco	Tartans	Sutho Blues	Tartans	Bosco
2005	Bosco	RSL & Sutho Blues	Sydney Girls HS	Bosco	Sharks
2006	Tartans & Bosco	Sutho Blues	Bosco	Bosco	Danebank
2007	TM Tartans	Tartans Rebels	RSL Goolompolious	A. RSL Fast Ferrets B. RSL Jnr Roos	Danebank
2008	Sutho Blues	RSL Spunky Sputniks	RSL Tiger Talons	RSL Junior Roos	Danebank
2009	Bosco Dynamites	RSL Rebels	Seacliff Stingers	Bosco Blazers	Tartans & Killer Sharks

2010	Sutho Blues Penguins	Seacliff Stingers	Tartans Cupcakes & Sutho Blues Smurfettes	Seacliff Mermaids	Tartans Alligators
2011	Sutho Blue Steel	Tartans Cupcakes	Bosco Blazers	RSL Tricky Sticks & Tartans Cobras	Tartans Anacondas
2012	Sutho Blue Avatars	Tartans Titans and Bosco Blue Jays	RSL Tricky Sticks	Great White Sharks and Tartans Anacondas	Bosco Gangsters

Year	First Grade	Second Grade	Under 13	Under 11	Under 9 Gold/Green
2013	Sutho Blue Tsunamis	RSL Tricky Sticks	Tartans Anacondas	Bosco Wildcats	Tartans Freckles/ Bosco Butterflies
2014	SDHC Purple	Bosco Jaguars	Bosco Bubbles	Bosco All Stars	

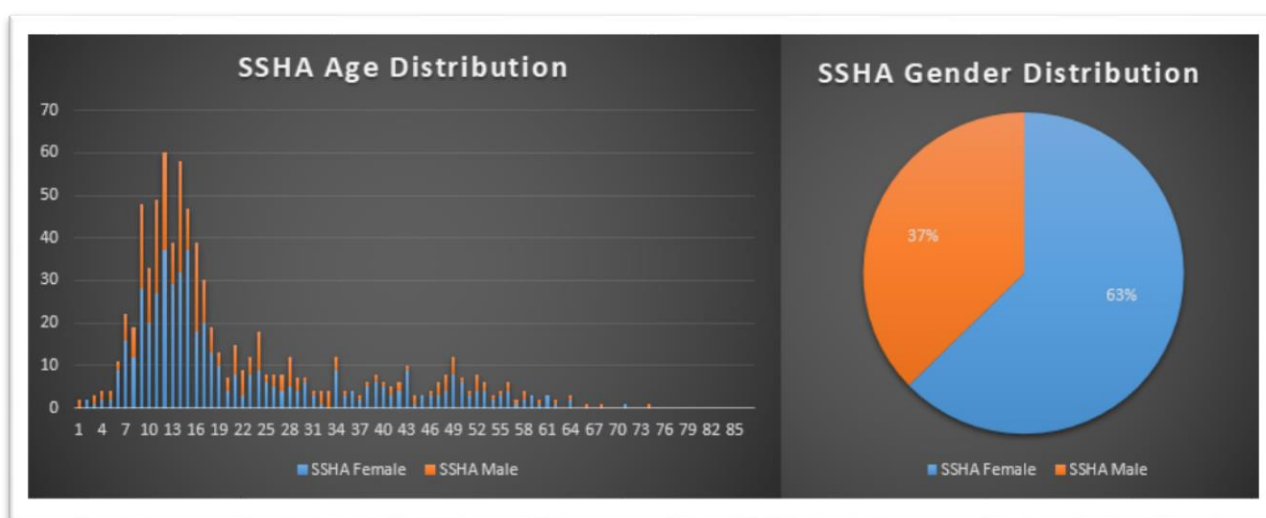
In January 2015 the Sutherland Shire Hockey Association (SSHA) became the Sydney South Hockey Association (SSHA).

Year	First Grade	Second Grade	Under 13 Mixed	Under 11 Mixed
2015	Saw Sharks		Bosco Bananas	Bosco
2016	Tartans Queens	Hammerhead Sharks	Tartans Turbo Chargers & Mako Sharks	RSL Red Rockets
2017	Tartans Queens	RSL Quicksticks	RSL Slicksticks	Tartans Tornados

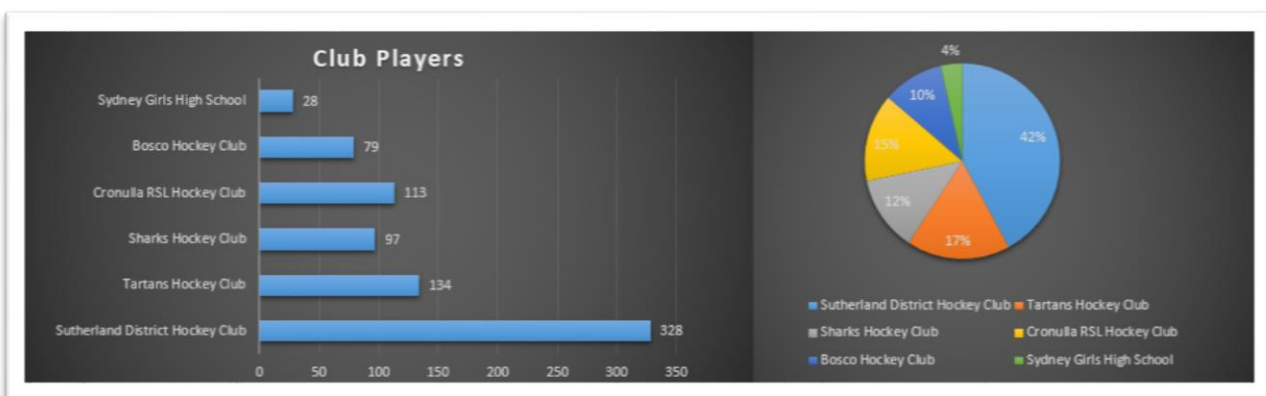
Year	Open Girls	School	Under 13 Mixed	Under 11 Mixed
2018	Tartans Maroons		RSL Slicksticks	Bosco & Blacktip Sharks

23. SSHA 2018 DEMOGRAPHICS

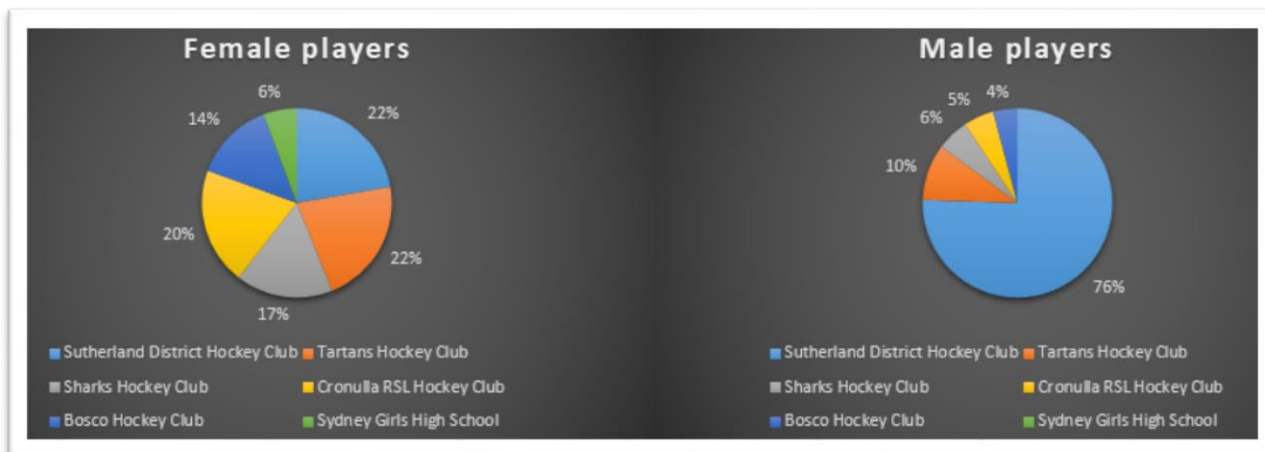
The median SSHA player is female, aged 15 and lives within 10km from Marang Hockey fields.



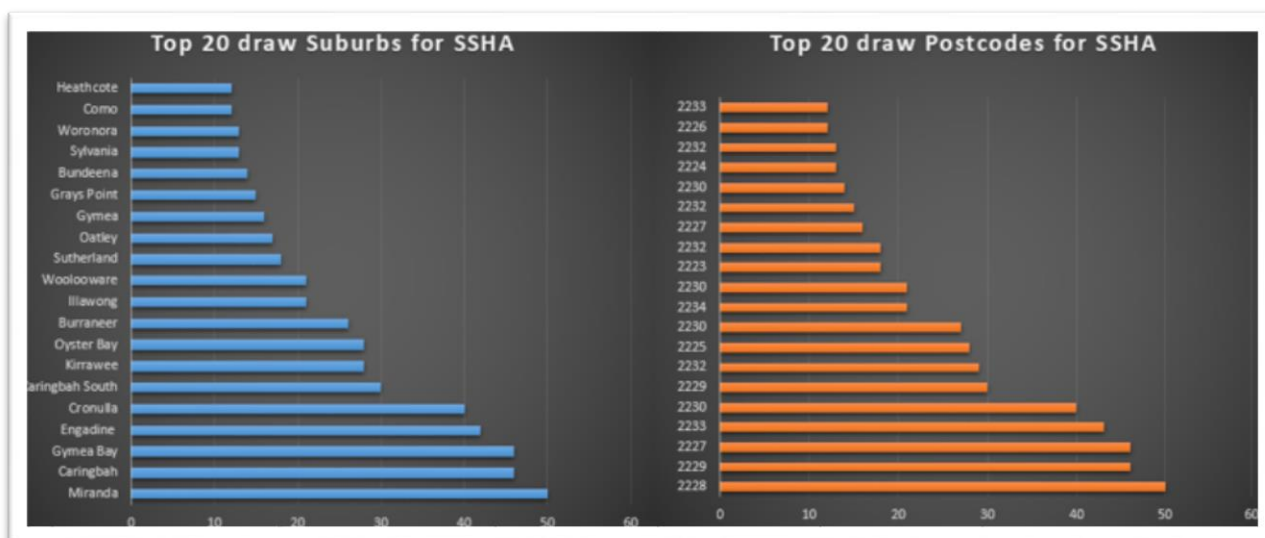
SSHA Age and Gender Distribution



SSHA Club Players Distribution



SSHA Female & Male Distribution



SSHA Top 20 draw Suburbs and Postcodes

24. HOCKEY TEAMS OVER THE YEARS

SSWA		
Year	Senior teams	Juniors teams
1961	11	10
1962	14	12
1963	17	14
1964	18	17
1965	17	19
1966	19	22
1967	14	19
1968	15	18
1969	17	22
1970	17	20
1971	20	24
1972	20	24
1973	20	26
1974	25	29
1975	26	25
1976	26	24
1977	33	23
1978	35	26
1979	36	26
1980	35	17
1981	30	12
1982	30	12
1983	27	10
1984	24	10
1985	26	11
1986	23	11

SSWA			Modified teams
Year	Senior teams	Juniors teams	
1987	22	12	
1988	22	11	
1989	20	14	
1990	23	14	
1991	19	12	
1992	19	17	
1993	19	17	
1994	17	22	
1995	19	24	
1996	19	23	6
1997	17	22	12
1998	16	22	15
1999	17	20	18
2000	17	24	17
2001	22	25	20
2002	25	31	23
2003	21	29	23
2004	21	28	21
2005	21	22	20
2006	23	25	24
2007	24	22	20
2008			
2009			
2010			
2011	14	22	25
2012	10	18	24

Jenola Local Competition teams								
Year	Senior Womens	Juniors	U18	U15	U13	U11	U9	U7
2013	10	11			4	5	8	8
2014	4	12			5	6	8	6
2015		7			6	5	8	6
2016		9			4	4	7	5
2017			9		6	6	4	5

Marang Local Competition teams							
Year	Open Women 9s	Open School Girls	U15	U13	U11	U9	U7
2018	4	6		4	7	5	2

25. JENOLA PARK HOCKEY FIELDS – the END OF AN ERA - 1942 to 2017



Jenola Park Hockey Fields Caringbah

JENOLA OPENS FOR BUSINESS - 11 APRIL 1942

With the Association shortly to leave Jenola after 70 years what was it really like on the first day of 'official' hockey way back in 1942?

In 1942 Australia was facing its greatest crisis. In New Guinea Australian servicemen were fighting a campaign more important than Gallipoli....a desperate struggle to save the homeland from the might of Imperial Japan. Seaside suburbs like Cronulla anticipated attack and possible invasion. Barbed wire and huge concrete blocks covered the beaches and some local areas were "Off limits" to civilians

In these grim times the Cronulla Section of the NSW Women's Hockey Association commenced its inaugural season at Jenola

In 1942 the Gannons Road ground consisted of one mown field running east west across what are now the No 2 and No 3 fields. It was not the lawn we now enjoy. Doug Burrell's Laundry business in Denman Avenue behind the railway line served as the dressing sheds.

A Gala Day opening was held on Saturday 11th April. This featured a spectacle of women's sports, good weather and a large crowd including six of the nine Shire councillors.

The 'Cronulla Observer' reported the event as follows:

"With the variegated colours of the tunics of the various teams we saw a pageant of skill and beauty that was so colourful that it was truly a wonderful spectacle".

The same reporter saw the day as a triumph for women's sport:

"...our girls were at last taking a place in sport in this district where masculine sport has so largely dominated".

Celebrities who performed on the day included Miss E. Soult NSW High Jump Champion (who jumped to a height of 5 feet (1.5 m) and women's state discus and sprint champions.

In the feature hockey match a combined Graduates Club/Sydney University defeated a Sutherland Selection 5 goals to nil.

Thus Jenola had begun its first official season of women's hockey and for some the whole event was uplifting as the 'Observer' reporter extolled:

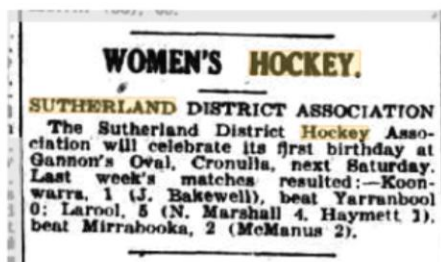
"One visitor was heard to remark that at a time when the Government was closing and controlling drink and dance halls in the closer suburbs it was stimulating to one's morals to witness such a collection of girls participating in clean, open sport where their parents could witness and enjoy their pleasure."

The inaugural competition began on 23rd May with five teams, all bearing aboriginal names; Koonwarra, Mirrabooka, Nargoona, Larool and Yarrenbool. Many of the players were schoolgirls and a number had been recruited from the staff at Doug Burrell's laundry.

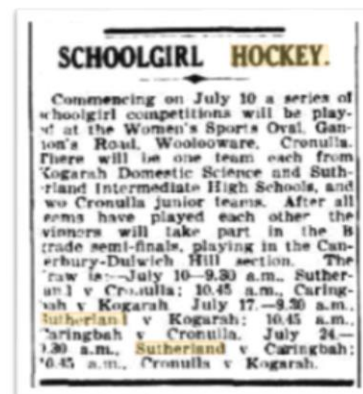
Each week the team with the bye travelled by train and tram to the Eastern Suburbs to play a team in the Woollahra section. Regular hockey had a home in the Shire.



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