



# SOUTHERN UNITED HOCKEY CLUB

**2018 Annual Report** 

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# 1 Club President Report – Tim Crump

This year the Club achieved an important objective, having a team in every senior grade of the CHA competition. In addition to this, our Junior Club continued to expand their number of players. We are now recognised as one of the "big three hockey clubs" in Christchurch and can offer a place for all levels of hockey and ability. Masters hockey continues to thrive and for those who are eligible to play, see hockey as their year-round sport. Summer hockey, 11-aside and 6-aside are forms of our game that extend beyond the winter too.

On the field we had a lot to be very proud of. Especially, our Division 1 Men's team extending their outstanding performance by retaining the title they won in 2017. Not losing a game in two years, is a huge accomplishment in any sport!

At CPL level our performances were creditable in terms of the new players that were selected to play at this level. All other grades improved their rankings or level of performance.

Well done to everyone! You all donned the Southern colours with pride and from the many games I viewed across the grades, put in performances that were fitting, as members of our club.

At an Executive level, your team put in hundreds and hundreds of hours to deliver the services that you as club members require, to be able participate in our sport. Thanks guys, the Club would not operate in the manner it does without your focus and efforts. Our equipment inventory has undergone an audit and we now have full records on the amount of uniforms, balls, training equipment, goal keeping gear and trial bibs the club has. This in turn meant our purchases of these items was less than anticipated as we had a firm record of what we had in our gear room!

From a financial perspective, the Club has accumulated a reasonable operating surplus and I must thank Angela Park as our Treasurer and Martin Perry as our Funding Officer, for the way they have ensured the Club is financially sound, hence we were able to cover our costs without dipping in to reserve funds. Angela has signalled that she wishes to step down at our forthcoming Annual General Meeting. Our sincere thanks for all you have done Ange! The way you have kept our financial records has been top class and we valued your advice on our financial fluidity on many occasions over the past years.

Lauren and Sam joined the team as our Senior Club Captain's and spent a busy year learning the business of how a hockey club is run on and off the field. James provided valuable advice on all aspects of our game and has the welfare and development of the Club at heart.

Bernie McCarthy took on the huge role of Junior Club Captain and re-engineered important processes with some help of those who have been part of our junior section for many years. The Club recognises the very important place our juniors play in the growth and ongoing success of Southern United now and in the years ahead. Well done to you all.

The Club has also spent a lot of time developing and documenting processes around the selection, coaching and management of your teams at all levels of the Club. Your Executive intends to identify playing structures for all grades throughout the Club, at senior and junior levels. Key skills will be identified and agreed. These skills will be documented, with written coaching guidance. Future coaches will be able to see how the Club wants to play the game and how key skills are to be taught. Your club will continue to send coaches to CHA workshops, as well as tap in to our internal resources. The current club Executive wishes to identify a number of key base skills that must be focused on at a junior level. It is important for our younger players to have grasped these before they progress through the Club.

My thanks to our Executive Committee, patrons, life and club members who have assisted me in my role. To all of the aforementioned, our coaches, managers, umpires and stakeholders; what you have

done for the Club is valued immensely. It is very important to remember we are all part of the very, very big team that is Southern United Hockey Club.

To our commercial partner, Just Hockey, thank you for the excellent benefits that you have provided to our club.

Similarly, we are indebted to our funders; The Christchurch City Council Strengthening Communities Trust, New Zealand Community Trust, Pub Charity, Southern Trust, Air Rescue & Community Services Trust. This funding assistance is vital to ensure our subscriptions are not at a level that inhibits participation in our sport.

The Club had a large number of representative players from juniors to masters, who were selected for Canterbury teams. Club members coached, managed and umpired at various National Tournaments, a great achievement by you all! Bjorn Dix, in particular, was recruited by the Wellington Hockey Association to run development and coaching programmes, subsequently Bjorn was appointed a coaching role with Capital Hockey. Martin Perry represented New Zealand at Master's level in 2018 and competed in the demanding environment of the Spanish heat at the World Tournament.

Gareth Greenfield continued his climb up the global umpiring ladder and officiated at a number of world events this year. Our club is very fortunate to have such a person in our ranks to be able to support our umpires beyond what most clubs would have to offer, especially, in the years ahead. Ex-Black Stick Marie Porter delivered goal keeping assistance throughout the Club during the year.

In closing, I wish to mention the contributions of our Vice President, Suz Pearce and our Secretary, Natasha "Tash" Kyd. These two have a great pro-active nature and have the ability to identify the nuts and bolts of how our club does and should operate. Tash has indicated she will step down from her role as Secretary at the upcoming Annual General Meeting. Thank you for all the things you have carried out in your capacity as our club Secretary, plus all the other things that just got done, including the management of four teams this season!

To Graham Harris as Chair of SPC, the parent organisation that is responsible for the operation and welfare of our clubrooms and external training facilities at Sydenham Park, I greatly appreciated your association with SUHC. Thank you also to the wider SPC team.

Going forward, it is important the Club builds the social side of our activities. We held very successful prize giving's, volunteer and quiz evenings. However, the Executive Committee have identified the need for two more functions to be slotted in in 2019, as a means to get the Club together socially. Once our new hockey centre at Nga Puna Wai is completed, we envisage it will be possible to recommence our club day and have many of our teams playing in the one location throughout a weekend. This will allow us to support each other and give SUHC external visibility to the wider community. We will seek the services of a member to help with our communication channels and build on what we have done in the past two years.

Thank you all for the opportunity to hold the title and responsibility as President of your club in 2018. It is vital that all of us keep working hard to make our club successful on and off the field. Developing a club culture is key to us enjoying our hockey experience with Southern United H.C. at all levels.

Tim Crump President Southern United Hockey Club



# 2 Men's Club Captain Report –Sam Bennett

This year was my first year being involved with the Club other than just playing for the Premier Men's team. I decided to put my hand up and help out and give back to the Club. This year we had a new coach appointed for the Premier Men's team, James Morris Williamson and new coaches for the defending champions, Division One Men's team with Max Winter & Callum Slaven. The Division One Men finished the 2018 season how they finished the 2017 season, as Champions! This is a huge achievement to go back-to-back and not lose a game this season.

Last season, the Club were not able to enter a Division Three team but this year was the first year of the Gold and Platinum grades in the Division Three side of the competition after it been trialled in the Women's grade last season. The Division Three grade now looks after the wellbeing of the younger hockey players in the senior competition while having maintaining the Division Three senior grade with the Gold competition. Having three teams entered into these Division Three competitions is a good start for this new format and will only improve with years to come now having a stepping stones for our youth players of Southern United moving out of the junior section into senior hockey.

A big thank you to Shane Maddaford for his time and effort in the Rookie Programme that was started in 2017 in the Division One Men's side, its success shown when there were four new caps in the Premier team this season who came from through the Rookie Programme in 2017.

The start of the start of the 2018 season saw the introduction of Rainer Klebert to our Premier and Division One squads to help with pre-season preparation. There was a huge improvement of fitness in the Men's side this year and big credit goes to Rainer on his work this year. We are looking forward to have his assistance again next season and roll this programme out to our Women's Club.

We had 8 Men's teams this season;

- Premier Men coached by James Morris-Williamson and managed by Martin Perry
- Division One Men coached Max Winter & Callum Slaven
- Division Two Men coached by James Morris-Williamson and managed by Noel Carlile
- Division Three Gold coached by Tim Crump and managed by Wendy Duff
- Division Three Platinum One (Blue) coached by Kevin O'Kane and managed by Jenny Douglas
- Division Three Platinum Two (Black) coached by Peter Skudder and managed by Bernie McCarthy
- Mid-week Open Division One (Blue) managed by Gareth Greenfield
- Mid-Week Open Division Two (Black) managed by Tim Crump
- Grass Men managed by Lindsay Hodder

A massive thank you to all of our coaches, manager's, volunteers, spectators and players for the great 2018 season and we look forward to seeing all in the 2019 season

Sam (Barry) Bennett



#### 3 Women's Club Captain Report –Lauren McMahon

Being asked to consider the role of women's club captain was an absolute privilege. While at times it has been challenging to balance the demands of the role with my study, it has been a rewarding experience that I have thoroughly enjoyed. I am proud to have been a member of the Southern United Hockey Club (SUHC) executive committee, as well as a playing member, for the 2018 season. My role has consisted of team selection, administration and communications, event organising and monthly meetings.

It has been another successful season for the club in many aspects. I believe that the separation of the senior club captain role into the separate women's and men's club captain roles is a testament to the rapidly growing club that we are a part of. It thrills me to see the club thriving in this way and it is exciting to see so much young passion and talent coming up through the grades.

On the women's side of the senior club I am proud to say that we fielded the following 11 teams.

- CPL Coach: Ryan Wallace, Manager: Suzanne Pearce
- Division One Coach: Craig Iggo, Manager: Tana Sullivan
- Division Two Coach: Bjorn Dix, Manager: Damienne Donaldson
- Division Three Platinum Level One Coach: Elvy Stephens, Manager: Lisa Gallaway
- Division Three Platinum Level One Coach: Shelley Wells/Helen Keast, Manager: Kate Coleman
- Division Three Platinum Level Three Coach: Suzanne Pearce/Libby Parkes, Manager: Lisa Watson
- Division Three Platinum Level Three Coach: Lusia Elisara, Manager: Sal Faid
- Division Three Gold Manager: Natasha Kyd
- Mid-Week Open Division One Coach: Nicole Baxter-Warren, Manager: Natasha Kyd
- Mid-Week Open Division Two Manager: Natasha Kyd
- Grass Women Manager: Natasha Kyd

In terms of performance, I would like to reflect on the performance of our top three teams. The premier women have continued to build on the progress made during the 2017 season. With a few close games and a lot of knowledge learnt, we look to carry this into next season, picking up from where we left off in 6 th place. Our division one team had a very successful season, earning themselves the most improved women's team club award. This was well deserved and I look forward to seeing this team continue to build on the successes of the 2018 season. The division two team finished the season in 4th place, building on the achievements of the 2017 season with so much talent and youthful energy. The achievements of all of our other teams have not gone unnoticed.

Thank you to all those who supported the events of the club this season. The quiz night was a lot of fun and the senior awards dinner was another very successful evening, recognising and celebrating the achievements of and within our club.

Thank you to each and every player for your membership to our club and a massive thank you to our generous coaches and managers for being so giving of your time and efforts. Furthermore, I wish to thank all our other volunteers, umpires, supporters, sponsors and lastly the rest of the executive committee.

Lastly I wish everyone involved in our club a refreshing break, a happy holiday season and I look forward to seeing you all return for another exciting season of hockey in 2019.

Best wishes,

Lauren McMahon.



#### 4.1 Premier Men's Report – James Morris-Williamson

Coach: James Morris-Williamson

Manager: Martin Perry

Physio: Rainer Klebert

**Team:** Ben Owers (C), Gareth Stewart ((GK), Angus Keast, Ben Rutherford, Brad Shaw, Callum McGregor, Cameron Douglas, Chez Parore, Delane Traber, Etienne Harrington-Watt, Hugh Hendrickson, Kevin O'Kane, Liam Sharp, Ryan Cosgrove, Ryan Smith, Shaun Coles

**2<sup>nd</sup> Team:** Jesse Forsyth, Ben Dowers, Ryan Wallace, Flynn Marshall, Robb Gillespie, Harmanjit Singh, Shane Maddaford, Aidan Perry, Simon Thomson, Tim Cross, Liam Porter, Gareth Greenfield

Most Improved Player: Cameron Douglas

Most Valuable Player: Bradley Shaw

This year the team prepared well for the season, with Reiner spending time on both the team and individuals to both improve and maintain fitness for the season ahead. Thank you to Reiner form all his work during the season.

It was however a slow start for the Men's team, with three losses in the first four games. Fortunately, one game was Porritt Cup, it remained difficult for the team to compete in this competition when you lose your regular team, in one round eight players were missing. Thank you to the Division 1 players who stepped up for us when needed, it is great to have able back-ups when required. Porritt Cup we still finished third, testimony to the players coming up.

Regular season, we played fourteen games, two rounds, winning seven, losing four, drawing two and one game abandoned due to fog out at Waimak. Interestingly, both draws were against HSOB, who finished bottom in final placings. A win was crucial in this competition, the team finishing third end of round robin, a placing the boys can be proud of. The semi's and finals did not go our way, losing to Marist and Carlton-Redcliffs in close games, final placing fourth.

Of the 20 games played, we scored 52 goals with 43 against, with sixteen games won, lost or drawn by one goal margins, showing how tight the season was. Final tally, won 10, lost seven, drew 2, and one abandoned. Cards also helped the fines bucket, no reds thankfully.

A number of players were named in rep teams for the season, congratulations to these players. Brad Shaw in the Canterbury Cavaliers, Ben Owers in the Canterbury Beavers, Chez Parore for South Canterbury, Hugh Hendrickson and Shaun Coles for Canterbury U21's, and Angus Keast, Cameron Douglas, Etienne Harrington-Watt, Liam Sharp and Ryan Smith in Canterbury U18's. Also Callum McGregor, Hugh Hendrickson and Shaun Coles played for Canterbury University in the Universities tournament.





# 4.2 Premier Women's Report – Ryan Wallace

Coach: Ryan Wallace

Manager: Suz Pearce

**Team:** Lauren McMahon (C), Rebecca Adolph, Tessa Adolph, Katerina Basova, Eveane Tuetue-Gray, Neve Marshall, Annalise Jackson, Zoe Summers, Jess Nicholson, Georgia Surie, Sian Goodall, Hannah

Pearson, Meg Hocquard, Hannah Leckey, Joanne Madeley, Kodie Kutyn and Georgie Fleming

Most Improved Player: Eveanne Tuetue-Gray

Most Valuable Player: Zoe Summers

With the 2017 season ending positively, a couple of new faces in the team and a new season ahead of us the team were feeling confident for what the next 6 months had to face us. The first half of the season started very slowly but everyone was in high spirits as we were showing signs of improvement. During our mid-season review some of our goals were to reduce our goal difference, be more consistent during our games and really challenge some of the opposition. Well we did exactly that and came back very strong throughout the 2nd part of the season getting some good wins over Hornby and challenging some of the other teams. One of the bigger goals we had before the season started was to show improvement though out the season and that is something we definitely achieved. The team spirit was very high through the good times and the bad times and that is something else the team can be very proud of.

We got through to the 5/6 play-off which was great for the team as it recognized all the hard effort they have put in over the season. We ended up going down to Avon and ended up fishing 6th overall.

Congratulations to Sian Goodall, Georgia Surie and Tessa Adolph who were all selected in the Barracudas team.





# 4.3 Division One Men's Report

Coach: Max Winter

Assistant Coach: Callum Slaven

**Team:** Tim Cross, Ben Dowers, Rob Gillespie, Kyle Houston, Shane Maddaford, Flynn Marshall, Daniel Martin, Gareth McKerchar, Cameron Moore, James Morris-Williamson, Aidan Perry, Liam Porter, Carey Poulsen, Harmanjit Singh, Simon Thomson and Garth Tipper

Most Valuable Player: Shane Maddaford

No report has been submitted from the Division One Men.

The Division One Men were once again the Champions of the grade with an outstanding effort of maintaining their record of no defeats throughout the season.



# 4.4 Division One Women's Report - Craig Iggo

**Coach:** Craig Iggo (assisted by Kirsty McCombe)

Manager: Tana Sullivan

**Team:** Leah Bakker, Charlotte Becconsall-Ryan, Holly Beynon, Jessy Brant, Aleisha Cotterill, Ashleigh Farmer, Sarah Graham, Fanchea Molony, Amelia Neill, Libby Parkes, Shannon Sullivan, Tahlia Tepuia, Zoe Thompson & Emma Wilson.

Extended Squad: Leisa Francois & Kirsty McCombe

Most Valuable Player: Zoe Thompson

I returned again to coach the Division One Women's team, unlike previous years where we only had two or three players in the squad from the previous season, this year we had ten returning which meant that we had a good foundation to start from.

We again had a very youthful squad, but also have four or five players this year who have played at a higher level which meant not only did we have youthful enthusiasm and a willingness to have a go, learn and develop their hockey but also some members able to pass on their knowledge and skills to other players. One frustration I had again during the season was the fact that they played 'nice hockey', they were very polite to opposition players, even to the extent of not competing for some 50/50 plays, thankfully with the addition of the more experienced players to the team they got a 'bit of mongrel' to their play when needed.

The aim for the season was to play a simple, constructive, positive and attacking style with good basic hockey being the foundation and always aiming to execute our game plan, play our game not the oppositions, we managed to do this in every game for periods of time which meant we were very competitive and at times dominant, a big step up for us this year was being able to execute for long enough periods to come away with some good results.

In a grade of nine teams, we have had a fairly firm hold of the wooden spoon over the last couple seasons with some unlucky losses BUT this year we turned a couple of seasons of hard work and perseverance into results on the scoreboard and ended up placing 5th in our grade which was a great result for the team and now the focus need to continue the development and break into top 4 next season.

I believe that with the development over the last couple of seasons and with some great talent in the grades below coming through the redevelopment of the women's side is on track and we should see some very competitive SUHC teams emerge over the next few seasons head.

Thanks to Tana for helping me and managing the team bit like herding cats at times. Thanks to Holly for do a great job in leading the team and to Sarah and Kirsty for their efforts both on and off the field over the season and of course must mention being Quiz night winner! A big thanks to all of the fill-in players we had to use over the season, especially those who filled in at short notice which also usually meant a short turn around or back to back games, they turned up smiling fitted into the team very well and played 'full on' every time. Thanks to all our supporters that came down rain and shine each Sunday, it great to have such a loyal bunch of supporters which I think we repaid with the improved and results. Thanks to the team for turning up to trainings and games each week with a smile on their face and a positive attitude wanting to learn, improve and develop as hockey players. Finally, thanks to the team for putting up with me and I hope to see everyone turn out next season.



# 4.5 Division Two Men's Report – James Morris-Williamson

Coach: James Morris-Williamson

Manager: Noel Carlile

**Team:** Eli Abrey, Noah Abrey, Nathan Balmer, Josh Carlile, Dali Fan, Ben Hampton, Lockie Hooft, Gareth Jones, Nick Milward, Sam Parkes, Luke Robb, Sam Robb, Cameron Slee, Gareth Stewart & Alex

Warrington

Most Valuable Player: Cameron Slee

Well this has been a hockey season of lows and highs.

Over half the team were new to Div2 and it seemed to take a while for the boys to get an understanding of what was expected of them. So we had a slow start and there was a strong focus through the season to add intensity to the play and to learn the new combinations.

The changing point was mid-season playing Rangiora the boys played as a team, with focus and speed. This became the game that set the benchmark. And a game James always returned to, to show the boys what they can do if they believe.

The Highlight was the final against Harewood, a team we had lost to in the past, and the whole team played well. A good display of hockey, played with the right intent by both teams, and we came away with the win.

We have to thank the players who filled in from div3. We couldn't have done without them. We had 3 players who were off for significant periods due to injuries and also players with work/study commitments so thank you heaps to all.

Also congratulations to both Noah and Cam who have been selected for Canterbury U15A's



#### 4.6 Division Two Women's Report – Bjorn Dix

Coach: Bjorn Dix

**Assistant Coach:** Kodie Kutyn

Manager: Damienne Donaldson

**Team:** Lucy Booth, Rebecca Coulson, Chloe Donaldson, Katie Garrett, Jess Gavin, Cass Hetherington, Chloe Hughes, Charlotte Kelly, Shea Laws, Ayla Marshall, Freyja Marshall, Brenna McInnes, Ella McLeod, Kelly Newlands, Rebecca Owens & Alana Topping.

Most Valuable Player: Chloe Donaldson

In 2018 we had 11 retuning players from the 2017 season with two players being promoted from the Division 3 Platinum side and three joining SUHC from other clubs. With the early part of the season slightly disrupted for the team with their coach commuting from Wellington, assistant coach Kodie Kutyn took the reins and led the team extremely well with positive performances in the early stages of the season.

This theme continued for the entire season with performance focused training methodology turning into increased performances come game day. After the regular season the team finished in 3rd place on the ladder ensuring a matchup with eventual champions HSOB in a semi-final. The team started well scoring first before HSOB answered back with two goals each side of half time to take a 4-1 lead into the final 20 minutes. This is when you see what character your team has and needless to say the girls never gave in. Removing our keeper with 15 minutes to play the girls piled on the pressure without finding outcomes until the 63rd minute when they scored to make it 4-2. Again, right back on attack and converting in the 68th minute setting up a grandstand finish all to no avail with HSOB holding on 4-3. In the 3rd and 4th playoff against Marist the girls performed well again without luck in converting their numerous chances, eventually going down to finish 4th for the season playing some very exciting team-based hockey along the way. Very promising for the Club moving forward with 9 players who were allegeable for U15 sides in 2018.

Congratulations to Cass Hetherington, Kelly Newlands & Freyja Marshall on gaining selection in Canterbury U15A and to Becky Coulson, Chloe Donaldson & Alana Topping on making the Canterbury U15B side.

A big thank you to Kodie who stepped in as the team's assistant coach during the early part of the season before she left for an overseas experience also to Damienne, for again managing the team expertly and to all the parents and supporters who came along to cheer the girls on a weekly basis.





#### 4.7 Division Three Gold Women's Report – Natasha Kyd

Manager: Natasha Kyd

**Team:** Natasha Ball, Kate Bayliss, Katherine Booker (GK), Josie Copland, Amanda Foster, Toni Lubbers, Holly Muir, Ashlee O'Donnell, Nicole O'Donnell, Melanie Roberts, Rachel Skews, Lisa Thompson and

Danielle Whitehead

Most Valuable Player: Toni Lubbers

The Division Three Gold Women's team at the start of the season, was almost nearly not in both the Club and CHA sense! During trials, there were only a handful of players expressing their interest to play in this grade. It was decided the Club would enter a team with the intention to recruit additional players before the deadline for withdrawing teams with CHA. As the deadline approached there were eight confirmed players and CHA refused the request remove the team so an additional call for players was made seeing some further interest from past players of the Club and a two full Mid-Week squads provided an opportunity for fill in players as necessary. As the season begun the team was looking healthy with a squad 13 players.

The team was made up of a mix of abilities who were mostly returning from some time away from the turf and a striker converted to play in goal too! A few matches into the season, we said farewell to Amanda Foster who has been part of the team for a few seasons but was pleased to have her back for a couple of games later in the season. Overall, the competition was very equal with some very close results including five wins, seven losses and a draw. The Club was incredibly proud to receive some feedback from the Rangiora team commending the efforts of our Southern team and how nice they were to play against.

I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of the members of the team, you had many challenges to overcome this season and still managed to turn up each week and play your hardest without a consistent team each week, the many interruptions of breaks and without the guidance of a coach each week. To those that filled in for the team, we are grateful for your support each week. I hope to see you all return next season for a bigger and better 2019 season.



#### 4.8 Division Three Gold Men's Report – Tim Crump

Coach: Tim Crump

Manager: Wendy Duff

**Team:** Tom Bennett, Dan Carlile, Hamish Dick, Hamish Clarke, Nick Jones, Paul Stratton, Alec Lett, Ethan Patifield, Ethan Basterfield, Cameron Duff, Logan Elkins, Josh Pearson, Ben Wagstaff, Morgan

Thomson & Jack McCallum

Most Valuable Player: Ethan Batersfield

The team, after a slow start to the winter season, finished a creditable 3rd, after a very hard fought and intense semi-final against the eventual grade winners, University, we finished the competition with a

Resounding victory against Harewood. Early in the season the group took a while to determine our playing shape and what was the best game plan. Once this was established the guys played great hockey, culminating in being rewarded with the trophy for the most improved men's team within our club.

Highlights for the season our 3rd place. Two defining games, mid-season, where we scored 11 goals and conceded only 1. Low, points, two drawn games we should have won against the bottom placed team. Losing the semi-final to a freaky goal, that was unstoppable.

Our thanks and appreciation to our hard working and well organized manager Wendy Duff.





# 4.9 Division Three Platinum Women's Reports

# 4.9.1 Platinum One Women's Report

Coach: Elvy Stephens

Managers: Lisa Gallaway and Ben Olijkan

**Team:** Emily Curd, Charlotte Fenton, Prue Flanagan, Francesca Gallaway, Charlotte Gilray, Isabella Green, Kaia Joergensen, Maggie Leith, Caitlin Lennon, Ella McFarlane, Brodie Morris, Florence Nathan, Kate Olijkan, Julia Mary Siddall, Laura Smith and Lauren Smith.

Most Valuable Player: Kaia Joergensen

For the 2018 season the team focused on game play, ball retention and team work. The first round of the season these took a lot of time to start developing but by round two there was a massive improvement with really good inter play at the end of the season.

We would like to thank and acknowledge Elvina Stephens for her time and experience coaching the team, Lisa Gallaway for organising the team and Ben Olijkan for helping manage the team.





# 4.9.2 Platinum Black Women's Report - Helen Keast

Coaches: Helen Keast & Shelley Cumming

Manager: Kate Coleman

Team: Margot Coleman, Amy Dunn, Kelly Hodder, Alexsia Hubrick, Ruby Ireland, Reilly Kane, Emma Keast, Lily

Kelly, Grace MacKean, Jessica Martin (GK), Grace Sullivan, Grace Wells & Charlotte Wooley

Most Valuable Player: Ruby Ireland

The 2018 season started out with the girls playing in the Div 3 Platinum Level 2 grade for the first round of games. The team had a series of wins against their opposition and finished top of the table in this grade. As a result, CHA then moved the team up into the Platinum Level 1 grade. This proved a lot more challenging for the team and although they still managed to score goals against their opposition, they were unable to secure a win over the second half of the season. Our defence was challenged a lot more against the stronger opposition in the Level 1 grade and our structure here let us down at times. When progressing forward on attack however, the team often looked strong and well structured.

Generally, the girls were still competitive, but were at times disadvantaged by the age and size difference of their opposition that they came up against within this grade. The team did however have some very positive feedback from the opposition club coaches about how the girls played throughout the Level 1 grade.

I've felt privileged coaching this group of girls over the season alongside Shelley. It has been great to see the team develop their game and their understanding in terms of strategic play and also the development of everyone's individual skills.

The team consistently showed resilience and determination right to the final whistle despite whether they were winning or were goals down and demonstrated great sportsmanship in all aspects of the game.

The only low for the season from a coach perspective would be the weekend that we had to default against Marist. This was a weekend during the school holidays where we had a number of players out and CHA having the draw set up that the only SU team we could use to access fill in players were playing at the same time as we were. I believe this should be something that CHA should be made aware of from the Club so as they can attempt to structure the draw in the future to avoid this happening.

If the Platinum grade remains constant for the 2019 season I envisage this SU team will be very competitive and should have a lot of success within the grade next year.

Thanks to Kate for her super managerial skills working behind the scenes all season and to Shelley for taking over the team coaching and trainings when I was unavailable. Thanks to all the parents for their support from the sideline and for getting the girls to their games and trainings.





#### 4.9.3 Platinum Three Women's Report – Lusia Elisara

Coach: Lusia Elisara

Manager: Sal Faid

**Team:** Samantha Wheeler, Emily Horn, Molly Faid, Samantha Billington, Naia Elisara, Catherine Douglas, Paige Vallance, Georgia English, Isabella Rollo, Mihiroa Pauling, Lucy Kilkenny, Holly Fry,

Sophie Davison & Sofie Low

Most Valuable Player: Lucy Kilkenny

The girls have played some amazing hockey, learning new skills at training and applying these skills to their individual game. The girls played well as a team and have won most of their games this season but ended up finishing fourth. Great friendships were made and the girls enjoyed each other's company.

We had a wonderful team that turned up to every training and really enjoyed learning as much as they could about hockey. Each individual player improved throughout the season and grew as confident young hockey players. Sal has been an amazing manager, always at trainings and organising the team for game day.

This team have been a pleasure to work with and I wish them all the best for their hockey careers.





# 4.9.4 Platinum White Women's Report - Suz Pearce

Coach: Suz Pearce

Manager: Lisa Watson

**Team:** Payton Allsopp, Jessica Balloch, Ariana Farr, Jasmine Iggo (GK), Hannah MacKay, Emma McCusker, Clara Miles, Kaile Qian, Bryleigh Scott, Haylee Scott, Amanda Smith, Georgia Walsh, Isabella Whiting

Most Valuable Player: Clara Miles

The Div 3 Platinum White Team had a bumpy start to the season. With coaching resources within the club stretched and lack of volunteers willing to coach, the team started without a dedicated Coach. With the initial help of Craig Iggo and Jessy Brant from our Div One and Lauren McMahon from our CPL Womens Team they managed to get the team sorted for their first few games.

The team is made up of varying experience and the wide range of skills and abilities proved to be a difficult challenge for the group to overcome, in the division they were allocated suffering large losses in the first 3 or 4 rounds. We had girls with many years experience of playing hockey as well as girls who were playing for the very first time.

The inconsistency of not having a dedicated Coach took its toll and the 5th week into the competition Suz Pearce took over the team to provide a more stable coaching approach. With the help of Libby Parkes as Assistant Coach, the group started to slowing grow their skills and each week saw improvements in their individual abilities as well as working together as a team. As they finished the first round of competition they were still faced with challenging environment with continual losses but focusing on their improvement and just playing better hockey each week, the girls felt a sense of accomplishment. We had a change in Team Management during these weeks, with the exit of a player and Team Manager. Lisa Watson kindly stepped in to fill this role for the remainder of the season.

The second round of competition saw the team regraded and we found ourselves competing against more appropriate competition and the girls managed to get a number of very good wins under their belt, particularly over a number of the top teams - boosting their confidence and team culture and creating the desire to want to make the final. Unfortunately the lack of experience in the group meant their performances were very inconsistent and they suffered some unexpected losses which impeded their ability to finish in the top 4 of the grade.

Despite this, they all improved over the season and they all worked hard for each other. They were a good group of girls who all wanted to learn and develop so they could do better. This is why we decided to give our end of year award to the Most Improved Player. This player was someone who displayed a real desire to improve each week and was by far the most consistent player during games each week, always determined and never giving up. She had excellent work ethic and was a great team player. Our Most Improved Player for 2018 was Clara Miles.

I would like to Thank Libby Parkes for assisting me this season and giving the girls someone to look up to. A special Thanks to Lisa Watson for managing the team and me! Thanks to Craig, Jessy and Lauren for helping out in the beginning of the season. A big thanks to the girls for their commitment and dedication and I hope to see them all next season.



# 4.10 Division Three, Platinum Men's Team Reports

#### 4.10.1 Division One Blue Report – Kevin O'Kane

Coach: Kevin O'Kane

Assistant Coach/Manager: Jenny Douglas

**Team:** Oscar Bloom, Rowan Davidson, Euan Douglas, Yugi Hattori, Hamish Mcleod, Lucas Rhodes, Blake Thorman, Joseph Wells, Nick Wilson, James Clelland, Ben Garlick, Jack Wagstaff, Caleb Abelard

& Levi Dronfield

Most Improved Player: Jack Wagstaff

This season the team won one game against Rangiora, 2-1. They drew one game against Harewood and lost all other regular season matches to finish in 7<sup>th</sup> position at the end of regular season. The team won the semi-final match, avoiding taking home the wooden spoon position and finished the season in sixth position. Highlights for the season include having a number of high-quality young players in the team and beating Carlton Redcliffs 7-1 despite finishing last in the regular season. The players were very keen, always played with a love of the game and enjoyed learning new things. A special highlight was to watch goalkeeper, Yugi, play each week. Some challenges the team faced this season included having a squad that was too small and a large range of skills within the team who did not have the skill level to play in this grade which had an impact on the team's final placing for the season.

A congratulations to the achievements of Hamish McLeod on his selection to the Canterbury Under 15B team and to Jack Wagstaff who was awarded our Most Improved Player of the season and being promoted to the Cashmere 1st XI for National Tournament.

Lastly, I would like to thank Shelley Wells and Jenny Douglas for all of the amazing support during the season.





#### 4.10.2 Division Two Black Report – Bernie McCarthy

Coach: Peter Skudder

Manager: Bernie McCarthy

**Team:** Mitchell Aramowicz, Finn Clarke, Reuben Clarkson, Reuben Harwood, George Harris, Ben Hay, Billy Heap, Stephen Hewson, Alex Horn, Flynn Hunter, Lochie Ireland, Hayden Jackson, Zak Johnson, George Ladley (GK), Lewis Parker, Blair Skudder & Hunter Wilkinson

Most Valuable Player: Lewis Parker

We started the season with a group of boys with varying levels of skills and backgrounds. Our first four weeks were a time of building the team, getting to know each other and working out who had strengths in which positions. We had some big losses with double figures. In week five we had a turn around and had our first win. With some confidence building we then had a second win in week six. This helped us to hit our stride and although the next few weeks were some losses, the scores were close and we held our own in most games. We finished the season strongly with two wins in the last two weeks. We are very proud of these boys who worked hard, built a team together and saw some amazing improvements.





# 4.11 Grass Men's Report – Lindsay Hodder

Manager: Lindsay Hodder

**Team:** Rob Allen, Lyndon Bendall, Craig Burtt, Andre Chappell, Dixon Chin, Mathew Coxon, Alex Cowdell, Paul Godfrey-Chatterton, Peter Hall, Lindsay Hodder, Craig Iggo, Cameron Moore, Martin Perry, Alan Redmond, John Seifert & Murray Emerson.

**Most Valuable Player:** Paul Godfrey-Chatterton

The 2018 grass hockey season started on 7th April. Players who returned to the men's team following the 2017 season were Rob Allen, Lyndon Bendall, Craig Burtt, Andre Chappell, Dixon Chin, Alex Cowdell, Mathew Coxon, Murray Emerson, Peter Hall, Lindsay Hodder, Craig Iggo and Alan Redmond.

Barry Moore retired from hockey at the end of the 2017 season following a long career. David Burtt had a year away from hockey. Bruce Coxon opted to play some golf and support us when available. Martin Perry played some games when time allowed but missed the last few games whilst out of the country representing New Zealand in a Masters team. Julian Hodgkinson played some games and John Seifert re-joined the team in June following two years away from Christchurch. There was not one week throughout the season when we had everyone available. John Slaughter and Peter Skudder were available on Saturdays when numbers were light.

We did not play two Saturdays in June due to ground closures. As with recent years the four teams in the competition were Avon, Harewood, High School Old Boys/Burnside and Southern United. We played 15 round robin games with a mixture of results. Unfortunately Mathew Coxon received a serious head injury in our last round robin game. His pace and skills were missed in the games to follow.

We managed second place at the completion of the round robin. We then played High School Old Boys/Burnside in a semi-final. This game was drawn 2-2 at full time but we won following strokes. Our last game of the season was a final against Avon. This game was drawn 0-0 at full time. We finished as competition winners following strokes.

The season comprised 17 games. We won 11, drew one and lost five. Excluding strokes in the semi-final and final, we scored 42 goals and conceded 25.

The team cup was awarded to Paul Godfrey-Chatterton for most consistent player for the 2018 season. Paul played at left half during most games. He was one of the fittest players in the team. His ability to appear from nowhere to help in defence when under pressure was vital at times. Moving forward Paul distributed the ball cleanly but also showed his ability to hold the ball if necessary. The team was grateful that he only missed one or two games.

In accordance with tradition the season was concluded with our annual mini golf using hockey sticks followed by a well-supported team dinner.



#### 4.12 Grass Women's Report – Natasha Kyd

Manager: Natasha Kyd

**Team:** Teresa Chaleki (GK), Jo Darby, Tegan Dunne, Jodi Enright, Jane Goodwin, Kate Hood, Natasha Kyd, Nicky McAlistair, Di Oakley, Shelley Perfect, Justine Pizzey, Angela Reimer, Leona Sinclair, Cindy Stiven, Victoria Te Rangi, Penny Thomson, Barb Wilson and Paula Woolhouse

Most Valuable Player: Jane Goodwin

The 2018 season seen some change for our Grass Women's team with some members of the team not returning from last season. We had some new players introduced into the team, some who haven't played hockey for many years and others new to the grass format which set us up for an exciting season!

As we experienced in the previous season, the competition was very diverse in the level of ability between teams with Hinemoa-Kaiapoi dominating every other team in the grade to Otautahi who struggled to put a team together each week. Our team had a tough start to the season with matches against the top teams but maintained a positive outlook and looked to build some structure for the season which seen some great wins over Harewood, Avon and Otautahi (when we finally got to play them after a number of defaults).

The team were excited to return to our home ground at Sydenham Park following Christchurch City Council completing drainage works to the fields but were disappointed to find that hockey seemed to be the forgotten sport. The field was squished into the side of the park which had a slippery cricket pitch on one side and the other was boggy following a bit of rain and a lip where the edge of the repairs works were, a complaint was lodged with CHA to have these resolved for next season. Nonetheless, it was good to host other teams for the traditional grass post-match afternoon tea and watch our men's team play.

As the season progressed, we had some serious injuries/illnesses and holidays ruling out some of our long-term players for some matches which is where we seen the real benefit of having a full squad and others keen to fill in when needed, it was great to see most of these players recover to take the field for our final matches.

At the end of the round robin, we sat in 6<sup>th</sup> place needing a win against Otautahi (7<sup>th</sup> place) to play off for 5/6<sup>th</sup> place in the final match the following week. Otautahi managed to scrape a team together the morning of the match, our ladies were able to take advantage of this with an overwhelming 11-0 win which seen some of our players who had never scored a goal finally get one in the back of the net! The following week, our final match, was a tough 2-1 win over Avon, a satisfying end to a great season and a great send off to our goalkeeper, Teresa Chaleki, who is retiring. The season was celebrated with a final afternoon high tea.





#### 4.13 Mid-Week Open Men's Report

#### 4.13.1 Black Team Report – Gareth Greenfield

Manager: Gareth Greenfield

**Team:** Thomas Bennett (GK), Gareth Greenfield, Rob Gillespie, Nigel South, Nick Saunders, Martin Perry, Keryn Ambler, Ben Wigley, Daniel Keelty, Craig Hurford, Craig Iggo, Richard Chynoweth, Gareth Williams, Steve Swain, Lyndon Bendell, Samuel Robb, Luke Robb, Tim Gruitijers, Lewis Griffin, Phil Black, Ryan Wallace, Daniel Lambert and John Slaughter

Most Valuable Player: Thomas Bennett

There were high expectations for 2018 after the team took out the championship in 2017. The team had lost two influential players from the previous season but kept a solid foundation that could see them compete well for the title. During the season the team showed its full potential to go back to back, however after some slight indiscretions with an ineligible player, the team lost nine competition points. This put the team in a situation where they could still make the playoffs by winning the majority of the final round. Unfortunately, this was just too difficult and the team narrowly missed out on the playoff matches.

The team showed throughout the season great commandry that created a great environment to play in. A stand out performance for the team was Thomas Bennett in goal, making a number of saves that would see most goalkeepers picking the ball out of their net. This was rewarded by taking the most valuable player for the team. I would also like to thank Craig Iggo for assisting with the team during the season.

#### 4.13.2 Blue Team Report – Tim Crump

Manager: Tim Crump

**Team:** John Slaughter, Colin Donaldson, James Donaldson, Matt Donaldson, Matt Hall, Matt Cusiel, Andre Chappell, Kerrie Dawson, Pete Skudder, Phil Rutledge, Brett Cox, Dave Tocker, Pete Donaghue and Tim Crump

Most Valuable Player: Phil Rutledge

Our numbers where a bit thin at the start of the season, however three guys returning to the game bolstered us to 14 players. We finished mid-table in division two, which comprised of 14 teams. Three draws which should have been wins, would have pushed us up to the top 5.

Serious injuries to Pete Donaghue, Dave Tocker and John Slaughter mid-way through the season, put a bit of pressure on the squad around availability at times. We were grateful for a group of younger players and GK's, who were happy to help us out, until Dave and John returned prior to the semifinals, where we progressed well, in particular, winning our last two games against higher ranked teams.



# 2.14 Mid-Week Open Women's Report – Natasha Kyd

#### **Division One – Blue Team**

Coach: Nicole Baxter-Warren

Manager: Natasha Kyd

**Team:** Charlotte Brown, Emma Brown, Brigid Buckley, Emma Buhler, Maddie Campbell, Kim Englebretsen, Jane Goodwin, Rebecca Hooper, Natasha Kyd, Sarah Le Page (GK), Hana Linssen, Kerryn Malcolm, Amy Nicholson, Jessie Russell, Elvina Stephens, Cindy Stiven, Jeanine Topelen and Ilja van Nieuwpoort.

Most Valuable Player: Sarah Le Page & Jessie Russell

Division Two - Black Team

Manager: Natasha Kyd

**Team:** Katherine Booker, Claire Brockett, Toni Dakers, Jo Darby, Damienne Donaldson, Renee Dooley, Cherie Mann, Chloe Marks, Nicky McAlistair, Angela Park, Shelley Perfect, Fiona Phanpho, Justine Pizzey, Angela Reimer (GK), Leona Sinclair, Barbara Wilson and Tessa White.

Most Valuable Player: Fiona Phanpho

CHA are reporting that in 2018, the biggest growing grade is the Women's Mid-Week Open competition. One result of this growth seen the grade split into two divisions to mirror the Men's format, a welcome change from the teams entered. Our two teams echoed this growth with two 17-player squads. The grade was split into a ten-team and nine-team round robin competitions with a crossover finals round.

Our Blue team were lucky to have Nicole "Colby" Baxter-Warren step into a coaching role this season following an off-season injury ruling her out for the season and relished having the guidance of a coach and a sideline perspective. Playing in a very fierce Division One grade seen some great results at the start of the season tumbling past competition winners from previous seasons. As the season progressed, the team lacked some focus and lost many close games in the dying minutes of the game. Moving into the finals round, the team sat in 9<sup>th</sup> position. Two excellent final matches seen the team maintain this position beating the Division Two top seeded teams, Rangiora and Hornby.

The Black team maintained the majority of players from the previous season which were bolstered with a couple of new additions. The team enjoyed the closer competition this season but struggled with the lack of a support person to manage the substitutions and game play/tactics. I would like to thank Damienne Donaldson for her leadership in the captaincy role again this season. Thanks to Ange Reimer and Fiona Phanpho for your enthusiasm and assistance to run the team on game day.



# 2.15 2017-18 Masters Summer Hockey

Masters Hockey for the age group, 35+ for men and 30+ for women, continues to flourish at Southern United HC. Our Masters section comprises of four teams;

- Southern Belles in the Women's competition;
- Southern Blues in the Women's competition;
- Southern Sharks in the Men's competition; and
- Southern Stags in the Men's competition

Our competition runs from October to March, with two grades in each division, comprising of up to ten teams in each grade.

Congratulations to those club members selected for Canterbury representative teams. Martin Perry was selected for New Zealand, as a member of the 2018 Masters Men, over 55 year squad, who competed at a world tournament in Barcelona this year.

Thanks goes to our Team Managers who are responsible for obtaining/retaining players to fill our teams.

Each week. Special thanks to Craig Iggo for his efforts as a member of the CHA Masters Committee, Responsible for administrating and developing the local competition.



# 5. Junior Club Captain Report – Bernie McCarthy

Welcome to SUHC Junior Club report for 2018. As a growing club we are facing challenges but also reaping lots of rewards.

As far as our successes go, we have had ten Kwicksticks chosen for Canterbury teams and four in the Development team. I would like to thank Kate Bayliss and Callum McGregor who went above and beyond to get the players ready for trials and giving them extra support. They also are both volunteering the time to coach at Canterbury Primary and Development level. We are very fortunate to have their skill in our club.

All of our teams showed great progress but of special note is the achievement of our Kwicksticks Boys. Our top team won their division, the second-eleven aside won their division and our six-aside team narrowly came second in their division. This is a great result for a boys' grade and show such depth.

#### 2018 Junior Club

Kwicksticks Girls four 11-aside teams and one 6-aside team

Kwicksticks Boys two 11-aside teams and one 6-aside team

Kiwisticks Boys five teams

Kiwisticks Girls ten teams

Ministicks Boys four teams

Ministicks Girls seven teams

In our Funsticks programme this year we decided we needed to cap the numbers. The feeling last year was that there were too many kids to make the sessions effective, so this year we capped the session at 30 children. This seemed to work well.

With a growing membership, this year we have focussed on growing our volunteer base and documentation of process. When the Club was small we could just rely on people knowing what jobs needed to be done, but as we grow we need clear documentation around process. This is currently underway for will be in place for next season.

We have also noted that we would like to build coaching models to allow us to consolidate basic skills in our Junior Club. Therefore, we are working towards developing coaching manuals to help our volunteer coaches know what needs to be focussed on and imbed in our junior players.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all our wonderful coaches. We have been very lucky this year and had many people offer their time to coach. We had 32 teams which is a huge number of coaches to recruit and I want to thank everyone for giving up their time to do this.

Our managers also have played a huge role in the smooth running of the season. I would like to thank them for all the time they put in communicating, organising and making sure everyone knows what they are doing. Thanks for a great season and look forward to 2019.



# 6. Canterbury Representative Honours List

# **Primary School B Boys**

Alex Rippon
Aiden Warrington
Kevin O'Kane (Coach)

# **Primary School A Boys**

Will Chappel Matthew Fairhall Brodie Warrington

# **Primary School B Girls**

Ally Booth
Hannah Hughes
Jade Miller
Kate Bayliss (Coach)

# **Primary School A Girls**

Charlotte Donaldson Tyrisa Elisara

# Canterbury u15 B Boys

Hamish MacLeod Sam Parkes

# **Canterbury u15 A Boys**

Noah Abrey Kyle Houston Cameron Slee James Morris-Williamson (Coach)

# Canterbury u15 B Girls

Rebecca Coulson Chloe Donaldson Alana Topping

# Canterbury u15 A Girls

Cass Hetherington Freyja Marshall Kelly Newlands

# Canterbury u18 Men

Cameron Douglas (Regional)
Etienne Harrington-Watt (Regional)
Angus Keast (Regional)
Liam Sharp (Regional)
Flynn Marshall (Association)
Daniel Martin (Association)
Aidan Perry (Association)
Liam Porter (Association)
Ryan Smith (Association)

# Canterbury u21 Men

Shaun Coles Hugh Hendrickson

# Canterbury u21 Women

**Zoe Summers** 

# **Canterbury Beavers**

**Ben Owers** 

# **Canterbury Barrcudas**

Sian Goodall Tessa Adolph Georgia Surie

# **Canterbury Cavaliers**

**Bradley Shaw** 

#### **Canterbury Masters**

Cindy Stiven
Jane Goodwin
Barbara Wilson
Shelley Perfect
Martin Perry (New Zealand)



# 7. Club Award Recipients

Murray Clements Memorial Presidents Cup (1931-2009)

**Tim Crump** 

**Rookie of the Year** 

Flynn Marshall

**Smith Family Trophy** 

Noah Abrey

**Pooch Family Cup** 

**Cass Hetherington** 

**Shaw Family Trophy** 

Hugh Hendrickson

**Pearce Family Trophy** 

**Zoe Summers** 

**Noel Burtt Memorial Trophy** 

**Etienne Harrington-Watt** 

**Kay Hawkes Trophy** 

Katerina Basova

**G Cox Memorial Trophy** 

Angela Reimer

Patrons (John Down) Cup

Eli Abrey

F Bull Cup

Sian Goodall

Athol McCrorie Memorial Trophy

Natasha Kyd

**Holland Cup** 

Angela Park

**Graham Gourley Memorial Trophy** 

Cameron Duff

Stuart Clements Memorial Trophy

Bernie McCarthy

**N J Agent Memorial Trophy** 

**Kate Bayliss** 

**R A Fox Trophy** 

Bjorn Dix Gareth Greenfield

Selwyn-Hillmorton
Sportsmanship Trophy

Shane Maddaford

**Lloyd Cup** 

**Gareth Greenfield** 

**Eric Pullen** 

Suz Pearce

M Burtt/D Clements Premier Men's Service Award

Rainer Klebert

**Dot Copeley Trophy** 

Nicole Baxter-Warren

**Eddie Parsons Shield** 

Division One Men

**C S Clements Trophy** 

**Division Two Women** 

**Burgess Cup** 

Division 3 Gold Men

**Patel Cup** 

**Division One Women** 

**Sullivan Cup** 

Nick Milward

**B Hall Trophy** 

James Morris-Williamson

**Ladies Coaching Cup** 

Bjorn Dix

**T Crump Trophy** 

**Division One Men** 

**Beckenham Footwear Trophy** 

**Division Two Women** 



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