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2.00pm Registration.
AGM 3.00pm to 5.00pm including awards

AGENDA

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks
 2. Apologies for Absence
 3. Confirmation of Minutes of 2005 AGM held 4th December 2005
 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes
 5. Correspondence
 6. President's Report
 7. Financial Report
 8. Tabling of Appointed Officers Reports
 9. Acceptance of Reports
 10. Election of Vice President
 11. Election of Secretary
 12. Election of Ordinary Members
 13. Appointment of Directors for 2007
 14. Presentation of Awards
- All nominations must be signed by the Nominee, the Proposer and the Seconder, all of whom must be current members of Ice Hockey NSW
 - Nominees for all positions must be present at the meeting
 - Proxy forms are to be received post, email or fax by the NSW IHA Inc. Secretary (IHNSW office) by 5.00pm Friday, 2nd March 2007
 - Nominations for vacant positions must be received by post, email or fax by the NSW IHA Inc. Secretary (IHNSW office) by 5.00pm Friday, 23rd February 2007



MINUTES
2005 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
4th DECEMBER 2005
CONCORD COMMUNITY CENTRE

President opened the meeting at 2.40pm. A one-minute silence was held for Syd Tange.

Apologies:

As per correspondence received in the office;

From the floor – Mark Stephenson, Vicki Stephenson, Alec Stephenson, Todd Stephenson, Scott Stephenson; Lorelle Cross; Debra Allport.

Minutes from AGM held 5th December 2004.

Moved Norm McLeod, seconded Steve Austin that Minutes from the 2004 AGM be accepted. Carried.

Matters Arising:

No matters arising from the Minutes from the 2004 AGM.

Correspondence:

As per report list distributed to members attending.

President's Report:

The President, Tim McMahon, read his report for the year ended. The report was made available for members.

(i) Teams:

- Erina had teams in Bantam A and Pee Wee A; will likely expand their senior recreational leagues (Senior B and C), in 2006.
- Liverpool initially entered a Midget team in A Division however, as Newcastle were the only other club that could enter a Midget team in this division, it was scrapped and Liverpool persevered with Midget AA through the season to their credit.
- Senior B and C recreational divisions continued to grow and should do so in the future. Initially, the Summer Senior B league was played out of season, due to insufficient ice during winter, however, this has now become a strong separate competition and now senior recreational leagues are being played throughout the year. This has been possible with increase in ice and clubs.
- All rinks currently have an In-House Summer league operating which should help the sport to grow.
- Although there were three Atoms teams, this end of the competition needs more work to help it grow. Alan Becken will go to Finland in May for a 'Learn to Play' program, which should help introduce more young players to the sport – will target schools.

- A correction to the written report – there were five teams in Pee Wee – with Blacktown Flyers winning the competition and Penrith had a team in Senior C.
- There were 6 teams in Midget and 5 in Bantam.
- ECSL had four teams plus Newcastle, which was the only team not in the ECSL draft.
- NSW hosted the national Ginsberg and De Fris Tournaments and there was positive feedback from all other states regarding these two national championships. Sydney Bears and Newcastle Northstars are to be congratulated on their efforts for hosting the respective Tournaments.
- All NSW teams are to be congratulated on their performances at National Tournaments this year.

(ii) Referees / Officials:

- There was a struggle for IHNSW to provide experienced Referees this year. Some are coming up through the ranks but more qualified experienced Referees are needed. This is always an urgent matter for the sport. The report formally acknowledges 6 Referees for the past year.
- Half of the AIHL games required NSW Referees each week leaving a big gap in experienced Referees for the IHNSW competition. On one weekend, there were 2 AIHL games, 2 ECSL games, 7 Senior B and C games plus the regular minor hockey games, being played at every rink. It was impossible to meet all the demands of these games as far as Referees go – experience, time and distance. However, there was only one weekend where games were cancelled due to lack of officials. Senior B and C teams were asked to provide officials for their games where possible to help meet the demands.
- Acknowledged Phil Budge's and Keven Ross's efforts in coordinating the officials for the year.
- Clubs will need to do more to contribute to developing off-ice officials. Norm McLeod has offered to go to rinks to train officials to fill in game sheets correctly. There were up to 7 courses held this year but some only had a few people turn up. Game sheets must be filled in correctly and legibly so that they can be administered accurately.

(iii) Coaching Director:

- Mark Stephenson undertook this role for 2005. Mark introduced a panel of coaches to assist with State Team selections this year that worked well. The Pee Wee and Bantam State teams are usually the most difficult to select and the panel helped to alleviate a lot of problems that can arise from selection.

(iv) Draw/Registration:

- Because of the problems that arose from the 2004 draw, all information for 2005 was collected from Clubs and collated before the beginning of the season so that a full Draw could be compiled, and this worked most effectively. Clubs were required to be more efficient with provision of number of teams and it also helped them to plan their year a lot better. Wayne Hellyer compiled the Draw again and was happy to do it in this format. The same procedure will be implemented again next year.
- Greg Brannigan did an amazing job as the Statistician this year with his 'Hoc Stats' website. The site provided invaluable access to information for the coaches. Greg will be asked to perform this role again next year.
- IHA are yet to set fees for next year.

- The biggest change to registration for 2006 will be the introduction of the new on-line registration system. IHA turned down the opportunity of implementing this type of system, so IHNSW has undertaken this huge project. Clubs should have access to fees by the end of February.

There is still some confusion as to how the Committee of Management is elected and operates. It is to be reiterated that nominations put forward by clubs for Ordinary Members to the COM are only possible at AGM's and cannot be created thereafter. As well, these members are there to represent the interest of the sport at a state level and not for their particular club.

There is some concern as to the legal structures of affiliated clubs – affiliation requirements are not being met, especially as far as financial reports are concerned.

During mid year, the Treasurer Tereise Seymour, moved to Canada and was replaced in the interim by Ken Lambert.

The President finished the report by thanking the Clubs that provided reports for the AGM and also to all the Committees, Volunteers and Parents who contributed to the sport throughout the year.

Financial Statements:

A financial statement was provided with the AGM report, which was distributed, to all members.

There was an underlying annual surplus.

Officer's Reports: There were none received this year, however there were Club reports provided for the AGM. Moved Allan Harvey, seconded Ian Broadfoot that the reports be accepted. Carried.

Election of Committee:

Warwick Griffith asked that Tim McMahon and Ken Lambert step down.

President's position: One nomination only. Tim McMahon nominated by Keven Ross, seconded Adam McMahon.

Treasurer's position: One nomination only. Keven Ross nominated by Tim McMahon, seconded Lyne McMahon.

Moved Norm McLeod, seconded Michelle Cremer, that the nominations be accepted. Carried.

- Election of Ordinary Members:

Nominations were received from Clubs prior to the AGM as follows:

Blacktown Flyers:	Vicki Stephenson;
Penrith Phantoms:	Ian Broadfoot;
Newcastle Northstars:	Darryl Gouldstone;
Central Coast Cyclones:	Allan Harvey;
Canterbury Eagles:	Traci Cummings;

- From the floor:

Ivan Manco nominated Hugh Ferrar on behalf of Sydney Bears. Seconded Joy Chapman.

Moved Steve Austin, seconded Jeff Todd that all nominations for Ordinary Members be accepted. Carried.

No nomination was received from Liverpool Saints or Coffs Harbour.

The following Officials were appointed on the day after receiving nominations prior to the AGM:

- Social Justice Officer: Dorothy McDonald;
- Statistician: Greg Brannigan;
- Coaching Director: Mark Stephenson

Moved Ian Broadfoot, seconded Ivan Manco that nominations be accepted. Carried.

The following positions received nominations from the floor:

- Tournament Director for National Championships:
Keven Ross nominated. Moved Norm McLeod, seconded Ivan Manco. Carried.
- Referee Development Officer: Ian Broadfoot nominated Ivan Manco. Ivan accepted.
Seconded Steve Austin. Carried.
- Medical Director (requires some form of medical experience) – no nomination;
- Women's Hockey Director – no nomination;
- Playing Operations – Wayne Hellyer will be asked to fill this role again in 2006;
- Tribunal Convener – no nomination;

There were no more nominations or positions to be filled.

The President asked if there were any questions. There were no questions from the floor.

The President closed the meeting at 3.20pm.

2005 MVP, HIGHEST POINT SCORER AND GOALKEEPER AWARDS

ATOM

Award	Name	Club
MVP	Nathan Walker	Blacktown Flyers
HPS	Nathan Walker	Blacktown Flyers
BGK	Rhett Kelly	Blacktown Flyers

PEE WEE AA

Award	Name	Club
MVP	Lukas Manco	Sydney Bears
HPS	Nathan Walker	Blacktown Flyers
BGK	Camille Mitchell	Newcastle Northstars

BANTAM AA

Award	Name	Club
MVP	Ashleigh Brown	Penrith Phantoms
HPS	Daniel Shaw	Canterbury Eagles
BGK	Fergus Walsh	Newcastle Northstars

MIDGET

Award	Name	Club
MVP	Scott Herbert	Blacktown Flyers
HPS	Todd Stephenson	Blacktown Flyers
BGK	James Herbert	Blacktown Flyers

WOMEN

Award	Name	Club
MVP	Louise Wheeler	Penrith Phantoms
HPS	Rachael White	Penrith Phantoms
BGK	Ashleigh Brown	Penrith Phantoms

SENIOR C

Award	Name	Club
MVP	Daniel Mills	Liverpool Saints
HPS	Pavel Ott	Canterbury Surf Kings
BGK	Brad Pragnell	Canterbury Eagles

SENIOR B

Award	Name	Club
MVP	Ryan Theobald	Penrith Phantoms
HPS	Ben Bennett	Penrith Phantoms
BGK	Robert Schaftlein	Penrith Phantoms

ECSL

Award	Name	Team
MVP	Greg Kline	Northstars
HPS	Brendan Mitchell	Sting
BGK	James Esson	Ice Breakers

PEE WEE A

Award	Name	Club
MVP	Mitchell Tysoe	Central Coast Cyclones
HPS	Mitchell Tysoe	Central Coast Cyclones
BGK	Oliver Hahn-Hill	Central Coast Cyclones

BANTAM A

Award	Name	Club
MVP	Alex Dawson	Central Coast Cyclones
HPS	Coner Butler	Canberra
BGK	Daniel King	Central Coast Cyclones



ICE HOCKEY NSW
PRESIDENT'S REPORT
2006
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Dear Members,

I would like to welcome you to the 2006 Annual General Meeting of Ice Hockey NSW, postponed from December, due to the earlier SGM.

2006 was an exciting and somewhat tumultuous year. Immediately prior to the season commencing, Pauline decided on a change of direction and we were suddenly left without an Executive Officer. The Committee interviewed a short list of one dozen applicants and the year has proved the right selection was made.

Emily had not had exposure to the sport and came from a diplomatic posting however, she settled into the job immediately and we've not looked back.

Our on-line registration system was introduced in February and it has been an absolute marvel, streamlining the whole registration process whilst it's tracking and back-office capabilities are truly amazing.

Several important modifications have been made and IHNSW now has a registration and member management facility like no other. The website too, has undergone a massive upgrade, is about as user-friendly as a website can be and contains a wealth of information dealing with every aspect of the sport. The site will go live on March 30 and banner advertisers have already been secured.

The season was thrown into disarray in early June with "Dancing on Ice" and we were suddenly faced with 67 Sydney Bears games being cancelled. With only a couple of weeks notice, we succeeded in juggling and rescheduling twelve weeks of the draw so that all games were played. I would like to acknowledge the support of the Wilson family and Blacktown Ice Arena in once again, assisting IHNSW to solve a potential nightmare.

We saw an increase in teams competing in most grades and all looks encouraging for further growth in the year ahead.

ATOM

Blacktown Flyers

Sydney Bears

Canterbury Eagles

Central Coast Cyclones

PEE WEE

Blacktown Flyers
Sydney Bears 1
Sydney Bears 2
Canterbury Eagles
Central Coast Cyclones
Newcastle Northstars
Liverpool CC Saints

BANTAM

Blacktown Flyers
Sydney Grizzly Bears
Sydney Polar Bears
Canterbury Eagles
Central Coast Cyclones
Newcastle Northstars
Liverpool CC Saints
Penrith Phantoms
Canberra

MIDGET

Blacktown Flyers
Sydney Bears
Canterbury Eagles
Central Coast Cyclones
Newcastle Northstars
Liverpool CC Saints
Penrith Phantoms
Canberra

WOMEN

Penrith
Canterbury
Central Coast Cyclones
Canberra Liverpool Saints

ECSL

Ice Breakers
Sting
Heat
Newcastle Northstars

SENIOR B

Penrith Phantoms
Canterbury Chiefs
Sydney Bears 1
Sydney Bears 2
Pearly Gates
Peachtree Pirates
Canterbury Evergrows
Liverpool Saints
Central Coast Cyclones

SENIOR C

Canterbury Ice Kings
Penrith Phantoms 1
Penrith Phantoms 2
Liverpool Arch Angles
Liverpool Cardinals
Canterbury Eagles
Sydney Bears
Central Coast Cyclones

SUMMER SENIOR B

Bombers
Chiefs
Pearly Gates
Bears
Ice Hawks
Icemen

A lack of accredited on-ice officials, again severely hampered our ability to provide competent, experienced referees and linesmen to all games, especially Senior B and C and several games had to be cancelled.

Only a few years ago, IHNSW had seven teams playing Senior B and C in winter; there were 17 this year and 20 plus are expected in 2007. Whilst it's great to see the numbers growing, IHNSW does not have the resources to assign sufficient officials to every game, especially in 500+ game draw.

In an attempt to counter this imbalance, the Committee decided that all Senior B and C teams must provide at least two 'working' officials and whilst this decision has met some resistance, it has been on the agenda for seven years and is the only way we'll be able to service games in these leagues. IHNSW has a mandate to promote and develop junior hockey however, and minor league games can never be cancelled.

Robyn Ravelje took over as Referee Administrator early in the season and made an admirable contribution to what is often a very difficult and thankless task; thank you Robyn.

A new IIHF Rule Book will be introduced next season and consequently, all officials must be reaccredited. IHNSW will conduct ample pre-season courses, so there should be no excuse for anyone missing out, including those first-year Bantams and Midgets required to attend.

Game Reports continue to be of great concern - regularly deficient, illegible or incorrect and far too often, list unregistered participants, especially in the Scorekeeper and Timekeeper roles. IHA's insurers require that all be registered and the Active Volunteer category was created specifically for this purpose - it's free of charge, but some clubs still persist snubbing it.

IHNSW hosted the John McCrea-Williamson and Syd Tange National Championships this year and a special thanks goes to the Central Coast and Blacktown clubs, for their contributions.

IHNSW won Gold at the Syd Tange and Phil Ginsberg, Silver at the Jim Brown, Kurt de Fris and Joan McKowen Memorial and won the Consolation Final at the John McCrea-Williamson and congratulations extended to all players and team officials involved.

Congratulations also, to the Newcastle Northstars, who defeated favourites Adelaide Avalanche, at home, to win the 2006 Goodall Cup.

The controversy surrounding composite teams continued with IHNSW members playing on just about every team, at every championship, sometimes in the most questionable circumstances and at one, IHNSW had almost as many playing against, as we did for.

IHNSW was well represented in IHA National Teams year and the following members should be commended.

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL YOUTH (U18) TEAM

Scott Connelly
Adam Kimbley
Tomas Manco
Matt Price
Todd Stephenson
Andrew Taylor
Scott Townsend
Jim Zvonicek
Daniel Shaw

AUSTRALIAN IHA NATIONAL JUNIOR (U20) TEAM

Steven Robertson
Andrew Taylor
Peter Haywood
Scott Oultram
Tomas Manco
Brendan Cole
Todd Stephenson
Matt Murrell

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL SENIOR TEAM

Chris Sekura
Tyler Lovering
Vlad Rubes
Murray Wand
Anthony Wilson
Andrew White
Matt Ezzy
Brett Nelson-Bond

AUSTRALIAN NATIONAL INLINE TEAM

Nick Cleland
Michael Haynes
Michael Casaceli

OFFICIALS

Congratulations too, to the following officials, on receiving IIHF International Licences for next year:

Rob Duchemin (Referee)
Jeffrey Scott (Referee)
Jamie Miller (Referee)
Adam McMahon (Linesman)

Mark Stephenson was again Coaching Director and it is hoped he will continue in this role in 2007. He has worked diligently in providing as many courses as necessary to meet the continued (and growing) demand for competent and accredited coaches. I would like to thank Mark, on behalf of us all, for his constant efforts.

I wish to sincerely thank the IHNSW Committee too, especially Keven Ross for agreeing to tackle the Treasurer's role; Emily Willis for her persistence and willingness to learn and produce results and all those players, officials, volunteers and parents who contribute so much to our sport.

Tim McMahon
President
Ice Hockey NSW
March 04, 2007



ICE HOCKEY NSW REFEREE ADMINISTRATOR REPORT 2006

I came into the 2006 season after the first five weeks and not knowing a lot about ice hockey needed a lot of help to get me started.

Generally, all officials were very supportive and allowed for a novice taking on the position. There were also a few exceptions to this!

I sometimes found I had a surplus of officials for junior games, mostly for lining and not referee qualified and most of these officials being available for the same games that made allocations difficult.

Hopefully this season there will be more officials and especially referees that are qualified for senior games. Some new blood would be good to take the pressure off the same officials who are helping out week after week.

Hoping this season will be bigger and better!

Robyn Ravelje
Referee Administrator

ICE HOCKEY NSW TREASURERS REPORT 2006

2006 was a wonderful year, as far as the revenue receipts. A donation from Granada Productions has made our books look better this year. Although it has been a very quick learning curve, my thanks to Ken Lambert for his grand assistance and handing over such great bookwork.

Further to our current spreadsheet figures, my thanks to Matt Walker of Leenane Templeton who has audited our figures.

Keven Ross



ICE HOCKEY NSW EXECUTIVE OFFICERS REPORT 2006

Dear Ice Hockey NSW Membership,

2006 was a great year for Ice Hockey. We had over 500 games in the winter season and had team participating from seven NSW based clubs and three teams from Canberra. Our membership for the year was just under 1350 members, expected to grow in 2007 with the affiliation of a new club.

We made our much-anticipated move to the new office based at Sydney Olympic Park in Homebush. The new facilities are fantastic, providing on-site meeting rooms available each day of the week for courses, CoM meetings and easy car-parking access for any visitors. The office is modern, and we can take advantage of being located next to Sport and Recreation department and in the thick of the sporting community. It was a great chance to go through the old documents and archive much of the Ice Hockey History that has been kept through the years.

2006 saw the first year of the online registration system in place. It has and continues to revolutionise the data collection and accuracy of our membership database and with integration of the club secretary link being launched in 2007, the website will become a great source of information for all those participating in Ice Hockey in NSW. A huge thanks to Don Stolee for his continued support in developing and maintaining the online systems, and we are all looking forward the launch of our phenomenal new website.

With greater numbers of members and clubs, there is great demand on the office to complete all duties needed. A typical day at the IHNSW office has a huge range of duties from emails/calls, correspondence with members/government depts/the interested public, polishing trophies and paying bills, updating the database and website, to recording the minutes and providing the fundamentals of the CoM meetings.

NSW Tourism, Sport & Recreation continue to provide subsidisation to the sport and to this end, the sport must be accountable. This year, Ice Hockey NSW completed the second year of our 3 year Business Development Plan, and received the funding needed to keep the administration of the sport functioning.

Communication is key in this sport and with the launch of the new website, complete with a club page and information updates each day, I believe the we can take steps forward to reduce the paper flow through the office and utilise the EO's time to promote the sport and provide more people the opportunity to experience Ice Hockey in NSW.

I consider that the duties of the Executive Officer continue to be a very important link between the Committee of Management, Club Officers and Delegates, government departments and the public.

Best wishes to all members and clubs for a successful 2007!

Emily
Executive Officer, IHNSW



DEVELOPMENT OFFICER REPORT 2006

2006 saw a jump in the number of players across all Junior Grades. This jump was caused by Rinks and Clubs having successful development cycles in the summer of 2005/2006. By utilising available resources (such as IIHF Learn to Play Program) and a strong pool of valuable volunteer coaches/trainers, both the Rinks and Clubs were able to provide programs that emphasised fun and basic skills. This produced a climate of enthusiasm and excitement that saw a much larger conversion from development to player than was the norm. This should carry through and be displayed in future development cycles.

This emphasis helped produce a climate that encouraged parents/players to take part in and demand a much wider range of programs for all levels of development.

At the entry level to the sport (Atoms – 11 and under) a Friendship Round Robin was held in the last week of the season. This was held as part of the Blacktown City Council Centenary Games at Blacktown Ice Arena. The format saw all four Atoms Teams play 10-minute games in a round robin format. This assured each team play 60 minutes of hockey in total. The emphasis was on equal ice time and good sportsmanship. By all reports at the end of the day, this format was the highlight of the year.

With plans for further extension to the development cycle including all clubs to be encouraged to take part in the National Skills Tests and other initiatives, it seems prospects are bright for the future growth of the sport.

John Harvey



**BLACKTOWN FLYERS ICE HOCKEY CLUB
PRESIDENTS REPORT
2006**

Thank you all for coming today.

Blacktown Flyers Ice Hockey Club currently has 144 members – 77 players in NSW Winter Competition, 24 AIHL and remainder NPO's and active volunteers. In 2006 we were able to field teams in Atoms, Pee Wee AA, Bantam AA, Midget AA and Senior B. All teams performed well throughout the season. Congratulations to all our players your commitment and dedication to the sport is to be commended.

What an amazing year for our Club winning in all junior age divisions.

Atoms – Round Robin Champions
Pee Wee AA – undefeated 2006 Champions
Bantam AA – 2006 Champions
Midget AA – 2006 Champions

In 2006 our Club was once again represented in all age groups at the Australian Ice Hockey Championships as members of the NSW teams. 5 Atoms, 7 Pee Wees, 8 Bantams, 5 Midgets. Congratulations to all those players.

Our Pee Wee AA team travelled to Canberra in June to defend their title as Maple Leaf Cup Champions. They had a successful tournament maintaining the title of champions for a third year.

The club continues to be in a good financial position although making a loss this year, this is due to the club having surplus funds from previous years.

I would like to thank all our coaches, Jimmy Zvonicek (Atoms), Scott Stephenson (Pee Wees), Jeff Todd (Bantams), Tim Granger (Midgets) for the time they devoted to training and coaching our teams. I would also like to thank Anthony Wilson who gives of his time being a sounding board for the coaches, managers, parents and most importantly the kids with advice and guidance.

We would like to continue to encourage our Midgets and senior players to become involved in assisting with coaching our younger players it is very rewarding watching them develop.

In looking forward to 2007 we would like to see the Club continue to grow and develop our players. We hope to see everyone of our players return to play another season.

To our team managers a big thanks for your efforts in organizing coaches, parents, players, scorers, timekeepers and somehow remaining sane through it all. Thanks also to the Club Committee for all their assistance and support during 2006.



CANTERBURY EAGLES ICE HOCKEY CLUB
REPORT 2006

CLUB

A number of our coaches have recently travelled to Canada and the U.S to further develop their skills in coaching procedures. Our Head Coach -Art Shaw is currently doing just that. What this means for the Canterbury Eagles is a new Ice Hockey Training Schedule for the entire club.

PERFORMANCE

Four Canterbury players are representing Australia at the Under 18 World Championships in Romania. One Canterbury player is currently playing in Canada and has been drafted into the Ontario Hockey League, where many of the NHL players are selected. Canterbury had representatives from each age level on State teams last year.

WOMEN'S TEAM

Numbers are growing in the Women's Team. Some of our accomplished players are representing N.S.W with one of these players also representing Australia. We finished 3rd place for the 3rd consecutive year running, and are confident that this status can be improved upon in the upcoming season.

ATOM'S

There are a number of established players in the team this year. We have also had a considerable surge in new players due to the efforts and dedication of the Development League held on Saturday's and Sunday's.

PEE WEE'S

This year several of our player's from last year have moved up into the Bantam's while a percentage will remain as motivated Pee Wee's. This years team will have a mix of established players (our fabulous Atom's) coupled with many new players to the League. We welcome a new coach this year, J.P Kaumeyer. This man has developed the Junior Training Schedule for the Canterbury Eagles. His dedication to the sport is second to none. The Pee Wee's made it to the 2006 Grand Final and are charged up, ready for another successful year!

BANTAM'S

This year our Bantam's may have the opportunity to co-train with another team, enabling them to practice playing against a real opponent several times a week. Their Coach Jamie, in conjunction with J.P Kaumeyer has been working tirelessly to create a fantastic training program for our player's. Jamie will be sorely missed by the Pee Wee's, but embraced by the Bantam's. With a selection of State player's in this team, we feel that they have a solid base to perform exceptionally this year.

MIDGET'S

Nothing small about our Midget's! A few of our Midget's have moved to bigger and better things. For example: One of our extremely talented player's has left to train with the Australian team and to represent Australia in the World Titles. Once the titles are over he is then going to live in Canada in the hopes of fulfilling his dream of playing professional Ice Hockey.

This lays the groundwork for “following in the footsteps” – as so many of our Midgets could indeed go on to live this same dream.

SENIOR'S

No pensioner cards for these amazing players! Canterbury Senior's is an ever-growing division, so much so that we could have formed a number of additional team's. There is an amazing diversity and interest in this division. For example, there are many player's returning from playing in Canada who have sought out joining our Club. The dedication and support from these senior team's to the Canterbury Eagles is tremendous. From one team alone we have eight players in roles such as coaches and manager's. Their support is invaluable to our Club.

SUMMARY

Canterbury Eagles have a dedicated staff that run our Development Program without whom, it simply would not be possible. This Program has succeeded in its purpose of producing new Atom's and Pee Wee player's for this coming season. In association to this Program we are currently planning additional Program's to increase interest of young age children to join, in order to build on the future of our Club. We are intending to launch these with the support of the IHNSW.

Sincerely

Secretary Canterbury Eagles
Karl Winton-Chaka



**CENTRAL COAST CYCLONES
2006 PRESIDENT'S REPORT
Adam McGuinness – 23-Oct-2006**

After a great deal of planning in preparation for the 2006 season, as a Club, we found ourselves homeless with the closure of Erina Ice World. Not knowing whether the closure was temporary, contingency plans were drawn up in an attempt to keep the Club operating out of Newcastle, at least until the rink's future was known. Fortunately, activation of the plan was not required, and seven representative teams iced in the IHNSW competition, one in every grade.

I would like to thank all those who helped campaign for the rink's re-opening, compile teams at the last minute, which was no mean feat as some players had already secured spots at other clubs due to the doubtful situation, but fortunately came home. Thanks must also go to IHNSW for understanding our predicament, and allowing us to bend the rules a little at the season's commencement whilst we re-established ourselves.

As a Club we did not fare as well in the state competition when compared to 2005. However, some teams stepped up into higher grades, and we should be proud to have fielded a team in every grade in our only second season, an achievement some of the more established clubs did not accomplish.

On the representative level, this year saw several Cyclones compete for NSW, and one Club member was selected to represent Australia. Congratulations to all state and national representatives, a fantastic effort, especially considering how compared to most other clubs, we have had ice for less than three years.

On the personal front, I decided very early on in the season that this would be my last as President, hence would not accept nominations for a fourth term, should any be forth coming. Whilst I have enjoyed the challenges and have achieved a great deal of satisfaction over the past three years, I am now calling a timeout. Thanks for the opportunity.

The Cyclone's were born in August 2003, prior to the rink's completion, and have grown into a vibrant Club which could not have eventuated without the dedication of you the membership, and of course the Committee of Management, team coaches and managers, and match officials. Let's also not forget the parents of our junior members who offer so much valuable support financially, logistically and morally.

Erina Ice Arena as it is now known has brought with it the third management team in less than three years headed by Ellis Southee, who has indicated to me he is delighted with the collaborative relationship he has with not only the Cyclone's, but the Coast's ice hockey community. Examples include the many volunteers staffing Rhinos matches, and coaching of the Sunday morning ice hockey development program. Continuation of this positive relationship is vital for the overall wellbeing of the Club, and I ask all members ensure we remain welcome at the rink, and ensure the positive relationship not just continues, but strengthens.

During this term I was hoping to initiate strategic objectives that would see day to day operational functions of the Club being managed by sub-committees under the direction of the Committee of Management, hence spreading the load amongst the membership. Whilst we have had a successful season on the ice, in reality the workload has increased for a few. At present, lack of nominations for the Committee of Management have resulted in three positions possibly being declared vacant today, hence potentially increasing the load on the new but reduced CoM. Your club cannot offer the full spectrum of opportunities available without strategic direction, back office functions including complying with IHNSW requirements, logistical planning and implementation, rink negotiations etc. Please ensure the new CoM elected today is not left to carry the entire load.

Finally, I wish the incoming Committee of Management every success in the coming season, and look forward to seeing the new executive injecting fresh ideas and direction into the Club, and ask that you the membership offer your full support wherever possible, to ensure your Club continues to positively evolve into 2007 and beyond.



LCC SAINTS ICE HOCKEY CLUB

An Intra Club of Liverpool Catholic Club | Joadja & Hoxton Park Roads |
Hoxton Park NSW 2170

March 14, 2007

The LCC Saints Ice Hockey club is proud to provide you with our yearly report which we hope you find of interest as we have:

- Entered 7 teams in 2006 Winter Competition, an increase of two teams from the previous year.
 - Pee Wee
 - Bantams
 - Midgets
 - 2 x Senior C
 - Senior B
 - Women
- Membership numbers:
 - 2006 competitive players 115
 - In-house only players 28
 - *Social club members 148

**please note' Social club members' includes all 2006 competitive players and some non-players (i.e. committee members and some parents)*
- Pee Wee team entered their first Heaton Cup Tournament and Maple Leaf Tournament
- Our club website (www.lccsaints.com.au), with numerous additions and improvements throughout the year have included a new database to help with registrations, summer competition results, gallery, chat forum, etc. (*proudly sponsored by LCC and website creator, Merlin FX*)
- Continued exposure of website and expressions of interest posted on website from as far away as Canada and Czech Republic
- Numerous fundraising events such as meat raffles, mother's day raffles, chocolate drives, etc.
- Second presentation night held at LCC saw 220 people in attendance enjoying a three-course meal. It was a successful night with many awards given such as:
 - Individual trophies
 - Best defensemen of each team
 - Best offensemen of each team
 - Most improved of each team
 - Highest point score of each team
 - Coaches award of each team
 - Participation trophies
 - Volunteer gifts
 - In-house player gifts
 - Saints player of the year

- Saints goalie of the year
- Presidents Perpetual Trophy
- Successful in-house competition with a majority of winter competition participants playing in the league:
 - 8 teams comprising of approximately 11 players (increase of one team) and improvements including “NHL design jerseys themed around the team name”
 - Team names named after well known international players (Team Gretzky, Team Lemieux etc.)
 - Teams play 2 rounds on either Sunday or Wednesday nights on a weekly basis
 - Team composition based on 50% experienced/strong players and 50% inexperienced/weak players to ensure each team has equal advantage and stronger players support weaker players (i.e. emphasis on development)
 - Results of team points, player points, game scores, game schedules posted on website and updated after every game
- Numerous ex or current inline hockey players converting to Ice Hockey
- Possible addition of an Atom team for the 2007 season
- Majority of committee members constantly retained

Sincerely,



Dave Edginton
Secretary LCC Saints IHC
www.lccsaints.com.au



NEWCASTLE NORTHSTARS 2006 REPORT

This past year has been very enterprising for our club with development of our business plan for the future growth in numbers playing hockey, skills, education and financially. Our AGM saw a large change in the committee with a very dedicated group taking major positions.

We have again run our in-house comp during the summer months which works very well for us as our Rep players are able to take part allowing good strong hockey for everyone.

Newcastle rep players are currently in tryouts and looking forward to the challenge all the other club will provide in 2007 season.



ICE HOCKEY CLUB INC.

SEASON 2006 REPORT

The season of 2006 was a mixture of success and disappointment.

Disappointing that our membership was down on 2005, however, we had teams in Bantams, Midgets, Womens, Senior B and 2 teams in Senior C.

The Bantams and Midgets had a few wins, but all players enjoyed their season.

The Womens, Senior B and 1 Senior C team all won their competitions which was an improvement on 2005, and our second Senior C team made the play offs.

Also, our Development players have shown a lot of interest in season 2007, which will allow us to have our very first Atoms team, which is the base for future seasons.

Season 2007 should see us with Atoms, Bantams, Midgets, Womens, 3 Senior Recreational teams, with an ongoing Development programme planned.

Our end of season Presentation Night was at Penrith Leagues, and was enjoyed by all who attended, with all players receiving a trophy to reward them for their participation.

Website: www.penrithphantoms.com.au

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THE SYDNEY BEARS ICE HOCKEY CLUB INC 2006 REPORT

Wow, what a season!!, Yet again the Sydney Bears has accepted the challenges of rink owners, and come through the season with teams on top of the competition in almost all grades and a membership that shows the true family spirit of the club. Many thanks to all our volunteer parents who make this happen with their time and skills. Without you we would not be able to exist.

The Sydney Bears succeeded in having representative players in all State Teams and with Five Midgets in the NSW Tange Team the Blues bought home the gold. Well done to all our State Representatives you have shown that your Bears membership is a fantastic home for your sport.

Congratulations to Sean Sonter for going on and representing Australia in the National Youth Team and Steven Robertson and Nick Abba in the Australian Junior Team.

The Sydney Bears runs a weekly Ice Hockey Development League out of the Macquarie Ice Rink in the North Ryde Shopping Centre, the only ice available to Ice Hockey at that facility and this continues to be a well attended avenue to give the kids that want to continue to play Ice Hockey a good grounding in the basic skills for them to jump on board a team. Any one is welcome to join us on the ice 5.30-7.30 on a Tuesday during school terms only.

The Sydney Bears continually get calls from Overseas Expats looking to bring their kids and themselves to Ice Hockey in Australia and welcome them with our family spirit and enthusiasm. Most only last a season or two and then return to their home countries with their Bears jerseys... but the wealth and knowledge they bring the club and the sport is invaluable and greatly appreciated within the Membership and the Executive. Thank-You to all our overseas visitors.

The Sydney Bears will be playing and Training out of the Blacktown Ice Arena for the 2007 Season and beyond. We would like to thank John, Carol and Anthony for rescheduling their ice for us half way through 2006 when SIA sold our ice to 'Dancing On Ice' this was an unexpected challenge and one of the biggest the club has had to face in its 20+ years of affiliation with NSW. But in saying that we have rallied around for 2007 and appreciate the strength our membership has shown us in our registrations for the 2007 season.

The Sydney Bears has a strong group of members registered as Referees and Lines People who continually give up their personal hockey time to facilitate the running of the games in other grades and we would like to thank them for their enthusiastic participation in the sport of Ice Hockey.

The Sydney Bears have an active recruitment program for our young men and women to continue on to coaching and our belief is that they will grow and learn to be active and strong members of their individual communities.

The Sydney Bears is one of the only two clubs in Sydney that have a team in the Australian Ice Hockey League and this team continues to be a force to be reckoned with. Our 2006 season was hindered by the SIA ice challenge and continued their season from the Blacktown Ice Arena finishing fourth in the competition. This team is the aspiration of every young boy out there on the ice and you can achieve this with hard work and dedication to your sport. Skate Hard and Keep your Head Up. Make sure you check the schedule and come and watch a game of the fastest sport on ice. It's way more fun to watch it live and in the roar!!!

For our young women we have put together a team for the 2007 season and hope to maintain this with your valuable membership and dedication to the club. You also have the possibility of playing for Australia. This is a sport which makes this possible...

GO BEARS!!!!

ECSL WINTER SEASON 2006 REPORT

The 2006 season was again a success, continuing with the format of 4 teams, consisting of a 20 game regular season, plus the play-offs and a 3 game Final Series.

All season the games had fairly close results, and this was evidenced by the fact that the two teams that dominated the regular season were eliminated in the play-offs by the lower placed teams. Penalty minutes were less this year than previous and there were no Tribunals.

The League is still unable to fill the Sydney based teams with a full compliment of skaters (15), however we believe that this will be achieved in 2007.

The referees that were allocated did an excellent job and we thank Robyn and Tim with their perseverance in making sure that all the games went ahead. Some of the new players that came on board showed great improvement, especially Dave Ferguson in Goal for the Ice Breakers, who subsequently went on to win the Final Series over the Heat.

We are now looking forward to an improved 2007 season and hopefully developing more of the junior players coming through, which is part of our mandate.

For and on behalf of the ECSL,
Warwick Griffith.

2006 IHNSW PLAYER AWARDS

ATOM

Highest Points Scorer Mackay Doran, Sydney Bears
Best Goal Keeper Stefan Mirus, Sydney Bears
MVP Matthew Kaumeyer, Canterbury Eagles

PEE WEE

Highest Points Scorer Nathan Walker, Blacktown Flyers
Best Goal Keeper Michael Denes, Sydney Bears
MVP Curtis Tofa, Newcastle Northstars

BANTAM

Highest Points Scorer Matthew Wetini, Newcastle Northstars
Best Goal Keeper Joshua Broekman, Newcastle Northstars
MVP Matthew Wetini, Newcastle Northstars

MIDGET

Highest Points Scorer Scott Herbert, Blacktown Flyers
Best Goal Keeper James Herbert, Blacktown Flyers
MVP Scott Herbert, Blacktown Flyers

WOMEN

Highest Points Scorer Rachael White, Penrith Phantoms
Best Goal Keeper Ashley Sluga, Canberra
MVP Rachael White, Penrith Phantoms

ECSL

Highest Points Scorer Michael Schlamp, Ice Breakers
Best Goal Keeper Chris Kelly, Newcastle Northstars
MVP Michael Schlamp, Ice Breakers

SENIOR B

Highest Points Scorer Ron Bennett, Penrith Phantoms
Best Goal Keeper Robert Schaftlein, Penrith Phantoms
MVP Jan Cernoch, Sydney Bears

SENIOR C

Highest Points Scorer Bruce Wagner, Canterbury Ice Kings
Best Goal Keeper Robert Thompson, Penrith Phantoms
MVP Robert Thompson, Penrith Phantoms