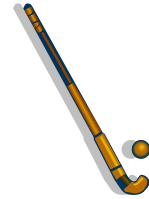




**Carlton Redcliffs Hockey Club**  
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# **Annual Report**

November 2012

To be presented at the

Carlton/Redcliffs Hockey Club AGM

At the Speight's Ale House - Ferrymead

28 November 2012

7.00pm

## **Agenda**

1. Apologies
2. Confirmation of 2011 AGM Minutes
3. Presentation and adoption of Annual Report and Accounts
4. Election of Officers
5. General Business
  - a. Strategic Plan
  - b. Other business

## Office Bearers for 2012

Patrons	Monica Munt and John Schoeman
President	Pat Barwick
Vice Presidents	John Steeds, Bev Savage, Jeremy Symonds
Men's Club Captain	Chris Greenshields
Women's Club Captain	Erin Smyth
Junior Club Captain	Ian Dalley
Secretary	Pam Thompson
Treasurer	Gus Benzie
Coaching Coordinator	Lee Munt
Committee Members	Clare Byers, Alan Hyndman, Lesley Hay, Rob McGregor, Sam Kumbaroff, Helen Scott, George Enersen

## Life Members

Sally Burrage (1938)	Dave Page (1976) dec	Pat Barwick (1994)
Shirley Haig (1994)	Murray Connor (1994)	Leon Munt (1997)
Richard Munt (1999)	John Steeds (2000)	Pam Thompson (2001)
Cathy Baker (2001)	Bev Savage (2005)	Monica Munt (2006)
John Schoeman (2006)	John Christensen (2009)	Rob McGregor (2010)

## New Zealand Hockey Federation Life Member

Pat Barwick

## Canterbury Hockey Association Board Members

Murray Connor

## Canterbury Hockey Association Women's Vice President

Bev Savage

## 2012 REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS

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### NZ Black Sticks including Champions Trophy

Nick Haig (Belgium)

### NZ Black Sticks Development Squads

(Jason Niles, Belgium)

### NZ Junior Black Sticks Men (Under 21)

George Enersen

### NZ Tiger Turf

Kip Mouldey  
 Libby Masefield (non travelling - squad) Thomas Mallon (awaiting confirmation of GK spot)

### Canterbury Cats (tournament winners)

Fiona Morrison Erin Smyth Sarah Byers

### Canterbury Cavaliers

George Enersen Jeremy Symonds (Coach) Leon Munt (Manager)

### Canterbury Under 21 Women

Kate Chapman Danielle Dore (Southern) Libby Masefield (non travelling)

### Canterbury Under 21 Men

Dillon Cumberpatch George Enersen Kip Mouldey  
 Tom Mouldey Fergus Watts Vaughan England (non travelling)  
*George Enerson awarded CHA Player of the Year*

### **Canterbury Senior Men's team**

Vaughan England

### **Canterbury Senior Women's team**

Danielle Dore

Emily Ballinger (South Canterbury)

### **Under 18 A Men (tournament winners)**

Kip Mouldey (NZ Under 18's)

Vaughan England

James Skurr

Thomas Mallon (NZ Under 18's)

*Kip Mouldey awarded CHA Player of the Year*

### **Under 18 B Men (2<sup>nd</sup>)**

Luke Cracroft-Wilson

Simon England

Callum Slaven

### **Under 18 A Women (tournament winners)**

Libby Masefield (NZ Under 18's)

### **Under 18 B Women (3<sup>rd</sup>)**

Zoe Benzie

### **Under 15 Boys**

Dominic Bain

Silas Dalley

Joshua Knight

Corey Paterson

Christian Wood

### **Under 15 B Boys**

Carey Polsen

Bradley Proud

*Brad Proud awarded CHA Player of the Year*

### **Under 15 B Girls**

Zoe Johnson

### **Canterbury Masters**

#### **Women 35+**

Tracey Jones

Richard Munt (Coach)

#### **Men 55+ ~ Gold medal**

Rob Hardie

#### **Women 40+**

Chris Errington

Chris Rayward

Mellinda Wilson

#### **Men 60+ ~ 2<sup>nd</sup>**

Bob Best

Tony Saunders

#### **Women 45+ ~ 5<sup>th</sup>**

Pam Chapman

Jayne Crawford

Marian Crookbain

Jo Dodge

#### **Women 55+ ~ 3<sup>rd</sup>**

Rhonda Henderson

Robyn Neeson

Pam Thompson

Jo Dodge (coach)

### **New Zealand Masters**

#### **NZ 50+ Women**

Rhonda Henderson

## **2012 Trophy Winners**

Rodney Hefford Memorial Cup	Simon Munt
Peter Prutton Cup	Ian Dalley
Audrey Timlin Memorial Cup	Pat Barwick
Monica Munt Trophy	Erin Smyth
Amanda Hooper Memorial Cup	Kip Mouldey
Pamela Thompson Cup	Petra Sullivan
Senior Coach – John Schoeman Trophy	Alan Hyndman
Junior Coach – David Cox Trophy	Josh Kumbaroff and Matt Walcott

## **MVP**

Premier Men:	Mark Coleman
Premier Women:	Helen Scott
Division 1 Men:	Thomas Mallon
Division 3 Men:	Dominic Bain
Division 2 Women:	Sarah Harrison
Division 6 Women:	Petra Sullivan
MWO Men:	George Bradshaw
MWO Women Red:	Sam Sivertsen
MWO Women White:	Jade Rutherford
Under 18 Girls:	Olivia Gowans
Under 18 Boys:	Shaun Graveston
Umpiring Award	Iain Hipkiss

## **Canterbury Hockey Association – Service Awards 2012**

Rob McGregor ~ Bronze

## **2012 TEAM PLACINGS ~ SENIOR**

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### **MEN:**

#### **Grade Winners**

Division 3 Men	Mid Week Open Men
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#### **Championship Winners**

Division 1 Men	Division 3 Men
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### **WOMEN:**

#### **Grade Winners**

Division 6 Women	Mid Week Open Women
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## **JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVE HONOURS**

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### **Canterbury Boys – Hatch**

Henry Shaw

### **Canterbury B Boys - McGrath Cup**

Regan Black

### **Canterbury Primary Development Boys**

Tim Boyle

Lars Dalley

Fergus Lowen

### **Canterbury Primary Development Girls**

Anoushka Chiswell

Sophie Dickison

### **Canterbury Primary Development Training Squad Boys**

George Pierce

## **JUNIOR AWARDS:**

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**Amanda Hooper Award:** 11-a-side Girls MVP midseason

Anoushka Chiswell

	<b>MVP</b>	<b>MIP</b>
Premier 1 Boys	Henry Shaw	Fergus Lowen
Premier 1 Girls	Sophie Dickison	Ella Cowles
Super 8 Boys	George Pierce	Adam Tippet and Jamie Hing
Super 8 Girls	Aleisha Davis and Hannah Cowles	Bella Stephenson
Intermediate 8 Boys	Akshay Patel	Ryan Morris
Intermediate 8 Girls	Emily Galbraith	Amy Paul
Junior 8 Boys	Max Hill-Cattermole	Judson Bamford
Junior 8 Girls	Georgia Matheson	Molly Rochford and Sadie Lee

### **President's Report – Pat Barwick**

A more positive year for our club after the challenges of 2011 and we were able to recapture some of the lost players and members, and also to attract some new young future members as well.

Two successful programmes were run to recruit new players in "Have a Go" sessions at Mt Pleasant School and at Shirley Boys High School each week that overall attracted a steady 25 - 30 players. Whilst they mainly learnt some skills and played fun games, a few were picked up and transitioned into 6 and 8 a-side teams later in the season, but mostly they will be ready to join a team in 2013. My thanks to Katherine Pearce and her helpers at the primary school, and to the CPL Women players who turned up fortnightly to coach at Shirley BHS. Avon Hockey shared this activity with us and covered the alternate weeks.

Our strong liaison with Shirley Boys High School is a great boost for the club and we really appreciated the boys playing in many of our teams across the grades. We need to continue to build on this relationship and be sure to offer positive organisation, coaching and management alongside the school for their players. It is great news that their small turf is apparently going to be laid at last, and I know this will be a great asset for our junior teams especially.

Our Committee continues to work hard to support you as members, and have achieved a number of the Strategic Plan objectives. There has been development of the website – always easier when teams and coaches contribute news and photos to assist the capable webmasters – George Enersen and Andy van der Bent. This should continue to develop as our major communication tool so I ask members to check it out often and keep up to date with what is happening for the Club.

There was one fundraising activity led by the two Club Captains and there has been work done in looking at our club becoming part of a local Sports Club Partnership with three other strong and local clubs in Redcliffs and Heathcote Valley – Heathcote Cricket, Port Hills Athletics and Ferrymead Bays Football. The concept is to support one another and perhaps be able to have a paid administrator to undertake those chores that most of us are not keen to do – treasurer, funding applications, and some other general admin tasks, but that each club will retain independence is a desire of the group. Possible sharing of facilities as required in future for functions will also be useful and the possibility of members being more easily able to play any of the sports could be attractive.

It is always great looking through the list of CHA competition results and following all our teams progress. Whilst details are in each report, this year there have been good results especially in the men's side of the club - in the Juniors and in Division 1 and 3. The Div 6 Women, the MWO and Masters Men and Women also had a successful year! All teams have finished the season well in the mix in all grades and have hopefully enjoyed their games. A huge thank you to Ian Dalley who oversaw the Junior programme with Rob McGregor's help, and to all the Coaches and Managers who assisted with teams throughout the season. It is a big task and we really do appreciate your efforts. Rob was presented with a Bronze Service award at the CHA Dinner.

Congratulations to all those that made representative teams, and also to those that were appointed to coach teams at this level. We give special recognition to our three members of the Canterbury Cats who won the NHL Women's Title this year – Erin Smyth, Sara Byers, and Fiona Morrison.

A sad end to the year has been the news that our long time club stalwart – mid week open player, Youth team coach and secretary of the club has become very unwell and is undergoing treatment that will continue for the next 6months. Pam Thompson has been a key resource and the "knowledge hub" in our club for many years and will continue to be a guide for us as she copes with her treatment. We wish her well and I want to thank her so much for all the work she has always put in. I also want to thank Ele England for stepping up so ably and taking up the secretarial role in the meantime.. especially to get the season wound up and the AGM organized.

Thank you to all of the committee who have completed a busy year and I want to especially thank Bev Savage for her continued support of all teams on a regular basis, and also Clare Byers who had to withdraw half way through the year, but had always been our No 1 fundraiser and had put in so much effort for the club over recent times.

We look forward to 2013 with a positive vibe and the committee recognizes that we need to continue to try to offer members an even better playing and coaching environment and hope that we can continue to strive for this. We look forward to seeing everyone return to enjoy playing, and helping to build a stronger club. We will always welcome your friends and new members.

### **Treasurer's Report – Gus Benzie**

The club has had a difficult year financially in 2012. While there has been more income from subscriptions due to an increase in members in the senior division this year, there has also been an increase in slow and potentially non-paying members coupled with increased costs particularly from Canterbury Hockey, leaving us at times in a precarious financial position. This indicates that the subscriptions we set slightly low for 2012 and/or not enough effort was put into fund raising.

Again subs have been slow coming in. Despite clear wording on the club registration form that the form and its information regarding amounts owed and due dates serves as an invoice, some people still wait for a personal invoice. Mailing individual invoices adds significantly to our club's costs and we feel the money is better spent on hockey related matters. Thanks are due to Bev Savage and Ian Dalley, for the many hours they spent on the phone chasing up sub defaulters.

We also thank the CPL teams for their fund-raising efforts with the quiz night. Not only was it a successful fund raiser but great fun was had by all who attended.

Grant money this year came from various sources. Southern Trust granted the club \$8,000 which paid for a lot of our training venues for the season. Aoraki Trust granted the club \$3,233 for uniforms and goal keeping equipment. The club also received from an earthquake fund \$2,500 which was put aside for the Junior club development.

Through all these fund-raising efforts we have managed to keep our yearly subscriptions lower than many other clubs and we are very thankful for the financial help we are given.

Due to a very tight financial year, the club's cash balance is not as strong as at the start of the season. It is recommended the committee implement a slight increase in subscription for 2013 season coupled with an increase in fund raising activities in order to alleviate the financial pressure. It is also recommended that the committee address the on-going late payment of subscriptions from members by implementing late payment charges early in the season.

### **Men's Club Captain Report – Chris Greenshields**

The 2012 season showed again the consistently strong results the hockey club achieves; a credit to the players, coaches, club committee and supporters. Cancelled last year, the 6-a-side competitions were back up and running, which always provides a good preseason warm up for the team participating. The season looked to improve on a disrupted 2011 season, which saw all but our Premier Men's team take top honours in their 2012 competitions.

Under the continually strong leadership of Coach Jeremy Symonds, the Premier Men's team had a mixed bag season with some great wins and strong performances, together with 'tougher days at the office'. Consistency was the take home message for the team. With last season's new players now settled into the team and a strong core of old heads returning, the Redcliffs' style of patient and calculated hockey combined with quick attacking play showed. The team was consistently competing for the top 3 positions, and saw the team finish 3rd in the championship. A new 9 a-side style tournament completed their season.

The Div1 Men's team saw many school age players coming back to the club, which was great to see the new talent on show. The new energy and intensity combined with the experienced core of players saw the team put together some strong performances. The team, which has been consistently strong in previous seasons, lived up to their reputation. Their efforts were rewarded with almost winning all their games and they took top honours in their competition.

With many players returning for the 2012 season, the Midweek Open Men's team continued their dominance in their competition. A great all round effort by all meant their contributions formed some great team performances throughout the season. The team's passion and belief saw them take out the final and competition in style with a very convincing win. Another successful season!

With the change in grading, the Div 3 Men's team was formed. The club's connection with Shirley Boy's High School showed through with a strong contingent returning to the club. The team gelled quickly and became the team to beat. Under the guidance of Alan and Mike, the team pulled off the grand slam winning both their championship and Porritt Cup. An unbeaten record for the season, a tremendous effort! This very successful season sees the team into a new grade for the 2013 season. Well done to the team.

Congratulations to the Men's club players who represented at Age Group, National and International level. What a fantastic achievement and very well earned. Your success makes you a valuable ambassador to our club and sport.

Thank you to Canterbury Hockey Association for putting together another successful hockey season while still dealing with some trying times. Great to see the 3rd turf at Nunweek Park under construction and ready for next season.

Again well done to all of our Men's club players for a great season. Of course this would not be possible without the great coaching and assistance that we receive from all our volunteer coaches, managers, club committee members, supporters, family and friends. Thank you to you all for your contributions.

### **Premier Men – Jeremy Symonds (Coach)**

The 2012 team resembled much the same look as previous years. Some experience was lost with long time striker Shashil Govind departing for the UK and in the overseas absence of Jason Niles (Belgium). However, the gap up front was filled by future talents Fergus Watts (NZU18) who made the move to Christchurch for University and Kip Mouldey (NZ U18) who played in the midfield although still at high school.



Midfield stalwart Simon Munt led the side from the middle and was pivotal in the defensive area. The side made a strong impact on early matches scoring goals seemingly at will. Once the representative Under 21 season started the team became slightly disjointed with a number of players making the Canterbury Under 21 side causing problems with injury and team patterns. Fergus Watts, Kip Mouldey, Tom Mouldey, George Enersen and Dillon Cumberpatch were all selected for the Canterbury Under 21 side which shows the strength of young talent in this side.

As the season pushed on the team played some good hockey but really never managed to sustain the high pace intensity week after week to keep them secured to the top of the table. Willie Davidson who had been in outstanding form early in the season suffered an horrendous hamstring tear and the gel up front seemed to elude the team after his injury.

Having said this the team battled but seemed to falter at each last hurdle and narrowly missed out on the opportunity to play in the grand final. The year in summary is one that the team will remember as a season of 'almost' and one that I hope motivates the side to work harder next year.

The stand out team contributor and recipient of the Rodney Hefford Trophy was Simon Munt who astoundingly had never received the award in the past. Other mainstays for the team were Mark Coleman who filled the pivotal centre half role as well as inside forward, Fergus Watts who battled injury but scored a lions' share of goals early in the season, Willie Davidson who regained his position in the Canterbury Cavaliers and made a mark as one of the provinces most devastating forwards. Finally, and of notable mention is George Enersen who kept many opposition sides frustrated with his dominance in the defensive circle. George's goalkeeping has been so inspiring in the last two years that he managed to gain a trial for the NZ Men's' Blacksticks in November 2012.

#### **Men's Division 1 – Alan Hyndman (Coach)**

The 2012 season saw the introduction of a new secondary schools boys competition on Friday nights. This meant that we got a large influx of school aged players returning and playing for the club, which was great to see. They added intensity and energy all across the field, which is good but with such a large number of new players to the team the challenge was to get everyone on the same page.

Fortunately we had some solid campaigners in Dean, Mike, Nick and Andy; these guys really led the team and offered good support and guidance to our younger players. Across the course of the year we were able to put together some good consistent performances, while playing a fast flowing, attractive style of hockey. We had good record across the year winning almost all of our games and taking out the minor championship, but most importantly we won the Semi and Final at the end of the year. MVP was Thomas Mallon.

#### **Men's Division 3 – Dave Bain (Manager)**

Selection of the Div 3 men's team was a challenge as many of the players weren't known to the Senior Men's selectors. Things came together quickly and it was great to see a strong contingent of SBHS Year 10's returning to the club after a couple of years playing in the high school competition. Together with our imports from the North Island and contributions from a few old hands, Alan and Mike were able to pull the team together and we went through the season unbeaten winning both the championship and Porritt Cup.

The younger players really stepped up and adapted well to the faster and more physical senior game. Overall the team's performance was strong and this was recognised with 8 members of the team going through to represent Canterbury at U15 and U18 national tournaments.

There were valuable contributions from many individual players with Dom Bain recognised as MVP for a consistently strong season. Overall a great result and we look forward to a new grade and new challenges in 2013

### **U18 Boys – Youth Division**

The club was fortunate to be able to enter this team in the U18 Saturday evening competition – the first for the club for a number of years.

The core of the team came from the SBHS 2nd XI of the previous year who were left short of numbers. We managed to combine these boys with three year 9 players from the previous years' 2011 Primary boys team and another three boys from Cashmere High School to make up a new team, most of whom were defence players!

Steve Gowans stepped up and coached the team which ended up 5th in Section 2. The team lost games through most of the season but only by small margins and only really lacked some scoring firepower, however in the end managed to draw some games and won their 5 and 6th playoff battle.

Hayden Chapman and Shaun Graveston showed good leadership with a team that stayed together the whole season and enjoyed their hockey.

### **Midweek Open - Murray Johnson**

With bulk of last year's team remaining intact we entered this season in a much better position than in the previous year. The feeling amongst the guys was one of real enthusiasm and true belief that we could again enjoy a fun and successful season.

As the team progressed through the rounds we were playing some really good hockey and doing enough to keep in touch with the leaders (Harewood of course), and then through a couple of surprise results we found ourselves playing Harewood in the semi-finals and being up 5-1 with ten to go we made a couple of changes and as has happen in the past we let our guard down and Harwood pulled back to 4-5 which was the final score still enough to get us in the final. This meant we were playing them again in the final and as always we backed ourselves took all the opportunities that came our way and came away with a convincing 5-1 victory. Taking everything into account the boys played with a lot of heart and skill and we certainly saved our best for last.

Throughout the season there were some great performances with everyone contributing, I would like to mention a couple, Greg Dowson who stepped up and covered in goal for most of the season, our MVP George Bradshaw who always kept the opposition guessing and scored some great goals on the reverse side and to KP and GP for leading the team with great energy, thanks everyone for a job well done.

Once again we thank the efforts and support we received from the club and personally a big thanks to all the guys for another great winter of hockey. Here's looking forward to 2013.

### **Women's Club Captain's Report – Erin Smyth**

Our Premier side finished a credible third in the CPL this season. Through the guidance of our dedicated coaching team, Rebecca Murphy and Lee Munt, the team put in some fantastic performances throughout the season. We had a strong focus on our basic skills, having clear structure in defence and creating options for each other up front. Sadly the team lacked consistency and wasn't able to perform in crucial games such as our semi-final. Sitting equal with Harewood heading into this match, with draws between the teams throughout the season, it was extremely disappointing to go down so badly against them in this important game. However, it was great to finish on a high, performing well against Hornby to take the third spot. With many players out in the Racecourse Hotel competition, it was great to see the girls make the final and gain second place. The players in our squad changed dramatically

throughout the season due to players moving overseas / injuries. A huge thank you to the many players from Div 2 that stepped up and filled in whenever required, it was greatly appreciated.

The Premier side had many players that made it into Canterbury Representative teams this season. Sarah Byers, Fiona Morrison and I were all part of the Canterbury NHL winning side – an enjoyable and successful campaign to be a part of. Kate Chapman was a member of the Canterbury Under 21 team that finished 2nd at the National Tournament. Danielle Dore also competed at the same tournament as a member of the Southern team. Danielle also represented Canterbury at the Senior Women's tournament, and Emily Ballinger played for South Canterbury at the same tournament. A new player in the Premier side this year, Libby Masefield, not only gained a spot in the Canterbury Under 18 team but was also selected for the Under 18 National Training squad. Congratulations to everyone on their selections and I look forward to seeing even more Carlton Redcliffs names included next season.

As with past years, I am in awe of the attitude and team atmosphere that is created by our Div 2 Women's team. They play hard when on the field and obviously enjoy each other's company off the field. A big thank you must go to Chris Errington, being a player/coach is a huge task, one she always did with a big smile due to the love of the game and her team. Also thank you to Martin Single for his continued support throughout the season.

Our Div 6 team produced some fantastic results, winning both the Championship (2 rounds of pool play) and Porritt Cup. Their coach, John Steeds, shows a true understanding of the players he is working with and has a strong desire to improve their play.

Congratulations to our Mid-Week Open White team who won their competition final, which came down to being awarded a stroke in the last 10 seconds of the match! A great team environment was set up within this group of ladies, leading to success of the field. The Midweek Open Red team also formed a strong and determined team, thank you to Corinna Bailey for her role as manager this season, all the best for your move up North.

Our Youth team finished in second spot this season, something the team should be very proud of. Going down in a final on strokes can be really hard, but your effort throughout the season was fantastic. Thank you to Pam Thompson and Pat Barwick for coaching not only this team, but also offering help and support across the whole club.

Finally I would just like to say thank you to all the people who tirelessly contribute to the success of our club. Thank you to everyone who supported our club fundraisers this year and to those who attended our club prize giving, an interesting and successful evening. Congratulations again to all the players, coaches and managers on their efforts this past season. Bring on 2013 and another positive season for the Carlton Redcliffs Club.

#### **Premier Women – Rebecca Murphy (Coach)**

As a new Coach I initially found this task to be a daunting prospect and at times wondered if I had made the right decision to take this on. However with a team of girls who were supportive and keen to put the effort in, the role became more enjoyable; although I now have a better understanding of how frustrating the coaching role can be.

We carried a larger squad for the first part of the season as it was clear that a number of players would be leaving us mid-season due to OE, other commitments and also injuries. This made for a somewhat patchy season in terms of performance. We could be sublimely good and woefully bad all within the same game and I guess it was this inconsistency which was the most frustrating aspect of our season and ultimately accounted for the final position in the various competitions.

Practices for the most part were well attended and in general all attendees put the effort in and contributed to make these enjoyable and worthwhile. I congratulate those girls who in the latter part

of the season still made the effort to attend Club practices when they had heavy representative commitments

There is a wealth of talent in this young squad and as experience is gained I am sure that this team is capable of performing at a consistently high level. It was unfortunate that following on from the 2011 season when the Div 2 Women won promotion to the Div 1 competition, they were denied entry. It's important for future development of the Women's Teams that we can offer a viable option for players to obtain Premier selection via a strong Div 1 Team.

We cannot attract the talented young players when their best option with C/R is the Div 2 team – this is no slight on the Div 2 Team as they performed creditably under difficult circumstances – our aim should be to offer Teams in Premier, Div 1 and Div 2 – I would sincerely hope that CHA Competitions Committee address this situation and remove the School teams from Div 1, all Premier sides should have first option to enter a Div 1 side as this allows continuity of players between the two grades without the huge gulf in ability and standard if you only have a Div 2 option.

Congratulations to all the players who attained Canterbury representative honours this season. I would like to thank Helen Scott for her outstanding manager's role; she was very organised and made our job so much easier. Finally I would like thank Lee Munt my co-coach for all his support, patience, guidance and reassurance. I learnt so much in one season and have a greater appreciation for coaches and their roles within the team.

#### **Women's Division 2 – Chris Errington (Coach)**

The Div 2 women's team had a mixed year getting to the middle of the table and staying there throughout the season. We consistently beat all the teams below us but were not quite able to crack those above, although we came close a couple of times. With a squad that swelled to 17 we were never short of players although I never had to stand anyone down for a game either as a broken wrist, arm and nose, holidays, and other issues cropped up. I would like to thank Martin Single in particular for running the bench each week so that I could play as well as coach and Pat Barwick for helping out at a couple of practices and supporting the team.

As a team with a lot of new players they developed a good team spirit and improved their hockey skills through the year. In going forward, if the club wishes to fully support its Premier team the second team needs more resources put in to recruitment and coaching for Premier Reserve level. There are players in this team who would easily fit into Div 1 but not enough to make a whole competitive team. As far as I know, only two or three of the team members are leaving the club; mostly due to leaving town.

#### **Women's Division 6 – John Steeds (Coach)**

We started the season placed in Division 4 by Canterbury Hockey and played four grading games to help determine the relative playing level of the teams. Our best result was a draw with HSOB, so not surprisingly we were demoted to Division 6. At the team talk before our first Division 6 game at 8.00am on a Sunday morning at Nunweek Park, we discussed the situation as a team and resolved to earn a place in a higher division next season by winning Division 6.

The second game in Division 6 was against St. Margaret's who emerged as our main rivals for the championship as the season wore on. That game was drawn 1 all and was soon followed by Marist-Avon who had scored a lot of goals in their first few games, however we dispatched them 6-1. Some big wins followed for us and we were at the top of the points table, even on points with St. Margaret's but ahead by virtue of our superior goal difference. The second round game against St. Margaret's was drawn nil all and so the scene was set for a true final between the two best teams until the weather intervened and the game was postponed due to a flooded turf. Before that game could be re-scheduled, the Porritt Cup competition was played- we beat St. Margaret's (finally) first up and then again in the

Porritt Cup final, this time 2-1. The last game of the season was the re-scheduled competition final and unfortunately this time St Margaret's prevailed over us, 2-1. Hence we did not win everything but we won the championship as decided by the most points after two rounds of pool play, won the Porritt Cup and scored the most goals whilst conceding the least.

Zoe Benzie was a great team captain. Her play at centre half was always secure, she motivated her team mates well, distributed the ball effectively and set an example of work rate for the rest of the team to strive for. My Most Valuable Player for the season is Petra Sullivan. Petra is a skilled hockey player with a great competitive attitude and the ability and willingness to play whatever position she was required in. She also had a near perfect attendance record at training. I want to thank Molly's mum and Swannndri for providing three blankets to keep our bench players warm. I also want to acknowledge the role of Pam Thompson in our successful season. Pam filled the management role, ensuring we had sufficient players each week, helped organize the substitutions, and was a valuable second opinion on the side-line.

#### **Midweek Open Red – Corinna Bailey (Manager)**

The 2012 winter season was a bit of a mixed bag of outcomes for our team. Our final placing in the league competition did not reflect the closeness of most of the matches we played, unfortunately. On the up side, the season saw a team of players really develop and form a strong team for the Carlton Redcliffs club. Most weeks, we had an overflow of players to choose from – to the extent that while I had planned to act as player/manager, I ended up just managing as we had a large number of players on the side-line. We did lose one or two along the way to injury and one player (Jessie Gemmel) to pregnancy.

There were a number of players returning to the team from the 2011 season as well as a couple of new players joining the team for the first time. The team expressed a strong interest in having an opportunity to train but unfortunately, this was not possible. Despite that, the performances of the team were very strong and constantly improving with some unfortunately close losses along the way.

When it came to selecting our MVP, it was extremely difficult with a number of players deserving of the title. In the end, Sam Siversten was selected by the team- a very deserving player.

Most of the players have expressed a keen interest in keeping the team together next season and I do believe that, given the opportunity for training and if the team had a manager or coach who knew the job, they would do very well. I myself won't be re-joining the team next year as my husband and I will be moving to the North Island but I wish the girls the very best for the next season.

#### **Midweek Open White – Kim King and Fred Wadham**

We had a strong start to the season with an impressive squad of 19 willing and able players, due to this we sadly had to turn some people away. However once the squad was established, they started to drop like flies! Work commitments and health being the cause of the casualties. Usha fell down a mountain and that was the end of her season. Marian played part of the season and had to have two operations on her feet. Robin got injured and Fred got pregnant. Hannah ended up playing half the season then she got sick.

So with all of this taken into consideration and our lack of subs more often than not and occasionally only 10 players representing the team, we really did do rather well. Week upon week we worked hard and maintained our position at the top of the table; only very occasionally dropping below third. Each week the Whites, aware of their position played to win or draw at worst. The forward line put away the goals while the defence kept the opposition attacks at bay.

Jade, Jacinda and Fred were our three new players and they were fantastic assets to the team. Jade has heaps of very helpful tactical advice and is an awesome goal scorer. She kept all us forwards going.

Jacinda was very fast and reliable as our half. Fred played half a season for us and was an incredible half/forward. However when she announced she was pregnant she turned into our very positive and very funny mouthpiece. She sent us the best emails that were hilarious. Everyone looked forward to those emails every week before and after the game. Some exceptional hockey was played and the team was solid and supportive both on and off the pitch.

The final was a familiar fight against Hornby Cougars, having a draw and a loss to them in previous rounds everyone knew this was going to be a difficult game to win, especially with the Cougars impressive goal scoring throughout the tournament. The game was tense, played hard and fast with some great umpiring allowing the hockey to play out in a fierce and highly competitive game. Everyone worked hard. Midfielders were supporting attack; defending and keeping options open for our attacks. Forwards were back defending when the Cougars put the pressure on. Defence kept their composure when put under pressure by full presses. With less than a minute to go it was deadlock at 1 all. With 10 seconds to go a defensive error on the Cougars part awarded the Whites with a stroke. This was sharply put away by new addition Jade, winning us the game and the tournament.

It's been a real pleasure to captain this squad, they have played with great character and there is a true team spirit surrounding this great, lively hard working bunch of girls. A brilliant season, and a well-deserved result for all.

#### **Youth Women – Pam Thompson (Coach)**

The Carlton Redcliffs U18/Youth Div 2 girls finished their season in second place this year, having lost only to Selwyn in the course of the season. The final was a close-run thing that we were leading twice, only to finally go to 2 – 2, then down on strokes. Thanks girls. You've made me proud of you.

It's been important to me for some years that our primary 11-a-side girls have a club opportunity to play hockey in their secondary school years and I'm pleased to see the lasting commitment the girls bring to the club and the team.

This year, because of my double knee operation, I haven't been able to make the same commitment to the girls' training but I have managed to attend most games thanks to lifts with Briar and her mum and Bethany and her mum. I'm grateful to Pat Barwick for her support with skills training and for finding us Aidan James to help out with training when he could. Thank you Aidan, for your enthusiasm with the girls and their skill development.

John Steeds was also a great help to us, being prepared to combine two squads when needed towards the end of the season.

We have a potential keen new coach waiting in the wings for 2013 and I'm sure I can stick around and manage the team if required. Here's hoping that next season will bring more success.

#### **Masters Hockey – Pam Thompson**

The trend has been set over the past few years so that our men's masters' team remains in the top echelon of the competition as does our women's White team. The Red team, having gradually fallen through the ranks is now defunct and has not entered the 2012 – 13 competition, some of the players choosing to promote themselves into the ranks of the White team whose numbers had been dwindling too.

Several players from Carlton Redcliffs represented Canterbury in the various age-group teams that played at NMHT in Manawatu 4 – 10 March 2012, those players are listed near the front of the club report.

Rhonda Henderson was selected for the NZ 50+ team to go the FIH Masters World Cup in England where I'm told she performed creditably. Congratulations!

## Junior Club Captain's Report – Ian Dalley

The year got off to a good start with the early selection after trials for both the girls and boys 11-a-side teams. Fortunately both teams had coaches ready to go from the start. While there were not the difficulties experienced in 2011 with the earthquakes, the junior club is still in a re-building phase and some teams struggled to have a full complement of players at the start.

The problem of having no turf in our wider catchment area meant our practices were spread over turfs from Nunweek Park, Girls High (Matai St), Christchurch Football (St Albans) and Sydenham Park (also out of action for 2 months). I greatly admire the fortitude of our parent and player community having to travel from as far as Sumner all the way to Burnside often during peak traffic times.

Our junior committee met only informally but I am grateful for the coaches and managers of each team who kept the teams going and the communication going through the season.

<b>Team</b>	<b>Coaches</b>	<b>Managers</b>
Premier Girls	Bridget Kenny and Sharon Wilson	
Premier Boys	Matt Walcott and Josh Kumbaroff	Ian Dalley
Super 8 Girls	Jimmy Cowles	
Super 8 Boys	Josh Knight and Ebony Middlemiss	Desiree Leigh
Intermediate 8 Girls	Rob McGregor	
Intermediate 8 Boys	Graeme Teague	Sandra McKernon
Junior 8 Girls	Krissy Calder	Aaron Lee
Junior 8 Boys	Mike Bamford	
Mini's	Felicity Odlin	
Have-a-go	Katherine Pearce (Mt Pleasant School), Pat Barwick (SBHS)	

### Premier Girls

The 11-a-side girls' team started with almost half of last year's team and moved up strongly through the main part of the season to be in the top 10 teams by end. It is still a young team who will build to be strong contenders in 2013. Bridget and Sharon did a marvellous job with this team.

### Premier Boys

Josh Kumbaroff and Matt Walcott were back as coaches together with a strong group of year 7 and 8 players from last year's team. The competition expanded to 16 teams and our main objective was to move into the top 6 by the end of the season. This was not quite achieved but the team finished ranked 7th playing off in the teams placed 5th to 8th at the end. Results over the season were considerably better with 10 wins and 4 losses and 63 goals scored. Thanks also to Jan Harrison and John Shaw who assisted with the team during the season.

### Super 8 Girls

This team coached by Jimmy Cowles also progressed well from last year with some good wins and development of players new to hockey. While still young there are some very promising girls who will move into the 11 a-side team in 2013 and hopefully attain higher honours.

### Super 8 Boys

Coached by high school students Josh and Ebony, this team contained a mix of stronger players and some players new to hockey. Wins were hard to come by at first but in the later parts of the season the team gelled with a series of good wins. This was in large part due to the coaching given which has built a good base in the club of year 6 and 7 boys who can move up to 11 a-side level.

**Other teams:**

Rob McGregor coached the Intermediate 8 girls team who ended up winning their section after a tough start to the season. Graeme Teague coached the boys Intermediate 8 team which also finished strongly. The Junior 8 boys were merged with a Marist/Sumner group of boys who finished runners-up in their grade. Felicity Odlin coached a Mini's team – the first we have had for a few seasons.

Congratulations to all players who represented Canterbury this season – for some excellent results, these players are listed near the front of the club report.

The season finished with a very enjoyable BBQ and Prize Giving held at St Martins School, which was well supported by the parents and children. Thanks to Jimmy, Rob, Pam and Pat for helping with the junior club throughout and supporting me in my first full year as junior club captain.

Ian Dalley (Junior Club Captain)

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Thanks for a great season – see you next year.