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<u>Venue Changes April:</u> Many thanks to Dan Hill for some great preparatory work for our games at the UWA turfs. As one of my fellow Apex club members used to say "Perfect prior preparation prevents piss poor performance." Thanks are due also to the UWA people in Tristan Woodhouse, Mark Lim and our friendly bar person. A special well done to Ivan Wilson and helpers David Evans and Bob Bowyer for the sausage sizzles on both days.

<u>World Cups for 2022</u>: World Masters Hockey (WMH) has now announced dates and venues for the first set of world events to be held under their control. These are all 2022 dates:

Indoor: February 15th to 20th at Virginia Beach USA. Men and Women O/40, O/45, O/50 and O/55. **Outdoor:** August 12th to 21st at Nottingham UK. Men and Women O/35 and O/40.

October 1st to 10th at Cape Town, South Africa. Men O/45, O50, O/55. Women O/45 to O/65.

Spirit of Masters O/55 Men and O/55 to O/65 Women.

October 19th to 29th at Tokyo Japan. Men O/60, O/65, O/70/, O/75 and O/80.

Spirit of Masters Men O/60, O/65, O/70/, O/75 and O/80.

The announcement includes the following: "While WMH and the host nations are excited to announce these dates, we do still need to keep in mind that the health and safety of all players and participants is paramount, and so we continue to monitor the effects of the pandemic and will notify you immediately if anything changes. Sue Briggs - Hon Secretary WMH April 7th 2021."

The addition of the O/80s is most interesting. Regular readers might recall that February's issue included a piece from Ken Watt about current and former players who are due to join the ranks of the OBEs* this year. Including those who have already reached this milestone we have more than a complete WA team already just from Western Hockey Masters. Though the thought does occur that if there are any other over 80s playing hockey in this state where can they go to get a game?

• *OBE = Over Bloody Eighty.*

<u>WA Bushfires Appeal</u>: Thanks to the regular Wednesday afternoon wine raffles our charity account was able to finance a donation of \$1,000 to this very worthy cause.

<u>Crowds Down</u>: Both A and B Divisions were not able to play in front of their usual packed stands on the 28th due to Covid-19 restrictions. It is hoped that normal service can resume soon.

Dates For The Diary:

July 23rd to August 8th: Tokyo Olympics.

October 9th to 16th: Australian Masters Games - Perth (hockey is included).

Mega Interstate Tournament:

Women: Newcastle September 23rd to October 2nd.

Men O35s to O45s: Newcastle September 24th to October 9th.

Men O50s to O75s Division 1: Central Coast Hockey Park September 29th to October 9th.

Men O50s to O65s Division 2: Maitland Hockey Turf September 29th to October 9th.

<u>More Lockdowns</u>: It was very easy for Western Australia to become complacent about our envious lifestyle compared to the rest of the world. We had a recent dose of reality from the last lockdown which should serve as a wake-up call that we must abide by the restrictions; or face much more severe ones. The news from India shows us what the consequences could be. Compared to that missing a drink is miniscule; which does not stop our limeriscist from commenting:

We did fairly well for a while

Till Covid-19 cramped our style If all that we lose Is after game booze That isn't a really bad trial.

<u>State Teams Selected</u>: These are the names announced and taken from the WA Masters web-site as of the afternoon of the 30th April. As can be seen, there are plenty of WHM players included - our congratulations to you all.

<u>O/65:</u> Coach Wayne Cutler, <u>Manager</u> TBA.

<u>Players:</u> Peter Aylmore, Eddie Bartnik, Craig Boyce, Wayne Cutler, Keith Gilbride, Maurice Giles, Colin Howell, Rudy Keswick, Stephen Needham, John Ostaszewskyj, Geoff Robinson, John Rogers, Ian Simes, Ric Staynor, Peter Westlund, Phil Wilson (GK), Greg Wood.

O/70: Coach Graeme (Butch) Worth, Manager William (Bill) Campbell.

<u>Players:</u> Bill Campbell, Jim Campbell, John Chapman, Roger Davey, Dudley Evans, Peter Fogels, Tony Freeman (GK), Bruce Goetze, Ian Keally, Alan Ledger, Ron Mitchell, Peter Morgan, Keith Platel, Stephen Powles, Don Sanders, Len Walker, Graeme Worth.

O/75: Coach Len Blyth, Manager Heath Tyrrell.

<u>Players:</u> Peter Andrews, Jim Balding, Scott Blackwell, Len Blyth, Graham Challenor, Bob Claxton, John Harper (GK), Ian Hill, John Jeffreys, Don Smart, Rod Spencer, Simon Thomson, Heath Tyrrell, Ron Venables, Ken Walter, Simon Williams.

The names have been taken directly from the WA Masters website and there may be some variations in spelling from our WHM data base. In an interesting footnote an informant who appears to have access to the workings of the selection process has contacted MM with the following:

"Let it be known that Jim Campbell nominated for the Over 70 Women's team for 2021 in Newcastle. He is the only nominee and we expect that he will be transferred to the men's team in Wyong. A suitable uniform will be purchased for him."

Reader Feedback: Last issue I questioned the future of Masters Matters. Many thanks to the three people who took the time to respond. Peter Fogels informed me that Southern Cross had also made the move to Revo Sports and directed me to their new look site. He offered some good advice for future editions and was in favour of the continuation of a single monthly document which of course can be archived, as occurs now on the WA Masters website. in addition to this we can also use news flashes, either posted to the site or emailed. Keith Kessell would also like to see the current format continued - thanks for the kind words too Keith. Thank you also to Simon Thomson who had similar sentiments and expressed them so well that I think we will need to continue MM for some time yet. Mark Twain is said to have read his own obituary in a newspaper and commented "Reports of my death are greatly exaggerated." Something similar applies to Masters Matters.

<u>What's Different:</u> Our very observant readers may have noticed that there has been an insignificant modification to our cover page. The C Green team is no longer sea green.

Quotable Quote 1: "I am not one of those who in expressing opinions confine themselves to facts." *Mark Twain (1835 - 1910). Nowadays everybody seems to work on their own unique set of facts, derived from online social media and carefully selected to conform to any already existing prejudices.*

Department of Health: Ken Walter's ankle operation has duly taken place and all went as planned. He was condemned to a moon boot full time for the first fortnight, and part time for the next one. Ken and his medical team have decided to bypass the wrist injury as KW says that he can manage to hold a hockey stick. His priority now is to regain fitness and get back on the field. <u>Bob Bowyer's</u> return to the turf looks like being cut short as he's managed to sustain another injury at home. Hard luck Bob - another fight-back to negotiate. I understand that <u>Richard Osborne</u> is looking at a hernia operation - I can attest that they are survivable. <u>Ken Watt</u> has not been playing for a few weeks now. In better news <u>Mal Horrigan</u> has strung several weeks together now without any apparent ill effects. I hope that the match hardness is coming back. I'm sure that there are plenty more sufferers I have not heard about, and wish a speedy and complete recovery to all.

Letters To The Editor: The paragraph about the future of Masters Matters Matters was not intended to provoke comment, but it did generate some responses, which have been mentioned elsewhere. My thanks go to Peter Fogels, Keith Kessell, and Simon Thomson. Thanks also to John Rogers who sent some kind words to Neil Patterson.

Department of Corrections: Our last issue was wrong about the team who helped Ron Venables to return home after our summer season windup. It was actually his brother and sister-in-law.

Penalty Corners Without Goalkeepers: This topic has been extensively covered by Masters Matters in previous years. However, it was obvious from the 28/04 A Division games on Turf One that it is about time that we came to some agreement on how to handle the issue. Our limeriscist comments:

What rules are we using today For corners without a GK For Game 5 they're gone In Game 6 it's on

Such Rafferty's Rules aren't OK.

What needs to be decided are whether we should have penalty corners when the defending team is without a goalkeeper. Also needing a guideline is whether a hit at goal in general play is permissible. I'll outline some suggestions here and hope that this time we can formulate some standards.

1) If both teams are without a padded up goalkeeper:

- No penalty corners are to be taken just a 23 meter restart.
- During such a restart only six players from the defending team are permitted to go inside the twenty three meter line. *This was originally suggested by Phil Metcalf for our Saturday play and the aim is to prevent deliberate breaches.*
- Hits at goal in field play are allowable, but must be along the ground.
- 2) If only one team has a goalkeeper:
- Penalty corners to be taken at both ends, but hits at goal only allowable at the GK end.
- Hits at goal during field play must be along the ground at both ends. *It would be too much of an advantage if only the team with no goalkeeper was allowed to hit at goal. However, dangerous play must be penalised at both ends.*
- 3) The FIH rules of hockey no longer permit the so-called kicking full back. If we decide that we would like a non-goalkeeper to have the GK privileges we need to make a further local rule in addition to those I have suggested above.

My main purpose in proposing the above local rules is to provide a starting point for a definitive determination of how we intend to handle the absence of goalkeepers. Any reader feedback is very welcome. Please state whether you are a forward or a defender.

<u>Sign Of The Times:</u> If we were in any doubt about the severity of the current pandemic the credits on the Spicks And Specks TV show made it very plain. Included was a Covid Officer.

<u>'A' Division Blog:</u> A bad month for White. All other sides had a marked positive goal difference.

April 7th: This was our first visit to UWA for some time, and I heard a few comments that the green coloured turf was an improvement. Apparently there were a few late withdrawals, but the numbers were not too bad. The same could not be said for all of the hockey, though as usual some of it was very good. Red and White were the most severely depleted sides and their defences were under pressure - except for the 0-0 result between them. Blue were the team of the day with their tight defence assisting them to three wins. Credit is due to Phil Metcalf and Neil Patterson for doing the bulk of the scoring between them, but the goal of the day went to Peter Eastlake's tomahawk with honorable mention to Steve McEntee's corner conversion. The day's results were:

Blue 2 White 1; Red 1 Gold 2; Red 0 White 0; Gold 0 Blue 1; Red 0 Blue 1; Gold 1 White 0.

<u>Goal Scorers:</u> **Blue:** Chip Challenor (PS), Peter Eastlake, Neil Patterson (2). **Gold:** Phil Metcalf (3). **Red:** Steve McEntee. **White:** Ray Domingo. Team numbers were: Blue (9), White (10), Red (10), Gold (10). 9 goals were scored.

April 14th: This was another day without a draw, with three sides losing once and a depleted White losing all three matches. For the first time in a while we had the luxury of four goalkeepers, who rotated around the sides. White's defence resisted strongly all day and made their opposition work for their goals, while at the other end they did manage to create a few chances, but without Ray Domingo lacked the finishing ability to score. In the early matches some very good goals were scored and there were quite a few contenders for goal of the day. The list includes Phil Metcalf, Neil Miller, Peter Eastlake, Steve McEntee and Chip Challenor. After much consideration the judges gave the award to Bob Hotinski who fought off plenty of tackles before a reverse stick finish. It was disappointing to emerge from the showers and find that so few players had stayed on for the sausage sizzle and wine raffle, though in fairness the traffic congestion is always a factor. Our player numbers were not as good as last week. The results were:

Gold 2 Red 1; Blue 2 White 0; Blue 1 Red 2; White 0 Gold 1; Blue 1 Gold 0: White 0. Red 1.

<u>Scorers:</u> Blue: Chip Challenor, Peter Eastlake, Neil Miller (2). Gold: Mal Horrigan, Phil Metcalf (2). Red: Bob Hotinski, Steve McEntee (2), Ron Venables. A few players arrived late and some had to leave early, but maximum numbers were: Gold (9), Red (10), Blue (10), White (10). 11 goals scored.

April 21st: At the moment three sides are having a good competition. White have scored 1 goal and conceded 17 during April and had another shocker. Fortunately for Rod Spencer and Peter Eastlake the custom that scorers of 3 goals in one match buy for the bar has fallen into disuse. It was good to have four goalkeepers again. The matches not involving White were keenly contested and featured some good hockey. Red's midfield has been boosted by the return of Bob Claxton and they were the only side not to lose a match. Despite Rod and Peter's multiple scores the goal of the day has to go to Bob Bowyer for his deflected winner against Blue in the last game of the day. The results were:

White 0 Blue 3; Gold 1 Red 1; Gold 0 Blue 2; Red 3 White 0; Gold 4 White 0; Red 1 Blue 0.

<u>Scorers:</u> **Blue:** Peter Eastlake (4), Neil Miller. **Gold:** Phil Metcalf, Rod Spencer (3), Lance Woods. **Red:** Ken Beer, Bob Bowyer (2), Colin Murray-Smith (2). The team numbers based on players' original sides were: White (11), Blue (8), Gold (9), Red (12). 15 goals were scored.

April 28th: Numbers of field players and goalkeepers were well down. Well done to Blue captain Neil Scaddan, whose severely depleted team did not only include star players as fill-ins. They also added Frank Williams, up from the Bs for the day. After Barry Rutter departed following Match 4 we had only John Burt for the last two games. *(See Page 4)* Thanks to desperate defence and some misses from the Gold forwards White won their first game for the quarter. Robin Bailey transferred to Gold for the day, while Hector D'Rozario enjoyed his run with Red getting plenty of touches and setting up a couple of goals, include Stan Balding for the goal of the day. The day's results:

Red 0 Gold 2; White 1 Blue 2; White 1 Gold 0; Blue 1 Red 3; White 1 Red 3; Blue 0 Gold 1.

<u>Scorers:</u> Blue: Bob Claxton, Peter Eastlake, Neil Scaddan. Gold: Stan Balding (2), Rod Spencer. Red: Stan Balding, Ken Beer, Bob Claxton, Bob Maley, Steve McEntee, Ron Venables. White: Hector D'Rozario, Ray Domingo, Brian Soares. Player numbers counting all late-comers were approximately: Red (9), Gold (8), Gold (12), White (11) Blue (6). 15 goals were scored.

From Saturday Masters:

Here is the latest from the Town of Cambridge on the change-room project at Alderbury Reserve.

"The Town is getting close to starting work on the demolition and reconstruction of the toilets and change rooms at Alderbury Reserve. A small package of forward works is underway right now, consisting of the replacement and relocation of the existing electrical switchboard. This is being carried out by Gilmore & Jooste Electrical.

The construction contract was awarded to Shelford Construction and there was a kick off meeting last week. There are a number of standard contractual and other items to completed before actual works on site commence. At this stage we anticipate the site being established by mid/late May, and demolition commencing soon after, however it could be as late as mid-June before real works get under way.

Later this week we will be depositing sea containers around the site. (*There now*) We are providing containers based on the m2 requirements provided by individual clubs/organisations. A location map is attached showing positioning and allocation of each users containers. The Town provides the containers, but the users are responsible for providing their own locks and security. The Town also takes no responsibility should any loss or damage be incurred by users whilst items are stored in the containers. (*This did not affect us*)

Please ensure all your items currently in storage are shifted into your containers by 11 th May, at the latest. Any items left in the building after this date will be considered waste and the builder will dispose of them during demolition.

There will be 5 portable toilets installed just north of the existing hockey clubhouse. These are for public and general use. They will be connected to water and sewerage but not to power. They will be provided for the duration of the works, and are cleaned and restocked daily.

Lastly, thank you to all for your patience and support through what has been a long process. It is very exciting to see construction about to commence. I am certain the new facility will be something we can all be proud of and will serve the Town for many years to come."

Howie Herbert has not been able to play much lately due to all the work he and Pam have had to do in preparing their place for sale. In late news news H & P Herbert is now a house sold word. Now all they have to do is to find a new home in the current boom.

Most of you know the drill if you've been rostered for nibbles duty. If it's your first time you may need to ask for some menu advice and a shopping guide when you hear it's your turn. On the day you may be able to get help from YM's Di Crocker or our committee members in turning on and loading the ovens for warming pies and sausage rolls. Keep your shopping dockets and give them to John Mercer to make sure that you get your refund, which is capped at \$70. You will probably need to provide your bank details if it's your first time.

It's been good to see some of our members return to the field recently. They include Peter Wallis who had his first run since the knee replacement, Neil Scaddan, Ken Watt and John Pierce. Keith Kessell did get back onto the field but now has a hamstring injury to deal with.

Many thanks to all members for being so prompt in paying their winter fees. We have almost received them all by now with just a few outstanding - some of those are possibly not yet certain whether they will be full playing members, casuals or social members. I'll repeat the bank details just once more for the unfinancials.

BSB: 036-069 Account Number: 548917 Players: \$120 Goalkeepers: \$50 Casual players and Social members: \$50

<u>Punology One</u>: This one was also from Peter Brien originally, and forwarded on by Ken Watt. What is the going rate for a pirate to have his ears pierced? The answer in full: A buccaneer.

Balinese Bulletin No 62: BALI MUSINGS May 2021.

You asked for a further "slice of Bali life" The Wet has ended & is now sunny. The Footy is underway for another season & we continue to get 6 live matches up here each weekend. The gardener ..Nyoman ..is here as I look out into the garden & is attending to our overgrown Bali garden.

We are still in self imposed "Lockdown" with no imminent release in view. Fortunately we have a number of lovely local people who continue to take good care of us.

John I wish there was more I could tell you but Life here at this time is somewhat pedestrian. Mind you it could be a lot worse than it is. We can honestly say that we are both in good health & good humour.

Well, there we have it ... for what it's worth. Sorry my friend ... will try & do better next time.

Peter Hammond. Thank you Peter. I trust that you managed to find a suitable beverage to celebrate Carlton's win, for which I claim some credit, having tipped Essendon. Ed.

Shakespeare Said It: "I pray you, bear with me; I can go no further." As You Like It Act II, Scene IV. A Division player to team mates after an unsuccessful attempt to chase (insert name here). Possibilities include Gordon Jeffery, Rod Spencer, Angelo Strano, Lance Woods, Ron Venables and Scott Blackwell. Apologies to any speedsters I've failed to include; please refer to "insert name here."

"Tell me your counsels, I will not disclose 'em." Julius Caesar Act II, Scene I. State team nominee tries to obtain inside information from the team selectors. The teams are already publicly announced for the O/65s, O/70s and O/75s. The process may have started late but those sides have been processed very quickly indeed. Well done to those responsible.

"I will do this if I can bring it to any opportunity." Othello, The Moor of Venice Act II, Scene I. White A Division forward promises captain Dave Horsley that he might get a goal - soon.

'B' Division April 2021:

April kicked off at UWA grounds with good numbers, good hockey and a top class sausage sizzle! With all the grades at the one venue it was a highlight to be able to watch the quality and mobility of C Division while munching on a sausage slathered in sauce and downing a cold beer!

Back at PHS after our week away the next two weeks were routine in that despite the commencement of the winter grass season all teams still maintained good numbers. This plus a list of other interested players is putting pressure on the expansion theorists to somehow accommodate more players into the fold.

April finished off in COVID style with no spectators, no loitering around, no showers and no bar! But with true Western Masters "no worries" attitude the games were played, the sun shone and most went home happy that it was another great day of hockey!

Unfortunately April also ended with the passing away of Don Sanders wife Kathleen. We all offer our support and condolences to Don and his family.

The player profile for this month is Kevin Taylor currently running as a fast mobile forward for the Red team. Kevin continues the list of enthusiastic players coming our way from Kalamunda.

Dudley Evans

Thanks again Dudley. Commiserations to Don from all of us at WHM. Ed. B Division biography begins on Page 8.

Grumpy Old Men and Women One: "Some editors are failed writers, but then so are most writers." *T. S. Elliott (1882 - 1965).There is a related quote to this which states "An editor is a writer who couldn't make it and an agent is a writer who couldn't make it as an editor.*

'B' Division April 2021:

Kevin Taylor's Tale

I started my hockey journey as a 7 year old in grade 3 at Spencer Park Primary School in Albany. As with most of us my early coaches were parents of players (usually the mothers) with no previous hockey experience but we all muddled through. We had 5 primary schools in Albany plus we travelled to Denmark, Mt Barker and Many Peaks. I remember one time having to remove cattle from the Many Peaks field that a farmer had left on there and then clearing up the larger cow pats. The main field in Albany was at Apex Park at the time and it had a pronounced hollow in the middle which didn't bode well when heavy rain fell, leaving a 20 metre puddle in the centre that was almost as deep as a hockey ball, quite a challenge for young players and leading to very muddy kids.

At Albany Senior High School we still had a good number of teams during junior high, as Denmark and Mt Barker were still represented, but once we moved up to upper school (under 17's) we were on our own and so played in with the senior grades. We did have the country week tournaments to try our hand against other regional schools.

I moved to Perth at 17 to start a career in electronics with the Department of Civil Aviation and at the age of 18 went to my first training session at the Perth Hockey Club – wow! – hundreds of hockey players, very daunting for a country kid used to just 20 players or so at training. I hadn't been there long before a friend asked if I could help out his team at Secondary Teachers, which was very short of players. We quite often only had 8-9 at any game but held our own for most of the year as the offside rule was still in place and with fast fullbacks we could keep the opposition in their own half for most of the game by playing right up on the half line, we would not have survived under the modern rules.

I bought my first house at the age of 23 and moved out to Forrestfield – at that time the edge of civilisation. In 1985 I found out there was a local team, the Kalamunda District Hockey Club, and so started a very long association. We had no club rooms when I first started, the esky in Ray Barry's boot providing bar facilities at the end of a match. The club had just 3 senior men's teams and a scattering of boys junior teams, it later merged with the Lesmurdie Ladies, a Hills Hockey Competition club, adding the other sex and then built, the now old, club rooms. I used to train regularly but found by mid-winter the poor lighting at the field was just making my game worse so gave that up.

I introduced my partner, now wife, Kerrie to hockey via the Curtin summer mixed hockey competition and she then moved to club hockey with Kala, so I took up a coaching roll. The growing club had now just entered 2 teams into the women's WAWHA with those not making the Kala 1's team ending up with me, the "Rejects" as they affectionately called themselves but they proved everyone wrong winning the premiership first time out. Kerrie, a much better hockey player than me, moved on to the Curtin 1's and then Subs 1's before retiring from hockey after our 2nd child and no amount of coaxing from me has persuaded her back, maybe it's the broken fingers, nose, etc I keep coming home with. I continued my coaching, now with the junior sides, when my son Daniel started playing.

Four years ago Daniel moved up to senior hockey and I, being at the ripe age of 57, got myself fit enough to play in the same team, as well as playing Over 50's of course. It was one of my best seasons of hockey making the finals in both grades, winning the 50's, and especially enjoyable playing with my son and all the other 20 year olds. During that year I had played in every Kala male team except the 1's (6 of 7), a record I believe. The physios & pharmacists made a fortune out of me and my body, and wife, has told me in a big way not to do it again!

Mike, Glenn & Rod from the Kala 60's kept harassing me to come and give Wednesday hockey a try and so last year I found some spare time at work and I did just that and it's great! So now it's Masters on the weekend and midweek, with still the odd run in seniors when needed.

Thanks Kevin. It is interesting to read the various paths we all took to WHM. Ed.

Donation to Flying Doctor: Our policy in WHM is that members may not use the club mailing list for personal charities. Since the inception of Masters Matters it has been possible to include an appeal in the newsletter at the discretion of the editor, which has been applied in this case. I was a member of Apex from 1967 to 1985 and during this time the WA clubs raised quite a lot for an air ambulance. This appeal is from A Division player Peter Blockley, who notes that Julian Gardner was transported by the RFDS. Details on how to donate via the Rotary Club of West Perth are included but please note that that the \$4 to the RFDS for \$1 donation only applies up to May 14th.

Royal Flying Doctor Service-RFDS and the West Perth Rotary Club Trust-RCWP

The project enables a donation to the RCWP Trust (The Registered Charitable Trust of the West Perth Rotary Club) to leverage donations to RFDS .

The Rotary Club of West Perth has contributed \$15,000 to the trust to match donations \$ for \$ up to this amount. RFDS also has Matched Giving Partners who have undertaken to match the contribution being made by the trust to RFDS, and other donations. The Matched Partners (Rio, CBH and IGO) cap is \$250000.

Please join us in making a contribution to this great initiative which turns a \$1 donation to RCWP into \$4 for RFDS.

RFDS aircraft fly an average of 26 people to safety every day. The Flying Doctor is essential for everyone living, working or travelling within regional WA. They recently flew Julian Gardner to Perth from Esperance when he suffered his stroke.

Your donation will go towards purchasing essential equipment and supporting vital aeromedical and primary healthcare services.

Details to make your donation are below.

DONATION TO THE RCWP TRUST

BSB: 036011

Account: 405139

Reference: Your Surname – RFDS

For Receipt: Your name, email address and \$\$ donation to - <u>secretaryrotarywestperth@gmail.com</u>

Any questions please contact me. peterabl@bigpond.com.

Best regards

Peter

Quotable Quote Two: "Writing is not necessarily something to be ashamed of, but do it in private and wash your hands afterwards." *Robert Heinlein (1907 - 1988) who was a much celebrated writer of science fiction. I can assure readers that Masters Matters is never created in public and thanks to the Covid-19 pandemic now involves frequent hand washing.*

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Test Your Hockey Knowledge With John Sanders:

April's question was:

Lorraine Hillas	Kerry Wharton
• 1981 to 1988	• 1980 to 1983
• HA # 294	• HA # 291

Former Australian Hockey Players Lorraine Hillas and Kerry Wharton, both originally from Queensland, may be related! They would be:

- 1. Sisters?
- 2. Cousins?
- 3. Mother and daughter?
- 4. Not related?

Nobody attempted an answer. The correct response is 1.

May's question is:

Nathan Eglington	Lisa Parmenter
• 2002 to 2007	• 2011
• HA # 341	• HA # 460

Former Australian Hockey Players Nathan and Lisa may be related! They would be:

- 1. Brother and Sister?
- 2. Cousins?
- 3. Father and daughter?
- 4. Husband and wife?

Answer next issue.

<u>Well Dones for April</u>: Wednesday's 'A' Division umpires were: Rob Ainsworth, George Bradbury, Bob Claxton, Peter Eastlake, Peter Evans, Colin Gee, Ian Hill, Mal Horrigan, David Horsley, Bob Hotinski, Gordon Jeffery, Jeff Kozak, Bob Maley, Steve McEntee, Peter Murray, Colin Murray-Smith, Neil Scaddan, Brian Soares, Greg Street, Peter Trend, Les Waldon, Ken Watt and Jim Wright. Saturday's umpires were: Rob Ainsworth, Eric Alcock, Colin Gee, Michael Gottschalk, Ian Hill, Mal Jackaman, Neil Scaddan, Don Smart, Greg Street, Len Walker, Ken Walter and Ken Watt. Thanks again to the workers at the UWA sausage sizzles - chief cook (and bottle washer it appeared) Ivan Wilson, with assistance from David Evans and Bob Bowyer. Thank you all.

Past Players, Non Players and Injured Players April: Those in this category who were spotted at UWA on the 7th and 14th included: Jim Balding, Jim Banks, John Halley, Roger Jewell, John Mercer, Richard Osborne, Paul Robinson, Graeme Sansom, Rod Spencer, Peter Stevens, Ken Walter and Ken Watt. PHS was not as popular though Jim Balding, Ken Watt and George Winning all managed to be there. But on Wednesday the 28th George Winning (who does not receive emails) arrived at PHS on to join us in the bar. I hope that another venue was able to be arranged. And at Perry Lakes we had our usual good crowd of spectators and bar patrons: Eric Alcock, Ash Challenor, Howie Herbert, Keith Kessell, Gordon Jeffery, Peter Livingstone, John Mercer, John Pierce, Don Sanders, Graeme Sansom, Neil Scaddan, Ken Walter and Ken Watt.

Punology Two: This is another one from Peter Brien. I know that the picture has already been used in Masters Matters, but it was a long time ago. This is an even better caption.



<u>Another Well Done</u>: Those who us who still receive the West Australian will have noticed that hockey has at last made a re-appearance in the sports pages. The regular "Hockey Central" section attributed to Mitch Woodcock is much appreciated.

<u>Grumpy Old Men and Women Two:</u> "I don't think anyone should write their autobiography until after they're dead." Sam Goldwyn (1882 - 1974). Though our hockey stories from A and B Divisions do not fit into this category as they're mainly single-faceted.

Orthopaedic Challenge Goes National? A recent newsletter from Southern Cross indicated thot the Australian Orthopaedic Association is interested in expanding our annual match to other parts of the country. Southern Cross requested expressions of interest from all eligible players within Australia. While here in Perth our annual match now has more than enough qualified players for two teams.



Simon Thomson (Hips) and Bob Bowyer (Knees) in 2016

Blast From The Past: Many thanks to Mike Sputore who has sent us a PDF copy of the Grand Final Hockey Bulletin from 1981. There are no less than 16 pages in the document, so it has posed a real challenge to make it accessible to our readers. It's well worth a read, and you will find quite a few names of current WHM members. Start with the link below:

www.revolutionise.com.au/westernmasters/news/master-matters/.

Click onto Files for Download Hockey Bulletin 1981.

Thank you to Colin Gee, who uploaded the Bulletin and set this connection up.

<u>Welcome To New Players</u>: I have been sadly remiss in failing to include this section in several of the previous issues. So far this year we have been joined by:

Jonathon Burgess: team and division not known.

Terry Murray: A Division.

Arthur Gomes: A Division.

Welcome to WHM - hope you enjoy your time with us.

<u>Change of Details</u>: In the event of any change to your email address and other details you should notify Colin Gee. Colin is our data base administrator and his email address is <u>gee.colin@gmail.com</u>.

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