

2012

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Waikato Hockey Association





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OFFICERS

Board of Directors

Owen Embling (Chairman)
Mike Ward
Truman Wee
Doug Sommerville
Gregg Brown
Trish McBride

President

Truman Wee

WHA Staff

Declan Wyndham-Smith – CEO
Denise Hill – Hockey Manager
Kirsten Brinkworth – Accounts
Jack Clayton – RDM
Cat Finlayson – Kiwisport (Chelsea Paddy 6 month temporary contract)
Hymie Gill – High Performance Manager

Life Members

J Adams
B Martin
G Brennan
H Wheeler
G O'Brien
J Baird
M Baird
D Meads
C Watson
B Rosemergy
S Davis
S Polglase

Bank

Westpac Bank

Auditor

BDO Waikato

Solicitors

Beattie Rickman Legal

Sponsors and Funders

We would like to acknowledge the following funders and sponsors for their on-going support.





Waikato Hockey Association Board of Governance - Chairman's report

***Our vision,** New Zealand's leading hockey Association.*

***Our values,** passion, trust, honesty, loyalty, teamwork, friendliness, respectfulness, professionalism and sportsmanship.*

***Our mission,** provide an environment for the enjoyment, growth and development of hockey for all in the Waikato region.*

It is with pleasure that I present my report on behalf of the Waikato Hockey Association Board of Governance.

On behalf of your board I would thank everybody for their support through the current year, I feel proud to have been able to Chair a dynamic board on behalf of the association.

As chairman of your board it has been a pleasure to work with the board members through the many challenges and decisions we've had to make. We have been lucky that in every case we have been a unified board as we've worked towards developing your vision of being New Zealand's leading hockey Association and for this I thank every one of you.

This year has seen a transition from an organisation looking to drive regionalisation and bring together and find synergies with our regional organisations under the Midlands banner, seeking synergies in purchasing, knowledge and power supplies, looking for admin and operational efficiencies. To being slightly more Waikato hockey focus around growing numbers building our competitions and the like.

Whilst the regionalisation campaign is not lost it has been a very challenging time to bring the five regional organisations to a common goal when there is a wide range of challenges and in each region the challenges are different.

This year has been of building on the policies and procedures that are set to improve practices within the hockey community, practices that involved coaching, high-performance, umpires and volunteers and players.

I personally and on behalf of the board have been impressed with the organisational achievements of our administrative team this year, Kirstin works tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure our accounts are flawless and our audits are excellent.

Denise continues to impress as we build on a framework of excellence in organisational structure and as such Denise was awarded "Administrator of the year" at the sports awards this year and we congratulate her for this.

This year our number one turf was closed for many hours during the season due to excessive flooding when the Waikato had a very wet winter season, many investigations have been initiated to understand the reasons for this. The outcome is clear that regardless of drainage foundations, water tables and the like clearly the water migration through the fibre and to the edge of the turf becomes obstructed as the fibre is worn flatter and flatter.

It is likely there is very little we can do with this except replace the turf perhaps earlier than was originally planned, we will of course continue to groom the turf regularly to ensure maximum life. 2013 we will also measure and record lost hours to help us define when we begin replacement.

The financial performance for Waikato hockey this year has succeeded in providing us with a small surplus, whilst we have grown numbers, growing revenue our costs have grown in similar terms, we are always prudent and our expenditure and continue to work hard to seek grants from a number of trusts for the ongoing running of Waikato hockey.

Your board is completely committed to prudent fiscal management and this year we are again pleased to announce a small surplus of \$3,372. Whilst this is less than the \$8650 surplus the previous year it still significantly ahead of the loss we exhibited in 2010.

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As a board we are very comfortable with the current financial position, we concluded the year with very low liabilities and very solid assets. This puts us in a very strong position to assist with some funding towards the new pavilion extension and by working closely with the charitable trust we will confirm over the next weeks the extent of this assistance.

One of your Boards first objectives was to ensure a surplus every year whilst enhancing the overall value proposition; this will ensure that we have a sustainable program as regards future funding requirements, without additional financial pressures being applied to players. We believe we have succeeded in achieving this for another year.

I am exciting to be continuing this journey to build on the successful Waikato hockey programme, with over 3400 registered players in the region, with leadership positions in many areas of our Hockey programs, and a dynamic set of people operating in many areas of our association it is an exciting time for us.

Your board is committed to ensuring the majority of our efforts are focused on Waikato initiatives never losing sight of our original objectives; growing numbers and enhancing the experience of lifetime hockey.

Whilst we have not succeeded in developing further the regionalisation strategy we have had Cherie operating out of the hockey pavilion for the second year in a row, this initiative has allowed us to foster much closer ties with the Midlands Organisation.

This year has seen a major shift from the traditional intercity campaigns to club focused campaigns for Waikato hockey. It is believed strongly that strong clubs will generate strong competitive competitions and develop a strong organisation. As you can imagine this decision has developed a degree of polarisation amongst the Midlands community, but we strongly believe that by focusing on strong club hockey this will provide significantly better playing opportunities and pathways for our players.

2012 saw us working closely with the Midlands and sharing our chief executive's role for a proportion of each week between the Midlands and Waikato hockey, whilst this has proved successful during the year it has had numerous challenges with the conflict of interest between Midlands's objectives and Waikato hockey objectives. 2013 will likely see a reversal of this position to ensure Declan can focus strongly on Waikato hockey and the development of player's coaches and the experience and remove these potential conflicts.

Your board has spent a good proportion of this year working closely with the charitable trust in the development of our pavilion extension. I'm sure we will all be excited with the completion of this project which was started some years ago. This project has helped develop an excellent working relationship between the trust and the board of governance of Waikato hockey.

This close working relationship with the charitable trust has ensured that the needs of players within the region are being listened to and acted upon in the development of this pavilion extension. Additionally the trust has been prudent in its financial planning as regards the extension and as a result will not be lumbering players in the future with significant debt.

Declan has worked tirelessly with the trust and Waikato hockey to assist in developing a strong stream of grants to assist with financing this project.

Your board is unified in the decision that both Waikato hockey and the charitable trust should help other organisations facilitate their water turfs, and that we should help them understand there are real costs associated with these assets, as it was likely that some of these organisations with water turfs currently may not know the full costs and at some point may not have allocated funds to improve or upkeep their facility.

Your board has resolved to keep the fees the same over the next two years, and will look to facilitate and assist where necessary the outlying regions, as we completely understand the need to grow and develop the hockey experience in areas like Matamata, Morinsville, Te Awamutu and Otorohanga and beyond.



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Your board considered that one of our most important priorities for 2013 and beyond is that Coaching must be the focus, strong coaching and perhaps the development of a director of coaching would be appropriate, driven by strong leadership and perhaps the idea of coaching the coaches along pathway is towards excellence.

Your board is considering innovative ideas around the development of foreign students doing hockey camps in New Zealand; this would be an excellent opportunity to develop our skills, our administration and our funding, potentially this would be an opportunity to play a wide range of hockey styles.

We have identified the fact that strategically we have not seen much growth in the woman's hockey, this is backed up by the fact that women's numbers in minis are number one in the country and number 13 open women, we have established the need to develop programs to improve this and these will be initiated during 2013.

We have begun investigating the need for events; promotional activities and the like. The idea of making every game an event with marketing, the sport is important so marketing may include Face book promotions, additional sponsorship and advertising both during the season and preseason.

We have some 800 friends on Face book and growing, this connection will be developed, and potentially a CEO blog every ¼ would be good for our Face book friends. Some of these initiatives need to be developed and reviewed regularly as they will require development and change and review as the social media world changes very quickly.

Friends of Waikato hockey has been slow to get off the ground, 2013 will be the platform and year for launching friends of Waikato hockey, in conjunction with the new pavilion extension, our fundraising campaigns around "buy a brick" and the like should see an exciting new opportunity for people to reconnect with our hockey community.

As regards our key priorities on the strategic plan going forward for 2013 thru 2016. We believe that coaching excellence across all levels of hockey will be a major focus for the next two years, coupled with programs around coaching the coaches providing detailed pathways for coaches and the like.

We firmly believe that with excellent coaching we can continue to lift the performance of our high performance teams and that the experience for all those participating in hockey will be enjoyable and rewarding.

Our mantra might sound something like "Coaching excellence at all levels".

As was the challenge last year, I think the challenge for your board this coming year will be to ensure that communication to the wider community is improved, that regular communication with some of the exciting new social media tools will lift the connection with our hockey community to new levels.

I would again like to thank Declan and his team for the presentation of another excellent annual report and look forward to working with them in the future.

I'd also like to thank the large number of volunteers who tirelessly give their hours for the betterment of Waikato hockey all through the season and without these volunteers the hockey community would not be heading along a path towards world-class.

I thank you all for your continued support and look forward to being able to assist in the coming year.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Owen', is placed above the name of the signatory.

Owen Embling.
Chairman Waikato hockey.



CEO's Report

2012 at Waikato Hockey.

2012 has been another busy year at Waikato Hockey with more people playing hockey in the Association than ever before and as a result we have been lucky to have a number of excellent school facilities to call on to play extra games at and use for trainings.

We are well into our 2010-2013 Strategic Plan and most of my report will focus on our results against our plan.

School Kids

2012 again saw a large increase in the number of children playing hockey. Across all the school grades we experienced a 7.4% growth in numbers against our planned 5% growth which was very pleasing. Again the biggest growth was in our mini grades. We grew 16% across mini with an increase of teams from 95 in 2011 to 110 in 2012.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Christina Strawbridge for her work as the Saturday morning convenor of mini hockey and Jo McFarlane and Jo Luckin for all their work also.

We were also lucky this year to attract sponsorship from the Base for Mini hockey and they gave out over 1,700 \$5 gift vouchers to our mini players of the day throughout the season which was appreciated by all.

The other major focus this year was the introduction of the Slicksticks program for year 5 and 6 children. This program was researched and developed as best practice for the development of children of this age and replaced the existing Year 5 and 6 rep program. From the research undertaken by the 8 hockey association's in the Northern Region and a contracted Coaching expert each association went away and developed their own program.

We were certainly lucky in the Waikato to have Jack Clayton to develop our program, he developed a program that had excellent results in year 1 and has been even further enhanced for 2013. There are a number of other Associations that have picked up this program and copied it which is testimony to Jack's efforts.

The Slicksticks program was undertaken in Hamilton and Matamata in 2012 and almost 150 children got the benefit of it. In 2013 we will be adding a further town, to continue to spread the development of hockey throughout the Waikato Region.

The final act of the Junior hockey season was to hold the Junior Division AGM in October. We have moved this AGM so a new committee can be formed at the end of the season and has a good length of time to settle in and make any changes required for the next season. There are certainly some exciting changes for 2013.

Seniors and Clubs

One of the focuses of our Strategic Plan in regards to the senior players and clubs is to increase the numbers of adults playing hockey and strengthen the clubs. Most sports including hockey have large drop offs from secondary school to adult sport, but we have always felt our is particularly large given the record numbers we keep having come in at mini level.

There are any number of theories as to why this drop off occurs, but in 2013 we were lucky enough to have Dr Robin Hill volunteer to undertake a research project for us. The results were interesting as they backed up a lot of the assumptions around cost, committing to 22 week seasons lack of ability to play during the week and a number of other responses.



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This has allowed us to push ahead with a number of initiatives for 2013 that will see a growth in the Adult numbers in Waikato Hockey and will help us start to put in places strategies to retain and strengthen this growth, so again thank you Robin for your help on this.

High Performance

2012 was year 2 of our high performance plan which is led by Hymie Gill, with Hickey NZ changing Under 18's to a Regional Tournament it has meant that it is even more important for us to be developing our Under 15 and Under 18 players and giving them the tools to be able to make the Regional Teams.

We have had a number of very successful academies and a very good number of our young athletes have and continue to work hard to increase their fitness and skills.

With regard to our representative teams 6 of the 8 rep teams this year finished in the top 6 at National Tournaments, but we have a lot more work to do to achieve a real belief in winning and having the ability to close out games in tournaments to attain the finishing places the teams deserve.

Asset Management

2012 was a big year for our pavilion project, we continued to raise money and we had a revisit of our plans. We looked at a number of different things in the plans, firstly the cost of the project in the current economic climate and we decided that we needed to try and find some other options to reduce the cost whilst still achieving as many of our objectives as possible. We also looked at the changes that have happened to the organisation since the initial plans were completed the future expectations.

Armed with the above information we approached a number of different construction companies and came up with a new concept. The main difference is the fact that we will start with 2 changing rooms rather than the 4 on the first plan, but in effect we have nearly halved the costs on the project too. We have been lucky enough to team up with Fletcher Construction who are undertaking a fixed price contract for us, ready for completion in May 2013.

2012 also saw an unfortunate flood in the pavilion kitchen which resulted in a quite large Insurance claim. We were lucky enough to work with the Insurance Company to come to an arrangement where they paid for the losses and we took the opportunity to make some upgrades which we took responsibility for. With the help of a donation from PWC and a grant from Grassroots Trust and some excellent negotiation on our behalf by Huntly Joinery we managed to get an excellent future proofed kitchen with a solid industrial strength materials for very little financial input from Waikato Hockey, and we all look forward to increased quality of meals being produced in there over the coming years.

Communication and Administration

The highlight of the year for many of us was seeing Denise Hill being awarded the Sport Waikato Administrator of the Year award for 2012. This has come about as Denise is not only recognised nationally within hockey circles as being an expert in her field, she is also rated equally highly by all the other sporting codes in the Region.

The support WHA receives from Denise and Kirsten is immense, add this to the number and quality of volunteers we have it is easy to see why WHA is tracking so well compared to most other hockey Associations. There is no doubt that with the completion of the new offices things will become even smoother.

2012 has also seen us work hard on improving the communication within WHA, we have greatly increased the number of friends we have on Facebook, we have had some excellent contributors of information to our page, we have had some



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significant investment of personal time from Hymie on the Facebook pages he has set up for his high performance athletes. We have also sent out more information on a regular basis this year, but we still want to improve this.

For 2013 we have put in place a part time communications role so we can continue improve the delivery and timeliness of our communication to all our hockey stakeholders.

This has just been an overview of the year we have had, there are exciting things going on all the time, but I have just highlighted some of them above, 2013 is looking like it is going to be an even more exciting and busy year at hockey. We will see the completion of the building project, 4 Test Matches in April, the inaugural Regional Under 18 tournament being held in Hamilton, hosting of Hatch Cup, Premier hockey being played in Hamilton every Saturday at regular time slots, opportunities to play adult hockey on a Thursday night, new and exciting 6 aside hockey options to enhance the development of young hockey players etc. etc., etc.

The only way we as an Association continue to thrive and improve is because we are fortunate about the people we have, the paid staff, the volunteers, the Board, the sponsors and all who make hockey what it is.

With any organisation there are times when people move on and we have had this with Cat Finlayson finishing up with WHA. But none of us will ever forget sitting here in the Clubrooms on the first night of hockey competition at the 2012 Olympics. The Blacksticks women got to face of all people the Australians in the first game, about 4 minutes into that game our fellow staff member Cat smashed the ball into the back of the net, it ended up being the only goal in a 1-0 win for the Blacksticks and launched them into the tournament. So thanks Cat for what you did in your time for WHA especially for giving us better work stories by association.

So another big thank you to all for 2012, I am sorry there is not enough room to thank you all personally but I really do appreciate your help and support around hockey. I personally look forward to an even more exciting 2013 and the setting of our strategy towards 2016.

Thanks,

Declan Wyndham-Smith



Key Strategic Objective – 1. School Kids

An area we lead New Zealand in is the number of Mini Kids we have playing hockey and the total number of children playing hockey in the Waikato is very impressive. We want to continue to increase this base and further encourage these children to choose Hockey for life.

Our Targets under our strategic plan are;

1. To get more children into hockey, aiming for a 5% per year increase in participation.
2. To achieve 80% retention of children once they leave school.
3. A fully documented development plan including stages for children and levels to achieve.
4. A fully documented plan for increasing the number and quality of coaches for juniors.
5. A minimum of 10 newly qualified coaches per year.

2012 major achievements

1. 7.4% growth in children playing hockey in the Waikato
2. Role of RDM and Kiwisport Officer hugely successful
 - *Over 300 schools visited*
 - *Over 300 Coaches/Teachers/Parents trained*
 - *Coaching workshops and courses conducted 35*
 - *Almost 10,000 children coached*
3. Mini program, still the biggest and most successful in New Zealand.
4. Roll out of Slicksticks program for year 5 and 6 development in Hamilton and Matamata



Key Strategic Objective – 2. Seniors and Clubs

Whilst we lead the country in our junior programs our Club and senior numbers are not as good. We have major losses of players when they leave school (this is not only an issue for us, but for all sport) and so our senior numbers are low compared to our junior numbers.

Our Targets under our strategic plan are;

1. Research reasons for and ways of mitigating the percentage of young people who do not continue to play hockey once they leave school.
2. Strengthen Clubs including their Administration.
3. Have pathways and opportunities (i.e. Summer Hockey) for people to get into hockey as adults, either returning to the sport or entering for the first time.
4. Particularly strengthen the women's competition.

2012 major achievements

1. Major research project undertaken around adult participation in hockey and research around needs of school leavers
2. Plans in place for format changes and opportunities for 2013 season growth
3. Excellent numbers of new adult players in Summer Hockey.



Key Strategic Objective – 3. High Performance

We have separated out our High Performance program from our participation programs, so each part of the organisation can concentrate on its specific needs.

Our Targets under our strategic plan are;

1. Rep Teams at National Tournaments achieve Top 4 finishes consistently.
2. More players achieving National status in all levels.
3. To improve the level of all Waikato Representative teams.
4. A documented pathway for players and officials to help them achieve their potential.
5. A closer working relationship with Midlands to avoid crossovers and get a consistent direction.

2012 major achievements

1. Year 2 of high performance plan leading towards targeted national results
2. More consistent results over all Rep teams from the Association.
3. More participants in Waikato Academies
4. 8 Waikato players in New Zealand age group teams



Key Strategic Objective – 4. Asset Management

Our aim under Asset Management is to provide World Class hockey facilities in Hamilton. The Gallagher Hockey Centre currently has 2 water turfs and a pavilion.

Hockey NZ have completed an Infrastructure and Facilities project which will set out the facilities required for hosting tournaments and Test matches, our projected building plan would meet all the requirements of a Tier 2 venue. This would mean that we can continue to host most major Tournaments and Tests.

2012 major achievements

1. New Kitchen in pavilion
2. New design for pavilion extension, contracts signed and work started for a May 2013 completion.



Key Strategic Objective – 5. Administration / Communication

The role of the Waikato Hockey Association is to deliver all hockey in the Waikato. To do this we need superior administration services and excellent communication.

Our Targets under our strategic plan are;

1. Well document policies and procedures for all parts of the association.
2. To have email addresses for all our players (or their parents/guardians for the younger children) so we can communicate effectively and efficiently.
3. A written communication plan.
4. A written plan of the structures and responsibilities within Waikato Hockey association..



2012 major achievements

1. Increase in friend numbers and activities on Facebook
2. Increased communication to members
3. Contracted communications role for 2013.

Events

We have had another busy year for events at Waikato Hockey. We have been lucky that we are consistently being offered good events by Hockey NZ because of the efficient manner they are run in the Waikato, naturally a huge thank you goes out to all the volunteers that make the hosting of them possible.



Events Held in 2012

- *Under 21 National Tournament*
- *Kate Trolove Secondary Schools Tournament*
- *Open Day for New Players*
- *Rural School Tournament*
- *All Blacks and Blacksticks Women, Olympic promotion*
- *Finals Day of Intercity*
- *Slicksticks Festival*



Representative Results

Listed below are the results from the Waikato Rep teams attending National Tournaments in 2010, and in comparison to 2009 results.

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	2009	2010	2011	2012
Hatch Cup	13	11	6	5
Collier Trophy	4	13	4	3
Under 15 Boys	11	6	5	12
Under 15 Boys Development	Did not play	9	8	6
Under 15 Girls	6	3	3	4
Under 15 Girls Development	6	6	5	6
Under 18 Boys	2	3	3	5
Under 18 Girls	5	5	5	7
Senior Men's	7	Did not play	2	Did not play
Senior Woman's	Did not play	Did not play	1 (Division 2)	Did not play



Action from the National Under 21 Tournament in Hamilton.

Coaches and Managers

Thanks goes to all the below Rep Coaches and Managers and Umpires who gave their time to help out with the rep program.

Coaches, Managers and Umpires 2012

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	Coach	Asst Coach	Manager	Umpire
U18 Boys	Doug Sommerville	Jamie Stones	Jo Luckin	Mark Bell
U18 Boys Dev	Billy Emeny	Mathew Rees-Gibbs	Sonja Hazelton	
U18 Girls	Kim & Hymie Gill		Kim Davey	Anna Billing
U18 Girls Dev	Annelise Viljoen	Kayla Wilson	Pam Froger	Carol Lambert
U15 Boys	Richard Baggs	Dane Vickers	Robyn Wells	Rhys McLachlan/Reuben Saunders
U15 Boys Dev	Declan Wyndham-Smith	Gregg Brown	Tracey Moore	Ross Noble
U15 Girls	Charles Viljoen		Lynette Burroughs	Amelia Jarvis-Hall
U15 Girls Dev	Jo McCarrfey	Louis Balsom	Janine Friend (temp)	
Hatch	Jamie Brewer/Jo Luckin		Janine Sturgeon	Kieran Wells
Hatch Dev	Glen Perkinson	Wayne Cording	Simone Prosser	Josh Shepherd/Shawn Hazelton
Collier	Greer Leonhart/ Kate Mahon		Toni Holford	Jessica Nesbitt
Collier Dev	Alastair Kerr		Sandy Wilson	Marieta Saunders
Senior Men				Dick Silvey
Senior Women				Carol Lambert
Masters W35+	Jason Butcher	Jo Greenwood		
W45	Doug Sommerville	Sally Davies		
M40+		Brett Sanders		
M50	Russ Brennan	Malcolm Short		
Kaimais		Alastair Kerr		

Umpires and Officials

Waikato's tradition of producing top Umpires and Officials, 2012 has seen the introduction of new Waikato Badges and the list of new qualifications are as follows;



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Local Qualifications

Roy Noble	Senior
Deejay Wenham	Senior
Fareeda Tobin	Secondary
Jessica Nesbitt	Secondary
Will Gauntlett	Secondary
Ross Noble	Secondary

National Qualifications

New Zealand Level 1
Mark Bell
Tim Woods
Julena Phillips

New Zealand Level 2
Nick Keenan
Carol Lambert

Waikato was represented by Umpires at every National Tournament in 2012 and a testimony to the strength of local umpiring the following umpires were chosen to umpire the finals of their respective finals, congratulations to all these umpires for their success;

Masters 35's Men	Mark Bell
Masters 40's Women	Carol Lambert
Under 18 Girls – most valuable umpire	
Under 15 Boys	Rhys McLaughlin
Under 15 Boys Development	Ross Noble
Hatch Cup	Kieran Wells
Collier Trophy	Jessica Nesbitt

Higher Honours

Congratulations to those Waikato Players who represented New Zealand at various levels.

Our Junior National representatives for 2012 were

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NZ JUNIOR HONOURS

NZ Under 21 - Women	K Kernaghan
NZ Under 21 - Women	B Neal
NZ Under 21 - Women	K Tanner
NZ Under 21 - Women	K Wilson
NZ Under 21 - Men	Z Woods
NZ Under 18 - Girls	M McLean
NZ Under 18 - Boys	J Keaney
NZ Under 18 - Boys	N Woods

NZ Premier Honours in 2012 were gained by

C Eshuis – Blacksticks Women

C Finlayson – Blacksticks Women

Also Kate Mahon announced her retirement from the Blacksticks in 2012.



Past Presidents & Chairmen

The past Presidents of Waikato Hockey Association are;

1988	D Meads
1989	D Meads
1990	D Meads



1991	D Meads
1992	D Meads
1993	B Daldy
1994	B Daldy
1995	B Daldy
1996	B Daldy
1997	G O'Brien
1998	G O'Brien
1999	G O'Brien
2000	G O'Brien
2001	G O'Brien
2002	P Cawkwell
2003	P Cawkwell
2004	P Cawkwell
2005	P Cawkwell
2006	P Cawkwell
2007	P Cawkwell
2008	S Polglase
2009	S Polglase
2010	T Wee
2011	T Wee
2012	T Wee

We currently have only had one Chairman of our new Board structure

2010 - 2012	O Embling
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Special Awards

Waikato Hockey has always been and continues to be served by a vast array of excellent volunteers, some of these volunteers who have been recognised on the regional and national stage are;

1992	D Meads	(Sport Waikato – Administration Award)
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1993	L Farrell	(Sport Waikato – Umpire Award)
1994	C Gilmer	(FIH DIP of Merit)
1995	C Gilmer	(Sport Waikato – Service to Sport Award)
1995	D Meads	(NZHF Pakistan Trophy)
1995	S Davies	(NZHF Service to Hockey Award)
1996	M Smith	(Sport Waikato – Fair Play Award)
1996	G Haste	(NZHF Service to Hockey Award)
1996	G O’Brien	(NZHF Life Membership)
1997	B Rosemergy	(NZHF Service to Hockey Award)
1998	S Polglase	(NZHF Service to Hockey Award)
1999	C Gribble	(Sport Waikato – Umpire of the Year)
2001	D Lennox	(NZHF Service to Hockey Award)
2001	C Watson	(NZHF Service to Hockey Award)
2001	C Cribble	(Sport Waikato – Umpire of the Year)
2001	N Thistlewaite	(Sport Waikato – Administrator of the Year)
2001	G O’Brien	(Sport Waikato – Service to Sport)
2003	S Polglase	(Sport Waikato – Service to Sport)
2005	B Nichol	(FIH Global Youth Leadership Awards)
2005	E Snodgrass	(FIH Global Youth Leadership Awards)
2005	D Kerr	(FIH Global Youth Leadership Awards)
2006	S McLeish	(Sport Waikato – Service to Sport)
2006	B Milne	(HNZ Service Award)
2006	S Polglase	(HNZ Service Award)
2006	D Morgan	(HNZ Service Award)
2006	L Morgan	(HNZ Service Award)

Special Awards - continued

2007	B Nichol	(HNZ Service Award)
2007	G Haste	(FIH Leadership Award)

2007	J Wood	(HNZ Service Award)
2007	B Rosemergy	(HNZ Service Award)
2011	M Ward	(HNZ Service Award)
2011	B Daldy	(HNZ Service Award)
2011	V Hilton	(HNZ Service Award)
2011	B Milne	Sport Waikato Service to sport
2012	Denise Hill	Waikato Sports Administrator of the Year



Future Records and Statistics

There are many players who have had impressive Hockey careers in the Waikato, we know of people who have played Rep hockey from Year 5/6 Rep Teams all the way through to Masters level, playing hundreds of games in the Waikato colours over the years. But unfortunately we do not have accurate enough records to reward and celebrate these achievements.

For this reason with effect from the 2011 season we started collecting the data and will start reporting it in next year's Annual Report. We are going database all games played for Waikato as well as the goals scored. To constitute a game played the player must get on the field, not just be on the card. We are looking to start reporting them from 2013.

To all you players from the past and the present, we are sorry that we did not start this process earlier so we could celebrate your outstanding efforts..... but we have started now.

Club / School Participation Numbers

2011 saw more increases in our player numbers. Now within the Waikato Hockey Association we have 3,419 registered players and have 1,298 summer players.

The winter players have increased from 3,226 to 3,419



Winter Hockey Players

	2009	2010	2011	2012
Mini	1259	1299	1399	1632
Primary	429	507	468	494
Secondary	962	936	936	884
Open Grade	432	398	423	409
Total	3082	3140	3226	3419



Club / School Results

The competition winners for 2012 are;

**Intermediate
Winners 2012**

**Secondary
Winners 2012**

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Premier Grade	Berkley 1 st XI	Boys A Grade	Hamilton Boys High School 1st XI
A Grade	Matamata 1 st XI	Girls A Grade	Waikato Diocesan 1 st XI
B Grade	Te Kowhai	Boys B Grade	Morrinsville College 1 st XI
C Grade	HDS/HCS Centurions	Girls B Grade	St Pauls Colligate 1 st XI
D Grade	Whitikahu	Boys C Grade	Otorohanga College 1st XI
		Girls C Grade	Fraser High School 1 st XI
		Boys D Grade	Hamilton Boys High School White
		Girls D Grade	Fraser Tech
		Gallagher Grade	Hillcrest High School 3 rd XI

MEN

Premier	Presidents Round	Hooper Cup	Fraser Tech
Reserve	Presidents Round	WHA Doug Gracie Cup	Fraser Tech
Third Division	Presidents Round	Des Meads Trophy	Deepak

WOMEN

Premier	President's Round	President's Trophy	Ecolab Te Awamutu
Senior Reserve	President's Round	WWHA Cup	Te Awamutu Blue
Third Division	President's Round	HWA Cup	Marist

MEN

Premier	Intercity		N//a
Reserve	Round 2	HHA Sheild	Fraser Tech
Third Division	Round 2	Andy Papesh Cup	Admor University

WOMEN

Premier	Intercity		N/a
Senior Reserve	Round 2	HLHA Pretty	Sachin University
Third Division	Round 2	Robinson Cup	Fraser Tech Reserves

MEN

Premier	Championship Round	Monteith & Parker Cup	Fraser Tech
Reserve	Championship Round	Gardiner Cup	New World
Third Division	Championship Round	Wayne Boyd Cup	Kelly Te Awamutu

WOMEN

Premier	Championship Round	HLHC Brewis Cup	Fraser Tech
Senior Reserve	Championship Round	Cambridge Classics	Te Awamutu Blue
Third Division	Championship Round	The Tanner Cup	Te Awamutu Green

WHA Prizes

Congratulations to all the Trophy winners for 2012.

MEN Overall Transtours Trophy Fraser Tech

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WOMEN	Overall	Howden Sheild	Fraser Tech
Category	Trophy Awarded		Recipient
Services to WHA		Reece Hodgson Memorial	Bruce Becker
Best Sporting Team		Rosebowl	Suburbs Men's Reserves
Best & Fairest Player		WF Goodwill Trophy	Holly Miller
Players Umpire OTY		<i>No trophy</i>	Carol Lambert
Young Male Player Of the Year		Colt's Trophy	Nic Woods
Young Female Player Of the Year		Gore Taxi Cup	Kim Tanner
Premier Male Player Of the Year		WHA Cup	Matt Rees-Gibbs
Premier Female Player Of the Year		WHA Cup	Kim Gill
Reserve Men Player of the Year		Vickers Family Cup	Grant Goile
Reserve Women Player of the Year		Strawbridge Cup	Tracey Oakes
3 rd Division Men Player of the Year		Rod Laurence Cup	Mervyn Fernandez
3 rd Division Women Player of the Year		WHA Cup	Victoria Wilson
Senior Male Umpire of the Year		WH Umpires Assn Trophy	Ben Wilson
Junior Male Umpire of the Year		WH Umpires Assn Trophy	Rhys McLaughlin
Senior Female Umpire of the Year			Carol Lambert
Junior Female Umpire of the Year			Anna Billing
Most Improved Junior Umpire			Amelia Jarvis-Hall
Championship Club		Killip Memorial Shield	Te Awamutu