

Pine Rivers Inline Hockey



Inhouse Report

Welcome back sports fans, hello again to the familiar faces at Monday night In-house hockey from last year and a special welcome to the new families this year. We're now into week 8 and we can see a huge improvement of skill levels in all age brackets.

After round seven the positions are:

Junior (Hawks 11 pts, Titans 11 pts, Warriors 5 pts, Vikings no pts)
Intermediate (Warriors 9 pts, Hawks 8 pts, Titans 7 pts, Vikings 4 pts,)
Seniors (Warriors 11 pts, Vikings 10 pts, Titans 4 pts, Hawks 3 pts)
All teams are in tight clusters.

Not to be a nag, but a reminder to all parents to ensure that your child has packed their mouthguard in their bags, because if there is **NO MOUTHGUARD** there is **NO PLAY**.

For information of Junior parents and players, we will be introducing more rules into games, such as:

- Offside—You can't pass the puck to your team across the centre line;
- High Stick - No stick above the shoulder;
- Slashing—swinging the stick at an opponent (whether in or out of range)
- Tripping—placing the stick, leg, knee, foot, arm, hand, or elbow in such a manner that it causes an opponent to trip or fall.

I'd like to appeal to the parents of children in teams without team managers to come forward and get involved. You'll get a lot more out of it and your child/children will also get a lot more out of it.

Come and see either myself, Dave Roberts or Sue Anderson. Dave and I will always be happy to assist the team manger. Apart from Sue at the front desk, Dave is the guy wearing the green Dave Roberts builder T Shirt and I am the good looking one.

In house Co-ordinators Sue Anderson, Dave Roberts, Michael Flower.

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Under 12's Dragons



Our first game was versus Browns Plains at Slacks Creek. This was the first opportunity that the boys have had to play together as a team this season. Joe Eggesfield was the goalie, even though this is not Joe's favourite position he defended the goalmouth with such success that the opposition were only able to score two goals. Our star attacker Chris Nowosad ripped in three goals in one game after practising all last season. Brent Cobb, Guy Everdell, Mitchell Roberts and James Thelander the core team members from last season, played their usual strong games. Chris Flower in his first game assisted admirably in defence. The final score was 15 – 2.

Our second game was played at home against the Gold Coast Stars. This side is tipped to be one of the top teams for the 2003 season. Our coach Garth, put Chris Nowosad into the goal this week to give his goal scoring skills a rest and his goal tending skills to the test. The match was very evenly scored with the opposition putting in the first goal. Our team came back with an answer almost straight away and by the end of the first period had a lead of 3 goals. The excitement continued as Brent and Guy showed their Queensland team skills to hammer away at the opposition's goalie. The score seesawed backwards and forwards as Joe and James kept up the goal scoring pressure with Dragons maintaining the lead. Coach Garth could be heard screaming "Body, Body, Body" from the sidelines and at least three of the players took this advice a little too literally and spent a couple of minutes in the sin bin as a result. As the clock was ticking down its final moments the score was seven all when Mitchell Roberts flicked the puck from the back of the goal along the board to Chris Flower who scored the final goal. The final score was 8-7.



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Words from the Coach



Under 14s Vs Sunny Coast

The game started off to our favour with a few quick goals from Sean Brunzman and Stewart Crombie, which was appealed by Sunny Coast and denied after further examination of the goal, which was deemed offside. We held our own for the first two periods but let it slip away somewhat in the third period. I think that many players do not have the team spirit capable to win these kind of important games which could seed us in the top 4.

Our first game of the schedule saw us defeat the favourites Browns Plains, which we played stunningly and fought valiantly for every loose puck and scored on nearly every opportunity. Somehow, against Sunshine Coast we could not maintain this characteristic and were subject to a stereo typical second half loss. I think that on a bigger rink, we would prove a better opponent for any team in the league and equally devastating in both attack and defense, as was shown in the game against Browns Plains. But on a confined rink with 4 on 4, we lose our confidence and give up key goals at bad times. On the whole, we need to function as a team to win as a team. As soon as we start doing that again, we will start winning games. All in all, a well played game by all.

Under 16s Vs Sunny Coast

Our first two games of the season were very mismatched, playing some of the best players in Australia for their age and pitting them against an unexperienced squad with an Under 14 goalie is always a hard task. To our strength, we played a very solid game against Sunny Coast and pulled through in the end, winning 11-7 in a hard fought battle. Goals came quick and steadily through out the game and it proved a worthy contest. New comer Dean Testa picked up several goals and set up a few more to boost the team, Daniel Morris also picking up very handy goals, all adding to our game.

I could not really say a bad thing about the Under 16s determination and goal scoring ability. A great game by all.

Luke “Hille” Hillegers

Tip of the Month

**Look after your hockey sticks—
throwing them on the ground
shortens their life considerably.**



Under 16's Managers Report



Bulldogs

Well here we are again at the beginning of the Dragons hockey season. I'd like to take this opportunity to welcome you all back, especially Andrew, Stewart, Ben and Sean the U14 players without whom we wouldn't have an U16 team. For our first match of the season we were up against the Logan Bulldogs. Our line up consisted of Glenn, Sean, Stewart, Andrew, Preston, Robert and Daniel. We played at the new rink in the Greg Ritchie Indoor Cricket Centre at Slacks Creek. Despite some good plays and puck handling by the team and a 50% average by goalie Preston, we lost **6 - 17**. Better luck next time.

The second game was played at home against the **Gold Coast Stars**, a pretty strong team. For this match, our team has expanded to include another U14 player, Ben Thompson and Dean Testa who is no stranger to the club. At this point we would like to welcome Stacey Sarah back into the team and congratulate her on being selected to play in the QLD Woman's team. Well what can I say, after a slow start the opposition got their act together and we were soundly beaten! I should mention that the U14's usually play in the preceding game, and although they probably enjoy playing a second game, it must be quite demanding to play against a physically bigger and fresh team. The score was **19 - 4**.

Game 3 was another home game. Our team line up was Robert, Daniel, Stacey, Glenn, Tim, Dean, Stewart, Sean, Andrew and another new recruit in Alex Beeston, brother of Tim. The opposition team was the Sunshine Coast. We started well scoring the first goal, and after a couple of minutes they equalised. The game see-sawed and by the end of the second quarter the score was 5 all. Then in the third quarter, Sunny Coast scored two quick goals, making the score 7 - 5 in their favour. Most of this period was played with 2 on 2 after minor infringements, but we managed to tie the score again by quarters end. In the last quarter, we scored a couple quick goals and ended up winning the game **11 - 7**. Dean was inspirational in getting the team motivated. They started displaying some good teamwork, passing and backing up other members. Stacey was good in defence, blocking a number of shots on goal. Goalie Tim had a great game stopping some screamers, and averaged 83 % for the game.

Nearly forgot two important things.

1. Players must wear mouth guards while playing on the rink
2. It was mentioned to me during the week that we need all the team to come to training on Thursday nights if possible. If we don't get the numbers coming to training, it becomes uneconomical to hire the rink, and we will have to revert to training with the U14s

That's about it for April.

Team manager
Phil



2003 Australian National InLine Hockey Championship

The Caloundra Indoor Sports Stadium was the venue of the 2003 AILHA-Bauer Nike National In-line Hockey Championship with 36 teams competing from the ACT, New South Wales, Victoria, South Australia and host Queensland.

7 members of the Pine Rivers Dragons participated in the 7-day Championship, after months of preparation, tryouts, selection and training.

Brent Cobb represented Queensland in the U12 team as Assistant Captain of his team. After giving everyone an early scare with 2 hairline fractures in his wrist, Brent recovered in time to play and score goals at the tournament. Brent's team played very well going into the finals undefeated. Queensland lost narrowly to Victoria 7-6 in a very exciting final.

Guy Everdell and James Thelander played for the U12 Queensland Country team, with Guy nominated as team captain. This U12 development team defeated the South Australian team and performed well in all their games. Guy was the leading scorer in his team.

Stewart Crombie and Andrew Thelander played in the U14 Queensland team where Stewart was the Assistant Captain. The team lost to eventual winners New South Wales 7-3 in the semi-finals. This Championship was Stewart's 4th National appearance. The Club is delighted Stewart has been selected to represent Australia U14 in the upcoming Western Canadian AM Cup and World InLine Cup in Edmonton, Canada during the July school holidays. Congratulations Stewart and all the best!

Stacey Sarah represented Queensland in the Ladies team. Stacy's team was ranked 2nd going into the semi-finals and lost narrowly to ACT 2-3. Although competing in the Nationals for the first time, Stacy performed well and has been selected as a Reserve for the National Ladies team. Well done Stacey!

Mark Cobb played in the Queensland Masters team. Mark's team had several exciting games and won their semi-final against NSW. Unfortunately they lost to Victoria 4-2 in the final. Mark had a busy time at the Championship as one of the tournament organisers, team manager for the U12 Queensland team and playing in the Masters Division.

Mark together with Dave Roberts, Bob Crombie, Peter Andersen, Guy Everdell Sr, Neil Thelander and other club members of the Pine Rivers In-Line Hockey Club made a significant contribution to numerous requirements of the Tournament including painting, construction, erection and dismantling of the tournament boards, volunteered at the tournament gate, selling tournament merchandise and managing teams.

Our players and volunteers met lots of people, made new friends, splashed on 'team spirit', drove karts, went body surfing, had 5 kids for sleepovers, drove a lot, had late nights, wiped wet floors, had early mornings, cheered a lot, swapped uniforms – all in all, a good tournament.

Saturday Social Hockey for Club members

From the 12th April 2003, the Pine Rivers In-Line Hockey Club is running Social Drop-In hockey for all club members only, over 18 years old.

(If you are under 18 years old, you will require written agreement of the club committee before you can play in social drop-in. Please contact any committee member listed on the club notice board at Skateaway for more information.)

Club membership for social drop-in is only \$25 per annum, and includes insurance coverage while you are playing on the rink for the rest of the year. Social hockey is played every Saturday, starting at 5pm and finishes at 7pm for only \$10 per person (this includes free skate from 7.30 to 9.30pm) at Skateaway Skating Rink, Albany Creek. New players may hire protective equipment for just \$4. So come along and have a go.

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