



Bellbowrie Hockey Club

2016 Annual Report

**BE INVOLVED, GET CONNECTED, HAVE FUN,
& TOGETHER WE WILL BE A STRONG AND COMPETITIVE CLUB**

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BHC Management Committee & Key Voluntary Roles

Management Committee

President	Troy Hansen
Treasurer	Rob Westmoreland
Secretary	Vacant
Vice President (Operations)	Julie Ellet
Vice President (Policy & Procedures)	Sharon Denny

Development Coordinators

Hook In2 Hockey Coordinator	Sarah Cleary
Boys Coordinator	Gavin Burchmann
Girls Coordinator	Julie Ellet
Men's Coordinator	Barry Chamberlain
Women's Coordinator	Julie Ellet

Key Voluntary Roles

Registrar	Cheryl Boyle
Website Administrator	Andy Boyle
IHA Delegate	Troy Hansen
Bellbowrie Sport & Rec Delegate	Julie Ellet
Uniform & Supporter Apparel Coordinator	Yvette Job
Fundraising Coordinator	Vacant
Communications Officer	Vacant
Sponsorship & Marketing Officer	Vacant
Purchasing & Equipment Coordinator	Vacant
Trophy Officer	Vacant

Life Members

Graham Gardiner	John Kelly	Barry Chamberlain	Julie Ellet
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President's Report

Looking back at the 2016 season the Bellbowrie Hockey club has a lot to be proud of. Our performance on and off the field this year has been strong with many successes to be celebrated.

On the financial front Bellbowrie Hockey Club returned a much needed profit, which will allow us to do a little investment planning. The surplus was realised largely as a result of fundraising activities, such as the weekly meat tray raffle at the Bellbowrie Tavern, three Bunnings sausage sizzles, and the chocolate drive. In total fundraising and sponsorship contributed approximately 28% of the club's revenue this year. I would like to thank everyone who supported these activities, in particular Yvette Job who spent many hours coordinating volunteers. I would also like to thank the Bellbowrie Tavern for their very generous ongoing sponsorship.

The club was successful in gaining two grants this year. The first being \$27,350 to replace goal keeping equipment, training gear, and to buy resources to deliver 'come and try hockey' sessions. The second, being \$4,985 is to invest into our coaches and managers through formal coaching and first aid qualifications. These initiatives will be implemented early in 2017 and will improve opportunities and outcomes for our members for many years to come.

We got off to a great start this year with 44 players joining our HookIn2Hockey program, up from 30 in 2015. Thank you very much to Sarah Cleary and our wonderful coaches who did a great job keeping the kids enthused and learning every Thursday and Saturday.

It was exciting to see the return of a Bellbowrie R2 Women's team in 2016. This grade provides an important link between our junior and senior grades and provides great opportunities for our members. A special thanks to Ali Fenton who answered our mercy call when we needed a coach.

Bellbowrie had a great presence in the finals series and a significant number of representative appointments again this year. Please take the time to read the Men's, Women's, Boy's and Girl's Coordinator reports below. Congratulations to all teams on your achievements this year. Thanks to our coaches, managers, coordinators, mums and dads for getting behind the players and making our club so great.



A couple of special congratulations:

To our A2 ladies on being undefeated throughout the regular season and for being named Ipswich Hockey Team of the Year. What an amazing grand final you played and how unlikely you were in the end. You'll get them in 2017.

To Shannon Ashton on being named Ipswich Hockey A2 Women's Player of the Year.

And our A2 Men who went very close to taking home the silverware this year. This team was the first Bellbowrie men's team to play a Grand Final since 2008. An amazing experience to watch the men do battle against Norths in the pouring rain. They had every club in Ipswich Hockey barracking for them too.

2017 looms as another challenging but rewarding year. We are seeking to provide playing opportunities appropriate to every players' skill level and development goals. We will continue to work with other clubs to enable players to play at a higher grade in another club, whilst remaining registered with their primary club, as we have done successfully this year.

By far our greatest challenge for 2017 will be engaging enough volunteers to run the club. If you have ever thought about coaching, or have coached in the past, please consider putting your hand up next year. We will do everything we can to support you, including (as mentioned earlier) providing formal training.

We will be breaking down a number of volunteer roles into more manageable tasks so members can get involved, knowing the commitment of time will be less onerous. Please keep your ears open for opportunities to get involved next year and lend a hand.

I would like to thank our committee for working so hard to provide great opportunities for our members. Thank you also for your support and patience while I learnt the ropes this year. I hope to see you all back in 2017.

Have a great off season everyone and stay safe.

Sincerely,

Troy Hansen

President

Bellbowrie Hockey Club



Treasurer's Report

Report on Financial Status - 2016 Season

This year sees the Bellbowrie Hockey Club in a stronger financial position at the end of the year than it started. The net income for the year was \$9,458 compared to \$3,853 in 2015. The Club has \$19,207 in the operating bank accounts compared with \$6,967 at the start of the year.

As noted in last year's annual report, a key concern was the club's inability to cover the costs of playing hockey with player fees. It is felt that player fees should cover the costs of registration, training, umpires and game fees. This would provide a stable on-going basis for the club. The less secure sources of income from fund-raising and sponsorship can be utilised for the ancillary costs such as uniforms, equipment, marketing and promotion. With this view, the committee looked to achieve the following for the year:

- Increase player fees slightly to reduce the funding deficit;
- Remove volunteer discounts for all roles other than coaches and managers. The club is to provide benefits to the volunteers through other means;
- Broaden the scope of fund-raising activities for a more regular income; and
- Hold discretionary spend to a minimum until a more secure financial position is achieved.

The improved financial result of \$9,458 result for the year reflects some of these efforts. In the current year, the net proceeds of fundraising and sponsorship was just over \$11,000, meaning a shortfall of approximately \$2,000 in player fees for hockey operations.

In gross terms fee revenue was consistent with the prior year. In real terms, this was an increase as the club fees did not include a component of Hockey Queensland insurance fees that were required to be paid directly by players to HQ this year. We had significant growth in our Hooked in 2 Hockey player numbers this year. Our fees for these players do not cover the costs but the committee has determined that they players represent the future of the club and growth needs to start from these younger players. However, the fee structure may need to be adjusted for this group of players in coming years.

In an effort to make collection of fees simpler for members, the club introduced the ability to pay fees by credit card or by instalments through a third party operator (EziDebit) at minimal cost to the members and no cost to the club. Only a few members took advantage of this offering but we will retain this facility for next year. A few minor fee invoices for adjustments remain outstanding at yearend.

Collection of money for uniforms is an issue that has not been focused on this year but will be followed up for the 2016 season and into the 2017, especially as the club intends to purchase more uniforms in 2017.



The club was fortunate to be successful in obtaining money from two grants:

- Get Going Clubs from the Queensland Government for \$4,985. This money is to be spent on first aid training for coaches and managers and providing training qualifications for our coaches. The aim is to have 85% of our coaches with Level 1 certification. This should be of benefit to the players but also provide a tangible benefit to the coaches who volunteer their time for the club.
- Gambling Community Benefit Fund for \$27,350. As noted in last year's report, there has been very limited investment by the club in recent years in player and goalie equipment and training aids. This grant will enable the club to replace much of the old equipment.

The money for each of these grants may only be spent for the purposes specified in the grant applications and must be returned if not spent. At the end of the year the club had not expended the money but aims to have the funds fully spent within the grant timelines.

Thanks to the efforts of a small band of volunteers, the club raised significant funds from the weekly selling of meat tray raffle tickets at the Bellbowrie Tavern and from two Bunnings sausage sizzles. The regular nature of the meat raffles is very important for a secure source of "other income" for the ancillary expenses as noted in the comments above. The Cadbury chocolate drive was also successful in raising funds. These funds will be used for replacement of very old uniforms, commencing with Hooked in 2 Hockey. The Club would like to acknowledge the support provide again this year by the Bellbowrie Tavern for their sponsorship and support through the meat raffles. Without their support and the support of our fundraising volunteers, player fees would need to be increased significantly.

Fees paid to IHA were reduced this year due to:

- HQ insurance fee paid directly by members rather than collected by the club and on-paid to IHA;
- Careful review of training times and field sharing. This year the D Grade girls team shifted training venue from Bellbowrie's grass fields to IHA's turf fields to allow the girls to practice on the surface they increasingly play on. Some of this cost was passed on the players as part of their fee increase. The club absorbed the remaining cost increase.

The committee has spent minimal money during the year on any expenses other than direct IHA costs. As noted in last year's report, this is not sustainable. Given the positive result for this year, there will be some funds available for promoting the club within the community and for recognising in tangible ways

the very huge effort given by some to support the club through their volunteer activities (coaches, managers, registrar, co-ordinators, fund raisers etc).



At this stage the 2017 season budget has not been completed as we await information regarding IHA fees and likely teams. It is the strong hope and aim of the current committee that fees will remain unchanged for the 2017 season.

Robert Westmoreland

BHC Treasurer 2016

Financial Statements – For the Year Ended 30 September 2016



Bellbowrie Hockey Club Inc.

ABN 28 309 354 260

Statement of Income & Expenditure for the year ended 30 September 2016

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Income		
Fees & Subscriptions	46,004	46,493
Clothing Sales	1,191	2,828
Fundraising		
- Tavern Rebate	1,100	453
- Meat Raffles	4,865	1,429
- Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	3,352	1,792
- Chocolate Drive	3,869	3,760
- Other		993
	13,186	8,428
Grant Funding	32,335	-
Sponsorship	1,500	1,500
Donations		146
Miscellaneous	48	63
Total Income	94,264	59,458
Expenditure		
Equipment	954	602
Clothing	2,847	2,583
Rent	-	2,200
Sports & Rec Club Fees	1,311	2,148
IHA Fees		
- IHA Registration	5,090	9,390
- IHA Game Fees	16,429	17,125
- IHA Umpires	3,272	2,751
- IHA Training	9,120	10,957
	33,911	40,223
Trophies/Presentation Day	6,686	4,390
Fundraising Costs		
- Bunnings Sausage Sizzle	517	620



- Chocolate Drive	3,030	2,076
	3,547	2,696
Publicity / Advertising	682	-
Audit	440	-
Sundry Expenses	653	744
Total Cash Expenditure	51,031	55,585
Unearned Grant Funding	33,335	
Allowance for Uncollectable Fees	300	
Write-off of Storage Shed		
Shelving	140	
Depreciation		20
Total Expenditure	84,806	55,605
Net Income (Expenditure)	9,458	3,853



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Balance Sheet

as at 30 September 2016

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Current Assets		
Cash at Bank		
- NAB Cheque Account	852	6,037
- Bendigo Bank - Operating Acct	18,355	930
- Bendigo Bank - Grant Receipts Acct	32,335	-
	51,542	6,967
Member Fees Receivable	547	-
less Allowance for Uncollectible Fees	(300)	-
	247	-
Sponsorship Receivable	500	-
Total Current Assets	52,289	6,967
Non-Current Assets		
Storage Shed (shared ownership)	-	800
less Accumulated Depreciation	-	(660)
Total Non-Current Assets	-	140
Total Assets	52,289	7,107
Current Liabilities		
Invoices Payable	2,169	-
Accrual for Audit Fee	220	-
Unearned Grant Receipts	33,335	-
Total Liabilities	35,724	-
Net Assets	16,565	7,107
Represented by Accumulated Funds		
Balance from Prior Year	7,107	3,254
Surplus/(Deficit) for the Year	9,458	3,853
Accumulated Funds	16,565	7,107



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**Statement of Cash Flows
for the year ended 30 September 2016**

	2016	2015
	\$	\$
Cash Flows from Operating Activities		
Receipts from members	46,648	49,320
Other Receipts	46,569	10,138
Payments to Suppliers and Other parties	(48,642)	(55,585)
Net Cashflow from Operations	44,575	3,873
Opening Cash	6,967	3,094
Closing Cash	51,542	6,967



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Notes to the Financial Statements

Note 1: Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act. The committee has determined that the association is not a reporting entity

The committee has determined that the accounts should be prepared on an accruals accounting basis. The year ended 30 September 2016 represents the first year of accruals accounting. The financial report is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.

Note 2: Grant Funding

During the current financial year, the Club received funding from two grants for specified purposes. These grant monies are required to be expended within a set timeframe as noted below. Failure to spend grant money in accordance with the terms of the grant will require repayment of the grant money. As at the end of the financial year, the Club had not expended the money. It is consequently recorded as a liability as at the end of the financial year.

<i>Get Going Clubs - Queensland Government</i>	<i>4,985</i>	<i>Due 31 Dec 2016</i>
Conduct education and training to support hockey at Bellbowrie		
<i>Gambling Community Benefit Fund</i>	<i>27,350</i>	<i>Due 30 Apr 2017</i>
Protective equipment and training aids as specified in the application		
Total	32,335	



BELLBOWRIE HOCKEY CLUB INC

Independent Auditor's Report to the Members

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report, of BELLBOWRIE HOCKEY CLUB INC (the association), which comprises the Statement by Members of the Committee, Income and Expenditure Statement, Balance Sheet, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes for the financial year ended 30 September 2016.

Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The committee of BELLBOWRIE HOCKEY CLUB INC is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report, and have determined that the basis of preparation is appropriate to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act of Queensland 1981 and is appropriate to meet the needs of the members. The committee's responsibilities also includes such internal control as the committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We have conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the committee, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Opinion

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of BELLBOWRIE HOCKEY CLUB INC as at 30 September 2016 and its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the accounting policies of the association, and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act of Queensland 1981.

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to the basis of accrual accounting which has been adopted by the association. The financial report has been prepared to assist BELLBOWRIE HOCKEY CLUB INC to meet the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act of Queensland 1981. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

Signed on :25 November 2016
Peter John Caldwell
Fellow of the Institute of Public Accountants

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "P.J. Caldwell". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above a horizontal line.



Vice President Operations Report

2016 has been an action packed year for Bellbowrie Hockey Club.

We kicked off with an extremely successful 'Come and Try Day' in February. With minimal advertising we had over 50 new players turn up to check out the sport of hockey. The day was successful in a number of ways. While it was great to see so many new faces, it was really exciting to see how many players, from under 11's through to senior players, turned up to help out. We signed up a number of new players and everyone who attended had heaps of fun!

While we struggled to fill some teams, some good relationships were developed with other clubs by either forming a combined team – in the case of the Bellbowrie/Thistles Women's Reserve Grade team, or by other clubs finding room for some of our players, as in the case of the Easts J2 Boys and the Res men. It is a great thing when teams can work together for the better of the sport and for the benefit of the players. Everyone wins. It makes for a viable competition for all concerned at the time, allows for the development of players and increases the likelihood of the clubs concerned eventually being able to field full teams in those grades in their own right.

Coming from 'the other side of the river', BHC has long been considered an outsider from the perspective of the IHA and a great deal of effort has gone into fostering a good relationship with the officialdom of IHA. Thanks in large part to the efforts of people such as Trish Harley, Karen Dolan, Jan Walker, Gavin Burchmann and Troy Hansen we are definitely closer to becoming accepted.

We had some successful fundraising events, with a number of Bunnings sausage sizzles, the chocolate drive and the weekly meat tray raffle at the Bellbowrie Tavern. It is always easy to fill the Bunnings roster and I thank all of those who jump at the chance to have a fun time cooking and selling sausages. Chocolates always sell well. We do need to get more people involved in rocking up to the Bellbowrie Tavern on a Saturday night to sell meat tray tickets. We only need two people each week and it only takes an hour. The Tavern provides the meat. We just sell the tickets and bank the takings. We are incredibly lucky to have scored Saturday night and we can usually count on banking at least \$100 each week. It probably varies between \$80 and \$240 on a Saturday night, depending on how busy it is. We are looking at getting a new core group of people, each of whom is willing to turn up on four to six Saturday evenings in a year.

Because of uncertainty with senior teams and a lack of coaches leading up to the season, the usual pre-season matches and other activities were not planned this season.



We did not get all of our preferred time slots for training but I think that it worked out for most teams. Probably the least successful move, in terms of training times, was the under 13 girls. We moved their training to Ipswich for the first time and due to circumstances they ended up training at 6:00pm on Thursday. Apart from the fact that not all girls could make that session so some trained on Tuesdays, the time slot was just too late for the young girls. While some coped, others were just too tired at that time of day and from a coach's perspective it was not a good move.

Much effort was put into securing coaches at the beginning of the season and we were incredibly lucky to be able to welcome Adam Spry on board as the coach of the A grade women – a team which quite possibly would not have eventuated without Adam. Tim Dunn agreed to coach the Reserve men and Stewart Armstrong the A2 men. As it turned out we didn't end up having enough players to form a Reserve grade team. Alison Fenton agreed to be caretaker coach of the women's Reserve team until we found a coach. We didn't end up fielding a Reserve team so Ali kindly looked after the R2 women all season and did an excellent job. A2 women coach themselves.

The club has just managed to maintain two boys' teams in recent years. Brendan Gallagher was coach of the J1 boys until work took him away from Brisbane and we were lucky to have Cameron Cliff step in, with support from Gav and Barry. The J3 boys were coached by Patrick Denny and Cooper Orrick, who were unable to attend all training sessions and all matches. Fortunately for the J3 boys, Cath and Archie Cameron looked after them when Patrick and Cooper weren't available. The girls finally managed to field teams in under 11, under 13 and under 15 again and the under 15 team would not have been viable without the fantastic effort of coach, Lyn Grulke. A coach had been lined up for the under 13 girls, but that fell through due to unexpected circumstances and fortunately a replacement was found.

Sarah Cleary did a great job co-ordinating the HookIn2 program. It is a great program. We don't have to come up with a program – it is written for us. It is cheap for parents and it is a lot of fun so it is easy to attract players. It cannot work without coaches though. We need reliable coaches who will be there every week. The little kids need to be able to rely on looking up to the same face each week. We have been getting by with one set of coaches on Thursday afternoon and one set on Saturday morning. It would be even better to have the same coaches both days, but we can work with that. Sadie and Hannah Casey and Isabella Baxter were regulars on Thursday afternoons. Saturday mornings were not so easy, with original volunteers having changes in circumstance. Regulars were Rob Westmoreland, Chloe Daniel, Nat Murray and Cailan Burchmann, with some of the HookIn2 parents occasionally helping out. It worked this year but we need to tighten up the act.



The bottom line is that we need coaches.

Without coaches we will not have a club. Sure, the A2 men and women can manage without a coach but the junior teams can't and without a coach it is very difficult to attract players to the other senior teams.

Where do coaches come from?

Unfortunately, we don't usually find them on eBay or Gumtree. The club cannot afford to pay coaches. Junior coaches are often parents - either parents who used to, or still do, play hockey, or parents who learn the game from the sideline and then go off and do a coaching course. Sometime coaches are people who have been in the sport for years and have just coached for ever and ever. There was a time when it was an expectation that A grade players would contribute to the junior teams, either as a coach or in some other way. We do have a few that do and it was great to see a few more get involved in coaching this year but I would like to see more of our senior members contributing to the junior teams. Coaching is great fun. It is extremely rewarding. I encourage all A and Reserve grade players to think about giving it a go.

BHC obtained a grant to cover the cost of getting our coaches accredited and to run a first aid course for coaches and managers. We plan to run a first aid course in mid-February and as soon as there are enough people keen enough to obtain their level one accreditation we will organise a course. If you are interested talk to a committee member.

The club was probably at its peak in the 2009 and 2010 seasons, when we had teams in all senior grades, all junior girls' grades and two out of three junior boys' teams. We even had two teams in each under 13 and under 15 grades in 2009 and the following year, the one team in each of those grades won the grand final. 2010 saw two R2 teams. The club also had a healthy number of volunteers in that period. We had regular newsletters and regular social functions. People weren't expected to fill multiple roles because there were enough volunteers to share the load. The club is going through a rebuild and while we are getting more teams on the field, the number of people taking on volunteer roles is not increasing. There were lots of great ideas being thrown around this year and plenty of plans but not enough people to execute them.

Where to now for Bellbowrie Hockey Club?

What does Bellbowrie Hockey Club need from you?



The club needs a functional committee, which includes President, Secretary, Treasurer and two Vice Presidents. Some of these roles can be shared. There is no reason why we can't have an assistant treasurer and a minutes secretary to take the load off the Treasurer and the Secretary. We need a uniform officer, so that we can ensure that we always have enough uniforms and so that we can keep track of where the uniforms are. We need an equipment officer, who has time to go out and spend the grant money that we obtained to purchase new equipment and to ensure that the teams have everything that they need by the time the season starts. We need a Registrar and someone to manage the website and Facebook. We need someone who has time to write grants and we need a Fundraising Officer – not to do the fundraising but to oversee the various fundraising activities and find people to co-ordinate them. We need a Newsletter Co-ordinator – not to write everything but to gather contributions from others and to put it all together. We need senior and junior co-ordinators, a coaching co-ordinator, a HookIn2 co-ordinator. It would be great to have a social co-ordinator. In the past we have held quiz nights and movie nights. We need an IHA rep, to attend monthly IHA meetings. We need a Bellbowrie Sport and Rec rep to attend monthly meetings, mainly to have a presence, to ensure that we maintain our training space in Bellbowrie and to attempt to get some maintenance done.

In 2016 most of the above positions were not filled and some people were trying very hard to cover a number of bases. There were things that did not get done. There were people who weren't properly thanked for what they did do. For that, I sincerely apologise.

We all saw the coaches and managers out there doing their thing. Thank you to all of you. Thank you to the people turned up to the Come and Try Day, to those who sold chocolates, who have turned up to the Tavern to sell meat tray tickets and to those who regularly turn up to Bunnings. There are people in the background who give a lot of time as well. Cheryl Boyle has done a fantastic job as club Registrar in the last couple of years. Cheryl is always on top of what is happening and alerts coaches and co-ordinators when there is a new online registration or when something has gone amiss with a registration. Andy Boyle does a wonderful job with our Website and always welcomes input and updates. If he doesn't know about it he can't put it on the website. Yvette Job has put a lot of time and effort into the Tavern meat tray raffles. Troy thought that he was taking on the role of club President this year but it turned out to be a whole lot more than that as he covered many bases.

At this stage we will aim to field teams in all grades in 2017. We are probably not ready to get an A grade men's team together yet but we will be looking for coaches for most teams. While we hope to retain Adam Spry for the A grade women, we do not have any other senior coaches confirmed. We will need to find coaches for two junior boys' teams, at least one girls' team and three HookIn2 teams.

We hope to have some preseason activities for seniors early in the New Year, including fitness sessions, maybe some bonding activities and hopefully our A/Reserve grade women and Reserve grade men will be able to enter some pre-season competitions in January.



Some activities to expect in February/March–

Sunday 5 Feb – IHA Open Day

Saturday 11 Feb – Come and Try Day/ Sign on– Bellbowrie fields

Saturday 18 February – First Aid Course for coaches and managers

Saturday 4 March – Coach and Manager Induction

Saturday 11 March – Week 1 of fixtures

Julie Ellett

Vice President - Operations

Bellbowrie Hockey Club

GO BELLBOWRIE!!



Vice President – Policy and Procedures Report

Bellbowrie Strikers Hockey Club (BSHC) is an incorporated, not for profit association. As such, our club is bound by a range of governance requirements under the *Associations Incorporation Act 1981*, including a range of policies and procedures, and most importantly, our Club Constitution. Given our Constitution (and many of our policies) were developed over five years ago, it is timely to review. As part of the “Club Health” check we have undertaken during 2016, we’ve identified a few areas of our Constitution that need to be updated to ensure the club continues to be legally compliant. The next stage of this exercise will include circulating any proposed amendments to all club members to consider, with an explanation for why the changes may be deemed necessary. Similarly, we will also be surveying members in 2017, seeking your views on what does and doesn’t work within the club, and how you think it could be improved.

“Good Club” Behaviour

Bellbowrie Strikers has long enjoyed a reputation for being a friendly, hospitable, welcoming club, committed to ensuring an enjoyable hockey playing experience for all of our members. A critical part of this experience is tied to our commitment to ensuring appropriate behaviour from our players – and their supporters. During the 2016 season, Hockey Queensland and Ipswich Hockey Association increased their focus on fair play and good sportsmanship, which BSHC reflected through team information sessions, and a range of electronic and printed media. However, we recognise there is room to improve, channelling passionate commentary and sideline coaching into constructive cheering of a team’s collective effort. Maintaining a healthy club culture requires both ongoing reinforcement and recognition of great player and supporter behaviour. In 2017, BSHC will be seeking to lead the Ipswich Competition with ‘good club’ behaviour, underpinned by the support of our members and their families, as we implement strategies to support this aspiration.

Concussion protocol

As a result of a concussion sustained by one of our junior players this season, our coordinators identified the need for a standard procedure to assess the risk of concussion; and a protocol for assessing when it is appropriate for players to return to the game. In developing a club response to medical issues, the committee first seeks clarity from our local, state and national hockey associations, and in the absence of sufficient guidance, we look to other elite sports with high quality medical advice. The concussion protocol adopted for BSHC was developed by the Murdoch Children’s Research Institute, and endorsed by the Australian Football League. This protocol was trialled late in the 2016 season, and included a smart phone app being provided to all coaches/managers to ensure a rapid and appropriate field assessment. We will be formally implementing the protocol in Managers/Coaches Induction packages in 2017.

Sharon Denny, Vice President Policy and Procedures



Senior Men's Coordinator Report

The start of the 2016 season was a bit of a balancing act with Player numbers through the preseason period to try to run both A2 & Reserve teams. In the end by the 3rd week of fixtures being Easter Weekend we lost a few more players and a coach due to various reasons such as, injury or work transfers or Uni studies.

The club considered this situation as a real issue of Duty of Care for the J1 Boys and the Senior Men, we couldn't expect the both men & boys players to play double games for the whole season, we would just be asking for major injury & physical burnout to occur in both age groups and we will be in even more difficulty and probably will then have to start forfeiting games as a result of all this. The other compounding factor was that the J1 boys had a few injuries early in the season and had 2 players out, combined with their low registration numbers, this put 2 senior men's teams beyond consideration and the boys & men players welfare a priority.

The A2 men only picked up one new player to the club about a third of the way into the season, so as a result of the limited player numbers only the A2 Men's would be sustainable to run in 2016.

Lastly on a good note the Bellbowrie Club J1 Boys & Men both finished the Ipswich Hockey season in a good position with both teams making the Grand Finals for 2016.

Barry Chamberlain

Men's Coordinator 2016

Bellbowrie A2 Men's Report

Coach: Stewart Armstrong

Manager: Chris Banks

The A2 Men's Team continued on from last year with Stewart Armstrong volunteering to be the Men's Coach as a result of the men forming only the A2 team. Stewart continued on from last year, running the training sessions and the subbing on game nights and making the decisions for changes when they were needed. Stewart also continued with his development on changes to our defensive structures through the back line on the field which he had introduced in 2015. The support of the experienced senior men in the team and Stewart Coaching the training sessions were always positive & productive.



Once the 3rd round of the season had started there was one focus for the men and that was to start playing "semi finals footy" to build up to the finals. In the 3rd round at every fixture game numerous players kept up the positive call to keep the focus, maintain the structure and discipline out on the field. The result of all this was we won every game in the 3rd round.

The J1 boys (Cailan, Lachlan, Max S, Max McB & Connor) helped out a total of 19 times throughout the season just to make sure we had those subs and all made valuable contribution in the games with some of the boys scoring goals and helping us win those games. The Boys helped out mainly in the first 60% of the season games with the remainder of the season the A2 men being fairly self-sufficient for numbers.

The team had quite a broad mix of age ranges from 15-17's to the late 50's and everything in between. Training was reasonably supported by players both Men and J1 boys with comradery between the players being very healthy and supportive, great to see considering the broad age group in the team.

At the finish of the season the A2 men finished in 2nd spot on the ladder and had defended all the opposite teams and in the 3 round of fixtures won all the fixture games. In the Semi-final game of the season the A2 men lost to Norths Red 3-0, but defeated Wests 3-1 in the preliminary final. Grand final game was played in atrocious wet conditions ending in a 2 all draw after 5 minutes play each way. The result was decided in a penalty shoot outs with Bellbowrie being the Runners Up for the 2016 Hockey season.

I think it was an enjoyable year of hockey for the players, reflected by our strong team approach and competitive games.

A2 Men's Coach Review -

The A2 Men's Team surprised everyone, including themselves, by making the Grand Final, only to lose in a penalty shootout. Second place was certainly a great achievement.

After a difficult start to the season, when the two men's teams needed to be amalgamated into one, the A2s spent most of the season hovering in fifth place, before deciding to lift their game and consequently won all of their last round games. The team certainly seemed to benefit from the combination of old heads and young legs.

Special thanks goes to Tim for helping us out with his skills, knowledge and drive, to Chris for his management skills making sure we had a team each week,

to the J1s who helped us out and to Baz who is always supporting us and working hard behind the scenes.



A2 Men's Trophies awards were:

Commitment Award – Chris, Players' Player - Cameron

Goal of the Year – Tony,

Longest Speech on Presentation Day - Stewart

Stewart Armstrong

A2 Coach

Representative Men's Bellbowrie Players

IHA Rep Players

Over 50's:

Gary Adsett, Andrew Boyle, Gary Weller, Nigel Gray and David Harper played in the Ipswich Team at the State Championships in Toowoomba.

IHA "Player of the Year Award" 2016

A2 Men – Cameron Cliff was our representative in the A2 Men's grade.

To our Coaches, Managers & Supporters

To our Senior Men's Coach and Manager, on behalf of the Men and Boys and myself, thank-you for your tireless efforts to take on these roles & responsibilities so we can all enjoy and play hockey.

Thank-you for performing the role throughout the year, it's always good to have some help and it's greatly appreciated to help reduce the Coordinators work load.

Finally to our Supporters (particularly the A2 Ladies Cheer Squad on Friday nights), Wives, Partners, Mums, Dads, Family members and Friends, and the J1

boys Parents for bring the boys out to the games and training, thank you for loudly supporting the A2 Men's Team throughout the season, and thank you for your fair minded and respectful conduct on the side of the field, it is always appreciated. Vocal support always makes for more of a game for the players, even if you're ribbing them along.



What next for 2017 season?

For next year the club will be working towards returning to the 2 senior men's team, but this will be determined by the quality and the retention of player numbers we have at our disposal in 2017, hopefully recruitment will have a positive result. We have four J1 boys moving up into the senior ranks in 2017 and we naturally need to retain as many of the men to help maintain the numbers.

I would like to thank those players and supporters for your help over the years, greatly appreciated. I urgent the men in this club to step up and help out in the clubs numerous Volunteer Roles, we had 2 men in coaching positions & 2 in Managers roles in the junior & senior Teams, and but only 3 in club positions in 2016, unfortunately those 3 covered multiple roles and while the Coaching and Managers roles were admirably covered we need more support in the club roles off the field, after all it is your club, and you'll only get out of it what you put into it.

Barry Chamberlain
Men's Coordinator 2016



Senior Women's Coordinator Report

The BHC women continue to gain momentum, fielding 3 ½ teams in 2016, making finals in three grades and ending up runners up for the season in A2. We were very lucky to secure the services of the coach/manager team of Adam Spry and Ian Edwards to lead the A grade team and this helped ensure that we would have an A grade team. Unfortunately, due to injury, employment related relocations and family circumstances the numbers dwindled. There were enough players to field an A grade team but you can't run an A grade team without the support of a Reserve grade team so after numerous discussions it was decided to enter a combined Bellbowrie/Thistles team in Reserve Grade.

It was good to once more have a team in the R2 competition. The club did not have a team in this grade in 2015. It is important to have an R2 team if the club is to retain junior girls when they turn 15. The club is almost back to full strength in the girls' teams and while a few girls are ready to move directly from under 15 to Reserve grade, the majority are not and they need an R2 team to play in, as do any other young female players who are not ready to play in the higher grades. R2 also serves to provide reserves for the Reserve grade.

A Grade

Coach: Adam Spry

Manager: Lauren Casey

The A grade women had an excellent season, making it to the finals and being very unfortunate to go out following penalty shoot outs in the semi-final. Unfortunately Ian Edwards was unable to continue as manager due to ill health. Thank you to Lauren Casey for taking over and doing an excellent job. Thank you to Adam for pulling the team together and ensuring that the girls had a fun and successful season. Without Adam we may not have had an A grade team this year. The team improved throughout the season. Team morale was good and numbers at training were up on last year. The relationship with Thistles worked well, meaning that there was a strong pool of players to support the A grade team. The required minimum of nine players were registered in the team, which is far from ideal. It would be ideal to have at least 12 players registered in the future.

Reserve Grade – Bellbowrie/Thistles

BHC ended up with enough players to register a healthy A grade team, with no Reserve team for support. Thistles did not have enough players to form a team in either grade. Forming a combined team in Reserve grade was a great solution on a number of fronts. It meant that there was a team to support our A grade team, it gave the girls an opportunity for two games of hockey in a weekend, it



gave more girls the opportunity to have a run in A grade, it kept both teams viable and it was a great example to the hockey community of cooperation between clubs for the sake of the sport and the players. The team provided an opportunity for younger players to sub up, with Maddy Denny, from our under 15 team, and a number of our R2 players making frequent guest appearances. There were players who may not otherwise have played hockey in 2016 and the competition was all the stronger for having another team participating. All in all, it was a very successful relationship and depending upon nos. in 2017 it may well be a continuing relationship. Hopefully, it will strengthen both clubs to the extent that both can enter a team in each grade in the future. Thank you to the players who rallied together to support the combined team and thank you to the Thistles club, especially club President, Pauline Alchin, Reserve grade coach, Richard Adie and manager, Colleen Hannah.

Reserve grade had a great season, making it to the preliminary final where they were unfortunately knocked out.

Just a note on the uniform. The girls ended up wearing Thistles skirts and shirts and Bellbowrie socks. Had Bellbowrie had enough uniforms, the girls would have been wearing skirts from one club and shirts from the other.

R2

Coach: Ali Fenton

Manager: Julie Ellett

It was great to see Bellbowrie once more fielding a team in this grade. We only had 11 registered players but it was important to have a team in this grade so thank you to all who helped make it happen. The team only won one or two games but all of the players had a lot of fun. It was great to see the return of several young women, in their early twenties, who had not played hockey since their junior days. The team also provided an opportunity for junior players to play some senior hockey and in fact the team was very pleased to welcome the speedy young legs on board. Regular appearances were made by under 15 players, Alysha Sweeney, Ashley Hansen, Maddy Denny and Tahni Galbraith and most of the A2 team helped out at various stages. Of course the team would not have happened without a goalkeeper and while not many games were won there may well have been some absolute thrashings were in not for the awesome Tia, who played GK for under 15 and R2 each week. Great work Tia! A HUGE THANK YOU to Ali for taking on the coaching role. It was only supposed to be a temporary thing but no one else came along and Ali couldn't see the team flounder, so she stuck the season out as player/coach, much to everyone's delight. Training was always a lot of fun, as were the games and the on field support between players was a feature of the team.

A2

Manager: Toni McCulloch



This team was once again the premier women's team in the club, remaining undefeated until that ill-fated rainy Friday night in September when the team lost the grand final after penalty shootouts. They had a great season until that point. There were matches where, just to keep the spectators hanging around late on Friday night, they didn't pick up the action until a bit later in the game but they always came through with a win. There were a few injuries throughout the season but a few players signed up in the latter stage of the season and two of the juniors, Ashleigh Westmoreland and Molly Power, put in regular appearances as well as a few of the R2 players, who were eligible to play A2 on a weekend where they did not play R2.

The A2 women were particularly lucky to have a dedicated and talented goal keeper, in 12 year old Victoria Heffernan, who played GK for under 13 girls and A2 each weekend. Thank you Victoria.

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Congratulations to Shannon Ashton, who was named the Ipswich Player of the Year in the A2 competition.

The A2 team was also named the Ipswich 'Team of the Year'. Well done girls! You are a great example to all of us.

Representative Hockey: Congratulations to the following players -

Hannah Casey, Storm Stehn, McKenna Evans-Doherty and Natalie Walker were members of IHA under 18 representative teams, which played at the Queensland State Championships in Townsville in April.

Hannah was also a member of the Queensland Under 18 team and the Queensland Under 18 Indoor team. Well done Hannah!

Kiah Ahern and McKenna Evans-Doherty, were members of the IHA Open representative team, which played at Queensland State Championships in Brisbane in April/May.

Shannon Ashton, Lyn Grulke, Alison Fenton, Yvette Job and Lauren Casey were members of IHA Masters' teams, which played at State Championships in Bundaberg in July.

Lyn was a member of the Queensland over 50's team and was unfortunate to miss the national team due to injury. Lyn will be heading to NZ in May to participate in the Trans-Tasman Series as a member of the Australian over 55 team. Well done Lyn. You are an inspiration to us all.

Bellbowrie women in 2017?



We will aim to fill teams in the four grades but if not, it is most likely that we will continue the relationship with Thistles and run a combined team in Reserve grade. I believe that we will have the numbers to secure A, R2 and A2 grades and Reserve is a possibility. The most critical factor at this stage is coaches. Hopefully, we will have Adam back on board with A grade and he will confirm once his work roster is out early in the New Year. If we are to have our own Reserve grade team we will need a coach and R2 will definitely need a coach. A2 seems to manage by sharing the job among the players but I am sure that they would welcome a coach.

All in all, a successful season for Bellbowrie women. We are in a stronger position than we were twelve months ago and things are looking good for 2017.

Julie Ellett

Women's Coordinator

Bellbowrie Hockey Club 2016

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Junior Boys Coordinator Report

We had two (2) Boys teams registered this year, these being J1, and J3 and both teams making the finals for the 2016 season.

It was pleasing to see the growth that came through the year to both of these teams and the "joint venture" between Easts and Bellbowrie that allowed the opportunity for both clubs to further develop players.

In the J1 team we had four Easts players join us these being Tremaine Pittman, Daimon Bell, Jordan McAllister and Jake Weller. Also Easts J2 team gave Archie Cameron the opportunity to further develop his skills in a more appropriate age group as well as subbing into J1. Easts also gave Cailan Burchmann and Max Schultz, Connor Adcock and Lachlan Pomerence a taste of Reserve grade by allowing them to train with the easts Reserve squad through the year.

Cailan and Max also played a game of Reserve for Easts and all the boys including Max McBurnie a number of A2 games

We had a strong showing at IHA representative level with boys selected in both indoor and outdoor state championships for the age groups for U11, U13 and U15.

I would like to thank Cameron, Patrick, Cooper, and Cath for coaching and managing the teams as well as all the other helpers through the season.

All help is gratefully accepted and appreciated and I look forward to another successful year in 2017.

Sincerely

Gavin Burchmann
2016 Boys Coordinator



Junior Girls Coordinator Report

The Bellbowrie Girls are on the way back.

In 2016, BHC had 39 girls registered in three teams. That is seven more than last year and it meant that the under 11 and under 13 teams were full and the under 15 girls had a pool of players to draw on each week to make up a team. The three teams improved throughout the season, with under 15 and under 13 just missing out on finals and under 11 getting knocked out in the preliminary final. We were particularly lucky to have quality dedicated goalkeepers in the under 13 and under 15 teams and several enthusiastic girls in under 11 who were willing to share the role. A great season!

2016 teams

UNDER 15 GIRLS

Coach: Lyn Grulke

Managers: Maree Sweeney

Thanks to Lyn, the BHC under 15 team is becoming a force to be reckoned with. The team increased from five players in 2015 to nine in 2016. This was a team with a lot of hockey skills and the girls are to be congratulated on their effort and their dedication to the team. It is not easy when you don't have a full team. Most players attended training each week. There was some great hockey played and the girls were unlucky to miss finals.

The team consisted of: Alysha Sweeney, Ashleigh Martin, Ashleigh Westmoreland, Ashley Hansen, Cate Petersen, Maddy Denny, Molly Power, Tahni Galbraith, and Tia Palframan. Thanks to regular appearances from under 13's - Ashlin Burchmann, Ashlyn Palframan, Caitlin Galbraith, Divya Menon, Kate Sweeney and Nikkaya Burchmann, as well as occasional appearances from Morgan King, Victoria Heffernan and under 11 players Phoebe Duncalfe and Zahli Lynn, the girls were able to field a full team each week.

Thank you to all players and parents and especially to Lyn and Maree for all of your effort and for providing such a positive season for the girls. Thank you also to Ken Palframan, who was a great support to the team in the role of assistant coach.

Representative Hockey: Congratulations to the following girls -

Alysha, Ashleigh W, Maddy, Molly and Tahni were members of IHA under 15 representative teams which played at State Championships in Gympie in September. Tia was named as shadow GK.



Ashley Hansen was a member of the IHA under 13 representative team which played in State Championships in Hervey Bay in June.

Maddy was also a member of the Ipswich under 15 Indoor Hockey team and the Queensland under 15 Indoor Hockey team.

UNDER 13 GIRLS

Coach: Julie Ellett

Manager: Christy Galbraith

The under 13 team had 14 players in 2016. This was a great group of girls, with a lot of skills on the hockey field. Probably the greatest hindrance was the inability of the whole team to train together. Training was moved to Ipswich for the first time in 2016 and due to circumstances ended up being run at 6:00pm on Thursday, with a number of girls not being able to attend so an alternative training session was held on Tuesday at 6:30. Of course it is ideal for everyone to train together but we aim to be flexible, however, 6:00pm is really too late for young children who have been at school all day and have often been up since long before school started. Nevertheless, the girls finally clicked and some awesome hockey was played. The girls defeated the top team just prior to a three week break, which was very unfortunate, but they played some great hockey in the final weeks of the season and were very unlucky to miss finals.

The team consisted of: Ashlin Burchmann, Ashlyn Palframan, Caitlin Galbraith, Darcy Ashton-Norton, Divya Menon, Ellie Meredith, Emily Heysen, Isla Green, Justi-Lee Palframan, Kate Sweeney, Kayla Ash, Morgan King, Nikkaya Burchmann, and Victoria Heffernan. They were joined at times by under 11 players, Emily Sweeney, Grace Richardson, Phoebe Duncalfe and Zahli Lynn.

Thank you to all of the girls and the parents for your support. A really big thank you to super manager Christy, who was a great support, sending out regular emails, warming the girls up for the match each week, and thinking of all of those things that the coach may have forgotten. Thanks also to Chloe Daniel, Gavin Burchmann, Shannon Ashton and Ken Palframan for your assistance throughout the season.

Representative Hockey: Congratulations to the following girls -

Ashlin Burchmann, Caitlin, Divya and Victoria were members of under 13 IHA representative teams which played at State Championships in Hervey Bay in June. Ashlin Palframan and Nikkaya Burchmann were named as shadow players. Victoria was also named as shadow GK in the under 15 representative team which played at State Championships in Gympie in September. Victoria was



selected as a shadow player for the Queensland under 13 girls' team to play in Australian championships in Perth in October.

Darcy and Ellie were members of under 11 IHA representative teams which played at the Southern Cross Carnival in Brisbane in June. Justi-Lee was selected to play but missed out due to injury.

Ellie was a member of the MetWest under 12 schoolgirls' team which played in Queensland Schoolgirls' Championships in June. The MetWest team ended up a joint winner of the tournament.

Victoria was also a member of the Ipswich under 15 Indoor Hockey team.

UNDER 11 Girls

Coach: Julie Ellett

Manager: Tanya Lynn

The under 11 team filled quickly and before we knew it the team had 17 players. Ellie Meredith, a very capable player, offered to move to the under 13 team early in the season. As happens every year, players kept turning up and by a couple of weeks after Easter there were 22 girls wanting to play in the under 11 team. This was too late to be thinking of two teams and we would really be looking at a minimum of 26 players to form two teams. If there were 22 players by Week 1, it would be worth forming two teams – if we had two coaches – as we always pick up players in this age group.

What a great team and what a terrific group of parents. There were quite a few new players in 2016. Dispensation was sought from IHA to allow several players to play out of their age group, to give them time to learn to play the game and to gain confidence before having to play at the faster pace of the next age group. The girls benefitted from this and we appreciate IHA's support in this endeavour. More kids will keep playing hockey if they are given the chance to learn at an appropriate level. All of the girls improved throughout the season and there was some terrific teamwork being displayed each week. There was some great leadership being shown on the field and the girls are to be congratulated on the sportsmanship that they always displayed. Attendance at training was excellent and it would have been really difficult to manage without the support of Paul Duncalfe. Thank you Paul.

The team consisted of: Anwen Kennedy, Beth Haggarty, Carys Meredith, Ceri Kennedy, Chané Smit, Courtney Heysen, Emily Sweeney, Gemma Edwards, Grace Richardson, Hadley Randall, Imogen Price, Kelly Crossland, Lucinda Land, Natarsha Haggarty, Phoebe Duncalfe and Zahli Lynn. Despite having 16 players, there were a couple of times when we need to call on our HookIn2 girls, Bridie Smith and Heidi McDonnell.

The girls had a great season, being on top of the ladder for most of the season. They won the mid-season final and were very unlucky to get knocked out in the Preliminary final after penalty shootouts. Despite the disappointment of losing the final, they were all eager to train the following Wednesday. What a team!

A big thank you to super manager, Tanya, who was always on top of things and made the coach's life much easier.



Representative Hockey: Congratulations to the following girls -

Carys Meredith, Courtney Heysen, Emily Sweeney, Natarsha Haggarty, Phoebe Duncalfe and Zahli Lynn were members of IHA representative teams, which played at the Southern Cross Carnival in Brisbane August.

Exciting times are ahead for girls' hockey at BHC. The HookIn2 Hockey program continues to attract more girls, who are coming into under 11 with some great basic skill. Under 11 continues to be an age group that attracts new players and it would not be surprising to see two under 11 girls' teams in 2017. Thank you to Sarah Cleary and her band of coaches for the great work that is done with the younger players.

There are a number of girls moving up from under 11 to under 13 and from under 13 to under 15 so we should expect full teams in 2017.

Thanks to President Troy for all of the time and effort that he has put in and thank you to the families that make BHC the great club that it is. With coaches being particularly stretched this season, the help from parents at training and on match day was really appreciated, as was the tireless work of the three super managers. Thank you.

Julie Ellett

Girls' Coordinator

Bellbowrie Hockey Club 2016

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Hook In2 Hockey Coordinator



Purpose of Hook in2 Hockey:

Hin2H is for children to participate in an organised and structured game-based program which is both fun and safe. It has been developed to give children aged 10 and under a fun environment in which to learn the game of hockey and perfect the skills in a modified game-based environment. It is a key pathway that the children can transition to club-based competitive hockey.

2015/16 Season:

The season started with a Come and Try Day held down at the Bellbowrie Sports and Recreation sport fields. We had an impressive turn out and many new sign-ons that day. Fantastic support from members of the club who came and either helped run drills, field questions or just send a good vibe about the club. An initiative that should be continued in future years.

The Ipswich Hockey provided weekly coaching drills for the club coaches to deliver to the players and in the second half of the season, games organised between the various clubs in the Under 7 and 9 age groups. The Under 5s had their own program which was focussed on fun drills.

Bellbowrie had a total of 44 players involved in Hin2H Program in comparison of 30 players in 2014/15.

The club ran training sessions on Thursday afternoons down at the Bellbowrie Sport and Rec Fields. Sadie and Hannah Casey and Isabella Baxter ran these afternoons. We trialled two 45 min sessions at the beginning of the season to accommodate the increased number of children and separate into younger/new kids and older/more experienced kids. Feedback was varied but as many kids had siblings in different groups, we ended up going back to the hour session and splitting the kids into a least 2 groups to enable focus on the different age groups.

Break up party was held at the Ipswich hockey grounds straight after the last day of games for the H2inH players. Trophies were disturbed by members of the committee. The kids loved the trophies and enjoyed the chips and drinks afterwards.

Bellbowrie U9s

Coaches (Natalie Murray, Gavin Burchmann)

20 registered players (up from 11 in 2014/15). 9 boys, 11 girls. Several of these boys and girls in this group subbed up or were permanent players in the E girls and J2 boy's teams.

Players: Bridie S, Heath D, Bailee N, Riley H, Minette M, Jackson H, Ellie L, Heidi M, Angus M, Lachlan M, Abigail N, Kingsley S, Isabelle S, Emma W, Kacey W, Charlie W, Keira T, Andrew C, Dylan M, Sienna I

Bellbowrie U7s

Coaches (Chloe Daniel, Jess Gray, Cailan Burchmann)
19 registered players (up from 11 in 2014/15). 9 boys, 10 girls.



Players: Finnlay M, Caitlyn T, Lillian S, Audrey W, Jesse F, Nathan B, Mackenzie B, Finn H, Hannah N, Willow C, Megan L, Mackinley A, Aurora B, Jaime H, Riley W, Carter M, Erasmus K, Matilda S, Roman S.

Bellbowrie U5s

Coaches (Rob Westmoreland) with Mitchell Cleary and Aidan Hansen (both J3 players)

5 kids (down from 8 in 2014/15) – 3 boys, 2 girls

Players: Chiron K, Lachlan C, Ava L, Grace N, Tyler N

To our coaches

I would like to thank our regular coaches for your enthusiasm and commitment to these young players. The club is very grateful for their time and energy they put into the Hin2H players.

Next season

I encourage senior players to take a lead role of responsibility for coaching of our younger junior players. The junior players need a committed and regular coach which they learn from and look forward to seeing each week. I also thank the parents for their support and encouragement of the kids this season. I look forward to seeing many of them next year.