

PO Box 275 Floreat WA 6014 • www.uwahockey.org.au

End of Season Board Update

It's been another fantastic year for the Club, with success on and off the field.

We had 12 senior men's and 12 senior women's teams (an increase of one team for each), and 24 juniors teams. In addition, 290 players participated in the J1-4 competition.

A few 2023 season highlights are below:

- The Club again won the Byrne and Judge Trophy for strongest performance across the seniors and masters divisions.
- Six mens/junior boys teams won the Guth Ardagh pennant for finishing top of the ladder
- Five womens/junior girls teams won the May Campbell pennant for finishing top of the ladder
- Damon 'Dingo' Diletti was inducted into the WAIS Hall of Fame. A former Kookaburras goalkeeper, Dingo won medals at three successive Olympics and played 138 First Grade games for the Club
- Dingo and Paul Gaudoin (Goodas) were inducted into the Hockey Australia Hall of Fame
- 10 Club members were selected to represent the Thundersticks in the recently concluded Hockey One season, including seven women and three men from our Premier League teams
- Shayni Nelson was made Life Member and Chris Bausor was awarded a club letter, in recognition of their contribution to the Club over many years.

The season may have come to an end, but there is a lot going on behind the scenes.

Work has started on our main turf replacement project and changerooms. The Board continues to work closely with UWA to minimise disruption to members during this period.

We're thrilled to have reappointed our Premier League coaches Paul Gaudoin and Simon Tiverios for the 2024 hockey season, following an extensive consultation process with our top squads.

Paul and Simon have been instrumental in shaping the high-performance culture that is evident in our on-field performance, and we'd like to thank them for extending their commitment to the Club into the new year.

In October we officially launched our One Hundred Club initiative, a Future Fund to keep us at the forefront of hockey in Western Australia for many years to come: https://asf.org.au/projects/university-of-western-australia-hockey-club

In addition to the \$100,000 contribution from the Club to establish the fund, we are seeking 100 club supporters to donate at least \$1,000 to the Fund.

Donations will be tax deductible if directed through the Australian Sports Foundation (ASF). Thank you to those who have contributed to the nearly \$30,000 raised to date.

With planning for our 2024 Centenary Celebrations in full swing, keep an eye out for some exciting opportunities to get involved and be part of the celebrations.

A big thanks to our sponsors for your support throughout the 2023 season. We look forward to continuing our partnership into 2024.

We are delighted to have secured a new sponsor in The Sporting Globe (TSG) and encourage members to download the app, select Floreat, and nominate UWA Hockey Club as your Club. You'll earn points and TSG credit every time you order on the app or scan your barcode, and the Club receives a percentage of every dollar you spend, on top of your individual rewards.

Thanks also to our wonderful volunteers for contributing so much time and energy into making this Club the best it can be. We are so grateful for your help and support.

The links to the junior yearbook is on the website or you can download here:

Junior yearbook: 2023 UWA Hockey Junior Year Book.pdf - Google Drive

The Seniors yearbook will be on the website as soon as final match reports are in!





PO Box 275 Floreat WA 6014 • www.uwahockey.org.au

On behalf of the Board, we wish you a relaxing festive season and look forward to welcoming you back for another exciting year of hockey.

Chris Webster - on behalf of the Board

