

THE DRIBBLE

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WOMENS PREMIER LEAGUE: UPDATE

There are some exciting developments with our Women's Premier League squad.

We have recruited Courtney Schonell and Jocelyn Bartram as our 2 new AIS players.

Courtney is in her first year at the AIS. The 20 year old hails from Camden in south west Sydney.

She is a striker and by all reports has an exciting career ahead of her.

Jocelyn is a 27 year old goalkeeper from Albury NSW. She has played 51 games for Australia after making her international debut in 2016.

The AIS men are not allowed to play in the club competition prior to the Olympics. That ruling does not apply to the women.

We look forward to watching both playing for the club when their Australian commitments allow.

Amongst our new players this year is Dani Bestall who joins us from Vic Park. She was attracted by our special club culture. Dani has played for the Thundersticks since 2019. She comes with a great hockey pedigree, her father played at the 1992 Olympics.

Lily Brazel has also returned to play for the mighty UWAHC this year after playing under the AIS import system last year. She is currently playing in the midfield and is having a huge impact on the development of our younger players of the future. She's a quick, skillful and determined player that inspires so many of her team mates to perform alongside her. Welcome back Lily!

Another promising new player is Emma Tinley who joins us from the South West.

Returning this year after missing last year are Felicity Gallagher and Jessica Milne.

Felicity has been working in Darwin and Mt Gambier and will again be playing alongside her sister Stephanie.

This year we will be missing the services of former Olympian Fiona Ryan who is expecting her third child.

We will also be missing the services of Elysia Burvill who has for some unknown reason decided to try her hand at football. Jess Butterworth and Sara Foster have been appointed as co captains for this season.

We look forward to the team and its new coach Jeremy Davy having a great season.



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Castledex has provided the club with over \$5000.00 of shelving. The new shelving was installed earlier this year in the equipment shed and uniform shop. In addition to the shelving, they have supplied hooks for bags on the back of the seating structure on Turf 1. A great addition to the club and assisting with cleanliness of the venue.

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UWAHC BOARD MEMBER: WELCOME TANIA PERPOLI

There are unlikely to be too many UHC members who haven't heard of Tania "TP" Perpoli. She is currently playing in her 18th premier league season with the club.

TP grew up on a farm outside Northam. Both her parents played hockey.

Her hockey skills were recognised at an early age. She was selected in the state under16, 18 and 21 teams.

She started playing premier league hockey with Harlies at the age of 15.

She transferred to UHC when she was studying engineering at UWA.

TP played in the UHC premier league winning sides of 2005, 2008, 2010, 2011, 2014 and 2016.

She played in the state team for 7 consecutive years winning 4 national titles.

She is currently third on the list of premier league games played for UHC women.

She remains one of the fastest players in the league. It seems that only injury could prevent her from achieving 300 games with the club.

Perhaps an achievement that not everyone will be aware of is that TP has coached a junior team for 17 consecutive years. What a magnificent contribution.

Last year TP was elected to the UHC board for the first time.

She is ideally qualified for the appointment.

In addition to her great love for and understanding of what our club represents she brings the professional skills that she has acquired in her career as a consulting engineer.

CLUB INFORMATION

PREMIER LEAGUE HOME FIXTURES

SAT 22ND MAY 2021: DOUBLE HEADER: UWA VS YMCC
WOMEN @ 4.00PM, MEN @ 5.30PM

SAT 29th MAY 2021: MEN & WOMEN MATCHES
MEN'S 1 @ 2.30PM vs WHITFORDS
MEN'S 2 @ 4.00PM vs LIONS
WOMEN'S 1 @ 5.30PM vs LIONS



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MEN'S CAPTAIN SPOTLIGHT

Over the years the club has been served by some great club captains. This year is no exception. The captains this year are Iola Brown and Max Evans. You will read more about Iola in the next Dribble. Max originates from Narrogin. He came to Perth as a boarder at Christchurch. He played junior hockey at Wolves. When he went to UWA he soon realised that the culture at UHC was far superior to Wolves and changed clubs.

UWA has 11 senior mens teams. The club captain is responsible for all of these teams other than the 1s and 2s.

The club captain is responsible for:

1. Organising a thorough pre season selection process
2. Selecting suitable team captains
3. The supply and distribution of equipment
4. Conduct of lower squad training sessions
5. Finding suitable replacement players when vacancies arise from time to time, and
6. Dealing with all the other problems that will always arise.

This year the lower squad training will usually be conducted by Matt Carnacan, Michael Ramsay and Ben Baxter.

Max is a regular member of the 4s team.

For the past 4 years Max has also been the coach of a junior team.

When he is not at McGillivray he is studying for his masters in Software Engineering.



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JUNIOR PRESIDENT UPDATE

The club is most grateful for the outstanding work Craig has done in the role of Junior President.

Craig has put in place a well organised junior committee that is doing great work.

Every team has a coach and manager appointed and every age group has a coordinator in place.

We also have a junior umpiring coordinator in place.

With much of the hard work done Craig has decided to step back from the role of Junior President.

Chris "Poss" Nelson has agreed to take on the role.

Also this week Craig was selected to represent the state in the over 65 age group at the National Championships. Congratulations Craig and best of luck in the competition.



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