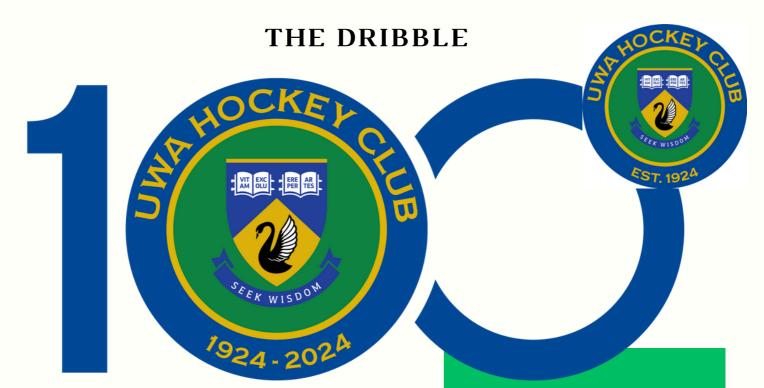
## **UWA HOCKEY**



## END OF SEASON GENERAL MEETING

THE CLUB WILL BE HOLDING ITS FINAL GENERAL MEETING FOR THE YEAR AT THE CLUBROOMS AT **7-30 PM ON THURSDAY 14 SEPTEMBER 2023**.

THE POSITION OF CHAIRMAN
[PRESIDENT] COMES UP FOR ELECTION
TOGETHER WITH 2 ORDINARY BOARD
MEMBER POSITIONS.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN
NOMINATING, YOU MUST DO SO IN
WRITING BY FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2023

YOU CAN NOMINATE BY EMAIL TO SECRETARY@UWAHOCKEY.ORG.AU .

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# INTRODUCING BOARD MEMBER CLAIRE RUSHE

Claire was born in Birmingham UK. She was introduced to hockey by her mother. She started by playing at school and filling in for her mother's team.

Her ability was recognized quickly and she played her first premier league game for Sutton Coldfield at the age of 17.

Claire went to Cambridge University to study engineering and played hockey for the University club. She was awarded a full blue in hockey and also served as the club treasurer.

After graduating with a masters degree in engineering she went to work in the City of London as an equity trader. She started playing for the Hampstead and Westminster hockey club. She played a number of seasons in their second XI which she captained for three years. A number of UWA players have played for this club including Chris Webster, Andrew Smith, Dave Edmonds, Sam Pike, Hamish Coates and Matt Smith.

Claire migrated to Australia in 2016. She is the Australian manager of Chematek which is a multi national company head quartered in Milan. The company is involved in the importation and distribution of industrial chemicals and lubricants. It is also involved in the design and construction of water treatment plants.

She has played for Uni Associates since 2017 and currently plays in the division 4 team and in the mid week competition.



She is married to Andrew Smith and has 2 daughters. She is also chair of the school board of the Jolimont primary school.

Andrew Smith played 181 premier league games for UWA between 2003 - 2009 and 2018 - 2020. He scored 83 goals and was a member of the premiership winning teams of 2004, 2005 and 2007.

Claire played in the WA over 35 team in 2018 and 2019. She was also selected in the Australian squad for the 2020 masters world cup. Unfortunately, this competition was cancelled because of covid.

Claire was invited onto the hockey club board earlier this year. It was recognized that because of having played for and been involved in the administration of 3 other major hockey clubs she brings a great breadth of experience to our club.

Claire was this year selected as one of the best 40 under 40 entrepreneurs in WA. Not bad for someone who has only been here for 6 years.

The experience which she has gained in managing a major commercial operation and the business acumen that she has acquired will be invaluable to

us.

#### **NEW SPONSOR - CAPITAL PARTNERS**

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Please contact Steve Boyce on <a href="mailto:sboyce@capital-partners.com.au">sboyce@capital-partners.com.au</a> or ph 6163 6100.

Club sponsor City Toyota has generously provided us with 50 vouchers providing for a 10% discount on car services at City Toyota Northbridge.

The vouchers expire on 30 September 2023.

The vouchers are available for the first 50 club members (or parents of junior members) to collect them from the office or contact David Pex Albrecht at <a href="mailto:gm@uwahockey.org.au">gm@uwahockey.org.au</a>





# INTRODUCING BOARD MEMBER KRISTEN TURNBULL

She played all of her hockey with us under the name of Kristen Paech.

Kristen was one of the first females to play junior hockey at UWA. She played in the winning under 11E team in 1992. In the team photo she is at the far left of the back row. Two other members of the team Anthony Walter and Chris Miller are still involved with the club.

Kristen played her first premier league game at the age of 16 and played 78 premier league games in total.

She represented the state at both under 18 and under 21 levels.

She was a member of the successful premier league team of 2002. That was the year of the double double when our men and women were premiers in both first and second grade.

Kristen played with some outstanding hockey players including Claire Mitchell-Tavener, Angie Skirving, Shayni Nelson and Shelly Liddelow.

Kristen has a degree in Journalism, an MBA and has completed the Australian Institute of Company Directors company directors course.

Kristen worked as a journalist in London and Sydney. In 2009 she started work with CoreData, a market research consultancy.

She returned to Perth in 2017 to establish the Perth office of CoreData. She is the managing director of the Perth office and is now also the deputy managing director of the national organization. She is also a non executive director of Intelife, a disability services not for profit.





Kristen was recognized by Business News as one of the best 40 under 40 entrepreneurs in WA in 2022. Interestingly fellow club board member Claire Rushe and club sponsor Hamish Coates received similar recognition this year.

She was appointed to the board of the hockey club in 2022. Her skills in the area of communications, stakeholder engagement and evidence - based strategic thinking are of great benefit to the club.

Kristen is currently the coach of one of our J3 teams . Her daughter Ella plays in the team.

She doesn't currently have enough spare time to play hockey herself. Any spare time that she has is taken up with marathon running. Kristen recently achieved a PB in the Boston marathon in the USA.

The other photo we have is from the year 2000 showing Kristen and our very own triple Olympian Damon Diletti receiving a cheque for \$ 250, 000 from Richard Court the then premier of WA. The cheque represented the state governments contribution towards our first water based turf.

## INTRODUCING BOARD MEMBER GABBY HOWARD

Gabby joined the board of the University Hockey Club at the start of this year. She was appointed because of her long association with the club over the past 28 years and because of her considerable experience with marketing and design.

Gabby was in the same year at Floreat Primary School with Fiona Ryan and was encouraged to join our club by her teacher Janis Boyce.

Gabby started in minkey and progressed all the way through to Premier League, and is currently a captain of the women's 3's team. Gabby has a commerce degree majoring in Marketing from Curtin University. After finishing uni, she moved to Melbourne for several years where she worked in a Design Agency and played first grade hockey with MCC Hockey Club.

On returning to the west coast, Gabby worked for 5 years as a Senior Account Director across prominent WA brands. And has most recently started working in a senior marketing position with Thermomix. As a board member she has taken a special interest in the club's communications and visual identity. Gabby is the only current member of the board who is playing for the senior club this season.





#### **UPDATE ON TURF REPLACEMENT**

The project to replace Turf 1 has progressed and will take place during the 2023/24 off season.

3 tenders were received and Polytan has been appointed to replace the turf with a blue water based turf. Polytan was the unanimous choice of the evaluation group.

The removal of the existing turf will commence the week of Monday 20 November 2023.

The laying of the new turf is due to occur in January after the Christmas break with handover expected Monday 5 February 2024

#### **CHANGE ROOMS**

Progress on the upgrade to the change rooms has been much slower.

Plans have been approved but there has been a hold up due to the estimated cost being above budget.

UWA have informed us that request for tender is due to go out on 31 August for return on 14 September and that once tenders are received will determine if additional funding is available and if any changes need to be made to the plans based on cost. UWAHC have committed to contributing \$60,000 of the initial budget of \$305,000 with UWA and UWA Sport contributing the rest.

Additional funding required from the Club will be ascertained once tenders are received.

Assuming that funding is satisfactorily resolved UWA are hopeful that works will be completed before Christmas.

#### **SUMMER HOCKEY**

Due to the turf replacement we will have a shortened 6 week summer hockey season.

Seniors will commence Thursday 12 October finishing on 16 November.

Juniors will be from Friday 13 October to 17 November.

The cost will be \$550 per team including GST.

Registrations will open soon.

### WHAT'S ON

YOU ARE INVITED TO A

## CENTENARY LAUNCH LONG TABLE LUNCH

Celebrating 100 Years of UWA Hockey Club

**VENUE: UWA HOCKEY CLUB** 

DATE: SUNDAY 20TH AUGUST

ARRIVE: 11.45AM
WELCOME COCKTAIL ON ARRIVAL

PRICE: \$75 PER PERSON INCLUDES A TWO-COURSE LUNCH

BUY TICKETS: uwahc-long-lunch, myshopify, com

DRESS: A TOUCH OF GREEN





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