

This week we have plenty of exciting information regarding the Hockeyroos International Test Matches, the first of which will take place in just 43 days!

We have included Hockey Australia's announcement of their team and read on for your formal introduction to Hockeyroo Angie Lambert. On a local front, our first 'My Hero' story covers one of our favourite junior hockey players, Daniel Mitchell; for those who have always wanted to but hadn't got around to it, next week you must "Come & Try Hockey for Veterans"; and we welcome the Lincoln Auto Club to our Club and much more....

International Women's Hockey Tests

Meet a Hockeyroo - Angie Lambert



We would like to introduce Angie Lambert to you before you get the chance to meet her in person, over the weekend of Friday 20th through Sunday 22nd July during the Women's International Hockey Tests, Hockeyroos vs Japan.

Angie is a tall, athletic defender who plays an important link between attack and defence and well admired following her successful comeback from a knee reconstruction. Angie was the youngest player selected in the team that won the gold medal at the 2000 Sydney Olympics and she won the prestigious FIH award for 'International Young Female Player of the Year' in 2001.

From sunny Queensland, Angie has 188 international caps and 37 international goals to her credit. Her Australian debut was in December 1988 when she was a part of the team which toured Argentina. Angie's strengths are in her reach (as you can see in the photo!) passing, aggression and passion, but believes her weaknesses to be hitting, dribbling and over analysing (I don't think any of us will believe those though)!

Angie is a university student who enjoys reading, studying, walking her dog and going to the beach and movies. She describes herself as honest, determined, organised, tall and passionate!

**Information provided by Hockey Australia*

Tickets to the International Games are now on sale from The Club and from Julie Chambers who you will find at the Hockey Registration Desk whenever there is a hockey match scheduled.

Prices for each game are: Adults \$10.00; Children \$5.00; Families \$25.00; Entrance to the Beer & Bubbly Tent is \$50.00 per person, per day from 5.30 - 9.30 on Friday 20th July or 1 - 5pm on Sunday 22nd July. Only a limited number of tickets will be available at the gate. If you are interested in a corporate package, contact Janet Groecke, Project Officer at the Port Lincoln City Council by phoning 08 8682 3033.



Due to the Queen's Birthday long weekend, hockey, netball and football matches have not been scheduled. But you can still enjoy a meal and drink at The Club!

This weeks Sporting Calendar!

Thursday, June 7

THE CLUB
Pasta Night every Thursday!
THE CLUB
Schnitzel Night every Friday

Friday, June 1

THE CLUB
Schnitzel Night every Friday

Wednesday, June 13

THE CLUB
Pasta Night every Wednesday
COME & TRY HOCKEY
From 6.30pm on the turf

Come on you Veterans, Come & Try Hockey!

There comes a point when we have to pull out the sneakers from under the bed or back of the closet, and dust the cobwebs off.

And now we are providing you & everyone who is slightly older than the young wiper snappers in the district, the perfect reason to freshen up those old sneakers with a "Come and Try Hockey" event. This Wednesday 13th June from 6.30pm BE THERE. All you will need is to wear those sneakers as we'll have the bat (stick) and balls!

For more information contact Julie Chambers, 08 8682 5327.



Saturday night under the lights! A Grade Men: Marauders vs Flinders resulting in the Marauders first win for the season.

AFL Footy Tipping: Round 11

Have you made your pick for this week?

Friday, June 8

Essendon vs West Coast (Telstra Dome)

Saturday, June 9

Hawthorn vs Sydney (MCG)

Brisbane Lions vs Western Bulldogs (Gabba)

Carlton vs Port Adelaide (Telstra Dome)

Sunday, June 10

Adelaide vs Geelong (AAMI Stadium)

St Kilda vs Kangaroos (Telstra Dome)

Fremantle vs Richmond (Subiaco)

Monday, June 11

Melbourne vs Collingwood (MCG)

Hockey SA: HockeyEd

As part of the HockeyEd online accreditation program, Hockey SA need to find suitable people to fill the roles of Presenters and Assessors in each Club and Association.

There are some base requirements including Community [old level 0] Coach or Umpires need to have Beginner (old level 1) status, and Beginner Coach or Umpires need Development (old level 2) Coach or Umpire status.

If you are interested in either of these, contact Wayne Harvey ASAP either by phone 0428 857 846 or email whar1989@bigpond.net.au to find out more, before Hockey SA hold their Coaching and Development meeting on June 13th.

HockeyEd

Feature story from Hockey Australia...

Murray announces teams for Japan Series

The Hockeyroos' teams for the six test series between Australia and Japan have been announced, with national coach, Frank Murray, giving everyone an opportunity to push for selection for the Olympic qualifiers in September.

Nikki Hudson comes back into the side after successfully getting through her first match back from a long-term injury, while Kate Hollywood will also be welcomed back after recovering from compartment syndrome. Peta Gallagher, Fiona Johnson, Casey Eastham and Rachel Lynch have also been added to the team that were successful in New Zealand will get a chance to impress with the battle for positions a healthy state to be in for national coach, Frank Murray.

"We're giving everybody in the squad a chance," said Murray.

"There have been some injuries that have ruled some people out but most of the National Squad will get a game in either Melbourne, or the South Australian matches."

"Hudson and Hollywood both return from pretty serious injuries so it will be good to have them back, particularly someone like Hudson who's always dangerous in the circle."

The six test series is another step in Murray's Olympic preparations with the matches against Japan being used to give a number of his players exposure to this level of hockey, while also to give more of an indication of the team to play in the Olympic qualifiers, in Buderim, Queensland, in mid-September.



"We'll be using this series to continue our development. We'll work on a few different things, try a few structures and plays. We expect a real challenge from Japan, they're a very disciplined and fast team and are going to be very tough to beat."

"From here we then compete in an Olympic test event in Beijing, in August, before returning to Australia and playing in the Oceania Cup, in Buderim, to qualify for the Olympics next year. It's a pretty important time."

The series runs from 12-22 July with three matches in Melbourne before moving to Adelaide for one match and Port Lincoln, in South Australia, for the remaining two.

Game one - 7:30pm, Thursday 12 July
State/Netball Hockey Centre - Melbourne, VIC

Game two - 7:30pm, Saturday 14 July
State/Netball Hockey Centre - Melbourne, VIC

Game three - 3pm, Sunday 15 July
State/Netball Hockey Centre - Melbourne, VIC

Game four - 7:30pm, Wednesday 18 July
Distinctive Homes Hockey Arena - Adelaide, SA

Game five - 7pm, Friday 20 July
Ravendale Sporting Complex - Port Lincoln, SA

Game six - 2:30pm, Sunday 22 July
Ravendale Sporting Complex - Port Lincoln, SA

Hockeyroos team for Adelaide and Port Lincoln:

Nicole ARROLD (ACT), Teneal ATTARD (QLD), Madonna BLYTH (QLD), Toni CRONK (NSW), Casey EASTHAM (NSW), Suzie FAULKNER (QLD), Emily HALLIDAY (WA), Nikki HUDSON (QLD), Kate HOLLYWOOD (NSW), Rachel LYNCH (VIC), Angie LAMBERT (QLD), Shelley LIDDELOW (WA), Hope MUNRO (WA), Rebecca SANDERS (NSW), Emma STEWART (QLD), Sarah TAYLOR (ACT), Renee TROST (VIC), Mel TWITT (NSW)

**Information provided thanks to Hockey Australia*

My Hero... Daniel Mitchell

Daniel Mitchell first picked up a hockey stick at a Minkey Saturday morning training in Port Lincoln, that Peter Samuel along with others, was running back in about 2001. Daniel quickly progressed from Minkey to under 13's and because all his mates played for Marauders he decided that was where he wanted to be when it came to choice of clubs.

The first year of Under 13's was under coach Robyn Packer, then Phill Foreman and Sue Ashman. Through Daniel's under 13 years he played in about three Grand Finals, two of which Marauders won. As is the usual pattern within this Association's hockey, he would enjoy filling in for the U/16 Girls and even getting a run in the U/16 boys before his time was actually due.

SAPSASA was the first non-local competition that begged his calling, and he went away under Rod King for some reasonable results in Adelaide against other school SAPSASA sides. It was here that he was first noticed by selectors for the SAPSASA state side and before we knew it he was off to the National Schools Hockey Competition in Canberra in August of 2004. Daniel says that being chosen for this was his most memorable hockey moment so far in his hockey playing. South Australia had their best carnival ever coming 5th overall and actually won some games, which they had been hard pressed to do in the past. This competition was an eye opener to Daniel as to the level of hockey skills that could be achieved. The Eastern states i.e. Queensland, NSW and Victoria always seem to have the edge over other competing state sides and their skill level was a notch or two above what South Australia could display.

With the encouragement of State and local Pathways and under Jodie Hamilton's local coaching Daniel's hockey has improved and his skills grown over the years in Port Lincoln.

The opportunities to play at different club levels has also tested and helped him improve his skills and carry them over to the National Carnivals.

2005 saw him selected for the under 13's National Carnival in Ipswich Queensland. SA had a good run once again, drawing with the NSW side which had never been done by an SA side before. In 2006 he travelled to Albury-Wodonga to participate against some local teams, a couple of Melbourne and country Victoria teams in what is classified as a developmental carnival; they were runners up to the Albury-Wodonga team at an U/14 level.

Back on the home front, he currently participates in the U/16 boy's side for Marauders and gets a game in the B's when they are short and has fitted into the A Grade this year having grown in stature and strength. His favourite position is Centre Half Back and he loves slotting some goals in from wherever else he is put on the field.

What does Daniel love outside of hockey? Well one major thing is what fuels hockey and cricket... and that is food...!! He does have other likes – such as Collingwood (of all teams!). Then he loves a game of cricket in the summer and loves to watch anyone and anybody that plays cricket, both at a local level and internationally. His favourite player is Mike Hussey. Sport in general is of huge interest to him and it will probably dominate his life for quite awhile to come. His overall favourite sporting person is Jamie Dwyer Australian men's hockey player.

His dream as far as hockey goes is currently to beat the Port Pirie side, and anyone else who come along, and win the Junior Championship in the U/15's in Adelaide this year, but it could be a tough call! This will be decided this coming weekend 9th and 10th June in Adelaide. He is hoping for selection to go to Perth for the U/15's Championship this year in October! He would also like to see and be part of the Marauders A Grade

men winning a Grand Final flag! Thanks to everyone who has helped him along his hockey path so far!

** Provided by proud Mum, Veronica Mitchell. Daniel has nominated the next person for the My Hero segment. Look out for it in a forthcoming edition!*



Daniel playing in the Canberra U13 Championships



Daniel and the SA Team at Albury-Wodonga

Hockey SA Seeking Coaches!

You are invited to get involved... South Australian hockey has been under achieving at all national championship levels for far too long... A solution to the problem needs to be formed, along with a more professional approach for all coaches and players. Hockey SA is currently working on a number of initiatives to strengthen the junior and senior state championships and to position them as a primary selection tool for all state teams from AHL level to the under 15's.

If you believe you have what it takes to coach at any of the levels for season 2008 and beyond (ranging from developing a larger pool of talented, qualified coaches and reviewing systems to mentoring young coaches) or be a part of this exciting new initiative, Hockey SA are presently seeking your expressions of interest before Monday 13th of June.

Please send all expressions and level of interest to Robert.haigh@hockeysa.com.au or call the office on 08 8349 4044.



What's on @ Ravendale!

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Active Communities: Sporting notes from Mark Fisher...

Jason McCartney will visit Port Lincoln on Tuesday 19th June. Jason has been working with the AFL conducting seminars and assisting the AIS U/16 and U/18 squads in addition to joining an Indigenous visit to South Africa in the future.

This seminar will be delivered at the Nautilus Theatre to 500 students and will focus on (1) Goal setting, Time Management (2) Smart Choices and (3) Support Networks. Jason's seminar will be followed by a training session for the EPSA students on Centenary Oval later that afternoon.

Mark is the Active Communities Project Officer with the SA Office of Recreation & Sport and can be reached at the Port Lincoln City Council office, telephone 08 8683 1411 or email sportrec@plcc.sa.gov.au

Lincoln Auto Club

A big WELCOME to the Lincoln Auto Club! Members of the Lincoln Auto Club can now be found conducting their meetings in the Ravendale Community Sports Centre every three months. They have also scheduled their next Annual General Meeting for February 2008.

Well known for their restoration of historic and classic vehicles, the Lincoln Auto Club holds regular family outings and have a very social atmosphere.

If you would like to find out more about the Lincoln Auto Club, don't hesitate to call Geraldine Minhard, Secretary on 08 8682 3095.

At the Club

Pasta or Schnitzels?

Need your carbs? Of course you do if you are going to carve up the competition on the field, oval, turf, court or any of the Ravendale floors!

Pasta Nights on Wednesday's and Thursday's for just \$9.50, which includes a glass of soft drink, red or white wine!

Schnitzels on Friday nights from only \$6

And remember we have schooners of Fosters beer, at the best price in Port Lincoln so make The Club your 'local' for meeting your mates over a great meal!



Hockey: Mid Week Veterans Comp Begins!

The mid week veterans competition commences on Wednesday 13th June. The only eligibility criteria you need to meet is the age! If you are 35 or over you officially qualify and will be allowed to join this secret society of handy players!

Contact Julie Chambers to register your interest individually or get a team together, call 8682 5327. And if you would like to fill coordinator and committee roles for this mid week competition, please contact Elise 08 8683 4345 or email familyvision@internode.on.net

Below: Bridget Ashman & Tracy Cordon

Centre: Flinders & Wanderers

Right: Robyn Packer, Pam Stanley, Emily Stanley, Kali Owens & Emma Foreman



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