

Presidents Report Peter Vickery

The start to the season has been a positive one for the club. The pre-season by both men and women has laid the foundation for a winning start to the season.

Prior to the season commencing we hosted the Under 17 Girls Championship in which South Australia, Western Australia and Victoria participated along with a Japanese University team and the New Zealand Under 21 team.

This created a lot of work for Chad Lindner making sure the grounds were set up each day, and also for Leona Grimes and Jill Langstreth in the canteen. The club provided lunch for the teams on each day of the championships and also hosted WA and Victoria on 2 nights for meals. This was followed up by holding the presentation dinner on the final night, where we catered a 2 course meal for 130 people.

My sincere thanks go to Chad Lindner, Tom Vickery, Lee Vickery, Trevor Poland, Nick Brown, Kenny Eime, Patrick Gray, and Simon Gill for making sure the grounds were marked and set up each day.

Sincere thanks also must go to the ladies who manned the canteen and provided the meals for the teams. These were Jill Langstreth, Leona Grimes, Bec Buick, Rachel Hill, Petra Edwards, Robyn Vickery, Laura Vickery, EJ Smith and Adele Giffen.

The club received many plaudits for their efforts for the week and in particular for the meals and lunches provided for the teams.

Thanks also to Scott Gill for his work with the sound system, Tony Hill for his MC duties and Brett Langstreth for setting up the flag poles.

Special mention to Chad Lindner and Leona Grimes who took their holidays to be available each and every day of the tournament.

With all the work put in we were able to turn the week into a solid fundraising effort for the club. It was an effort the club and all helpers should very proud of.

On the playing side of the club, I will leave most comments to the respective coaches to make. However, I will say it is extremely pleasing to see all the senior teams training so well and that they are competitive in their games.

We are still struggling a little with the juniors and unfortunately a lot of our efforts were marred by the extreme heat in our main recruiting period. The members involved in this area of the club have worked very hard to recruit numbers and it is through no fault of theirs that we are slightly down on numbers.

If not for their hard work we would have no junior teams at all. I have seen both the Boys Under 13 and Girls Under 13 teams play in the past weeks and am impressed by the positive attitude of the coaches, players and parents. With this attitude present, the players will quickly improve in the game.

On the administration side we still need to tighten our act a little and if anyone is prepared to help out please let us know. Many hands make light work.

The attitude round the club is very positive so let's make a concerted effort to keep it that way and provide an environment that kids, parents, players and supporters are all comfortable, happy and feel a part of.

Training Sessions

Men's and Women's training sessions are held every Tuesday and Thursday nights at ETP, with the occasional Sunday session.

Women's Training Times:

Tues / Thursday: 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Men's Training Times:

Tues / Thursday: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Sunday: 10.00am

See website for full training schedule

Under 13 Boy's and Girls:

Thursday nights: 5.00-6.00pm

Social Events

Friday, July 4:

Independence Day @ ETP

More details to come

Saturday, July 12:

Adopt-A-Junior Day @ ETP

More details in the attached flyer

All home games:

Happy Hour, 5.30pm-6.30pm

Coaches 2008

Men's League:

Tony Hill

David Vickery

Men's Reserves:

Doug Mildren

Tim Ross

Jem McGee

Women's B Grade:

Nat Owens

Boy's Under 13's:

Trevor Poland

Scott Peterson

Kenny Eime

Girls Under 13's:

Leah Combes

Petra Edwards

Treasurers Report **Leona Grimes**

It was pleasing to see we started this year off with only a couple of players owing fees from 2007 and they were players that had only played a few games. This season we were able to purchase a barbecue for the club so we can finally return the President's barbecue.

Many thanks go to the people who helped out at the U 17's Championships in April. We managed to raise some much needed funds in the canteen, due to the efforts of Peter Vickery, Jill Langstreth, Bec Buick, Robyn & Laura Vickery, Rachel Hill and Petra Edwards. As we are not holding any finals this year, this was our big fundraising event. The club is still far from being in a secure financial position, however with the efforts of the volunteers and your support we should manage to keep our head above water again this year.

Some players have not paid their 2008 fees, although it is good to see just about all of the women have paid or made arrangements

The fees for the 2008 season are:

Seniors

Men & Women (League & Reserve)	\$230
Concession (Unemployed/Student)	\$175
1st Year Senior Player	\$115

Juniors

Under 18	\$100
1st Year Under 18	\$60
Under 15,13,11	\$60

(Voucher System, please see me or Lee Vickery for information)

(Half price fees apply if a junior player brings another junior to the club and they register for the season)

Club Membership

Family Fee	Please contact me to negotiate
Non Playing Social	\$60.00

(Please note the first drink is free at all club social events as an incentive offer to join)

If you have an existing arrangement concerning fees you must pay at least 50% of your fees by 30 June 2008. If you have not made an arrangement and don't pay your fees by 30 June 2008, the Committee has determined that you will not be permitted to play until the fees are paid.

I am available at the club on Thursday nights or contactable by phone on 0421 332 499 so please come and see me if you are experiencing difficulty in paying.

Please keep supporting your club by attending the social events and helping out where you can.

Position Vacant **2008**

Committee: Junior Director

This position is vital to club management, and the club will suffer without the position filled. Please send applications to committee@redwingslax.com or contact Peter Vickery on 82049750

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If you have any articles, news items or events which you would like posted on the website, email them to simon@redwingslax.com

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Social Report **Tom Vickery**

Whilst the year has started slowly with only one social event to date there have been plenty of people around the clubrooms after training and games to suggest that our club is growing off the field.

The Mexican Night that was held was well attended by many people late into the night (damn tequila) and the 50 or so people from all senior teams seemed to enjoy their time. I would like to thank Chad, Ejay, Adele, Trevor, Nick, Fraser and others for helping to run the bar, clean the clubrooms (before and after), tiling and assisting where possible. I would also like to mention Bec for doing a wonderful job with the Piñata as it took a long time to break.

Upcoming on the social scene is an Independence Day party on Friday the 4th of July for our American friends (we don't want them to get homesick) and also a Adopt-a- Junior day and BBQ for all club members on Saturday the 12th July. It would be appreciated if all that are free could attend.

I am also organizing a Quiz Night for late August and am seeking prizes to be given away at this night. So if you work for anyone that is willing to donate a prize it will be greatly appreciated.

Keep your eye on the website for any changes to the above dates.

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Junior Co-Ordinator Report **Lee Vickery**

Firstly, it is great to see so many new faces around the club. I would like to take this opportunity to extend a warm welcome to all those new parents and players joining us this season. I hope you all enjoy your Lacrosse experience on and off the field. We have a number of upcoming social events that are a great way to be involved and learn more about the club. If any one has any questions, concerns or feedback in regard to juniors or club issues I am more than happy to hear from you.

The lead up to the season has seen the club work extremely hard on the recruiting frontier in an effort to reach the guidelines set out by Lacrosse SA. So far we have conducted school clinics at 5 local primary schools (Stradbroke, Magill, Nailsworth, Highbury and Dernancourt). We also conducted an after school program at a number of these schools and ran a schools carnival day that involved over

300 children. At present we are short of our quota so going forward we are continuing our drive with more school clinics.

In 2008 the club is fielding an Under 13 boy's team (coached by Scott Petersen, Trevor Poland and aspiring coach Kenny Eime) and girl's team (coached by Petra Edwards and Leah Comes). These teams were not fielded by the club in 2007 and were made possible by the hard work of those people involved in the preseason recruitment drive who managed to recruit 20 new junior players. These teams have been fitted out with all new equipment and uniforms and blessed with enthusiastic and talented coaches who are now working very hard to provide a fun environment for the kids to develop in.

Unfortunately we have not entered an under 18 team (which we did field in 2007) as the majority of players

in this age group have chosen to play seniors. Any players that are interested playing this age group should speak with me as we do have an arrangement with a neighbouring club to facilitate this.

The focus for the rest of the season will be to make Lacrosse enjoyable for our current junior players whilst attempting to fill out numbers in existing teams and possibly add some Under 11 and Under 15 teams.

Finally, a BIG THANKYOU to any one that has helped in the recruitment and coaching of our junior teams. The club has made a big step in the right direction to ensuring our future growth. If there is any one out there that is interested in being involved in any way with the junior teams please let me know. Until next time enjoy your Lacrosse.

Mens A Grade Tony Hill and Dave Vickery

We have now completed the first round of the Mens League competition.

Where are we:

3rd on the Premiership Ladder

Games won: 5

Games lost: 2

It indeed has been a pleasing start to the 2008 season.

Why are we there:

1. Solid Pre Season program where all players have worked hard to increase their level of fitness this year compared to previous seasons and are maintaining this level. This will continue with Sunday sessions added

2. Selective recruiting with the addition of our 2 American players, Jeff Eckenhoff & Tyler Baruch. Both players have been a welcome addition to our playing ranks as well to our club socially. Whilst many clubs are still getting their overseas players both Jeff & Tyler committed to pre season and availability from game 1. The value is that the team is stronger and the results reflect this. Also a

special mention to Alex Ruppel, an international student at Adel Uni who chose to join us this season.

3. An outstanding Defensive Unit starting with Tom in goals and supported by Nick Brown, Randall Pearce & Scott Vickery & backed up by an improved middle D. Nick Brown rates a special mention now taking on & beating the strongest attacking opponent each week.

4. A flexible attack with multiple goal scoring options. With 6 – 8 different goal scorers in each game it creates difficulties in match ups from the opposition. New captain Scotty Petersen has led from the front and well supported by Jeff, Tyler, Glenn, Kristian, Trevor & Brett.

5. Face off strength. Starting face off Matt Brown (Freckle) has shown commitment to training & developing his face off to the point where his stats this year are impressive. Well supported by the flexibility of being able to mix up options & bring Trevor Poland up as our 2nd face.

We are 5 – 2 having beaten last years premiers Woodville as well as tough opponents Burnside & Sturt. Our only 2 losses so far being to Glenelg 11 – 9 after leading both at half & 3/4 time, in a game we could have so easily won and to Brighton 16-14 in another we could have won.

With most teams now securing their visiting overseas players and improving their fitness the challenge will be in the 2nd round to maintain our form and ensure we stay in the top four.

Following the two week break in July our last 4 rounds are against all of last years finalists and away from home. This provides us with the ideal lead in to finals and for us to know exactly where we are come finals time.

Coaches

Hagar / Dave Vick



Mens A Reserves **Tim Ross**

Well we are sitting at round 7 with 3 wins and 4 losses and probably a little annoyed with ourselves.

The Team has great number with a fantastic mix of young, experienced and out rightly old players.

Some stand outs by the younger brigade is seeing the development of Patrick (Paddy) Grey, Simon Blight, Mathew (Beaver) Smith and Kris Nicola who unfortunately is out for 12 weeks after starring against West Torrens with a broken hand. Mathew (Smitty) Smith has also been a great inclusion for a first year player who has been very close to his first ever goal on a couple of occasion and it looks like any game now he will open his scoring account.

Game 1 was a hard fought 7-6 win over Sturt with the reserves team seeing Tim Mildren, Tim Ross, and Jem McGee Standing in-front of Bazza in the cage. Funnily enough the team only got 10mins worth of penalties and Big Trav top scoring with 3 goals led by example.

Game 2 was a disappointing loss to West Torrens 5-3. With the defense on top and restricting the opposition to only 5 goals the defeat was somewhat demoralizing. Simon Blight and Beaver both scored great goals but unfortunately the attack was lacking -especially when someone decided to get a tattoo in the last quarter rather than playing? Another shock was Tim

Mildren keeping out of the penalty box for the entire day.

Game 3 saw a much better effort with a win over North Adelaide 9-3. Big Trav again led the way with 4 and was supported by Shannon Lim and Dave Morris had at least 20 shots for his 1 goal. Simon again popped up for a goal and is showing that he will be one of the next attackers at ETP - although he is very appreciated in the midfield with his speed and endurance which was a stand-out at pre-season.

Game 4 VS Woodville was a tight loss 6-5. Again the defense was on top all day with only 6 goals scored and the entire team fought it out to the end just falling short. The ink on Troy's tattoo must have dried and made him tougher as he starred with 2 goals and if Dave Morris had been available for the start of the game we may have just pushed the score in our favor. Mathew (Boonie) Vickery showed that he can play attack, defense and goals by becoming a consistent scorer. With only 3 penalties for the game the team showed that they were keen to stay on the park and that next time we will make sure the win is ours.

Game 5 was a loss to the top team Glenelg 9-2. The score line isn't a true representation of the game as the 3 quarter time score was 3-2 Glenelg's way. ETP had 19 players and with Tim Ross and Shannon (Sumo) Lim not available it goes to show the depth the club has in reserves this year. Dave

Platt was welcomed back after a hiatus from the club.

Game 6 was a strong win over Adelaide Uni 15-8. With Alex Ruppel down from A grade and the Loss of Simon Gill and Tim Mildren to A grade and Dave Morris unavailable the Reserves were looking still quite strong. Paddy Grey, Baden and Thoran led from the middle and dominated all day and with Sumo scoring 4 and Alex 3 it was great to have some attacking fire power. The younger brigade also got in on the action with Simon scoring, Boonie with 2 and a lot of great work and a couple of assists to Beaver shows the club has some great juniors.

Game 7 was a disappointing 15-2 loss to Brighton.

So overall at 3-4 we have a lot of positives. Doug Mildren will coach when he can and his wisdom is much needed in our young attack line. When we attack we look good and with each game under the belt the likes of Beaver, Chris and Cameron Semmlar will become more and more dominant members of the team. The team is looking forward to the return from OS of Aiden and hopefully he can pull a few of the other under 17's from the last couple of years back out so us old guys can enjoy sitting on the bench a bit more.

Redwings Rag Submissions **Simon Gill**

All articles for the August Redwings Rag need to be submitted (preferably via email) by **Tuesday August 5**.

Other than committee member and coaches reports, club members are encouraged to submit an article for the Redwings Rag. Its your magazine so we appreciate input from all club members!

Items that club members may submit include:

- Secondhand lacrosse equipment for sale/wanted etc
- Job offers
- Photos from ETP games and social events
- Anything else that may be relevant to the members of ETP

Submissions are required by no later than Tuesday August 5

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Womens B Grade **Nat Owens**

Since the team has started this year there has been many improvements already. The first is that we are now starting to play as a team.

We have a few new girls in the team this year who, with some development and guidance will become good players and be good for the club for a few years.

The more experienced players have stepped up and are helpful of my role but also in trying to help develop the new players.

I am enjoying my time at ETP, and wish to continue developing the group. The experience has also helped me develop more as a coach..

The girls have been pushed hard by myself from the start. They are starting to listen and trying to learn, however it will take some time to learn how each other play. The team has a good work ethic when they put their minds to it. So far we are sitting fourth on the ladder with one draw, three wins and two losses. Overall not too bad for a developing group.



Natta

Girls Under 13's **Leah Combes and Petra Edwards**

We began the season unsure whether we would be able to place a team. With only a few girls coming out to training we unfortunately missed the first 3 games. And so, due to a lack of experience playing together as a team, the girls lost their first game against Burnside 27- 0. We think they did well, considering many had picked up their sticks for the first time the training before, and about half are under 11, competing against older, more experienced players. Emma surprised us all in the centre draw, winning most, and Sam and B.J. worked well in goals for a half each. The team tried hard on the field, but struggled in defense, because they hadn't had the practice.

However, they did play the second half much better than the first and were very supportive of each other.

Our second game against Woodville, was also a loss, 20- 1, but culminated in our first goal of the season from Sam, assisted by Laura, who is picking up game skills quickly. Mia played a great game for her first time in goals, while Natasha and B.J. worked well together in defense. Ashleigh also played a good game and was very excited when she won a ground ball for the first time, and Amber showed great progress since her first game, being much more confident in her skills and ability to defend.

The girls are improving greatly from week to week, although keeping their attention can be challenging at times, and all are showing great potential for the game. We're proud of their efforts so far and hope that they will continue to succeed in working so well as a team.

Also, we are currently still 2 players short of a full team, so if you know of anyone interested in playing Under 13's, we'd love to have them come out on Thursday night and have a go.

Leah and Petra.

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Boys Under 13 **Scott Peterson**

Coached by Trevor Poland, Scotty Peterson, Kenny Eime

Game 2

ETP 2 VS Glenelg 9

This was my first game coaching the U/13's for 2008. To start with we only had 9 players, so we played 8 a side, but all 9 players tried hard all day and helped each other as much as they could. The score didn't worry us too much as we haven't had much training time with the kids. Glenelg were a bigger, stronger and more skillful side than we were, as we only managed to score the one goal, but I'm pretty sure the kids had fun playing their 2nd game of Lacrosse.

Game 3

ETP 13 VS Burnside 15

A much easier day up against Burnside, although we went down by 2 goals, once again the score didn't matter to us coaches. The kids had fun and enjoyed scoring 13 goals between them, they all put in 100% and were keen to play all positions. We had 4 goal scorers, one of our players scored 6 goals and two other players had 3 each. For first year players the guys are coming along really well. If they keep going the way they are their going to have a great future in the exciting game.

Scotty Peterson

Promotions Report

Scott Gill

At the start of the year, I had the goal of setting up a promotions subcommittee, which would consist of a magazine editor, website editor, merchandise organiser and a sponsor's coordinator. Currently Simon Gill has taken on the role of website editor, and has also taken on the job of putting together this issue of the Redwings Rag. I have also been in discussions with our two yanks, who are helping us source some new lines of merchandise from overseas.

One role of the promotions subcommittee that I desperately need to fill is a Sponsor's Coordinator. This role is vital for the survival of the club, and has been very much a neglected aspect of the club since i have been involved with the promotions portfolio. The role includes speaking to potential sponsors and negotiating sponsorship deals, and keeping existing sponsors happy by making sure their logo is getting adequate display around the club, on the website and in club magazines. If anyone is interested in taking on this roll, please drop me an email, give me a call or catch me at the club.

Committee 2008

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Womens Director:	Karen Portelli Laura Vickery		



We are currently in the process of ordering some more Redwings Merchandise, including a variety of Hoodies, T-shirts, and Tracksuit pants. We aim to keep the Hoodies and T-shirts in limited stock so that we can sell them throughout the season, rather than waiting to put orders in once a year. Also, just a reminder to all senior men's players that it is a club requirement that all players in League or Reserves wear the current design men's playing shorts. These can be purchased from myself or Leona (club treasurer) for \$50.00.

Keep an eye out on the club website within the next month, as we will be releasing the long awaited online store and making some upgrades to the club gallery.

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SATURDAY THE 12TH JULY 10am TO 1pm

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