



A Blue

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B Blue

B Gold

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C Black

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C Green

C Red

C White

O/65 Blue

O/65 Green

O/65 Maroon

O/65 White

# Masters Matters

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**George Winning Award:** Neil Patterson circulated members on this and has explained it so well that rather than use my own words I am including the text of his email.

Nominations are invited for our prestigious annual award—the George Winning Award—for current outstanding service to our WHM club (including Saturday Hockey Masters). The George Winning Award is open to all Western Hockey Masters members, past and current, judged to have provided exceptional service to the club and not previously awarded.

Persons can be nominated by any Western Hockey Masters member playing or nonplaying (Wednesday and Saturday). Confidential nominations should be submitted to me (by email or writing) with a brief outline of why the person is being nominated. The closing date for nominations is Saturday 9th October.

I will collect the nominations and report back to the WHM Committee, which will then determine the winner.

The winner will be presented with their award at the annual Christmas Party.

Past winners are:

2015 Brian Lester

2018 Bob Bowyer

2016 Robin Bailey

2019 Simon Thomson

2017 John Mercer

2020 Jim Wright

Neil can be contacted at [patterson991@bigpond.com](mailto:patterson991@bigpond.com). (*Do not "Respond All" to his original email*)

**City Versus Country:** Congratulation to the organisers of this event which took place over the two days of the 2nd and 3rd October weekend. From what I experienced it was extremely successful and was well received by all. A more comprehensive report appears on Page 10.

**Dates For The Diary:****2021**

October 13th: WHM Committee meeting. Eastman Room PHS at 5:15 pm.

October 20th: A Division umpiring seminar. Eastman Room PHS 11:00 - 12:15.

October 23rd: Saturday hockey AGM and winter season windup. Perry Lakes clubrooms.

December 15th: Hips versus Knees followed by WHM Christmas Party. PHS.

December 18th: Saturday hockey - Christmas pizzas at rooms.

**2022**

April 23rd to 30th: Australian Masters Games - Perth. Postponed from October 2021.

June 25th to July 3rd. Wim van Noortwijk memorial tournament Barcelona.

September/October: Interstate championships (Men) - Gold Coast.

September/October (?): Interstate championships (Women) - Cairns.

**2023**

To be advised: Masters Interstate Championships for Men and Women. Home State WA.

**Hips/Knees Day:** As the possible interstate expansion of this event has been put on hold due to the restrictions affecting interstate travel Coordinator Bob Bowyer has been seeking starters for several other possible categories, and writes: "If sufficient numbers for other categories are received it is proposed to play a preliminary match to the HIPS v KNEES featuring 2 alternative categories teams.

1. HIPS
2. KNEES
3. CANCERS including PROSTATE
4. OTHER OPERATIONS, e.g HEART

Members may nominate for more than one category.

Minor operations and treatments are acceptable.

Please reply to Bob Bowyer - Assistant Secretary, WHM

[rbow6666@bigpond.com.](mailto:rbow6666@bigpond.com)"

*In late news, the final format of the day is still to be decided. Some extra nominations have come in.*

**A Division Umpiring Discussion:** This is scheduled this before play on the 20th. Details:

An umpiring discussion session is planned for the 20th October. The Eastman Room at PHS has been booked from 11:00 am until 12.30 pm on that day. The aim is to start at 11.15 and conclude at 12.15. Bob Claxton has sourced some very useful material from the recent Olympics to aid the discussion.

All players are encouraged to attend; those who regularly umpire as well as players who are interested in why decisions are made could benefit.

George Bradbury - Coordinator A Div.

**WA Named To Host Interstate Tournaments in 2023:** On 29th September Hockey WA and the State Government jointly announced that Western Australia had secured the hosting rights for several of the interstate tournaments between 2022 and 2025. This will include both the Men's and Women's Masters Championships for 2023 as well as the FIH Pro league in 2024. The actual venues and dates are yet to be confirmed. The announcement can be found on the WA Masters Hockey website in the News section which can be reached via this link.

<https://wamastershockey.com/index.php/news>.

**Hockey WA O/65s:** The WA Masters Committee is still investigating this idea. Secretary Peter (Arch) Andrews tells me that a fuller survey is to be launched jointly with Hockey WA and all players will be asked to respond. I'd suggest that you make sure that you have your say when the time comes.

**Physiotherapy Appointments at Reduced Rates:**

From time to time in the past, we have advertised the availability of physiotherapy appointments for WHM members at reduced rates, in circumstances when physiotherapists require patients for their training. In this case there are 2 qualified physiotherapists who are undertaking specialised training in Sports and Musculoskeletal Physiotherapy at Curtin University. If anyone is putting up with an injury/pain problem there is an opportunity to have it assessed and treated at a discounted rate of \$50 (health fund rebates can also be claimed). The initial consultation would be approximately 90 minutes and any follow up appointments of 30 minutes. The physiotherapists will be assessing and providing treatment under supervision from Andrew McIntyre of Applecross Physiotherapy. Appointments are available from 1-4pm on Mondays and Wednesdays for the next five weeks.

*(After 21st September. Ed)*

The phone number for the clinic is 9316 1186 and the email address is [andrew@applecrossphysio.com.au](mailto:andrew@applecrossphysio.com.au)

Regards, Neil Patterson, WHM Secretary

**Department of Health:** Neil Scaddan went through another removal from the top of the head - no less than 13 stitches. All seems to have gone well, and he's now back on the turf again. Robin Bailey did not play on the 22nd, due (he said) to a bit of AF (atrial fibrillation). However he's now fully back in action again. David Evans has had problems since a collision on the turf at least 5 weeks ago and is not certain about when he might be able to resume. Simon Williams has a hamstring problem and like David E his return date is unknown. And our President's wife Carol is currently recuperating from a hip replacement. As can be seen this list applies to the A Division only as the MM grapevine is limited in its extent. Best wishes go to the sufferers in all three Divisions for a speedy and complete recovery and our apologies to all those not included.

**Letters To The Editor:** September's MM produced some reaction, and my thanks go to all who took the trouble. All were worthy of inclusion, but have had to be placed later in this edition on Page 9. The correspondents include Peter Eastlake, Chris Morley and Peter Fogels; as well as a submission from Terry Gaston in response to the piece on the rules circulated by Neil Patterson.

**Department of Corrections:** The gremlins were busy in the September issue. Page 3 claimed that the raffle prizes now included jars of gourmet "hockey" instead of "honey." Quite obviously a Freudian slip by our typist. The birthday section claimed that Nick Pereira was born in 195, thus making him the oldest hockey player ever at the age of 1,826. Thanks to our correspondents for pointing out these egregious errors, which may cost our proof-reader his Christmas bonus.

**Player Birthdays:** If you do not want to have your birthday included in Masters Matters then please contact the editor at the email address [johnmerc@iinet.net.au](mailto:johnmerc@iinet.net.au).

Please let me (and Colin Gee) know if there are any errors or misspellings. We stress again that there is no compunction to buy drinks for the bar on either a Wednesday or a Saturday.

Happy October birthdays to all the following:

**A Division:** **5th** David Horsley (1942) **14th** George Bradbury (1942) **22nd** Colin Murray-Smith (1949) **23rd** Peter Dennis (1947), Tony Marshall (1942) **24th** Terry Gaston (1947) **27th** John Burt (1943).

**B Division:** **7th** Peter Fogels (1950), Len Walker (1950) **11th** David Mellor (1950) **12th** Kevin Taylor (1960) **14th** Brian Thomas (1952), Alan Oldfield (1957) **19th** Mike Robinson (1949) **24th** Simon Walsh (1957).

**C Division:** **1st** Craig Burgess (1960) **10th** Brian Saxby (1962) **11th** Crez D'Vaz (1965) **12th** Peter George (1973) **14th** David Elliott (1958) **15th** Lyle Kenny (1959), Geoff Colgan (1968) **23rd** David Berryman (1966) **25th** Jeevan Glenn Joseph (1969).

**Former Players:** **1st** Ian Lyon (1937) **5th** Roger Jewell (1943) **22nd** Alan Mallaby (1955).

**'A' Division Blog:** A month of good attendances at PHS, as shown (generally) by the team numbers.

**September 1st:** Despite the poor weather we managed to play all the fixtures, though fill-ins were needed and we reverted to our past custom that the only possible substitute is a star player. Player transfers were Greg Street to Green for the day and Robin Bailey to Gold. White and Gold both failed to win, while Blue (3 wins) and Green (2 wins) were undefeated and did not concede a goal. The loss of Jim Balding with a possible back injury made things tough for Gold. Goals were at a premium, but there were quite a few goal of the day contenders. These included good strikes by Arch Andrews and Ken Walter in the first two games of the day and a couple of close in deflections by Bob Bowyer. However, Chip Challenor's tomahawk was good enough to earn the award. The day's results were:

**Green 1 Red 0; Gold 0 Green 1; White 0 Red 2; Blue 1 Gold 0; Green 0 White 0; Red 0 Gold 0; Blue 0 Green 0; Gold 1 White 1; Red 0 Blue 2; White 0 Blue 1.**

**Goal Scorers:** **Blue:** Chip Challenor (2), Bob Maley, John Ree. **Gold:** Sukhdev Pandher. **Green:** Peter Andrews, Ken Walter. **Red:** Bob Bowyer (2). **White:** John Mercer. The team numbers at maximum were: Blue (10), Gold (8), Green (8), Red (10), White (12). 10 goals were scored. /5

**'A' Division Blog (continued):**

**September 8th:** Perhaps the absence of key defenders from Blue (Len Blyth), Gold (Rob Ainsworth, Jim Balding and Gordon Jeffery) and Red (Bob Claxton and Mal Horrigan) was responsible for the large number of goals. Another factor may have been the excellent finishing by all sides which often gave our 4 goalkeepers (Dick, Graeme, John and Tony) no chance. The Green team dominated again, scoring 7 goals and conceding none, while despite being really competitive all day Blue did not win a match (3 draws). Both Red and Gold had really poor games when their team work broke down. The list for goal of the day includes fine strikes by Kens Walter and Watt to open the day; tomahawks by Chip Challenor and Peter Wallis; two great hits by Phil Metcalf (PC and a field goal); several fine finishes by Steve McEntee; a deflection by Bob Bowyer; a solo run from Ray Domingo; and a top of the circle first timer of a bouncing ball by Terry Gaston (sorry if I left you out). The day's results were: **White 0 Green 2; Red 0 White 1; Blue 0 Green 0; Gold 1 Red 1; White 1 Blue 1; Green 4 Red 0; Gold 0 White 3; Red 1 Blue 0; Green 1 Gold 0; Blue 1 Gold 1.**

**Scorers:** **Blue:** Chip Challenor (2). **Gold:** Phil Metcalf (2). **Green:** Arch Andrews (2), Steve McEntee (3), Ken Walter, Ken Watt. **Red:** Bob Bowyer, Lance Woods. **White:** Scott Blackwell, Ray Domingo, Terry Gaston, John Mercer, Peter Wallis. At maximum the player numbers were: Blue (12), Gold (10), Green (10), Red (10), White (13). A total of 18 goals were scored.

**September 15th:** This was the first time that the new Green side failed to win a match, though they and White were undefeated. The other three teams all won one match, with the results fluctuating, possibly due to the need for different fill-ins - Red, Gold and Green were missing several key players. Peter Trend transferred to Green for the day after playing one game for Blue (and a later one for Red). Robin Bailey transferred to Gold and Ken Beer played for both Gold and his own Red side. We managed to complete play before the rain really set in. Our regular four keepers (Dick, Graeme, John and Colin) all played well and made forwards earn their goals. The goal of the day judging panel could not find an overall winner again. Their final short list included a terrific pass from Angelo Strano to Nev Brown and great ball control from Steve McEntee and Ham D'Souza, followed by flicked or scooped finishes. The day's results were:

**Blue 0 White 0; Green 0 Blue 0; Gold 0 White 1; Red 1 Green 1; Blue 1 Gold 3; White 1 Green 1; Red 0 Blue 2; Green 0 Gold 0; White 1 Red 0; Gold 0 Red 1.**

**Scorers:** **Blue:** Peter Eastlake, Neil Patterson, John Ree. **Gold:** Nev Brown (2), Sukdev Pandher. **Green:** Peter Andrews, Steve McEntee. **Red:** Bob Bowyer, Lance Woods. **White:** Ray Domingo, Ham D'Souza, Peter Wallis. Team numbers: Blue (11), Gold (8), Green (7), Red (11), White (11). 13 goals.

**September 22nd:** Green and Gold were undefeated while Blue and Red both failed to win a match. Blue had one of their worse days for some time and appeared to miss the midfield drive normally provided by Chip Challenor. Red's midfield was without Mal Horrigan and John Jeffreys, but their defence (like Gold's) was effective in blunting many attacks. The five goalkeepers were (eventually) able to attach themselves to just one team, and a special mention here must go to Dick Osborne who did not put a foot wrong all day. Rob Butler had his first run for some time, and after he joined Red all sides had their full quota. The afternoon began with terrific trapping from Green and Gold in the first match, but as the day progressed the hockey regressed; to the point that the last two games were 0-0. Ray Domingo, Steve McEntee and Rod Spencer scored multiple goals, but the G.O.D. judges liked Nev Brown's team goal for Gold, Simon Thomson's rocket-like reply for Green, and Stan Balding's clever deflection for Blue, resulting in another shared award. The day's results were:

**Green 1 Gold 1; White 0 Green 1; Red 0 Gold 1; Blue 1 White 3; Green 0 Red 0; Gold 1 White 1; Blue 0 Green 3; White 1 Red 0; Gold 0 Blue 0; Red 0 Blue 0.**

**Scorers:** **Blue:** Stan Balding. **Gold:** Neville Brown, Rod Spencer (2). **Green:** Peter Blockley, Steve McEntee (2), Neil Miller, Simon Thomson. **Red:** No scorers. **White:** Ray Domingo (3), Ham D'Souza, John Mercer. Team numbers were Blue (11), Gold (10), Green (10), Red (9), White (12). 14 goals.

**Quotable Quote One:** "Discovery consists of seeing what everybody has seen and thinking what nobody has thought." *Albert Szent-Gyorgyi (1893 - 1986) Hungarian-born US biochemist.*

**From Saturday Masters:**

# By now everybody should be booked in for the AGM and winter season windup on the 23rd. There does not seem to be a solution to the lack of after match showers despite us having checked a few options. Those who live close will be able to return home for their ablutions, but the rest of us will have to get along as best we can and at least change our shirts. The most recent completion date we have for the new building is January 2022.

# The Revo Sports system has now gone live and there are already close to 30 members signed up for the summer season - in all categories. Judging by the feedback most of you have had very little or no trouble at all. Just follow the prompts and take your time.

# It was very pleasing that the Town of Cambridge has shown compassion regarding our hourly rate for ground hire. We were advised by our helpful contact from Reserves and Bookings to make a written request to the Chief Executive Officer and the senior management has kept us on the old rate. It'd good to see somebody being kind to the aged.

# The work on Alderbury Reserve has not been completed, due to the recent weather. However, we have been informed that we have a ground as from 9th October and will hope that there will not be any more serious disruptions caused by maintenance to the surface.

**'A' Division Blog (continued):**

**September 29th:** The results were rather interesting, with Gold and Red being the undefeated sides. They were also the only teams not to win a game with 0-0 draws being the most common outcome. Blue, Green and White all won once and lost once. It was shaping to be one of our lowest scoring days ever, with only three goals scored at the start of the ninth game. The goalkeepers in Dick, John, Graeme and Tony all positioned themselves very well and saved frequently at point blank range. It's been a while since Peter Galbraith had a run on a Wednesday and he seemed determined to make up for lost time playing 5 of the first 6 games for either Green and Gold. Welcome back Gallows. The goal of the day judges did not have to claim overtime this week to deliberate over the award which went to Colin Murray-Smith, with honourable mentions to Robin Bailey (his first for a while) and Roy Grant (playing for Green against his White team). The day's results were:

**Red 0 Green 0; Gold 1 Red 1; Blue 0 Green 1; White 0 Gold 0; Red 0 Blue 0; Green 0 Gold 0; White 0 Red 0; Gold 0 Blue 0; Green 1 White 2; Blue 1 White 0.**

**Scorers:** **Blue:** John Ree. **Gold:** Hector D'Rozario. **Green:** Peter Andrews, Roy Grant. **Red:** Col Murray-Smith. **White:** Robin Bailey, Ham D'Souza. Players arrived late and departed early but the numbers at maximum were Blue (9), Gold (9), Green (11), Red (11), White (13). 7 goals went in.

**Raffle Winners:** Several WHM members won no less than three times. The lucky trio were Lance Woods, Nev Brown (A Division) plus Dudley Evans (B Division). In addition four members won twice. They were Peter Trend, Frank Williams, Greg Street and Peter Jones, who are all from the A Division. The breakup of winners by Division reveals that the A Division clocked up 26 wins, while B Division were only successful on 13 occasions. Goes to show that a prerequisite for a win is to go to the bar and buy at least three tickets - with cash. MM's limericist says that for teetotallers:

Let's hear no more plaintive cries  
You're unable to take home a prize  
Since now just for you  
Not a wine, in lieu

A honey or chocolate surprise.

*A long winded way of saying that gourmet honey or chocolates are also available.*

**Punology One:** Did you hear about the bloke whose dog could do magic tricks? He claimed to all and sundry that he was the proud owner of a labracadabrador.

**No Balinese Bulletin:** Nothing has arrived from Peter this month. Judging by a couple of emails I had from him I'm not certain that he's receiving mine. Hope all is well up there.

**Shakespeare Said It:** "Nothing, that can be, can come between me and the full prospect of my hopes." Twelfth Night or What You Will Act III, Scene IV. *There were some amazing White team open goal misses at Melville on 6th October. No names, as editorial selfies are barred.*

"There is scarce truth enough alive to make societies secure." Measure For Measure Act III, Scene II. *The bard anticipates today's main stream media.*

"... be sure of this, what I can help thee to thou shalt not miss." All's Well That Ends Well Act I, Scene III. *A Division player claims that all his passes will be on the stick.*

**Well Dones for September:** Wednesday's 'A' Division umpires were: Rob Ainsworth, Jim Balding, Ken Beer, Bob Bowyer, George Bradbury, Dudley Burress, Bob Claxton, Peter Eastlake, Peter Evans, Terry Gaston, Colin Gee, Ian Hill, Mal Horrigan, David Horsley, Mal Jackaman, John Jeffreys, Peter Jones, Jeff Kozak, Bob Le Merle, Steve McEntee, Colin Murray-Smith, Colin Sanders, Neil Scaddan, Brian Soares, Rod Spencer, Angelo Strano, Greg Street, Ron Venables, Les Waldon, Ken Walter, Ken Watt, Ricky Watts, Frank Williams, Ivan Wilson, Jim Wright. Saturday's umpires were: Rob Ainsworth, Eric Alcock, George Bradbury, Dudley Burress, Terry Gaston, Ian Hill, Ken Beer, Murray Matthews, Peter Murray, Colin Murray-Smith, Neil Scaddan, Rod Spencer, Greg Street, Les Waldon, Len Walker, Ken Watt. Well done again to Ivan Wilson for the preparation and clean-up of the 29th September sausage sizzle and well done also to cooks Bob Bowyer and Gordon Jeffery. Thanks again to Colin Gee, for a lot of assistance and guidance in the implementation of Revosports for our Saturday hockey. Well done to all.

**Past Players, Non Players and Injured Players September:** At PHS: Robin Bailey, David Evans, David Horsley, Neil Scaddan. At Perry Lakes: Eric Alcock, Scott Blackwell, Peter Blockley, Chip Challenor, Marty Greay, Ian Hill, David Lester, John Mercer, Roger Partington, Neil Scaddan, Ken Walter.

**Wim van Noortwijk Memorial Tournament 2022:** From the WGMHA website:

WGMA is delighted to announce that Royal Club de Polo in Barcelona will host a Wim van Noortwijk Memorial Tournament from 25th June - 3rd July 2022. This tournament will offer hockey for men's age groups 60+ to 75+ and women's age groups 60+ - 65+. There will be also men's 80+ and women's 70+ if there are three or more entries for those groups. This tournament will replace the Grand Masters tournament provisionally planned for Valencia in 2022.

The tournament will be more in the tradition of the informal Mentors tournaments that were previously staged in Athens (2011) and Barcelona (2013) rather than the Barcelona World Cup of 2018 and will be open to non-national Grand Masters teams from all parts of the world, both current and former WGMA members. The tournament will be a 'fiesta' of hockey for international hockey friends and their partners - a fitting tribute to the former WGMA President who did so much to raise the profile of Grand Masters hockey and to prolong the playing career of so many of us. The traditional hospitality of RC Club de Polo will be offered throughout the event and there will be a relaxed barbecue evening by the pitches to round off what will undoubtedly be a memorable few days. 2022 is also a special year for RC Polo as they will be celebrating their 125th Anniversary.

Formal invitations will be sent out by Pepe Borrell and the organising committee in the next few weeks but please put the dates in your diary and let your players know so that they can build this into their holiday plans for 2022. This is a tournament that no one will want to miss.

*Anybody who went to the Barcelona World Cup in 2018 will recall the great facilities at the RC Polo Club. I have yet to hear whether Southern Cross and Alliance will be organising teams, but MM will try to keep you posted. It seems as though travel might be possibly by June next year. Ed.*

**Punology Two:** What do you call an Irishman bouncing off the walls? Rick O'Shea.

**'B' Division September 2021:**

B Division started the month scratching for players as the effects of a long hard winter lingered. However as per the pattern of previous years September ended with increased numbers and elevated enthusiasm.

With the State Over 70's playing as the Gold side for the last 2 weeks all of a sudden players appeared out of nowhere. As a result all of the teams were much stronger! Maybe it was the lure of giving the over 70's a hiding, maybe it was the anticipation of summer or maybe constant Covid news was wearing thin and players needed a break in the fresh air! Who knows?

September was also notable for a few other events other than the usual end-of-month sausage sizzle which is always well attended and enjoyed.

The return of the following players after injury and/or surgery also lifted the overall numbers and standard of our hockey.

Tony Davey after a significant hand injury and the easing of work commitments.

Razor Ray after a shoulder injury and Ted Allen and John Chapman after eye corrections.

Also in September a fracas involving 2 players was swiftly and efficiently dealt with by umpire Pesty with both players spending time in the bin.

Then the last Wednesday of the month:-

A player was hit in the back of the head by the ball off a free hit.

A player copped the ball in the jaw off a deflected shot at goal by his own player.

A player overran the ball and smashed into the goalie.

Inexplicably two players collided, with the ball elsewhere.

In all cases luckily no one was seriously injured and after a check that players were OK, play resumed. However in each incident the potential for serious injury was present! If this was the AFL there would be a multi-million dollar enquiry, but we are not the AFL so without a truck load of reports we just remind players to take care of themselves and each other which is probably what a multi-million dollar enquiry would conclude and recommend!

All of the cases above can be filed under the heading "shit happens" however with so many happening over a 2 week period I think it is prudent to remind players that at times hockey can be quite dangerous so take care!!

Dudley Evans

*Thank you Dudley for another fine piece. I neglected to praise your item last issue as I fully expected quite a few comments, which did not eventuate. I fully endorse your comments regarding interstate and overseas tournaments - if a mug like me has played in the social competition at four World Cups anybody can get there.*

*This month's report indicates why B Division players are not making it to the bar - they must be seeking medical attention for their match day injuries. Ed.*

**Shootouts:** MM's limericist has been thinking about the unfairness of allowing both Olympic players and O/75s the same time allowance - 8 seconds. He was a spectator for the bronze medal shootout in Newcastle between Wales and Japan O/70s, during which the first one went in and the next nine were all missed, giving the medal to Wales.

It's tough when you're old and you're slow

Eight seconds is fine for a pro

A poor senior cit

No matter how fit

Is still close to almost no show.

**Quotable Quote Two:** "Dreaming permits each and every one of us to be quietly and safely insane every night of our lives." *William C. Dement (1928 - 2020). American sleep researcher and founder of the Sleep Research Centre at Stanford University. His name appears to make him eminently qualified to make comment on such matters.*

**Test Your Hockey Knowledge With John Sanders:****September's** question was:

At the 1994 Women's World Cup in Dublin which of these statements are true:

- The games were played on the University College, Belfield fields,
- Australia won the Gold Medal,
- Australia lost the first game to Russia 1-2,
- During the tournament Australia played its 400th international.
- All of the above.

No answers were received. The actual solution according to John was:

13-Jul-94	Russia	World Cup VIII	University College, Belfield	Dublin	1	2	M Mitchell	1511	Gold Medal
14-Jul-94	Argentina	World Cup VIII	University College, Belfield	Dublin	3	1	J Morris 2, M Mitchell	1516	
16-Jul-94	Spain	World Cup VIII	University College, Belfield	Dublin	1	1	J Morris	1523	
18-Jul-94	Ireland	World Cup VIII	University College, Belfield	Dublin	4	0	S Carbon, M Mitchell K Starre, A Annan	1527	
20-Jul-94	Korea	World Cup VIII	University College, Belfield	Dublin	4	1	L Carruthers 2, A Annan, M Mitchell	1537	
22-Jul-94	Germany	World Cup VIII	University College, Belfield	Dublin	2	0	R Garard, M Mitchell	1542	
24-Jul-94	Argentina	World Cup VIII	University College, Belfield	Dublin	2	0	M Mitchell, J Pereira	1549	

e All of the above

**October's** question is: The Australian hockey community was saddened when respected hockey player, educator and coach, Dr Kathleen Partridge passed away recently.

Which of these statements about Kath are true?

- Goalkeeper Kath enjoyed her finest moment in sport when she won a gold medal with the Hockeyroos in Seoul.
- Kath was a fast, skilled keeper with excellent technical skills
- Kath was a respected leader, serving as vice-captain in Barcelona when the team placed 5th.
- Kath was part of the coaching staff of the Hockeyroos' gold medal teams in 1996 and 2000
- Kath wrote a popular book about playing hockey as keeper.
- All of the above.

Answer next issue.

**Letters To The Editor:** Any comment on the umpiring questions raised here would be welcome.**Peter Eastlake:** I would also comment that as both an umpire and player, I am not in favour of players owning up to a breach and stopping when play is progressing as it just causes confusion.

It is also not a practice employed by all and I am a believer in "what goes round comes round". I am however not against players advising the umpire if they are the last to touch the ball as it goes over the backline or side line, or owning up to a breach after the whistle has been blown, if the umpire is unsighted, as the play has ceased in these instances.

I realise my position will not be universal but play should be to the umpires whistle, particularly as there is the advantage rule.

**Chris Morley:** Hi John - regarding readership, I agree it's difficult to assess how many folk actually read MM but you can be reassured that I at least do so. (*Thanks Chris - we have at least one reader*)**Peter Fogels:** I had a chuckle at a couple of things – Nic Pereira having lasted the best part of 1,826 years with his reported birthdate of 195 and the jar of hockey as a novel Wednesday raffle prize 😊**Terry Gaston:** One area which really bugs me, is when umpires penalise a player who has a "windy woof" when there is no danger to another player from the attempt. The rules penalise DANGEROUS play and if a windy is not dangerous then it should not be penalised. The "windy woof" is probably punished enough by the embarrassment he causes himself. My thoughts, for what they are worth.**Grumpy Old Men and Women One:** "Education ..... has produced a vast population able to read but unable to distinguish what is worth reading." *G. M. Trevelyan, British historian (1876 - 1962). From 'English Social History' 1942. Still true today, hence the popularity of social media. Ed.*

**City versus Country 2021:** This weekend of matches was organised again due to the lack of an interstate tournament. Matches were played on Saturday 2nd October from 11:15 am and Sunday 3rd October from 9:30 am at the UWA turfs in Mt Claremont in age groups from O/55s to O/75s. The weekend included a dinner on Saturday evening which I was not able to attend.

Many thanks must go to the organisers and to the UWA Club for providing their facilities and staff. Even though the Country sides did not win a match it was still a most enjoyable weekend. Well done to Naomi Noble (WA Masters), Peter Andrews (WA Masters) and Shane Knapp (umpires). Well done also to Mike Jenkins, WA Country President and any other WAC people who organised.

Thanks also to the volunteer umpires, without whom we could not have had the weekend.

**Saturday:** Steve Farrar, Allan Sadler, Mike Waite, Shane Knapp and Dave Ferguson.

**Sunday:** Peter Hood, Graeme Hall, Stuart Chase and Shane Knapp.

City versus Country 2021							
Match Details Turf 1 - Saturday				Match Details Turf 2 - Saturday			
Team 1	Score	Team 2	Score	Team 1	Score	Team 2	Score
WA 60/1	3	WA 60/2	0	WA 75	3	WAC 75	1
WA 60/2	1	WAC 60	1	WA 70	3	WAC 70	1
WA 60/1	4	WAC 60	1				
WA 55	2	WAC 55	1				
WA 65	4	WAC 65	1				
Match Details Turf 1 - Sunday				Match Details Turf 2 - Sunday			
Team 1	Score	Team 2	Score	Team 1	Score	Team 2	Score
WA 65	5	WAC 65	1	WA 55	1	WAC 55	1
WA 70	3	WAC 70	0	WA 60/2	1	WAC 60	1
WA 75	3	WAC 75	0	WA 60/1	1	WAC 60	0
				WA 60/1	1	WA 60/2	0

**Grumpy Old Men and Women Two:** "We live in an age disturbed, confused, bewildered, afraid of its own forces, in search not merely of its road but even of its direction. There are many voices of counsel, but few voices of vision; there is much excitement and feverish activity, but little concert of thoughtful purpose. We are distressed by our own ungoverned, undirected energies and do many things, but nothing long. It is our duty to find ourselves." *Woodrow Wilson (1856 - 1924). He said this at Princeton University in 1907. The more things change, the more they stay the same. Ed.*

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