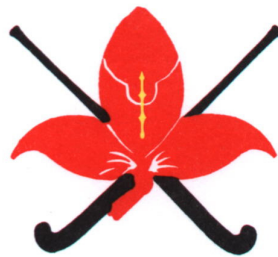


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2011 EXECUTIVE REPORT

This, my last year as President of the WPHU, has been challenging and taxing at times but nevertheless most rewarding.

Our success, across all age groups, on the provincial playing fields (see Events report) has been spectacular. The standard of hockey played in the senior leagues is outstanding whilst hockey at all levels is keenly contested and very competitive indeed.

Western Province has been extremely well represented at International levels as well, in the playing, coaching, umpiring and management spheres.

It is heartening to note that the vast majority of hockey players in the Western Province do uphold the traditions of the sport of hockey, play hard but fair, and do not continuously look for technical reasons to gain points.

It is the Union's intention to continue to strive to achieve a balance that promotes the game at club level, supports our provincial teams and maintain a participative management style involving the clubs at all levels of decision making. The Union intends to ensure that a spirit of sportsmanship and old fashioned "love of the game" is reinforced and fostered.

It is essential to grow the number of senior hockey players, and an exciting concept has been developed by Jack Thonissen, which is detailed in his marketing report.

As is probably quite normal when anyone accepts a new position, the Executive and myself started the year with visions to substantially improve on the already solid foundations of the Union. In some respects we have had success in achieving this, however not to the degree we would have wished. There remains a lot to be done!

The appointment, last year, of a Hockey Manager has made a substantial difference, however Gary Koen, the first appointee left us in August. He has been replaced by Robyn Morgan in whom we have great confidence and expectations.

THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

I am deeply indebted to most of the 2011 Executive Committee. The amount of time, effort and sheer enthusiasm for the tasks has been outstanding in most cases – I will detail some of this below.

However, I have to report a lack of contribution and involvement on the part of some of the members, a situation which cannot be allowed to continue into 2012!

EXECUTIVE MEETINGS

Of the twelve meetings held since the last AGM, the following reflects the attendance of the members:

NAME	ATTENDED	APOLOGIES	ABSENT
Dennis Perkins	12	0	0
Jane McKenzie	8	4	0
Peter le Grange	6	6	0
Charlene Fourie	12	0	0
Noreen Wonnacott	7	5	0
Feico Mulder	11	1	0
Jack Thonissen	6	6	0
Lungile Tsolekile	4	4	4
Jamie Kroukamp Co-opted 12/2010	4	4	0
Brian Moore	3	5	4
Mark Rushby	1	6	5
Wendy Horn	3	4	5
Venetia Koen	11	1	0
Geoff Matthews Resigned 12/2010	3	1	0
Shireen George Resigned 8/2011	5	3	2

Space does not permit a full and detailed account of just how much work your Executive has processed during the year, nor can I begin to give an idea of the abilities and dedication of most of the members. I can only express our deepest appreciation to them for their consistent efforts and support.

PORTFOLIO REPORTS

HONORARY TREASURER:

Jane McKenzie served in this capacity, and has done outstanding work. Her primary thrust was to develop a more inclusive reporting system, and to ensure that financial reporting is done in good time. This was substantially hindered by the change of auditors, which created several problems which are still to be resolved.

REPORT FOR AGM

1. Firstly let me apologise for not being present at tonights meeting.
2. I have copied the Income and Expenditure and Balance sheets for your perusal. Should you require a full copy of the financials, please do not hesitate to ask and it can be emailed to you.
3. We have finally changed auditors to Browne & Associates. Not without problems with them being able to acquire all necessary information from BDO to produce the financials for the year ending April 2011.
4. We have been given DRAFT financials as we were hoping to have these accepted at a Council meeting in September which we, with the clubs consent held over the meeting until tonight.
5. Should the figures be in order and the meeting agree to them then the final figures will be sent to us for signature.
6. Debtors is still a major problem, as clubs as well as individuals seem to think that hockey can be played for nothing. Everyone should by now realize that there is a lot that goes on behind the scenes to keep hockey afloat and it is about time that expenses are PAID for.
7. The following clubs are not in good standing with the Union as their Affiliation fees have not been settled therefore, according to our constitution they will not be eligible to vote at the AGM:
Constantiaberg, Bellville, CPUT Wellington, Gula, Hermanus, Northlink, Paarl and Pioneers.
8. Hopefully we will be able to keep on top of debtors in the coming year as Robyn is very Pastel orientated and will keep a strong hand on this.
9. Thanks to all clubs who have made an effort to pay their dues as well as Linda and Gary when he was here helping to chase the monies.

Jane McKenzie

LEAGUE SECRETARY:

This is a very onerous position and Peter le Grange has filled it for some years now. It is vital that numerous aspects be addressed, and that a succession policy be implemented.

LEAGUE SECRETARY REPORT 2011

ENTRIES

The 2011 season started with 69 men's teams (down from 74 in 2010), 14 teams in the Over 35 league (down from 15) and 65 ladies's teams (up from 63). This was after some shuffling in the first week or two. Once the numbers had settled down things went smoothly with just one withdrawal, the Mutual CPUT B team in M5 withdrawing during the mid-season break.

At the preseason meeting, adjustments were made to the league format. With fewer than eight teams available for the M6 league, this was merged into the M5. A single round was played with the teams then being divided into groups of four for a second round of fixtures. With the ladies, the L5 was expanded to 11 teams playing a double round of fixtures.

One club disappeared from the league with the withdrawal of Kuils River. The ladies section in particular had gone from strength to strength but had reached a plateau of success in the LTC. Numbers became a problem and my information is that there was also problem getting members to meet their financial obligations. There were no new clubs despite some initial enquiries, but there is strong interest from one new club – their formal application has already been received – and perhaps one or two others. There was also an application from DF Malan Legends, but they withdrew this when it became clear that their chances of being included into one of the astro leagues immediately would not be successful.

PROBLEM AREAS

A lack of proper communication is still a major problem. There were at least two cases where matches did not take place because one club claimed that they had made every effort to arrange or confirm the match with their opponents while that club told the same story. Something is wrong there and I have asked the Hockey Manager to investigate.

Most matches were played. One of the outstanding matches does affect promotion from the M5 league. I have concerns about the Langa ladies team in L5, who conceded a number of matches and more particularly failed to arrive on several occasions. One understands that these ladies in particular have transport challenges, but this does not ease the frustrations of their opponents.

Mutual CPUT ladies did not have enough players to fill a team on a few occasions, and chose to concede games but use players from higher teams to fill the side so that at least a friendly match could be played. The main point is that players at all levels want to play and not simply claim points, as well as this might help in tight situation on the log.

Not all clubs had their administration in order. Some of the smaller clubs consistently failed to send in results. Some examples are UWC, where there is a staff member in charge of the administration. Belhar men only advised of their results when they had something to complain about. Bellville often sent in results late or not at all. At Constantiaberg it seems that team captains were left to submit results, some of whom but some of whom did not. This club was a particular concern. The MGC survived by a whisker and the MTC team will be relegated. Their action of fielding an unregistered

player led to a reversal of the result of one of their games which affected the relegation from MTC, and there were suspicions of other forms of misconduct.

The UCT B team in LGC continues to be a concern. Once again they lost every game in the season. However, the structure of LTC does not make it possible to relegate this side. UCT in fact requested relegation at the start of the season, but there was no way in terms of the rules that this could happen. At the end of the 2011 season, the LTC was won by the WPCC 3rd team with Stellenbosch 3rd and 4th teams finishing 2nd and 3rd in the league. This precludes the possibility of a team being promoted to LGC. I had high hopes of Fish Hoek finishing in the top 3, but they had a poor run in the second round and could only finish 4th. The status quo will have to remain, unless either the Fish Hoek team is willing to go up; or we throw our principles overboard and allow WPCC or Stellenbosch a third LGC team. The issue needs to be discussed at Exco. We have no mandate to alter the current league structure by reducing the number of teams in LGC. If Fish Hoek were keen to accept promotion we would have to go to Council for a waiver on the promotion rule in this particular case, while I don't think anybody wants to consider the option of three teams from one club.

There are various league format options on the table. One of these is reducing the teams in the GC and TC leagues to 10, and/or reducing the number of teams per club to one in these leagues.

LEAGUE FORUM

The league forum did not provide me with much food for thought, unfortunately. Some meetings were called but attendance was normally so poor as to make it impossible to have any meaningful discussion. Still, it is a forum worth persisting with.

WINNERS AND LOSERS

MGC: WPCC (relegated Durbanville)

LGC: Stellenbosch (UCT B not relegated)

MTC: Somerset West (relegated WPCC B and Constantiaberg)

LTC: WPCC A (no promotion as no team qualified) (relegated Somerset West and UCT)

M2: WPCC A (also promoted: Central); relegated Fish Hoek & Durbanville B)

L2: Milnerton (also promoted Durbanville A; relegated Central & Constantiaberg)

M3: Langa (also promoted WPCC A; relegated Mutual CPUT & WPCC B)

L3: WPCC (also promoted Durbanville; relegated Northlink & UCT B)

M4: Paarl (also promoted WPCC; relegated Pinelands & Mutual CPUT)

L4: Cafe del Mar (also promoted Constantiaberg; relegated Pioneers & Belhar)

M5: Pinelands B (also promoted & Durbanville A; no teams relegated)

L5: Durbanville A (also promoted Durbanville B)

Exco has ruled already on some of the unplayed games which will affect relegation from L3 and L4. A ruling must still be made on an M5 match between CPUT Wellington and Central. Should this be in CPUT's favour they will in fact win the M5 league and be promoted rather than Durbanville.

It is particularly pleasing to see Somerset West advancing to MGC. There was a cynical comment on the WPHU facebook site that this would mean that Stellenbosch now have 3 MGC teams, but it is not for us to decide if the Stellenbosch students prefer to play for an outside club. There are enough playing for van der Stel already. It is also good to see the continued revival of Paarl's men's hockey. The advanced promotion given to Langa in 2010 is again confirmed, although a bit of the gloss has been taken off by some disciplinary problems at the end of the season. I am also happy to see Milnerton ladies back in LTC after the controversial way in which they were relegated in 2010. Cafe del Mar have accepted promotion to L3 provided that they can either find a home astro venue or be allowed to play their home games at their current venue.

Communication has already been sent to clubs earning promotion. At present, Somerset West, WPCC, Paarl and Durbanville have already confirmed their intention to accept promotions earned

Peter le Grange

LEAGUE SECRETARY

MINUTES SECRETARY:

We were fortunate to have someone of the calibre of Venetia Koen filling this position. Always very efficient, Venetia had minutes circulated after every meeting (both Exco and Council) and we were all assured that the record keeping of the Union was in good hands.

Venetia was also appointed as our "legal" watchdog to ensure that we always took decisions within the confines of the Constitution, bye-laws etc.

Our grateful thanks go to her.

COACHING:

After the early resignation, for personal reasons, of Geoff Matthews Jamie Kroukamp was co-opted as appointed as Coaching Co-ordinator.

Jamie is still finding his feet and has been charged with the task of both compiling a database of all coaches in the WP (Club feedback in this respect remains frustrating!) as well as co-ordinating the numerous, sometimes doubtful, coaching initiatives.

Whilst we are extremely fortunate to have an abundance of outstanding coaches, we cannot afford to be complacent in this regard. We need to have a coherent and effective coach development program in place as a matter of urgency.

TRANSFORMATION AND DEVELOPMENT:

Shireen George undertook this portfolio, but unfortunately resigned due to pressures of work and the huge task of running this portfolio.

This most vital aspect of the Union's responsibilities remains a problem area which needs to be rectified. The turnover of portfolio holders over the past few years speaks for itself!

I am firmly of the belief that the incumbents have been too "hands on" and involve themselves in the actual organisation and running of numerous events, as opposed to co-ordinating the laudable development projects of various clubs.

An overall year plan for 2012 needs to be drawn up and adhered to – funding can be maximised if this is achieved.

I highly recommend that the new portfolio holder views the job as a manager, and not an event organiser.

RULES AND TECHNICAL:

The WP Hockey Umpires Association, under the leadership of Feico Mulder and his committee are responsible for this function. As usual, they have been faced with a serious lack of personnel, although some improvement in this respect, as far as men are concerned, has been noted. Technical issues in this province also deserve more thought and vision. Our thanks to Feico and his team for all the effort under difficult circumstances.

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UMPIRES ASSOCIATION

- 1. We had our WPHU Executive meeting – "BOSBERAAD" on 21st and 23 of January 2011 at Britania Bay. Rules and Technical did present a presentation based on the question "What can we do better than 2010"**

A SWOT ANALYSIS – Actions and Goals were set, discussed and prepared for 2011. We continuously have worked on actions and goals from the analysis.

It is all part of " Communications".

- 2. Ladies Umpires Achievements**

Senior Indoor “ IPT” – Pietermaritzburg

- Mia van Lill – NAT IV- New Grade – NAT III
Umpired the final. (Left WP for SG)

Senior Women’s IPT – Bloemfontein

- Marelize de Klek – FIH - attended
- Corrine Cornelius – FIH - attended
- Andrea Nicholson – NAT III - attended
- Phillette de Jager - FIH I – with drew due to work commitment

U21 – Hartleyvale – Cape Town

- Andrea Nicholson – NAT III
- Cary Anne Gissing – new grade – NAT IV new grade LEVEL 3
Umpired the final
- Janet Thomson –PROV I
- Sarie Viljoen – PROV I new grade LEVEL
- Caryn Maart – NAT IV

SASSU – Pietermaritzburg

- Cary-Ann Gissing – LEVEL 3
Umpired the final
- Andrea Nicholson –NAT III
- Sarie Viljoen – PROV I – new grade –
- Claire Cowen – NAT IV – new grade -

Club Championship of Championship

Did not take place

SAHA – INVESTEC Test Series Bloemfontein & Randburg (January 2011)

- Marelize de Klerk – FIH – attended
- Corrine Cornelius – FIH - attended

3. Men’s Umpires Achievements

Senior Indoor “IPT” – Pietermaritzburg

- Sven Mulder – NAT III – New Grade

IPT “A” – Randburg

- Sean Rappaport – NAT I attended

U21 –

- AJ Spieringshoek – NAT III (Level 3)

U18- Boys

- Brendon Kieswetter – PROV II- attended
- Henry Botha – PROV I – attended

SASSU –

- No WP umpire was selected

SACD – Paarl (4-9 July 201)

Our congratulations to all the newly graded umpires

- Alister McFarlane – Level 3 (NAT III) confirmed
- Anthony Rimbault – Level 2 (NAT IV) new grade
- Leon van Schalkwyk – level 2 (NAT IV) new grade
- Malcolm Applewhite - Level 2 (NAT IV) new grade
- Jaco Oosthuizen – Level 2 (NAT IV) confirmed

International Games – Bloemfontein (March 2011)

Countries: Russia and Germany

Sean Rapaport – NAT I – umpired 3 matches

Club Championship of Championship -

Did not take place

4. International Appointments.

UMPIRE APPOINTMENTS

Our congratulations to the following FIH appointments:-

- Ms Marelize de Klerk – Champion Challenge Dublin, Ireland (18/26 June 2011)

TECHNICAL APPOINTMENTS

- Feico Mulder – Judge – Champion of Champions (25 Nov-4 Dec 2011)

5. SAHA – TECHNICAL APPOINTMENTS

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| • IPT Indoor Ladies/Men | Umpires Manager | Dennis Perkins |
| • U21 “W” | Umpires Manager | Elize van Schalkwyk |
| | Assistance/mentor | Marelize de Klerk |
| • Under 16 Boys | Tournament Director | |
| • Senior Women’s “IPT” | Asst. Umpires Manager | Elise van Schalkwyk |
| • SACD | Tournament Director | Feico Mulder |
| • SASSU Men “B” | Tournament Director | Peter Le Grange |
| • SASSU Ladies | Umpires Manager | Vossie van Schalkwyk |
| • Senior Men’s “IPT” | Tournament Director | Feico Mulder |

6. **Pre-season – “Princess” “PRO- SERIES**

The series were played over 3 weekends – 21st – 20th and 27th of March 2011, and the **Finals** were played on the 3rd of April 2011

*Games were played on a round Robin basis.

8 teams, including **Under 21 players**, were selected – 4 ladies and 4 men teams. Player’s kit for each team as well as Umpiring shirts were provided by WPHU. Club Umpires names were forwarded as well as senior umpires were invited for this tournament.

Notes:

- **All night games** and the games were played at Hartleyvale Hockey Stadium **“A”&“B” pitches.**
- **Umpire coaches:** Marelize de Klerk; Sven Mulder; Sean Rapaport; Feico Mulder
Umpires: strength of the games and availability, the umpires were selected. Next season more senior umpires must be selected due to the high standard of the games that were played.
- **Technical Table Coaches:** Lesley West; Feico Mulder
Judges: Lita Jansen (Plands); Keith Howell (Cberg); Robbie Vos (Stell); Alison Smith(); Jane Mckenzie: Charlene Fourie.
- New 2011 FIH rules were implemented. Green Card – 2 min. suspension. Penalty shoot out in stead of Penalty flicks.
- Certificates of participation in the Princess Pro Series to all Umpires and Technical Personnel were handed out.

The **“PRINCESS PRO-SERIES”** was a roaring success again and have no doubt that it will be repeated next season. Early preparation and dates set is the key word.

Thank you to the organizers, Coaches, Umpires and Judges for their valuable time spent to promote the game of hockey in our Province.

7. **NATIONAL UMPIRES EXAM PASSES**

SAHA: Ms Sterley set the exam papers for 2011

CLUB/SCHOOL	TOTAL ENTRIES	PASS/PROV IV GRADE
Rustenburg GHS	20	11
Hermanus	6	5

Wynberg B HS	17	13
RhenishGHS	32	20
Bredasdorp GHS	1	1
Mutual CPUT	30	24
Stellenbosch Umpires course 19/02/2011	21	21
UCT – Noreen Wonnacott 28/03/2011	87	74
Stellenbosch Umpire course 26/02/2011	20	17
Total	234	186

Coaches used: Marelize de Klerk, Corrine Cornelius, Feico Mulder* Vossie van Schalkwyk Stellenbosch HC

Certificate issued: 186 by WPHU

8. Huisbezoek:

We did not have a formal huisbezoek with clubs. We have communicated with emails and attended to the various problems the club had at the time.

It is important that we have the “Road Show” in place for next season as it is an essential part of communication at all levels with our Western Province hockey fraternity. We had focused to get more active graded club umpires for GC and TC. We have done “More scouting at clubs”.

9. Chris Brothers – U18 Boys/Girls – Cape Town International Schools/Club Hockey Festival.

Date: 19th – 24th of July 2011

Tournament Director: Feico Mulder

TO – Rules Co-ordinator: Charlene Fourie

Boys and Girls section: 4 pools each

Day 1- 36 matches; Day 2 -32 matches; Day 3 – 32 matches; Day 4 – 46 matches. (each match 20 minutes)

Umpires: Local umpires were used for this tournament. Chris Brothers made sure that each umpire was financially rewarded.

Comments: Difficult to coach umpires due to the various venues used for this tournament. It definitely has potential for grading umpires.

10. Umpires Meetings

Dates:

08-February 2011	GC Lady Umpires Strategy meeting
07- April 2011	WPHU Umpires Ass. AGM
25-July 2011	Umpire meeting Hartleyvale –Video Clips-Dennis Perkins
19 th -24 th July 2011	U18 Boys and Girls - International schools Festival
14-September 2011	Umpires meeting WPC – Discussions + logbooks

Umpires Selection for National Tournaments

- **SAHA** – Men/Ladies tournaments selection should be communicated via the Provincial Rules & Technical committee. This is not done once again this year. Unfortunately the report back system is also not in place. No Umpire reports, after tournaments are received by WPHU from SAHA.
- **Schools** – Proper Umpires selection routes must be taken. (IPT “A” & “B”)

11. General

a. **SAHA** –

Rules & Technical Conference

Date: 19 & 20 March 2011

Present/invited by SAHA: Vossie van Schalkwyk; Peter le Grange; Sven Mulder; Corrine Cornelius, Feico Mulder

It was a fantastic conference where Technical personnel from each province were invited. It was well attended with speakers as Clive McMurray, Shieila Brown, Marelize de Klerk, Marie van Rensburg, Brando Smit, John & Peter Wright.

b. **Club Umpires Delegates**

PROMOTING CLUB UMPIRES – we have seen improvement

c. **WPHU – FLOODLIGHTS**

It transpired that not all club venues have the required standard floodlights. At the SGM the decision was taken that the minimum standard of 450 lux was required for GC/TC matches. Hartleyvale (A) and Stellenbosch (A) are the only venues that comply. 300 lux for all other leagues.

- Variation to the rules of Hockey applicable for the 2010/2011 outdoor season. FIH ruling: Green Card – Two minutes Suspension.
Document handed out at the 28th February 2011 Council meeting.

d. **Sponsorship:**

We will look for a new sponsorship for both GC lady and Men umpires next year.

e. **Umpires Allocations.**

Ladies: Vossie van Schalkwijk took on this portfolio for 2011.

Men: Portfolio holder Sven Mulder

Comments:

Vossie reported again that she had an extremely difficult time allocating umpires due shortages of Lady Umpires during the entire season. This will be a serious issue for the next outdoor season due to retirement and re-allocation of senior umpires. Men portfolio holder were in similar position, but managed in double umpire slots. We thank those umpires that assisted during the season.

We have used 23 Lady Umpires for GC out of 28 graded listed umpires

We have used 22 Men Umpires for GC and TC out of 33 graded listed umpires

We recommend that we seriously look at allocations for GC/TC both men and ladies. A committee to be set up with league secretary, GC/TC representative, Marketing member and Rules&Technical allocation committee due discuss matters in the interest of hockey. The U21 league might very well start in 2012 which requires umpires and a proper structure. Lets prepare an agenda as early as possible.

f. **Umpire Payments**

- Payment control was done in conjunction with the allocation committee. A proper audit was done to ensure that umpires got fined and only paid for matches umpired.

g. **Umpires Card Control 2010**

We thank Sean Rappaport for co-coordinating the receipt of umpires control cards.

MEN:

YEAR	GREEN	YELLOW	RED	TOTAL	COMMENTS
2011	26	67	2	95	All Leagues
2010					All Leagues
2009	46	88	1	145	All leagues

2008	59	73	4	136	All leagues
2007	23	45	2	70	GC/TC only
2006	69	72	6	147	All leagues

Comments:

• **RED CARD's issued:**

2 Red cards were issued to David Erasmus of Northlink (M5) and J van Tonder of UCT A (M5). Both had an automatic 3 match suspension.

A spectator, injured Maties Goalkeeper- McCarthy, received a red card at a match between Langa vs Vics Maties (11-06-2011). Stellenbosch HC disciplinary, Ms Jilly Dix, adequately attended to it.

Ladies:

YEAR	GREEN	YELLOW	RED	TOTAL	COMMENTS
2011	4	6	0	10	All Leagues
2009	9	13	1	23	All leagues
2008	11	9	1	21	All leagues
2007	0	3	0	3	GC/TC only
2006	12	5	1	18	All leagues

Comments:

- Stellenbosch HC had in total 24 cards issued to them. (11 Green and 13 Yellow.) Durbanville HC had only one Yellow card issued to them. (Fair Play award 2011)
- There is a general decline in card issued during the 2011 outdoor season. A very good trend.

h. Disciplinary:

- **The cost of an appeal against a Disciplinary decision was established at the February Council meeting. 2010 season R5000.**
- **The 2011 disciplinary committee had the following members: Ms J. McKenzie, Mr F. Mulder and Sean Rapaport.**
- **Every disciplinary hearing consisted of 3 Disciplinary committee members.**
- **Match referees were used throughout the season. We have rapps are available. We recommend that we continue with this concept in the next outdoor season.**

- **CODE OF CONDUCT** - We must make sure that we have it in our bye laws or constitution. Club Chairperson must sign on behalf of all their players and email a copy to WPHU offices.

Once again I am extremely thankful for the commitment of the Rules and Technical committee to act and be there when it was necessary. A special thank you to the allocation committee, **Vossie van Schalkwijk and Sven Mulder** for their daunting task week in week out to make it happen. **A Big Thank You!!**

Thank you once again to DennisPerkins, Sven Mulder , Sean Rappaport, Marelize de Klerk, for being available promoting umpiring in general.

Thank you for Thoren Bees and Sven Mulder, for allocating Umpires during the indoor season. Total Indoor Games 65 (M1) + one L1 = 66games. We have used only 8 Umpires for the M1 indoor games at Wynberg. No lady umpires for L1 available. A big thank you, to both Ladies and Men's Umpires, for their commitment throughout the season.

Lastly we congratulate **Cary-Anne Gissing and Sean Rapaport** receiving the joined Umpires of the year award.

I trust that I have not forgotten anybody that I should mention in this annual report.

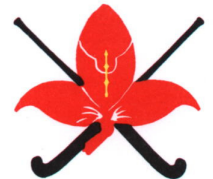
Feico Th Mulder

Chairperson WPH Umpires Association

MARKETING:

Jack Thonissen has continued in this portfolio, and has been something of a breath of fresh air. His enthusiasm and commitment is outstanding and he has initiated some great new initiatives (U21 league, Marketing Awareness Campaign, Website Advertising Promotion).

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1. 2012 PLANNING

2012 CALENDAR

Drafting a hockey calendar focused on the elite hockey to be played in WP in 2012. This includes the M1 indoor league, PRO SERIES and GC hockey. This calendar also includes indoor IPTs, u21 IPTs and senior IPTs. It also attempted to include school

holidays, public holidays, Masters events and club events like the KC March tournament.

PRO SERIES & JUNIOR SERIES

- Dates need to be set ASAP (refer planning above). WP schools (girls) have already forwarded proposed dates which is great – thank you!
- ALL Managers and Coaches have to be identified & contacted ASAP (this year already!!!). In 2011 we took our eye off the event because we were running around looking for coaches and managers (especially for the womens section) at the last minute.
- Still need to write a letter to Border Hockey with regard their unsanctioned “PRO SERIES” copy event. They have no right to use the “Pro Series” name without our permission.
- Still need to write a report for DCAS (Dept of Cultural Affairs and Sport) with regard the PRO SERIES which they requested.
- The goal of the PRO SERIES is not only to boost WP hockey but it’s the START of a National Hockey League (NHL). We encourage ALL provinces to engage with us so that we can co-ordinate a NATIONAL event as opposed to each region starting their own “version” of the event!! We will never have a NHL if someone has to come along in a few years time and try and merge 10 different regional events!

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY

Hartleyvale could host some international test matches for the SA mens hockey team in Feb 2012 as Great Britain is coming to have a training camp at Stellenbosch University. This is a great opportunity to have international hockey back in Cape Town and we would need to pack both Hartleyvale and Stellenbosch with fans!

2. Marketing

- **Website advertising.** You will see adverts starting to appear on the WPHU website. We have identified more space on the website to use. We are developing a pricing structure so that we can start selling advertising – please support this initiative and **read the stats attached!!!** We had over 150,000 page views in 2011!!
- **Accreditation schemes.** Finalise “letter of intent” and send to all clubs, schools etc and posted on the website to explain the initiative and its benefits. Basically allow legitimate institutions and businesses to thrive with appropriate accreditation making it harder for “fly-by-night” businesses / people to take advantage of the hockey market.
- **Sponsorship plan.**
 - o Sell sponsorship for WP senior teams (and u21 teams) for IPT – well done Kenny Parker who sold the WP mens A team to a sponsor called Echelon!

- Sell Sponsorship for Hartleyvale Stadium (naming rights)
- Sell sponsorship for each WP league (GC to M7, GC to L6)
- AWARDS DINNER sponsorship
- Identify preferred suppliers for WP Hockey union (harness purchasing power)
- Sell website advertising (mentioned previously)
- Sell perimeter banner advertising at Hartleyvale

3. **u21 CLUB league & Matric hockey player database**

Fact: 90% of players who matriculate do not play club hockey after school! With 120,000 school players we have only 7600 club players registered in SA – this is UNACCEPTABLE! We should have closer to 20,000 club players off such a large school base of players. In order to encourage players to play after school, an u21 league has been proposed with all the bells and whistles of a “koshuis” or “internal” league which have been super successful in the university structures! More information to follow.... Get excited!!

- Dennis and Jack to meet with Club Chairs to discuss before the end of the year. Once Clubs agreed, sponsors will be approached for 2012 season.
- WP Boys Hockey has been incredibly helpful in getting details (a database of all the hockey playing matrices of 2011) from schools. Info coming in slowly. Still need to work with WP Girls Hockey to achieve this objective.

4. **Public Relations (PR) / Media Plan for WPHU 2012**

- Improve our WP hockey public relations database to ensure greater media coverage and exposure of WP hockey.
- Issue press releases to market WPHU where possible.
- Ensure WP hockey gets MORE press more often (weekly results, announcement of WP teams, GC final winner, WP teams results etc) – **KNOW ANYONE THAT CAN HELP IN THIS REGARD???**

I’m a volunteer but I share a BIG vision for WP hockey along with BIG plans above. As most of us are volunteers we have limited time available for achieving everything we want! I’m delighted we have Robyn Morgan on board as the new WP hockey manager as she is absolutely crucial to the WPHU’s success. I’m excited to work with a passionate person who can commit the majority of their day to making WP hockey a greater success! **Welcome Robyn Morgan!**

Lastly I would like to thank **DENNIS PERKINS** who has given above and beyond what is expected of someone! 15 years of service to WP hockey has made Dennis a true hockey legend! I would personally like to thank him as he has guided, encouraged and supported me in my short time in the WP marketing portfolio! He is wise, an innovator and an inspiration. He only encourages and fosters the growth of hockey in the WP. A great leader

of people he will be missed! However we have plans to keep him involved wherever we can such as the 2012 PRO SERIES project manager!

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**WP Hockey Union is run by
VOLUNTEERS
for YOU!**

ABUSE them
and **YOU WILL
LOSE** them !

(A WPHU Marketing Awareness Campaign)

THANKS

is not enough

**DENNIS
PERKINS**

**#15yearsofservice
#truehockeylegend**

(A WPHU Marketing Awareness Campaign)

**NO Umpires
=NO MATCH!**

**The FUTURE of our
Sport is at stake!**

**#stoptheabuseofwomen
#stoptheabuseofumpires**

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FACILITIES:

Noreen Wonnacott has continued in this post has maintained good communications and a cordial relationship with the Hartleyvale Stadium Manager which has been to our benefit. The fact that beurocracy and, in some instances, ineptitude has frustrated their efforts has been beyond Noreen's direct control.

WPHU Facilities Report

Regular amicable meeting have been held between WPHU and Candice from the City Council.

Technical Table

The council has had the technical table enclosed with see-through plastic sheeting. This is going to make a huge difference when running tournaments; one for the manpower & two for keeping computer dry during the rain/watering

Fencing

The fencing around the technical area & the catch fence on the B field has been repaired

Roof

The starting date for the repairing the roof of Hartleyvale was supposed to be August and the completion the end of February but.....nothing is happening!!!

Liquor License

Dr R Lalu response was that our plans for Hartleyvale were submitted and he is still waiting for a response from the liquor board

Tuck Shop

Nicole Meyer (daughter of Wendy le Grange) will be running the Tuck Shop during Summer League. A decision as to who will run the tuck shop for the remainder of the year will be made in February.

Plan for a new Tuck shop (donated by Grand master Assoc.) has been submitted to council. This will be erected in the same area as the old container tuck shop but will be a 'Wendy' house. Coca Cola is keen to get involved with sponsoring this project

Score Board & PA system

We are waiting to hear from Candice when the new electronic score board for A pitch & the new PA system will be installed

Security

The number of car break-in have reduced dramatically since security has been stepped up at Hartleyvale when the astro is booked.

TOURS AND TOURNAMENTS (EVENTS):

Charlene Fourie continues to manage this with her usual charm, friendliness, efficiency and attention to detail. She has even succeeded in generating a revenue stream from visiting tours!

Charlene succeeded in convening the hosting of a very successful Ladies U21 tournament in Cape Town, whilst simultaneously being the Manageress of the Peninsula team.

EVENTS REPORT

We once again started the year off with touring teams from Argentina visiting WP in February and March. We wish to extend our sincere thanks to Durbanville, Fish Hoek, Milnerton, Mutual CPUT, Pinelands, Somerset West, Stellenbosch, WPCC and UCT who were willing to play against these teams. Fortunately their hockey is of a high standard and is therefore great pre-season practice for our teams. Thanks also to the clubs who are willing to play the teams that are coming in 2012! Please be advised that no foreign team may play in WP without notifying WPHU. There is a levy payable by these teams to the WPHU.

The Pro-Series has certainly gone from strength to strength and was enjoyed by all. A lot of hard work went into the success of this series which is run by Jack Thonissen and he was assisted by Gary Koen.

The U/21 Ladies IPT was held in Cape Town from 1 – 7 May. To even out the pools, SAHA asked WP to enter a 3rd ladies side. We were able to enter a Disa's team and they did us proud.

This tournament was well-run and thanks must go to Dennis Perkins, Jane McKenzie, Noreen Wonnacott, Linda Lazarus, Feico Mulder, Bubbles le Roux, Gary Koen, Peter le Grange, Lesley West and Candice Bossr.

The matches for this tournament started at 13:00 and both fields at Hartleyvale were used.

Unfortunately we were not able to enter a Senior Pens Ladies Team due to tournament costs.

The tournament results for this year are:

WP Ladies Senior Team - Bloemfontein - 1st

WP Men's Senior Team - JHB - 2ND

WP Men's Pens Team - JHB - 6th

WP Ladies U/21 - CT - 6th

WP Ladies U/21 Pens - CT - 8th

WP Ladies U/21 Disas - CT - 10th

WP Men's U/21 - Durban - 3RD

WP Men's U/21 Pens - Durban -

WP Men's Indoor - Durban - 2nd (and Fair Play Award)

WP Men CD - Paarl - 7th

SCHOOLS:

U18 Girls – 4th

U18 Boys – 1st

U18B Girls – 1st

U16 Girls – 1st

U16 Boys – 1st

U16B Girls – 2nd

U13 Girls – 1st

U13 Boys – 2nd

The following players were selected to represent the WP men's u21 'A' team:

SHANNON BOUCHER	(STELLENBOSCH)	CALLUM BUCHANAN	(STELLENBOSCH)
MICHAEL CRAWFORD	(STELLENBOSCH)	MIKE DAY	(UCT)
ROWAN DALY	(STELLENBOSCH)	TAYLOR DART	(PINELANDS)
LANCE DE KOCK	(CENTRAL)	SEAN KELLY	(UCT)
BRAD LOGAN	(STELLENBOSCH)	CHRIS LOUW	(CENTRAL)
BARRY MAART	(CENTRAL)	GRANT ROBERTSON	(UCT)
NIEL ROODE	(STELLENBOSCH)	HUGH SAVAGE	(STELLENBOSCH)
ZACHARY TITUS	(DURBANVILLE)	MARK TURNER	(CENTRAL)

The following players were selected to represent the Peninsula men's u21 team:

DAVE AGAR	(STELLENBOSCH)	MATTHEW ANDERSON	(UCT)
ROBIN BLAMPIED	(STELLENBOSCH)	ROSS CHAPLIN	(STELLENBOSCH)

MICHAEL DALY	(MUTUAL CPUT)	ROBERT EDWARDS	(STELLENBOSCH)
JODY ERASMUS	(CENTRAL)	ZAID GANGRAKER	(FISH HOEK)
OWEN MAQUBELA	(LANGA)	MICHAEL MULDER	(CENTRAL)
SEAN PATTENDEN	(MUTUAL CPUT)	BRENT SAMUELS	(PINELANDS)
KELDOHN SWANEPOEL	(STELLENBOSCH)	HEIN SWART	(STELLENBOSCH)
ROBIN TIMM	(CENTRAL)	CARL TERBLANCHE	(STELLENBOSCH)

NON – TRAVELLING RESERVES:

DON CAMPBELL, TYRONE DOLPIRE, YUSIRY SALIE, KYLE MEESER, BRINSLEY POWELL, JASON KOEN, JETHRO THOMAS

SELECTION PANEL – CRAIG SIEBEN, FADL EBRAHIM, BRUCE JACOBS, PIERRE LE ROUX, NEVILLE ROTHMAN, KURT CERFONTYNE

WESTERN PROVINCE Ladies U21

COACH: Jade Hearne

ASSISTANT COACH: Adene Bennett

MANAGER: Shireen George

Ilanda Botha (Stellenbosch)	Suleke Brand (Stellenbosch)
Chantelle Britz (Stellenbosch)	Andrea Buhr (Stellenbosch)
Carey Clegg (Stellenbosch)	Dani Crouse (Stellenbosch)
Paula Dollman (UCT)	Nikki du Toit (Durbanville)
Dancia Gouws (Durbanville)	Erin Hunter (Stellenbosch)
Rosey Lombard (Stellenbosch)	Anna Malan (Stellenbosch)
Candice Manuel (Stellenbosch)	Luyolo Mazomba (UCT)
Crystal Nichols (Belville)	Tracy-Lee Petersen (Central)

WESTERN PROVINCE PENINSULA U21

COACH: Chris de Koker

MANAGER: Charlene Fourie

Zonike Benade (Stellenbosch)	Sarah Bingham (Stellenbosch)
Tanym Burger (Stellenbosch)	Zoe Christians (Stellenbosch)
Kelly Damons (Stellenbosch)	Kayle Dolpire (Durbanville)
Shireen Mohamed (Bellville)	Julia Jenkins (Durbanville)
Kristi Kriel (Stellenbosch)	Micky Parker (Constantiaberg)
Anli Potgieter (Durbanville)	Kara Scheepers (Stellenbosch)
Gina Sole (UCT)	Adele Solomons (Stellenbosch)
Paula Tully (UCT)	Melissa van Huyssteen (Stellenbosch)

WESTERN PROVINCE DISAS U21

COACH: Schalk de Wet

MANAGER: Gloria Baartman

Este Carstens (Durbanville)	Rosie Clark (Stellenbosch)
Laurette Cumming (Bellville)	Annerie de Waal (Stellenbosch)
Monique Groenewalt (Belhar)	Stacey Morley-Jepson (UCT)

Kari Kruger (Bellville)	Janine Leger (WPCC)
Chantelle Lourens (Bellville)	Taryn Malett (Stellenbosch)
Charne Meyer (Bellville)	Luzelle Myburgh (Durbanville)
Aimee van der Reis (Stellenbosch)	Donne van Veen (Durbanville)

SELECTION PANEL:

Adene Bennet, Andi Bernstein, Chris “Nibbles” de Koker, Schalk de Wet, Jade Hearne, Geoff Matthews, Morgan Poole.

WESTERN PROVINCE MEN’S INDOOR TEAM

Coach: Craig Sieben

Dylan Piatti (WPCC)	Craig Yeats (WPCC)
Jack Thonissen (Pinelands)	Mike Heyink (UCT)
Vaughn Erasmus (UCT)	Sean Kelly (UCT)
Brad Venter (UCT)	Christopher James (Pinelands)
Grant Robertson (UCT)	Lenny Gorgulho (WPCC)

WESTERN PROVINCE MEN’S COUNTRY DISTRICTS

Coach: Michael Muller

Ass Coach: William Wilkenson

Manager; Alistair McFarlane

Chris Keightley (Fish Hoek)	Rual Jacobs (Langa)
Pieter Boer (Van der Stel)	Kent Kakora (Bellville)
Robbie Ashton (Milnerton)	Carl Aspeling (Somerset West)
Neil McIntosh (Fish Hoek)	Adre Erasmus (Pinelands)
Luvuyo Toni (Langa)	Ettienne Blatt (Bellville)
Warren Teich (Northlink College)	Rudolph van Jaarsveldt (CPUT)
Paulo Veloza (Somerset West)	Craig Watson (Milnerton)
Jacques Wilkinson (Bellville)	Kevin Williams (MutualCPUT)
Mike van Der Merwe (Café del Mar)	

Congratulations to all these players for representing Western Province.

CHARLENE FOURIE

PROVINCIAL TEAMS COORDINATOR:

This post has been vacant for some years now and I have been filling in as a “pinch hitter” – certainly NOT ideal for this vital function, and I sincerely hope that the incoming Executive includes someone dedicated to this post – the players deserve it.

A very unsavoury situation dating back to Ladies IPT 2010 (Pens team) was eventually settled during the year, with the legal assistance of Sean Rapaport who acted in a *pro bono*

capacity. The final outcome was not ideal, but realistic and was accepted by the players affected.

CONCLUSION:

No organisation, especially one run in the main by part time volunteers will operate without some glitches. However the overall willingness of the Executive and Clubs to cooperate and strive to rectify issues and find “a better way of doing things” always bodes well.

As this is the last of my four year term as President of the Western Province Hockey Union (after eleven years as Treasurer), I would like to take the opportunity to say how privileged, proud and honoured I have been to have been part of the management team of this great province.

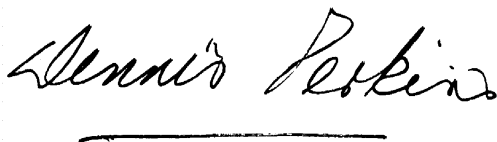
I am truly humbled by the generosity, accolades and good wishes I have been accorded from numerous sources.

I wish the Western Province Hockey Union and the incoming Executive all the very best for 2012 and beyond.

To close on a positive note, and I know I have noted this before but consider it well worth repeating:

In spite of some difficulties and problems, I never cease to be in awe of the amount of hockey that takes place, every week of the year, where no intervention is needed. Hundreds of players, scores of games, numerous umpires simply get on with it and play the game without fuss or bother – a great tribute to all those club administrators and the players themselves.

Thank you.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Dennis Perkins". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a solid horizontal line.

PRESIDENT – WESTERN PROVINCE HOCKEY UNION
20 OCTOBER 2011