



Kings Langley Hockey Club 2015 Annual Report

Overall Kings Langley Hockey Club has had another successful year. We have maintained our player base and our fundraising to ensure we continue to be financially viable. Looking back at this year's goals we are moving forward positively but there is still more to be done.

2015 goals

- Continuing from 2014, enter our first Men's team into a locally based competition. – **Achieved.**
- Continuing from 2014, increase the number of volunteers, accredited coaches and umpires in the club. – **Partly Achieved, continue goal through 2016**
- Continuing from 2014, improve and provide educational opportunities for coaches and umpires with a view to increasing parent participation in these areas. – **Partly Achieved, continue goal through 2016**
- Continuing from 2014, provide further opportunities for players skill development and fitness. – **Partly Achieved, continue goal through 2016**
- Continuing from 2014, encourage greater involvement of younger player parents with a view to ensuring longevity of the clubs administration. – **Partly Achieved, continue goal through 2016**
- To field at least one team in all age groups from U9 to U17 in the North Area Junior competition. – **Partly Achieved – unfortunately we were unable to field a team in the U17 age group.**
- Broaden and secure KLHC's funding base through securing more sponsors. – **Not achieved, carry over to 2016**
- Streamline and further document administrative tasks with the view to simplifying the processes, time and effort required to encourage further parent involvement. – **Not achieved, carry over to 2016**

As always, the success of the 2015 season has relied on the efforts of our many volunteers. For their enthusiasm, commitment and sporting attitude which has made hockey such an enjoyable pursuit in 2015 I'd like to thank:-

The Committee

Kate as President, Lyn as Secretary and Treasurer, Christina as Assistant Secretary, Angela as Registrar, Jo as a committee member, Lynda as committee member and Jacko as a committee member.

Delegated Roles

Angela as Results Officer, Lynda as Equipment Officer and facebook, Lisa as Uniform Coordinator, Jo as Protection Officer, Kate for fundraising and NAJHA delegate, Mark W for Umpire Coordinator and Jacko for the website.

Coaches, Assistant Coaches and Managers

Lyn (Beginners), Skye (Beginners), Thomas (Beginners), Lyn (U11), Christina (U11), Navneet (U11), Updesh (U11), Roger (U13), Kiran (U13), Robyn (U15), Lisa (U15), Nathan (U15), Liz (U15) and Lyn (Mens).

Umpires

Mark W, Ranbir, Thomas, Casey, Elias, Jaidii and Andrew.

Parents and Players

Thank you to the players and parents of all teams in 2015.

An overview of the club's activities is provided below.

Beginners

KLHC ran an U9 program on Tuesday afternoons in term 2 and 3. This program linked into the NAJHA U9 Gala Days. Coached by U15 player Skye with assistance from Lyn and Thomas the program was once again well received by parents and players alike. We intend to continue this program in 2016.

Summer Hockey

This year we decided to move the original 4-a-side winter program to term 4 as a summer program. This has started at the Ponds facility in an effort to raise the profile of hockey in the area and hopefully increase numbers for the 2016 winter season. We have had good take up in the younger age groups which is encouraging.

Junior Competition

The 2015 season has been a successful one, we managed to maintain our numbers in U11, U13 and U15 and field a team in each of these age groups in the North Area Junior Hockey Association (NAJHA) competition. Unfortunately we were unable to field a team in the U17 age group.

We had some new parents participate in the coaching and management roles which was pleasing to see and we continued to see steady development in our players. One of our competition teams qualified for the finals in their respective pool and won their semi-final but unfortunately lost the preliminary final. A summary of each team's results in 2015 and their officials is given in the table below:

Team	Pool	Result (Competition / Finals)	Coaches	Managers
U11	C	Third/Third	Lyn O'Reilly	Christina Thomas Navneet Updesh
U13	B	Fifth	Roger Phelps	Kiran Rajpal
U15	B	Fifth	Robyn Croft Lisa Vanajek Nathan Maguire	Liz Smith

These are respectable results and are a testament to our club's retention in numbers and playing skill.

Several KLHC players trialled for representative teams, with the following players selected as representative players for the 2015 season in various association teams:

- Skyla Simon – U13 Girls, North West Sydney 2
- Jaidii Freeman – U13 Boys, North West Sydney 1
- Ishaan Rajpal – U13 Boys, North West Sydney 2
- Aliyah Luapo – U15 Girls, North West Sydney 1
- Skye Vanajek – U15 Girls, North West Sydney 2
- Thomas O'Reilly – U15 Boys, Sydney East 1
- Casey McGuinness – U18 Girls, North West Sydney 1

We also had the following players trial and selected for The Western Sydney Academy of Sport Hockey Program for the 2015 season:

- Casey McGuinness

Once again, KLHC is very thankful for all the parents, grandparents, siblings, aunts and uncles and cousins who have supported the players, transporting them to training and matches and cheering them on in an encouraging and sporting manner that brings credit to both our club and the game of hockey at large. Also, we thank all those who volunteered their time as team coaches and managers, umpires, committee members and anyone who moved goals, picked up balls and retrieved training cones and bibs.

Senior Competition

The 2015 season has seen us enter our first Men's team in the Nepean Hockey Association competition which runs on Sundays at Kingswood. It was a tough season but the team grew throughout the season and to their credit made the finals. Unfortunately they lost their semi-final however it was a good and successful introduction to senior hockey for the club.

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Men's	B	Fourth/Fourth	Lyn O'Reilly	Patrick May

Coaching

Congratulations to our first time coaches this year Robyn Croft, Lisa Vanajek and Nathan Maguire on doing a fantastic job with the teams. The commitment from all the coaches is greatly appreciated by players, parents and the club.

Umpiring

Thank you to Mark Williamson, Lyn O'Reilly, Ranbir Singh, Casey McGuinness, Thomas O'Reilly and Elias Williamson who took on the role of umpiring this year. Congratulations to Jaidii Freeman and Andrew Phelps for picking up the whistle and having a go. We wish you all the very best in your development as an umpire during 2016.

In 2014 we introduced a KLHC Club Level Umpiring qualification to encourage our juniors to start the process of becoming an umpire at a local friendly level before seeking higher external qualifications. This year we have had two juniors meet this qualification, Thomas O'Reilly and Elias Williamson, and two juniors reach the next level of community umpire. Congratulations to Casey McGuinness and Thomas O'Reilly on this achievement.

Equipment

We have purchased additional goal keeping equipment for the U11 team this year. Thanks must go to our Equipment Officer for ensuring, in particular, all goal keeper kits were ready for use each week and for arranging all repairs and maintenance on these kits.

Facilities

Work is finally due to be begin on an upgrade to the courts at Cavanagh Reserve. We look forward to this work being completed over the summer ready for use next season.

In the meantime we have managed to secure access to the multi-purpose court facilities at The Ponds where we are currently running a summer hockey program in the hope that we increase the profile and access to hockey which in turn will hopefully see additional numbers join the club for the 2016 winter season.

Promotions

The club held a stall at the Kings Langley Village Fair. We received some very positive feedback on the day and hope that attendance at this event will lead to a continuing growth in members next year.

The club also attended The Meadows Family Fun day and Blacktown Sportsfest.

Fundraising, Donations and Sponsorship

Fund raising efforts consisted of a successful Bunnings BBQ, Chocolate Drive and Trivia and Games night. Thank you to everyone who helped staff the BBQ, attend the Trivia Night and sold boxes of chocolates. Your assistance with these activities is greatly appreciated.

This year we ran our second Trivia and Games Night. Although we did raise some money at this event its focus was on providing a social event for all club members. Feedback was once again positive from this event and all who attended had a fantastic time.

KLHC has been fortunate to retain Just Hockey and Graham Waller as sponsors in 2015.

Thank you also go to Bunnings Seven Hills for their support during 2015.

We would also like to thank all the local business that provided donations for our Trivia & Games Night. In particular Stonecutter's Ridge Golf Club, JW Computers and City Chicks. Your donations are appreciated.

Finances

Please see the attached report from our Treasurer.

Association Reform

2015 has been the first year under the new Association reform as directed by Hockey NSW. In 2015 Kings Langley sat under North West Sydney Hockey Association (NWSHA). The former North Area Junior Hockey Association (NAJHA) is now a competition coordinator only with our Junior teams continuing to compete in this competition.

2016 Season

KLHC will continue to run beginner programmes and junior teams in the North Area Junior Competition during the 2016 season. We will also be fielding a men's team in the Nepean Hockey Association Senior competition. We will also look at the possibility of fielding a senior women's team.

During 2016 we would like to continue to build on our previous hard work, therefore our goals for the 2016 season are as follows:

- To field at least one team in all age groups from U9 to U17 in the North Area Junior competition.
- To field at least one men's team in the Nepean Hockey Association Competition.
- To field at least one women's team in a locally based competition.
- To work with Blacktown Council to maintain and upgrade our facilities at Cavangah.
- To work with Blacktown Council to continue access to other multi-court facilities in the LGA to further develop hockey in the Blacktown region. This includes continue programs at The Ponds and looking at starting new programs at other facilities.
- Carried over from 2015, broaden and secure KLHC's funding base through securing more sponsors.
- Carried over from 2015, streamline and further document administrative tasks with the view to simplifying the processes, time and effort required to encourage further parent involvement.
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Thank you to the outgoing committee for all their assistance during 2015. It has been another enjoyable year. We wish the incoming committee all the best in 2016.

Kate McGuinness
KLHC President 2015

2015 Award Winners

<i>Team</i>	<i>Player's Player</i>	<i>Coach's Award</i>	<i>NAJHA Encouragement</i>	<i>NAJHA Encouragement</i>
U11C	Gurmann Pawar & Bethany Thomas	Tanveer Singh	Mitchell Jachimowicz	Lucy D'Silva
U13B	Andrew Phelps	Joshua Thomas	Andrew Suhaili	Ishaan Rajpal
U15B	Tyson Smith & Skye Vanajek	Harneet Singh	Elias Williamson	Paige Collison
Men's	Lucas Baird	Tim Malin	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

NAJHA Umpire Encouragement Andrew Phelps and Jaidii Freeman

Junior Player of the Year Bethany Thomas

Senior Player of the Year Lucas Baird

President's Trophy Christina Thomas

Club Person of the Year Mark Williamson