





From the President

The club held our Indigenous round on Saturday 21st July, an annual fixture in our club's calendar to recognise Aboriginal culture and history. It is also an opportunity for the club to celebrate. This year, all of the Premier 1s/2s players played in fantastic Indigenous Round shirts, with the artwork contributed by Ash Collard. Check out the Reds Hockey Facebook page for a video of Ash explaining the meaning of the artwork on the shirts at the shirt presentation held.

On the day, the rain came but didn't dampen the spirits as Prof Len Collard performed a Welcome to Country ceremony and lead officials, players and spectators through a smoking ceremony. Hockey WA also made a special effort to attend and be part of the day. It was a great example of the club pulling together, to acknowledge the contribution of Indigenous players to our club and our game. Many thanks to Cal Wood, Kylie Hall, Stephen Davies and many others for making the day such a success.

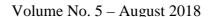
Our next big event at Aquinas Turf is on the 18th August. Lock it in your diaries and come down to watch some fantastic hockey as well as buy a VIP ticket for your chance to win big.

Jamie Cook President

Congratulations Ralph Wood



Our esteemed colleague Ralphy has justifiably been elevated to Life Membership of Hockey WA. Congratulations Ralph from all of us at Reds. We all appreciate the ongoing contribution you make to our club, but there are probably quite a few younger members who wouldn't be aware of your illustrious past. So



interests.







we set out below an extract from the nomination to Hockey WA:

"Life Membership Nomination – HWA. Contributions to the sport: - Ralph E Wood

There wouldn't be many in the hockey fraternity who don't know or haven't been influenced by Ralph Wood. Ralph lives and breathes hockey and has done so for the past 47 years (or more).

At a CLUB level he has been a member of Old Aquinians Hockey Club since joining the club in 1970: ☐ Player – 1970 to 1988 (mostly at Classic League level) ☐ President 1985/86 ☐ Life Member 1987 ☐ Committee Member - 1971 to 2018 in a variety of roles.

Contribution at **STATE level:** Manager of the WA State Team
(Thundersticks) – 1993 to 1995
Contribution at **INTERNATIONAL level:**

Men's Champions Trophy – Perth 1985 – Member - Organizing Committee

Manager of the Australian Men's Team – 1996 to 2004

Contribution to WA Hockey ADMINISTRATION: -

Member Hockey WA Executive Council from 1988 to 1989

Executive Officer WA Hockey Association from 1989 to 1996 Chief Executive Officer WAHA/Hockey WA from 1996 to 2004.

Executive Officer - PSA Sports from 2005 to 2017.

Contribution in VOLUNTARY Capacity: -

Councillor WA Sports Federation from 1992 to 2004.

1994 – 2004: - Executive Member – WA Olympic Council.

1996 – 2004: - Vice President WA
Commonwealth Games Association.
2000: - Awarded the **Australian Sports Medal (ASM)** for outstanding contribution to the Development of Sport in Australia.
In summary Ralph has served the sport of hockey both as an administrator and manager at the highest levels over a sustained period of 30 years – often juggling dual roles. In the performance of these duties, Ralph has demonstrated enormous skill as a diplomat to ensure the smooth running of organisations where there are frequently competing or vested

Ralph has displayed integrity in his dealing with constituents and at all times puts the greater good of hockey above club or personal interests. His judgements are based on giving all stakeholders a fair hearing with the outcome being a reputation for principled deliberations. During his tenure at Hockey WA there was a period of structural change particularly the merger of Men's & Women's administration. Ralph presided over this challenging time with equanimity ensuing a seamless transition."

So if you see Ralph anywhere near the bar offer your congratulations and buy him a well deserved drink.







The Next Big Thing

Please note Saturday the 18th August. Ticket sales are limited to just 100 for the VIP package which gets you a feed and the chance to pick up a lazy \$2,000 cash giveaway.



Quiz Night

For those of you who didn't attend this was a huge success. Some 175 brainiacs strutted their stuff with mixed results. A great night thanks to Guzzler Gallagher and all her helpers. Our sponsors fronted with excellent prizes and most tables (except mine) were well rewarded.

Note your diary

As the season gets to the pointy end on the field, don't forget the next coming events:

- Saturday 18th August
 Sponsors' Day
- Saturday 13th October
 Wind up dinner
- Friday 26th October
 Golf Day







Indigenous Day Photos



Bespoke kit.





Smoking ceremony





Professor Collard



RED letter

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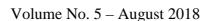
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