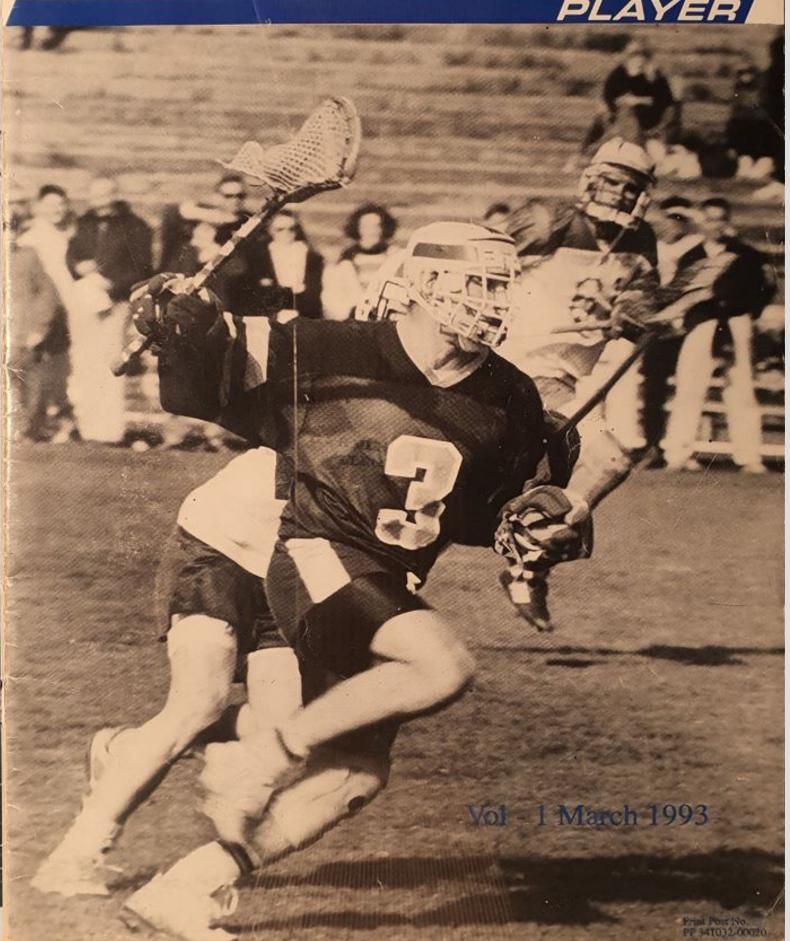
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### **Editorial**

As you will see this is our first issue of a new format magazine. Like many others over the years. I too have criticised the format of the old one. Ian Whitbourn, who is the new VLA President, contacted me to see if I would be interested in helping with a new magazine. Being critical of the old format I decided I should contribute to a new format. I guess I cannot be too critical of this one now! A new editorial committee was formed consisting of lan Whitbourne, Jan Jackson, Mike Slattery, George Tillotson, and myself. After many meetings we came up with this first issue. The new format may not be perfect, but with continued work it will improve; and we are always looking for volunteers to help with articles and the magazine preparation.

From day one we set about producing a set of guidelines on which the magazine should be produced.

### **Editorial Staff**

Keith Chamberlain Jan Jackson George Tillotson Mike Slattery Ian Whitbourn

"The Lacrosse Player" Lacrosse Victoria 13 Willesden Road Oakleigh 3166 Victoria

Cut off dates for articles: 8th April, 8th June, 8th August, 8th November

Amongst the criteria we had to keep in mind were size, distribution numbers and cost. The content was equally difficult. We originally thought we would have difficulty filling twelve pages, but, as you can see, that was easily reached.

Each month we intend having articles on Coaching, Refereeing, Games played During the Season, Club Information, Articles from Overseas and whatever else is of interest to the lacrosse community.

We decided that ALL registered lacrosse players would receive the magazine and to that end we have been trying to obtain complete club lists of both junior and senior players. Subscriptions will be available to anyone who would like a copy of the magazine.

We have heard the complaints of players not receiving a copy of a magazine. The magazine is sent to the people who are on the mailing list. If you are reading someone else's copy and you feel you should be getting a copy of the magazine, contact your club secretary and have them send your name, address, registration number and whether you are a junior or senior player to Lacrosse Victoria. Maybe it is simply a case of forgetting to notify your club secretary of a change of address. The information will be stored in a mailing list held on the computer at Lacrosse Victoria. The mailing list is **not** given out to anyone.

We have made a start to what we believe will be a significant step forward for lacrosse. Show the magazine to your friends. If you like it, and it has some interesting items and photographs, maybe, just maybe, it will start the ball rolling to increase the number of players in lacrosse.

The task of producing quality magazines five times a year, (March, May, July, September and November), will not be easy. We welcome constructive criticism and open the pages of the magazine for your letters to be published.

#### Keith Chamberlain

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DEVELOPMENT

Front Cover: Denis Newman eludes a Surrey Park player on his way to helping Williamstown win the 1992 State League Grand Final (Photo: Lloyd Holmes).

### VLA PRESIDENT'S ADDRESS

On behalf of the VLA committee, it gives me great pleasure to welcome you to this new-look magazine with the hope that each edition will be better than the last. It is a bold approach which should go a long way to help develop our great game.

If Lacrosse is to compete against the other sports then it has to become more business-like, both from an association level and a club level.

A lot of enthusiastic work is being done at the moment by the VLA committee to streamline their operations and to improve the communications between ourselves and the respective clubs.

Two of the areas that we aim to improve in are the areas of planning and also controls, both from an administrative and financial aspect. We hope you will notice the difference as the year progresses.

1993 will see an expansion of clubs with the introduction of the Diamond Valley club at Under 11 and Under 13 level. I would like to take this opportunity to wish them every success in their endeavours. We may also see an entry from a new Knox club at Under 11 level, depending on the success of the interschools program that is currently under way.

Five Sunday games, have been fixtured for State League at the Albert Ground which will be preceded by Masters games for the over-35's. It is hoped that this will create a higher profile for the game.

In closing, I would like to wish everyone associated with the game a successful and rewarding season.

Yours in Lacrosse Ian Whitbourn

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### WARRIORS BLITZ RENEGADES

In what must be described as the Box Lacrosse League turnup of the season, the Warriors defeated the reigning champions, the Renegades, 11 goals to 9 in the exciting Grand Final held at the new Altona complex on the evening of Thursday 18th February.

Spectators who have been following the league matches described the final as the best game of the season for its speed, liveliness and see-sawing scoring throughout the game. The victory for the Warriors should not be under-estimated as their team had been severely weakened through injury prior to the final, and their opponents and odds-on favourites, had reigned supreme for 10 of the last 11 seasons.

The Warriors jumped the Renegades in the first session pouring on 4 goals whilst keeping the luckless Renegades scoreless. The main damage was done by Moore for the Warriors who scored 3 goals whilst Spreadborough scored the fourth. At the other end Bates in goals was inspirational with his repeated saves.

The second term saw a refreshed Renegades come out with all guns firing and within a matter of 13 minutes play, the scores were tied at 6 goal each. A late resurgence by the Warriors gave them a 2 goal lead going into the final term. McLaughlin was devastating for the term with 3 goals whilst both Greg Mollison and Patzoliridis scored 2 each for the Renegades.

Both teams gave the last session everything in a determined effort to pull off the final. They both scored another 3 goals each leaving the Warriors victors by a 2 goal margin.

On the night, the difference between the two teams was that the Warriors were more disciplined and defended their goal more vigorously.

Man of the Match was awarded to the Warriors Craig McLaughlin for his outstanding all round performance.

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			Moore	4/1	
			Spreadborough	3/-	
			Scammell	-/1	
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The Renegades cleaned up the trophies with Mervin Davies being awarded both the season's Best & Fairest and Top Scorer trophies for his fine performances throughout the year whilst Luker Tonelli was named Top Goalkeeper.

### **Box Lacrosse Champions**

Glen Horder, Mathew Bourke, Steve Green, Neil Bates, Back

David Spreadborough

Steve Scammell, Cameron McLaughlin, Craig Shepherd, Front

Craig Howeth, Greg Moore

Absent M. Bourke





Greg Mollison reflects on the Box Lacrosse final loss after being beaten by the Warriors in a very exciting game. Greg has announced his retirement as a Box player after many successful years both in the box and the administration. Greg, who has played more than 300 field lacrosse games, plans to play one more field season before retiring. We wish him every success for the season.

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### JAPAN LACROSSE CHAMPIONSHIPS 1992

At the invitation of the Japan Lacrosse Association (JLA), John Harris attended the Japan National Championships held in Osaka and Tokyo on the first two Saturdays in December 1992. Trips to Japan are always memorable, but on this occasion, particularly so as he was to referee two games in Osaka and two in Tokyo. The final two games in Tokyo included the Grand Final of the season.

In addition to refereeing duties, a series of meetings targeted at rules clarification were conducted. In all, approximately 27 hours of meeting were held. Content covered rules, preparation for final games, introduction to the new ILF rules, interpretations, on field procedures and any advantages which John's long involvement in refereeing could ofter.

Before departure a suggested list of objectives was forwarded to JLA for approval.

The following notes are extracts of John's report after his return.

### SKILLS/TACTICS

As has been observed on earlier contact with Japanese teams, the personal skills of players is very high. Given that Japanese players train six times a week for periods of up to three hours on each occasion, this is not surprising. The outcome of this intensive training is, is in some situations, awesome to observe. Players demonstrate speed and control throughout the game. Players spring out of the substitution area at energy levels that are impressive. Referees should not stand near this area as the intensity and speed often reach danger levels.

Japanese teams are not without their weaknesses, most coaches have had less than four years experience-this shows in a variety of ways. The most obvious being tactical and team skills. Typically Japanese players get the ball, make a fast break and then go straight for the goals. "Incredible shoot-o is a way of life!". On my last day, I wrote to coaches suggesting a number of team strategies which could be readily developed. In view of the short time which coaches have been practising, the progress is nonetheless noteworthy.

### OBSERVATIONS

The JLA is trying to limit the number of universities entering clubs to the association. The reasons for this are unclear but there is probably a relationship between this limitation and that of playing space.

It was curious to compare this with the Australian context where the reverse is the case. The presentation of finals in Japan possibly gives a key to the underlying enthusiasm which has become the trademark of Japanese lacrosse.

While it is generally well known that the customs of Japan allow group behaviour, seeing this in action in a co-operative venture is quite impressive. Women's and men's lacrosse finals (and possibly weekly matches) are held on the same day. The contribution which both groups make to the festive nature of the day is evident. The conduct of matches on the same day at the same venue provides an opportunity of mixing of both groups. While both men and women contribute to the general organisation of the day there was an obvious division of labour related to which games were being played.

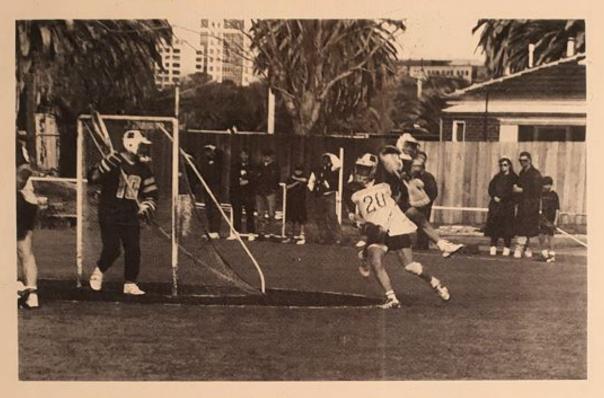
Ball girls for women's matches, ball boys for men's matches, similar divisions occurred with line marking and training.

In between games many helpers, all with assigned duties moved to complete their tasks with remarkable discipline and co-operation, a system of supervision provides a quality check on completion of tasks. Packing up and clearing the ground was clearly a well planned exercise with no shortage of helpers.

The day before the final matches, I visited the CPI building where the administrative functions of the JLA are centred. The place was alive with people, meetings were being held simultaneously on three floors. People moving about the building, stacks of programs, posters, the signage which was erected at the ground thew next day, last minute organisational matters discussed. Rehearsal of duties and so on. I was moved by the vibrancy of the place-it was good to be there. Meetings continued long into the night with groups disappearing from time to time into nearby subway stations to travel up to 70 minutes to their homes.

There is an opportunity for Australia to propose to the JLA that a coaches camp be held in Australia with the view to furthering their experience. Given the intellectual capability of coaches, they will be quick learners.

### 1992 GRAND FINAL ACTION



Andy Stewart (Surrey Park) under pressure while attacking the Williamstown goal during the 1992 State League Grand Final.



The victorious Williamstown 1992 State League side pose with thier premiership shield.

### AUSTRALIAN LACROSSE COACHES AND REFEREES NATIONAL CONFERENCE 1993

This inaugural event was held in Canberra from Friday 12 to Sunday 14 February, 1993. And what a great event it was!

The Conference Convener was Dennis Mulroney (the South Australian based) ALC Director of Special Projects and Technical. Special congratulations to him and also to Ray Trevaskis, ALC Director, Coaching who was the entrepreneurial driver for this event.

The Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) was the venue. The Canberra campus is at Bruce and has a 65 hectare site 10 minutes from the Civic centre. There were excellent facilities and assistance provided to all attendees. Residential accommodation was on site using the very good facilities of The National Sports Programme. The casino in Canberra itself was also surveyed by some attendees. No names, but they were easily identified the following morning(s).

Attendees totalled 36 with roughly even proportions of coaches and referees. Attendees were from W.A., S.A., Vic., N.S.W., and Qld. and representatives were from both women's and men's organisations. The purpose of the conference was:

# AIM: TO PROMOTE EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION AND INTERACTION WITH COACHES AND REFEREES TO IMPROVE THE STANDARD OF LACROSSE IN AUSTRALIA.

A highlight was the presentation on the Friday evening by Anthony Stewart, AIS Sports Psychologist who also works with the Australian Netball Team and the Hawthorn AFL Football Club. Many successful sessions were held, some jointly, and some separately between the Coaches and Referees in attendance. A brief summary is as follows:

- Australian Lacrosse Coaches Association (ALCA) formally established and their Constitution adopted
- ALCA discussions discussion on accreditation and updating policy
- Presentation and discussion on the ILF rules, which will be adopted in Australia from season 1993
- Establishment of standards on rule interpretations
- International reports from Long Island (USA) 1992 for U/19 World Championships
- Outlines on the Senior Men's World Championship scheduled for Manchester (UK) in 1994
- The role of the statistician
- Referee assessment and their practical application
- Clearing and riding presentation/discussion. Also defensive techniques and favourite checks
- Referee accreditation course content and implementation policy
- Open forum for questions, to wrap up the conference and seek evaluation feedback
- Tour of the full AIS facilities

A thoroughly enjoyable and profitable conference of benefit to all participants who were fortunate enough to attend. Recommendation:-see if you can make it next year.

### VLA REF'S CORNER

### WHAT'S YOUR DECISION???

### RULE 48-PRIVILEGES OF THE DESIGNATED GOALKEEPER

The ball is loose outside the blue crease. The blue goalkeeper, his feet within Situation

the crease begins to rake the ball back. As the ball touches the goal crease, a

Red attacker checks the goalkeepers crosse.

Technical foul, as the goalkeeper is considered to be in possession when the Ruling

ball is being possession when the ball is being raked back

within the crease. The Red attacker serves 30 second penalty. Blue ball from

the centre line.

### 1993 NEW ILF RULES ADOPTION

The new ILF rules will be adopted for the 1993 season in the VLA competition, under the direction of the ALC.

The Victorian Referees Association (ALRA) offer, and recommend, that each Victorian Club have an instruction session prior to the 1993 session commencing. To schedule this would each club contact the Ref's Secretary to arrange a suitable time. This can be at any mutually convenient time that suits (e.g. after a training night, after a weekend practice game, at a special meeting)

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### 1992 ANNUAL VLA GOLF DAY

After eighteen years, the lacrosse Golf Day still engenders a vast amount of interest among the Clubs and this year at Rossdale Golf Club sixty plus past and present players applied their talents on a course that had recovered extremely well, after the wet season.

Our players came from far and wide; John Flood (ex Caulfield) from Bendigo, Neville Bell (ex Malvern) from Castlemaine. Past players who we haven't seen for many years, namely Bill Giles, Les Bolderman (ex Malvern), Paul Clough (ex Coburg and Eltham), Bob Staffford (ex Footscray) and Ric Eldridge (ex Williamstown) made their first appearance.

We also had the pleasure to welcome Ian Whitbourn, the incoming President of the VLA. It was pleasing to see Bernie Spedding back from WA and Horrie Smith, return to the fold after missing a couple of years.

My thanks to the Rossdale Golf Club, the staff, the Chef, the Pro Shop and the Curator, for their courtesy and assistance in making our day an enjoyable one.

To our sponsors David Hanna (Aylesbury Golf), Larry Whiting (AusCrosse) Commonwealth Bank (Bill Taylor), Spaldings, many thanks for your contributions to the day.

To our STARTER, Tom Barwick (a Rossdale Golfer and a bandit), who offered his services, the very important aspect of keeping the time sheet moving. Thanks Tom.

### RESULTS

Lacrosse Cup - Best Gross Score - John Nolan 85 (on a countback from Ian Cuttris)

Stableford - Horrie Smith 40 points Runner Up - Rob Williams 39 points

Calloway - Colin Anderson Runner Up - David Hanna Best Nine Out - Doug Fox 43

Best Nine In - Graeme Reddaway 37

Secret Holes - Graeme Fox 38, Doug Fox 40,

Rob Jackson 41, Noel Melville 41, Larry Whiting 42, Gus Hewet 42

Nearest Pin - Bill McMinn - Third

- Rob Geyer - Twelth

Longest Drives - J. Nolan - Fifth

- Rob Bakes - Eighteenth

Straight Drive - Noel Melville 18 Holes Putting - R. Lourensz - 4

Highest Gross Score - Damien Orr

The 19th annual Golf Day has been booked for Thursday, November 18, 1993 at Rossdale Golf Course. Mark that in your diary.

(apologies to Terry Allington for cutting this article short)

#### VWLA PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

Another busy year approaches as we prepare for our season to commence on 14th March, with the Grand Finals to be held on 25th July.

The Eltham Club will host a touring party of 34 young Japanese lacrosse players from 14-19 March and have organised a trip to the U.S.A. for Under 16 girls from various clubs departing on 2nd April.

There will be no VWLA fixtured matches on 11th and 18th April.

The Fourth World Cup will be held in Edinburgh, Scotland from 5-14th August and as part of their world Cup preparation, the England Team will arrive in Melbourne on 2nd April. The team will play Victoria on 7th April at the Waverly Hockey Centre, High Street Rd., Ashwood and compete in the Australian Championships at the Alex Gillon Oval, Brunswick from 10-17th April. This is also the venue for the First Australia -v- England Test on 18th April.

Congratulations to the six Victorians who have already gained selection in the Four Test

Margaret Barlow, Sue Clerk, Colleen McVeigh and Leanne Trainor (all Tests)
Sue Sofarnos (First, Second and Fourth Tests), and
Sue McSolvin (First, Third and Fourth Tests).

Six more players will be named after the Nationals to complete the squad of 22. Victoria is well represented in team leadership with Colleen McVeigh, Captain, Sue Sofarnos and Sue Clerk, Vice Captains, Max Madonia Co-Coach (with Lyn Johnson, W.A.)

Congratulations are also extended to our two top umpires Janet Jackson and Bruce Chatfield, both of whom will umpire at the World Cup.

Senior State Training has been held at the centrally-located Elwood Park over the past two months, with selection to be made on 20th and 27th February. The numbers of players vying for selection has been disappointing, especially as the Championship is being held in Melbourne. What are the aspirations of our younger players who have passed up the opportunity to gain skills, confidence and State representation? For the sake of Victorian lacrosse, it is to be hoped that the same apathy to State trials is not reflected in the Under 16 and Under 21 trials to be held later in the season.

The AWLC Ltd. has announced the following 1993 Championship dates :-

Under 21 Hobart 3-10 July

Under 16 Adelaide 26 September-2 October.

All junior players and beginners are encouraged to attend the special coaching sessions on Thursdays from 7.00 pm at Elwood Park; the coaches were very pleased with the first session attendance on 4 February.

Season 1993 will see a number of rule changes being more in line with IFWLA Rules - 12 players on the field; no restraining line; marking area (the fan) will be played in ALL Grades; field size 114m x 60m (11m behind the goal line). Optional use of head equipment will continue for 1993.

To keep up to date with the very latest in women's lacrosse, tune your radio dial to 855, 3CR, Women's Arena between 9-10am on Mondays. Our very own Janet Jackson is our reporter.

Finally, best wishes to all players, coaches, officials and supporters for a rewarding 1993 season.

June Clerk, President, VWLA Inc. Dear Lacrosseur.

It. 199) THE LACROSSE PLAYER magazine will be different from the way you knew it.

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Secondly, it will now be modelled on the American and English Lacrosse magazines which are A4 in size with a glossy cover and plenty of photos and other information.

Thirdly, the magazine will now be posted/delivered to you at pre-determined times. The posting dates will be:-

let week of March let week of May let week of July let week of September let week of November

Everyone that we have spoken to recently on the subject, wante to see Lacrosee grow, so we are taking these steps to improve our image whilst also creating a publication that is more interesting to a wider group, and can be used to promote the game.

Maturally, there is a cost. We are looking to increase the advertising substantially to offset some of this, but will still need significant funds to double the circulation and improve the quality. We are hoping that you can help.

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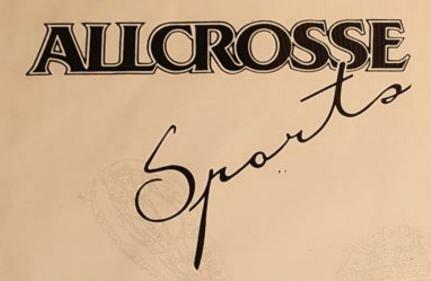
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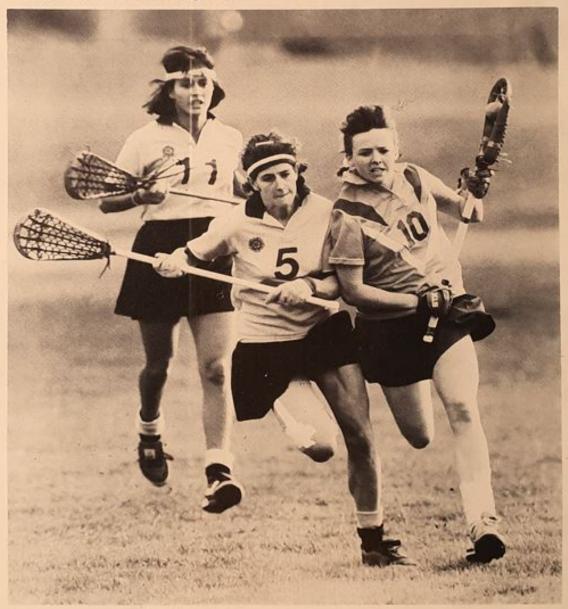
Player to Umpire:

"Last week you picked me up for double-teaming an opponent in the 11m Marking area; I got a Major Foul, she was put on a hashmark and the Penalty Lane was cleared; she scored the goal too! Today they were double teaming me in the 11m Marking Area and you didn't even throw a flag or blow your whistle! Can't you be consistent and get this right!!?"

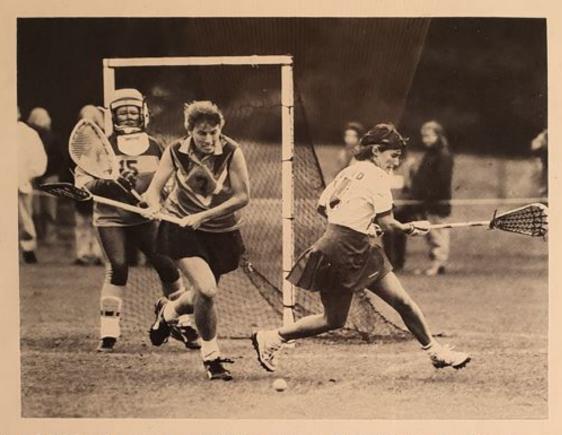
Umpire to Player:

"Both decisions were correct. Last week when you were doubleteaming your opponent, she didn't have possession of the ball, so you got a Major Foul. Today when you were being doble-teamed by the defenders, you had the ball so there was no call to make."

You can only double or triple team, the player with the ball in the 11m Marking Area without penalty. Have a nice game.



Australia's Michelle Lincoln sprints away from her English opponents in one of her many devastating runs (Action from the 1990 Aust vs England series).



Janet Maitland covers the Australian goal whilst defender Carolyn Pickering charges through to clean up the crumbs. (Action from the 1990 Aust vs England series).

### CHAMPIONSHIP DINNER-SATURDAY, 17 APRIL, 1993 7.00PM BOOK NOW!!

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The dinner will conclude the Australian Women's Lacrosse Championship. Look forward to seeing you there.

#### JUNIORS IN 1993

Although the weather seems a long way from being lacrosse time again, it is really only a month off. So now is the time to get your gear out and start cleaning it up or doing a few repairs or maybe a restring? It is also time to start talking with your mates about starting up lacrosse and joining your team.

Last year saw many new recruits and many new teams start up in the Under 11 and the Under 13 age levels in particular, so newcomers won't feel out of place. Even in the Under 15 level we will have a lot of second year players coming out of Under 13's, so it is an ideal time for a new recruit to break into the game.

Besides being a great game to play, lacrosse also has the advantage of offering interstate event participation right down to Under 15 level. Not only do you get to compete with and against other top level players of your age but you can even tour other states with all the fun that such trips bring. This year it will be held in Perth. So if you or your mates want to participate, all you need to do is start practising now to improve your skills and you will have a chance. Don't wait do it now (and get your mates playing with you).

The format for the 1993 competitions will be similar to last years Under 11 and Under 13 grades with a short season of "zoned" competition to start things off, followed by graded competitions to ensure teams are more evenly matched throughout the year. The Under 15 and Under 17 grades will go straight into their regular season this year (i.e. no mini-season at the start), but depending on team entry numbers, the Under 15's may be divided into two separate divisions half-way through the season to even out the competition.

As the first games are on the 17th of April, I suggest you all get moving now so that 1993 will end up another huge year for lacrosse.

Ray Shannon VLA Junior Co-ordinator

### DEVELOPMENT

In mid 1992, Lacrosse Victoria agreed to service the Knox District Schools, of which there are fifty. We successfully conducted clinics at eleven of those schools plus a few cancellations due to weather. In that time 958 children and 35 teachers were exposed to sof crosse.

Knox has become our target area, although current lacrosse families are servicing our already established clubs, history is being uncovered like the Strapp family, a Kent Park student's Dad played with Coburg and a Wantirna teacher thought her husband was the only person in the world that played lacrosse! Just to mention a few.

By the 1st of March we will be running, at Wantirna Heights Primary School an interschool competition between six schools. Each school will be assigned a coach and training will commence Monday February 15th. At the end of this competition we envisage an Inter Zone championship with Eltham, Chadstone and Knox.

Knox is NOT YET a lacrosse area! If you are close by and can lend assistance Monday nights from 4.30 - 6.00 pm give us a call Please !! Ph:569 9655

Sue Cody Sports Development Officer Lacrosse Victoria Inc.

### Eltham Primary Schools Comp Starts

The Eltham club has just commenced its 13th successive local Primary Schools Competition. The competition will run for five weeks before culminating in a gala finals day on Saturday March 27th.

Fifteen local schools have been invited to take part so at least 100 local kids will be involved. The competition has been extremely successful in the past in providing many excellent players for Eltham and the VLA competition.

Eltham has developed their program by using the following format:-

- i. Sending written invitations to the schools prior to Christmas inviting their participation.
- ii Following up with telephone calls in February to arrange clinics at lunch-times and after school.
- iii Handing out leaflets at training to explain the forthcoming competition details.
- iv Using appropriate Club juniors, especially VCE students who have to fulfil their Communications C.A.T., as coaches for the schools teams.
- v Fixturing the games so that each 'team plays once each Saturday until the finals day, where there is a minimum of two games for every team, and up to five games for the grand-finalists.

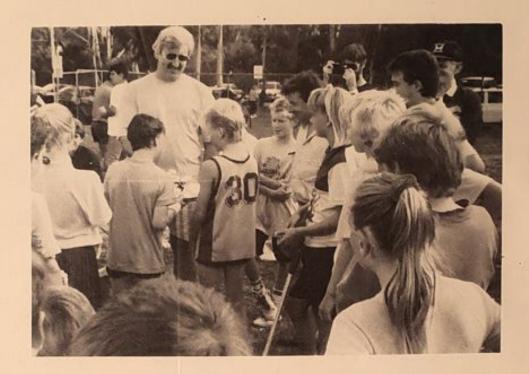
Other clubs are encouraged to review their own programs and to see whether any of the above ideas will help them in their recruitment.

It is also expected that 1993 will see the Eltham champion school play off against the Knox and Springvale zone champions for the title of Victorian Primary Schools Champions.





Smiling Faces all around as the 1992 Eltham Primary Schools Champions display their trophy.



SOME of the children that will again feature in the 1993 Primary Schools Competition.



ACTION APLENTY as another future star charges in for another goal.

### Sports Stars

Two Chadstone Lacrosse Club players, Guilliano Lorenzana and Tim Whiting were presented with the weekly "Sports Star '92" award recently by the Leader Press for their selection into the Under 15 Schoolboy Tournament held during the school holidays last September at Altona Lacrosse Club.

Both boys, who played in the Southern Crosse zone team, were still eligible for Under 13 selection at the time of their inclusion into the team.

Southern Crosse finished a commendable third in the series.

Young Guilliano deserves a special mention as he was playing his first year of lacrosse, whilst Whiting, has been playing for a number of years.

Their photograph and story was published in the Springvale/Oakleigh Times in September and as a result, become contenders for the annual "Sports Star '92 Award" run by the newspaper and announced at a dinner at "Pitrones" in Keysborough on February 23rd.



### **UNDER 17 COMPETITION**

### Week 1-17/4

Caulfield x Altona Eltham Bl. x Eltham Go. Footscray x Malvern Surrey Park x Williamstwon

### Week 3-1/5

Footscray x Eltham Go. Surrey Park x Altona Caulfield x Williamstown Eltham Bl. x Malvern

### Week 2-24/4

Altona x Footscray Eltham Go. x Surrey Park Malvern x Caulfield Williamstown x Eltham Bl.

### Week 4-8/5

Malvern x Surrey Park Altona x Eltham Bl. Williamstown x Footscray Eltham Go. x Caulfield

### **UNDER 15 COMPETITION**

### Week 1-17/4

Altona x Camberwell 1 Camberwell 2 x Caulfield Chadstone x Eltham Bl. Eltham Go. x Footscray Williamstown x Malvern MCC x Surrey Park

### Week 3-1/5

Surrey Park x Williamstown MCC x Camberwell 1 Eltham Go. x Caulfield Altona x Eltham Bl. Camberwell 2 x Footscray Chadstone x Malvern

### Week 2-24/4

Williamstown x MCC
Malvern x Eltham Go.
Footscray x Surrey Park
Eltham Bl. x Camberwell 2
Camberwell 1 x Chadstone
Caulfield x Altona

### Week 4-8/5

Altona x Chadstone Williamstown x Camberwell 1 Camberwell 1 x Eltham Go. Caulfield x Malvern Eltham Bl. x Surrey Park Footscray x MCC

### REMAINDER OF FIXTURE TO BE DRAWN AFTER TEAM ENTRIES VALIDATED

NOTE: 9.30 AM GAMES START
GAMES PLAYED ON GROUND OF TEAM NAMED FIRST

### WORLD CLASS IN EVERY SENSE

By Paul McCann

It may appear all quiet on the 1994 World Championship news front, but the organising committee are working hard behind the scenes to make the Manchester-based event a huge success.

The only definite facts to date are that the World Series starts on 17 July and concludes with the final followed by the Grand Dinner at Quaffers restaurant and night club, Bredbury, Stockport on 30 July.

The main championships will consist of six participating nations: England, Canada, USA, Australia, the Iroquois Nationals and for the first time ever, Japan.

The World Championship committee is headed by managing chairman Norman Galloway. A past master of organisation, Norman was involved in the 1978 event in a similar capacity. He would be the first to admit that the 1994 event will be bigger in every sense.

It is a much larger enterprise than many of us can even begin to imagine, an event that if handled correctly, could put lacrosse on the map for good.

Conversely, if not dealt with professionally, it could be a complete disaster.

Apart from the established lacrosse playing nations, 1994 brings with it an emerging nations tournament. At the moment Czechoslovakia, Wales, Scotland and Sweden have been invited to attend, but with the game of intercrosse (a form of pop-lacrosse) growing around the world, invitations have also been extended to Singapore, France, Belgium and Spain.

In addition there are proposals for a Masters tournament (ages 35-45), a Grand Masters tournament (over 45) and possibly Junior tournaments. It all makes 1978, for those of us who are still around to remember it, a very low key parochial affair.

These are the facts so far, much of the remaining detail is highly speculative, and subject to on-going negotiations.

The championship centre will without doubt revolve around The Firs, the Manchester University sports complex, which includes the Armitage Centre at Fallowfield. The squads will be accommodated at Owen's Park Hall of Residence, adjacent to the centre, an ideal venue with grass and astroturf facilities for practising.

It has been suggested that the whole championship should focus on The Firs, but the problems of getting temporary stadia erected will probably mean that the main championship games will take place at other venues around Greater Manchester. The emerging nations, Masters and Grand Masters tournaments will take place at The Firs and a junior competition down the road at William Hulmes Grammar School.

Just where the main championship events will take place remains to be seen, but it can be revealed that at the moment the organising committees are in negotiation with Oldham Athletic, Rochdale and Stockport County football clubs, as well as Salford Rugby League Club, and it is likely that at least three out of the four will be selected.

One of the problems in establishing the venues, Manchester United's Old Trafford stadium and Maine Road, home of Manchester City, were also considered, has been the fact that the football season starts only two weeks after the championship finishes. The other factor is that the enlarged World Championship involves 18 games, compared to the single tournament of eight games in 1978.

Another reason of course is that with many other countries coming into the competition, it could be many a year before England hosts the World Championships again.

This is just the tip of the iceberg, for once venues are sorted out, we have to start actively seeking sponsors and financial support. However, those of us involved in lacrosse have to start thinking about our role. Let there be no misunderstanding, the organising of the championship is going to be highly labour intensive, and hopefully the clubs will get behind the organisers, as we all have so much to gain from a successful event.

There is a role for everyone. At the highest level, we have to target and seek out sponsors. Such is the extent of this tournament that there is a niche for sponsors large and small within the competition. If you have a skill to offer, an aspiring journalist perhaps, there could well be a job in media liaison. The committee seeks help in all areas from overseeing accommodation, allocating and managing the practise sessions, organising transport to monitoring ticket sales.

Match-day organisation will also bring problems with programme sellers, sales of merchandise, manning the gates, laying out pitches and possibly ball boys and girls. It has been suggested that clubs may wish to 'adopt' a day, take responsibility for all the routine tasks, and so help spread the load.

This is the beginning. As more details are known, we will bring them to you.

Source: Lacrosse Talk (U.K.) November 1992,

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### VICTORIAN INSTITUTE OF SPORT-LACROSSE PROGRAM

#### WHAT IS THE VIS-LAX PROGRAM?

The Victorian Institute of Sport, through the VIS Sports Program for Lacrosse, provides funding support for the development and implementation of a range of sports science programs designed specifically for Lacrosse.

The 1992/1993 VIS-LAX program is focussed on current Under 15 and Under 17 players, including those who are eligible for the Australian Under 19 team to compete in the 1996 World Championship in Japan.

The first component of the program consisted of 8 sessions conducted during 1992 and included:

: 55 junior players from 7 clubs

- : Fitness assessment and testing (written individual assessments)
- : An initial conditioning program designed by a sports psychologist

You can still enrol for 1993 by contacting Graeme Ross on B/H 573 2101 of A/H 808 3135.

### 1993 SCHEDULE

- \* 6 pre-season session from 10.00 a.m.-12.00 noon on the following Sundays during 1993, from Feb 23
- \* Sport physiology:
  - -Proper stretching techniques
  - -Fitness assessment and testing
  - -Expertly designed conditioning programs-running and weights
  - -Bio-Mechanics and injury prevention and treatment
  - -Nutritional advice and programs
- \* Sport psychology:
  - -Goal setting and performance preparation
  - -Relaxing and imagining
  - -Motivation, leadership and confidence
  - -Mental toughness
- \* Lacrosse skills:
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- \* Plus:
  - -Regular scrimmages and 6 on 6 tournaments
  - -LAX videos
  - -Fastest shot competition (let the radar gun decide!)

### 1993 VLA FIXTURES

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