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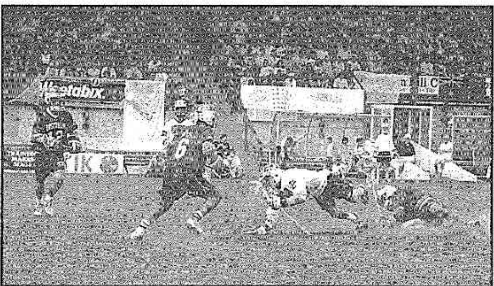
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S.A. defeat Victoria in the National Women's Championship to take their 10th successive title. S.A.'s Lee Middlehuis gets the ball away from Vic's, Margaret Barlow. Story page 19.



Victoria takes home the Garland McHarg Trophy with their win over South Australia. From the left Brian Bell, Rod Ansell, David Spreadborough, Zane Stevens and Gary Campbell. Story Page 15



USA's Mike Morrill tries frantically to regain his balance and retain the ball after being hit by Australia's Darren Gibson (ground). Steve Mounsey (6) and Robin Cornish (12) rush in to pick up the crumbs. Story Page 4

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Editorial

The last couple of months have been very busy in lacrosse. The Senior Men's, Women's and Junior Champions followed by the Mens World series in Manchester. I was fortunate enough to be part of the action in Manchester where a young dynamic team took on the big guns in lacrosse to come home with a very commendable silver medal.

From the outset Australia was the unknown quantity. After the 28 - 7 win against England a buzz went around. All of a sudden Australia may be a force to contend with. It was good to see the USA and Canada studying the team in earnest. The Australian Supporters gave their all for the team and were by far the loudest. Many people commented on how well they supported the team and could not believe the distance travelled "just" to support them. However, it was all worth while when the team made the final against the USA. Whilst the final was hard fought the team just could not manage the net on the day. For the record Australia had 31 shots for 7 whilst the USA had 41 for 21. Whilst the focus at the World Series is on the team and their games there were other people involved in the event.

Last edition we featured Craig Wilson and Gordon Elder on the cover. These were the two Australian representative referees. It is pleasing to see our referees are more consistent and operate at a higher level than many of their counterparts from other countries. They may not have had anything said to them but they were as much a part of the games as anyone and deserve recognition as such.

At the other end of the scale was the Grand Masters. Sounds a bit like an old boys club doesn't it. Well in a way it is. The "old boys" were out in force during the week. Playing in the morning, at the games in the afternoons supporting the Australian Team and more than likely having the bar support them in the evening. That all said the Masters Team beat England 20 - 17 to bring home the "Walking Stick" which will be suitably engraved with the victory.

After the games most people feel a bit flat but looking back I can't help thinking of the friends made during the games, the standard of play witnessed and the gathering of so many people in one place for the number one sport. As with many others the friends made, and old friendships renewed, make lacrosse and the world series well worth the effort. Perhaps the Australian Supporters generate the best view. There were so many, from different clubs and states gathered as one front for eleven days. No animosity. No arguing. Just great fun and friendship by all of them towards one goal.... lacrosse. By the way the Aussie Supporters were voted the best and most well behaved for the series at the presentation banquet.

Congratulations to all involved and to England for every effort for a successful series.

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Letter to the Editor

MOVING UP IN THE WORLD

I have recently transferred to Sydney for work and will be stationed here indefinitely. I could only have made the move knowing that there was lacrosse to go to, otherwise the deal was off. Lacrosse was my main way of getting a social life in town as I only know one other person in Sydney and he's off doing manouvers in Hawaii.

I flew to Sydney for a few days to get acquainted with work and find somewhere to live. After getting those things out of the

way I then pursued lacrosse. Finding the ground was fairly easy with a little bit of help from the Park Ranger. The game didn't start until 1.00 p.m. and the second game was at 3.00 p.m. I watched the first game and was introduced to a few people, the President, the Vice President, the Secretary and the Treasurer of NSW Lacrosse I then had to leave to return to Melbourne.

Playing my last game in Melbourne against Chadstone was a good game to leave on. I headed back to the club rooms for a

couple of drinks and was treated to a bit of a send off by the Club. I would really like to thank them all at Surrey Park for the support they have given me through my years of lacrosse.

I changed my flight so I could get a game in on the Sunday afternoon. I ended up playing in both games that afternoon. Immediately after the game we went to the club rooms of NSW Lacrosse - The Centennial Hotel, across the road from the ground, then on to a local Indian restaurant and further on to another pub closer into

town. The people here are great, they have been very friendly, and have really helped me settle into NSW.

The standard of play here is what I would expect for a sport that is only one and a half seasons old. They are still learning the concepts and basic skills of lacrosse. A majority of the players would be aged around 26 and until last year hadn't known what a lacrosse stick was. There are a few immigrants, as myself, from WA, SA, Victoria, England and USA who have played for years. These people do stand out with their skill levels well above those that have just picked up a stick 12 months ago. If it weren't for these people lacrosse would really be struggling to get off the ground here. The more experienced people are moving into teams and taking over as coaches, tacticians and skills coaches for the existing five teams here.

It is still growing. We seem to be one big team that has split into five smaller teams. If your team has the bye you are expected to help officiate in some way on the day. Otherwise you can get a game with one of

the sides that may be short of a player. To get lacrosse in Sydney off and running has taken a few people a lot of effort. Some of the problems they have to face are finding grounds on which they can train and play on. The grounds are expensive to hire and that's providing you can find a spare one. This is partly the reason for Sunday games. Where I train at the Allan Border Oval in Mosman, the ground is used for junior soccer training until 7.00 pm then we can move in. The lighting of the ground is brilliant. We don't have access to club rooms. We train with a few Under 15s and the rest are seniors. We get about 10-12 at training, the other sides are much the same.

One team has recruited well, they have 16 regularly on a game day, the others have between 8-12. The girls have five teams too but only enough regulars to field three teams for a Sunday morning game. This year 14 women and 16 men are going to the Senior Nationals in Adelaide. Between these two teams there is enough energy, talent and skills to give the other State teams a run for their money. The men

have a game against STX All Stars just before the tournament which will be a great stepping stone for many of the team, giving them something to aim for.

My next step is to help with the development through juniors over the next few months. There are some very talented kids playing and like everywhere else, after they have had the time to develop, they will be able to compete with the best.

Lacrosse in NSW is not much more than a social outing for some, and a full-on game for a majority, but it will become a largely recognised sport once again in Sydney, soon. As they say "it's not going to happen overnight, but it will happen".

I wish all the people involved in NSW Lacrosse all the best and if there is anything I can do to help, get in touch!!

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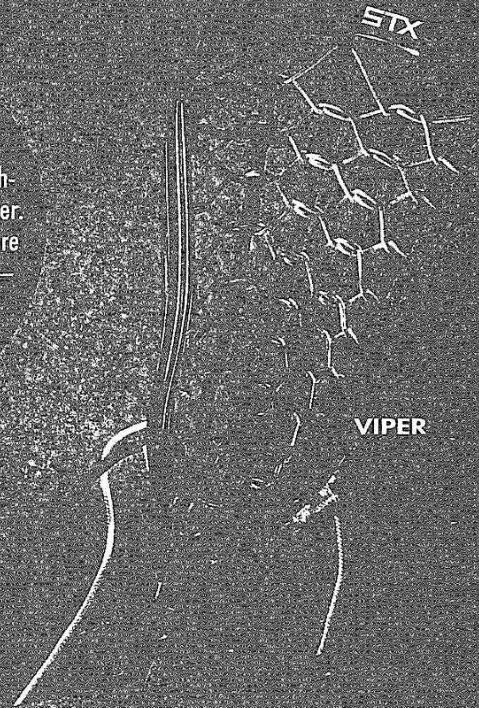


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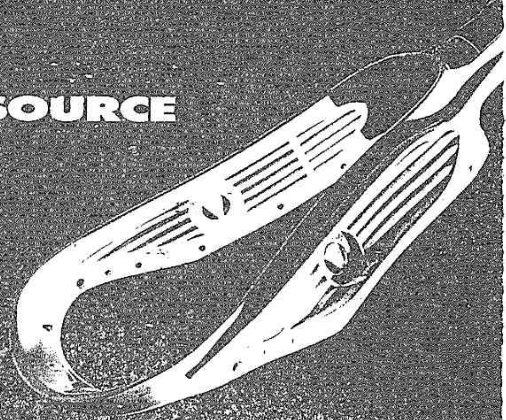
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Manchester '94 - The Aussie Sharks take a bite at the World Cup

by Keith Chamberlain
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The week that started the road to the World Cup Finals started in Adelaide on a sunny, warm July 3 Sunday, when the team played in the Nationals as a warm-up to the World Cup games in Manchester. As the week unfolded the team improved and became a unit. Plaudits of the team were heard in many quarters and it would seem the team had the support of everyone. At least those at the Nationals. Spirits were high in the team as members received their bags, shirts, jackets etc. Finally the team was one.

Thursday July 14/Friday July 15 - All team members headed off from their various states to meet up in Singapore for the flight to Manchester. After a long flight and two hours stuck on the plane at Heathrow the team arrived. The weather.... wet! Although we did not know it, this was to be one of only two wet days for the tournament. We met our liaison officer, Paul Smeaton, who I'm sure didn't know what he'd struck. Then we moved on to Owens Park, Halls of Residence at Manchester University. The rest of the day was spent familiarising ourselves with the environment but an early night was had by all. Well nearly all.

Saturday July 16 - Time to check out Bury Football(Soccer) Ground where the games were to be played. First impressions were of a good surface although it had a few undulations. The facilities were quite good for spectators and the stands were great. From there to Manchester United's ground where a few "souvenirs" were gained. Henry Lawson got back on the bus looking like a mad soccer supporter decked out in his new hat and scarf.

The team played a practice game against Connecticut College at the Firs (the ground used for the Division 1, Masters and Grand Masters Games). To confuse the USA and English scouts the players all used different numbers. How well this worked we will never know. The game itself gave everyone the chance to shake out the jet lag and with a 29 - 6 victory it would appear the cobwebs were soon gone.

After the game we discovered what an English Buffet was..... a cold sausage roll, a cold pie of some sort, a cold quiche, cold chicken and a ham roll. Enough said. Although Paul Smeaton did cop a fine for this!

After the meal we moved across the road to the local pub. The Queen of Hearts for a few quiet drinks. At 9:45pm it was still light and we nearly fell into the trap of thinking it was still early in the evening. The pubs close at 11:00 so extra late nights looked unlikely. How wrong can one be!

Sunday July 17 - Training in the morning was uneventful and for some relaxing in the warm sun was a tough assignment.

The afternoon was spent at Old Trafford watching Lancashire play

Derbyshire in a one day cricket game. In true Aussie spirit the guys gave the fielder (Frank Griffiths) closest to them some friendly advise. He took it in good spirits and at the end of the day the team presented him with a signed Aussie Sharks cricket hat. Little did we know how valuable these hats were to become by the end of the series.

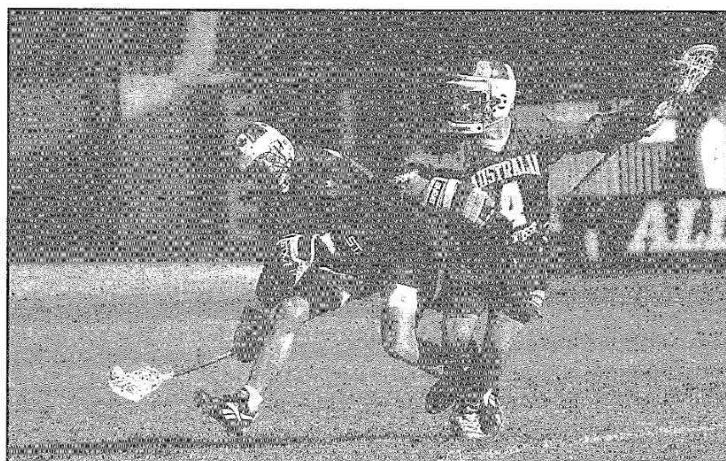
It's interesting to note a little tension is creeping into the air.

Monday July 18 - Paul managed to find us a local club field where we could train unobserved. It was quite interesting that the goals were made of wood and permanently in the ground. Although I'm sure the team will remember it more for the pungent aroma in the air.

At the night team meeting Steve Mounsey was elected to carry the Australian flag at the opening ceremony. This was to be the beginning of a huge week for Steve.

Tuesday July 19 - Everyone took it easy with the Opening Ceremony due in the evening.

The Opening Ceremony was, as usual, filled with speeches and some presentations from local schools. It was good to see a short game of Sof Crosse put on by a group of 10 - 12 year olds. The highlight of the ceremony was the inclusion of Scotland, Wales, Germany, Sweden and the Czech Republic in the games. This can only be good for lacrosse.



Australia's Darren Gibson tries to elude Canada's Gary Gait's leg on his way to a goal for Australia.

Wednesday July 20 - This was it! Nerves were running tight all day as we approached to our first game. We were up against the Iroquois Nationals who were going to be tough and check hard if nothing else.

The bus trip down was a loud affair with the team motivating itself. As they changed the noise increased. Moving to the field to warm up the trusty ghetto blaster played what was to become our theme..... the music from Jaws.

Game time. The field was hot, around 30C. This made it hard work for both teams. The game started with the obvious nerves taking their toll in the early stages but the players quickly settled and got into their stride. The team dominated the Iroquois with aggressive play and ability to get the hard ground balls. As expected the Iroquois displayed their prowess with stick handling and the hard hitting but the team just took it in their stride. Aaron Stubbs rose to the occasion with fast ball movement from defence to attack and tough hard play to pick up what seemed like impossible ground balls. In the defence Greg Larwood and Spiro Melissovas showed

scoring on them was no easy matter. Both keepers had a half each and the Iroquois just could not penetrate the defence. Iroquois' long shots were grabbed by the goal keepers and cleared easily. The result Australia 26 - Iroquois 11. Top scorers were Cam Toomey and Chris Warren with 6 goals each. Most Valuable Player for the game went to Cam Toomey.

The other game: Canada 19 defeated England 13
England had been making bold statements in the press that they would cause a major upset at these games. This looked like it could well be the game that was to be the upset. England led 6 - 4 at the end of the first quarter but the Canadians changed gear and powered their way to the victory courtesy of the Gait brothers.

Thursday July 21 - A light training run was held after the Iroquois game and before taking on England who fancied they would beat us. If tension was high for the Iroquois then they were probably close on breaking before this game!

In an awesome display of power and agility Australia annihilated England. The game was played under lights on a cool evening after some light showers which made the ground a little slippery. England scored first and at the end of the first quarter lead by a goal. However, the Sharks started to smell blood and outscored England 7 - 1 in the second quarter to lead 11 - 6 at half time. The third quarter showed how strong the Australian defence could be and Spiro Melissovass once again showed his skills in goals. This gave him the MVP for the game. The Sharks bit deeper to outscore England 9 - 0. The last quarter was a none event with Australians like John Brewer continuing to press to goal at every opportunity and backmen like Matt Windsor taking the ball off England and setting a perfect clear. England had no answers. The final quarter saw an 8 - 1 score line. The Manager of England, Mick Moore, described the Australians as fine athletes who just simply dominated the game once they settled down. Final score Australia 28 defeated England 7. This is the highest margin by which Australia has ever defeated England

Goals: J. Brewer 5, C. Toomey & J. Buchanan 4, S. Harley & T. Sellan 3, C. Warren & D. Spreadborough 2, D. Gibson, A. Stubbs, G. Purdie, R. Cornish, C. Brown 1

The other game: USA 34 defeated Japan 2. Japan in their first ever World Series as a competing team showed their inexperience against a strong USA. The score said it all.

Friday July 22 / Saturday July 23 - After the victory against England there was some celebrating and thankfully two days before we played again.

Sunday July 24 - The Australian team had earned a lot of respect since they started the series, and the USA game was bound to be a thriller.

In the first quarter, with 5 minutes to, lightning delayed the match between Australia and the USA for over an hour. The score was 5 - 0 to the USA. The delay and the downpour that accompanied the lightning made the ground very heavy and meant the teams virtually had to start over again.

Australia were slow to get going and the USA outscored them 4 goals to 2 in the second quarter. After half time a new buzz went through the Sharks team and they came out fighting like a white pointer. Through some outstanding defence work by Brad Skepper and Matt Windsor the USA had difficulty in scoring. Aaron Stubbs was dynamic as he moved the ball through the midfield to set up many scoring opportunities. The third quarter saw the Aussies outscore the USA 6 Goals to 2. The scene was set for a frantic last quarter and the crowd were not disappointed. The ball moved from end to end with both sides missing many opportunities to score. At

the end of the game the Aussies had again outscored the USA 4 - 3 but it wasn't enough and the USA were victors 14 - 12.

Goals Australia: J. Brewer, C. Toomey, C. Warren 2, D. Gibson, A. Stubbs, C. Everall, M. Mangan, J. Buchanan, C. Brown 1

Monday 25 July - Rest Day.

Tuesday 26 July - The team were very quiet on the way to the game against Canada. Many slept or just stared out of the window of the coach. Maybe it was the long game schedule taking its toll. The game was played under rain with the lights at the stadium on even though it was daylight. Australia had more possession and more shots than Canada but just could not find the net. Many of the more reliable players made unforced errors, which seemed to indicate a definite tiredness. Maybe it was that they knew they would play Canada in the semi finals anyway and had an attitude problem with getting into the game.

The score Canada 19 - Australia 11.

Wednesday 27 July - Australia 26 defeated Japan 6. This game was used to bring the team back up after their defeat against Canada. The score is indicative of the game although the Japanese will become a better team as time goes by.

Thursday 28 July - The Finals are here!! The Canadians were always going to be a tough side. Especially after defeating us on

Tuesday. The Australian defence was solid in this game. The first quarter saw the score line tied at 5 goals each. The game was fast and furious with Australia dominating possession with Jarrod Klemm dominating the centre against Gary Gait, even with a broken thumb! This showed the determination of the team and none of the other teams were aware of our injuries. When someone later commented on how well Jarrod had done, it was with a smile everyone in the team agreed, fully knowing about his broken thumb but not letting on. Australia outscored Canada 6 - 3, making the half time score 11 - 8.



Australia's Robin Cornish fires a cannon shot past Canada's goalkeeper Jeff Gombar who seems deceived by the pace.

The third quarter saw Canada pick up the pace but the Sharks worked just as hard. The end of the quarter saw each team score 4 goals. The last quarter was going to be the test and everyone knew it. Greg Larwood in goals played the game of his life to save nearly everything Canada gave him. This gave him the MVP. Canada started their fight back and through the Gait brothers got to within a goal. With 30 seconds on the clock Australia got the ball in defence and cleared through Terry Sparks. Sparks ran down into a one on one with the Canadian goal keeper Ted Sawicki, he shot and Sawicki saved it. Sawicki quickly cleared the ball to Paul

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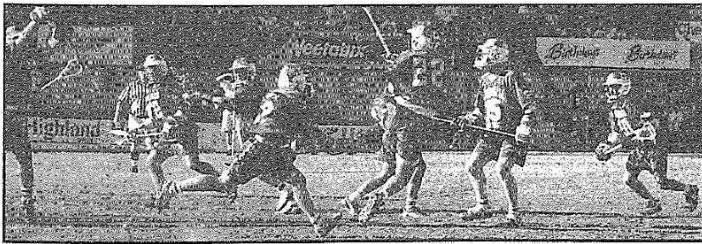
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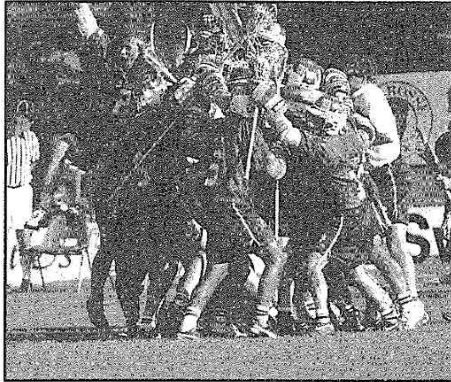
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Canada's Gary Gait (22) makes a desperate attempt to score the equalising goal with 60 seconds to go, but is denied the chance as goalkeeper Greg Larwood takes the shot on his leg.

Gait at the centre line who drove toward the goal. A quick pass to brother Gary and with 17 seconds on the clock a shot on Larwood. The ball deflected by Larwood hit the bar and Larwood snapped it up. With a clearing pass to the other end of the field the game was all over. Australia 18 defeated Canada 17.

As the final whistle went emotion took over and the whole team ran onto the field with scenes of shouting, jumping hugging abounded. Many had tears in their eyes as the realisation took over. We had made the final! The first time since 1982.



And the Jubilation !! Winners are the Grinners! The emotion was overwhelming for players and spectators alike with hardly a dry eye anywhere

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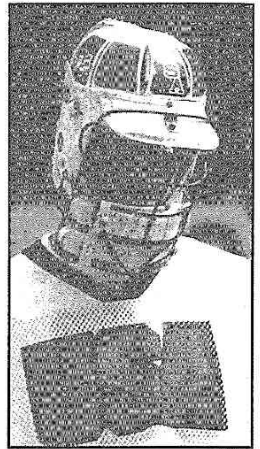
Man of the Match, Greg Larwood, from West Torrens, accepts the trophy from the Lord Mayor of Manchester and an official from the English Lacrosse Union. Larwood played the game of his life in goals, and was unanimously voted best afield. Congratulations to Greg and all the rest of the Australian Team

Saturday 29 July - GRAND FINAL DAY

This is it! The final between Australia and the USA. The tension in bus could have been cut with a knife. The traditional Mars bars came around and everyone ate quietly whilst we listened to what some of the team members called music. Everything was set. The USA new they had a job ahead of them and so did we.

The first quarter started off well for the Sharks but the USA had

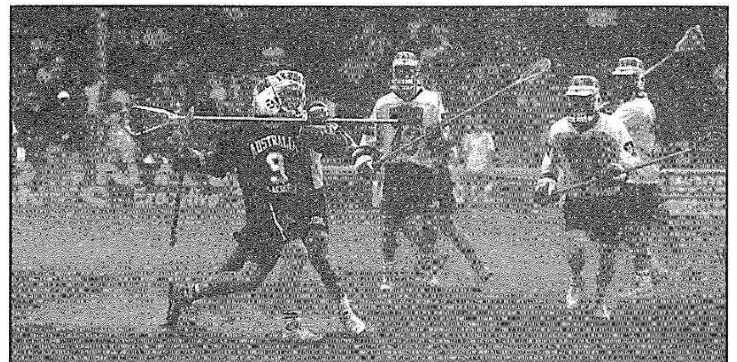
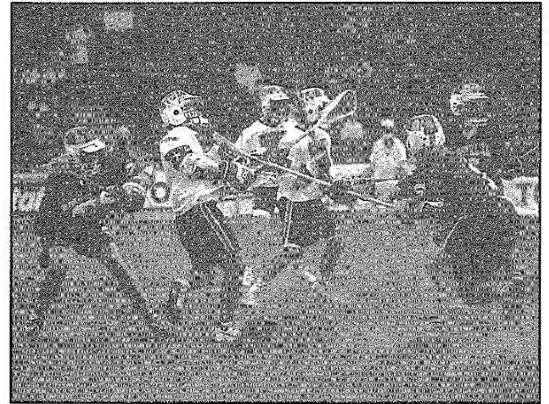
strong defence which cause the Australians to shoot from further out. We just could not find the net. USA, through their strong midfield, drove to goal but were not finding the going easy though. Australia had good time possession of the ball but we were not able to convert our shots to goals. Maybe it was the occasion may be other factors but one thing is sure, the Australian Team did not fail. They won all the way by learning



Dave Pietramala of the USA prepares himself for the World Series Final. In the 1990 games in Perth, Pietramala was named player of the Series

and representing their country. Even the USA Coach said "I'm glad I won't be coaching against you guys in 1998". Shows the respect the team had even after the final.

Matthew Windsor of West Torrens makes a desperate lunge to stop USA's Mark Millon from scoring whilst anxiously watched by teammates Steve Mounsey (6) and Robert Lawson (left).



Australia's Gordon Purdie (9) drives towards goal despite USA's defenceline's vigorous attempts to "choke" off the goalscoring.

When everyone thought the series was over the presentation banquet had more surprises in stall. The first player announced for the World Team was attackman Chris Brown. There was a standing ovation but more was to come. Midfielder Gordon Purdie and defender Steve Mounsey were also named in the team. It had all the Australians on their feet. What could be better..... Here it is. Chris Brown was named Best Attack Player in the World and Gordon Purdie was named Best Midfielder in the World. It shows that Australia can produce the best and we did.



Australia succeeded in having 3 players in the All World Team (best 10 players). Gordon Purdie Midfielder, also Best Midfielder (ahead of Gary & Paul Gait); Steve Mounsey as Defender & Chris Brown as Attack and Best Attackman.

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Mark Millon of the USA
Team was named Player of
the World Series.

**TALES FROM
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The Longest Match !!

It may go down as the longest quarter of lacrosse in modern history. The first quarter of the Australia vs USA in the qualifying round of games took two hours and 15 minutes to complete. It started at 2.15pm and finished at 5.30pm.

The reason: A thunderstorm interrupted the game for one hour 50 minutes where the referees halted the game for fear of a lightning strike on one of the players.

After its resumption, the game itself turned out to be the best result ever by Australia against the USA ending up 14 goals to 12 goals in favour of the USA. It was one of the most exciting World Series games ever played.

At one stage the USA held a 9 - 2 lead due to two slow starts in the game by Australia. It was the awesome speed of Australia's midfield and attackmen that made the USA look very average to the point where they looked as though they were even panicking. Dave Pietramala of the USA, who was voted MVP in the 1990 World Series, was matched up against Chris Brown on the Australian attack. Brown played superbly ending the game with one goal and four assists, and more importantly, not being dispossessed on any occasion by Pietramala. I would like to suggest that Australia may have won the game if they had not had to start the game twice, but that is mere speculation.

World Series Goalthrowers

For the record, the Leading points-scorers for the World Series prior to the gold-medal match between Australia and the USA were as follows:-

NAME	COUNTRY	GOALS	ASSISTS	POINTS
Chris Brown	Australia	14	22	36
Mark Millon	USA	22	13	35
Paul Gait	Canada	18	11	29
Mike Morrill	USA	17	10	27
Cameron Toomey	Australia	21	5	26
Gary Gait	Canada	19	7	26
Darren Baythorpe	England	11	14	25
Bill Marechek	Canada	14	8	22
Steve Morley	England	18	3	21
John Brewer	Australia	13	8	21
John Tavares	Canada	13	8	21
Rex Lyons	Iroquois	15	5	20
Tom Marechek	Canada	15	5	20

The lacrosse public of Australia should know their support of the 1994 Australian Team was appreciated by the players in Manchester and this helped spur them on, knowing you were back home, wishing them all the best and waiting to hear all the game results.

The two years of preparation, in the form of practice matches, participation in a professionally run Australian Championship one week prior to departure and the general support from buying merchandise, raffle tickets, bottles of port etc. lightened the load a little.

It was, however, the interest in this young team of first time Australian players that was very obvious. They are not satisfied with second place and believe their job was only half done. A nucleus of this team will get the chance to make history in 1998. The financial support made available for 1998 as a result of the silver medal this year will assist in a more intensive preparation for Baltimore in 1998.

However, to the numerous individuals and specific groups who assisted this team, we thank you. The 'phone was running hot on the final day, with individuals, parents, referees, clubs having parties etc constantly calling to ask the quarter by quarter score. The players did Australia proud and although their performance in the final was below both their own and our supporters expectations. This was brought about by the somewhat emotional build up prior to, during and after the semi final against Canada. The USA team provided Australia with many compliments. At the post final game press conference, both the USA Head Coach, Tony Seaman and defenceman Dave Pietramala were quick to say "this Australian team earned their greatest respect as an opposition that all the USA Coaching staff and captains were unsure of the final outcome prior to the game starting. Their position of current and prospective World Champions could only be threatened by Australia and the style of game and coaching they had developed."

The inclusion into the 1994 World Team of Steve Mounsey (Defence), Gordon Purdie (Midfield) and Chris Brown (Attack) backed up by both Gordon and Chris winning Midfielder and Attack players of the series, is further proof of Australia's improvement and threat to winning in 1998.



Manchester was alive with Lacrosse. Seen here is the Scotland team receiving the Centurian International Trophy for Division 1 (for developing nations) for defeating Wales in their final 12 - 7.



The most important final score for the whole World Series. Australia has defeated Canada and is therefore ranked in the best two lacrosse countries in the world. This means that the Australian Government will now provide additional funding to Lacrosse to assist our development.

MORE TALES FROM MANCHESTER

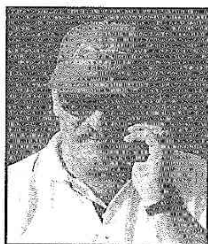
By Ian Whitbourn

Czech Support

It makes you feel proud that you are part of the lacrosse fraternity when you hear stories like the following.

The Czech team arrived in Manchester for their Division 1 tournament and were asked by the organisers whether they needed any financial assistance, seeing it was known that they were coming from a poor Eastern Block country. They replied that it would be of assistance if they could get money to pay for the fuel for their team bus. This was quickly taken care of by the English organisers.

It was not until a few days later that it was learnt that the team was so unfinancial that they were virtually living on Weet-Bix. One of the World Series sponsors got word of the problem, and responded by pulling out his cheque book (as opposed to his czech book) and said "These boys must have three proper meals a day. Fix it up for them."



Aussie Coach John Denic phones home as the final whistle blows with the news of the 18-17 win over Canada

The Czech boys were taken care of thanks to such generous actions and they, along with the other developing nations of Germany, Sweden, Wales and Scotland, were all very warmly welcomed into the fraternity by all and sundry. It was a very moving time to be involved.

Germany Celebrates

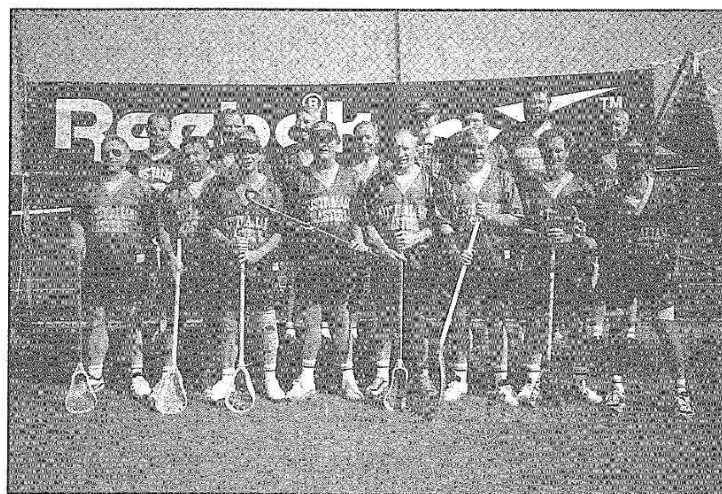
And then there was the German team who were so excited when they scored their first goal in a match against Wales that they partied until about 4.00am in the morning in the courtyard just outside Gordon Elder's family's and Dick Morgan's bedrooms.

The party was even bigger the next night after they had scored two goals against Sweden. Just think what will happen in 1998 in Baltimore when they win their first game !!!

Australia Triumphs in the Masters

In the all-important Masters Tournament, played against English County sides and a number of All-Stars teams, Australia wrested back the Ashes from England in the shape of the walking-stick trophy in the final game 20 - 17. The Australian statistics for the Tournament were as follows:-

NAME	STATE	GOALS	ASSISTS	POINTS
Alan Rolley	Victoria	21	19	40
Craig Treleor	Sth. Aust.	22	12	34
Ian Whitbourn	Victoria	17	2	19
Alec Inglis	Victoria	3	6	9
Keith Chamberlain	Victoria	6	1	7
Norm Coleman	Victoria	4	3	7
Harold Mathews	West. Aust.	3	2	5
Paul Clough	Victoria	1	4	5
Chris Milne	West. Aust.	3	1	4
Graeme Ross	Victoria	4		4
Malcolm Stokes	West. Aust.	2	1	3
John Denic	West. Aust.	2		2
Allan Frederick	Sth. Aust.	1		1



Australia's first international Masters Team seen here after receiving the prized walking stick trophy for defeating England in the final, 20 goals - 17 goals.

Texan Antics

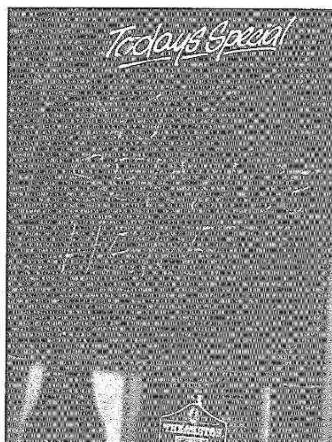
A snippet from the Masters. There was an elderly Texan, who we will call Buck, who came over to Manchester to do some refereeing and also play in the Masters. Before his first game, Buck spent some time one evening in the bar and happened to make a point to Australia's biggest Masters defenceman, whom we shall call GS, that he did not have any respect for defenders. That was an error of judgement on Buck's part.

The next day Buck fronted up for his first game of non-contact Masters to find himself playing against GS. The first time the ball came near Buck was along the ground near the boundary line. All Buck knew was that he had been upended by GS and had landed on his back with his stick going one way and arms and legs in all directions.

Buck had no sooner recovered from that little incident when he found that he had the ball in his stick and was heading for a one-on-one shot on the goalie. He had forgotten that GS was lurking, and the next thing that Buck knew was that he had again been upended and was lying in a pile on the ground saying "I thought that this was a non-contact game." The whistle blew and GS was given a minute penalty for the check. As GS approached the penalty box a huge grin could be seen across the expanses of his face as he was heard to mutter "I wonder whether Buck has any respect for backmen now !!!"

Tidy Mum

And which player's mum turned up in Manchester and wanted to tidy up his room but was prevented from doing so by the other mums because it might give their sons bad ideas?



Talk about stating the obvious, there was a little sign in the bar at the Lacrosse Headquarters that said it all!

LACROSSE VIDEOS

1994 WORLD GAMES

Manchester - July 1994

Final	Australia v U.S.A.
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World Series Premier Division Results

Qualifying Games

Australia 26 def Iroquois Nationals 11
 Canada 19 def England 13
 USA 33 def Japan 2
 Australia 28 def England 7
 Iroquois Nationals 16 def Japan 2
 USA 16 def Canada 10
 Canada 33 def Japan 7
 England 19 def Iroquois Nationals 6
 USA 14 def Australia 12
 USA 26 def Iroquois Nationals 6
 England 20 def Japan 1
 Canada 19 def Australia 11
 USA 16 def England 4
 Australia 26 def Japan 6
 Canada 20 def Iroquois Nationals 16

Standings After Qualifying Rounds

Country	Games			F	Goals	
	P	W	L		A	Pts
USA	5	5	0	105	34	5
Canada	5	4	1	101	63	4
Australia	5	3	2	103	57	3
England	5	2	3	63	70	2
Iroquois Nats.	5	1	4	55	93	1
Japan	5	0	5	18	128	0

Semi-Finals

Australia 18 def Canada 17
 USA 25 def England 3

Playoffs

5th/6th Iroquois Nationals 19 def Japan 13
 3rd/4th Canada 25 def England 10

Final

USA 21 def Australia 7

DIVISION 1

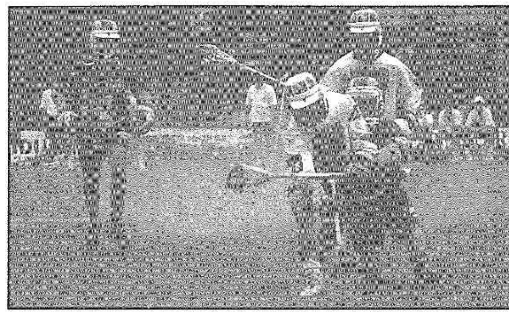
Qualifying Games

Wales 13 def Scotland 12 (in extra time sudden-death game)
 Czech Republic 13 def Sweden 8
 Wales 24 def Germany 1
 Scotland 15 def Czech Republic 9
 Sweden 19 def Germany 2
 Wales 21 def Sweden 5
 Scotland 34 def Germany 3
 Wales 12 def Czech Republic 11
 Scotland 15 def Sweden 8
 Czech Republic 23 def Germany 1

Playoffs

3rd/4th Czech republic 17 def Sweden 8

1st/2nd Scotland 12 def Wales 7



Face-Offs can be tough affairs. USA's centremen Chris Flynn scoops up the ground ball as Australia's Jarad Klemm tries to drag him to the ground.

OTHER INTERNATIONAL NEWS

USA Finals

From the USA, Princeton won the NCAA Division I lacrosse title 9 goals to 8 against Virginia when Princeton's Kevin Lowe scored the winning goal only 42 seconds into overtime. The game was seen by a record crowd of 24,730 screaming fans.

In the Division III final Salisbury defeated Hobart 15 goals to 9 goals also before a record crowd of 12,142 spectators.

In the womens Division I final, Princeton were again successful when they defeated Maryland 10 goals to 7 goals.

US American Sports Illustrated celebrates Lacrosse Hero James Brown in their 40th Anniversary Edition

An article recently appeared in the 40th Anniversary Edition of the American Sports Illustrated which is of interest to lacrosseurs. Jim Brown, a black American who went on to become an American National Football Champion, was hailed as one of the greatest lacrosse players in history. Brown played football with Syracuse, and reportedly used his spare time to become, many would say, the greatest lacrosse player in history. He then went on to do the same, many more would say, in football. One of the main influences in this was the Syracuse assistant football and lacrosse coach Roy Simmons. It would be interesting to hear from some Australians who have seen him in action!

REMEMBER WHEN?

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Camberwell 12 (Kerrigan 5, Dobbie 4, Sparrow 2, HI 1) d Caulfield 7 (Sitlington, Booth 2, Murrwood, Main, Dentry 1)

AUSTRALIAN SPORTS COMMISSION CREATES NEW LINK WITH LACROSSE

Lloyd Holmes caught up with the newly appointed Australian Sports Commission Lacrosse Liason Officer at the National Championships and found an enthusiastic supporter of our game.



Carrie Steffan - ASC
Lacrosse Liason Officer

Carrie Steffan, the Australian Sports Commission (ASC) Lacrosse Liason Officer is no newcomer to the game. She was at Cornell University for a few years in the mid 70's, when they were a dominant force in Ivy League at that time. Carrie has been in Australia since 1977, and with the the ASC since 1987, and has retained the interest she developed in the sport during her time at Cornell. She started as a Secretary to the ASC Board.

When drugs in Sport became an issue in the late 80's she got involved in this, and her administrative involvement in this area grew. When the ASC was restructured earlier this year she joined the newly created Sports Management Division, with involvement in diving and wrestling as an Olympic Sport. Carrie requested that she become the Sport's Liason officer for Grid Iron and Lacrosse, as she knew of these sports from her time in America, and had retained an interest in these. So it was great to see her enjoying herself at the National Championships in Adelaide.

Those who had the good fortune to meet Carrie during the Championships found a very pleasant personality, a person who took her job very seriously, and one who will obviously be a very good link between the Lacrosse Administrators in Australia and the Australian Sport's Commission.

Most of those involved with lacrosse in Australia would not be aware of the support which the Australian Sports Commission provides to lacrosse. It is not supported to a high level, largely due to the relatively low participation base. This is something obviously the Lacrosse Organisers are seeking to overcome, and to address, particularly in NSW and Qld. Funding levels depend on a number of categories, and participation levels is only one criteria. Other areas include international profile, and success in international competitions.

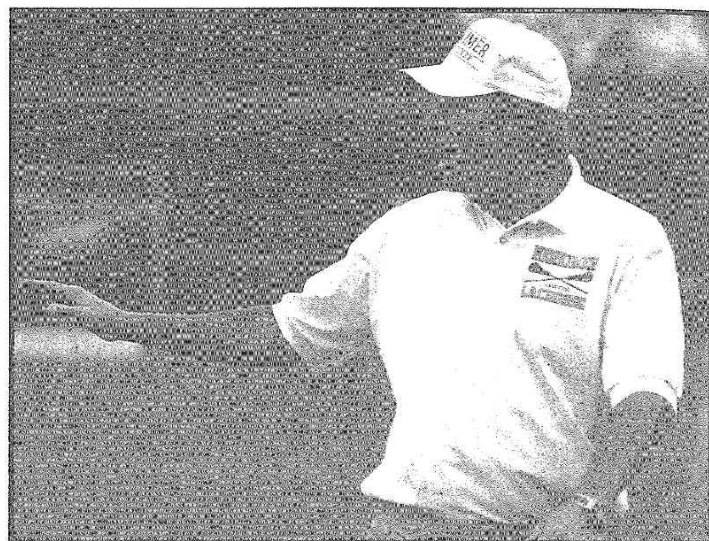
Carrie commented "I'm delighted to be new Lacrosse Liason Officer for the ASC. I'm North American, I know the sport well, it's a really really exciting sport, and I'm delighted to come down to the National Titles".

ASC FUNDING FOR MEN'S LACROSSE DEVELOPMENT INCREASES FIVEFOLD

Australian Lacrosse Council's Doug Fox disclosed to the Lacrosse Player that, as a result of the Australian Lacrosse Team's achievement of second place in the World Series, the funding for the development of the Men's Lacrosse at the National Level increase fivefold over the next 4 years. This is a result of the application of the formula for support of Sports (see Article on Carrie Steffan) in Australia. This is a major step forward for the sport, and provides for much greater support for Australia at the next World Series to be held in Baltimore, Canada in 1998. It will also help to lift the profile of the sport, a necessary ingredient in the attraction of younger players to the sport. So look out

America, we'll be out to take the World Title in Baltimore.

VISITING STX TEAM COACH COMMUNICATOR



EXTRAORDINAIRE

Paul Wehrum -Coach Extraordinaire STX Team

The National Titles usually results in some colourful characters coming to the fore, and this year was no exception. This year it was in the form of Paul Wehrum, the STX Coach. He displayed a dynamic style of coaching, a voice which many did not think could last out the week, and a remarkable technique for communication.

Paul hails from Herkimer County Community College where he is Head Coach of the College's Lacrosse Team. His team is currently on a 51 game winning streak run which has covered 3 National Championships. He has won 5 of the last 7 National Championships altogether, demonstrating it has been by far one of the most successful Junior College programs in the last 5 or 6 years in the USA. So many of our coaches, junior and senior should have looked at his style in Adelaide.

The Team got together when Eddie Ryder of the US STX Company asked Paul to assemble a team to represent STX in the Australian National Titles this year. These were the men who first signed up, and they did "real good", winning 4 games, and losing only 2. "They were a great group of kids". Most would observe they were rather big kids!

The Australian National Titles were another level up from that which the STX Team were previously involved, so the results they produced were very good considering the little time for preparation. Paul acknowledged they were no match for the Australian Team though observing, amongst other areas, "the way the Australian Team dominated the centre face-offs, they really controlled the ball"

Paul first got involved with lacrosse as a 9th Grader at Freeport High School, then to Courtland where he was a 3-time All American. He then went on to coach Football and Lacrosse at Rook High School. From there he went on to Herkimer where his team have won 5 of the last 7 year's National Championships. But when you play at this (Australian National) level "it's a little different". Not one of these kids would have made the USA, but they've done real well to get together and play like they have here over the past week.

Paul has never been to Australia before. His initial impressions

OPENING UP A GAIT

by Ian Whitbourn

The Gait twins, Paul and Gary, numbers 19 and 22 for the Canadian National Team are a lacrosse phenomenon. I caught up with Gary at the World Series in Manchester in July 1994 and arranged to have a chat on behalf of our readers.

Although both big men (6'1", 210lb) they are generally very friendly and quiet men, and from what I have observed in 1990 in Perth and now in Manchester, they are not only true champions but also true sportsmen and ambassadors for the game of lacrosse.

I would like to point out at this time that it was not my intention to single Gary out from Paul but it was Gary whom I first ran into and was able to arrange the interview. Paul actually joined us towards the end of it and I would have to say, that both brothers are so much alike in every way that it is very difficult to tell which is which.

Both of them go out of their way to sign autographs for their admirers, both young and old, and never disappoint a young fan who wants a photograph taken with them.

Gary provided a number of personal insights into the lesser-known parts of his life which are included below. Although born in Canada at a very young age, Gary presently lives in Baltimore, Maryland with his beautiful wife Nicole and their 11 month old daughter Taylor. Gary and Nicole hope to have another couple of kids in the next few years to round off their family. "My favourite food is Italian and I love Rock n Roll music although I enjoy most music styles, depending on the mood."

Recreation outside extends to wonderful pastimes, "I love getting away fishing and hiking in Northern Ontario and also enjoy the odd game of golf when time permits".

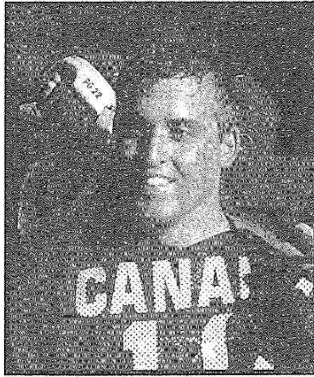
Gary and Paul are presently employed by STX Lacrosse to do promotions with Gary also working as an Assistant Lacrosse Coach at the University of Maryland with two other Australians, Sasha Newmarch and Sara Forbes.

When pressed, Gary admitted to being able to live comfortably from both these jobs. "My present ambitions are to keep playing lacrosse in the MILL and to become a Head Coach at one of the major universities like Syracuse".

On the lacrosse side, both Paul and Gary commenced playing Box Lacrosse at the very tender age of four after their parents thought that it would be a good game for their kids to be involved in. The transition to field lacrosse came at the age of 12. It has been their stunning displays of Box skills that today make the Gaits such exciting players to watch.

At age 27, both men have enjoyed so much success that most of our readers can only dream about. Two NCAA playoff wins with Syracuse, MILL playoff wins with the Philadelphia Wings team, not to mention playing for Canada in two World Series.

To watch them on the field is to see an uncanny understanding of each others game. Many young players could learn from the



Paul Gait walks from the ground after loosing to Australia by one goal in the semi-final. Down but never out, the Gait twins will be back in 1998 for the next World Series in Baltimore.

discipline and good sportsmanship that these two display whenever they take to the field. During the whole series, I recall only one thirty second technical foul being awarded against either player and I thought at the time, that it was probably a doubtful call when you saw what else was being let go.

The Canadian team is definitely the most exciting team to watch when it comes to goal-scoring. Not only do they boast the Gaits but they also have another two brothers in Bill and Tom Marachek. The sensational back-handed passing and shooting means that the spectator cannot take their eyes off the ball for one second for fear of missing history in the making.

Such an incident almost occurred when Canada was playing the Iroquois Nationals team before a fairly small crowd. Gary Gait raced towards goal with only the goalie to beat and literally somersaulted backwards in an effort to shoot the ball over his back

and through his legs. The shot unfortunately missed the goal, but if it had gone in, may have gone down in history as being more amazing than the shot that he did a few years ago when he dived through the crease from behind the goal and stuffed it in the top of the goal. (Incidentally, it is understood that Eddy Toomey of Brine Lacrosse in Australia captured the recent Gait attempt on video).

I asked Gary what had been his best and worst memories in lacrosse. "I think that my best memories would have to be the NCAA playoff wins with Syracuse whilst my worst memory would be losing to Australia last night by one goal in the Semi-Final game. As far as best game/worst game, I have played in so many

that I really cannot remember them individually."

As far as I am concerned, the best game that I have ever seen Gary play over two World Series was only a few days ago against England when he and Paul played almost flawless games. Every time the game got tight, and that was often, on would come the Gaits to take control and put another goal onto Canada's score. Gary Gait was named Most Valuable Player for that game and it was justly deserved.

Pressed about who Gary and Paul thought was currently the best attackman and best defender in the world, they both agreed that Mark Millon of the USA team was the best attacker, although acknowledging that Rob Shek also of the USA team, probably had the hardest shot in the game. "Dave Pietramala still holds the crown as best defender with his awesome checking and ball control."

I asked Gary and Paul who they would be supporting for the World Series final on the Saturday, and they had to admit that although Australia would be the crowd favourite being the underdog, they both had so many friends in the USA team that it would be hard to barrack against their friends.

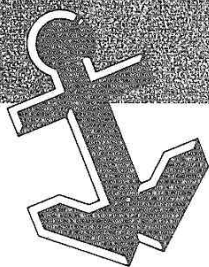
As a final word to all our young readers out there, Paul made the following comment, "Kids, stick with lacrosse; its the greatest game in the world, and if you want to be good at it you need to practice hard and be very disciplined."

Garry Gait - "My present ambitions are to keep playing in the Mill and to become Head Coach at one of the major Universities like Syracuse"

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NATIONAL LACROSSE

by Lloyd and Adam Holmes

Interest in Lacrosse across Australia was centred in Adelaide, a prelude for many for the World Series. Not only were there the Men's Senior events, but also the Under 15 Tournament, and the Senior Women's State Titles. It would be possible for some to suffer from 'lacrosse overload' by the time the world series is over, but following close on the heels are the individual State Local Championships. This edition also covers the Under 17 National Championships held in Perth.

The 'Carnival' atmosphere of the Mens and Womens's Series provided great opportunities for younger lacrosseurs the opportunity to experience the thrill of experiencing competition in the sport at it's highest level in Australia. The gathering of the elite players in Australia in one event also provided lacrosse with some profile in the community, highly desirable publicity which is critical for achieving success in our sport. TV and newsprint coverage helps attract people to the sport.

MEN'S SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS AND TOURNAMENT

Ellis Park in Adelaide was the focus of attention for men's lacrosse in Australia in the week 3rd to 9th July. The 1994 Australian Senior Championship and Tournament provided spectators with two different competitions plus a number of exhibition games involving teams with a wide range of skills and experience.

The Australian Tournament involved a Victorian Under 21 Team, which was a development project, just as were the teams representing New South Wales and the President's Team.

The traditional Senior Men's Championship was contested between Victoria, South Australia and Western Australia.

As well as these two events spectators were treated with exhibition games by a visiting STX Team from USA, and our own Australian Team, preparing for the upcoming World Series Challenge in Manchester, England.

Another successful ingredient to the series was the weather. Adelaide put on a week of pleasant warm weather, prompting the visiting USA STX Team John Wehrum to comment "If this is Winter in Australia, I think I'll migrate!"

This year there has been more competition than ever in the mens series, with 6 teams participating, presenting a major task for the organisers and referees to handle.

Victoria Regains Championship Mantle in Adelaide.

After losing to WA last year Victoria were determined to regain the title in 1994, and they did this decisively in the Grand Final on Saturday 9th July, downing South Australia 22- 4.

Adelaide treated the large gathering of lacrosse followers assembling in SA for the National Titles to a week of outstanding weather, culminating in a 24 degree day for the Grand Final. This isn't quite what we followers might call 'typical' wintry lacrosse weather, those coming from interstate bringing a range of attire to cover any eventuality.

WA, having won 7 of the 10 previous Championships, did not look strong in 1994, being relegated to the third position in the lead up to the Grand Final on Saturday 9th July.

South Australia were on the other hand keen to earn their first Championship since their last win in 1983. The Victorians however looked strong in the lead up to the Grand Final, although their encounter with SA on the Tuesday was by no means convincing enough to enable the Victorians to take it easy.

All Teams were somewhat depleted in strength with many of the stronger team members playing with the Australian Team, competing as a separate Group in the Tournament Series. This tended to favour those States with more depth in Lacrosse, and it seemed apparent that Victoria was stronger in this regard.

The Results of the games leading up to the Grand Final were as follows :

Sunday 3rd July : Victoria 19 d WA 9

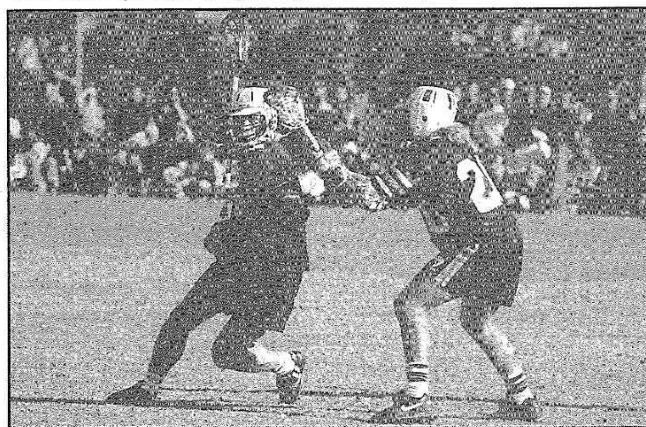
Tuesday 5th July : Victoria 17 d SA12

Thursday 7th July : SA15 d WA 8

Grand Final - Victoria outguns SA to win the Garland McHarg Trophy

In very warm (ideal) conditions, the teams lined up, with Victoria anticipating a hard game after SA pushed them earlier in the week. At one stage in that game, SA led the Vics by five goals. With a large crowd attending on the day, and the ground in fast playing condition, the scene was set for an entertaining match. There was a lot of conjecture surrounding the outcome of the game, but the odds on favourites going into the match were the Vics.

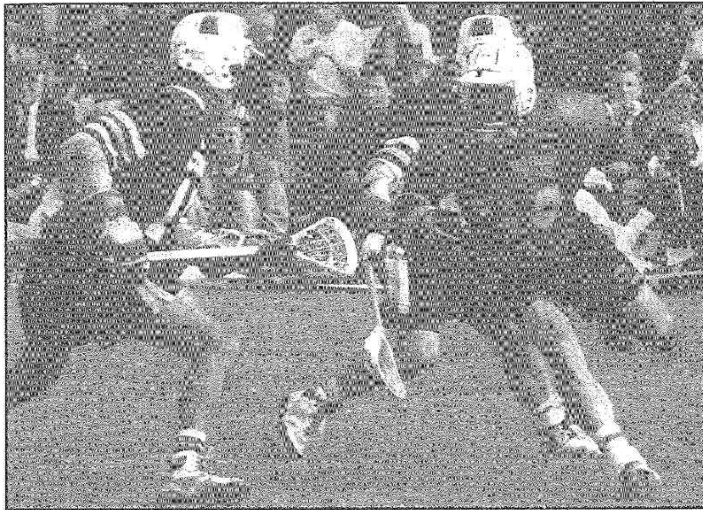
The first quarter began up with Zane Stevens and Chris



Victoria's Zane Stevens watches over SA's Jim Sutton (14) after a centre face-off in the 1st Quarter

Johnston in the face-off, a battle which was to continue through out the day. SA started well and their good work in defense paid off with SA rewarded with the first goal of the game to Matt Johnston. Victoria then won the next face-off through Cam McLachlan and David Mounsey scored a good individual goal. Cook then brought the ball down and gave a good pass to Butler that resulted in a goal. SA replied quickly and tied the game up after Jim Mihelios scored on Colin Harper with a nice long-shot. At the end of the first quarter the Vic's led 6-3. Cook was creating many chances for his Victorian teammates and Harper was playing a blinder in goals. It seemed for the moment that Victoria had withstood SA initial onslaught. They had been playing patient offense and good defense whereas SA had had

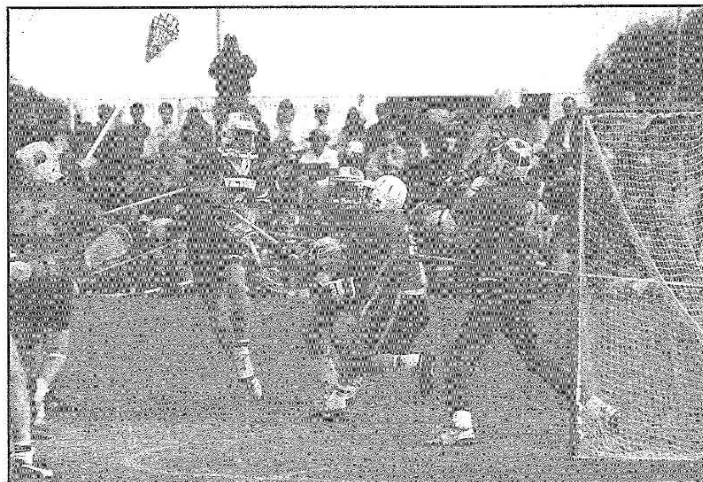
trouble clearing the ball and converting during man-up opportunities. Nevertheless the game was only one quarter in and SA and their supporters no doubt felt they were still very much in the game.



David Spreadborough waits in readiness for Colin Greehalgh as he makes a dash for goal

The second quarter was to be a big victory period for the Vic's defense line-up, well lead by Ansell, Slattery and Greg Moore who was in his first year playing with a long-stick. Victoria's defense was impenetrable, allowing no goals for the quarter while Victoria's attack was playing well with good goals to Butler, Adrian Slattery and Tim Murphy. Murphy was setting a fine example for his teammates in attack and his trademark dodge from behind was killing SA. Harper was continuing his great game in goals and nothing seemed to be close to going in. SA however had their opportunities but failed to score on any of their nine shots for the quarter.

By the time the long break began, Victoria had increased their lead to 10-3. The statistics told the story of the game well. Victoria was controlling the face-off with 11 wins to 4 and had 13 more shots. SA had their chances with 8 man-ups but had only converted on two occasions. The writing seemed already on the wall for SA. Either they would come out in the third quarter fighting or the game would be all but over.



Adam Vincent goals, much to the constination of the SA defenseeline. Vincent scored 3 goals in the Grand Final

In the third quarter the crowd witnessed much more of a battle. Led by Tim Mildren, SA's defense, which had played reasonably well so far against an extremely dangerous Victorian attack combination, held Victoria to a game low quarter score of just three

goals. Across the centre, SA also fought back to win 3 of the 5 centres for the quarter. The problem for SA was again on the attacking side of the field. Only James Inge could score for SA in that quarter, and it was from a relatively text-book fast-break. Victoria's defense played very well for the quarter, with Moore, Ansell and Slattery constantly stripping their opponents and only allowing 4 shots to be put up, whereas up the other end Victoria had 14 shots for the quarter, but bad conversion lead to only 3 of the shots being converted. At the end of the "premiership quarter", Victoria led by 13-4. SA would have to pull a 1993 Victorian "Surrey Park" Grand Final effort to win the match.

A giant was awakened in the final quarter and unfortunately for SA, that giant was Victoria. Led again by Tim Murphy with three goals for the quarter, Victoria piled on 9 goals to 0 goals from SA. Victoria's superior stickwork, evident throughout the whole game, was pretty to watch as their attackmen and attackmidfielders went to work sugically destroying SA's defense. Cook, Spreadborough, Butler, Mounsey, Slattery and Vincent just steamrolled over SA's defense that had played commendably all day. Stevens, McLachlan and Co once again controlled the midfield and Victoria's brilliant defense all dominated SA's attackline. With the championship all but theirs, the Vic's cruised to victory although SA, who had been outclassed all day fought vaiiantly to the very end. The end score saw Victoria winners 22-4. Once again the Garland McHarg trophy was back in Victoria. The victory was a testament to the strength of Victorian lacrosse, who with 12 players in the Australian side to play in Manchester could have had a seriously depleted state side, as was shown in the defending champions Western Australia's case. This was not the case. The Victorian players had played with skill, determination and conviction throughout the week and thoroughly deserved to win.

Scorers in the final

Victoria:	Goals	Assists
Tim Murphy	6	
David Mounsey	4	1
Paul Cook	1	5
Mark Butler	3	2
Adam Vincent	3	2
David Spreadborough	2	
Adrian Slattery	2	
Richard Humprey	1	
Charle Zaraffa		1
Damain Orr		1
Rod Ansell		1
David Kukucka		1
David Brown		1

South Australia:

James Inge	2	
Jim Mihelios	1	
Matt Johnson	1	
John Hill		2

All-Stars Line-up:

Goals - Colin Harper (Vic)
 Defence - Tim Mildren (SA), Greg Moore (Vic), Rod Ansell (Vic)
 Midfield - Chris Johnson (SA), Charlie Zaraffa (Vic), Matt Johnson (SA), Paul Cook (Vic)
 Attack - David Spreadborough (Vic), Adam Vincent (Vic), Mark Butler (Vic)
 Co-Captains - Jim Mihelios (SA), Tim Murphy (Vic)
 Coach - Brian Bell
W.G.Hobbs Best and Fairest - Greg Moore (Vic)

OTHER SENIOR NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

Adelaide was treated to a great week of lacrosse. The standards, and the level of enjoyment were high. Aside from the tussle between Victoria and South Australia for the National Title, there were particularly high standards displayed by the Australian Team, preparing them well for the World Championships. Once the USA STX side settled down and got used to playing together, they showed they were a formidable force, and provided great entertainment for the big crowd who witnessed the Australia v USA STX side on the last day of the Championships.

Results of all the games were as follows :

Saturday 2/7/94 - S.T.X. USA 16 defeated ALC Presidents 14 (Donatello (STX) 4, Morris (Pres.) 4, Colbum (STX) 3).

Sunday 3/7/94 - Australia 25 defeated South Australia 5 (Mangan (Aust) 4, Toomey (Aust) 4, Brewer (Aust) 4).
Victoria U21 30 defeated NSW 5 (Maher (U21) 11, Jennings (U21) 7, Whitbourn (U21) 5)
Victoria 19 defeated Western Australia 9 (Butler (Vic) 5, Mettam (WA) 3, Humprey (Vic) 3)

Monday 4/7/94 - S.T.X. USA 16 drew South Australia 16 (Donatello (STX) 7, Hill (SA) 4, Merkel (STX) 3)
ALC Presidents 37 defeated NSW 8 (Morris (Pres) 10, Royans (Pres) 7, Martin (Pres) 5)
Australia 27 defeated Western Australia 3 (Brewer (Aust) 4, Toomey (Aust) 3, Buchanan (Aust) 3)
Victoria 32 defeated Victoria U21 1 (Slattery (Vic) 5, Butler (Vic) 5, Spreadborough (Vic) 5)

Tuesday 5/7/94 - Victoria 17 defeated South Australia 12 (Greenhalgh (SA) 5, Spreadborough (Vic) 4, Cook (Vic) 3)
Western Australia 28 defeated NSW 2 (Murray (WA) 4, Anderson (WA) 4, Shoulberg (WA) 3)
ALC Presidents 19 defeated Victoria U21 7 (Morris (Pres) 7, Ryans (Pres) 5, Maher (U21) 3)
Australia 19 defeated S.T.X. USA 8 (Toomey (Aust) 4, Cornish (Aust) 3, Donatello (STX) 2)

Wednesday 6/7/94 - Victoria U21 23 defeated NSW 7 (Jennings (U21) 6, Maher (U21) 6, Fry (U21) 4)
S.T.X. USA 17 defeated ALC Presidents 13 (Morris (Pres) 5, Murphy (STX) 4, Dallisson (Pres) 4)

Thursday 7/7/94 - ALC Presidents 20 defeated Victoria U21 6 (Dallisson (Pres) 6, Morris (Pres) 3, Brookes (Pres) 3)
Australia 18 defeated Victoria 5 (Harley (Aust) 3, Brewer (Aust) 3, Spreadborough (Vic) 3)
South Australia 15 defeated Western Australia 8 (Mihelios (SA) 4, Rowley (SA) 3, Shoulberg (WA) 3)

Friday 8/7/94 - ALC Presidents 21 defeated NSW 4 (Morris (Pres) 6, Dickson (Pres) 5, Mumford (NSW) 3)

Saturday 9/7/94 -
For 3rd Place Western Australia 14 defeated ALC Presidents 13 (Herald (WA) 7, Dickson (Pres) 4, Jaegar (Pres) 3)
Australia 26 defeated S.T.X. USA 7 (Brewer (Aust) 4, Gibson (Aust) 4, Toomey (Aust) 3)

Grand Final

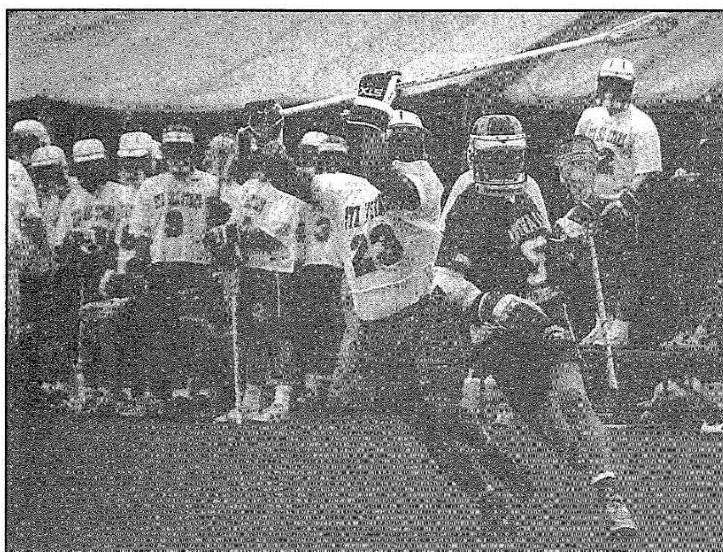
Victoria 22 Defeated South Australia 4 (Murphy (Vic) 6, Mounsey (Vic) 4, Butler (Vic) 3)



Western Australia's Terry Howley looks across for a pass in the final game against the Presidents Side for third place. The Presidents side hunted around in packs (there's two marking him in this photo), and only went down by one goal in an exciting finish.



Australia's Tony Sellan makes a valiant attempt at goals, watched carefully by USA STX's Michael Vorgang.



USA STX's Jeff Green goes for the big overhead check as Australia's Shane Harley makes a break towards goal, his teammates hoping he'll succeed

The Garland MacHarg Connection

by Lloyd Holmes

The Garland MacHarg Trophy for the National Men's Championship is indeed a magnificent trophy, and efforts have been made to track down some history of it's donators. It was donated by Richard Garland and Andrew MacHarg in 1910, and subsequently passed to the Australian Lacrosse Council by a Deed of Trust in 1939.



Richard Garland was born in Dublin, and was an athlete of note in the sporting circles of Ireland of the 1880's. He excelled at running, jumping, rugby football and above all, cycling.

In the late 1889 Garland was invited, through his contacts in the cycling fraternity, to form a company to develop the John Boyd Dunlop Pneumatic Tyre. He was given the authority to assume complete control of the organisation, appoint the Directors, write the Prospectus, and make the issue to the public. After this he joined the Company, and in 1892 was appointed Manager of the Canadian branch of the American Tyre Company. Garland's prowess as a cyclist, allied to a charming, witty and unobtrusive personality, served in promoting Dunlop throughout Canada.

After some interesting experiences as General Manager, MacHarg was involved in the setting up of the Dunlop Pneumatic Tyre Company of Australasia, which began operations on 1st August 1899. After returning to Canada for a short time to purchase machinery from North America, and to hire experienced men for the new Dunlop Factory at Port Melbourne, Garland returned to Melbourne and was appointed Director of that Company. In 1904 he was appointed Managing Director, and served in that capacity until his death in 1919.

Richard Garland played an active role in the sporting life of the new State of Victoria, especially lacrosse. He is buried at Brighton Cemetery.

Lacrosse Historian Terry Allington has searched in vain for any history of Andrew MacHarg. With his name this should not be a difficult task, however his efforts to date have been to no avail. Any leads on MacHarg's history? Ring Terry (03) 551 2871

AUSTRALIAN UNDER 19 LACROSSE TEAMS CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Applications are invited from players who are interested in joining training squads being formed to prepare players for selection in the following:

- (1) An Australian team which is anticipated to tour USA mid 1995.
[Applicants must be under 19 on the 1st January 1995]
- (2) The Australian team to compete in the World Under 19 Championships in Japan in 1996.
[Applicants must be under 19 on the 31st August 1995]

It is important to note that this date is different to earlier advice and results from an ILF decision during the recent World Senior Championships in Manchester.

Application forms are available from Head Coach, Graeme Ross
(Tel: 808 3135 (H); 903 2101 (W))

**Completed applications should be returned as soon as possible to:
Graeme Ross
21 Barnes Avenue BURWOOD 3125**

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S LACROSSE ASSOCIATIONS 1994 CONFERENCE NEWS:

RULES & UMPIRING

The STX Trial Ball is unsatisfactory, particularly in windy conditions and this ball trial has ended. It is recommended for training and developmental use.

It was stressed that personal and team fouls are different systems. A player can receive a Green/Yellow (team foul) and Yellow personal foul.

The optional broken line to act as a visual guideline to indicate the playing boundaries was strongly recommended for all matches.

IFWLA August 1993 Rule book - please note that there is an omission of "and a verbal call of "Advantage" on page 50, Rule 16.C, last line; and a correction on page 74, Rule 20.A.13, Definition pg 99.

A new Umpiring Manual is being produced, and a FWLA Umpiring video available soon. Increase of IFWLA Umpires' registration fee to US\$25.00, renewal fee US\$10.00.

Commonwealth Games 18-28 August, 1994.

600 lacrosse sticks will be used in Opening Ceremony and three lacrosse demonstration games by women and men played on 23 and 24 August. (Meredith Carre (Mez) ex Camberwell and Victorian teams, is playing in the demonstration games.)

Tied Games Proposal, for Round Robin only. The first team to reach the final score is the winner, or if one overtime period played the first team to reach the final score is the winner.

AWLC UNDER 21 AND JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS ALTONA 6-9 OCTOBER, 1994.

Coaches for Victorian teams required, written applications to be forwarded to VWLA Secretary, 4 Afton Court, Glen Waverley by 24 October, 1994.

Women's Under 19 World Championship (Maggie Boyd Trophy), Haverford College, Pennsylvania, USA, 6-13 August, 1995.

9 accredited Umpires required, accredited to countries highest award, may be International, up to 5 nominations per country. Selection procedure is countries first ranked umpire, then countries who have second ranked umpires drawn from a hat for remainder and if required, countries third ranked umpires. Accommodation, 3 meals daily, transport to and from local USA airport supplied. Umpires must fund their own fares.
Written applications to AWLC Nat. Umpiring Director, deadline for Australian Umpires, 7 October, 1994.)

Umpiring Clinics will be held immediately prior to Under 19 World Championships and World Cups and in intervening years prior to the IFWLA Annual Conference. Attendance required of all umpires at U19 World Championship and World Cup and any other umpires who are able to attend. Theory and practical sessions will be conducted with an overlapping session with coaches.

WOMEN'S NATIONAL TITLES

by Sue Sofarnos



1994 saw South Australia win it's consecutive Senior Australian Women's Championship defeating Victoria 8 - 3 in the final. This is a magnificent achievement by SA, and their victory this year was due to some quality shooting which saw them score 5 goals from their first 6 shots, and race to what proved to be an insurmountable 5 - 0 lead midway through the first half.

The staging of both the Senior Men's and Women's Nationals at the same venue seemed to be very successful, and should be continued on a yearly basis.

It is a great way to show off the two different styles of lacrosse to the general public and must position "us" as a sport, more favourably from a marketing and media exposure point of view.



NSW's Lydia Thomson makes a determined dash up the field in the NSW/AWLC President's clash on Saturday 9th April, as President's Larie Carroll (3) and Vikki Thomas (2) move in to block her path.

The non-appearance of Western Australia and Tasmania at these Nationals was a great disappointment from the women's point of view, and almost resulted in the competition becoming a non-event. The inclusion of a Presidents Team made up of prospective 1995 U19 World Cup Trialists and NSW's appearance for the second year in a row, helped give the competition a much needed four team look about it. In reality, however, no-one ever thought that the final would be anything but a Victoria-South Australia affair! Whilst not wanting to get into politics here the question must be asked of West Australia and Tasmania - what has their non-appearance done for our sport as a whole and to the development of the sport within their States and in turn their aspiring Australian Representatives??? Let's hope both these States are back competing in 1995, and that the Men's and Women's Senior National Titles are staged in Victoria (or possibly NSW from a development point of view).

There were some notable firsts at these titles. Firstly the optional wearing of helmets was permitted after years of debate. It will be interesting to see the feedback from the inclusion of this trial rule. Also the positioning of the Women's final as the last game of the tournament week and not the Men's final, was an interesting decision, and provided the opportunity to show Women's lacrosse off to a big crowd.

The game did not live up to the standard of the same game earlier in the week however, where Victoria won 6-5 in sudden death overtime. From the Women's perspective a great showpiece final could have won it many new fans, but the lop-sided score line and

the inconsistency in umpiring was disappointing and saw spectators walk away before the game ended. In no way was the umpiring the difference between the two teams, but many decisions were very hard to follow, too long in being made, inconsistent and came to a head when spectators slow hand-clapped a very confusing send-off decision, which ultimately saw the player re-instated on to the field.

Congratulations to NSW on fielding a team for the second year in a row at a senior national level. Ex-Victorian Linda Roylance along with ex-Aussie players Lydia Thompson and Vikki Spencer have no doubt been instrumental in getting Women's lacrosse going in this State, and I only hope the game really can catch on there.

Also it was a great experience for U19 World Cup Coach Cathy Flett's aspiring "Junior World Cuppers" to play in a Senior Nationals and for her to assess some of the talent that will ultimately represent Australia next year.

THE FINAL

The first ten minutes of this game saw Victoria have a couple of good opportunities to get a score on the board, but good saves by Janet Maitland denied them a goal. Debbie Babbage scored the first goal of the game with a "reflex" hit in goal which no doubt gave South Australia great confidence. Ex Victorian Lee Middlehuis (or Doo-daughter of Otto!) scored South Australia's second goal with a good shot from the crease from a Babbage feed.

The game was blown apart in a matter of three minutes of lacrosse midway through this half with quick successive goals to a dodging Tracey Rehn, another Debbie Babbage hit in goal, and then a classic fast break goal again scored by Babbage who was making the most of every opportunity and living up to the name of "Damage" and hurting Victoria.

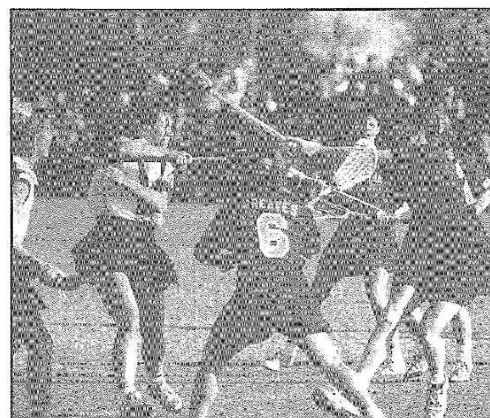
South Australia led 5-0 at this stage and had scored five goals from six shots. Victoria on the other hand had five shots for no goals, and were failing to put adequate pressure on the ball carrier and support each other in the one on one contests! A late goal to Victorian Leanne Trainor was quickly answered by Sasha Newmarch of South Australia, and at half time South Australia had a commanding 6-1 lead.

To Victoria's credit they did not give up and another goal to Leanne Trainor and then to captain Margaret Barlow early in the second half really gave the Vic's a chance to turn the game around if they were good enough. But they were hit a "body blow"



Captain's Toss - Jenny Williams (SA) and Margaret Barlow watch as Dedrie Olwen (umpire) tosses the coin for ends.

Sue Gandy shoots past Sasha Newmarch, watched on by Tracy Rehn(15) and Wendy Greaves (6).





SA's Goalie Cathy Morphett's bib says it all - "We're mean and we're out there to win", much to Fran Witty who tries unsuccessfully to get one in the back of the net.

when Leanne Trainor was red carded from the field and South Australia re-focused and got two more goals through Leanne Craddock and Lee Middlehuis to give them the Championship.

Victoria was always going to have to play its best to defeat a South Australian team boasting eight players from the 1993 Australian World Cup Team. Victorian Coach Jason Simpson feels that the many young players who played at these Nationals can only be better players for the experience, and Victoria's future is dependent upon them staying together and developing further.

1995 might finally be Victoria's year or will it? One thing is for sure, the traditional Victoria - South Australia rivalry will go on, and that's a plus for Women's lacrosse.

Meanwhile SA's coach Tim Dickson and assistant coach John Carter were well satisfied with the deca-championship effort, and they will be looking next year to making it 11 in a row.



Proud winners of the Joy Parker Championship Trophy Jenny Williams (9) and Janet Maitland (17)



SA's Debbie "Damage" Babbage with the ball in front of Vic's Julie Lincoln - Babbage was in front most of the day



South Australia's winning combination, with some future champs?

OTHER WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

There was plenty of action to watch in the Women's Championships and plenty of opportunities, as with the men's games, for younger players to see how lacrosse is played at the top level in Australia.

Game Results in the qualifying rounds :

South Australia 23 d Presidents 3
 Victoria 6d South Australia 5
 Victoria 12 d Presidents 1
 South Australia 19 d New South Wales 0
 Victoria 24 d New South Wales 1
 Presidents 20 d New South Wales 3
 Presidents 20 d New South Wales 3

Finals : Presidents 7 d New South Wales 3
 South Australia 8 d Victoria 3

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SIGNED.....DATE.....



by Just a Big Kid

This edition has seen a few replies to the column. It's really great to hear from you guys and now we know someone does read our magazine.

Here are a few more pointers to help you become a better player:

1. Always play the ball. Do not worry about your opponent. Concentrate on getting the ball, especially ground balls. We see so many seniors hitting the sticks trying to knock them out of the way to get to the ball when all they really need to do is go straight through and pick the ball up.
2. Never argue with the Referee, Coach, Team Mates or the Opposition. This will detract from your game and you will lose concentration. Not to mention the possibility of getting a foul if it is a Referee. The Coach and your Team Mates are your friends. If you are upset with them, talk to them about it. Don't throw your stick and lose your temper. Yes, you can even talk to the Referee but don't yell at him. He is only doing his job as well.

Now for the letters.....

Dear Big Kid,

Hi. My name is Dallele. I play lacrosse for Footscray in Under 13's. I just received the Lacrosse Player magazine and decided to write to you guys. I have been playing lacrosse for a season and a half. I personally think lacrosse is a great energetic sport. I have two questions for you. 1. How long can you hold the ball for in Under 16 girls - 9 seconds or for as long as you like?.

2. When you cradle should the stick go from your ear to your nose?

I hope to play lacrosse for many years to come.

**Your best fan
Dallele**

P.S. I sure do hope my letter is good enough for a prize.

Big Kid: Thanks for the great letter Dallele. You along, with the other letter writers will all be getting a prize in the mail. To answer your questions..... The answer to question 1 is you can hold the ball for as long as you like. The answer to question 2. is based on

womens lacrosse as you mention in question 1 about the womens game; cradling from the ear to nose means the stick is not checkable and therefore you would receive a penalty for cradling to close to the head. Hope that helps.

Hi, I'm David Wallace and I am the captain of the Regency Park Primary School Sof Crosse team (Regency Rockets). I also play for Knox Under 13 boys.

It was our first game, everyone was nervous and most of the kids have never played before. We won and beat Wantirna, 8 - 0.

Our next game wasn't so easy and some of our less experienced players played very well. We beat Wantirna South 2 - 0.

Next game was a usual one. We played St. Lukes which is right next door to us and won 5 - 0.

Next game we had our first goal scored against us. A few of their team members didn't play. We beat Wantirna Heights 4 - 1.

Playing Yawarra was the next task which kept our defence players on their toes. We won 8 - 3.

Next game we played St. Lukes in place of Bayswater South. We beat them 11 - 0.

We do hope so much that we have a final. We'd like to make a special thanks to Carolyn Wallace for coaching us and to Sue Cody, Tim Murphy and Jorge Menidis for umpiring and organising it.

David Wallace

Big Kid: I'd hate to have to play you guys. You sound like an awesome team!

Sof lacrosse

On Saturdays we have to get up at seven o'clock to go to Sof Lacrosse games and on Sunday we have to go to training. The coach is Trevor Brown, who is my Dad. He is good at coaching us and he tells us to do the right thing all the time. Not everyone listens to him, but eventually he gets everyone's attention. I like Soft Lacrosse because it's fun, and I want to be a professional when I grow up.

I play for East Torrens Payneham Lacrosse Club and I am nine years old.

I hope you have a nice day.....

Nick Brown

Big Kid: In this the Year of the Coach, it's great to hear from someone who appreciates their coach. By listening to your coach you will learn and maybe realise your goal of becoming a professional lacrosse player. You may be interested to know that Gordon Purdie, (who played for Australia in Manchester in July, was voted best midfielder in the world), started out just like you and now plays for the New York Saints in the indoor lacrosse league as a professional. Keep up the good work Nick.

It was great to get letters in for this edition. If you want to air your views, ideas, suggestions etc, please write to "Hey Kids", Lacrosse Victoria, 13 Willesden Road, OAKLEIGH 3166

VICTORIA TAKES OUT U17 NATIONAL TITLES FOR THE 4TH SUCCESSIVE YEAR

by Jeff Fry

This year's U17 National Championships was funded by the Western Australian Health Promotion Foundation for the National Heart Foundation of Australia.

The 1994 Victorian U/17 Team convincingly retained the National Championships held in Perth in July. This was the fourth successive year that the Victorians had gone through the Championships undefeated.

This was the first time a Canadian Side has been represented in the Under 17 Tournament. The Canadian Team hails from Essex County Minor Lacrosse Association, Ontario.

The Victorian Institute of Sport program, which was conducted over the previous summer, again played a major role in the Victorian Team's preparation. The Team showed a disciplined aggression towards the ball with three or more players attacking the opposing ball carrier.

The grand final, played against Western Australia, was tied at 8 all at half time, and it looked like an exciting finish. This was the first time the Victorians had been seriously challenged during the week, but the superior strength of the Victorians and the policy of attacking the ball and the ball carrier showed during the second half, as indicated by the final score.

All Teams are to be congratulated for the manner in which they conducted themselves both on and off the field.

The scores were as follows:

9/7/94	Victoria 13	d	SA 7
	WA 11	d	Canada 10
	[This match was determined in extra time play-off]		
10/7/94	SA 17	d	Canada 6
	WA 19	d	Presidents 9
12/7/94	Canada 18	d	Presidents 9
	Victoria 12	d	WA 4
13/7/94	SA 18	d	Presidents 8
	Victoria 23	d	Canada 8
14/7/94	Victoria 28	d	Presidents 4
	WA 12	d	SA 10

Saturday 16th July

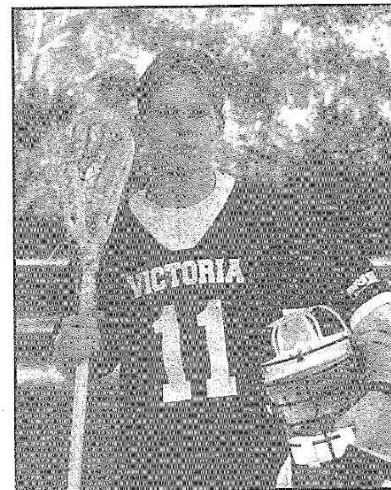
Playoff	SA 18	d	Canada 9
Championship Final	Victoria 17	d	WA 10

The All Stars Team :

Mark Taylor	[Baysawter]	Goal-keeper & CC
Glen Esler	(Eltham)	Defence
Lucien Hoare	(Eltham)	Defence
Martin Elliot	(Altona)	Defence
Troy Dorrington	(Altona)	Attack
Mark Cleveland	(Eltham)	Attack
Tim Fry	(Eltham)	Mid-Field
Andrew Whitbourn	(Chadstone)	Attack

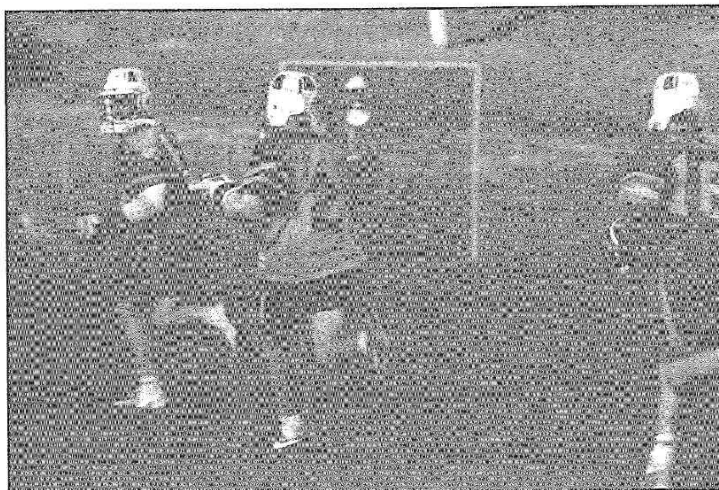
Robbie Stark	(Caulfield)	Centre/Mid-Field & CC
Simon Bateman	[Webley, WA]	Defence
Robert J Scott	[Subiaco, WA]	Mid-Field
Travis Roost	[Phoenix, WA]	Attack
Peter Inge	[Woodville, SA]	Centre

Victorian coach Graeme Ross was selected as Coach of the All Stars Team.



Lucien Hoare from Victoria won the Henry Volk Trophy for the Best and Fairest player of the Championship, and also the Most Valuable Player for the Tournament.

UNDER 17 ACTION - SA V WA



AUSTRALIAN 1994 UNDER 15 TOURNAMENT

Adelaide's Brighton Lacrosse Club hosted the 1994 Australian Under 15 Tournament. This year's tournament provided a great opportunity for young lacrosse players to participate in a week of exciting competition, to get to know lots of other players and develop interstate contacts, but most of all to increase their lacrosse skills and have fun. Six teams participated, 3 from Victoria (Eastside Kings, Southern Crosse and Western Metros), 2 from SA (Western Redskins and Eastern Eagles) and 1 from WA (Northern Thunder).



Southern Crosse's Josh Jackson (5) in the centre is under pressure by Eastern Eagle's David Fole. Nick Moran (13, at left) tries to keep the pressure off his Crosse team-mate.

Day 1 Sunday 10th. July - Eastern Eagles 10 d Southern Crosse 8 - The opening match of the tournament was a closely fought game where the Southern Crosse team maintained a one goal lead through until half time. The Eastern Eagles then out scored Southern Crosse by five goals to two in the last half to turn the match around and win by two goals. M.V.P. - Eagles: M. Owen. Crosse: N. Fallon.

Eastside Kings 12 d Western Metros 8 - After trailing by two goals in the first quarter, the Eastside Kings rallied after half time to run out winners by four goals. The game was evenly contested across the midfield and featured some excellent defensive work by both sides. The Eastside Kings proved to be the stronger side and were able to convert some critical goals in the last quarter. MVP - Kings: S. Newall. Metros: T. McKeown.

Northern Thunder 13 d Western Redskins 4 - In a totally one-sided encounter the more experienced Northern Thunder team lead at every break to win this game by nine goals. However the Western Redskins did improve as the game progressed. The large number of penalties from both sides was an unfortunate feature of this match. Northern Thunder 13 def Western Redskins 4. MVP - Thunder: O. Black. Redskins: D. Hansford.

Day 2 Monday 11th. July - Eastside Kings 17 d Western

Redskins 5 - The Kings were ruthless in their demolition of the Redskins. At half time they led by seven goals to three. In the third quarter they buried their opponents eight goals to nil, but to their credit the Redskins matched them at two goals a piece in the last quarter.

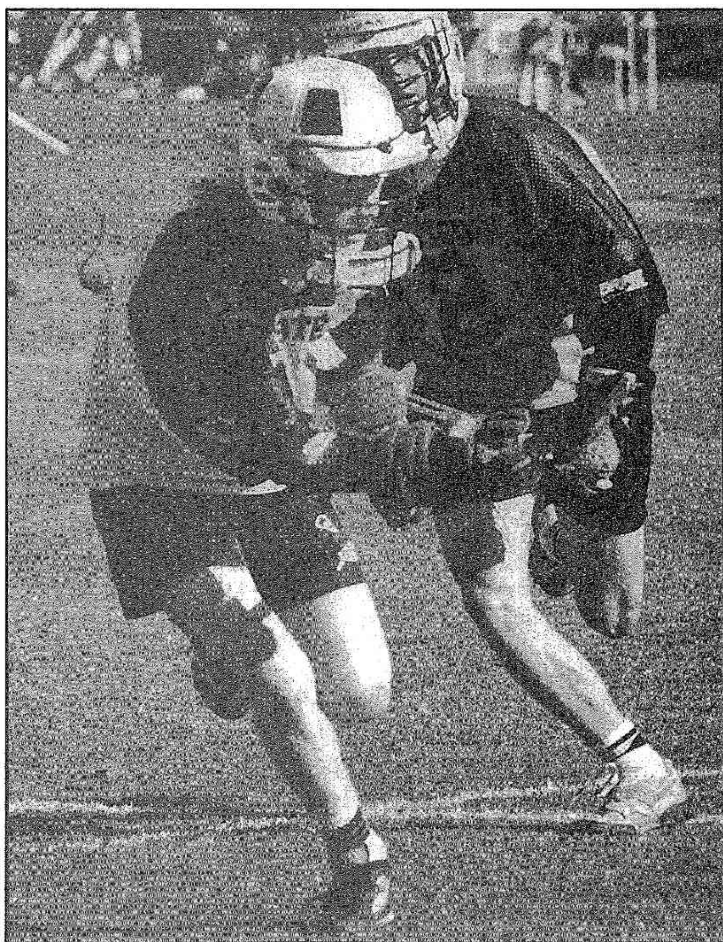
MVP - Kings: A. Waite. Redskins: R. Fitzgibbon.

Western Metros 8 d Southern Crosse 5

Western Metros defence proved too strong for the Southern Crosse team. In restricting Southern Crosse to only two goals in the first half, the Western Metros team led by four goals at half time. The last half was a low scoring affair where the defence of both teams dominated the game. MVP - Metros: M. Civelle. Crosse: D. Burton.

Northern Thunder 13 d Eastern Eagles 5 - The Eastern Eagles took an early lead to be ahead by two goals to one at the first break. Northern Thunder then rallied to outscore the Eagles by four goals in the second quarter. Thunder had many more avenues to goal than the Eagles, outscoring them by five goals in the second half to win by seven. MVP - Thunder: J. Watson-Galbraith. Eagles: L. Vickery.

Day 3 Tuesday 12th. July - Western Redskins 13 d Western Metros 7 - In a much improved performance, the Redskins led at ever break, outscoring the Metros in every quarter, to win this match by six goals. MVP - Redskins: S. Goad. Metros: T. Garnsworthy.



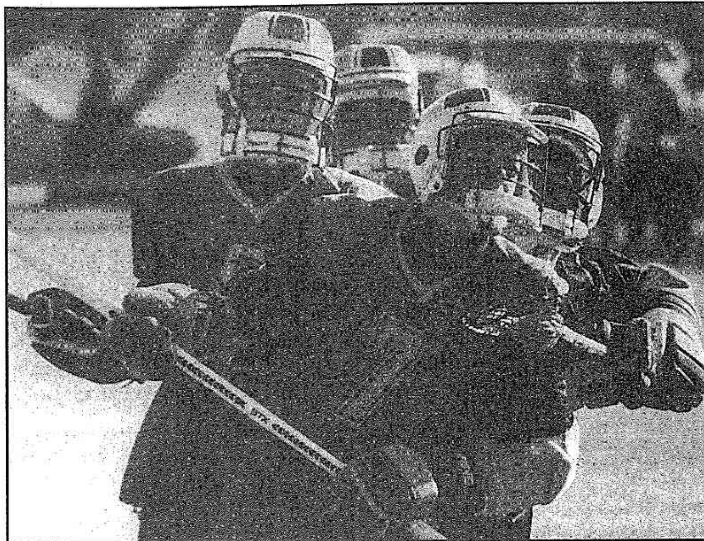
Kyle Morang of Western Metros is hotly pursued by Eastside King's Steven Newell. Eastside Kings went on to win 12-8 over Western Metros on their game of the series, and went on to win the Tournament.

Eastside Kings 10 d Eastern Eagles 4 - The Kings started the game strongly, scoring six goals in the first half while their defence held the Eagles scoreless. The Eagles matched it with the Kings in the last half but were unable to reduce the six goal deficit at the

end of the game.

MVP - Kings: W. Dixon. Eagles: A. Rosewarne.

Northern Thunder 10 d Southern Crosse 5 - Southern Crosse outscored the Thunder team in the first and third quarters. However Thunder crushed their opponent in the second and fourth by six goals to win the match by 5. MVP - Thunder: G. Morley. Crosse: J. Joy.



WA's Northern Thunder's Aaron Swadling(7) looks as though he has the ball, but it's with SA's Western Redskins. Northern Thunder went on to win 13 - 4, and were to play off in the grand final of the tournament

Day 4 Thursday 14th. July - Northern Thunder 12 d Western Metros 8 - Thunder were able to overcome their tendency for slow starts to score 5 to 2 in the first quarter. The Metros team were consistent through out the match scoring two goals each quarter, matching Thunder in the middle half of the game, but were unable to stay with them, going down by four goals in the end. MVP - Thunder: N. Rainey. Metros: J. Nicholls.

Western Redskins 12 d Eastern Eagles 11 - The Redskins managed to build a three goal buffer going into the last quarter. The Eagles responded by outscoring their opponents 5 goals to 3, unfortunately not enough to avoid a one goal loss to the Redskins. Penalties awarded against the Eagles cost them the match. MVP - Redskins: S. Rigg. Eagles: M. Santi. Goals scorers - Redskins: D. Hansford 5, S. Goad 2-3, J. Hommelhoff 2, L. Perham, B. Edwards, A. Dallisson 1. Eagles: M. Santi 4-1, A. Coggins, A. Rosewarne 2, R. White, M. McInerney 1-1, Knocked In 1.

Game 3 Southern Crosse V's Eastside Kings
The Kings dominated the first quarter, scoring five goals to nil. To their credit Southern Crosse outscored the Kings eight to six in the remaining three quarters. In the end going down by three goals. Eastside Kings 11 def Southern Crosse 8. MVP - Kings: A. Moore. Crosse: T. Whiting. Goal scorers - Kings: D. Stiglich 3, W. Hammond, S. Rodgers, B. Cook 2, A. Waite, S. Colautti 1. Crosse: T. Whiting 3, T. Whitbourn 2, D. Burton, S. Bugeja, N. Fallon 1.

Day 5 Friday 15th. July - Western Metros 9 d Eastern Eagles 8 - The Metros started the game strongly to lead by two at half time. The Eagles responded by outscoring the Metros in the last half and were equal with them at full time. In an exciting finish Jai Caroll scored the deciding goal for the Metros in overtime. MVP - Metro: F. Elbodon. Eagles: C. Schicker.

Eastside Kings 16 d Northern Thunder 3 - In the preview of the final to be played on the last day, the Kings thoroughly dominated

this match to win by thirteen goals. MVP - Kings: S. Rodgers. Thunder: I. Truscott.

Western Redskins 9 d Southern Crosse 7 - Unlucky not to have a win so far, the Crosse team held a slim lead at half time. After a tight third quarter the Redskins pulled away in the fourth, to win by two goals. MVP - Redskins: N. Tuck. Crosse: C. Lander.

Day 6 Finals Day Saturday 16th July

Southern Crosse 8 d Eastern Eagles 7 - In the battle for 5th. and 6th. place Southern Crosse went into the game without a win. The Eagles played desperate lacrosse but were unable to deny Southern Crosse their first win for the tournament. MVP - Crosse: S. Bugeja. Eagles: S. Kretschmer. Goal scorers - Crosse: T. Whiting 3-1, R. Datson 2, D. Tzirulnik 1-1, N. Fallon, G. Stalker 1. Eagles: M. Flak 2-2, A. Rosewarne 2, M. McInerney 1-1, A. Coggins, M. Elliot 1.

Western Metros 10 d Western Redskins 9 - This contest for 3rd. and 4th. positions was won in the 3rd. quarter when the Metros broke away from the Redskins to lead by two going into the last quarter. The fourth quarter was dominated by the two top goal scorers of the tournament, in which the Redskins managed four goals to the Metros three to go down by one in the end. MVP - Metros: K. Morlang. Redskins: X. Anderson. Goal scorers - Metros: K. Morlang 6, T. Garnsworthy 3-3, T. McKeown 1-1. Redskins: S. Goad 5, D. Hansford 2, A. Dallisson, X. Anderson 1.

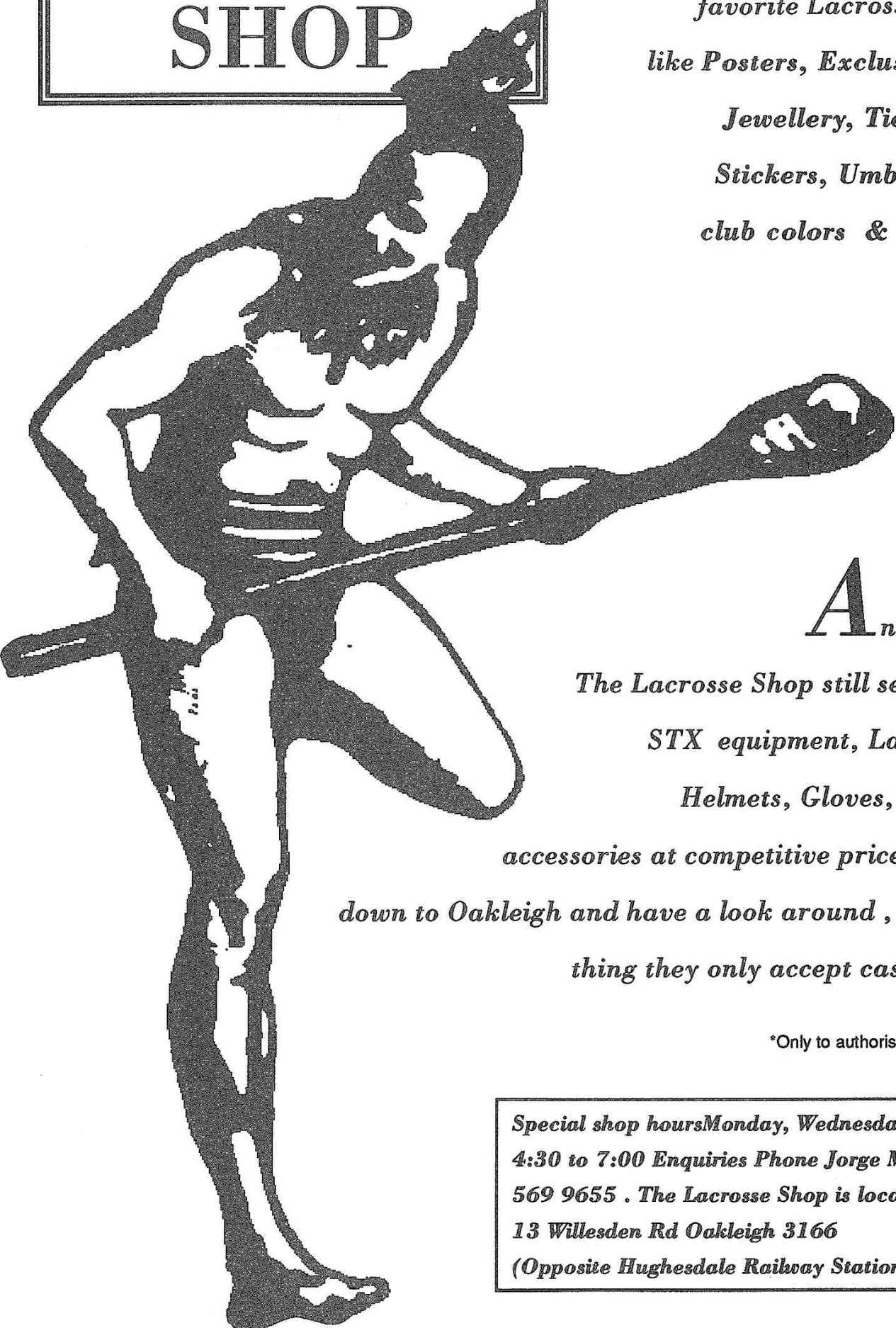
Eastside Kings 16 d Northern Thunder 8 - As was to be expected the Thunder put on a much improved performance on their previous days effort against the Kings. However, the Kings demonstrated why they had gone undefeated all week. The Kings took the game away from the Thunder, through superior teamwork and individual skills, to take first place by eight goals. MVP - Kings: D. Stiglich. Thunder: N. Rainey. Goal Scorers - Kings: D. Stiglich 6-1, A. Waite 4-1, S. Rodgers 3, S. Newall 2, W. Hammond 1. Thunder: N. Rainey 3-2, I. Truscott 2-2, A. Swadling, J. Watson-Galbraith, G. Morely 1.

1994 U15 TOURNAMENT TOP 30 GOAL SCORERS

	NAME	GOALS	ASSISTS	TEAM
T.	GARNSWORTHY	19	7	METROS
S.	GOAD	17	6	REDSKINS
D.	STIGLICH	17	4	KINGS
S.	RODGERS	17	1	KINGS
N.	RAINEY	16	8	THUNDER
A.	WAITE	16	3	KINGS
A.	ROSEWARNE	14		EAGLES
K.	MORLANG	13	4	METROS
I.	TRUSCOTT	11	3	THUNDER
T.	WHITBOURN	11	1	CROSSE
T.	WHITING	10	1	CROSSE
S.	NEWALL	9	5	KINGS
G.	MORLEY	9	2	THUNDER
A.	COGGINS	9	1	EAGLES
D.	HANSFORD	8	1	REDSKINS
R.	DATSON	8		CROSSE
N.	MORAN	7	2	CROSSE
J.	WATSON-GALBRAITH	7	2	THUNDER
M.	SANTI	6	4	EAGLES
L.	PERHAM	6		REDSKINS
Z.	THYSSEN	6		REDSKINS
A.	SWADLING	5	2	THUNDER
A.	DALLISSON	5		REDSKINS
M.	McINERNEY	4	5	EAGLES
J.	CAROLL	4	5	METROS
T.	McKEOWN	4	4	METROS
A.	DOUDAS	4	2	METROS
W.	KENDALL	4	1	KINGS
L.	ARNOLD	4	1	THUNDER
N.	FALLON	4		CROSSE

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WILLIAMSTOWN CATCHES THE FOX

by Graeme Fox

On 2nd July the 10 Victorian State League Teams, minus their Australian and State representatives who were in Adelaide to compete in the Australian Championships, contested the annual Victorian 6-a-side round robin.

Teams were divided into two groups, with the first two in each group proceeding to the Grand Final. In Group A, Caulfield started well with a 4-4 draw against Malvern, but then struggled to score in the remaining games. Malvern also drew with Altona, then went down to Eltham before being comprehensively beaten by Williamstown. Altona finished in third place, but it was Williamstown and Eltham who dominated this Group. Their last preliminary game provided a glimpse for the finals, with the "Townners" edging Eltham out 5-4.

Group B saw Chadstone and MCC putting up strong opposition for the other teams, but their only points came from their 4-4 draw. Surrey Park went through undefeated after Camberwell and Footscray drew, Footscray edging Camberwell out for the second semi berth on percentage.

In the first semi final Williamstown met Footscray and, after leading 5-2 at half time, Williamstown wrapped up the game 7-2. Eltham and Surrey met in the second semi-final, and after Eltham scored the first three goals, even though Surrey got close on a couple of occasions, Eltham maintained their early break, winning 7-4.

In a replay of the 1993, Williamstown and Eltham were again vying for the title. Williamstown got the early break, and in a high scoring game went on to win 10-6, thus taking the trophy that Eltham held from 1993. Williamstown's depth of players was evident with a strong team fielded despite a large representation in Adelaide, including two goalkeepers. In fact, their goalkeeper for the day was Nathan Morlay, their Under 17 goalkeeper who put in a great performance.

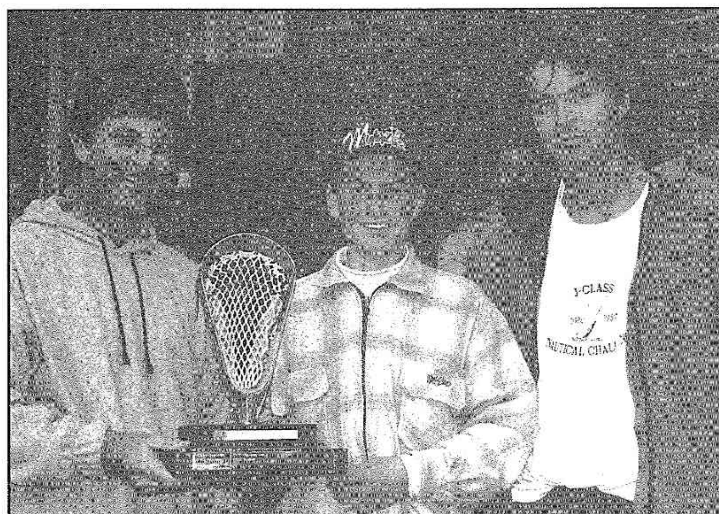
Special thanks must go to Lloyd Holmes and Dave Scott who undertook the refereeing duties for the day, doing 12 games each. The open games probably made their job a little easier, but they were no doubt looking for a place to lie down that night!



Williamstown's Winning Combination

Rear : John Butcerwitz, Cliff Jennings, Peter Morley, Luke Aaron, Tony Lewer

Front : Carl Radford, Nathan Morlay, Darren Gibson



Graeme Fox presents the "Catch the Fox" Trophy to Captains Nathan Morlay and Luke Aaron.

VWLA - VALE KELLIE TAYLOR

Kellie Taylor was only 22 when she died but had visited 15 countries in three overseas trips. In 1991 she went to USA to play netball and caught the travel bug. The following year she explored Thailand and India before embarking on an epic tour through Europe with four friends in a campervan trying to live on \$1.00 per day. "She was so independent and wanted to do as much as she could" said her mother Mrs. Roz Taylor. "She loved to meet people."

While in the Greek Islands she met a South African traveller and early this year visited him in South Africa, leaving just before the Federal Election. Kellie completed her HSC in 1990 at Wesbourne Grammar School in Werribee, was a School Prefect and House Captain.

She was a keen sportswoman, representing Victoria (lacrosse) and was an Australian squad member. She loved cameras and was the photographer for the Australian Under 19 men's team in 1992. She also enjoyed spending time in the sun and used to joke that she would be rather

than be brown and dead than white and alive.

Between trips she worked at the Australian Football League. While in the US she worked for two months teaching physical education to disabled high school students in Fairfield, Iowa.

Kellie died in a car accident near Bendigo. She had recently decided she wanted to be a physiotherapist. Kellie grew up in Williamstown and had one brother, Ben. Approximately 1,000 mourners attended her funeral at Wesbourne Grammar School on 15 July.

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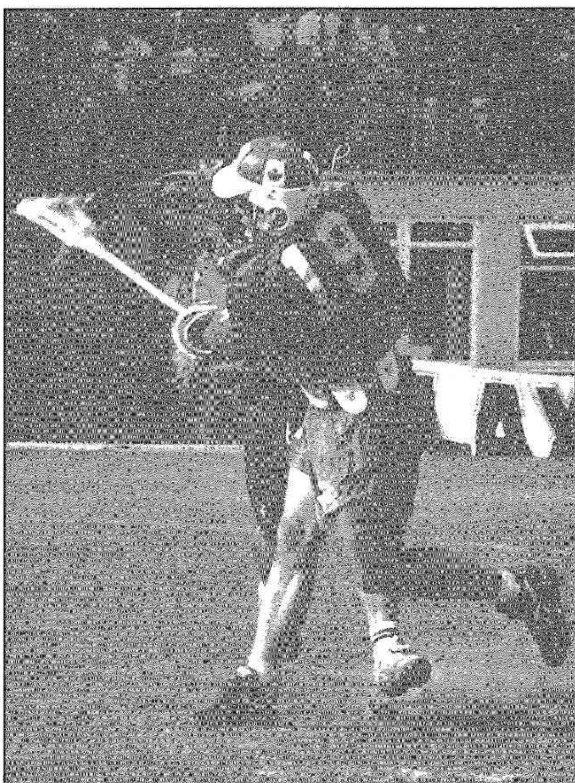
Surrey Park Hosts Annual Under 11 and Under 13 Junior Gymkhana

by Brian Sheehan (Junior Co-ordinator Surrey Park)

Seven Under 11 and ten Under 13 teams participated in this year's annual gymkhana held on the Queen's Birthday Holiday, Monday 13th June at Surrey Park. Organisers were pleased with the turn out of teams and spectators, in spite of the cold wintry conditions at least it did not rain during the event.



Surrey Park's David Wormersley (32) looks for a pass in their U13 game against Wembley. Wembley's John Franklin keeps his eyes on where the balls about to go.



Paul Gate in action at the World Championships

It was a long hard day for the players, with each of the U13 teams playing in 9 games, and the U11 teams playing 6 games before the successful teams took part in the finals.

In order to get through the mammoth task of playing 90 U13 and 42 U11 games the players played 5 minute halves, with 3 games progressing at any one time. All the games were of a high standard, and credit must be paid to Wembley U13 and Alphington U11 on getting through to the finals without losing a game.

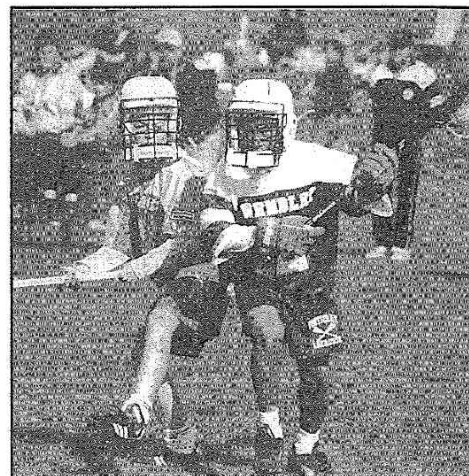
Teams participating in the finals were :

Alphington, Camberwell Blue, Surrey Park Red for the U11, with the Grand Final being played between Surrey Park Red and Camberwell Blue. Camberwell Blue were the eventual winners 3 goals to 2.

Wembley, Camberwell Blue, MCC and Eltham/Diamond Valley for the U13 with the Grand Final being played off between Wembley and Eltham/Diamond Valley. At the final siren Eltham/Diamond Valley were 4 goals to Wembley 2.

Both winning teams were presented with medallions and pennants by Mr George Tillotson, past President of the Victorian Lacrosse Association.

The organisers of the event would like to congratulate all participating teams for the high standard of play and sportsmanship, and look forward to another successful Gymkhana next year.



Wembley's Max Pavlovic's eyes say it all, as he makes a determined move into goal, with Chadstone Redback's Hugh Pryston ready for a big check.

MALVERN LACROSSE CLUB COACHING POSITIONS

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SOUTH AUSTRALIAN WOMEN'S COMPETITION

The 1994 senior season commenced on the Anzac long weekend with the junior program beginning two weeks later.

The format for the senior grades was six B Grade and 11 League Reserve teams to play at Ellis Park on Saturdays and the six League teams to play at Club grounds on Sundays. The mixed Saturday/Sunday 1993 A Grade competition was not successful so it was decided to try all Sunday games this year. (Oh, for a larger area so that all games could be played on Saturdays!!!) Five times during the season the men's and women's League games will be played at the same venues on Sundays thus assisting Club fund raising through catering, etc. There were several attempts to set an early program but changes were needed when the men's program altered and when the League was set at six teams. The League Reserves originally started with 11 teams but one team has now been transferred to B Grade because of the number of players who were new to the game this year. It is pleasing to see the number of prospective teachers playing with the University of SA team (formerly College) as this is productive for their future teaching years of PE and the inclusion of lacrosse in their programs. Glenelg have been very busy this year with junior recruitment and they have eight girls' teams in the Year 7 and Under programs. WestTorrens and Southern Districts both have two senior teams entered this season and it is pleasing to see Sturt once again part of the League program. Brighton, who did not field a League team in '93 have combined with Seacombe League team and are playing as Stingrays in this grade.

We are trialling several rule changes this season and the major change seems to have been received by players, officials and umpires as very productive to the game - the rule in question is the yellow and red card system. A yellow card requires the player to spend 3 minutes in the penalty box (with no player replacement allowed) and the red card signifies no further play or player replacement for the remainder of the game. The point system last year had been found unsuitable because it could be manipulated by deliberately fouling to get the game suspension over and done with.

The season has proceeded quite smoothly thus far but, due to the trialling of the STX 'pink' ball at this stage of the season strong dissension has been forthcoming. The ball does not appear to be suitable after watching the girls use it and it is strongly hoped that it will be rejected in its present form. I understand that IFWLA are looking at the safety factor of the ball but they should also be looking at the helmet issue as a major safety precaution. I have always been anti-helmets but after seeing some of the injuries sustained by players and the bruising to my daughter's face from sticks during a recent game, I am thankful that the wearing of a helmet is now left to the individual to decide and is no longer a SA versus AWLC matter.

Serious thought is required in relation to future National Championships. SA are in a precarious position this year in relation to the Under 16 Championships. The date set by Tasmania coincides with our Preliminary and Grand Finals. Tasmania, who have not fielded an Under 16 team for numerous years, have been given the right to disrupt States that have continually competed at this level and therefore have been responsible for keeping the Under 16 Championships viable.

The Grand Final Day is again being held at the Pines Stadium - one wonders how many times the 'pink' ball would have to be retrieved from the grass verges if it is ever used at this venue.

Margaret Pallant
Director - Women's Competition

REF'S CORNER

FROM THE RULEBOOK.....

POSSESSION - THE FACTS

The rules applicable to possession have implications apart from being able to control the ball and throw goals. Here are a few:

Possession of the ball is defined as being able to carry out the normal functions of carrying, cradling, passing or shooting; a team has possession when the ball is being passed (and is in mid-air) between players on the same team. remember this one as it will be useful further on. This raises the interesting question of what happens when the ball is intercepted in mid-flight by a player on another team? Quite obviously, the ball is not in possession.

SOME SITUATIONS MAY HELP

A ball is being passed between two players on the same team and while the ball is in flight, the whistle indicating the end of a period is sounded.

The referee looks to the penalty box and sees that there is one man in the box. Does the team with the ball retain possession or is there a face-off at the beginning of the next period?

Answer: The team in possession retains possession at the beginning of the next period.

What if the referee sees that there are two men in the box (one from each side) in the situation described above?

Answer: Face off at the beginning of the next period as there is no extra man at the end of the preceding period.

POSSESSION AT THE CENTRE

In normal circumstances, after a centre face-off and when possession is called, players are released from the goal areas (i.e., allowed to come over the end restraining lines). What about the situation when a team commits a technical foul before possession is called and play is stopped and possession is awarded to the team fouled. Can attack and defence players cross the end restraining lines at this point?

Answer: No, they are released only when the whistle to start play again is sounded. This avoids the situation where a team is fouled and then immediately surrounded by a bunch of mean defenders.

CREASE INFRINGEMENTS

When there is a crease infringement and the defending team is awarded possession. Which player gets possession and where?

Answer: Any player on the defending team, 18 metres sideways from the goal.

What if the goalkeeper holds the ball too long in the goal crease?

Answer: The attacking team is awarded possession, again 18 metres from the goal.

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