



Annual Report 2020



Melbourne University Hockey Club Inc.

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About the Club

Melbourne University Hockey Club (MUHC) was established in 1907 and is an affiliated sporting club of the University of Melbourne. The club's membership consists of students, alumni and staff of the University, and other individuals.

MUHC is one of the largest and oldest senior hockey clubs in Victoria, and one of the largest sporting clubs at the University. The club fields men's and women's teams in both senior and masters competitions through Hockey Victoria, as well as supporting intervarsity and intercollegiate participation.

Strategic Vision

The Vision in MUHC's Strategic Plan (2016-2020) is:

To be the leading university hockey club in Australia for high performance and development, and recognised as one of the most participation-friendly, competitive, social, and inclusive hockey clubs in Victoria, for all levels.

Office Bearers

Executive

President	James Stewart
Vice President	Keeley O'Reilly
Secretary	Jackson Matthews
Treasurer	Peter Bolling

General Committee

Celeste Bussell	
Alana Butler	(Women's)
Tom Carman	(Men's, Equipment)
Gabrielle Cumbers	(Social & Events)
Prue Grant	(Inclusion & Pride, Social & Events)
Olivia Grey	(Inclusion & Pride)
Zane Hutter	(Men's, Social & Events)
Emma Neal	(Communications)
Fabienne Parker	(Officiating)

President's Report

2020. What can be said about such a year? For the Club, the year started out brightly, with additional teams, new recruits, promotion back to Women's Premier League, and lots of enthusiasm.

Then in progressively from March as COVID-19 cases in Melbourne rose, training was cancelled, lockdowns introduced, and the start of the season postponed. With lockdowns then beginning to ease in June, we tentatively began to return to training – initially limited to 'no close contact drills', and just our top squads – ahead of a planned season start in late July (for a condensed season that would run later than normal in the year). But COVID-19 cases rose again, and back into lockdown we all went. Eventually it became clear that a 2020 hockey season wasn't going to be feasible, and HV officially cancelled it.

Introspectively, a big thanks to all those within the Club who worked to try and get a season going – whether that be coaches & managers organising trainings and ensuring compliance with COVIDSafe restrictions, or Committee members liaising with HV, MUS, and SNHC to continually adapt & update plans for returning to hockey (all in vain). As well as everyone's patience, understanding, and cooperation throughout the year in difficult & ever-changing circumstances.

More broadly, and more importantly though, on behalf of the Club I would like to thank all those Shoppers who have contributed to the community response to this pandemic. From frontline medical workers, teachers, and other essential workers, to researchers, academics, and experts advising the community and government (even on the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee for example!). We're fortunate and proud to have so many incredibly talented and dedicated people at our club.

I hope that all of our members & friends, and your friends & family, are in good health and getting through these challenging times okay. We look forward, fingers-crossed, to seeing you back with us at a hockey field or a social function in 2021, once again enjoying our sport, our club, and being with our friends & clubmates.

James Stewart
President

Treasurer's Report

2020 was obviously a very unusual and difficult year for the club, as we usually count on winter fees for the bulk of our annual income. Conversely, though the season was cancelled, we still incurred substantial expenses in twice preparing for planned season starts. However, thanks to grants from the federal government as well as support from MU Sport (albeit less than in a normal year), we were able to emerge from it without a drastic drop in our overall balance sheet.

Government support

In early 2020 the federal government made funding (a minimum of \$20,000) available to small businesses which had lost 30% or more income as a result of COVID, under the *Boosting Cash Flow for Employers* program. We were able to qualify for this and so by September had received \$15,000 worth of rebates, with another \$5,000 to be paid in October. This money was predominantly used to help meet ongoing commitments related to coaching, as well as to cover ongoing administrative costs.

We did not claim JobKeeper, as we had no eligible employees who did not have another employer claiming JobKeeper for them.

Tax debt

As mentioned at the last AGM, we still had roughly \$6,000 owing to the government for unpaid PAYG and GST payments. These continued to be paid down according to an agreed schedule, and as of March 2020 the debt was completely cleared.

Winter Membership fee payments and associated liability

Before the winter season was cancelled we had around forty members pay their season fees. At the time we offered to refund these for anyone who needed the money back, but otherwise asked that they leave it as a pre-payment for 2021, as we were unsure at the time whether we would have the capital to continue through 2020 without it.

We are grateful that most members agreed to let us hold onto the payments, however it is important to note that this means we can expect slightly lower income from registration this year and may also have to make some repayments if anyone who has already paid is no longer able to play.

The current balance of this liability is \$15,870, which is projected to be about 17% of our expected winter fees.

Registration for GST

2019/20 was the second year in which the club was registered for GST, which proved to be very useful. The majority of our income was from grants, which are GST exempt, while about half our spending contained GST. As a result we were able to claim back just under \$1,000 from the government as part of our quarterly Business Activity Statements. In future the GST collected and paid is more likely to balance fairly evenly, as in 2018/2019.

Profit/Loss

Overall we had an on-paper loss of around \$18,000 during the 2019/2020 season. However, this includes over \$7,000 spent on uniforms which were then not sold as a result of COVID, meaning

these are an asset that should be able to be monetised in 2021. This, combined with the fact that at the time of the report we were still expecting another government boost of \$5,000 (which we have since received) means that our overall financial position was actually only about \$5,000 worse than at the same time last year.

Given that we lost about \$90,000 of income due to the cancelled season this is an incredibly positive position to find ourselves in.

Peter Bolling
Treasurer

Statement of Financial Performance

Melbourne University Hockey Club Inc.

For financial year: 1 October 2019 – 30 September 2020

INCOME			
	2020	2019	Variance
Winter Competition	\$20,710.00	\$94,442.73	-78%
Membership Fees	\$15,870.00		
Membership Fees (2019)	\$1,700.00		
Top Squad Levy (2019)	\$3,140.00		
Other Competitions	\$14,600.00	\$12,880.00	13%
Summer Fees (2019/20)	\$13,810.00		
Indoor (2019/20)	\$790.00		
Grants – MU Sport	\$34,095.00	\$19,553.00	74%
High Performance	\$16,106.00		
High Performance (2019)	\$16,445.00		
InterVarsity Coaching (2019)	\$1,544.00		
Grants – Other	\$15,000.00	\$2,500.00	500%
'Boosting Cash Flow for Employers' (Federal government)	\$15,000.00		
Events & Sponsorship	\$100.00	\$14,725.45	-99%
Presentation Night (2019)	\$100.00		
Merchandise Sales	\$1,010.00	\$13,225.00	-92%
Uniforms	\$1,010.00		
Investments	\$10,207.55	\$9,944.18	3%
Foundation Interest	\$10,207.55		
Donations & Fundraising	\$2,593.91	\$27,874.00	-91%
Charitable Donations	\$2,593.91		
eCommerce Transaction Fees	(\$620.23)	(\$2,787.08)	-78%
Total Income	\$97,696.23	\$192,357.28	-49%

EXPENSES			
	2020	2019	Variance
Administration & Finance	\$204.42	\$14,384.91	-99%
Website and eCommerce	\$872.97		
Accountant fees	\$165.00		
Bank charges	\$24.25		
Consumer Affairs	\$59.20		
GST (net) [1]	(\$917.00)		
Competitions & High Performance	\$93,631.67	\$155,321.25	-40%
Coaching	\$57,792.40		
Coaching (2019)	\$5,190.00		
High Performance Program – other	\$5,498.60		
SNHC Hire – Training	\$10,022.18		
HV – Winter Ground Hire (2019)	\$4,454.94		
HV – Affiliation & Winter Team Entries	\$260.00		
HV – Fines (2019 & Summer)	\$150.00		
HV – Summer Team Entries (2019/20)	\$4,200.00		
HV – Indoor Team Entries	\$790.00		
MU Sport – Summer Ground Hire	\$2,783.55		
Summer Hockey Umpiring (2019/20)	\$2,490.00		
Events	\$12,134.50	\$24,148.00	-50%
HV Functions & Events (2019)	\$940.00		
Stand Out Cup	\$250.00		
Trophies (2019) [2]	\$1,868.00		
Presentation Night (2019) [2]	\$9,076.50		
Merchandise & Equipment	\$8,208.70	\$10,435.44	-21%
Uniforms	\$7,372.20		
Equipment	\$836.50		
Non-club Competitions	\$1,544.00	\$3,327.00	-54%
InterCollegiate Hockey	\$0		
InterVarsity Coaching (2019)	\$1,544.00		
Total Expenses	\$115,723.29	\$207,616.60	-44%

[1] Total difference between the amount of GST we collected on sales and membership fees and the amount of GST we spent in purchasing and ground hire.

[2] Due to the timing of Presentation Night, part of the cost of each Presentation Night falls into this financial year, and part into the previous/following year respectively.

NET PROFIT/(LOSS)	(\$18,027.06)	(\$15,259.32)
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Statement of Financial Position

Melbourne University Hockey Club Inc.

For financial year: 1 October 2019 – 30 September 2020

ASSETS		
	2020	2019
Banking	\$28,469.66	\$42,702.66
Bank Account	\$15,247.60	\$32,285.19
Foundation Income Cash	\$10,128.15	\$9,917.47
Donations Account	\$3,093.91	\$500.00
Current Assets	\$276,284.54	\$263,535.53
Foundation Capital [1]	\$248,629.54	\$227,802.23
Uniforms	\$22,655.00	\$14,480.00
Equipment	?	?
'Boosting Cash Flow for Employers' [2]	\$5,000.00	-
Winter Fees owed [3]	\$0	\$4,592.30
MU Sport Grants owed [3]	\$0	\$16,661.00
Total Assets	\$304,754.20	\$306,238.19
LIABILITIES		
	2020	2019
Current Liabilities	\$20,499.74	\$16,259.54
PAYG withholdings payable	\$2,285.00	\$7,130.00
Superannuation payable	\$715.74	\$238.58
HV invoices [4]	\$0	\$3,700.96
Coaching [4]	\$0	\$5,190.00
Advance 2021 membership fees [5]	\$15,870.00	-
GST and PAYG payable	\$1,629.00	-
Total Liabilities	\$20,499.74	\$16,259.54
NET ASSETS	\$284,254.46	\$289,978.65

[1] Capital is re-valued at 1 January each year.

[2] Additional payment based on eligible period within this financial year, but for which lodgement & payment will fall into MUHC's 2020-21 financial year.

[3] Revenue normally received within this financial year, but this year came in after 30-Sep.

[4] Expenses relating to this financial year, but for which either the invoices weren't received until after 30-Sep, or payment which would normally have occurred within the financial year was made after 30-Sep.

[5] Fees paid for 2020 (that were not otherwise refunded) to be credited for the equivalent 2021 membership (in some cases, a refund may still end up being requested instead).

Membership Summary

Member Category	Male	Female	TOTAL	
UoM Student: Undergraduate	5	12	17	15%
UoM Student: Postgraduate	8	6	14	12%
UoM Alumni	23	11	34	29%
UoM Staff	5	0	5	4%
Student at another university	2	5	7	6%
Alumni of another university	17	4	21	18%
Other	11	8	19	16%
TOTAL	71 61%	46 39%	117	

* Due to the initial postponement and then subsequent cancellation of the 2020 season, plus their timing (well before any matches were played), much fewer people completed a membership registration in 2020 than would otherwise have been expected.

Historical Membership Comparison

Member Category	2020*	2019	2018	2017	2016	2015
UoM Student: Undergraduate	17	65	69	55	59	58
UoM Student: Postgraduate	14	31	38	40	46	42
UoM Alumni	34	97	95	99	99	102
UoM Staff	5	11	12	11	15	13
Student at another university	7	30	25	20	21	15
Alumni of another university	21	60	58	52	51	59
Other	19	57	55	55	46	43
TOTAL	117	351	352	332	337	332
Male	71	200	192	189	185	185
Female	46	151	160	143	152	147

Social Participants

Member Category	2020*	2019	2018	2017
InterCollegiate hockey	n/a	192	209	237
Summer hockey	24	24	?	?
TOTAL	24	216	209	237
Male	12	98	?	112
Female	12	118	?	125

Team Results, Coaches, Best & Fairests

Director of Hockey: Phil Burrows

Strength & Conditioning Coach: Bailey Lewis

Men’s Head Coach: Phil Burrows

Women’s Head Coach: Kate Saunders

Captains

Men’s 1s	Tom Sinclair
Women’s 1s	Faith Freeman
Men’s InterVarsity	n/a
Women’s InterVarsity	n/a

No further records applicable due to season cancellation.

Club-wide Awards

None awarded.

Blues

None, as InterVarsity competition was cancelled.

External awards, representative honours & appointments

None (most competitions were cancelled).

Supporters and Sponsors

MUHC would like to thank the following organisations for their generous support this year.

