

# Annual Report 2021



### 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**

Alana Butler	(Women's)
Tom Carman	(Men's)
Gabrielle Cumbers	(Social & Events)
Erica de la Harpe	(Officiating)
Rosie Francis	(Communications)
Ryan Gates	
Olivia Grey	(Inclusion & Pride)
Fabienne Parker	(Communications, Uniforms)

## President's Report

After everything that was (and wasn't) 2020, 2021 got off to a good start. Summer hockey returned in January for a mini-comp, and the season-proper kicked off as scheduled in April. Numbers were down about 14% and with two fewer teams (one women's, one men's masters) as compared to 2019 – not too bad considering the impact of border restrictions on international students (and to a lesser extent, students and others from interstate).

Most importantly though, everyone was just excited to be back playing hockey and seeing their teammates. Player availability fluctuations did make selections challenging at times, and team performances in many cases reflected this, but pleasingly the overall vibe remained positive – notably more relaxed in general than in 'normal' seasons (again, just pleased to be able to play).

And then of course lockdowns returned: first after 9 rounds, then again for a few weeks later after just one more match, with the season eventually being abandoned. Not what anyone was hoping for, but still a lot more than the year before, with time even for a couple of social functions to have been held.

Off the field our financial position stabilised after the disruption of 2020, though continued diligence and efforts will be required here over the next few years to embed this recovery. We also reintroduced our traditional white clash socks (having switched to orange in the 2000s due to FIH introducing a rule – since rescinded – prohibiting white socks or shoes). Following on from the return to our classic playing top design in the past few years, this makes the uniform aficionado in me very happy.

Looking forward, key focuses for the club and Committee over the next couple of years will include:

- Ensuring compliance with HV's revised League Entry Criteria (and being mindful of Premier League being restructured from 16 teams down to 12 after the 2023 season)
- Developing a new Strategic Plan
- Reviewing our fee structure, looking at more flexible options and compatibility with players
  participating in competitions other than the traditional winter season (e.g. indoor hockey,
  short comps, etc)
- Ensuring financial sustainability whilst keeping fees affordable
- Exploring and growing offerings other than the traditional winter season
- Continuing to work with and lobby MU Sport regarding the provision of fit-for-purpose and safe-to-use facilities
- Succession planning (especially with this having been my eighth year as President)

Thank you as always to my fellow Committee members, and in particular to Jackson, Peter, and Keeley on the Executive, for all their work to keep the club going and improving in such challenging times. Thank you also to all the coaches and other volunteers. I look forward to hopefully being able to thank and celebrate properly with all of you in person at a long-overdue Presentation Night in 2022.

James Stewart President

## Treasurer's Report

We started 2021 with a very low bank balance and considerable liabilities (in the form of fees paid for the 2020 season which did not eventuate) but thanks to successful grant applications and careful management of funds this balance has grown substantially. The fact that the 2021 season was cancelled halfway through has left us with both credit from Hockey Victoria and liabilities to our players which almost balance each other out.

#### **Government support**

In early 2020 the federal government made funding 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 had already received the bulk of this funding in the previous financial year, but did receive an additional \$5,000 in October 2020.

In addition, we successfully applied for another \$2,643 of funding as part of the Sporting Clubs Grant Program which was used for the purchase of supplies for training including bibs, balls, and sanitiser to have on hand per new requirements.

Although we did not receive it in the 2020-21 financial year, we were also approved for a \$10,000 grant under the Business Support Fund. This income is reflected in the Assets portion of the Statement of Financial Position.

#### Partial refund of Winter Membership fees

As the 2021 season was cancelled approximately halfway through, Hockey Victoria provided us with a 30% credit towards the 2022 season (\$10,744.50) which also appears as an asset on the statement. Since players had received less of a season we elected to pass as much of this as possible onto them. Based on the fees collected for 2021 we offered either a refund of 20% of fees paid, or a 20% discount on 2022 fees. To date very few people have requested the refund, so this still sits as a liability of \$14,432.38. This is slightly higher than credit we are receiving but due to our improved financial position the club can easily cover the difference.

#### **Fundraising**

The constant lockdowns of 2021 made fundraising difficult. However, the social team were still able to run an in-person trivia night and an online raffle which brought in \$455 and \$1520 respectively. As with all fundraising done by the social team this will be used to offset the costs of future social events.

#### **Profit/Loss**

Overall, we had an on-paper profit of around \$22,000 during the 2020/2021 year, which will be further bolstered by the incoming Business Support Grant. This profit and the fact we were able to monetise a large portion of the uniforms on hand has resulted in a much healthier bank balance than last year.

Peter Bolling Treasurer

## **Statement of Financial Performance**

Melbourne University Hockey Club Inc.

For financial year: 1 October 2020 – 30 September 2021

INCOME		
	2021	2020
Winter Competition	\$71,115.00	\$20,710.00
Membership Fees	\$71,115.00	
Top Squad Levy	-	
Other Competitions	\$6,425.00	\$14,600.00
Summer Fees (2020/21)	\$6,245.00	
Indoor (2020/21)	-	
Grants – MU Sport	\$35,897.80	\$34,095.00
High Performance	\$34,017.80	
InterCollegiate Hockey	\$1,880.00	
InterVarsity Coaching (2020)	-	
Grants – Other	\$2,643.00	\$15,000.00
Sporting Clubs Grant Program (VIC)	\$2,643.00	
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Events & Sponsorship	\$685.00	\$100.00
Presentation Night (2020)	- ¢475.00	
Club Social Events	\$475.00	
HV Events	\$210.00	
Merchandise Sales	\$14,185.00	\$1,010.00
Uniforms	\$14,185.00	
Investments	\$7,800.11	\$10,207.55
Foundation Interest	\$7,800.11	
Donations & Fundraising	\$29,990.00	\$2,593.91
Charitable Donations	\$28,470.00	
Raffle	\$1,520.00	
eCommerce Transaction Fees	(\$1,810.52)	(\$620.23)
Total Income	\$166,930.39	\$97,696.23

EXPENSES		
	2021	2020
Administration & Finance	\$2,781.95	\$204.42
Website and eCommerce	\$873.00	
Accountant fees	-	
Bank charges	\$20.75	
Consumer Affairs	\$59.20	
GST (net) [1]	\$1,829.00	
Competitions & High Performance	\$125,282.16	\$93,631.67
Coaching	\$71,192.12	
Scholarships	\$2,000.00	
High Performance Program – other	\$310.24	
Tech Bench	\$300.00	
SNHC Hire – Training	\$9,071.55	
HV – Winter Ground Hire	\$4,496.25	
HV – Affiliation & Winter Team Entries	\$34,362.50	
HV – 2020 Winter Team Entries	\$1,650.00	
HV – Fines	\$100.00	
HV – Summer Team Entries (2020/21)	\$1,049.50	
HV – Indoor Team Entries	-	
MU Sport – Summer Ground Hire	-	
Summer Hockey Umpiring (2020/21)	\$750.00	
Events	\$3,174.30	\$12,134.50
HV Functions & Events	\$520.00	
Pride	\$654.30	
Presentation Night [2]	\$2000.00	
Trophies	-	
Merchandise & Equipment	\$12,720.70	\$8,208.70
Uniforms	\$10,073.80	
Equipment	\$2,646.90	
Non-club Competitions	\$1,020.00	\$1,544.00
InterCollegiate Hockey	\$1,020.00	, ,,,,,,,,,,,
InterVarsity Coaching (2020)	-	
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Total Expenses	\$144,979.11	\$115,723.29

[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.	

<sup>[2]</sup> Deposit for planned 2021 Pres Night, now applied for 2022 instead.

NET PROFIT/(LOSS)	\$21,951.28	(\$18,027.06)
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### **Statement of Financial Position**

Melbourne University Hockey Club Inc.

For financial year: 1 October 2020 – 30 September 2021

ASSETS		
	2021	2020
Banking	\$52,967.70	\$28,469.66
Bank Account	\$47,543.60	\$15,247.60
Foundation Income Cash	\$5,244.10	\$10,128.15
Donations Account	\$0	\$3,093.91
Petty Cash	\$180.00	\$0
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Current Assets	\$291,794.81	\$276,284.54
Foundation Capital [1]	<b>\$291,794.81</b> \$251,405.31	<b>\$276,284.54</b> \$248,629.54
Foundation Capital [1]	\$251,405.31	\$248,629.54
Foundation Capital [1] Uniforms	\$251,405.31 \$19,645.00	\$248,629.54 \$22,655.00
Foundation Capital [1] Uniforms Equipment	\$251,405.31 \$19,645.00 ?	\$248,629.54 \$22,655.00 ?
Foundation Capital [1] Uniforms Equipment Government Grants [2]	\$251,405.31 \$19,645.00 ? \$10,000.00	\$248,629.54 \$22,655.00 ? \$5,000.00

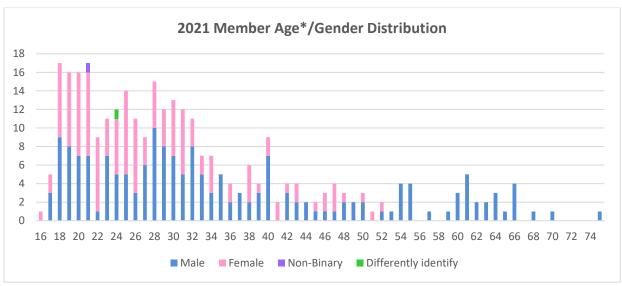
LIABILITIES		
	2021	2020
<b>Current Liabilities</b>		
PAYG withholdings payable	\$2,151.00	\$2,285.00
Superannuation payable	\$1,431.49	\$715.74
GST payable	(\$614.00)	\$1,692.00
Credit for next season's membership Fees [4]	\$14,432.38	\$15,870.00
HV invoices [5]	\$75.00	\$0
InterCollegiate Hockey [5]	\$300.00	\$0
Total Liabilities	\$17,775.87	\$20,562.74

NET ASSETS	\$326,986.64	\$284,191.46

- [1] Capital is re-valued at 1 January each year.
- [2] Confirmed during this financial year, but not received until after 30-Sep.
- [3] Credits to be applied by HV towards the cost of 2022 team entries.
- [4] Discounts (estimated) to be applied against 2022 memberships, and fees paid for 2020 (that were not otherwise refunded) to be credited for the equivalent 2021 membership. In some cases, a refund may be provided instead.
- [5] 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.

## **Membership Summary**

Member Category	Male	Female	Non- Binary	Differently Identify	TOTAL	
UoM Student: Undergraduate	22	28			50	17%
UoM Student: Graduate	13	20			33	11%
UoM Alumni	51	35			86	28%
UoM Staff	7	3			10	3%
Student at another university	10	8	1	1	20	7%
Alumni of another university	40	17			57	19%
Other	33	14			47	16%
TOTAL	176	125	1	1	303	
	58%	41%	0.3%	0.3%		



<sup>\*</sup> As at 1-Jan-2021

## **Historical Membership Comparison**

Member Category	2021	2020*	2019	2018	2017	2016
UoM Student: Undergraduate	50	17	65	69	55	59
UoM Student: Graduate	33	14	31	38	40	46
UoM Alumni	86	34	97	95	99	99
UoM Staff	10	5	11	12	11	15
Student at another university	20	7	30	25	20	21
Alumni of another university	57	21	60	58	52	51
Other	47	19	57	55	55	46
TOTAL	303	117	351	352	332	337
Male	176	71	200	192	189	185
Female	125	46	151	160	143	152
Non-Binary	1					
Differently Identify	1					

<sup>\*</sup> 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.

## **Social Participants**

Member Category	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
InterCollegiate hockey	?	n/a	192	209	237
Summer hockey	27	24	24	?	?
TOTAL	27	24	216	209	237
Male	14	12	98	?	112
Female	13	12	118	?	125
Non-Binary	0				
Differently Identify	0				

## **Team Results, Coaches, Best & Fairests**

**High Performance Director:** Phil Burrows

**Strength & Conditioning Coach:** Bailey Lewis

Note: The season was abandoned after only 10 matches were played, and thus all team results listed are the interim standings as they were at that time, not official/final results.

Grade		Result	Coach/Manager	Best & Fairest	
Me	en's				
1.	Men's Premier League	(7 <sup>th</sup> )	Phil Burrows (coach) Trudie Webber (manager)	Tom Cole	
2.	Men's Premier League Reserves	(8 <sup>th</sup> )	Chris Knight	Mike McIvor	
3.	Men's Pennant B	(4 <sup>th</sup> )	Ryan Gates	Ryan Gates	
4.	Men's Pennant C	(10 <sup>th</sup> )	Nick Lacey	Sami Zehir	
5.	Men's Pennant D	(4 <sup>th</sup> )	Andrew Paice	Peter Egan	
6.	Men's Pennant F	(3 <sup>rd</sup> )	Jackson Matthews	Rob Di Rico	
7.	Men's Metro B South East	(7 <sup>th</sup> )	Morgan Taylor	Oscar Fenwick	
8.	Men's Metro C	(2 <sup>nd</sup> )	Peter Bolling	Xander Reichard	
W	omen's				
1.	Women's Premier League	(6 <sup>th</sup> )	Kate Saunders (coach) Caitlin King (manager)	Anna Moore	
2.	Women's Premier League Reserves	(8 <sup>th</sup> )	Cooper Price	Prue Grant	
3.	Women's Pennant B	(5 <sup>th</sup> )	Alana Butler	Kudzai Mapokotera	
4.	Women's Pennant C	(2 <sup>nd</sup> )	Trina Dreher	Ciara McOwan	
5.	Women's Pennant D	(4 <sup>th</sup> )	Olivia Grey	Erica de la Harpe	
6.	Women's Pennant E	(6 <sup>th</sup> )	Matthew Fletcher Alana Butler  Sophie Sjostrom		
7.	Women's Metro A	(8 <sup>th</sup> )	Ciara McOwan	Prue Lillie	
Ma	asters				
	Men's Masters 45+ A	(7 <sup>th</sup> )	Stephan Isselhard	-	
	Men's Masters 50+ A	(5 <sup>th</sup> )	Andrew Tulloch	-	
	Men's Masters 50+ B	(11 <sup>th</sup> )	Andrew Tulloch	-	
	Women's Masters 35+ A	(6 <sup>th</sup> )	Paula Butcher	-	
Int	erVarsity (AUG)				
	Men's	n/2/+21/52			
	Women's	n/a (tournament cancelled)			

## **Captains**

Men's 1s	Tom Sinclair
Women's 1s	Faith Freeman & Anna Moore
Men's InterVarsity	n/a
Women's InterVarsity	n/a

## **Club-wide Awards**

President's Trophy	Peter Bolling Alana Butler
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Team of the Year	n/a
Most Improved Player (Men's)	n/a
Most Improved Player (Women's)	n/a

## **Blues**

None awarded as InterVarsity was cancelled due to COVID.

## External awards, representative honours & appointments

#### **Phil Burrows**

- Head Coach, HC Melbourne Women; Hockey One
- Assistant Coach, Victoria Development Women; U18 National Championships

#### Joel Hamilton

• HC Melbourne; Hockey One (postponed)

#### Alannah Hibbard

- HC Melbourne development squad; Hockey One (postponed)
- Victoria; U21 National Championships (cancelled)

#### Charlotte Hodgson

- HC Melbourne development squad; Hockey One (postponed)
- Victoria; U21 National Championships (cancelled)
- Victoria; U18 National Championships

#### Sally Howie

- HC Melbourne development squad; Hockey One (postponed)
- Victoria; U21 National Championships (cancelled)
- Northern Territory; U18 National Championships

#### Anna Moore

• HC Melbourne; Hockey One (postponed)

#### **Jordy Polding**

• HC Melbourne training reserve; Hockey One (postponed)

#### James Stewart

• Assistant Tournament Director; U18 National Championships



## **Supporters and Sponsors**

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