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Club Highlights

2019 has so far been very successful for the club both on field and off field. It has been great to see players appearing across the different grades to support the club as needed and together getting the job done. Our WPL are playing well and mid table, and have been invited to apply for PL by Hockey Victoria in 2020. Our WPLR, WPC & WMA are all in the finals mix.

In MVL1 we are on track to finish top 2 in MVL1, and similarly in MVL1R which was a key objective this season. This should provide us with access to PL in 2020 subject to our club strategy review as below.

MPB & MM are very much in the finals mix also. We look forward to big finals campaign's all round. In Juniors we have 5 of 9 teams likely to feature in finals, and in Masters 2 of our 6 teams.

Off field, the Pink Lady Luncheon held for Women's Day raised \$350 for Breast Cancer Network Australia (BNCA). The two Coterie Days have been successful and enjoyable with good food and company. Earlier an unexpected highlight was Player Auction night where interest continues with 3 rounds to go: who will gather the final points / \$. Not to forget the Disco Shuffle night, even though GOY didn't get up!

Off field we have also met all the HV League Entry Criteria for 2020. Every year this criteria ramps up a little more. Thanks to a lot of hard work from Coaches, Umpires, the Board and various other members!

YVHC Events Calendar

Get ready and get involved with YVHC's most renowned events for the remainder of the season:

- Saturday August 17th: Trivia & Auction night
- Sunday August 18th, Argentinian BBQ
- Saturday August 24th: Season Finale and Live Music Performance from musician Fergus Poynter.
- September/October (Date TBC): End of season Sunday Picnic
- October 18th: Senior Presentation Night

To keep updated on all events and pictures follow us on:

Facebook: www.facebook.com/YarraValleyHockeyClub/

Instagram: @yarravalleyhockeyclub

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Trivia Night & Silent Auction

LARGE FUNDRAISER

TRIVIA NIGHT

AUGUST 17th
7.30pm

\$10per person
8 persons per table
Extra points for non-members

& SILENT AUCTION

Always a fun night. BYO dinner. We are still seeking donations of auction items, these can be anything ranging from a service (lawn mowing) thru to a night away at a holiday house. If you can donate something please contact [Annalise](#). Junior parents do form an age group or team table and join with Seniors to make this a great evening.

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Yabby Live Lounge – post last round get together



Facebook Event Link : <https://www.facebook.com/events/421348485149088/> and posters below

This event will include all age groups and grades! \$20 Adult and \$10 Kids Ticket includes the live music / raffle ticket / nibbles and some sponsored wine/whiskey tastings also.

Senior Presentation Night 2019

YVHC's Senior Presentation Night is fast approaching:

WHEN: 7pm Friday 18 October 2019

WHERE: The Regal Ballroom – 161 High Street Northcote

Dress: Cocktail attire

Cost: Adults \$88 and Under 18s \$55 when purchasing prior to Sep 3

Payments to be paid before 8 October to:

Yarra Valley Hockey Club

BSB: 633 000

Account #: 131140063

Description: initial of first name, full last name and Senior's team

For more details and to keep updated, click 'attending' on the Facebook event:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/583054895554698/>

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Registration fees are well overdue!

THERE ARE STILL SEVERAL PLAYERS WHO HAVE NOT PAID THEIR FEES, NOR AGREED ANY PAYMENT PLAN WITH THE TREASURER. PLEASE CONTACT [GREG](#) ASAP TO SORT. ANY UNFINANCIAL PLAYERS WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO PLAY FINALS.

Club Vision and Strategy Planning

Our 5 year strategy plan from 2014 needs renewal. We are planning a club forum to gather all members' thoughts, ideas and ambitions for the club immediately after the finals conclusion. Proposed date: Thursday 26 September at 6:30pm. Gather at the clubrooms with your idea's and visions to discuss this important topic.

Gin Fundraiser

SUPPORT YOUR CLUB WITH A G&T IN HAND!



HANDCRAFTED PREMIUM GIN
\$90 PER BOTTLE | ORDER ONLINE

HANDCRAFTED PREMIUM GIN - Distilled locally using the best Australian botanicals for the perfect balance of citrus and spice. This is a modern dry gin - enjoy it with tonic, straight, or however you like it.

COLLECT on or after 24th AUGUST - There's no shipping costs, all bottles will be available for collection from the clubrooms from 24 August. All purchasers will be contacted.

Order your YVHC Yabby gin at the link here grassrootsdistilling.co/products/yabby-gin

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The Dam Scoreboard



Many thanks to Bendigo Bank who have fully funded the scoreboard thanks to a second grant recently obtained. We are still working through power supply issues with BCC and intend to install over the summer. It is available for use in all games, training and instruction is available to team managers / players to set up.

Second pitch

The Banyule Council \$30K feasibility study for our second pitch has concluded and green light has been given. This means that it can fit into the space available, that the foundation is sound and suitable for a hockey pitch, and services can be supplied. A LED lighting plan has been devised and meets overshadowing standard re local amenity. Costings were not part of this analysis. It is anticipated that the pitch construction will cost ~ \$1.4M and pavilion change room upgrade another ~\$0.25M totalling ~ M1.65M. BCC have committed \$1.0M to this project so there remains a gap of ~\$0.65M, We will need to look for State / Federal Government grants and support to bridge this gap. We welcome any grant idea's and assistance. The concept plan is shown below. There is a larger copy available in the club rooms for comment.

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LEGEND	
	EXISTING PATH NETWORK
	NEW CONCRETE PAVEMENT
	TURFED AREA
	EXISTING DUGOUTS
	NEW DUGOUTS
	NEW SPECTATOR SHELTER WITH TIERED SEATING - 3 x 6m
	REGULATION SIZED HOCKEY PITCH - Peavy Surface
	PLAYING SURFACE RUNOFF
	NEW TREES
	UPGRADED CARPARK

CONCEPT ITEMS

1. NEW REGULATION SIZED HOCKEY PITCH, 55 x 91.4m. OVERSIZED RUNOFFS SHOWING 2.5M AT SIDES AND 1.5M AT ENDS OF THE PITCH. HOCKEY AUSTRALIA APPROVED SYNTHETIC GRASS SURFACE.
2. 1.5M WIDE CONCRETE PEDESTRIAN PATHWAY TO CONNECT PAVILION WITH NEW PITCH
3. SPECTATOR AREA TO NEW PITCH INCLUDING: SHADE TREES, SEATING, 3 x 6m SHELTER WITH TIERED SEATING, 4m WIDE PEDESTRIAN ACCESSWAY, AND DIRECT ACCESS TO CARPARK
4. OPPORTUNITY FOR BUFFER PLANTINGS / REVEGETATION BY LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS
5. OPPORTUNITY FOR CARPARK RE-DESIGN IN FUTURE WORKS

Junior Equipment Officer

The club is urgently in need of a junior equipment officer to manage the junior equipment return and then provision for 2020 season. Please contact the [secretary](#) or [junior rep](#) for further information on our needs and / or offers for assistance.

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Worthwhile Umpire / Officials reminder

I AM YOUR UMPIRE TODAY...



- ✓ On most occasions, I will be a school child/student, not an adult.
- ✓ Some decisions might even be against you - it's not a conspiracy.
- ✓ Don't judge me like an experienced World Panel umpire.
- ✓ There will be decisions I get wrong.
- ✓ I am learning.
- ✓ I love this game and I want your son or daughter to love this game.



Officials volunteer their time and effort.
Remember to thank them and show your respect.
We all have a part to play!

NO RESPECT • NO OFFICIALS • NO GAME



RESPECT FOR OFFICIALS

See you @ The Dam: Go Yabbies'
Craig Lovel
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