



# President's Pitch



## Club AGM, General Committee - administration for 2020

At the agm the YVHC general committee welcomed Graham Midgely as Men's Director, whilst other positions remained as per 2019 with Annalise Fosbery, Secretary; Greg Watson, Treasurer; Janice Cuthbert, Women's Director; Tracey Cox, Adrian Brown and Craig Lovel (VP).

This year the Men have formed a specific committee as well as the ongoing Women's and Junior committees. Specific roles are being taken on by the various individuals. Please give them your full support. The Women's committee for 2020 is Paula Butcher, Janice Cuthbert, Nicola Brown, Rachel Gray, Eva Natsis, Jo Beveridge & Louise Davies.

The Men's committee for 2020 is Graham Midgely (Chair), Dave Findlay (uniform), Owen Pitt, Kin Smith (Junior to Senior Development), Alex Mason (Equipment), James Thompson (player engagement), Stewart Manderson (link to social), Toby Johnstone (PB & Devel Coach), Cam Willis, Toby Anderson, Gav James (Admin), Daniel Karakaltsas (lower grade coordinator) & Darcey Brown (Umpire development).

In juniors Trudie Webber will be joined by Adrian Loh as joint junior secretaries.

Lots of enthusiasm around the club with various members putting their hands up to take on roles, and many new ideas such as social functions and ticketing. It really bodes well for our important 2020 season. Both Women's and Men's subcommittee's endorsed the reappointment by the GC of our 2019 coaches Adi Glancy (WPL); Alex Tan (WPLR); Alex Mason (MPL); Matt Slade (MPLR); and Toby Johnson (MPB & Devel). We are very fortunate that our coaches enthusiastically sought re-appointment and we look forward to working with them all toward a successful 2020. The club is now seeking expressions of interest for coaches in all our other grades and across the Junior section also.

## Club Member Protection Information officer (MPIO)

We are fortunate to be able to appoint Tim Herringshaw as our club member protection officer, an important role for members to reach out to if they feel insecure or unfairly treated. Please contact Tim and he will provide information and help guide you through the club process. Some may have met Tim as a big supporter of our WPL team in 2019. A brief bio as below:

Moved to Melbourne from the UK in 2004. Played hockey in the UK and then for MCC Hockey Section in Men's and Masters, but now retired from playing. Secretary for MCC for 10 years and also managed WPA, captained and managed a Men's Metro side which had a junior development focus. HV's Administrator of the Year in 2015. MPIO trained, online and face to face through the Victorian Equal Opportunity and Human Rights Commission (2014) and registered on the national database of MPIO through AusSport. ,

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and updated online MPIO training through [www.playbytherules.net.au](http://www.playbytherules.net.au) in 2019. MPIO role for MCCHS until mid 2018.

Tim can be contacted by email: [mpio@yarravalleyhockey.com.au](mailto:mpio@yarravalleyhockey.com.au), phone 0400 562032, or you might catch him at a WPL game supporting (particularly) Adi, Morti and YVHC.

## KB Day 2020

Our annual hockey friendly and fundraiser for cancer in recognition of Kevin Bannan's contributions to both Yarra Valley Hockey Club and LaTrobe Hockey Club is planned this year for Saturday 21 March. Likely format is:

11am U12 mixed

12noon Master's

1pm Men's

2.15pm Women's

More details will be on website closer to the event.

## Club Registration and Open Day – Sunday 23 February

The club registration / open day will be held on Sunday Feb 23 at the club rooms, 10 am -1 pm. Hockey Victoria are moving to a new registration platform in 2020. revolutioniseSport (revSport). Should be a big improvement on SportsTG. Registration will shortly be available on our website and will again require both club and Hockey AU registration and fees. Our YVHC fees have increased at just cpi for 2020. All members are urged to take advantage of the early bird discount for YVHC fee. Paying direct to the YVHC bank account ( BSB: 633000 Act # 131140063 ) will avoid the revSportcredit charge surcharge.

PLEASE AWAIT REGISTRATION LINK ON OUR WEBSITE. Hv HAVE JUST EMAILED ALL EXISTING MEMBERS REGARDING revSport coming online. We will establish link to our own website next week so please register via the Yarra web site starting next week.

## Bushfire fundraising event

We are conducting a fire relief fundraiser on the evening of Friday 24 February prior to long weekend. Details as per [website](#) . Get along and help support this important cause.

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