



WELLINGTON INDIAN SPORTS CLUB INC

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MERRY CHRISTMAS



...From the WISC Exec



Presidents Report

80th Birthday Afternoon Tea

Thanks to everyone who came along – we enjoyed a relaxed afternoon with lovely food, a few short speeches, a lovely cake and good company.

Having celebrated our 75th and focused a lot of attention on our Founders, I took this opportunity to acknowledge those who have come after them, the things the Club has achieved in the last few years, how we have evolved and where to next. 80 years is a pretty amazing length of time in the life of any Club, and the current involvement of players and members is just as significant now as when the Club first began. As a community rather than individuals or groups of individuals we can ensure our Club continues to serve the sporting needs of those who want to be a part of it.

No doubt our next key Birthday celebration will be for our 90th. For the next ten years ahead of us I wish the Club many successes both on and off the field.

Our enjoyable Afternoon Tea was organised by Pravin Laloo, Sandhya Dayal, Chandrika Patel, and Joyti Naran. Special thanks to them and everyone who bought some yummy treats to share.

We have also confirmed that the 80th Jubilee Ball will go ahead - \$120 per person for a great evening with an awesome band.

NZISA U23 Tournament – We are Hosts

On 27th and 28th February WISC will be hosting the NZISA U23 Tournament. Closer to the time we may require a small team to assist with the event but right now our concern is with sorting out a Coach and Manager for our Mens and Womens Teams. NZISA are looking to introduce a 5 aside competition for the Womens in the hope of getting some teams interested – many centres do not have enough players for an 11-aside team. Please contact Jigna Chikha (womenshockey@wisc.org.nz) if you are interested in coaching, managing or playing – both Mens and Womens.

Gym Maintenance

We are coming to up to a time when we can no longer put off the maintenance we need to do in our area – cleaning and resurfacing the entrance way, repairing/renovation the showers and toilets, replacing the flooring coverings upstairs as well as work inside the gym.

The question of what development if any we want to do is still up in the air. We will need to make some firm decisions in the next year in order to make sure we maintain a safe, functioning and presentable

facility. This is a decision that members need to make not the Executive so we are hoping to have some decision process discussion points for AGM in March.

And the Club Still Needs..

A Social Convenor, Administration Vice-President, Men's Hockey Rep – with the 2016 season fast approaching, our ability to organise Mens Hockey will be compromised without a Rep. No team will be entered if we do not have one - Mens Hockey you need to provide a Rep now.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year Everyone!

Hansa Parbhu

President

Cricket Report

Hello everyone,

The 2015/2016 cricket season is well underway. This year we have entered five teams: two competitive teams and three social.

The A team has played five games and have won five from five. Congratulations to Jai Kishan Patel on scoring 123 runs against North City.

The B team have also made a great start to the season they have played five games and have won four. Congratulations to Prateik Patel on scoring 92 runs against Onslow. The other three social teams have also made a good start to the season.

The A team will be heading away to the annual New Year's cricket tournament in Auckland from the 2nd–3rd of January. They will be defending their trophy. We wish the boys all the best . Bring back the cup.

Shailesh Patel

Cricket Rep

Sports VP

Cricket

With the season underway our cricket teams are enjoying their season and we wish all teams a successful and enjoyable 2015/2016 cricket season.

WISC Hockey Trials

The men's, women's & junior trials have been booked. More details to follow early next year but tentative dates are as follows:

Sunday 14th February

Sunday 21st February

Sunday 6th March

Sunday 13th March

NZISA 2016 U23 tournament

WISC are hosting the annual NZISA U23 tournament in Wellington. The tournament is on the weekend of 27th February - 28th February 2016. Keep this weekend free.

Come along to support the teams from around New Zealand.

If you were involved last year, or would like to be involved, or are eligible and interested to play, coach or manage early next year can you please let me know.

More details to follow early next year.

Awards Night Recipients

The Awards night in October celebrated the clubs finest in hockey, cricket and recognised work as an administrator.

Sports Person Of The Year – Sophie Devine

Sophie came to the club last year and has added significant strength to our Womens A hockey team. Being a player/coach is not easy and her style of keeping trainings mixed with challenge, intensity with fun components meant the girls were always interacting with each other and so the team

had a sense of togetherness that supported them when times were tough. Sophie was selected into the Capital NHL team this year and is a key player in the team. The P1 Women's team retained their spot in the premier competition and Sophie has played a big part in this success. Sophie is a rare dual international – She has played for the Blacksticks NZ Women's Hockey team in the past and is currently in the NZ Women's Black Caps Cricket team that recently toured in India. She calls the Club – “the team's family” and is proud to be a part of it

Daji Lala Administration Award – Shirena Bhana

The Administration Award was first presented in 2009 following a donation by Daji Lala; one of our clubs original Foundation Members. It is awarded annually to a person or committee who has excelled in their administration role for the club during the previous year. In a way, it is like Sportsperson of the Year but for the people who do great things in the running of the club rather than great things on the sports field.

This year's Administration Award goes to Shirena Bhana for her role as Administration Vice President in the 2014 Executive Committee. 2014 was a challenging year for Shirena as she did not have her full complement of three Secretary's for most of the year to assist her in the administration side of the club, so the additional workload of organising meetings, preparing newsletters was taken up by Shirena.

One of the major tasks she carried out primarily on her own, was the collation, editing, and production of the WISC Annual Report, which took at least 50 hrs on top of her normal Executive responsibilities.

Other contributions Shirena made to WISC were her involvement in the Website Committee and the design of the new WISC website and running training sessions for the Executive so they could manage the updates to the website content. Shirena is also involved in coaching the WISC 2014 P1 junior girls hockey team.

The common theme from those that have worked with Shirena is that she always went the extra mile to help any member of the Exec and was always prompt and responsive to any member queries she received, or calls for assistance.

Hockey

Women's A Most Valuable Player - Evelyn Spiers

Evelyn began the season with selection to the Women's Barbarians U21 Team, and had a great tournament. She was one of Wellington's most underrated players in the club competition at the start of the year but her performance throughout the season will have changed that forever. Ev is most certainly an important cog in the WISC Women's P1 team's defence. Not one for causing much of a fuss she goes about her work as a defender in an excellent fashion and has a canny ability to pop up in the right place at the

right time. Ev is also deceptively quick and would use that speed to great effect in chasing down runaway strikers and shutting down space. She has played at a consistently high standard throughout the season and rarely had an off day which is why she has been chosen as this year's MVP.

Womens A Most Improved - Michaela Chan

Micky had a stand out season in goal for the Premier 1 Women's team and can take credit for keeping the team in games which we sometimes had no right to be. As the season wore on Micky's confidence grew with each game and her ability to shut down attackers would prove one of her many strengths. Despite not being the loudest player on the field she would often lead with her actions and command the circle. Another commendable attribute is her willingness to work hard and focus on areas which push her outside her comfort zone. Micky has an extremely bright future ahead of her, especially with being so young she will be a valuable asset to this side! And if she continues to improve the way she has this season she will be pushing for representative honours.

Womens P3 Most Valuable Player Joint winners

Jasmine Kaa

Jasmine was not going to play this season as she was preparing to get into the Navel Officers Training programme but she agreed to play to help us out as yet again the club could not provide a Keeper for the P3 team.

Fortunately for us Jasmine stayed till the last 3 games. Having Jasmine in goal again gave the team a lot of confidence. She was a rock as the last line of defence and kept our team in the game many times. Along with the defence we were able to reduce giving up early goals and having to come from behind. At the end of the season only one other team conceded one less goal than us which was a significant improvement from last season. This was a tribute to Jasmines strength, agility, and courage to pull off some incredible saves.

Meenakshi Chhagan

Meenakshi joined us from Karori and immediately made her presence felt not only on the field but at trainings. She was the second top goal scorer but also set up many of our goals. She gave us the added bonus of using the aerial ball in our game which no other team in the grade used. Meenakshi brought skill; passion, commitment, and aggression on attack and defence with her "take no prisoners" attitude. She was an outstanding role model for younger players, constantly encouraging them and remaining positive even in defeat.

Mens A Team Player Of The Year - John Forsyth

As goalie, John leads the defensive unit. He leads by example, rarely missing training and played consistently at a high level throughout the season. In particular he saved 4 penalty shoot outs in the semi-final to win us the semi-final and secure our place in the final. He has been selected into the Capital Men's NHL team (the only WISC men's player in the team) John has showed unwavering commitment to the team and its goals this year which was to make the final and defend our title. This approach motivated and inspired the whole team.

Men's A Team Kanti Vasin Fair Player Award - Aqshai Lala

Aqshai was an important part of the Capital under 21 men's team that won the national tournament (he was the only WISC player in the team). He was a consistent performer all year for the men's A team and. Aqshai showed maturity beyond his years during when his grandmother passed away prior to the semi-final. He somehow balanced his playing commitments with family commitments and continued to contribute on and off the field.

Men B Team Player Of The Year – Prashant Chhika

Men B Team Most Improved Player – Hiren Mani

Cricket

Mens A Team Player Of The Year – Umesh Patel

Coaching

If you are interested in coaching any of the the teams in 2016 please let me know.

Rep Roles

If you are interested in being on the WISC executive committee as a club administration for men's hockey, women's hockey, junior hockey or cricket in 2016 please let me know.

- Men's Hockey Rep
- Women's Hockey Rep
- Junior Hockey Rep
- Cricket Rep

Have a wonderful break with family and friends over Christmas and New Year.

Bhavana Parbhu
Sports VP

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