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Presidents Report

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Welcome to 2015.....

Where has the time gone? We've already begun the 2nd month of the year in the blink of an eye. I hope that Xmas and holiday break was good for you all and on behalf the WISC Executive I wish you all a wonderful 2015.

2015 – A Special Year for the Club.....

This year we get to celebrate our 80th Birthday – a phenomenal milestone. It feels like it was not so long ago that we were 75 and time has certainly flown by. We are still finalising celebration events and will let you know in the coming newsletters.

In the meantime it would be appreciated if members could provide any photos etc from the past five years to a member of the Executive.

Congratulations to Our Mens Cricket Team.....

Over the weekend of 3rd and 4th January we had a Mens Cricket Team attend the NZISA Cricket Tournament. There were 6 teams competing – Auckland A & B, Waikato, WISC, Bay of Plenty A & B. After a tense and close semi – final our Mens Team went on to win the final convincingly. I congratulate the team on their success.

WISC and WIA Bazaar on 7th March – Please come and help.....

On the 7th March we are holding our annual Bazaar. It is a time when the community comes together to bring our Indian food heritage and culture to the wider Wellington Community.

There is a lot of work that goes on behind the scenes but for most of you all that is required is a few hours of your time on the 7th. Specific teams may be allocated to jobs required during the week. Captains of our hockey and cricket teams will be contacted regarding allocated times and jobs and I ask that you all make sure you support this request with attendance on time and in the numbers required. Unfortunately I will not be there this year as I will be in Rotorua attending an NZISA Meeting but I will do my bit mid-week.

The question has been asked as to why we are doing this fundraising as we have made no move to cement additional building plans. The reality is we are now owners of a significantly sized building that requires regular maintenance and will need roof replacement etc. at some point. We were part of the decision to acquire this building and have benefited from its use to date. We have a responsibility to ensure that the burden of its maintenance does not fall solely on the membership at the time this maintenance is required so by adding a little to our bank account each year we will ensure we have the sufficient necessary funds.

Having said that, there is a generation in our Club (our young members of the over 60 age bracket) who have more than contributed to this building thru fundraising and being a donor when the complex was first purchased. We have reached a time now when the 40 and over generation needs to accept the challenge of taking over the lead and the reins in doing this work and saying to our over 60s its time they put up their feet. It is not necessarily about doing it the way it has previously been done but it is about making sure we continue to do something to ensure we are planning and securing our and the next generation future just as past generations did for us. If we lead by example we will bring many of the under 40 generation along with us so they can take the reins in the future. Please see the Bazaar item later in this newsletter for other ways that your help may be needed.

Men's Hockey – No Rep, No Season.....

Our Men's Hockey Rep, Mahin Kika, has changed cities and therefore tendered his resignation. My thanks to Mahin for his contribution to Men's Hockey and the Club over the past 10 months.

We are now in immediate need of a Men's Hockey Rep. Club rules require each sport to have a representative on the Executive so we need an immediate response from our men's' hockey players (competitive and social) to provide a Rep now. We will provide the necessary support to any person who accepts the position. Please contact Kiran Lala (Sports VP) or myself as soon as possible if you are interested or have any questions etc.

I reiterate – No Rep, No Season.

Men's Hockey Coaches Needed.....

Unfortunately as happens from time to time we find ourselves in search of a number of coaches for our competitive teams. Work, family and other personal requirements have meant that Jason Hilton (P1 Player/Coach), and Vinod Hira (P2 Coach) are unavailable for the coming season. We are therefore looking for coaches for our two top men's teams and with some urgency at that. If there is anyone who is interested or knows someone who is interested please contact Kiran Lala (Sports VP) or myself as soon as possible. Players need to be active in trying to help find a coaches.

NZISA Under 23s Hockey Tournament.....

On the 21st and 22nd March Pukekohe will be hosting the NZISA U23s Hockey Tournament. We will be sending a Mens Team to compete against Auckland and Pukekohe. Shayam Bhana, Jayesh Patel and Girish Dayal have all been active in getting this team prepared for this tournament and the Executive is appreciative of their commitment. It is unfortunate that we will end up with a clash of dates as the Wellington competition also starts that weekend and many of the guys involved in U23s will be in our P1 and P2 Mens Teams. As an Executive we decided that to withdraw the U23 team from the tournament would be unfair to the players as they had already been building towards it but it will be hard on our top two teams. We sincerely hope that all other players, if asked to provide

playing assistance to our two top teams, will do so willingly. Let see if we can make this a great start to the hockey season both here and in Pukekohe by being supportive of all the teams.

AGM and Elections.....

15th March is our AGM date – a meeting where we discuss club matters and elect the Executive for the 2015 year. ALL CRICKET AND HOCKEY TEAMS MUST BE REPRESENTED BY A MINIMUM OF 5 PLAYERS AT THE MEETING FOR THE FULL DURATION. There are penalties for non-compliance with Club's AGM Attendance Policy. I know there are some who say that they just want to play and don't want involvement in anything else but WISC is not that kind of Club – Club meeting and Fundraising assistance is a requirement if you want to play under our name.

Take note of this message. Make sure your team member know and comply. It will be repeated in the Annual Report and AGM info by post which all players will receive. The excuse that "I didn't know" will not be accepted. Please consider putting you had up for a position and discussing it with an Executive member now. We have the ability to share most roles so you can come on and do an apprentice year first of you need.

The Cricket World Cup.....

This is a great opportunity to see some of the best one day cricket currently being played. Last night NZ convincingly beat Sri Lanka and right now as I complete this report India is playing Pakistan. Pakistan is 100-2 after 22 overs. What an amazing atmosphere there is in the Adelaide stadium right now. I hope many of you have the opportunity to enjoy and experience this Cricket World Cup either from the comfort of your couch or in a sat in the stadium. I have to go - India just got another player out.....and another one!.....

If we all work together WISC can have a great 2015 – FUN, SUCCESS AND GREAT MEMORIES!

Women's Hockey

Hope everyone had a good break over the summer, it's now getting closer to the start of the 2015 hockey season!

Trials were on Sunday and I hope those who attended had a good run around. There will be further trials so please watch your emails.

If you are interested in playing flick me an email and I can add you to the list. Also if you know of anyone who is looking to playing for WISC this year please send them my details.

Women's pre season has started and is being held on Thursday nights 6-7pm at the Kemp St gym.

Any questions? Feel free to flick me through an email and I'll try my best to get an answer to you

Mens Hockey Pre-Season

Mens Pre-Season training is on Tuesday nights at 7pm in the gym. If anyone is interested in coaching the Mens A or B teams, please contact Johnny Lala or Hansa Parbhu.

Junior Hockey

Happy New Year to you all. Hope you have all had a great summer break and will start to get those sticks and balls out soon.

So Season 2015 is around the corner.

Dates to put in your diaries:

Sunday 15 February – Junior Registration Day 9-10am – thanks to those of you who came along and registered your kids. It looks like it is going to be a great season.

Sunday 1 March – Junior Registration Day 9-11am

Saturday 8 March – Trials for 11 aside Boys and Girls (Year 7 and 8)

Junior Boys 11-12.30

Junior Girls 12.30-2pm

13 April week (2nd week of the holidays) – Festival round for 6 aside TBC

WISC Premier 6 aside Trials – TBC

Please come register your kids before trials.

Coaching – if you are interested in coaching any of the teams in 2015, please register your interest.

Season Start dates:

Primary Competition 11 aside (Year 7 and 8) to commence week of 20 April

Fun sticks (Years 1 and 2) to commence 4 May. Please register directly with WHA.

6 aside (Years 3 to 6), to commence 11 May

Minis (4-5 year olds), in the WISC gym -TBC

Hockey Rep – we are also looking for a new Junior Hockey Rep. Please let me know if you are interested.

Sandy Dayal

Dipika Ishver

Junior Hockey Reps

Senior Cricket

After a successful 2014 for WISC, 2015 is looking even more promising with WISC Cricket coming back in to some much needed form. After just missing out on grabbing the NZISA Cricket Tournament Cup last time in Rotorua, this year the selected team that went to Hamilton were very determined to bring the cup back to Wellington. The selection for this year's team that went up was very tough, due to only one team being able to compete, however Captain Jaykrishna Patel believed, "the team was very balanced, and were hungry to win."

The first match for WISC was against the home side Waikato. WISC batted first and scored a huge 215/9 in 30 overs. WISC bowled out Waikato in 28 overs for only 98 runs, winning by 117 runs. The standout performances were: Piyush Patel who scored 75, and Roshan Patel who scored 74.

The second match was against last year's winners Bay of Plenty, WISC batted first getting all out for 102 in 25 overs. In a low scoring match WISC then successfully bowled out Bay of Plenty for 92 in 28 overs. This put them straight in to the final for the next morning. Being able to win in such a low scoring match boosted Wellington's confidence immensely.

The Final was against Auckland A, who batted first. Wellington continued where they left off the day before with the ball, destroyed Auckland A's strong batting line up for a total of 123 runs. This was easily chased down and Wellington won with 6 wickets in hand, bringing the cup back home. Well done to all the boys that were selected, and thank you to all the supporters that also travelled up with the boys.



Team Wellington after winning the cup

Top row: Jaykrishna(captain) Piyush, Prakash, Hemant, Umesh, Vivek and Roshan

Bottom Row: Sagar, Chintan, Manoj and Raju

Gymnasium Update

Teams looking at booking a team slot over the spring/winter season please contact the gymnasium managers before 27 February 2015. Please note competitive teams take priority over non-competitive teams. The competitive teams training schedule is tentatively booked from the week commencing 9 March 2015.

A reminder that teams exiting the premises must ensure that the premises are secure, this includes, gym door shut, checking that all lights are turned off in the changing rooms, toilets, upstairs rooms, and front door securely shut. An electronic board located on the left hand wall prior to existing through the front doors alerts people what doors, if any, remain open. We would be grateful if people prior to leaving the premises check this board.

We thank you for your co-operation on the above.

Harsa Pancha

Gymnasium Manager

Indian Bazaar 2015

Yes it's that time to start thinking about the Bazaar - the date for the 2015 Bazaar has been set – keep the date free:

SATURDAY 7TH MARCH 2015

Planning has commenced for the 2015 Joint Fundraising Bazaar. Our dedicated team from the Association and the Sports Club will organise what is a must attend event. A poster is being prepared and will be sent out by email to those that have provided WISC with your email address. If you do want a poster by email, then email the following address and it will be sent to you – email rajub@ihug.co.nz.

Would you like to help – as this is a Community event, we can do with all the help we can get – here is how you can help us:

If you or anyone you know, who would like to join the organising committee, please contact either Raju Budhia (388 3845), Kishor Chhiba (237 8123) or Nat Vallabh 388 1108.

On the day itself, we need help, especially with cooking food and assisting at stalls. If you can help in any way, contact any one of Kishor, Nat or Raju. A roster for sports teams will also be sent out by your sports reps in the next week or so.

Do you have an idea for a new food stall that you could operate for us?? We have so many people now from different parts of India, it would be great time to try something you may fancy doing – we are always on the lookout for new food items to add to the already fantastic list we already have. Give it a go and make that special dish / delicacy / snack food that you are so fond of.

What about a money making stall – use your imagination and let us know if you have any ideas, such social / fund things to do, such as those that you might run at a school fair.

We are also looking for sponsors – we are happy for people to sponsor stalls. The best way is to donate the cost of the goods to run a particular stall – call us and we can discuss. We are also looking for donations of goods – the type of things we'd really like is soft drinks and bottled water. Again call us and we can discuss with you (call Raju, Kishor or Nat).

Do you own a restaurant – we have received many generous donations of dishes from our restaurant owners in the past – would you like to donate too – please get in touch with Nandaben Naran on 972-9737.

If you would like to operate your own non-food stall in the main hall – we have a huge turn out and a ready market to sell your wares or services. Please contact Rakesh Patel (977 3040) to reserve your space. He will also be able to advise on rates for the size of stall you require.

We run a very large raffle, with lots of really good prizes. All raffle proceeds are given to a charity. Please help us help others too – we'd really appreciate any prizes you could donate towards the raffle - please contact Nandaben Naran on 972 9737.

Finally, keep in mind the following dates as we need help in the days leading up to the Bazaar too – this is mainly food preparation.

The weekend before the Bazaar - we are making the dry ingredients for the Bhel from 8.00am on Saturday
Wednesday 4th March – we will be making Indian sweets – we need some of you ladies to help make them so please come along and bring a friend too.

Thursday 5th March – we will be making roti's and skewering the lamb kebabs

Friday 6th March – we will be preparing food all day – we start around 8.00am.

Saturday 7th March – the Bazaar itself – the more hands the easier for all of us.

Upcoming Events...

Event	Date/Time	Venue
Cricket World Cup: NZ vs. England	20 th February 2015	Wellington
Cricket World Cup: England vs. Sri Lanka	1 st March 2015	Wellington
Junior Hockey registrations	Sunday 1 st March 9-11am	Upstairs WISC Gymnasium
Indian Bazaar	7 th March 2015	India Hall
Junior hockey trials	8 th March 2015 11-12.30pm Boys, 12.30-2pm Girls	NHS
Cricket World Cup: South Africa vs. Qualifier 4	12 th March 2015	Wellington
WISC AGM	15 th March 2015	WIA Conference Hall
Cricket World Cup: Quarter Final	21 st March 2015	Wellington
2015 hockey season begins	21 st – 22 nd March 2015	NHS
Under 23 rd tournament	21 st - 22 nd March 2015	Pukekohe
NZ Affiliates Tournament	6 th – 11 th April 2015	Napier
Junior hockey – 11 aside season starts	Week beginning 20 th April 15	
Junior hockey – 6 aside season starts	Week beginning 11 th May 15	
Queen's Birthday Tournament 2015	30 th May – 1 st June 2015	North Harbour

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