

Slippery When Wet

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ACTBA social day

The Football Park Sports Club and the ACTBA held a family day for all broomball players and their families on Sunday, 23 February. Although the time clashed with some other major social events, quite a number of people turned up and partook of free food and free beer, kindly donated by the Club. I would like to thank Frank for helping the ACTBA and putting the party on for members. The club has also undertaken to assist us with donating more prizes and things for raffles, so keep an eye out for them. The Club is going to continue to support the ACTBA in a variety of ways. Let us show our appreciation to the club by dropping in before or after your broomball game for a drink (alcoholic or otherwise).

As part of the day Jodie Brandon also organised a meat tray (donated by Queanbeyan Meats) as a door prize and a fruit tray (try large box) (donated by Go Troppo) as a raffle. There were also T-shirts and a variety of smaller gifts given away. Winners were representative of teams that were present with;

Bill Bush [Ducks] winning meat tray
Minor prizes went to Ian Easterbrook [Thunderbirds], Peter Farr [Vipers], Linda Thornton [Ducks] and some other who know who they are.

A special note must be said about the fruit tray. Thanks to everyone who bought tickets, we raised around \$50.00. A ticket was drawn and called out, but no one owned up to having that ticket. On recollection a Cunning Stunts player had the winning ticket, but had left. So it was redrawn, only to have Jodie's ticket drawn, not shy at all, Jodie was very happy to take the fruit tray home again. Guess what the children got for dinner!!!!

Wedding

The ACT Broomball Association would like to congratulate Christine Jeacle and Trevor Banks [FOOD] on their marriage. Chris and Trevor took their wedding vows on Saturday 8 February at the St Francis of Assisi Church in Calwell. Following was a reception at the Airport Premier Inn, Queanbeyan. A lot of fun was had as guests drank and danced the night away.

New Committee Positions

Due to work commitments Scott Brandon [Ducks], feels that he will be unable to effectively fulfil his responsibilities to the committee. He has resigned from the committee as of the February 11 meeting. Jodie Brandon offered to fill the positions left vacant by Scott, that of Fundraising and Development Officer (a position she held prior to this year). The members passed that she would fulfil this role until the next annual meeting.

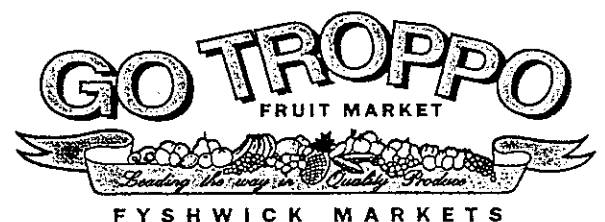
A position on the Committee has also become available due to the resignation of Virginia Lear. Ginnie was assisting Scott Brandon with the Fundraising and Development tasks, but due to moving to America for 18 months she feels that she will be unable to attend the meetings.

Thanks to Scott for his continued commitment to the game of broomball in the ACT and we wish him good luck with his new job. Thanks also to Ginnie for her efforts in assisting the Association.

Association General Meetings

The General Meetings of the ACT Broomball Association are held on the second Tuesday of every month at 7.30 p.m. Meetings were being at the ACT Broomball Association offices at the Grant Cameron Community Centre in Holder, but attendance has been a problem. The meetings are once again, going to be held at the Football Park Sports Club.

We encourage all broomball players, as you are all members of the Association, to attend these meetings. They are an important forum for members to put forward their views, and are also where you can have your say in many of the decisions affecting Broomball in the ACT.



1997 Nationals

It's coming up to that time of year again... when we show the rest of Australia how broomball should be played. The Broomball Australian Nationals are going to be held this year on the Gold Coast at the Boondall Ice Rink. They are being played over the weekend of the 7-9 June.

ACT will be sending four teams to this year's Nationals, including two mixed and two men's teams. The final squad for those four teams will include 44 players. The selectors have already nominated a training squad of 70 players, and this list will be posted on the broomball notice board at the Phillip Ice Rink on Sunday. The notice will have a space for you to nominate whether or not you will be available for final selection for the Nationals. We encourage everyone who hasn't already done so to check for their name and notify us of their availability. Selection in the final squad will be based on availability and playing performance.

Training for the Nationals will be held possibly on Sunday mornings from 8-10 at the Phillip Ice Rink, starting soon. Please note that these training sessions are very beneficial to the teamwork and meshing of the Nationals teams, and everybody who is listed and available should endeavour to attend these sessions. Performance at training will also form part of the final selection criteria.

Nationals Transport Arrangements

In order to minimise the costs to all players and non-players, and to keep the administration to a minimum, the Association has booked flights for 50 people to the Gold Coast for the Nationals weekend. The cost of the flights will be \$305 per person, which is over \$50 cheaper than the lowest price discount fare, and over \$100 cheaper than a full economy fare.

The Association has paid a deposit for the seats. We are therefore looking for a deposit from everybody who wishes to attend the Nationals and take advantage of the cheap airfares to the Gold Coast. We are asking for a deposit of \$100 per person to be paid to the Association by 15 March 1997.

The deposits for the Nationals can be paid to the Treasurer, Kevin Jeffery [Looney Toons], at any time. He can be found either at the Rink or at the Football Park Sports Club on any Sunday afternoon. Deposits can also be posted to the ACT Broomball Association, PO Box 453, Woden ACT 2606.

The Association is also intending to book the accommodation at a single place in order to obtain a group booking. The final hotel etc. has not been decided, so anybody with suggestions on a possible place to stay should tell a committee member so we can check it out.

Positions Vacant

The ACT Broomball Association has two new positions for this year's Nationals tournament. The two positions, one coach and one administrator, are to assist the ACT squad to more effectively and successfully compete at the Nationals.

The Association will be paying for the airfares and accommodation for the two positions during the Nationals weekend.

Non-Playing ACT Coach

The ACT Broomball Association is looking for a coach for the ACT Squad to attend the Nationals in June 1997. The coach is required to train two men's and two mixed teams for the tournament, and to undertake all coaching duties during the national's tournament.

Non-Playing Administrator

In order to provide for the most efficient Nationals tournament for the ACT team, and for the team to be at its best and be successful, the Association has decided that a non-playing administrator will be appointed for the tournament.

The Administrator position will be a co-ordinating position that will ensure all administrative, logistic details, etc. are covered so that players are free to concentrate on playing for the ACT. The position will involve duties before, during and after the Nationals weekend.

The duties for the Administrator will include;

- co-ordinating the travel and accommodation arrangements;
- co-ordinating equipment requirements;
- co-ordinating merchandise;
- liaising with NQ Broomball Association and other state team;
- merchandising;
- arranging duty benches as required; and
- wrapping up arrangements after the event.

Note that all co-ordinating duties will be in conjunction with committee members and other individuals as required.

Applications

Written applications from suitably qualified person's. for either of the positions, should be posted to ACT Broomball Association, PO Box 453, Woden, ACT 2606. Applications should be concise and show relevant qualification and experience for the positions. Further information about the positions can be obtained from the Peter Marshall.



Men's Contact Broomball

Tuesday nights are contact night for those of us who wish to indulge in as much broomball as we can. Men's contact has been running every second Tuesday night since mid 1996, and I believe has been reasonably successful and definitely enjoyable for those who play.

There is a regular group of about 8 players who make up two teams for the games. There have been quite a few players who have turned up at different times for a game also, even interstate players who are in Canberra for a holiday, and some of our female players when needed. The contact games are a great place to hone your skills, as the games are played in with a spirit of enjoyment with a definite competitive edge on the night. I believe that everybody who has participated in these games over the last year has learnt something, and all of us have definitely improved our fitness (well we run our butts off anyway). For those of you wishing to get the most out of broomball, and have more fun playing, I would recommend that you have a game of men's or women's contact on Tuesday nights. These are also the best forums to introduce newcomers to game, as they help to teach the skills without the pressures of the league.

Peter Marshall - Goalkeeper

We note that our illustrious president Pete Marshall was forced to join the hallowed ranks of the goalkeepers recently when Bridget Whisker was away for a Sunday afternoon Ramjets game. During that game he let in ten goals, and has since vowed to never do it again. This combined with his performance during his only Tuesday night contact game where he was injured (but still standing). Shows that the goalkeepers are safe from having Pete Marshall counted as one of their number.

Meat raffle

Meat raffle will be soon starting at the Football Park Sports Club. They will run over the course of Sunday night's competitions. Funds raised will go towards the Nationals.

Contributors to SWW

Kevin Jeffrey [Loony Toons]
Karen Thornton [Loony Toons]



Your Broomball Committee

President	Peter Marshall	Ramjets
Vice President-Technical	Bruce Davidson	Vipers
Vice President-Administrative	Ian Easterbrook	Thunderbirds
Treasurer	Kevin Jeffrey	Loony Toons
Secretary	Danielle Gilroy	Vipers
Development Officer	Jodie Brandon	Ducks
Equipment Officer	Vacant	
Publicity Officer	Vanessa Muller	Ducks
Fundraising Officer	Jodie Brandon	Ducks
Committee Member	Vacant	

General meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month. At the ACT Football Park Sports Club at 7.30 PM.
Committee Mailing Address:
ACT Broomball Association
PO Box 453
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Wanted Quotes

If we have any talented carpenter types out there..

Looking for quotes for some display cabinets.

New trophy cabinet

The size is open to interpretation and quotations should state size of cabinet. It must be able to fit all ACTBA trophies into it and be lockable. Current trophies are on display at Football Park Sports Club.

Display cabinet

To encase and effectively display a limited edition 1995 world cup jersey.

Closing time for quotations is: **Friday 4 April 1997**. Send or deliver to ACTBA.

SWW editorial

I would like to thank the contributors to this month's SWW it has made the topics covered more interested and added a new dimension to the newsletter. I hope other will take up the challenge to provide something for the next newsletter. I am particularly after broomball pictures and images (preferably electronic) that can be used in the newsletter, it makes it so much more interesting than straight text all the way through.

On another note: The ACTBA is looking for prizes and things to auction, raffle and give away. The prize box for the competition pages is looking a little poorly now. So if you can access anything that donated as a prize, no matter what the value. Please give them to Jodie Brandon [Ducks].

This also raises the issue of sponsorship for Broomball in the ACT or the noticeable lack of it. In these days of

tightening the belt sponsorship dollars are hard to come by. Unlike the old days were you could just write to a company and get money off them, not so now. For broomball to get sponsorship dollars, players need to utilising connections and lay some ground work. ACTBA membership has a wide cross section of people and therefore access to a wide cross section of businesses. Groundwork from the inside needs to be laid before sponsorship dollars can be obtained. Some simple ideas to start laying ground work are:

- Talk about broomball at work. (how wonderful it is, etc. !!!)
- Putting articles into your staff newsletter about broomball. (I can help you with this)
- Getting small donations and prizes from them for raffles, gifts, etc.

Once this is done, businesses can be approached for larger sponsorship dollars. I am currently getting printed pamphlets about broomball, and have available a sponsorship opportunities' brochure, that can be given to businesses. You could be sitting in the organisation that gives ACT broomball the big break it needs, and just think our representative teams may not have to drain their own pockets to attend national events. Until that happens though we will raise money for these events through things like raffles (which, unfortunately, can drain our own player's pockets).

V. Muller
SWW Editor

Competition page

The winners of the competitions in November's newsletter were:

Letter Check Crossword

Answer: The Mighty Ducks

Winner: Ian Easterbrook [Thunderbirds]

Who am I????

Answer: Scott Brandon [Ducks]

Winner: Danielle Gilroy [Vipers]

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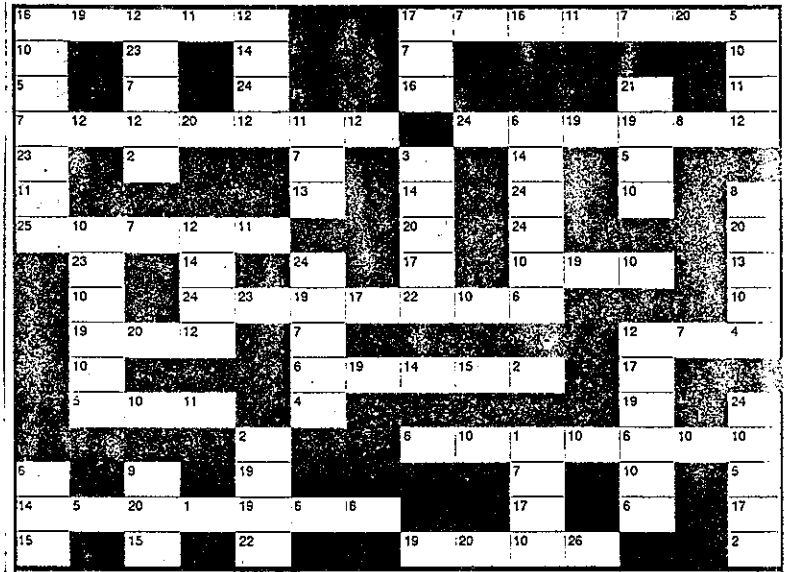
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Competition Page

Letter Check Crossword

Each number in the crossword represents a different letter of the alphabet. I've given you four letters to help you on your way to cracking the code, so you'll see that F=1, R=6, I=20 and W=26. Write these letters wherever the corresponding numbers appear in the grid and you should then be able to start working out what some of the other missing letters are. Use the Letter Checker box to keep track of the letters you've decoded. You'll notice that all 26 letters of the alphabet are used. When you have filled in the letter checker, seven consecutive letters will spell the name of a broomball team. Write this team name on a sheet of paper with your name and team playing for, and place in the entry slip in the blue folder at the Duty bench.



Letter Checker

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F					R							
14	15	16	17	19	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
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Who am I????

Another puzzle, below is a collection of clues about a broomball player. Once you have identified who the broomball player is, write the person's name and what team they currently play for on a sheet of paper. Add your name and team playing for, and place in the entry slip in the blue folder at the Duty bench.

- Age: blank
- Time: Playing for 4 years, Shooters, Cougers
- Position: Best position on ice
- Best time: Two Nationals wins
- Worst time: Losing to Animals
- Why: Talked into coming and watching one week, played the next and have enjoyed it ever since.



Entries close for both competitions on **Sunday, 23 March 1997**. Winners announced on Sunday, 6 April 1997.