

# 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Report

Glebe vs. Bankstown

Round 18

2<sup>nd</sup> August 2008

Result 5 - 4

Earlier in the year Bankstown handed Glebe their first loss of the year, beating them 5-2 out at Bankstown. Glebe were determined to settle the score in what was always going to be a tight encounter.

Bankstown drew first blood after one of their strikers found a bit of space in the circle and turned sharply to roof the ball. This was not to be the first goal of this kind today, and the Glebe defence must learn their lesson in marking and manning up in the circle.

Although the defence was having a somewhat patchy day Glebe did manage to gain some good field position, with Mark Paterson and Michael Wark bagging some good goals.

Shortly before half-time Glebe scored after a sweeping passing movement which levelled the scores at 3-3. A short corner played out after the siren had sounded gave Glebe a chance to get their nose in front, but it was not to be.

There was plenty of hope in amongst the side for a strong second half. This was not misplaced, with Glebe gaining one goal straight after halftime with good ball movement down the right hand side attack which lead to a multiple of shots being taken on the Bankstown goals before the ball spilled to jonnie on the spot Michael Wark who made no mistake with the finish.

Glebe continued its attacking raids continually intercepting and forcing turn over's from the Bankstown players which lead to multiple chances on goal but for most which were squandered. Mick would soon find himself on the scores sheet to bag his second for the match when he fired home a back stick shot to give the vital 2 goal buffer

Bankstown managed to get another well-taken, but essentially soft goal with five minutes to play, which certainly kept the crowd in their seats for the full duration, but Glebe's will held fast and the final score would be 5-4.

Cheers

Patrick Wark

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Report

Glebe vs UNSW

Round 18

2<sup>nd</sup> August 2008

Won 3-0

Good, solid win for Glebe 3<sup>rd</sup> grade who still have high hopes to make the semi finals. Glebe dominated this game with Mick B, our goalie, hardly called upon to make a save throughout the match. Again, we struggled top score goals when our lion's share of possession and field position should have translated into 6 or 7 goals at the least. Jakey, Pauly and Rossy all got amongst the goals. Pauly somehow stole Player's Player away from Buschy, who had a typically solid game at the back and started several meaningful attacks with clever passes. It was good to have Alex and Jakey back from 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, who both had outstanding games. I am very happy to see how these guys have improved during the season. Good to have Dan Carey back from a hamstring injury also and Holysmoke from his outback holiday.

Sorry all about the boring report. I am trying hard to be less controversial for the sake of my club not getting into strife with the powers that be as a result of my own personal opinion on stuff because that's just not fair on anybody. I apologise to anybody whose feelings I may have hurt with my comments in match reports over the past 3 years.

Maybe this month's topic of debate should be: "Should Glebe District Hockey Club close its website (as another prominent Sydney club has done) to members only?"

Cheers

Adam Campano