



1st Grade Report

Glebe vs. Moorebank

Round 21

23rd August 2008

Result: 2 - 4

Glebe suffered its third loss of the season to the third placed Moorebank Liverpool side. Glebe was looking for a solid performance coming into the business end of the season and to cement their second place spot on the competition table. But it was not to be.

The Glebe team committed uncharacteristic mistakes both in defence and attack which allowed the Moorebank team to gain the early ascendancy in the match with two goals; one of which eventuated through field play the other through a well worked short corner. However this only awakened the dormant inner mongrel of the Glebe team as the team started to hold possession and dominant play both in attack and in defence. Glebe hit back with a Peter Wark drag flick which found the back of the net to give the team a much needed goal. Glebe continued on the attack but sadly no goals would eventuate for the maroon and white. Moorebank on the stroke of half time hit back where it counts when they scored to make the score 3-1 going into the break.

The half time talk stressed the need not to panic as Geoff thought we had the better of the play late in the second half. He called for better outletting from the back and for the attacking play not to be so direct towards the opposition goals.

The second half produced multiple chances for the Glebe team; but with shots failing wide and passes not finding their intended mark it was proving not to be Glebe's day. The second half was a seesawing affair with open field play and counter attacking hockey a real attribute

of both teams. Moorebank scored a goal after a scrap in front of the Glebe goal mouth. Glebe would score a consolation goal 5 minutes from full time but the damage had been done.

At the end of the match the Glebe team was left wondering what could have been with missed opportunities and lack of understanding in the attacking third which cost the team on the day.

Glebe plays its last round game of the season against Ryde next week at Ryde which is always a tough encounter.

Cheers

Mark Paterson.

Points Table - Premier League 1st Grade

Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Points
Norwest Strikers	21	18	1	2	99	29	70	55
Glebe	21	16	2	3	104	50	54	50
Moorebank	21	15	3	3	93	44	49	48
Bankstown	21	13	1	7	96	65	31	40
Gordon-Nth sydney	21	12	2	7	84	55	29	38
Ryde	21	9	4	8	62	74	-12	31
Briars	21	8	4	9	74	61	13	28
Sutherland	21	6	4	11	67	77	-10	22
UTS	21	6	4	11	60	94	-34	22
Sydney University	21	5	4	12	50	62	-12	19
St George Randwick	21	2	2	17	50	135	-85	8
South West Strikers	21	0	1	20	31	124	-93	1



2nd Grade Report

Glebe vs. Moorebank

Round 21

23rd August 2008

Result: 2 - 5

Few words other than “the one that got away” can describe the game that took place at 5:00pm on Saturday evening between Moorebank and Glebe out at Liverpool. The whole team left the grounds with disappointment after carrying a hefty 2-0 lead into half time where they looked to go on with it.

The first half could not have gone better, with many signs of 1st grades usual ‘calypso’ hockey coming into play. Ball movement went above and beyond with Glebe breaking out of its usual ‘hit long’ game style and opted to go shorter, involving both inside forwards and center half as much as possible, allowing greater use of the ball up front. A stack of short corners were awarded, one providing a deflected goal, as Glebe continued to mount pressure throughout the whole first half, turning away all Moorebank attacking options with little hesitation, not to mention a couple of great on-the-line saves from Scott Howard and Stef. The second goal came from a Scott Cleary dispossession on the fullback, and ended up in Chonga’s path who had no worries finding the net.

The half time talk stressed the need to move the ball off the spot quicker to tire the Moorebank defence. Les also asked for more rotation from the forwards, and to get a spare forward to the back line quicker, allowing better options in attacking play. It was also stressed that we move the ball quickly around the field, and with purpose.

The second half began and finished nothing like the first as all of Glebe's thoughts, passion, game play, and hockey minds went out the window along with the whole 1st half as Moorebank went on to come back and win the game 5-2 as they stacked on 5 unanswered goals in 35 minutes.

From the opening whistle, Glebe started the 2nd half on the back foot as they were forced into defence immediately. A run of play forced Moorebank 1st goal, and from there they ran riot

as Glebe were spun into shock with a succession of Moorebank attacking encounters. There was little the defence could do to stop the run of play, but eventually managed to restructure and provide the forwards with an opportunity to jag a couple back. However the forwards seamed off their game, with a lack of basics, cohesion, communication and field placement. The game turned sour, as Glebe players turned negative and against each other with Moorebank becoming very physical in order to rattle the Glebe defense even more.

Moorebank seemed to control their half with authority and respect, forcing many turnovers from one-out Glebe attacks. Giving little hope to the Glebe defense of knocking back any more attacking opportunities as once again, structure and fitness played a vital part in preventing Glebe overcoming the turn of the game they had controlled so well. Two drag flicks found the net inside the last 15 minutes as Glebe looked unlikely to score, handing over the 3 points they had grabbed with two big hands earlier in the game.

Now Glebe looks to take out revenge on Ryde next week with a win needed to make the major semi-final. A big game can be expected as the all-important 'two bites of the cherry' within the finals campaign. All 1st and 2nd grade squad members are required to attend both Tuesday night training at Cintra, and Wednesday fitness at Jubilee in order to have a successful finals campaign.

Cheers

Sam Noller

Points Table - Premier League 2nd Grade

Team	GP	W	D	L	GF	GA	GD	Points
Sutherland	21	17	2	2	84	24	60	53
Glebe	21	14	1	6	71	41	30	43
Moorebank	21	13	2	6	67	46	21	41
Norwest Strikers	21	12	3	6	57	35	22	39
UTS	21	11	5	5	74	49	25	38
Briars	21	8	6	7	53	48	5	30
Sydney University	21	8	4	9	48	50	-2	28
Ryde	21	8	3	10	48	61	-13	27
St George Randwick	21	7	4	10	41	51	-10	25
Gordon-Nth sydney	21	5	2	14	40	52	-12	17
Bankstown	21	5	2	14	51	100	-49	17
South West Strikers	21	0	2	19	20	97	-77	2



3rd Grade Report

Glebe vs. Moorebank

Round 21

23rd August 2008

Result: 4 - 6

Glebe came into this game knowing that they had to win and then pray to the hockey gods that Briars stumbled and choked in their remaining two games in order to make the semis. Unfortunately, it was not to be as the Glebe Boys came out the wrong side of a crazy and manic goal fest with 10 goals scored in total. Glebe came out firing scoring an early goal to Rossy B from a great team build up and then missed a host of other great chances. Then the game turned on its axle when Moorebank amazingly scored 5 quick unanswered goals in a period of about 20 minutes. Their young strikers were allowed too much room to move by the Glebe defence which allowed them to penetrate with ease and just about every shot at goal resulted in a goal. It was an absolute horror show for the Glebe boys who at half-time simply could not believe how the match had turned into an ass whipping. Despite this setback the Glebe boys remained positive and knew that they could turn the game around if they made the most of their opportunities. It was just one of those game where defence on both sides was near non-existent (no offence to either side's defenders).

Glebe came out in the second half firing with Cristian Campano grabbing two excellent taken and long awaited goals from short range. Moorebank responded with one strike in between. After a couple of close misses, Rossy was able to score another goal from a low drag flick off a penalty corner. Another 10 minutes or so and we might have got Moorebank but we'd just given them too much of a head start at the end of the day and they were deserved winners after some opportunistic goal shooting. News of Briars win then totally set the cat amongst

the pigeons, resigning Glebe to just missing out on the 2008 Division 1.1 finals with one round game to play for pride only against the top of the table Ryde side.

Bugger.

Cheers

Adam Campano

Points Table - Division 1 First Grade

Team	GP	W	D	L	B	GF	GA	GD	Points
Ryde	19	18	0	1	0	74	26	48	54
Sutherland	19	13	1	5	0	61	35	26	40
Manly	19	12	2	5	0	76	37	39	38
Briars	19	9	4	6	0	46	39	7	31
Glebe	19	8	1	10	0	37	43	-6	25
NWS	19	5	7	7	0	29	39	-10	22
Sydney University	19	6	3	10	0	27	41	-14	21
Easts	19	5	5	9	0	40	53	-13	20
Moorebank	19	6	2	11	0	38	55	-17	20
University NSW	19	4	5	10	0	21	44	-23	17
GNS	20	2	4	14	0	21	58	-37	10