# LV News Bulletin 2011

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*Summary*

1. *50th anniversary celebration for Women's Lax*
2. *Junior representative teams announced*
3. *"George Larkin " by Rob Petitt*
4. *Knox Lacrosse Club*
5. *Coming up*

*Tip of the month.  Lax may be played on weekends but Thursday evening is when the entire Club comes together to train.  Make Thursdays a special night at the Clubrooms.  Nothing like good food to bring people together.*

1. The 50th anniversary of Women's Lacrosse will be celebrated by way of a luncheon at the Champions Room at Moonee Valley Racecourse on Saturday 26th March.  The event begins at 11.30am and the cost is $55.00 per head. Kendria Kendall has all the details and can be contacted on 0412 071 136.

Please pass on this information to any former female players who are flying outside the LV radar – particularly those who may have played in the 1960's . (ex hippies and flower children)

It's great to see that this event got a run in The Sunday Age on February 27 on page 24 – the back page.

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2. Congratulations to the following for their selection as Victorian Representatives in Junior State Teams.

## U19 Men

Callan Ahrens
Spencer Davis
Davis Di Pietro
Luke Egorov
Joel Fanner
Callum Gerrard
David Hallatsch
Jaime Harvey
Matthew Harvey
Tomislav Jakicic
Anthony Jenkinson
Griffin Jenney
Steven Kukucka
Luca Lettieri
Nichols Longo
Ross Morgan
Tim Ratje
Sam Sheedy
Hayden Wiles

Coach: Eric Jenney
Assistant Coach; Joe Castles
Manager; Patrick Hinds

## U21 Women

MILLER Danielle
O'CALLAGHAN Katelyn
JUSTICE-ALLEN Darcy
ANSELL Romy
STROZYCKI Erin
FUZY Jacinta
JENNINGS Whitney
HUNTER Lauren
HO Linda
BUTLER Sarah
MOLLISON Danelle
ROBERTS Anna
LANE Danielle
RYAN Vicki
BARLOW Hayley

Coach; Kristen Stone
Assitant Coach:
Manager: Colleen Hunter

## 17 Women

Barlow Alysha
Hussey Bree
Hussey Elise
Justice-Allen Stella
Katilius Veronica
Kwas Theadora
Lane Naomi
Lane Rebecca
McGowan Abbey
McNamara Stephanie
Morgan Eliza
Naylor Loren
Prentice Kelly
Smith Emily
Smith Sarah
Temby Jayd
Team Alternates: Botica Ashleigh,  Kelly Tara,  Pollnitz Sasha

Coach: Cliff Jennings
Assistant Coach:
Manager: Wendy Jennings

## U17 Men's

Lee. Jarryd
Miller.  Steven
Pinkerton.  Hayden
Bach  Brian
Butler.  James
Trewern.  Dylan
Thompson-Pritchard. Angus
Wallace.  Cameron
MacKinnon. Campbell
Wiles.  Bryce
Ryan.  Taylor
Sheedy.  Nicholas
Speak.  Kenneth
Fiorentini. Xavier
Kennedy.  Liam
Jenney.  Noah
Van Weel.  Michael
Alternates: Pike. Alexander, Dobson. Luke;  Mollison. Thomas: Faubl. James

Coach: Brad Kendall
Assistant Coaches: TBA
Manager: Kerri Wallace

Please note that John Harris has undertaken to field both U17 and U19 Presidents teams (male). It is hoped that some South Australian players will join the Vic President's team as they have withdrawn their representative side from competition.

3. ***George Larkin*, by** Robert Petitt

VALE; George Larkin (of Jeparit) B. 13 -2 – 1942, D. 25–1 -2011

George Larkin was a feared M.C.C. defence man, who played in the wooden stick era, no gloves, no helmets, nor any protection except a woollen jumper, shorts and socks.

George definitely suffered from "white – line fever" and struck fear in the hearts of all he came in contact with. As soon as the game ended, he would be first to invite you in for a beer.

George was invested with a life membership of M.C.C. Lacrosse in 1993. (M.C.C. has only 15 Life Members since its inception in 1895)

He was also honoured by having the Thirds' Fairest and Best Trophy named after him.

A hard man on the field , a gentleman off it.

Will be sadly missed by all at M.C.C.

## 4. *KNOX Lax Club*

In 1992 Sue Cody started local after school Lax games in the Knox City Council area – hence the name. These days, the Knox Lax Club is situated at Benedikt Park, Scoresby. Despite being in an area considered to be lower socio – economic, Knox is still one of the few clubs that has access to its Clubrooms year round.

In 1993, the then President of the VLA, Ian Whitbourn, asked Mr. Graham Lee to help Sue Cody establish a new Lax Club and with missionary zeal, a senior women's and junior boys team were established.

The Club continued to survive up until 2008 when the senior Women's team ceased - Sue Cody had moved to the Western side of town.

By 2009, things had begun to look a little bit dire and Knox was unable to field any full teams. The Club managed to keep its identity despite having its junior players playing at other Clubs.

In 2010, Knox bounced back and fielded its first senior Men's team in the Division 3 competition. This team managed to win a couple of games and had a spirit that was irrepressible and fun. Made largely up of juniors, it had one player - Adrian Hubbard - who started his lax career as a 7 year old at Knox. The Club also managed to revive an Under 12 Junior team.

2011 sees strong support from parents and junior players. Ken Hickey (ex Eltham stalwart) has taken on the role of Senior Coach and his gentle and friendly demeanour is perfect for new recruits as well as those retired players who cannot quite let go and still want to play for fun.

Knox can grow and has enormous potential; it just needs some support from the Lax community. It needs some ex players to come down and help build a Club; players, some coaches for junior teams and those with some administrative experience. Till now, Graham Lee and some wonderfully dedicated parents have run this Club. The Club has existed largely on the back of donations from Lax loving individuals. The infrastructure is in place and per unit of input Knox could be stunningly bountiful.

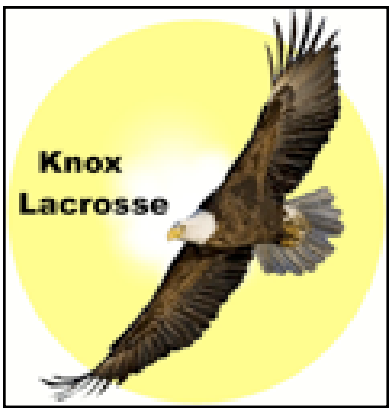
**If you want to "grow the game", look no further than Knox.**

The opportunity to establish a couple of junior girls teams is going begging.

The Club will gratefully accept old equipment and boots etc.

Graham Lee can be contacted on 0404 008 095.

# Knox Lacrosse Club




*DARE TO BE DIFFERENT-*
***Learn LACROSSE***

In USA, Lacrosse is the third major sport.
It is the second national sport of Canada.
In Australia, Lacrosse is a minor sport. The opportunity for representing Victoria and/or Australia is much wider.
***Seize this opportunity!***

## *LEARN LACROSSE WITH KNOX*

Training Wednesdays: U12 & U14 5 pm; Seniors 6 pm
Benedikt Reserve, Rosehill Rd , Scoresby
off Ferntree Gully Rd (Melways ref. 72, J5/6)

For further information:
Graham Lee. Junior Coordinator, 0404 008 095
Scott McKissack. Under 12 Coach, 0409 025 532
Kane Alexander, Under 14 Coach, 0422 561 553

*A further challenge: Join the Dads who have taken up the sport.*

## Coming up:

A summary of the power packed Junior sub-committee meeting held on 2 March 2011.

Editorial on the Junior sub-committee; “Palestine and the road to peace”

Major announcement on ‘Warrnambool”.

Notes from LV Board meeting held on Wednesday 10th March

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LV has NCAA and Sofcrosse Balls at Club prices – contact office. (gratuitous product placement)

Anyone can contribute to the ‘’Bulletin”.

Remember: the answer to most of our Lax problems is recruiting!

Still to come: Northcote Lax Club?
Membership Growth success?
Presidents and LV Board meeting.
Submissions being sought from Lax community
Interview with U12 recruit.
Fergus Stewart on the Lacrosse foundation.

Re-scheduled Golf Day on April 15.

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Secretary
Lacrosse Victoria