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Hockey Notice Board.

This long weekend saw a derby clash between the visiting Grey High School teams from Port Elizabeth and Rondebosch.

While the results may not have been what Rondebosch had hoped for, it cannot be disputed that a good weekend of Hockey was had by all.

Thank you to the families that hosted the visiting Grey players.

Hockey Rules Quiz.

Learning the rules of the game:

The attacking side is given a free hit just outside the circle. An attacking player takes the ball to the outside circle (the dashed line), puts the ball on this circle and immediately starts dribbling the ball towards the goal.

After a few steps, he whacks the ball to a team member standing next to the goal who then deflects the ball into the goal.

Is it a goal or not?

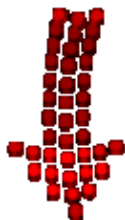
Answer next week!

Thanks to Mr Kevin Winter for the quiz questions.

Match Reports.

A **BIG** Thank You to "scribes" and Coaches who sent in match reports this week. We even have the benefit of seeing the same match through different eyes and that is great - thank you for your support.

Come on the others - please roster someone from your team to send in a report - we would all like to read about the details of the match - not just the final score.



Next Weekend's Fixtures

Hockey Matches - Week ending 9 May 2009

	Opponents	Venue	Field	Day	Time
U19A	SACS	Rondebosch	WPCC	Fri 8	17.15
U19B	SACS	Rondebosch	WPCC	Fri 8	16.05
U19C	SACS	Rondebosch	WPCC	Sat 9	10.00
U19D	President HS	President	President School	Sat 9	12.00
U16A	SACS	Rondebosch	WPCC	Fri 8	15.00
U16B	SACS	Rondebosch	WPCC	Sat 9	8.50
U16C	SACS	SACS	Brewery Astro	Sat 9	10:30
U16D	SACS	SACS	Brewery Astro	Fri 8	15:30
U16E	Wynberg D	Wynberg	WBHS Oval	Sat 10	9.00
U14A	SACS	Rondebosch	WPCC	Sat 9	7.50
U14B	SACS	SACS	Brewery Astro	Sat 9	08:30



Picture Gallery

Please e-mail your Rondebosch Hockey digital pictures with a caption and we will endeavour to publish them.



Last Week's Match Results

(Captains / Coaches - please delegate someone from your Team to send a short Match Report - by not later

than 12:00 on the Monday following the match - to Sparkman@Mweb.co.za for publication.

Late submissions will be carried over to the next edition)

Hockey Matches - Fri 1 and Sat 2 May

RBHS U19A vs Grey (PE) - RBHS lost 2 - 4
 RBHS U19B vs Grey (PE) - RBHS drew 0 - 0
 RBHS U19C vs Grey (PE) - RBHS drew 1 - 1
 RBHS U19D vs Grey (PE) - RBHS lost 0 - 4

RBHS U16A vs Grey (PE) - RBHS lost 1 - 3
 RBHS U16B vs Grey (PE) - RBHS lost 0 - 1
 RBHS U16C vs Grey (PE) - RBHS lost 0 - 8
 RBHS U16D vs Grey (PE) - RBHS lost 0 - 2

RBHS U14A vs Grey (PE) - RBHS drew 2 - 2
 RBHS U14B vs Grey (PE) - RBHS lost 0 - 7
 RBHS U14C vs Grey (PE) - RBHS lost 2 -

Rondebosch 1st Team vs. Grey H S 1st Team - 01/05/2009

On Friday the 1st of May our boys were up against the mighty Grey PE side that were touring down in Cape Town. All of us knew that this was going to be our first major opposition since we got back from KES tour and we were eager to show what we were capable of. We realised the magnitude of the game yet again when we walked out onto the turf and were greeted with all the support for us and Grey alike. The game started off at a blistering pace, a pace that we struggled to keep up with.

The game seemed to go back and forth until they scored off their first short corner. They then continued to score two more goals, both using short corners. We were 3-0 down at half time. We then pulled it back by a top quality reverse stick by Graham Schoeman off a counter attack. They then put another goal past us via a penalty flick. We then scored in the last ten minutes by a deflection again by Graham Schoeman. We ended up losing the game 4-2. The score line may seem fairly large but let's remember that we effectively won the 2nd half 2 goals to 1. It was a game we all thoroughly enjoyed.

Peter Schwellnus

Rondebosch 2nd Team vs. Grey H S 2nd Team - 02/05/2009

On Saturday morning we had our first real test of the season, hence the 0-0 score line. In the first half we mostly defended, barely testing out the opposition's defence. Sean Thomson, our goal keeper, had a fantastic game and kept us in the game with an amazing save. The second half improved greatly where we had a lot more chances. This game showed the value of our defence as it stood rock solid, however we need to convert our chances into goals. A good result.

Aidan Morris

Rondebosch U16A Team vs. Pinelands H S U16A Team - 25/04/2009

We started off our season well in our first game against Pinelands. It was always going to be a tough game in terms of staying mentally focused throughout the game and not allowing our opposition to get on the front foot. We kept our structure for the duration of the game and managed to score two early goals in the first half. The team was eager to get the second half underway as we put away another five goals to seal the game at 7-0. An impressive start but a lot of work needs to be done for the upcoming game against Grey PE.

Dean Rutherford

Rondebosch U16A Team vs. Grey H S U16A Team - 01/05/2009

Our U/16 team knew that no school sends a team on tour unless they are good. We realised that in the first 5 minutes of the game. After the first 15 minutes Grey had managed to score two goals and put us on the back foot, however we kept our composure as Carl Davis claimed a well deserved goal (drag flick) off our first short corner of the match. The scoreline remained 2-1 leading into the halftime break. The second half was equally contested as both teams applied pressure, but it was Grey who scored and broke the deadlock to close out the match at 3-1. The Rondebosch team fought well and showed a great display of commitment. Well done boys.

Dean Rutherford

Rondebosch U16A Team vs. Grey H S U16A Team - 01/05/2009

Grey arrived at Rondebosch with a formidable reputation at U/16 level. Having beaten Jeppe, Wynberg, Kes, Maritzburg College, to name but a few, Rondebosch were always going to have their work cut out to beat them.

The match started off at fast pace and slight lapses of concentration enabled Grey to score two clinical goals that gave Jason in goals no chance. The score could have been 3-0 but Jason saved a penalty stroke which revitalized the Rondebosch side, and after enjoying a good passage of play, Carl Davis converted a penalty corner with a now trade-mark drag flick.

Rondebosch fought valiantly in the second-half but Grey finished off a good performance with a break-away goal late into the second half to seal the win and keep their unbeaten record.

Final score 3-1.

In conclusion, as a coach it is always disappointing to lose but I was very encouraged the way a young side gave their total commitment to the cause and never gave up. There were some good patterns of play and Rondebosch were never outclassed against a side that must be the top U/16 side in the country. I think the boys know what level they need to play at and playing against good quality opposition will always be good for them. At the end of the day I was very proud of the Rondebosch boys and their desire to win.

Mr. Lloyd Nel (Coach)

Rondebosch U16B Team vs. Grey H S U16B Team - 02/05/2009

On Saturday morning we took on Grey at WPCC. We were up for the challenge and dominated most of the first half. However, we were unable to convert our chances up front. To make it even worse Grey scored in the final five minutes of the half through a short corner.

Grey dominated the game in the second half but our defence stood firm. We rallied in the last few minutes and Gareth Spencer was only just denied on the goal line. The game basically came down to short corners and preparation. Grey scored a goal from their 3 short corners and Bosch manage 0 goals from 4 short corners.

However, it was an encouraging performance for the second game of the season.

RBHS 0-Grey 1

Daniel Clark

Rondebosch U16B Team vs. Grey H S U16B Team - 02/05/2009

The second match of the season saw Rondebosch take on Grey. It was a fast paced game with opportunities for both sides. Despite Rondebosch's solid defence, Grey managed to score from one of the many short corners of the game. Rondebosch responded well to being one down and continued to seek an equaliser with many good passes and strong tackling.

Unfortunately, we were not able to get on the scoresheet. It was a close game with the winners taking advantage of their short corners. With practice and self belief we will be a tough team to beat.

I would like to commend the players and I am looking forward to a great season!

Michael Jacka

Rondebosch U16C Team vs. Grey H S U16C Team - 02/05/2009

The RBHS U16C side went down 0-8 against a better prepared and fitter U15A touring side from Grey High School from PE on Saturday 2 May.

The team was unfortunate to lose Goalkeeper Esmond Schnehage to injury within the first minute of the game and without a reserve keeper was forced to resort to the use of a kicking half. Hopefully the team can take the lessons learned in this game and come out much stronger in the coming fixture against SACS.

Mr. Rudrich Claassen (Coach)

Rondebosch U16C Team vs. Grey H S U16C Team - 02/05/2009

Unfortunately in the warm-up before the match, our goalkeeper was injured and Andrew Currie stepped in as kicking sweeper.

Our team worked hard to keep the opposition out of the "D", but they managed to score nine goals against us and we failed to respond.

All the players did their best and we look forward to our next match

Esmond Schnehage

Rondebosch U16D Team vs. Grey H S U16D Team - 02/05/2009

The U16D Hockey Team took to the field at 9:30 am Saturday morning to play a much awaited encounter against Grey Boys High U15B.

It was a match played in perfect conditions- warm, sunny with a wet outfield. As expected, the match possessed great skill, hard tackling and great positional play. Bosch started slowly and as a result conceded an early goal.

Unfortunately Bosch again started slowly in the second half with Grey adding to their 1 - 0 lead.

After persistent pressure on the Grey defenders, our attackers just couldn't penetrate the Grey defence - the final score being 2 - 0 in favour of Grey. Although we lost, the team played a game of passion and commitment and never gave up - "Well Done, boys!"

Zain Karodia

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