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CHANGING OF THE GUARD

Since June this year we have seen many changes. These changes started with a new and energetic board, with original ideas - the new initiatives of a Marketing Department and Administration Department, as well as the newly created project of a Data Base of all members of all the Victoria Maccabi clubs.

1996 has also seen the retirement of the organisation's first Executive Director Paul Bronstein, and we thank him

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energetically. He is available for liason with all clubs.

We wish him well in his new role.

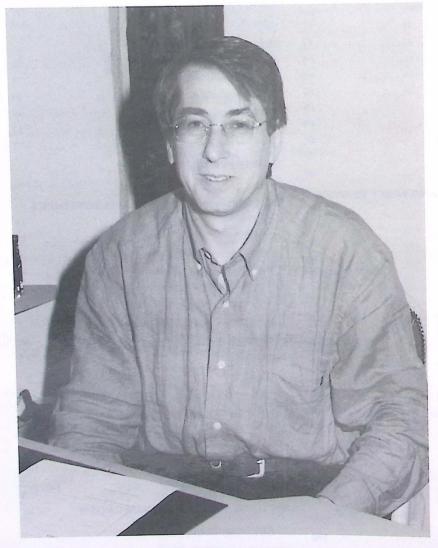
The idea of a new strategic Corporate Planning Process was mooted back in August this year. This planning process has now progressed to the next stage. All Maccabi clubs are involved in this process, which will ensure that all clubs have their say in directing Victoria Maccabi towards the year 2000 and beyond.

Victoria Maccabi Inc. has been very active this year and there have been many achievements to make us feel proud.

The organisation has grown to over 2,500 members with 28 affiliated clubs, and its range of activities has also been expanded.

The organisation plays a vital role in the continuance of Jewish identity and awareness through its sporting, social and cultural activities. This is becoming even more important as many of our members rely on Maccabi for their contact within the Jewish community and for some it is their only connection. As more of our children leave the Jewish Day School movements for various reasons, Maccabi will become even more important to slow their osmosis into the general community.

In 1996 Maccabi has continued to be a significant organisation in the community with members participating in communal affairs, and offering assistance to the wider Jewish Community. We are members of the Communal Planning and Development Board which was set up by the Commission for the Future to plan for the community's future. We are represented on the State Zionist Council Executive by David Parasol and I hold the Executive portfolio of Youth and Sport on the JCCV executive.



MORE FROM THE PRESIDENT

HIGHLIGHTS

Within the Clubs

- · Formation of White Water Rafting & Kayaking Club
- Formation of Maccabi Touch Football Club
- Merger of Ajax Cricket Club with Northern Maccabi Cricket Club to form Maccabi Ajax Cricket Club
- Opening of David Mandie Pavilion and relocation of Ajax Football Club to the Gary Smorgon Oval
- Commencement of Corporate Planning Process
- · Northern Maccabi First XI reaching the grand final
- Ajax Football Club Reserves reaching the Grand Final
- Ajax Maccabi Hockey Club First XI reaching the Grand Final
- Ajax Junior Football Club Under 12 Comets reaching the Grand Final
- Senior Men's Basketball winning the Grand Final in A
- Basketball B Grade winning the Sunday Night CYMS
 Competition at Albert Park
- The Senior A team reaching the Grand Final in the higher standard B Grade MMBL Competition on Wednesdays at Albert Park and being promoted to A Grade this season
- Ajax Volleyball Club men's side competing in the Victorian Volleyball State League, the highest possible level in the State

CARNIVALS

At the 63rd Senior Carnival held on the Gold Coast in 1995/96 Victoria was represented once again by the biggest team of all states with over 200 competitors. Under the leadership of myself and my very dedicated team of Lisa Borowick, David Alperstein, Harry Marget, Tony Aarons, Julian Isaacs and David Parasol, Victoria won the Mens Shield and the Womens Shield, as well as capturing the 'Best Team of Carnival Award' both for men in Indoor Cricket and women in Beach Volleyball.

Junior Carnival was hosted by Melbourne in January 1996 with over 650 competitors between the ages of 12 and 16 from all over Australia. Ten days of sport and social interaction was enjoyed by all. Thank you to Alan Silver who stepped in to lead a very hardworking team at the last moment, as Western Australia was unable to host the Carnival in the usual state by state rotation.

This year Victoria Maccabi via the Carnival Organising Committee has been busy planning for the 64th Senior Carnival to be held in Melbourne. We are expecting over 600 competitors to participate in the Carnival which will also include selection trials for the 15th Maccabiah Games to be held in Israel in July 1997. The carnival looms as the 'BEST CARNIVAL EVER', and under the first lady as well as the youngest ever carnival manager Lisa Borowick, I am prepared to offer this prediction with great confidence.

David Alperstein will lead the Team Management for the first time after serving several years as an assistant team manager. David as well as his able assistants have been working overtime in anticipation of what could possibly be Victoria's largest team ever. It is also pleasing to note that several of the leaders who have completed Youth Leadership Training Programs have gone on and become heavily involved in the organisation. The success of the Youth Leadership programs provides me with great confidence that the youth of tomorrow will be able to lead the organisation into the 21st century.

We are extremely grateful to Yossi Baker and Sfida for their continuing support through their generous sponsorship for our carnival team.

ANNUAL YEAR BOOK

The Year book continues to be a publication of world class standard, and we are very proud of it. It is also a great opportunity for clubs to highlight their activities and display their outstanding results which deserve recognition.



L/R: Alan Silver, Harry Procel, Sam Parasol, Ian Davis and PAUL BRONSTEIN AT THE VICTORIA MACCABI AGM

VICTORIA MACCABI LIFE MEMBER HARRY PROCEL PRESENTS SAM PARASOL WITH A LIFE MEMBERSHIP

SAM PARASOL, JOSEPH GUTNICK AND HARRY PROCEL SEALING THE HISTORIC SPONSORSHIP





Members of the Board with Corporate Planning Facilitator, Russell Jaffe L/R: STANDING: FANNY ABRAHAMI, JAMIE HYAMS, EVE BROWN, PHIL SHEEZEL, PETER COHEN, MICHAEL SPUT, ROD NISSEN, DAVID PARASOL, DAVID ALPERSTEIN SEATED: RUSSELL JAFFE, SAM PARASOL, HARRY PROCEL



MORE FROM THE PRESIDENT

RELATIONSHIPS WITH OTHER COMMUNAL BODIES

Jewish National Fund

Maccabi continues to support the JNF Maccabi forest in Mo-Odin through all our Carnival participants buying trees.

Victoria Maccabi together with the JNF and Ajax

Junior Football Club, and the Jewish Day Schools organised
a tree planting ceremony in Princess Park to honour the
late Arthur Calwell.

Victorian Jewish Day Schools Sports Association (VJDSSA)

Since the inauguration of this body through our efforts, it is gratifying to see the continual growth and participation of the Jewish Day Schools. We trust this will continue as students really enjoy the competition and their rivalry in fact brings them closer together.

Communal Centre Sub-Committee

The community centre sub-committee continues to be active in assessing the needs of the organisation and its affiliated clubs. This sub-committee continues to investigate different proposals as they are put forward. Thus far, none of the proposals considered have been accepted. The intensity has risen a notch in efforts to make further progress in finding this venue which will provide a long term meeting place for the community at large, sporting facilities for Maccabi clubs and the like, and a place to socialise.

We see the development of a community centre as being vital for the strengthening of Jewish identity and interaction within the community.

IN CONCLUSION

With all our success much still needs to be and can be done. Maccabi must still reach many more uncommitted youth and bring them to our clubs and community. We need much more involvement with the VJDSSA, and of course we still need to establish our 'Community Centre'.

Since I assumed office in the middle of this year, I have been very fortunate to have the support of a wonderful hard working and dedicated Board. Philip Sheezel - Vice President, Rodney Nissen who has filled the newly created Marketing Position, Eve Brown - Data Base Coordinator, Rita Gelbart - Social Coordinator, Fanny Abrahami - Education Coordinator, Harry Procel - MAI Councillor, Lisa Borowick - Treasurer, Karen Holloway - Secretary, Doron Gravetz - Education, and Peter Cohen (who has recently been elected Vice President of the International Hockey Federation) - Administrative Director. I thank them most sincerely for their efforts thus far.

Harry Procel and Lisa Borowick deserve a special mention for their continuing devotion to the organisation and the quantity and quality of their work, and I very much appreciate their support. Congratulations on the work you have done so far, and will continue to do in the future. I know we can continue to work together in the future to achieve our aims.

Again I wish to place on record our sincere thanks to Paul Bronstein our Executive Director of 8 years for his loyal and devoted service. We wish him and his family well in the future.

To Ian Davis thank you for all your leadership as

President for the preceding 4 years and your continued
support. You have helped the organisation to continue to
grow and we very much appreciate all of your work.

I know that both Paul and Ian will both continue to take a keen interest in our organisation and offer assistance in any way possible.

Without the continued support of our major sponsor Joseph Gutnick and Kimberley Gardens, our organisation would find it much more difficult to continue our standard of work, so we are extremely grateful for all he does for us.

I sincerely thank all of our advertisers and supporters for without their support and generosity, this publication would not be possible.

Sam Parasol

President

Victoria Maccabi

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S

Report

1996 HAS BEEN AYEAR OF CHANGE FOR VICTORIA MACCABI, NOT THE LEAST BECAUSE OF THE APPOINTMENT OF MYSELF AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR **FOLLOWING THE RETIREMENT** OF PAUL BRONSTEIN.



Paul is still ready and willing to provide assistance when needed and I thank him for that. Parts of this report have come from Paul's report to the Annual General Meeting last May.

Victoria Maccabi also has a new President in Sam Parasol and a new Vice President in Phil Sheezel, as well as other new Board members: Rod Nissen, Peter Cohen, Karen Holloway, Rita Gelbart and Doron Gravetz.

OFFICE

We are slowly but surely upgrading the equipment and the appearance of the office to make it more professional

and efficient. Edna Silver, the office secretary, is now working full time and I thank her for all her hard work and dedication. Unfortunately, as a result of Edna's longer hours, we had to let Les Jason go after 5 years of service. We thank Les for all his hard work and wish him well for

The Maccabi Office is always available for club meetings and the staff and office equipment are here to assist the clubs administratively when needed. I look forward to seeing the clubs making greater use of these facilities.

CORPORATE PLAN

Victoria Maccabi, in partnership with its clubs, has started work on a Corporate Plan which will take it into the next century. It is very important that this plan be developed in partnership with the clubs. This way the clubs will have ownership of Victoria Maccabi, as Victoria Maccabi will be going in the directions the clubs wish.

At a meeting attended by over 50 people, made up of representatives of the clubs, Board members, Life members and Past Presidents of Victoria Maccabi, MAI President Tom Goldman, who came down from Sydney specifically and others with a history of involvement, and facilitated by professional management consultant Russell Jaffe, various goals and objectives for Victoria Maccabi were agreed upon. The meeting also agreed on a Mission Statement for Victoria Maccabi, which reads; "Bringing the Jewish Community together through sport, recreation and cultural activities".

The next step is for the Strategic Planning Sub Committee, consisting of Sam Parasol, Phil Sheezel, Peter Cohen, Rod Nissen, Eve Brown and myself, to devise a set of strategies for achieving these goals. We will then go back to the clubs to discuss and ratify the strategies.

We will therefore have, at the end of this process, a Corporate Plan consisting of a set of goals and objectives for Victoria Maccabi to pursue and a set of strategies for achieving them. The Corporate Plan will have been formulated by the Board and the clubs in partnership. It will take Victoria Maccabi into the next Century with the support of the clubs.

THE DAVID MANDIE PAVILION

One of the highlights of this year was the opening of the David Mandie Pavilion, which contains the David Merkel Social Club, at the Gary Smorgon Oval in Albert Park. This magnificent facility is currently the home of the AJAX Football Club and the Maccabi AJAX Cricket Club, and the high standard of this facility is testimony to the Football Club's ability to get things done, for which they are to be congratulated. The Football Club, in partnership with Victoria Maccabi, have arranged to hire out the Social Club for club functions or social functions and it is ideal for any functions catering for up to 150 people, or seating 80 to 90. It features extensive kitchen and bar facilities and a grand view of the park. Bookings for the David Mandie pavilion may be made through the Victoria Maccabi office.

FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION

This year's Footy Tipping Competition went right down to the wire, largely due to the predictably poor performance by Fitzroy. At the end of the home and away season, there were still eleven people left with double chances and 25 with a single chance. A process of elimination through the final series left seven people with the double chance and 14 with one life.

The competition initially involved contestants picking one winner from each round of the season at the start of the season. Contestants could pay an extra entry fee for a double chance. If the team chosen lost, that contestant lost one life.

The large numbers left at the Grand Final meant that each contestant had to pick the winner and the final

margin, those with double lives having two chances. No one picked the exact result, North Melbourne by 43 points, but Andrew Pondard and Bernie Gold shared first and second prize, both missing by one point. An unlucky Sam Schwartz was within two points of the final margin but had to settle for third place, while Mike Aronson and Jonathan Bogatin, who were both off by a mere three points, missed out altogether.

COMMUNITY CENTRE

At the recent Corporate Planning Meeting, the topic that came up the most often was the need for a Community Centre. Activity on this front has increased in recent months and there are different proposals currently being considered, including a further development of the David Mandie pavilion.

NEW INITIATIVES FOR 1997

Thanks largely to a sponsorship deal with Optus World Elsternwick and Optus Vision, for which most of the credit must go to Lisa Borowick and Harry Procel, we will be launching a membership card and a newsletter for all members early next year. The newsletter will be published quarterly and will feature news about the clubs and their activities. The membership card will double as a discount card, entitling members of Victoria Maccabi to discounts at Optus World and other businesses.

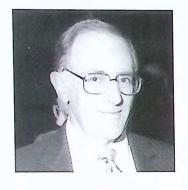
CONCLUSION

I have only recently commenced working at Victoria Maccabi and I have found the job to be very interesting and challenging. President Sam Parasol and the Board and in particular Harry Procel and Lisa Borowick have been great to work with and I thank them for their support. Next year promises to be a very exciting one and will hopefully be Victoria Maccabi's biggest and best ever.

I am looking forward to working with the clubs and the Board and the wider community to see Victoria Maccabi realise its full potential.

FROMTHE JEWISH

ommunity COUNCIL OF VICTORIA



MESSAGE FROM MR GEOFFREY GREEN, THE PRESIDENT OF THE JEWISH COMMUNITY COUNCIL OF VICTORIA

On behalf of the Executive, professional staff and members of the Jewish Community Council of Victoria, together with our constituent organisations, I extend my congratulations to Victoria Maccabi on the occasion of their 1996 Year book and Business Directory.

The JCCV appreciates the contribution of Victoria Maccabi which plays such a vital role in the important area of Jewish sport in this state.

Victoria Maccabi, through all its sporting clubs and carnivals, serves as one of the major organisations in

maintaining a strong Jewish identity through its work with members of the Jewish community involved with sport.

I take this opportunity to congratulate the President, Mr Sam Parasol, his Executive and professional staff who must take the credit for the success of Victoria Maccabi. I also congratulate the administrators, officials and participants who are involved with Maccabi throughout the year in the organisation of Jewish sport.

The JCCV is proud and honoured to have Victoria Maccabi as one of their constituent organisations. I wish them continued success in the coming year and I look forward to working closely with Victoria Maccabi in the future.

Best wishes, Geoffrey Green, President

FROMTHE

State Zionist



COUNCIL OF VICTORIA MESSAGE FROM MR TOM BORSKY, PRESIDENT OF THE STATE ZIONIST

COUNCIL OF VICTORIA On behalf of the State Zionist Council of Victoria, it gives

me great pleasure to congratulate Victoria Maccabi on another year of outstanding activity in our community.

Over the years, Victoria Maccabi has grown to be not only a Jewish sporting organisation, but also an organisation concerned with the direction of our community and the "Jewishness" of its youth.

Under the former leadership of Ian Davis and current President, Sam Parasol, Victoria Maccabi has continued to strengthen its numerous successful sporting groups, along with its resolve to find a community centre. The State Zionist Council is committed to working closely with Maccabi in this endeavour.

In the year ahead, towards the Maccabiah Games in July 1997, which co-incide with the 100th anniversary of Zionism, we extend to the leadership of Maccabi and its members Hatzlacha in all its endeavours.

Tom Borsky, President

MAI COUNCILLOR'S

Report

1996 HAS BEEN A YEAR OF CONSOLIDATION FOR VICTORIA MACCABI.

The 63rd Senior Carnival in Surfers Paradise attracted 200 competitors and supporters from Victoria. Sam Parasol performed the task of team manager for the fourth time with his usual efficiency and was ably assisted by the youthful management team of Lisa Borowick, Julian Isaacs, Tony Aarons and David Parasol.



At the MAI Conference following the Carnival, we were very fortunate to have our major sponsor Rabbi Joseph Gutnick attend and speak. He and his wife Stera were also Maccabi Queensland's guests at the Closing Ceremony.

The 14th Junior Carnival held in Melbourne in January 1996 was a great success under the management of Alan Silver who was ably assisted by Mark Klapish, Rene Silbermann, Edna Silver and a hard working organising committee. The Victorian team was managed by Michael Sput for the first time and he showed great enthusiasm for the task. Michael was ably assisted by Carmella Rauchberger, Stephen Raitman, Adam Jacobs and a youthful team of assistants and section managers.

In February Victoria Maccabi together with the Maccabiah Organising Committee hosted South African Jewish Rugby Union star Joel Stransky at a Sportspersons night attended by over 200 guests at Lincoln Receptions. Sporting stars Bill Lawry and Tim Watson were other speakers who helped make this an outstanding evening.

In May our delegates attended Maccabi World Union and International Maccabiah Conferences in Israel. This was followed shortly after by the Victoria Maccabi Annual General Meeting which was attended by MAI President Tom Goldman from Sydney. Sam Parasol was honoured by the organisation with life membership and was elected as the new President.

The Executive included some new faces including
Philip Sheezel as Vice President, Rod Nissen as Marketing
Director and Peter Cohen, who was recently elected as a
Vice President of the International Hockey Federation, as
Administrative Director.

A major highlight this year was the opening of our new football/cricket complex. The David Mandie Pavilion at the Gary Smorgon Oval is a major asset for the whole Jewish community, particularly the sporting community.

During June our Executive Director Paul Bronstein who had been with the organisation for 8 years retired from the position. Paul had been our first Executive Director and had put his heart and soul into the job, which greatly assisted Victoria Maccabi in becoming a leading communal organisation.

MORE FROM MAI COUNCILLOR

Following an exhaustive process we appointed our new Executive Director Jamie Hyams in September. Jamie, who is a qualified solicitor, has been an active member of our cricket and indoor sports clubs for 4 years as well as being a past President of MonJSS.

Maccabi continues to improve its profile within the Melbourne Jewish Community largely through the work of Sam Parasol. Sam has been an executive member of the JCCV holding the position of Chairman of Youth and Sport. The JCCV has formed a Community Planning Board which has given Victoria Maccabi the role of finding and establishing a community centre.

Through the work of Sam Parasol and Harry Procel Victoria Maccabi has been able to continue to receive its outstanding job in particular in the area of sponsorship with companies such as Optus Vision, Optus World and Deloittes becoming involved for the first time.

The Senior Carnival patron is David Mandie OBE JP FAIM who continues an involvement which stretches back to the 1930s. David will also be the patron of the Australian team to the 1997 Maccabiah Games in Israel.

The Victorian team for the Melbourne Carnival is being managed by Maccabi stalwart David Alperstein for the first time. David is being ably supported by Tony Aarons, Dioni Butt, Ellana Skurnik, Rebecca Levin, Harry Marget, David Parasol and Mike Aronson. David expects to have a Victorian team of approximately 280; a fantastic effort. Once again, we are very grateful to Yossi Baker and

Sfida for continuing to support the team with a generous sponsorship package.

Our Junior Carnival team for the Perth
Carnival is being managed by Michael Sput for
the second time. Michael is being ably assisted
by Mark Klapish, Stephen Raitman, Amanda
Powell and Adam Jacobs. Michael will be taking
approximately 100 juniors to Perth to
experience the time of their lives.

I am pleased that MAI is continuing its
policy of Youth Leadership Seminars following
the Carnival. The Seminar will be conducted at
Kimberley Gardens and Victoria will be well
represented by eleven youthful administrators.
The highlight of the seminar will be the
participation of Eyal Tiberger the Executive

Director of Maccabi World Union who will be visiting a Melbourne Carnival for the second time.

I commend Victoria Maccabi for their efforts during
1996 and look forward to representing Victoria Maccabi at
MAI level again in 1997.

Harry Procel

MAI Councillor

PAUL BRONSTEIN, SHMUEL BLOCK, SAM PARASOL, IAN DAVIS AND HARRY PROCEL AT THE OPENING OF THE



major sponsorship from Joseph Gutnick of Kimberley Gardens. This sponsorship includes the Melbourne Senior Carnival, the State Body and the 1997 Maccabiah Games team. The total value of the package is in excess of \$250,000 which is a major breakthrough for the organisation.

The Senior Carnival Organising Committee has functioned as a cohesive unit under Lisa Borowick who is the youngest ever Senior Carnival Manager in 72 years of carnival history. Lisa and her committee have done an

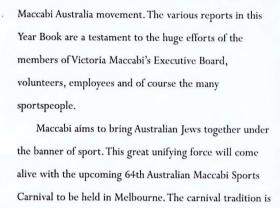
MESSAGE FROM

MAI President

TOM GOLDMAN

Victoria Maccabi continues to be a major player in the

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a major part of the Australian Jewish community's agenda and it is this event which serves as an example of the

tireless work of the many Maccabi volunteers. To all of you

As we look towards Israel for the 15th Maccabiah

Games to be held in July, 1997, I congratulate Victoria

Maccabi on a successful year and we look forward to seeing

Maccabi continue its work to strengthen Jewish identity

and our link with Israel through its many sporting, cultural

and social events.

I say a big thank you.

With Maccabi Greetings,

Tom Goldman

President



Victoria Maccabi, together with the other state

Maccabi bodies, offers a wide range of sporting activities,
catering to Jewish sportspeople of all ages. It is these
activities which make Maccabi the largest and most broadbased Jewish organisation in Australia - something of which
to be very proud.

MESSAGE FROM OUR

Major Sponsor

ON BEHALF OF KIMBERLEY
GARDENS, IT GIVES ME A
GREAT DEAL OF PLEASURE TO
CONGRATULATE VICTORIA
MACCABI ON THE PUBLICATION
OF ITS 1996 YEAR BOOK.

In the 1990s our youth face increasing difficulty maintaining Jewish identity and pride, especially after the formative school years. In sports orientated Melbourne, it is crucial to combat the forces of assimilation by promoting and encouraging Jewish sports clubs.

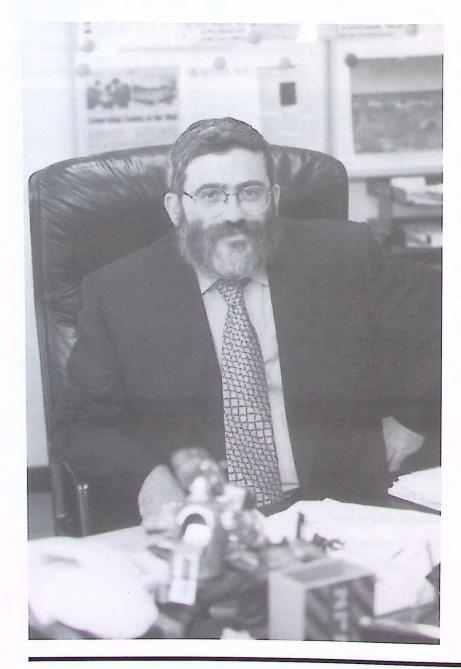
I am proud to be the major sponsor of Victoria

Maccabi, an organisation that continues to play an
important and enriching role in the life of our community
by creating an atmosphere of Jewish unity and pride
amongst old and young.

As we approach the festival of Chanukah, during which we kindle an additional candle every night, I would like to take this opportunity to wish the "Maccabis" much success in their vital work, and like the Chanukah lights, may you grow from strength to strength in illuminating and inspiring Jewish hearts around Australia.

Wishing you all much success.

Joseph Gutnick



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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WITH PHIL OPAS QC AT AGM

fter a period of nomadic existence, the club has finally settled into its new home at Duncan McKinnon Reserve.

The new synthetic track, training facilities and the club rooms are the equal of any other athletic club's facilities, and the advantages of training and competing at the same venue should hopefully become obvious throughout the coming seasons.

the 200m (21.8sec), the 110m hurdles (15.8sec) and the 400 metres (49.4sec). Gary was also a member of the winning 4×100 m relay team.

The 'E' Grade team which consists mostly of veteran athletes also finished third in the finals.

Our youngest team, the Under 14s, (made up of Under 13 and younger) were competitive all day and finished third in their finals against a much older and stronger competition. Their performances are a credit to

justify the emphasis which the club has placed on recruiting and training the most junior members.

Thanks to the coaching and guidance of our coach, Erroll Hart, there has been a consistent and noticeable improvement in their performances.

In the Women's 'C'

In the Women's 'C'
Grade competition our
small team was

these youngsters and

competitive all year and finished a creditable second.

The Plate Competition in its second year provided variety to the athletic season. Learning from the experience of the previous year, we had great fun and the team made the finals at Olympic Park, where we finished third in our division.

The Ajax-Maccabi B Grade senior men's 4 x 100 relay team finished fourth in the final of the Victorian Relay Championships. It was an impressive performance, as the other teams were from A Grade clubs. The team, Gary Brown, Simeon Novytarger, Jonathan Pianko and Darren



In the interclub competition, our top team ('B' Grade) won many titanic struggles against some top clubs. The team made the venue finals and finished third which was very creditable considering the absence of some of our star athletes on the day of the finals.

The B Grade finals saw, arguably, the best individual interclub performance by a senior athlete in the history of the club. Former World Junior Track and Field finalist, 21 year old Gary Brown, competed in, and won, five track events. In addition he came second in the javelin (45.20m) and third in the shot put. Gary won the 100m (10.7sec),



GARRY BROWN RECEIVING AN AWARD FROM ALAN PREISS

JUNIOR AWARD WINNERS 1995/96



Rutko, ran 43.35 seconds in the heats and bettered that to record 43.05 seconds in the final.

The Under 16 4 x 100 team of Yotti Kinglsey, Sean Harris, Daniel Mrocki and Jonathan Novytarger came fifth in their final, while the Under 14 4 x 100 and 4 x 200 relay teams ran strongly.

Members of these teams were Adam Bogatin, Ben Jaffe, Grant Lewis, Daniel Novytarger, Gabe Warren and Daniel Zalcberg. Well done to all the relay teams!

Jewish athletes
excelled at the Caulfield
Fun Run, which
incorporated the Chanukah
Fun Run. More than 50
Jewish athletes competed
in the run around

Caulfield Park as part of the City of Glen Eira Festival.

Young Simone Sternson was the overall winner of the women's 10k event (37min 43sec). Triathlete Gary

Newstadt won the men's over 40 event and came second overall in the men's 10k.

Gary Malinek, who returned from racing in Europe, won the 3.5k men's open (11min 33 sec) and junior Kelly Dunn, the women's 3.5k.

The forthcoming season promises to be an exciting one with the Carnival in Melbourne and the Maccabi Games in Israel next year. These two events are sure to spark a



PHIL OPAS QC WITH MEDAL WINNERS FOR 1995/96 SEASON

revived interest in athletics. Membership numbers are increasing and we hope this trend continues.

We look forward to a successful 1996 -7 season with some major improvements expected from our junior athletes in particular.

LIFE MEMBERS

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JUNIOR GIRLS LIAISON

Steve Nowak

BEGINNER CLINC

Josh Herszlikowicz

PUBLICITY

Pesa Gottlieb

he Basketball club has had a truly successful year. The club has gone from strength to strength and has a total of 333 junior members and 51 senior members, clearly making it one of the largest Maccabi clubs in Australia.

Ultimately the success of our club comes down to the combined efforts of all of the individuals that take on the commitment of making it the outstanding Club that it is today. the club. Her enthusiasm and hard work were clearly appreciated by all at the club and will be sorely missed.

Sheryl Kaufman is the new President of the Club. She has a long history with the Basketball Club which dates back some 20 years. Sheryl and her newly elected committee look forward to yet another dynamic and exciting year of basketball.

JUSTIN TEMPLEHOR



The club is in a sound The club's administration has been progressively and accountability have been achieved.

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endorsement of the

Basketball Club.

This year has seen the

position which has been maintained from previous years. streamlined with improved systems and processes. The club would like to acknowledge Mark Saltzman's efforts in this regard - it is largely through his efforts that clear reporting

IMAGE

There has been a concerted effort to raise the professional image of the club and this has been achieved in a number of ways ranging from the club's stationery and

The Basketball club relies on the efforts of many individuals. In fact in the past season we have relied on over 38 team managers and 10 committee members as well as 4 senior administrators. This is an indication of the club's strength. In particular a great deal of credit must be given to Sheryl Kaufman, Michael Sput and Rochelle Butt, all of whom have shown great dedication and worked towards seeing the club's profile raised. To this team it is a great personal satisfaction to see Jewish youth playing basketball together.

Eve Brown served as President of the club this year. She has worked tirelessly to ensure the continued growth of



THE SUNDAY A RESERVE PREMIERSHIP TEAM L/R: CHARLIE ROTSTAYN, MATHEW FISHMAN, JOSH HERSZLIKOWICZ, THOMAS HERSZLIKOWICZ, PAUL FRIDMAN, LEIGH REDLICH FRONT: ILAN RAUCHBERGER, KARL DAVID, JUSTIN TEMPLEHOF

AUSTRALIAN GIRLS
BASKETBALL TEAM WHICH
COMPETED IN ST LOUIS &
NEW JERSEY (USA)
AUGUST 1996

printed matter through to the functions held for presentation of trophies.

A highlight of this year was the presentation of life membership to Rochelle Butt. It is indeed a sign of the club's appreciation of her efforts and a tribute to her total dedication to the Basketball Club.

JUNIOR BOYS

Albert Park (Friday Night)

8 teams competed 4 making it into the finals:

- Under 12 Magic Premiers
- Under 14 Celtics Runners Up
- Under 16 B2 Suns Premiers
- Under 18 Runners Up

Junior Boys Waverley (Saturday)

15 teams competed, 10 making it to the finals and 3 going on to the grand finals. Unfortunately the final game was scheduled for Rosh Hashana and 2 of the 3 finals had to be forfeited as no other time could be arranged that was convenient for the opposition.

Under 11B Magic Runners Up

ROCHELLE BUTT WITH THE UNDER 12 MAGIC PREMIERS



Under 9A Kings forced to forfeit

Under 13A Rockets forced to forfeit

June Long Weekend

Victoria hosted the annual Reebok Shield over the June Long Weekend. Victoria took the overall shield defeating NSW in the Under 16 and Under 18 division. NSW defeated Victoria in the Under 14 division. As well as the competitions, tryouts were held between NSW, Victoria and WA for the Boys Under 16 Basketball Squad for the Maccabiah. 15 boys were named overall.

SENIOR MEN

The senior basketball program had a huge resurgence last Winter. Four senior mens teams competed, two on Wednesday nights in the MMBL competition and two on Sunday nights in the CYMS competition. All the teams reached the finals, and two won premierships.

On Wednesday nights, the teams competed in Division 2 and Divison 4. Before the commencement of the season, the Divison 2 team qualified to avoid relegation. Coached by Mike Eubanks, the team was able to recruit top players Paul Fridman and Josh and Thomas Herszlikowicz back to the club.

The team started poorly, losing its first three games, but then proceeded to win an incredible 21 games in a row, a streak which took them to the Grand Final, where they were unfortunately outclassed by Whittlesea.

Leigh Redlich had a superb season and was named MVP,



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Brown, Eve

Butt, Rochelle

Diamond, Leon

Estraich, Abe

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Hofbauer, Sue

Krause, Eric,

Neufeld, Harry

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Reznick, Gary

Rotstayn, Charlie

Rubenstein, Colin

Silver, Alan

Wester, Annette



VICTORIA MACCABI BASKETBALL

Karl David was the Most Improved, whilst Ilan Rauchberger and Justin Templehof provided consistent output. Aaron Cooper, Adam Chorowski and veteran Richard Smart all provided solid backup from the bench.

LEIGH REDLICH LONG RANGE **IUMP SHOT**

The team completed the season successfully by winning promotion to play in the competitive Division One next season.

The Division 4 team on Wednesday nights was coached by Tom Flavin, and despite some inconsistent form, were still able to progress to the first round of the playoffs, where they were defeated by Hawthorn. MVP Ben Eichler was great throughout the season, with Andrew Solewicz, Mark and Rob Landau, Gil Herzberg and Alex Becker all being solid contributors.

The Sunday night teams, competing in A Reserve and B Grade were both coached by Charlie Rotstayn, and both teams managed to take out championships. The first team (which will now compete in A Grade, the highest level possible) was guided by co-MVPs Paul Fridman and Josh Herszlikowicz. Top players Matthew Fishman and Michael Krivonos also returned to Maccabi to play in this team. The second team was lead by the clutch play of Andrew Solewicz and the solid Ben Eichler.

The senior squad made enormous gains in the last season. Next winter, it will compete at the highest level in which Maccabi has ever competed in the guidance of new head coach Charlie Rotstayn. They are providing an avenue for top junior Jewish basketballers to play at an extremely high level for a Jewish club.

JUNIOR GIRLS BASKETBALL

1996 has been a big year for the Victoria Maccabi junior girls basketball. The number of teams entered in the Tuesday night competition at the Waverley Basketball Stadium broke a new record and peaked to 13 teams for the Summer 1996/97 Season.

The unofficial partnership between Victoria Maccabi Basketball Club and Waverley Basketball Association is growing with increasking numbers of girls' teams on Tuesdsay night in all ages and divisions. On some nights Maccabi teams are on all courts.

All things considered the Under 13 Maccabi Tigers junior girls team playing in the top "A" Divison at Waverley completed a very successful Winter season. They finished runners-up to Malvern after a hard fought Grand Final.

This team, under the control of Head Coach of Junior Girls, Harry Fowler, had a great rivalry with Malvern throughout the season. They were evenly matched, with good close victories to both sides. They were the two outstanding teams in the Under 13s.

MACCABI GOLD L/R: BACK: GABY NOWAK, JENNIFER HERMAN, SYBIL LARAGY, ALENA GOLD FRONT: MARNIE ROSENBERG, EVELYN GARBATY, SUZI GRIMM, TAMMY MORRIS ABSENT: BELINDA BROWN



VICTORIA MACCABI BASKETBALL

Despite narrowly winning the second Semi Final against Malvern and advancing to the Grand Final, they found Malvern to be too big and strong in the Grand Final and the result was reversed.

The Under 13s Maccabi Tigers have a blend of height, speed and experience especially with some of the girls playing in their third Grand Final. This team should represent the Club well in future years and will provide the nucleus of a strong team as they graduate through the age groups.

The Winter Season also saw a premiership for the Under 11 Tigers, with several other teams finishing in the finals which unfortunately were held whilst a team of Under 15s and Under 17s was in America to participating

in the North American
Youth Games.
Nevertheless it was a
bonus for Victoria Maccabi
because all the girls who
represented Australia were
from Melbourne. They
were said to be the most
successful girls basketball
team from Maccabi



Under 13 Tigers Junior Girls Team

Australia to have taken part in any overseas Youth Games.

They played in two competitions and finished fourth in St
Louis. They were so impressive that the St Louis

community presented each girl with a personalised trophy.

In a second and much fiercer competition in New Jersey
they finished ninth out of 14 teams, having played their best
basketball against much taller opponents.

SENIOR WOMENS BASKETBALL

Victoria Maccabi senior women's basketball experienced a significant resurgence this year with three teams boasting 25 members between them playing competitively three nights a week.



MACCABI TIGERS
BACK ROW: JUDY NASH, DANI ROZEN, LARA WINTER
FRONT ROW: DANNI FEIL, AMANDA TEITEL, SHARON AMIRA
ABSENT: ROMY JANOVIC, REBECCA FEIL

The Maccabi Tigers who played on Tuesday nights at Waverley Basketball Stadium only missed out on the finals by percentage, which was a commendable effort considering that half the team was in Year 12.

The Maccabi Gold team played together as juniors in 1991 and this year were re-united and reachung the Grand Final where they were defeated by a superior team.

A veteran team played A Grade Reserve on Sunday nights at Albert Park. Last season they reached the Preliminary Final but being severely "undermanned" found themselves out of the running for the Grand Final.

In the Wednesday night competition, also at Albert
Park, the same Ajax team with a few extra recruits plays in
2nd Division. Last season the team was required to travel to
other teams' home grounds in places such as Eltham,
Sunbury and Sandringham. The travelling proved too
overwhelming and ultimately prevented them from
reaching the finals.

With the Summer Season under way the membership of senior womens' basketball increased. Considerable interest has come from the younger players outgrowing the junior competition, who aspire to play with the senior women, as well as others who played as juniors but quit during Year 12 and have now been drawn back to the Club.

With Senior Carnival being hosted by Melbourne this year and Maccabiah just around the corner, the Victorian women's basketball team to hopes to display their skills and take the title over the other states.

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UI7 L/R: A ROBERTS, D LEVINE, I KAPLAN, K FRANKS BACK ROW: V OTTOBRE (COACH), G MILNER, R FISCHL

he Northern Maccabi Basketball Club has expanded since its inception in April 1995. The Club began with 67 children (54 boys in 7 teams and 13 girls in 2 teams) and now in its fourth season supports some 85 boys (in 12 teams) and 35 girls (in 5 teams). Teams are entered in both the Eastern District Junior Basketball Association (EDJBA) and the Waverley Basketball Association (WBA).



PREMIERSHIP TEAMS

The last two seasons have shown that our youth can succeed in sport, with the Under 12 boys achieving the Runners Up flag in the Summer 95/96 season. In the following Winter 96 season the Under 15 boys also gained the Runners Up flag and the Under 13 boys won our inaugural premiership flag.

In the current Summer 96/97 season, competitive teams will cater for Jewish youth between 7 and 18, and provide an opportunity for children to mix socially and play competitively in the North Eastern and surrounding areas.

MANAGEMENT AND SPONSORSHIP

Many individuals have been responsible for the success of our Club. Rene Silbermann (President) and Alan Yudelman (Vice-President) head a team of 9 motivated volunteers. We thank both of them for their time and relentless effort.

Vince Ottobre is our head coach, supervising 11 other coaches in the Summer 1996/97 season. He has done a tremendous job coaching teams, supervising junior

> coaches and attending to all administrative coaching responsibilities.

The Team Managers and parents have been particularly supportive of this new Club. The Board of Management of the North Eastern Jewish War Memorial Centre are to be sincerely thanked for supporting the youth in the area and providing the venue for basketball training.

Stan and Patti Katz of the Ten High Sports Centre are also to be thanked for hosting our three previous presentation nights. Sadly this venue will not be available in the future due to the expansion of the Doncaster Jewish Day School.

Northern Maccabi unfortunately does not currently have any major sponsor, but accepts donations from individuals and businesses. They are all sincerely thanked for their contribution.

The help and support of the committee members, coaches, team managers, parents, and of course the players



WINNERS OF GRAND FINAL L/R: M COHEN, J SACKS, L MILLER, M VARDI J MANDEL A FANG BACK: R NASSIM, MR FANG, B COHEN

have made this a viable cohesive club. Hopefully this support will continue for many future seasons.

FUNDRAISING

The Club has participated in many fundraising efforts, including most recently attendance at the Tigers-Magic Basketball match at Melbourne Park in June .

Our Club had been forging excellent relationships with both the Magic and Tigers Basketball teams. This Summer season we are very fortunate to have contracted the services of the Tigers' Dave Simmons (#20) to coach

> one of our under 16 boys team. In previous seasons, we have had both Warrick Giddey and Shane Bright coach and run clinics during school holidays. These clinics have proven very popular with the youth, attracting both boys and girls from all geographic areas.

Other fundraising activities include chocolate drives, lotteries, and footy tipping competitions.

L/R: G KIRSCHON, G HAMMERSCHLAG, A LEVINE, S FAKTOR, L FAKTOR (MANAGER) R KRUPP, A WHITE (COACH)



L/R: M KIRSCHAN, L FAKTOR, D FAKTOR





THE REEBOK CHALLENGE

This event was held in Melbourne and was extremely successful. Three teams participated, and all achieved excellent results. An enjoyable weekend was had by all concerned. Thanks to all the families that billeted the NSW competitors.

SUMMARY

The committee of the Northern Maccabi Basketball Club welcomes all new players. As an upcoming promising organisation, we look forward with much enthusiasm to another successful season.

RUNNERS UP TO PREMIERS U15 L/R: I SAMUEL, A RUBIN, C BENJAMIN BACK: A ROBERTS, Y BERKOVIC, R DAVIS, B HELMAN, L SAMUELS (COACH)

MACCABI AJAX Cricket Club

lthough Joe Gutnick won't admit it, mergers are all the rage. The formation of a superclub has a certain appeal. There is something very tempting about the idea that another team's stars can suddenly be your own.

And so the Jewish cricketers got down to negotiating. In season 1995-96, the Northern Maccabi First XI smashed numerous records on its way to a Grand Final

Fast bowlers Craig Woolf and Allan Sheffield took 90 wickets between them through the course of the season. and were separated by a mere 0.02 in the averages.

The Ajax Cricket Club First XI, whilst playing a higher level of cricket, missed out on the finals, but some talented youngsters rose through the ranks. Sammy Frey captained the side for the first time and batted exceptionally. The club's most valuable player was its youngest wicket-keeper and opening batsman, Daniel Kave, while his father, Barry Kave, provided

> one of the highlights of the season when he was selected for the First XI for the first time in 15 years promptly taking 7 wickets in an innings.

> With the ball, fast bowlers David Gelbart, Matthew Aubor and Jamie Melzak all impressed, but the club's middle order batsmen failed to fire so the side narrowly missed out on a finals appearance.

Two Jewish cricket clubs - but only one city.

The division began twenty-two years ago. Northern Maccabi Cricket Club was formed, originally for cricketers in the Northern suburbs. It originally played on matting, and was Ajax Cricket Club's younger brother. As the years wore on, more of its players came from Caulfield and St Kilda. In season 1995-96, the club's First XI made the Grand Final and 9 of the 11 players in that side lived in either Caulfield, Malvern or Brighton.

The club itself had stagnated. The level of cricket remained the same despite 5 consecutive finals appearances.



MARK FELMAN ACKNOWLEDGES THE APPLAUSE FOR HIS CENTURY IN THE FINAL

appearance against Croydon. In a cliffhanger, and despite the heroic efforts of David Freund (63) and Mike Zemski (52), the club lost its quest for the Flag by 4 runs.

During the season its players had been awesome. In its semi-final against Mont Abert, the club batted first and rattled up a record - 4 for 409 off 80 overs. Opener Marc Felman carried his bat throughout the day, at first supporting the dynamic Howard Machlin (73) and Shawne Rubinstein (61) and then providing his own display, ending on a magnificent 161 not out - one of the club's greatest ever innings.



CRAIG WOOLF

Ultimately the club's facilities were not good enough to help it rise through the grades. It needed a boost.

Ajax, meanwhile, had the potential to expand, but needed numbers. The football club had invested in rooms and resources, and the cricket club was to have them over the summer. With the redevelopment of Albert Park came advantages - a prime sporting location and cricket facilities which are the envy of most sporting clubs in the state. But there were also disadvantages - the rising costs of running such a club and the absence of facilities during the Grand Prix.

Ajax wanted more numbers, Northern Maccabi wanted better facilities. By the end of the season, the Committees of both clubs had concluded that there should be one Jewish cricket club in Victoria. In June they put the proposal to the club members and the vote was unanimous -both clubs would be wound up and a new entity would be formed - the Maccabi-Ajax Cricket club.

The club quickly elected its first Committee. Ex

President of Ajax, Ray Montag, became President of

Maccabi-Ajax. Ex Secretary of Northern Maccabi, Richard

Lustig, became Secretary. Jamie Hyams made a cameo

appearance as Vice-President until he became Executive

Director of Victoria Maccabi and had to resign for reasons of

BARRY KAVE





MICHAEL ZEMSKI

conflict of interest, and Jeff Kagan was elected as Treasurer.

Others in the club's inaugural Committee are Barry
Kave, Simeon Goldenberg, Justin Lipton, Shawne
Rubinstein, Simon Feldman, Joel Rembach, Matthew Aubor
and Justin Castelan.

In 1996-97 the club will field 6 Senior XIs on Saturdays, in the VTCA and ESCA competitions and 4 Junior XIs: U16, two in U14 and one in U12.

This year Maccabi Ajax will be looking at those who excelled in both clubs to drive the First XI to its first finals appearance in its first season. Captain of the First XI will be Mark Fine, captain of the second XI (and coach of the club) will be Mike Zemski. With 12 teams of all ages the club itself will be one of the biggest Jewish sporting clubs in the State. With Albert Park as its home base it will also be one of the best resourced.

All that remains is the \$6 million incentive and those priority draft picks promised by the AFL. Then all will be complete.

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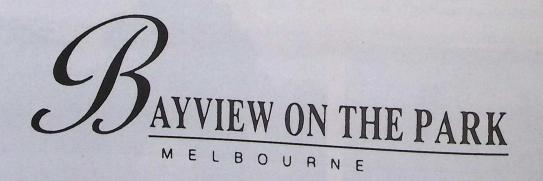
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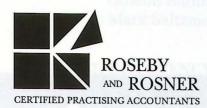
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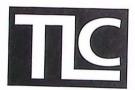
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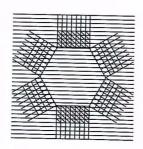
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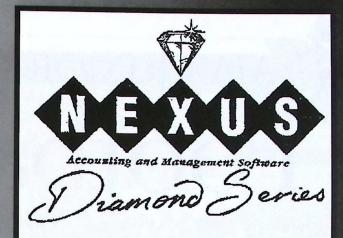
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Football clubing

he 1996 season was the club's 25th year and I am pleased to say that it is in my view still at the forefront of providing Jewish children the opportunity to play football in a healthy environment. The fun the kids have and the friendships they make certainly make the hard work behind the scenes worthwhile.

It is interesting that the AFL celebrated its centenary in 1996 and no doubt success for clubs playing in that elite competitive. We are continually questioned on our policy of giving all players fair time on the ground, and making sure all players get the chance to play in many different position on the ground.

We have been asked to field "A" and "B" sides rather than use our existing policy of picking teams by age and year at school. As president of the club, I and my committee are more convinced than ever that what we are trying to do is right. To stand by and see a "team" win

Ajax U12 Grand Final Dale Measey (L), Jarrod Raleigh (Captain)

competition is measured by the number of premierships won.

In my 20 year involvement with junior football, I have seen many junior clubs with seemingly the same view as the AFL. Their success has been measured in victories, the number of finals won or by playing the elite boys at the expense of allowing all children who wish to participate do so. They have sent players away as they were seen to be not good enough. Today many of these clubs no longer exist, or if they do, they exist on a much smaller scale.

I raise this issue now as there appears to be a growing view held by many parents that our club should be more a game at all costs
with some boys on the
interchange for most
of the game, not seeming
to be part of the team,
cannot be condoned.
Winning is not everything.

Junior sport should focus on effort rather than outcome. The players should be participating for the fun, fitness and friendship the game creates. Ours is a "team game".

This is not to say we promote mediocrity. David Parkin says "success at the junior level should mean you are better tomorrow than you were today". If we as a club can improve the players individually then whatever success comes out of that should be considered a bonus. To this end the club is continually implementing programmes to ensure we have the best coaches available at our disposal to improve the players' skills. Ex AFL footballer Glen Coleman took on the role of skills coach and many senior Ajax footballers gave up their Wednesday nights to assist at training.

In 1995 we started a Vic Kick Clinic and this year the clinic (now Aus Kick) doubled in size to over 80 children who are currently 6-8 years of age. Parental involvement at this level is critical and the number of parents who came forward was fantastic. The Under 9s and Under 10s again played in a modified rules competition where the emphasis is on learning the skills of the game in a non competitive environment. Eight sides from Under 11 to Under 15 played in the MSJFL with five of these teams competing in the finals series. The Under 14s and Under 15s both played in the first semi final, the Under 11 Comets and Under 13 Comets played in a preliminary final and Under 12 Comets were gallant in defeat in the Grand Final.

Congratulations to all coaches, assistants, team managers and parents for their contribution. I am sure all those who participated enjoyed their involvement and enjoyed seeing the boys improve as the season progressed.

Many players from our club represented the league at a higher level, Gabriel Dukes and Darren Sutton this year played for the Prahran Dragons Under 18 after finishing their junior football with us in the under 15s in 1995. Both boys performed creditably and should improve further with age. Jeremy Dukes, Simon Gutman, Brett Lewis and Joel Sloane all represented the Prahran Dragons in the Under 15 Schoolboy championships in April, and all the boys were given the opportunity to play in different positions throughout the carnival. Even at this level of competition the boys were told not to be concerned at the outcomes of the matches but to try to improve their skills by training and playing with other boys from their zone.

Elliot Raleigh (Under 15) and Daniel Norich, Dean
Ramler and Jason Ritterman (all Under 14) represented
our club in the MSJFL interleague matches against the
visiting South Australian team and Joel Sloane was selected



to play in the Under 14 VMFL Quit Championships. All the boys represented the club with distinction, and I congratulate them on their fine achievements.

Ari Lewski (Under 13 Comets) had another outstanding season and took out the league Best and Fairest in his division and the Graeme LeBransky Club Champion award.

Congratulations to all players who reached personal milestones. I look forward to seeing you all next season.

A club of our size could not survive without a committed group of people to assist on the committee. The executive took on the challenge of ensuring that we were able to provide an environment in which the players were able to participate and develop to the best of their ability. Special thanks to Rodney Nissen, Bill Lewski and Alan Wein (Under 9 Coach) who were able to secure major sponsorships from Talbot Birner Morley Real Estate and Optus Vision and associate sponsorships from Rebel Sports and MBF Health Insurance.

Our membership fees cover only 65% of our budget and without the generous support from our sponsors and the contribution of the members of the Junior Jackas we could not survive. Hopefully this assistance will continue in the future. Finally I would like to appeal to all parents to be supportive, encouraging and enthusiastic. If you have encouraged your child to play then your involvement should be as positive as possible.

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1996 IN REVIEW

1996 was a memorable year for the Ajax Amateur Football Club. The Club now in its 40th year, moved into its magnificent new facility at Albert Park and a new era for the Club commenced.

After 24 years at Oval 2 Albert Park, the Club was forced to move at the end of 1994 and on April 14th 1996 the David Mandie Pavilion, David Merkel Social Rooms and Gary Smorgon Oval were officially opened by the Hon Melbourne's heavy rains in March and April. The Jackers lost 2 of their 3 opening games, but strung together an impressive 7 straight wins, and at the halfway mark of the season held down second position on the C Grade VAFA ladder.

A bad run of injuries mid season, combined with heavy rains, saw Ajax's form slump badly, with the team losing 6 of its last 8 matches. Ajax's only 3 wins in the second half of the season were on the Club's new ground where

supporters flocked in their hundreds.

The Club finished fourth on the ladder, and lost its first semi final match to St Kilda South Caulfield who eventually went on to play in the C Grade Grand Final. Ajax's Andrew Kalinski topped the C Grade goalkickers with 85 goals, whilst Phillip Goldberg won the Club's Best and Fairest



JASON FELDMAN (KICKING) WITH JOSHE HOPPE (3) IN THE FOREGROUND

Mark Birrell MLC, before a large gathering of members and supporters.

The 1996 season opened with Ernie Cherny as

President, together with a strong hard working Committee.

The Club appointed Rodd Morgan (ex Springvale VFA) as
its new coach, and was delighted to see the return of

Martin Halphen to the Club as its captain and assistant
coach.

The season opened with Ajax forced to play its early home games at Fawkner Park as the Gary Smorgon Oval was below standard and behind on preparation due to player award at the Club's highly successful Annual Dinner in September. The Club's Reserves team had a great season under new coach Anthony Bursztyn, winning both the first Semi and Preliminary finals. Unfortunately the side lost the Premiership to Marcellin in a low scoring Grand Final. The Club again faced the disappointment of another Grand Final loss (its 8th in 7 years).

Ashley Krongold won the Reserves Best and Fairest Award, a truly great achievement for a player overlooked in the 1995 finals series.



L/R:
MIKE ZEMSKI (COACH U19), ERNIE CHERNY (PRESIDENT),
RODD MORGAN (SENIOR COACH), MARTY HALPHEN (ASSISTANT
COACH & CAPTAIN), DAVID RANKIN (CHAIRMAN OF SELECTORS)

AJAX V THOMASTOWN
ANDREW KALINSKI MARKS



The Ajax Under 19's, under the capable coaching of Michael Zemski, found the section one competition a tough task, competing each week against the strongest A Grade Amateur Clubs. Nevertheless, the injury hit side showed great determination and courage, winning four games and performing well in many others. Adam Burman was clearly the side's Best and Fairest award winner.

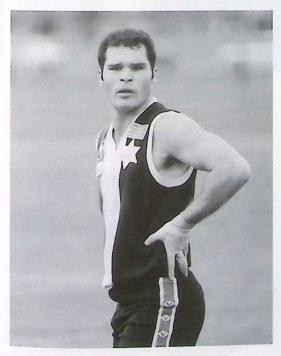
The outgoing Committee, realising the importance of early planning for the 1997 season, appointed Phillip Aarons, a past Premiership player, as its new coach for 1997, with Henry Ritterman, a former Club Champion, as its new Under 19s coach.

Realising its commitment to Jewish sport in Melbourne

the Club held talks with several Maccabi Clubs with a view to sharing its new Club facilities at Albert Park, and to create a meeting place for Melbourne's Jewish Youth.

John Rockman, a long serving and dedicated Committee member, was made an Honorary Life Member at the Club's 40th Annual General Meeting in November.

BEST & FAIREST WINNER, PHIL GOLDBERG



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Cranbourne Golf Club, South Gippsland Highway, Cranbourne

> L/R: Daniel Ackerman, Andrew lasky, Barney Peters, Oren Yearot

n 1996 the Maccabi Golf Club celebrated the most successful year in its 23 year, history boosted by a record 120 members and five very successful tournaments.

The club proudly welcomed Harris Wood Toyota
(Camberwell) as its major sponsor. The business has naming
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(148) won his first Harris Wood Toyota Victorian Jewish
Golf Championship over 34 holes (reduced by vandalism) a
Cranbourne Golf Club. Andrew Maizels 69, 79 (148)
finished in second place and Oren Year 69, 81 (150) was
two shots back in third place.

Leigh Adler, 14, played superb golf to win the handical event scoring 40 points from Kane Siegel on 38 points. The tournament was an outstanding success and all 85 golfers had a great time testing their golf skills and enjoying the

luxuries of the tournament.

Nita Kino won her third women's title scoring 93 from Betty Marks, 97, and Linda Chojna, 99, while Jenny Levin won the handicap event scoring 37 points, boosted by her birdie two on the third hole for five points.

The inaugural Harris
Wood Toyota Murray River
Jewish Golf Championship

at Cobram Barooga was easily won by Robert Brzozek (10) firing 40, 37 (77) five shots clear of Jack Silberscher (23) 39, 33 (72). Jeremy Shapiro (8) and John Gomo (19) tied for third place on 70. The weekend was a huge success and all 27 golfers were treated to a great golf course and brilliant weather. The Saturday night entertainment was first class, with an entertainer from Albury putting on a grand show.

John Bialylew took out his first Jewish Golf "Major" when he took out the second Interstate Golf Challenge at Joondalup and The Vines, Western Australia. Bialylew, 72



Oren Yearot bid farewell to the Eli Peters Junior Jewish Golf Championship at Cranbourne by notching up his third title, playing very ordinary golf by his own standards. Yearot, 85 had four shots to spare from Daniel Ackerman, 89, and tied for third on 90 were Leigh Adler and Kane Siegel.

Yearot also won the title in 1990 (79) and in 1985 when he equalled the tournament record of 75, and he now sits second on the all time winner list behind Luke Aarons who won five titles, including four in a row (1989, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994).

In a sudden death playoff, Daniel Ackerman 71, 77



L/R: Josh Pask, David Hershan, Anthony Aisenberg, Anton Bialylew, Leo Rekdale

L/R: Paul Bronstein, Dean Weinman, Adam Norich, Eli Friedman

(38, 34) won by four shots from Sam Gance, 68 (36, 32) and Lou Stuk, 68 (31, 37).

Some of the highlights were the eagle of John Gomo, Selwyn Auster, John Bialylew and Lou Stuk in their ambrose victory, the emergence of a "licensed" bookmaker and David Payes' culinary skills. Entertainment Director Michael Czarny and his assistant Jack Silberscher did a magnificent job and treated the golfers to many laughs. Venues such as Coolum, Laguna Quays, New Zealand, Sydney and Sanctuary Cove are possibilities for the 1997 event.

A Maccabi Golf Day was held at The Dunes, Rye which

LIFE MEMBERS

Jonathan Clark

Jeff Gordon

was very popular and is the first of many more to come.

A number of Maccabiah fundraising ventures were held during the year looking to assist Jonathan Clark, Luke Aarons and Oren Yearot in their bid to make the 1997 Maccabiah golf team.

Upcoming events are
the Victorian Jewish Golf
Championship (March
18), Eli Peters Junior
Jewish Golf Championship
(April 14), Interstate
Golf Challenge (May),
Murray River Jewish Golf
Championship (October)
and Maccabi Golf Day

(November).

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hould I go? Maybe I'll stay home. It's been a long day, I'm tired. Then again I do have a good time...maybe I'll go...I'll see how I feel at 8:00 pm". These are the unspoken thoughts of Maccabi Gym members as Wednesday night rolls around again. This mental tug of war usually ends with the member turning up at Caulfield Recreation Centre (Maple Street South Caulfield) around about 8:30 pm ready for a night of fun, exercise (read that as 'torture') and of course volleyball.

grin on his face, because he has spent the last week meticulously planning our 60 minutes of pleasure and pain. Will it be a 3 km jog around the park? How about jogging and sprints around the court? Perhaps a heavy duty workout on the mats? Or perhaps even all of these? Mark keeps us working. In all fairness I should add that if we are tired or sore, he does not push us, and newcomers can feel content in the knowledge that Mark only wants you to do as much as you are comfortable with.

EXIT

L/R: Moshe, Eddy, Arnold, Barry, Peter, Jack & Michael more or less in step

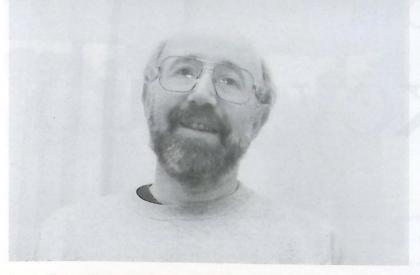
In winter months Caulfield Recreation Centre can be like a refrigerator, and in summer a sauna, but you soon become oblivious to your surroundings as the work begins. The weekly numbers can vary wildly from 4 or 5 members to 14. No matter how many show up we still manage a few games of volleyball.

So what happens on a typical night? Usually 'coach' is there waiting for us. His name is Mark Withers, but 'Terminator' or 'Drill Sergeant' are also apt descriptions. He teaches phys. ed. at Mt Scopus and is also a much in demand personal trainer. He always seems to have a devilish

Warm-ups and cooldowns are an essential
ingredient of each session,
and everyone participates
to the best of their ability.
Whether we are going
through our push-up
routines or sprints up and
down the court, Mark is
there watching and
commenting.

Those of us who have been going there for the past few years have

benefited tremendously. It's always fun, and always exhausting. After a 10 minute recovery the volleyball nets are strung up and the games begin. It is non-competitive, but the 'killer-instinct' does emerge from some of the players. When a newcomer is playing and he cannot quite serve over the net a resounding chorus of 'new boy' echoes around the court and they serve again. 'New boy' status is, however, very short-lived and lasts for about 3 serves. We usually manage 3 fast and furious games and we wrap up around 10:30 pm, tired, but feeling alive after two hours of physical activity.



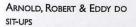
ARNOLD CHARING CLUB PRESIDENT

Over the past 12 months we have also thrown in a few social events such as a go-kart night, when all that volleyball angst was re-directed into driving fellow members off the track. We also had an indoor rock climbing night which was fun, but members felt that it should have been combined with coffee and cake.

Thanks go to members who regularly make an effort to turn up, the regular heroes such as Arnold Charing who is the Keeper of the Volleyball, Leon (Legs) Deutsch, Joel (Slammer) Gotlib, Peter (One-hand) Schmideg and Barry (Ballmeister) Zayon. Thanks also go to Coach a.k.a. Mark Withers for his support and enthusiasm.

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So, see you next Wednesday night!





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JAMIE HYAMS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR VICTORIA MACCABI, PETER RUBINSTEIN PRESIDENT & ROBBIE GORE VICE PRESIDENT IN FRONT OF AIAX'S NEW HOME GROUND AT ALBERT PARK

he AJAX Maccabi Hockey Club continued successfully through season 1996 with all three sections of the club; junior, senior and veterans, competing well in their grades. With the imminent return of a home ground at the new astroturf facilities at Albert Park, the club is looking forward to growing once again and providing more and better facilities for its members.



JUNIORS

We fielded one Under 11 team this year which pulled themselves up to win a number of games and held the top side at bay at least once during the year. The team was made up of players from last year and players new to the sport and club. It was good to see new and old players forming a cohesive and well rounded team. Currently junior hockey is fixtured on Saturdays, but with our new ground booked on Sunday mornings for our juniors, we have Association support for Sunday games. This is crucial for our plans to expand what the club can offer for junior hockey.

SENIORS

We fielded two teams in Metropolitan competition in season 1996, and we have entered three teams for 1997. Our first XI under coach Mike Same and captain Gary Beville, finished the season a game and a half clear on top and made the grand final, but were unfortunately defeated on penalty strokes when the game was still deadlocked after extra time. However, with the bulk of the team currently in a top summer hockey competition and expected to

> represent Australia at Maccabiah 1997, we hope to take the extra step to a flag next year.

The second XI had their best season in years, finishing just outside the final four and enjoying some memorable wins. The added depth of new recruits, Harley Cohen, Simon Firestone and Leon Lopata for example, was most welcome and all

played in the first XI during the season.

VETERANS

Once again the members of the Ajax Maccabi Hockey Club Veterans competed in their favourite sport. The veterans have been competing in hockey for over twenty years, most of that time for Ajax Maccabi.

The veterans competed very successfully and finished the season on top of the ladder in their division. Unfortunately they were unable to continue in this vein through the finals, and ended up losing to Springvale in

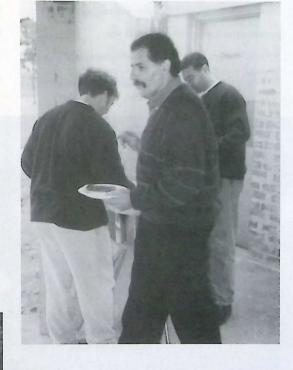


CLUB MEMBERS ENJOYING A GOOD FRESS AFTER THE RECENT AGM HELD AT THE CLUB'S NEW SYNTHETIC GROUND AT ALBERT PARK

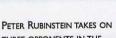
THERE WILL BE NO "SNAGS" IN THIS YEARS LEAD UP TO THE MACCABI GAMES IN ISRAEL. SAYS MIKE ARONSON TEAM MANAGER FOR THE MACCABI HOCKEY TEAM

extra time. The team was led by Ross Maver, assisted by David Bloom and consisted of Mike Aronson, Mike Balint, Peter Maver, Steven Szental, Gavin Sekler, David, Sonenberg, Phillip Same, Eric Guthrie, Michael Jacks, Mark Dreyfus, Louis Janover and Mark Saffer.

The importance of our return to Albert Park for the club's long term survival cannot be overstated. We are excited by the opportunity to expand our juniors and seniors, have somewhere to hang our pennants and honour boards and rebuild the club into one of Victoria Maccabi's leading clubs as well as a force in Victorian Hockey.



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M.Aronson

M.Balint

J.Maver

P.Maver

P.Same

* Notes deceased

Indoor Sports

CLUB ESTABLISHED 1995

for all our teams, is the best way to describe
the 1995 and 1996 seasons for our club. This
year saw 11 teams playing for the club in
indoor cricket, beach volleyball, indoor
soccer and mixed netball and some outstanding team
performances highlighted our second year

The year got off to the best possible start with Victoria winning both the mens and the mixed indoor cricket shields

the half way point of the game. Due to an indiscretion during the second pair of the NSW innings, Victoria was docked 5 runs and so was only defending 98.

The third pair steadily built up the runs and after 13 overs NSW were cruising at 80 runs needing only a further 19 runs for victory. What followed in the next three overs blew everyone away. Captain Zwart decided to give Frey the 14th over and figures of 5 for -20 turned the game Victoria's way. This over was followed by Captain Zwart taking 4 for -

12 and Sheffield taking 3 for -13, to close out NSW to a final partnership of -37 and give Victoria a stunning victory. Final score Victoria 98, NSW 35.

Our mixed team was captained by Lara Kimmel, and included Sam Hall, Debbie Marks, Michael Rembach, Craig Woolf, Adam Zwart, David Parasol and Elana Gervai. They easily won their

competition with a big win over NSW in the final. Other club members competed in indoor soccer and beach volleyball with some positive results,

This year the club expanded from 6 teams to its present 11 teams and some great results have been recorded in all sports. Starting with indoor cricket our three teams, Peace, Love and Craig (mixed), Eight Day Chop and Merv's Men (Mens) have all had great years.

Peace, Love and Craig is currently playing in Mixed 2 and is performing well, reaching the finals in both of the last two seasons but unfortunately missing out in the "big one". The



CARNIVAL TEAM MEMBERS DEBBIE MARKS, LARA KIMMEL AND ELANA GERVAI ACKNOWLEDGING A SPONSOR

at the 63rd Senior Carnival in Surfers Paradise. The mens victory will go down as one of the greatest comebacks carnival indoor cricket has ever seen, for which the team was rewarded with the Most Outstanding Team of Carnival.

The team was superbly captained by Bill Zwart and comprised Sam Frey, Leon Jacobs, David Parasol, Shawne Rubinstein, Alan Sheffield, Craig Woolf and Adam Zwart. They went into the final against New South Wales as the overwhelming favourite and hit a competitive score of 103 with Parasol hitting 23, Jacobs 22 and A Zwart hitting 17. New South Wales got off to a very steady start and were 54 at



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RABBI JOSEPH GUNICK PRESENTING THE TROPHY TO CAPTAIN
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L/R: ADAM ZWART, BILL ZWART, RABBI JOSEPH GUTNICK,
SHAWN RUBINSTEIN, LEON JACOBS, SAM FREY, DAVID PARASOL
& ALAN SHEFFIELD

team members include Aaron Guttmann, Michael Rembach, Craig Woolf, Justin Lipton, Ron Gaspar, Lara Kimmel, Sam Hall, Debbie Marks, Nathalie Sebbag and Helena Ross.

Eight Day Chop is our Mens 1 team. This side includes captain Sam Woolf, Bill and Adam Zwart, Leon Jacobs, David Parasol, Jon Moss and others and in its first season the club was undefeated going into finals where it had a tie and was out of the finals on countback. This season the team is approaching the finals on the back of some strong performances and the preparations for our carnival defence are going well.

Merv's Men, our flagship team has finally had some onfield success. After being the bridesmaids on so many occasions the team has won back to back premierships in Mens 3 and 4 and is currently going for a hattrick of wins. The team comprising Captain David Parasol, Jamie Hyams, Ron Gaspar, David Levy, Mark Landsberg, Simeon Goldenberg, Jeremy Frederick, Jon Moss, Adam Zwart, Craig Woolf, Jacob Altman and many others who like to have a bit of fun have won two grand finals as the underdog, the most recent with only seven players.

In Beach Volleyball, the teams include Hypohemiax and Weasels (mixed) and Mako and We Could Be Worse (Mens). The Hypohemiax have arguably been our most successful team. After a slow beginning in F grade the team progressed quickly and skilfully to win the F, D & B grade trophies in consecutive seasons. Currently the team is tackling A-grade with a squad consisting of Lara Kimmel, Elana Gervai, Jeff Alford, Hilton Meltzer, Andy and Shane Gild and Sue Bilston,

WINNING TEAM FROM THE SPORTATHLON L/R: BACK: SIMON ABRAHAM, CRAIG WOOLF, NATHALIE SEBBAG, LARA KIMMEL, ANDREW ROTSTEIN FRONT: NICOLE LANGLEY, DEBBIE MARKS, MARK ALTER



with regular guest appearances from Andrew Rotstein.

Weasels and Mako were promising during the year but unfortunately both missed out on premierships, with Weasels being runners up on two occasions and Mako on one occasion. We Could be Worse's greatest problem revolved around whether they were a mens or a mixed team. They have taken on both forms during the year but are currently a mixed team. The three teams are all currently playing well and include Aaron and Susie Guttmann, Rodney and Kim Nirens, Anna Englin, Suzette Goldwasser, Craig Woolf, Hilton Meltzer, Joanne Stabey, Jacob Altman, Yael Gold,



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Soccer's two teams both made the finals during the year with Maccabi Destroyers finishing runners up on one



THE GOLD MEDAL CARNIVAL MEN'S TEAM BEING PRESENTED WITH THEIR SHIELD & MEDALS BY SAM PARASOL L/R: SAM PARASOL, ALAN SHEFFIELD, DAVID PARASOL, SAM FREY, SHAWNE RUBINSTEIN. ADAM ZWART FRONT: BILL ZWART, CRAIG WOOLF, LEON JACOBS

THE VICTORIOUS CARNIVAL MIXED INDOOR CRICKET TEAM L/R: CRAIG WOOLF, ADAM ZWART, MICHAEL REMBACH, DAVID PARASOL FRONT: SAM HALL, ELANA GERVAI, LARA KIMMEL, DEBBIE MARKS

occasion. This season both teams are in top form approaching the finals and the International Allsorts as well as the Destroyers are a big chance for finals success. As the name suggests the International Allsorts comprise many nations with Kiwis, Israelis and Russians all having a run in this team. Players from the teams include captains Jason Buch and Hilton Meltzer, Jeff Alford, Daniel Parasol, Danny House-Peters, Steven Gorenstein, Danny Berkovitch, David Stolar, Michael Sion, David Taubman, Ronnie Steiner.

Mixed netball was a welcome addition to our club during the year and with many players new to the sport and on a learning curve, success was not immediate. Both teams have

> been looked after by club secretary Helena Ross, who has done a superb job and with games on Tuesday or Thursday nights, the teams are always looking for new players.

We have run many successful social functions so far this year. Sportathlon nights were held in April and November with 8 and 10 teams respectively. A great night was had by all with competition in beach volleyball, indoor cricket, carpet bowls, the shootout and bar trivia, with the trophy donated by Sportsmart being won on both occasions by the our club. We are going to continue to run the Sportathlons every six months and they will hopefully again be in April and October. We have also had a movie night with the Volleyball club and had regular bar nights during the year and after premierships.

Other highlights for the year include the publication of the first two issues, of our club newsletter called Inside Action, fantastic looking new club uniforms from SFIDA, the soon to be released club membership cards which will enable members to receive up to 10 free drinks in the Paddock Sports Bar and many new teams and members becoming part of a great club.

Personal milestones included a national championship for our official club-centre liaison man, Sam Wolfe, who was a member of the successful Moorabin Rams team that won the National Mixed title at the Australian titles to claim the trophy for the number one mixed team in Australia. Many club members also played state league for the Moorabin Rams during the year including Paul McKenna, Adam and Bill Zwart, Leon Jacobs, Sam Wolfe, David Parasol, Simon Lang and Jon Moss, and it is hoped that this year several more club members will follow in their footsteps.

The club would like to thank Sam Wolfe and Lindsay Bull from Action Cricket Moorabin for all their support and assistance during the year and hope that our close relationship continues for many years to come.

Next year will be bigger and brighter again with many things planned and we are always looking for new members, male and female, who want to play competitively or socially. Any enquires, please call David Parasol (h) 9525-9474 or (w) 9867-5411, Lara Kimmel (h) 9557-1281, Helena Ross (h) 9527-3414.

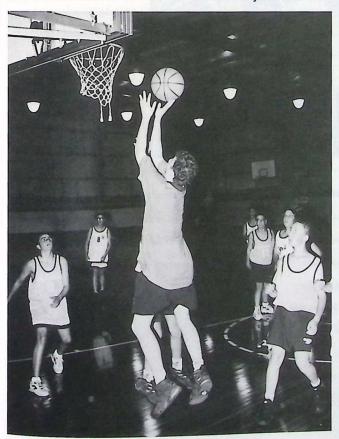


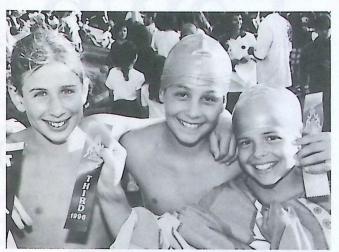
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GIDEON GELBART CLEARS THE BAR AT JUNIOR CARNIVAL



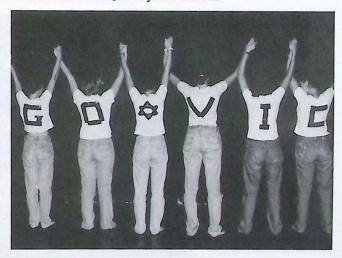
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was full of highlights including the following:

- (1) Installation of Patrons-In-Chief Gita and George Smorgon and Patron Godel Wroby (Solomon Kosher Butchers).
- (2) Inaugural Gita and George Smorgon Day, November 1995. 119 bowlers enjoyed this day, although

Harry Bader Skip Runners Up Lead Lucille Cohen Miriam Peters 2nd Sid Winston 3rd Pam Morley Skip

It is believed that next year will see the maximum number of players participating as there were 2 or 3 opposition events on the day. Members of the club owe a sincere debt of gratitude to George and Gita Smorgon for their sponsorship of

> this event. Julien Velleman (convenor) and his team, including the catering committee headed by Robin Epstein and Jacky Roth, worked diligently to see that the day was a huge success.

(3) Maccabi Carnival held at Robina (Qld). Victoria was represented by:- Les Newman (Captain) Len Sharpe (Manager) Joe Aarons, Maurie Ashkenazy, Alan Faigen, Harry

Kalinski, Herb Lobel, Dory Pekelman, Sam Roth, David Sebbag and took out the Shield. We won Gold in Fours and Pairs, and Silver in Fours and Triples. Unfortunately the Victorian Ladies missed out on competition from other States. It is hoped that the Melbourne Carnival will see the resumption of the Ladies Competition.

(4) February 1996 saw the introduction of a ballot evening for Mary-Lyn 1996 which was held at the Caulfield Park Bowling Club. Many of the skits used were re-born and 120 members and spouses laughed till their sides split. The Lawn Bowls ballot was the hit of the night.



GEORGE & GINA SMORGON

conditions were not the best. There were 3 games of 11 ends with players competing on a single entry basis. George and Gita Smorgon's specification for their day was that convenor Julien Velleman had to create a situation where everybody had an equal opportunity to win trophies. The system used was the same as that devised by Joe Aarons and Denis Horowitz for Mary-Lyn.

Trophy Winners were:

Winning Lead Eve Lourie 2nd Norma Zandle Ruben Kaufman



PRESENTATION OF LIFE MEMBERSHIP TO JOE AARONS BY IAN DAVIS

(5) Synagogue Day 1996. (Sponsored by Solomon Kosher Butchers-Godel Wroby). In very hot conditions, 184 Bowlers competed for the Shield and everybody enjoyed the day immensely. 11 Synagogues were represented and the winners were Melbourne Hebrew Congregation (Toorak), with runners-up being St. Kilda Hebrew Congregation. Once again convenor Julien Velleman and his team should be congratulated for their efforts in making this day a huge success.

(6) Israel versus Australia Maccabi Bowls held at the Armadale Bowling Club. The visiting Israeli World Cup Lawn Bowls Team comprising Sam Skudovitz(Manager), Geoff Rabkin, Leon Blum, Lawrence Mendelson, Chaim Miller and George Kaminsky played a representative Australian Team - Michael Zusman (W.A. State Player), Rodney Davies (NSW), Gary Benveniste (S.A.), Alan Faigen and Steve Leivenzon(VIC). The format was Singles and Fours in the morning and Pairs and Triples in the afternoon. A wonderful exhibition it turned out to be, watched by over 200 people. Although credit was given to Vic Maccabi and ourselves for the organisation of this fabulous day, the truth of the matter is that Joe Aarons single handedly organised the whole event. It is hoped that this will be the fore-runner of other such tournaments.

PRESENTATION OF VIC MACCABI PAIRS WINNERS, GUY BLAY & GERSCH BRICK, BY IAN DAVID



(7) Mary-Lyn 1996. 116 Attendees (96 bowlers) couldn't stop raving about their stay at Mary-Lyn this year. Montesiore Homes will benefit with the purchase of 2 kitchen appliances (1 for Ashwood, 1 for Prahran). Also the Ballarat Shul will receive \$200. The amount raised exceeded \$4,700 and when added

to our total means we have raised in excess of \$22,000 with our Mary-Lyn trips. Saturday's show as usual was of a very high standard and special mention must be made of the contribution made by Marion Pekelman (Producer) who was unable

to attend due to a previous engagement.

Bowling Competition winners were:

Winning Lead	Ruth Prince
2nd	Rosalie Silverstein
3rd	Michael Silverstein
Skip	AlecYelen
Runners Up Lead	Zara Simon
2nd	Golda Gross
3rd	Becky Goldenberg
	Mike Snider
Skip	David Sebbag
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(8) Australian Jewish News Victorian Open Men's Singles Winners 1995-1996

Winner	Don Finkelstein
Runner Up	David Seebag
Vic Maccabi, Victor	ian Open Jewish Men's Pairs
Winners	Gersh Brick (Skip)
	Guy Blay (Lead)
Runners Up	Alan Faigen (Skip)
	David Sebbag (Lead)

Once again the Ladies Singles and Pairs were cancelled due to lack of entries.

This year sees the retirement of Pat Cashmore as Secretary, although she remains a member of the committee. She has been a model Secretary and we all acknowledge her wonderful work.

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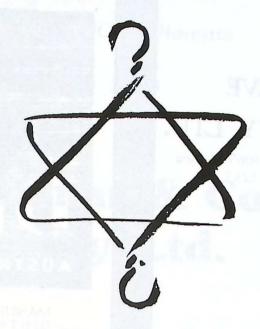
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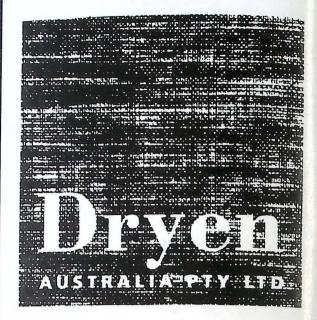


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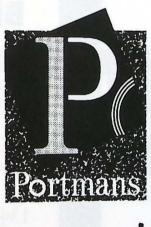
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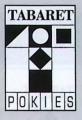


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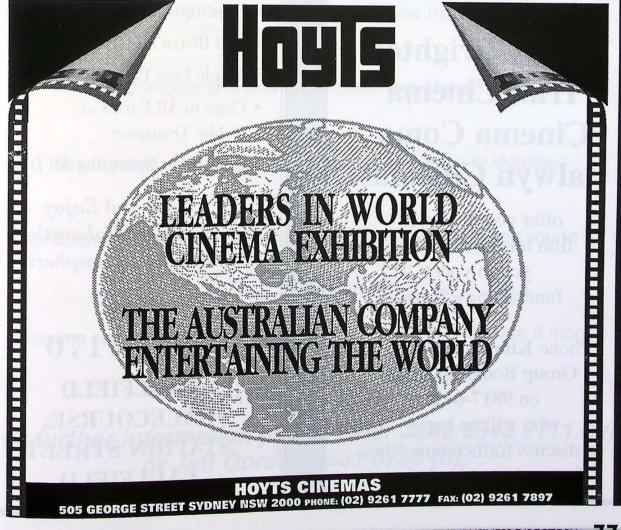
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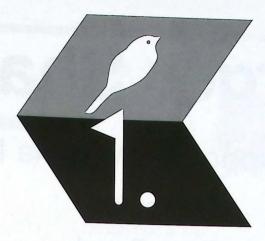
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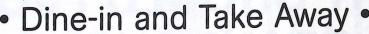
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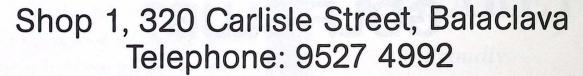
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U13 Magics Premiers SPRING 95 L/R: BACK: DAVID SPENCE (COACH), STEPHANIE HALE, SYMMIE SWIL, TRAYN SACKS, NICOLE HOUSEY, LUCY SCHNALL, MONIQUE GORDON, TALI SILBERMANN FRONT: SHANA LAZAR. DANIELLE SETZER

accabi Ajax Netball Club Inc currently has 17 Junior Teams and 4 Senior Teams (approx. 180 players). Since the amalgamation of the three

clubs, netball in Victoria has grown in strength. The aim of the club is to improve the quality of netball programs, emphasising skills development, commitment and promoting good sporting behaviour both on and off the



court. Each year in late February, a Skills Development Clinic run by experienced coaches is held for all netball players. Hopefully next year there will be two such clinics to help improve the skill levels of our girls.

Also held each year during the June Long Weekend is the Junior Mini Netball Carnival, between Victoria and New South Wales. This year it was held in Sydney and all the girls who participated had a wonderful time. Victoria was successful in bringing home the shield. It was a great effort by all the netballers and it was wonderful to see both Northern and Southern Juniors united as a Victorian netball force.

One of the biggest problems facing the club at the moment is finding enough experienced coaches for our netball girls. Despite this many of our teams reached the finals during the year, showing improvement in their skills level and the love of the game. A special thanks must go to all committee members for their hard work and commitment to the smooth running of the club.

The club is at present working towards the 15th Maccabiah Games in Israel in July 1997. The Junior Squad

> has already been named and the Victorian girls selected are Laura Silver, Kate Perlstein, Bianca Katz and Dina Rosendorf. The Open Squad will be named at Senior Carnival in Melbourne. The Victorian Open netballers nominating for selection are Nadine Judd, Toni Bernhaut, Samantha Blackstone, Danielle Steinberg,

Sharon Kagan, Michelle Stanton, Simone Richter, Becky Litwinow and Romi Grossberg.

NORTHERN SECTION (JUNIORS)

The MANC Northern Section had eight teams entered into the Doncaster & District Netball Association Winter Competition. The U14 Magic and Open B Dolphins made the Grand Final. The U16 Tigers reached the preliminary final. The Magic (average age is 11) were gallant in defeat playing against older and physically bigger opponents. The Dolphins were required to play a rematch of their

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Dioni Butt

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MACCABI LIGHTNING
(RUNNERS UP)
L/R: BACK:
NAAVA LEDERMAN,
NICKY BLASHKI, JUDY ROTH
(COACH), CLAUDIA MEREINE,
SHIFRA LEVINE, LISA PANETH,
LIAT SIFRIS
FRONT: LISA BLUMENSTEIN,
YAEL BRYCEL, RACHEL KORBL



preliminary final and being successful, after only one hour's rest were required then to play the grand final. This proved to be too much against an accomplished opposition.

The future of our section relies not only on our younger teams but also with the more senior players and the support of all parents.

Several of our juniors are playing Rep for Doncaster & District Netball Association and State League at Royal Park. These girls are Kate Perlstein, Bianca Katz, Alana Benjamin and Lauren Housey.

The coaching staff, under the direction of our head coach David Spence, have shown enthusiasm and dedication to their teams and for their efforts we thank them all.

Thank you to a hard working committee who helped in the smooth running of the competition at Templestowe.

SOUTHERN SECTION (JUNIORS)

1996 saw a small & truly dedicated committee who all worked extremely hard to get the club functioning.

It consisted of Judy Roth, Suzy Rostikier, Val Braude,
Rebecca Levin, Nikki Godlewicz, Loni Wajsman,

Marlene Lancman, Joe Horyniak, Shirley Urban, Sharona Max and Greta Wajsman.

The Southern Section fielded ten teams in both winter and spring season, consisting of 5 teams playing on Saturday at Duncan McKinnon - two U13, two U15 and one U17. The other five teams entered the competition at Oakleigh LIFE BE IN IT on Thursday afternoons - one Grade 4/5, one Grade 6 and three Year 7, 8, 9, teams.

For the winter season 4 teams made the finals, with the U17 Renegades & Lightning finishing Runners's Up in their division. Strikers finished 3rd in U13 competition and the Dragons finished 4th in U15s. At present we have ten teams entered in the Spring Competition.

There are four things that are important to a club, players, coaches, umpires and a hardworking committee. A big thank you to our hard working coaches for the outstanding job they have done. They are Romi Grossberg, Monica Riordan, Lenyss, Raff, Judy Roth, Stephanie Lewis, Rebecca Levin, Dioni Butt, Ellana Skurnik, Barb Bejer, Nettie Wester & Steve Raitman.

Maccabi girls receiving certificates and medals at Life Be In It Oakleigh Presentation LIFE MEMBERS

Isaacs Claire

Green Tess

Isaacs Sue

Adler Helen

Roth Judy

Max Debbie

Fridman Kay

Włoszczowski Angela





MORE FROM THE NETBALL CLUB

To all our girls who umpired during the season, thank you for your time and commitment. For our section to continue to grow the continued support of parents and team managers is needed to assist the administration with the smooth running of the club.



Maccabi Bullets L/R: Back: Natalie Fleischmann, Kim Dreier, Rebecca Levin (coach), Tamara Roth, Ariella Dishon Front: Lauren Mansour, Jordi Shachet, Dani Landes, Judith Schwab

SENIORS

Senior Netball has seen an exciting year leading up to Maccabiah '97. The prospect of representing Australia in Maccabiah '97 has seen an influx of strong netballers in a bid to gain selection.

Five teams competed in the winter competition and four teams in the spring.

The first team Jays have had a very successful season coached by State Player, Peta Kennedy culminating in a victory in the Grand Final.

The Jays incorporate five previous Maccabiah

MACCABI JETS
L/R: BACK: COACHES,
NETTIE WESTER, BARB BEJER
MIDDLE:
MEAGAN GOLDSMITH,
LISA ROTH, LANI SCHOCHET,
NATALIE ROTH, LAINIE BEJER
FRONT: REBECCA HUPPERT,
MICHELLE ABROMOWICH,
DANA WEIZMAN,
AMY LANDBERG,
BELINDA WESTER



representatives. The second team, Aerials, after a shaky start, have developed into a strong and competitive team coached by State U21 player, Stacey Crane. The Aerials also have a good chance of making the finals. Players in both the Jays and the Aerials will be competing for Maccabiah selection. The third team, Peppers, have experienced a difficult season, unsettled due to coaching problems. The Megastars play socially on a Tuesday Night at Templestowe, as half the team are doing VCE this year.

Girls from all the teams play together on Tuesday at

Jells Park to gain further match practice in their lead-up to

Senior Carnival. This team is doing well and is heading
towards the finals.

The seniors are looking forward to Carnival and we are all hoping for a strong Victorian representation in the Maccabiah team.



Maccabi Rippers L/R: Back: Sarah Kappel, Natalie Hymans, Tania Bruinshtein, Andy Goldberg Front: Louise Czarny, Melissa Hermon, Yardena Lankri

Maccabi Moments

OUTGOING PRESIDENT IAN DAVIS PRESENTS RETIRING EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR PAUL BRONSTEIN A GOLD PLATE IN APPRECIATION OF HIS EIGHT YEARS OF SERVICE



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MARK BIRRELL MLC OPENS THE DAVID MANDIE PAVILLION AT THE GARY SMORGON OVAL WATCHED BY CRICKET CLUB PRESIDENT RAY MONTAG, FOOTBALL CLUB PRESIDENT ERNIE CHERNY, HIS WIFE PAULETTE AND IAN DAVIS



THE TEAM FOR THE 63RD SENIOR CARNIVAL 1995/96



NORTH CAULFIELD MACCABI Unior Soccer

nother successful year for the Junior Soccer Club has concluded. This year the Club fielded 13 teams comprising three Under 7s, two Under 8s, three Under 9s, Under 10s, two Under 11s, a combined Under 12/13 and one Under 15.

One exciting aspect is that there are so many subjunior players. This is where the strength of the Club lies, and if these children can be encouraged and motivated they Gary Esterman, Cela Sapar, Boris Seroshtan and Philip Chester. They worked extremely hard during the year to ensure the smooth running of the Club and their input has been invaluable.

The Club has again benefited from the generous sponsorship of Jonathan Munz. His financial and moral support is unwavering. The success the Club has had in providing facilities and increasing its player base could not have been achieved without the his help. On behalf of the

> Club and the Committee I would like to personally express our appreciation to Jonathan.

> 1996 saw the appointment of Boris Seroshtan as the coaching supervisor. This step has proven to be a milestone for the Junior Soccer Club. In addition to employing was appointed to train the

professional coaches, Boris Under 15 side and to supervise the coaches. During the year training regimes were developed and were being implemented throughout the junior squad. These will be applied to the entire Club in

Peter Sackville who had been Treasurer for the past three years has stepped down. Peter has worked extremely hard and put in an enormous amount of time to ensure the smooth running of the Club's finances. Roby Wyner, as a result of business commitments, has also stepped down. Rob has had the major task this year of being the Maccabiah representative for the Junior Soccer Club.

1997. They will enhance skills and fitness training.



YARON PASSES DOWNFIELD FOR UNDER 9 BLUE

> will move through the ranks to create a strong and enduring soccer club.

The Club is reaping the benefits of tenancy at Caulfield Park. Not only is the location excellent but the ground has held up much better in adverse weather conditions than most other soccer fields. This has allowed training to continue uninterrupted and very little disruptions to games.

The 1996 Committee consisted of Vice Presidents Michael Lowinger and Rob Wyner, Treasurer Peter Sackville and Committee members John Landes, Bruce Esterman,



U7 JAKALS

Another milestone for the Club is that at least three of our junior players will represent Australia at the World Maccabiah Games in July next year. This is a terrific achievement for us.

The support of Victoria Maccabi has been instrumental to the Club's attainment of its goals. Victoria Maccabi makes available all of its resources and the Club is taking increasing advantage of this.

The annual general meeting was held recently. John Landes was elected President and Michael Lowinger was elected Vice President. The new committee comprises Bruce Esterman, Gary Esterman, Ramsay Sapar, Philip Chester, Steven Rosenthal, Mark Kalmus, Michael Diamond and Slav Karlik. It is encouraging to see a number of new faces on the committee. This will further strengthen the Club.

U12/13



U9 RED UNBEATEN FOR THE SEASON WON 14 DREW 3



U8 CRUSHERS



A successful end of year function was held at Caulfield Town Hall. More than 400 people attended. Presentations were made to each child and the awards were enthusiastically received. We now look forward to next year.

NORTH CAULFIELD MACCABI Soccer Club

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Max Stern

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ACCABI SOCCER IN RELEGATION DANGER. In all the proud history of Maccabi Soccer Club there has

1996 in terms of results.

After achieving excellent results in 1995, which saw the team finish as runners-up in the Provisional League third division to Wantirna, Maccabi struggled to keep their

never been a worse year than

Despite trying desperately all year to gain favourable results the club ultimately succumbed and finished last.

The club's statistics for the year were: no wins, four draws and seventeen losses. It is the first time in the Maccabi Soccer Club's twenty year history that it has finished last and failed to secure a win in a whole season.

From the very first round back in March, Maccabi quickly found out that they were in for a tough season after a 0-3 thrashing at home to a newly promoted side from the

> Victorian Amateur League, Noble Park.

In fact it took Maccabi until round five to score its first goal for the season and until round six to secure its first draw. There was an obvious lack of depth and inability to cover established senior players, and this led to the club's ultimate decline this year.

The dramatic turnaround in the club's position in twelve months is mainly due to a lack of commitment by the

players as well as an inability by the club to find new players who are capable of playing at senior soccer level. In the past the club has always been aided by the odd South African, Russian or Israeli new arrival. However in 1996 for no apparent reason, the club lost up to 15 players and gained none.



SENIOR TEAM

successful team together in 1996. No less than thirteen regular senior squad players from the previous year, in particular, A Freund, B Seroshtan, A Seroshtan, A. Harris, S Sudakov, D Bruce, A Musman, M. Gaal, G Rabinowitz, H Silver, Z Kalb, A Moshe and O. Harel, were unavailable for various reasons in 1996





VOVA MERKIN (TEAM MANAGER) WITH ANDREW ALBERT (RESERVES COACH)

Great credit must be given to Eddie Zolotarev, Clive Mazin and Max Lichtenbaum, because without them the club would have been in danger of completely falling apart. They committed themselves for the season and set the example that others must follow in order for the club to be successful again.

The question of whether or not the club will ultimately be relegated to the Victorian Amateur League will not be decided until December/January, because with many teams merging in higher leagues it appears highly likely that Maccabi can still retain its Division Three position as a result of the vacancies created in higher leagues.

Whilst the club has an excellent junior policy in place with some 16 junior teams fielded at various age levels, it is still too early for it to see any results at senior level. It is the club's major priority, however, to focus on developing junior players at both club and school levels in the hope that these players will eventually come through and provide the next generation of senior players.

The club basically is in a transition phase at the moment with many older senior players on the verge of FIMA GULKO AND JONATHAN MUNZ



retirement, and the junior players not quite ready to come in and fill the positions.

There is also the problem of the players in their late teens and early twenties who are simply not showing enough commitment and intensity in order to get the club winning results. Times have definitely changed in amateur sport and players are not as prepared nowadays to sacrifice themselves for the club as they were in the past.

The future of Maccabi lies with the next generation of players that will emerge from the junior ranks. Hopefully they will make the club greater than it has ever been if they are brought up better both in technique and attitude from a very young age.

The current situation is, however, very disappointing for the hard-working and generous committee members and coaching staff who find themselves in a hopeless position due to the lack of commitment shown by most players.

It is the club's ambition, however, to provide the juniors with the very best coaching and club environment possible, with a view to seeing a dramatic improvement at the senior level within the next five to seven years.

1996 is best forgotten in the context of Maccabi

Soccer club's many glorious and successful past years. The
club now has no choice but to aim to lay the foundations
for a more successful year in 1997 and beyond.



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level and record level of membership being
on the club agenda.

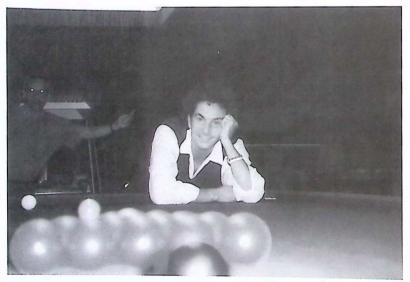
The Maccabi Snooker Club in 1996 had a record membership of 92 with 84 of them being actual playing members (42 in Snooker and 42 in Eightball). In Eightball the club once again saw many new faces and an increased

come a long way in 1996. Some of the major achievements of Eightball over the last 12 months include the great win of Justin Binko in the 1995 Princes Entertainment centre Vic Open over Russell Vosk, the 1996 knockout team winners Models Inc. (Antony Michael & Mark Szmerling), Benny Nadler winning the Round Robin Singles and Darren Barnett winning the knockout Singles in October.

In the Snooker department competition and skill were also the recipe with 42 players playing in five divisions battling it out for a 28 round four term season. Many new faces in the club really shone in 1996, especially Gerry Streager who has come from "E" Division to "B" division in one season, Mark Parker, Ben Cyprys, Daryl Ferenbach and the Rabin Boys have also shown that determination & practice will pay off.

Pennant 1996 hasn't been the club's greatest year in terms of Premierships but internally the Club has blooded new players to give the future seasons a much better picture. The introduction of new faces to senior rolls has also been a bonus. Players such as Rodney Black, Richard Bolaffi & Andrew Nathan have captained the teams for the first time. The three Willis teams that are playing at the time of this report are all doing extremely well and are all sitting in the top three of their respective ladders. One of the 1995-96 winners in the snooker side is the 1995 Vic open winner and the youngest winner, Allan Platonov, who defeated Mark Engel in the Final. In 1996 Mark Engel was successful in taking victory in the handicap singles with a score of 325 for two weeks, Eilon Rapoport took victory in the seeded knockout singles with John Kamer and Eilon Rapoport winning the doubles October challenge.

The only disappointment for the season is the retirement of the longest standing Snooker Convenor, Larry Eforgan who is standing down due to work commitments



CHIEF COMEDIAN & MATCH MAKER, DANNY THE BLUM

proportion of females, especially with the introduction of the first female Eightball Convenor Ilana Wierzbicki who is a foundation member of the club and the only female Runner-up in the Victorian Jewish Open. The Eightball Side of the Club with Ilana's leadership now has a rosy future and will hopefully have a record number of teams in 1997.

Many Eightball Players have shown much improvement over the year and the division system is now truly up and running. Players such as Darren Barnett, David Fromm, Les Jason, Elliot & Daniel Lew, Vivianne Nesselroth, Nikki Benson & Sam Kleiner (just to name a few) have really



RICHARD BOLAFFI, E GRADE PENNANT CAPTAIN

8 BALL PLAYERS 1996 L/R: ANTONY MICHAEL, DAVID FROMM, DEAN ASHKENAZY, MARK SZMERLING, JASON FLAMM



after 5 years but will thankfully continue playing. Larry's contribution and dedication will leave a lasting impression and his changes and improvements to the club have paved the way for a long and bright future. Larry has over six years won the inaugural Presidents Club Member of the year, many club championships and many club tournaments and the only two things Larry would like are to be involved in a Premiership Pennant team and to win the Victorian Open. Larry Eforgan, thank you.

In August the Snooker Club along with the Maccabi
Table tennis and the Tennis clubs ran a very successful Trivia
Night with 160 people attending. The success of the night
was so overwhelming that the clubs will now conduct joint
functions on an annual basis.

The last major achievement for the club in 1996 was having 19 members reach five years of club membership and service to the club. These people were acknowledged and awarded with a plaque during the year and are Jeff Aizen, Rodney Black, Richard Bolaffi, Jack Filc, Jason Flamm, Jacob Fooks, David Fromm, Rachel Haber, Andrew Nathan, Vivianne Nesselroth, Abi Nuchowicz, Mark Parker, Barry Rabin, Stephen Rabin, Rod Rabinov, Didier Rache, Debbie Small, Mark Szmerling and Jack Urbinder.

The contribution and continued support of Princes

Entertainment Centre is also a key factor in the growth and

success of Maccabi Snooker Club. For the past five years they have done their utmost to make us feel that the Centre is our own and have given everything we have asked of them through facilities, sponsorship and much, much more. In 1996, the Princes Entertainment Centre through its Directors Phil Karambolas, George Taylor & Val Giber have once again sponsored our biggest event, the Victorian Jewish Open Snooker & Eightball Tournament with \$1600.00 sponsorship. Maccabi Snooker Club thanks Princes very much.

Finally, the 1996 season would not have been possible without the dedication and hard -working committee of Mal Gilbert (President), Adam Beitner (Vice Pres) returning after a 2 year break, Darren Flamm (Treasurer) Larry Eforgan (Snooker Convenor) Ilana Wierzbicki (8ball Convenor) and Andrew Nathan (Fundraising). 1997 will once again see the Maccabi Snooker Club go onto bigger and better things with a record membership of 100 and more new players. The season kicks off on Thursday Night 7:30pm 6th Feb 1997.

MAZELTOV COLUMN.

Malcolm & Rochelle Gilbert for the birth of Natalie Sara, Danny & Erica Blum for the birth of Jordan, Marriage of Richard & Tammy Bolaffi, Engagement of Justin Binko & Vivianne Nesselroth and Marriage of Jacob & Jacquie Fooks.

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SNOOKER PLAYERS 1996 L/R: JEFF AIZEN, DARYL FERENBACH, MAURICE CHILTON (D GRADE BEST & FAIREST), MARK PARKER



VIV NESSELROTH, 8 BALL PLAYER

MACCABI

Softball Club

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Dioni Butt

TREASURER

Marissa Sarif

n the three years since the inception of the Maccabi Softball Club we have seen a significant rise in the standard of softball. The girls started with two wins for the season in '93. Since then the Club was fortunate to employ Scott Dennis as Head Coach who elevated the side over the following two years to the point where they finished outside the top four on percentage only. Scott was dedicated and loyal to the Club, providing enthusiasm for success that was eventually

picked up by the girls. What was originally a club of '20 somethings' who had only played during their school years. developed into a group of serious players and promising juniors that were attracted to the Club.

1996 proved to be a year in which the Maccabi Bullets Softball Club had to stop and reassess. The Club, for many reasons did not field a team in this year's Winter competition. Both club members and the Melbourne Softball Association (MSA) were disappointed with the

> non inclusion in the competition.

Throughout the year various Club members have maintained contact with the MSA to ensure our inclusion in the 1997 season, which we are all eagerly awaiting.

As the weather improves toward the end of 1996, the Club intends to hold a number of softball days for both juniors and seniors, guys and girls. These days will



JACKI YOUNG, DIONI BUTT, ELLANA SKURNIK, MARISSA SARIF



ELLANA SKURNIK IN THE FIELD



JACQUI YOUNG FACES UP



DIONI BUTT

be fun and stimulate further and wider interest in softball in the Jewish community.

The MSA has commenced a junior softball competition which is held on Sunday mornings. The Club will look toward the future and put in place a program to train juniors in an attempt to field a junior team within the next couple of seasons.

The Club wishes to take this opportunity to thank those members who have remained enthusiastic about the game as well as those parents and friends who have supported the Club.

The 1997 season commences in the first week of May.

Training will commence in March. In the meantime the

Club will remain afloat with the help of fundraisers and

enthusiasm.



duash Club

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TROPHY PRESENTATION AT THE END OF YEAR FUNCTION

ith over 100 paid up members, ranging from 16 through to 70 year olds, Maccabi Squash Club continues to be successful

on and off the court. The club fields teams in all "Pennant" competitions and is regarded as one of the bigger and better run Squash clubs at this time. Our elite "State" sides, State 3 and State 4, contain many experienced and committed

the Autumn Pennant. Encouraging younger players continue to improve and head for the higher grades amongst these are Doron Zauer, Wayne Lasky, Daniel Hershan and Ronen Jachimovitz. Not to be left out are the club stalwarts who compete every week regardless of age or injury - for example David Beder, Jack Iglicki, Henry Erlich, George Oshlack, Warren Zauer, Ed Leibel and Ron Popper, just to mention a few (apologies to the others!!).



players such as Richard Margolis and Barry Kras. However, younger "guns" such as Derek Haskin are pushing for top positions and are sure to make their presence felt at the upcoming Carnival. All our State grade players will be vying for positions for the next Maccabiah in Israel.

Our mid week teams compete at all levels. D Reserve, captained by Ronen Jachimovitz won a flag in

Out at the North Eastern Centre our Doncaster teams continue to play on with Morrie Freedman showing the way with organisation and encouragement. The A Grade team led by Barry Fetter is highly competitive and has welcomed the return of Mark Spero. Other teams are a mid week team and a Masters team with old hands like Jack Moscowicz acting as their back-bone.



ERIC BATHER PRESENTS THE SHIELD TO THE WINNING AJAX MACCABI PRESIDENT JON LANDER

A breakthrough with the Alma Cub enabled Maccabi to re-enter the club circuit in which 3 teams are entered. This competition is very popular with many Maccabi members and the club is very excited about our re-emergence. Adam Cashmore is leading our A3 team whilst David Alperstein and Jon Landes are taking care of 2 other teams.

The only disappointment has been the cancellation of our ladies' teams. There are lots of good female players out there but not at the same levels and therefore they are unable to form teams. Maccabi Women's Squash can exist if some female "squashers" come forward and work to form a team or two together.

At the time of writing the "Maccabi Club Championship" is yet to be played, but earlier in the year Eric Better presented the on-going shield to Ajax Maccabi over NE Maccabi at the annual "Better Shield" tournament.

Lastly, thanks to our dedicated committee - Jon Landes, David Alperstein, John Silver, Warren Zauer, John Gould, Morrie Freedman, Ed Leibel and Alan Kras.

SUCCESSFUL D RESERVES PENNANT WINNERS



Swimming

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TIMES

Squad times at Korowa Girls School (Grandview Road, Glen Iris)

(Melways Ref. 59 H9) Tuesday

> 6:15 - 8:00 pm Thursday

> 6:45 - 8:30 pm

COACH

Andrew Mayer

he Ajax Maccabi Swimming Club has had a great year in 1996. The club organised a number of very successful meets and initiatives in 1996 and will continue to improve its image within the community over the coming 12 months. Some of the initiatives undertaken included the commencement of Squad training under coach and ex-swimmer, Andrew Maver, the introduction of the inaugural Victorian Jewish Shortcourse

the Championships the success they were. The 1996 Championships program incorporated Masters events as part of the Championships program for the first time. The response to this modification was very good with a number of Masters swimmers taking part in the meet. The Championships will continue to expand and develop to meet the changing needs of the Victorian Swimming community.

Records tumbled during the course of the meet. A record size New South Wales team of 12 flew down for the

> weekend and left with a record number of medals. As always the meet had many new and exciting swimmers in the junior age divisions. There is now also a number of bright teenage swimmers coming through the ranks including Jarrod Kagan, Leon Silver, Mark Roach, Sam Marks, Irena Zilberman, Josh Grokop and many more who are all excited about the prospect of swimming fast.



Maccabi Swimming State Swim Centre Lisa paneth, Lironne Wein, Elisheva Aron, Ilit Olenski

Swimming Championships, the Annual Victorian Jewish Championships, sending a team to NSW for their annual Championships, introducing swimming development camps and an Australian Jewish Swimming Ranking system. The infrastructure is being built for a renaissance in Jewish swimming over the next decade.

Over 140 competitors took part in the 1996 Caprice Curtains Victorian Jewish Championships in March. The meet sponsor Caprice Curtains also assisted in the creation and design of the Championship brochure. The Club would like to thank Caprice for all the help they provided in making

July marked the commencement of the first permanent Swimming squad in the Ajax Maccabi Swimming Club since the loss of the 97 Alma Road pool. Operating out of Korowa Girls School on Tuesday and Thursday nights, the teams do a dry-land and a swimming session to enhance fitness, strength and technique for racing and general fitness. The Club is anticipating making pool time available to other Maccabi Clubs for remedial therapy work to overcome injuries.

The squad is already paying dividends, as the number and standard of Jewish swimmers continue to improve. The



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implementation of squads is a major step in developing youth, senior and Masters swimmers and triathletes throughout Victoria.

The club also introduced the inaugural Victorian Jewish Shortcourse Swimming Championships. The concept of a Shortcourse swimming meet along the lines of the highly successful March Championships was extremely popular. The Club hosted over eighty swimmers at Mount Scopus College in what was the first of the annual Shortcourse swimming championships that will be run by the Club over the coming years.

Spring Interclub competition is always on the Ajax Maccabi swimming calendar and this year was no exception. Ajax entered a Senior Spring Pennant and 2 Junior relay teams this year. The relay-based competition provides the swimmers with an opportunity to swim as a team. At the time of writing the teams were at the beginning of a 5 week program and are looking likely to improve on last year's performances. The Senior team is competing in D Grade, whilst the Juniors are taking part in C and F Grade. Many of the current group of Ajax swimmers began competing in the Junior level of Pennant and will continue to do so.

The club also took a team of six swimmers to the NSW Jewish Swimming Championships in April this year. The six

COMMITTE MEMBER HARVEY LEWIS PRESENTING TROPHY TO JASON BLOOM AT 1996 PRESENTATION AFTERNOON



were a select group of swimmers who showed potential to represent Australia at next year's Maccabiah Games. The team came away from the meet laden with medals and the Club will send a larger team up to Sydney next year as it will serve as one of the last meets prior to the final Australian Maccabiah Swim Team selection.

The first Australian Jewish Swimming development camp was run prior to the NSW Championships in April.

The camp brought together the best Jewish swimmers from NSW, Victoria and Queensland with the intention of introducing them to the Macccabi movement and each other. It proved to be an enormous success and will be followed up by another one early in 1997 which will include swimmers from the remaining Australian States.

This was just one of a number of initiatives undertaken by the Ajax Maccabi Swim Club in conjunction with their counterparts in NSW during 1996. The two bodies have joined forces and have worked extremely hard to open the channels of communication between NSW and Victoria in a bid to lift the standard of Jewish swimming across the country. New programs such as Australian Jewish Swimming Ranking system and the Australian Jewish Swimming Development camp are designed to better prepare elite Jewish swimmers for the highly competitive Australian Swimming program currently in place and to include these athletes as part of the Maccabi movement.

The Ajax Committee are looking forward to another successful year in 1997. The Club is going from strength to strength as more people come to the realisation that swimming is the healthiest sport around. No injuries, no major expenses, just good clean fun.

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996 has been a year of marked progress for the table tennis club, both from a social as well as a sporting viewpoint. After a memorable and still talked about presentation night/dinner dance last year, the club has planned an even bigger function at Arbeena for December of this year. Social functions this year have included a Trivia Night with the Snooker and Tennis Clubs as well as a

Casino Night. The Annual Jewish Table Tennis Championships

JUNIORS/COACHES



are to be held in December with events for seniors and juniors at all grade levels.

Maccabi has entered around 14 teams in each of the year's VTTA and SETTA pennants. This constitutes over half the participants in the SETTA which has proved to be extremely popular, particularly with the juniors. The Monday night 2-person competition generally finishes around 9.00 pm so that juniors don't have such late nights, and has attracted a large number of parent and son and or daughter teams. It has been great to see the combinations such as Harry and Jordana Procel, Rod and Brad Nissen, Efim and Miron Boguslavsky and Eric & Simone Krause enjoying these fun competitions. Highlights of the Club's results in these competitions are as

VTTA Summer Pennant

A-Grade R/U

A7-Grade Winners

C1-Grade R/U

VTTA Winter Pennant

A2-Grade R/U

B3-Grade Winners

B3-Grade R/U

SETTA AUTUMN PENNANT

Graham Young, A-Grade winners

Boris Gelberg & Paul Bronstein

A2-Grade leading player: Joe Saxone

C1-Grade winners Jason Flamm &

Arkady Shtrambrandt

D-Grade winners Brad & Rod Nissen

David & Saul Rozenbes E-Grade winners

Leading player: David Rozenbes

E-Grade R/U: Rachel Pinczower &

Reuven Lewis

SETTA ANNUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

Division 1 Singles Paul Bronstein

R/U Paul Walvisch

R/U

Division 2 Singles Efim Boguslavsky

Jonathan Lipp

Division 3 Singles Robbie Spigelman

R/U Braeme Spigelman

Division 1 Doubles Paul Walvisch/Paul Bronstein

R/U Marlene Bronstein/

Graham Young

Division 2 Doubles Efim & Miron Boguslavsky

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Maccabi members took out every division as well as 2 out of the 3 runners up flags!

Another feather in our cap has been Paul Bronstein's return to active competition, both in the A-grade pennant and the Veterans' tournaments. Paul managed to take out the Over 40's trophy at the recent Geelong Veterans as well as the Mixed Doubles and was runner up in the Mens Doubles. Paul has also joined the elite in making the Veterans' State Team.

Our juniors have once again excelled with Sherrie Gelberg, David Zalcberg and David Young, making the Victorian State team each for the second or third time. The table tennis club has continued with Sunday morning coaching for juniors, with a number of the participants ready to step into the junior champion's roles. Outstanding in the up and coming junior stakes are Paul Walvisch, Jonathan Goldberg, Brad Nissen and Dion Besser who have also been attending the Sunday evening Maccabiah training sessions coached by Darren Lurie. Walvisch & Goldberg blitzed 2 of the country's top juniors to take out the City of Melbourne U17 doubles while Sherrie Gelberg took both the girls' singles and mixed doubles.

A recent innovation has been the introduction of a Sunday morning Junior Pennant, organised by Sherrie Gelberg and Mark Huinick which has proved to be extremely popular. Around 45 juniors attended the first pennant competition, which had a five week season. The results were as follows:

Paul Walvisch and Nick Karp A-grade winners Leading player: Paul Walvisch R/U Brad Nissen and Sherrie Gelberg



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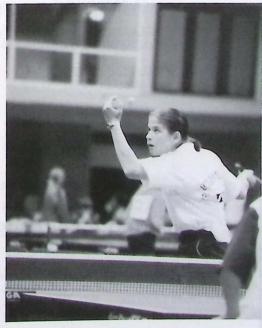
B grade winners	David Gardner and Dion Szer	Princes Snooker &
Leading player:	David Welner	Table Tennis Centre,
R/U	Joel Feren and Jason Rose	1068-1074
C-grade winners	Adam Lissek and	Dandenong Rd,
	Michael Lavrov	Dandenong Rd,
Leading player:	Adam Lissek	Carnegie, 3163
R/U	Jonathan Skovron and	LIFE MEMBERS
	Jacob Berkoff & Deborah Lew	Bronstein, Paul
D-grade winners	Ilan & Leora Goldberg	Bronstein, Marlene
Leading player:	Ilan Goldberg	
R/U	Naomi Goldberg and	Javor, Suzy
	Melissa Clements	Kay, Joe

Sherrie Gelberg writes "Organising this pennant was a mammoth task; however, it has proved to be a stupendous success. All kids were placed in two player teams and were expected to play two singles each and one doubles. The competitive attitude of the boisterous players against one another added to the atmosphere. The aim of this pennant was

to have fun and I have no doubt that all the up and coming champions enjoyed and benefited from the experience."

The next junior pennant was an eight week competition which commenced 20th October and for which 60 participants were expected.







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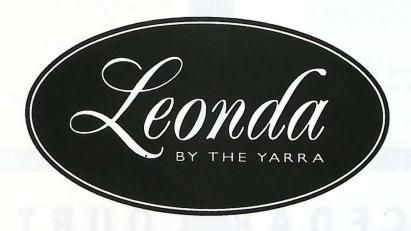
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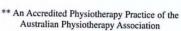
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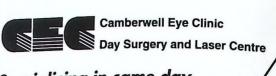
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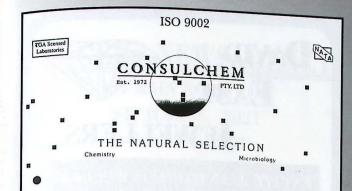
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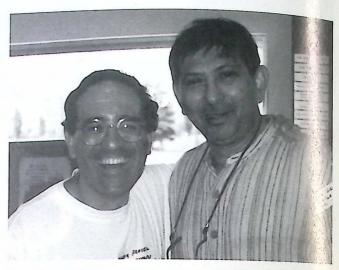
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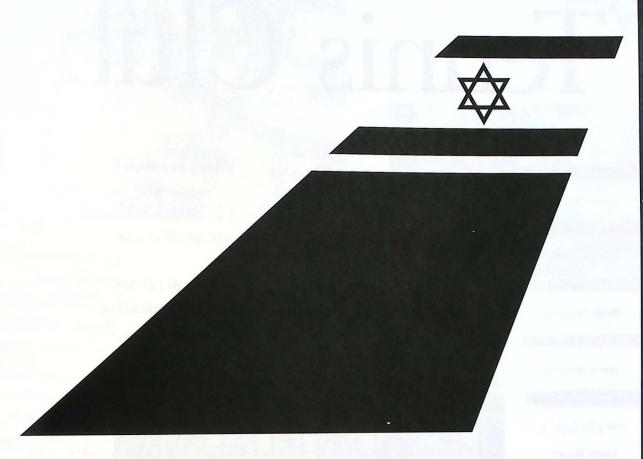


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ince the loss of 97 Alma Road it has been exceedingly difficult for all subsequent
Tennis Club committees to run the Club.
Having moved from 97 Alma Road to
Leggetts we were forced yet again to find a new home when Leggetts was sold.

During the winter season the Club was playing out of 8 different venues, an intolerable situation! I would venture to say that no sports club anywhere could or would operate

L/R: PAUL KOVACS, MICHAEL BEST, CLIVE FREDMAN, FRED WURZEL



under these conditions. During the summer season it becomes a little easier as we only operate out of 4 venues.

Unfortunately the cost of hiring of courts and balls and administration far exceeded revenue from membership.

The new administration under the capable

Treasurership of Phillip Benjamin has renegotiated existing
arrangements and put in place arrangements for the future
at costs more in line with the Club's revenue.

MEN'S PENNANT

Tennis Victoria's Pennant is a winter only competition.

One team played out of Camberwell Tennis Centre and the other eight out of North Eastern Jewish Centre.

MACCABITENNIS WINS FIRST PREMIERSHIP

The 1996 Tennis Victoria Winter Pennant season has ended on a high note, with the Maccabi Tennis Club

recording its first ever premiership, won by the top Men's Veterans team in Grade 3, which should be promoted to Grade 2 in 1997.

This is our first winter premiership since the original South Judaean Tennis Club commenced playing in the L.T.A.V. competition back in 1949, with a team which included the current

President of the Maccabi Tennis Club, Leon Haskin.

The club subsequently evolved into Ajax Maccabi
Tennis Club, with a sister club appearing at the North
Eastern Jewish Centre in the 1970s, where Clive Fredman
introduced Pennant Tennis.

By 1996, the Ajax Maccabi and Northern Maccabi Tennis Clubs had merged to form the Maccabi Tennis Club. Numerous District, Junior and Mid-Week Ladies' pennants



L/R: CLIVE FREDMAN PRESENTING TROPHY TO JOSH FRYDENBERG

BOYS SECTION 3 MICHAEL HERSHAN, ADIAN WOLLNER, ABSENT: DAVID BREIT, JAMES THURIN, JARED TYLER



have been won over the years, but the tennis club has only twice reached a winter pennant grand final, and those teams included some of today's veterans. In 1961 the "Special B" team included Geoff Star, and in 1983 the "Special C" team included Paul Kovacs and Michael Best.

In 1996 the Maccabi Tennis Club had nine teams, including four Veterans' teams, in the pennant competition.

The Veterans' team which was undefeated throughout the entire season included Clive Fredman (Captain), Geoff Star, Michael Best, Paul Kovacs and Fred Wurzel with Trevor Cohen playing as reserve.

This squad has been developing as a group since the club has been playing Veterans in 1992 and had reached sectional finals in previous years.

This year, in a close, hard fought Final, the scores were: Maccabi 2 rubbers, 4 sets, 37 games defeated Royal Park 2 rubbers, 4 sets, 35 games.

The Grade 5, No 2 Veterans' Team captained by Graham A COACH FROM THE VIS PRESENTING DANNY STUK (R) WINNER U16 SINGLES AND RUNNER UP ADAM STEINHARDT (L) WITH THEIR TROPHIES



Leonard also reached the semi finals, finishing in third position. This team included Frank Tisher, Harry Frydenberg, Mervyn Cass, Peter Stach, Harry Pakin and Sam Parasol.

The other team to reach the finals was the Grade 5 team captained by Danny Sharp which finished fourth. This team was defeated in its sectional final by top team Glenroy who were unfortunately too strong for the team of Michael Silberthau, Raphael Gaddie, Stephen Kleid and Brad Efron. Danny Sharp and Ari Berman were unavailable for the sectional final.

The Club's highest ranked team in Grade 3, captained by Itamar Raz, performed well to win four matches, but finished seventh in its section, its younger players having gained valuable experience at this level.

Both Grade 6 teams, captained by John Malina and Stephen Katz finished in sixth position in their sections with four wins each. The Grade 8 team led by Jonathon Roseman also finished in sixth position with three wins.

The Veterans' Grade 4 team, captained by Leon Haskin won six matches and was in fifth position in a very even section, whilst the Veterans Grade 5 team captained by Tom Elias/Ben Alexander could only manage two wins and finished eighth.

SUMMER COMPETITION

Juniors and mid-week ladies teams were unchanged in Summer, having the same number of teams and the same venues. Southern Districts men's P.M. competition is played out of Orrong Park.

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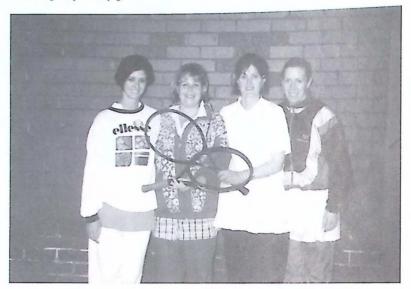
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L/R: LORELLE KRULIS, TAMMY BLAU, SANDRA NAFTAL, ANNETTE LANDES

MID WEEK LADIES

The Club runs 7 midweek ladies teams, 6 out of
Orrong Park and one only out of Caulfield Park. These
teams are coordinated by Wendy Prince and if all teams
paid their fees and ball monies as promptly as the mid-week
ladies the Club would be a whole lot easier to administer.
Five of our Committee also are from mid-week ladies, Trish
Ramler, Fran Sondheim, Lynnette Jacobson, Sandra Naftal
and Wendy Prince.

The mid-week ladies' teams have done very well this season with all teams making the finals.

Tues Singles/Doubles Section 2:

Annette Landes, Lorelle Krulis

Tues Singles/Doubles Section 4:

Sally Casper, Rosie Potasnik

Wednesday Doubles Section 9 were on top all season and came runners up in the Grand Final after which they moved to Section 8. The team was Lynette Jacobsen, Fran Sondheim, Linda Yardney, Trish Ramler, Jenny Levi.

Wednesday Doubles Section 12 made the finals and was promoted to Section 11. The team was Wendy Prince, Esther Frenkiel, Nellie Lipshutz, Janet Korman, Rosalie Feldman, Vivienne Marget. Thursday Doubles Section A7 made the semifinals, with team members Lynne Samuel, Jenny Goldburg, Frieda Shapiro, Ruth Leonard and Doris Goldring.

Thursday Doubles Section B3 came runners up in the finals. The team was Estelle Levy, Estelle Rubenstien,
Leonie Joel, Ruth Hall, Anne Sharpe and Helen Grode in

Thursday Doubles Section B7 won the Grand Fine and went up 2 Sections to 5B. The team was Margie Markets Sandra Naftal, Tammy Blau, Diane Cass, Maya Lee, Loudle Krulis, Bev Friedman, Annette Landes and Fran Van Hoff.

JUNIOR TENNIS

This section of the Club has been run most successfully by Robert Steinhardt and Ashley Tugendhaft. Between them they run 13 teams out of Orrong Park, Malvern (Union Street) and Hurlington Park.

A most successful Junior Presentation night was run at the Maccabi Office, where about 50 juniors and about 20 parents heard Mark Kovacs address the guests about junior tennis in a very polished display. Mark came through the junior program and is now distinguishing himself in adult company representing Australia in an international match in New Zealand earlier this year. He is a bright hope for the future.

Maccabi Sunday Junior tennis competiton comprises five teams. Two of the teams are in Section 2. The team captained by M Levi has won one match, drawn one and lost six matches. The other team led by J Lipshutz has also won one match and lost six. Both these teams are facing formidable opposition, however, and much to their credit, they are putting in their all.

Maccabi has one team in Section 5 which is currently in third position on the ladder. This team is captained by J Olstein. They have won six of their nine matches. J Olstein, R Gringlas and J Opat in particular have performed extremely well.



REMIER BOYS SECTION 2 R: DAVID SZTRAJT, DRIAN GOODMAN, SCHLESINGER BSENT: DEAN RAMLER, SHER COOPER

We have two teams in Section 8. One team is captained by J Tugendhaft and it is currently second on the ladder. They have won six of their eight matches. J Tugendhaft and M Steiner have performed

well. The second team led by D Janovic has won three of their seven matches. J Herz, in particular has played very well. They are currently fifth on the ladder.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

For the 4th consecutive year, the Maccabi Tennis Club Championships were combined with the Victorian Jewish Tennis Championships.

Some outstanding tennis was played, with the Men's Singles Championship and the Bertie Cohn Memorial Trophy won for the fourth consecutive year by Josh Frydenberg, who defeated Robert Minc in the final 7-6, 6-2.

The Men's Doubles was won by Josh Frydenberg and Andrew Gelfand, defeating Robert Minc and Rohan Woolf 7-3, 7-5.

The Men's Veterans' Singles saw Ian Fayman defeat John Malina 6-0, 4-6, 6-1.

In the Men's Veterans' Doubles, Paul Kovacs and Fred

Wurzel again played their Pennant team mates and former titleholders Clive Fredman and Geoff Star in the final winning 4-6, 7-5, 6-0.

After many years absence, a small field entered the Women's Singles Event which was run as a round robin tournament The winner was the experienced player and former carnival representative Lorelle Krulis.

SOCIALS

Sandra Naftal and her social committee have been great contributors to the Club. 200 tickets to Sunset Boulevard were sold for December 17th and a most successful Trivia night was held in conjunction with the Maccabi Table Tennis and Maccabi Snooker Clubs. Both of these functions have contributed greatly to the club's coffers.

CLUB COACHES

Of all our many venues we are trying to make Orrong Park as much our home as possible. Our honour board is there and Junior, Mid-week, Seniors and social players all play at this venue. The manager and Senior coach is Greg Hart and he and his partner Gary Sugden have been most accommodating in all our meetings with them. They have offered us some free times and at some later date may take over special teams for coaching, court craft and etiquette.

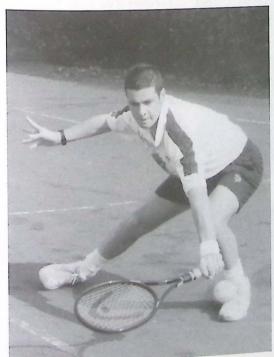
L/R: ROBERT MINC (RUNNER UP), JOSH FRYDENBERG (WINNER)



Greg Hart is available for coaching and bookings on: 9510 2481 at Orrong Park or 9509 0030 at Malvern.

Ultimately though our community and the Tennis Club need a home. To that end our Roof body is searching and really it cannot come quickly enough.





VICTORIAN MACCABI Ten Pin BOWLING CLUB

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VENUE

Moorabbin Ten Pin Bowl Nepean Highway, Moorabbin every Tuesday Night at 8.30 pm.

he Ten Pin bowling season effectively kicked off at the Senior Carnival in Surfers Paradise over the Christmas period which saw the squad of bowlers led by Daniel Zalcman tie with Queensland for the Men's overall shield. The team consisted of Daniel Zalcman, Rick Begleiter, Barry Wicks, Julian Isaacs, Tony Aarons and Leon Sawicz.

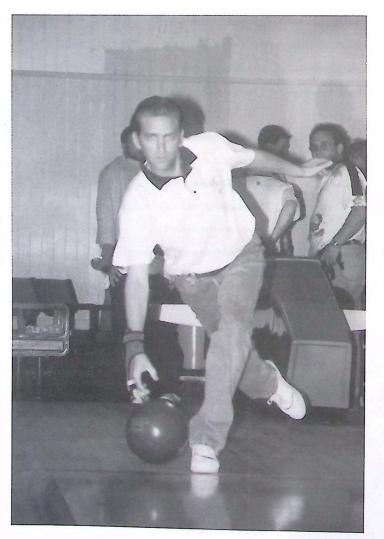
April saw the revamped Victorian Open played as the

first leg of the East Coast Championships.

Competitors from New South Wales and Queensland attended the event, ensuring that a high level of scoring was needed to qualify for the finals. Efraim Zylbersztajn broke through for his first tournament win defeating Henri Mokotow. The Women's trophy headed North to New South Wales, won for the second time by Evelyn Rose who defeated Aviva Wierzbicki in an equally interesting three game final.

> The June long weekend competition was held in Sydney with a small contingent of Victorians heading north to try and retain the trophy won in the previous year by the Men. Unfortunately the home conditions presented to the bowlers saw many of them struggle and the teams event went to the Sydney Club. The effort of the weekend was by Leon Sawicz who was the only Victorian to master the conditions and qualify for the head to head competition on the Monday.

The Victorian Men's Mick Goulburn side retained the trophy won in Sydney last year with a well fought win over the Sydney Team. At the same time they also collected the Tri State challenge trophy over New South Wales and Queensland. The New South Wales Women's Mick Goulburn side were easy leaders at



1996 VICTORIAN OPEN MENS CHAMPION. EFRAIM ZYLBERSZTAJN





1996 SEASON WINNERS "NUMBER ONES"

ne half way break. The Victorian Women powered home wer the last three games however, but could not make up he large break. The overall Men's and Women's trophy was lso won by New South Wales in the closest result over the oast few years. The Ray Stein trophy also headed to Sydney with an emphatic win by the New South Wales Team.

A number of Victorian bowlers headed North for the New South Wales Open. Barry Wicks continued his outstanding year to date, by becoming the first non Sydneysider to claim the trophy in a final head to head round which included three other Victorians. Barry then claimed his third Open title of the year in September by clean sweeping the Queensland Open event thereby establishing himself as the undisputed Number one Male Ten



Pin bowler on the Maccabi scene.

The home Carnival for 1996/97 will see the strongest competition assembled for the Ten Pin Bowling teams event as the bowlers strive to put their names forward for the final event before the selection of the Israel team. The Victorian Men's team for the Carnival is Rick Begleiter, Daniel Zalcman, Gid Huberman,

Tony Aarons Leon Sawicz and Efraim Zylbersztajn. The Women's side is Aviva Wierzbicki, Karen Gordon, Liana Zmood, Belinda Zmood, Nancy Wicks and Barbara Rozenblum. The Committee and members of the club wish their representatives the best of luck at the Carnival, and are hoping for a similar success to that of previous years and hopefully the retention of the Men's trophy plus a chance at the Women's shield.

The club is looking forward to establishing a few extra teams for the 1997 and welcomes enquries from any people who may be interested in joining the club by contacting the Maccabi Office.





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Sundays 6:00pm

Venue

Orrong Park (Between Malvern and High St Prahran)

COMPETITION

6:30\7:30\8:30 (subject to fixture)

Venue

Albert Park

TOUCH FOOTBALLTEAM.

This team, which was established in April of this year, currently consists of 15 members and draws its players from Victoria, as well as S.A, WA, N.S.W and Queensland. Although last season gave many of our players their first taste of touch footy, every member of the team worked hard, and we claimed a few impressive victories against the

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AJAX BLUE SOX L/R: BACK: ADAM CASHMORE, JOHNNY KLEIN, SIMON ABRAHAM, MARCEL PITT, ADAM COHEN, DEAN MOND FRONT: DANIEL GOTTLEIB, JEFF KAGAN, RUSSELL GLASSER, MARK LEVIN



likes of the Arthur Anderson and A.N.Z bank teams.

Our main goals this season are to improve on our performance from last year and to win the touch football competition at Summer Carnival. We are also looking to include a mixed team at carnival.

The team trains at 6:00pm on Sunday and plays on Tuesday nights at the AJAX ground in Albert Park. Anyone interested in playing for the team at carnival is encouraged to contact Dean Mond on 95279243, or Adam Cohen on 98266697.

Maccabi Moments



JOHN BERHANG AND MIKKI LUST



SYLVIA GELMAN ADDRESSES THE VICTORIA MACCABI AGM

MARK AND DANIELLE LISSEK AND ROBBIE GORE FROM THE HOCKEY CLUB



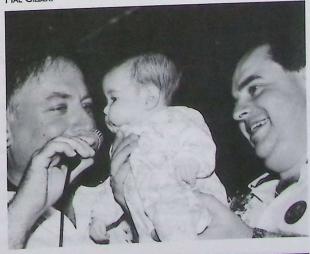
Darren Flamm – Snooker, Alan Silver – 1996 Junior Carnival Manager, MARGARET AND BORIS GELBERG - TABLE TENNIS





ERROL KAPLAN — JUNIOR FOOTBALL, PETER ROCKMAN — FOOTBALL, ROD NISSEN – VICTORIA MACCABI MARKETING DIRECTOR, JACK HOPPE – FOOTBALL, PHIL LEWIS — JUNIOR FOOTBALL, REUBEN BENKEL — JUNIOR FOOTBALL, BARRY ROSENBERG - FOOTBALL

MACCABI'S NEWEST MEMBER, L/R: RUBIN BENKEL, NATALIE GILBERT AND MAL GILBERT



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November 1996 bendigo
Tournament Team
Representatives
L/R: Linda Burstin (fill in
Coach), Sara Zeev,
Tori Goldberg,
Naomi Pfau, Julie Lang, Lisa
Kessel, Raie Moss, Gilda
Toister, Judy Kohn

WOMEN

1996 was an exciting year for the senior girls who competed in the State League Division 2 competition held at 'Springers' in Keysborough over the winter season.

The team, admirably coached by Gary Sokolov and his able assistant Stuart Collins, had a very encouraging season after an extremely slow start. The experienced team comprised Julie Lang (captain), Tori Goldberg (vice-captain), Sara Zeev, Raie Moss, Judy Kohn, Jane Davis, Marissa Sarif and Narene Ignace.

hitter/spiker, digger and aggressive server. The team was aded by the welcome return of Narene Ignace as the other key outside hitter and replacement setter. Her efforts in ensuring the six members played as a unified team and not as individuals was inspirational and ultimately another key success factor. The strong and experienced team was boosted by Jane Davis and Tori Goldberg, blocking and middle hitting, Julie Lang, outside hitting, Marissa Sariff and Judy Kohn, setting, and Raie Mosassa key back court specialist. The team bonded well and

performed admirably throughout the whole season.

Half way through the season, the Ajax girls finished in the top pool of their division. They then went on to win 9 of their last 10 matches with outstanding and consistent performances by all players. On finishing third at the end of the season the girls went on to play the semi-finals but

had a disappointing game as they were short of players, with Raie Moss unable to compete and the setter, Marisa Sarif having injured herself early in the first set, being unable to continue. The girls then had to play out the match with only 6 players. The girls were incredibly disappointed with the outcome and are now preparing themselves for a grand final win next year.

The Ajax Old girls had a mixed season in 1996 competing in Division 1 of the EMVA local competition. The team consisted of the ever versatile Raie Moss (captain), Judy Kohn, Michelle Miller, Linda Burstein, Tori Goldberg, Julie Lang, Simone Bletcher and Sharon Beaconsfield. After finishing



They were ably assisted by Debbie Marks, Naomi Pfau and Danni Rosen who played occasionally throughout the season.

Gary Sokolov dedicated a great deal of time and effort to coaching the girls in 1996. His passion and enthusiasm was well demonstrated throughout the year and was a key factor in the success of the Women's team.

The year included some personal highlights for outstanding team member Sara Zeev. Twenty year old Sara was selected and played in the State Under 21 squad and has since been selected in the 1997 Victorian Senior State squad. Sara is an inspiration to the club with her outstanding performances as an outside second last season the girls did not quite perform to the same level as expected. Nonetheless, they had an enjoyable season and are looking forward to competing in the same competition next year. Congratulations to our star setter Michelle Miller who was awarded Best And fairest in the A1 Division.

The increasing popularity of both indoor and beach volleyball saw a flood of interested junior girls attending training at Melbourne High at the start of the season under the inspirational guidance of veteran player and life member, Peter Kornfeld. We are most appreciative of Peter's time and commitment to the development of the senior ranks in years to come.

MEN

Of all the challenges faced by the seniors men's team this year, writing this annual summary must surely rank amongst the hardest. How to convey the paradox that was 1996 in a sensible and realistic manner. How to describe a year during which the team lost every game of the season as one of Ajax's greatest, which it surely was. An objective stocktake of the team's achievements for 1996 shows that a few losses on one side of the ledger don't really affect the bottom line. So let's take a look. Mind your step.

Firstly, and most significantly, it is important to remember that Ajax is in Victoria's premier volleyball league, playing at the highest possible level. This is the equivalent to playing VFL football or first class district cricket. Simply being in this league is a major achievement for a team that was struggling in 4th division only 4 years ago. The Victorian Volleyball League (VVL) Honours Division is the home of half the National team and most of the State senior and under age teams. Many of these teams train 3 nights a week.

Looking more closely at the match results shows not only that Ajax was competitive in the majority of its matches but was PETER BLECHER SETS FOR ANDREW (BEAST) ROTSTEIN'S QUICK SPIKE



actually unlucky not to score wins in almost half its games. Results included a couple of 5 set thrillers and several tight four-setters. All this despite a plague of injuries. Ex-State representative and key Ajax spiker Simon Yudelevich tore his calf muscle with Ajax poised to defeat Eastside Hawks who finished 3rd in the state. Ron Pila and Peter Blecher were sidelined with a shoulder injury and illness respectively for several weeks. Young guns Andrew Rotstein and Danny Skrabal missed matches due to work and study commitments.

But should we let reality get in the way of happiness? I don't think so. Ajax has more to be happy about.

If the road to success is always under construction then Ajax is the South Eastern Freeway. The team stepped up its commitment to professionalism with the introduction of a second training on Wednesday nights. Last years rookies such as Andrew Rotstein and Prawn Rosenberg, became consistent performers (though not always on the volleyball court). More significantly, the team developed remarkable depth. Players such as Mike Fox, Adam Kornhouser, and rookies Gil Herzberg, Ben Preiss, Genady Kleiner and Dean Eisenberg responded well to the experience of the Honours division. These players will be well equipped to step up to senior roles in the very near future. There are also many more good years to come from the old guard of Perry Cohen, Ron Pila, Peter Blecher, Gary Sokolov, Mike Fishl, Peter Haskin and Eugene Kopp, many of whom are playing their best volleyball ever.

Finally, and perhaps
most encouragingly, Ajax has
an entire generation of elite
volleyballers, largely thanks
to the development panel of
Eisenberg, Serge Mezhov,
Gary Sokolov, Peter Blecher,
Alan and David Priess.
Among the shining lights was

Danny Skrabal, who



SARA ZEEV KILLER SPIKER

represented Victoria in the state Under 19 team at the recent Australian Junior Championships. The Under 19s was one of only two Victorian teams to win their respective championships. At only 17, Skrabal has a terrific future with the Under 19s and is earmarked as a key player for the following year. With two Australian champions in their fold (Sara Zeev in the women's Under 21's), Ajax made a further contribution to Victorian State Volleyball. Ajax recruits Sasha and Max Astafiev, who arrived from Russia mid season, were also invited to train with state teams, with Sasha fast tracked to the senior men's team. This is of extra significance considering the Victorian Volleyball League is grooming its current juniors for the 2000 Olympics.

The successful coaching panel format used this year comprising Peter Blecher as trainer and Norm Eisenberg as coach in matches will be expanded in the coming year to a full coaching panel format with the appointment of a head coach. The team will continue to benefit from the services of team manager Raie Moss.

All in all, Ajax volleyball could not be stronger and the future is looking bright. The club will be using its success to lure sponsors for the 1997 Maccabiah Games. Television rights to the trophy presentation night, a highlight of the Melbourne Comedy festival, are still available.

KAYAKING AND

White Water

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nd the rains started falling, and the rivers began to rise. And G-d said unto Natalie "Go out with your rafts and kayaks and collect the children of Melbourne and lift them with your vessels upon the waters, so that they may experience the beauty and thrills of Victoria's waterways." And so she did!!!

Thus began the Maccabi Kayaking and White Water
Rafting Club. A committee was gathered together in

King and Big Rivers, where mirror water gives way to rushing rapids, winding through deep valleys laden with ferns and towering trees.

A day trip usually consists of about fifteen people, a few rafts, wetsuits to keep warm and plenty of BYO bag and hot soup as the perfect end to a rewarding and exciting day out. With long weekends coming up, weekend away trips are on the cards, including camping or caravaning.

Kayaking basic skills courses have been run and have



RAFTING THE YARRA AT
WESTERFOLD'S PARK
L/R: NATALIE FRYHER,
MICHAL GELBERG,
ALEX RYBALOV, DANIEL JOFFE

February this year to begin a venture the success of which has far surpassed all expectations.

The aim of the Maccabi Kayaking and White Water Rafting Club is to bring Jewish people together in a social environment and to enjoy the adventures and learn the skills of kayaking and white water rafting. This year has seen several day trips, rafting down the upper Yarra, Thompson,

been attended by most of the club's members. Activities vary, catering for all levels of skill and experience. The big trip of the year was to the Great Barrier Reef, when six adventure seekers explored the islands around Mackay by sea kayak. This trip took place in mid-October for ten days and everyone had a fantastic time.

The club is open to all suggestions. As well as trips and



APRÉS-RAFTING — A BAGEL AND A CUPPA SOUP L/R: DAVID ERDSTEIN, KERRY DREYER, GEOFFREY ARNOTHEIM, Angela Krangel, Debbie Beckman, Danny Bloch, NATALIE FRYHER, ELI FRYHER, MAX LISMANN

MAX AND ELI TO THE RESCUE KAYAKING

social events, as time goes on the club plans to get involved in competitions for those interested and courses for those wanting to be guides in rafting and kayaking. It also foresees a good fundraising campaign to allow the eventual purchase of its own equipment. Currently all equipment for trips is hired from 'Capacity Sports'.

Besides the wet and wild adventures this year, the club has seen a couple of spirited social functions, when people share rafting and kayaking experiences or merely mix, mingle and meet new people. For a change of atmosphere some club members took a day trip to Marysville during winter to see a different aspect of Victoria's outdoors aboard cross country skis.

Currently the club has thirty-five paid members, with up to eighty attendees at activities and trips. After its ten months of existence the club is booming but merely in its



infancy. It oozes potential and invites anyone who seeks thrills and spills, tranquillity and beauty or a broadened social circle to join.





GEARING UP FOR BASIC SKILLS COURSE L/R: JOHN DEAN, MAX LISMANN, DEAN ESTRAICH, MICHAEL FOX, DANIEL JOFFE, MICHAEL ROSNER, ALEX RYBALOV

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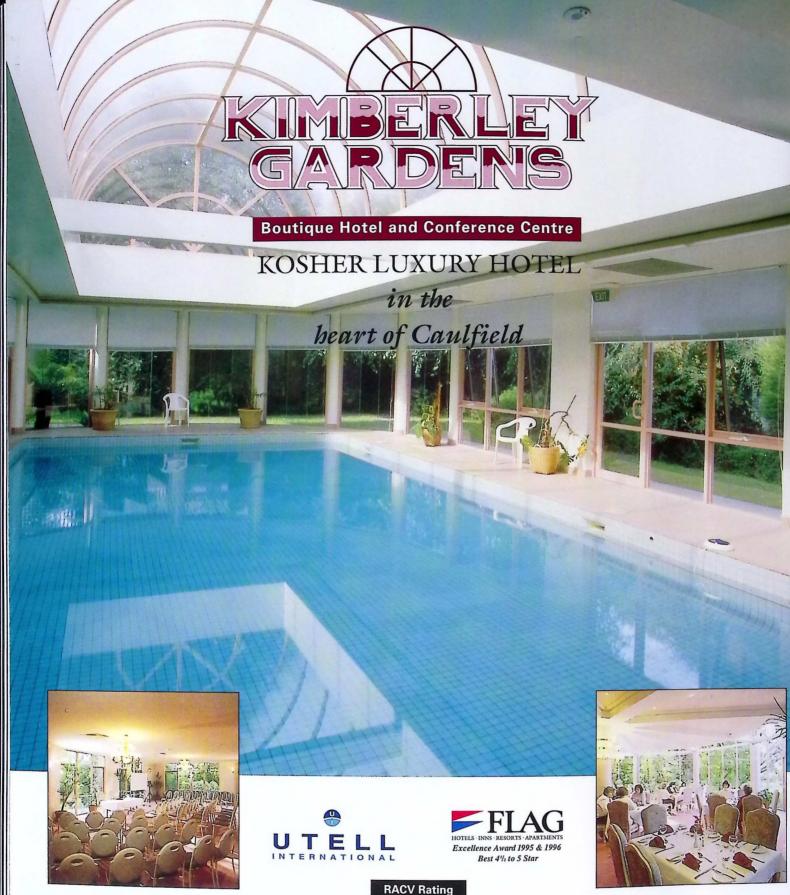


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