



A Blue

A Gold

A White

B Blue

B Gold

B White

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C Red

C White

D Black

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D Gold

D Red

O/65 Blue

O/65 Gold

O/65 Green

O/65 White

# Masters Matters

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**New Playing Arrangements:** The first week of the new system has already happened and I hope that all went smoothly for every Division. The schedule for the 2023 year is to be:

**A Division:** Three teams (Blue, Gold and White) playing six 20 minute games with a watering break between them starting at 12:30 and going until 14:45 on Turf Two.

**Coordinator:** George Bradbury.

**Captains:** Neil Scaddan (Blue), Colin Gee (Gold), David Horsley (White).

**Promoted Players:** Ash Challenor, Peter Galbraith, Peter Wallis (Blue), Peter Andrews, Scott Blackwell (Gold), Bob Claxton, Jeff Kozak (White).

**B Division:** Three teams (Blue, Gold and White) playing six 20 minute games with a 5 minute break between them starting at 13:30 and going until 15:55 on Turf One.

**Coordinator:** John Chapman.

**Captains:** Dudley Evans (Blue), Bill Campbell (Gold), Jim Campbell (White).

**Promoted Players:** Steve Farrar, Alan Oldfield, Stefan Oleijko, Martin Whitely (Gold), Adrian Gabriel, Tom Long, Leo Welten (White).

**C Division:** Four teams (Blue, Gold, Red and White) playing two games each 2 x 25 minute halves. The start time is 15:00 for match 1 and 16:00 for match 2. Games on Turf Two.

**Coordinator:** Russell Wood.

**Captains:** Mike Sputore (Blue), Wayne Cutler (Gold), Paul Cartwright (Red), Not named (White).

**Promoted Players:** Not known.

**D Division:** Four teams (Black, Blue, Gold and Red) playing two games each 2 x 25 minute halves. The start time is 17:00 for match 1 and 18:00 for match 2. Games on Turf Two.

**Coordinator:** Ken O'Driscoll.

**Captains:** Stuart Amphlett (Black), Adrian Rutter (Blue), Michael Starling (Gold), Not named (Red).

*Our thanks are due to Colin Howell and Colin Gee who have done a lot of work between them to get the new structure and teams into place.*

*If there are any errors with the promoted players they are all my fault. Ed.*

*Thank you and well done to Adrian Gabriel who has done a fine job as C Division Coordinator but has now decided to promote himself to B Division. Best wishes to the new Coordinator, Russell Wood. Ed.*

**Dates For The Diary:**

**2023** February 25th: Social function after Saturday hockey.

April 1st: Hockey WA Senior Turf fixtures begin.

April 22nd: Hockey WA Metro and Masters fixtures begin.

April 29th: Hockey WA Junior fixtures begin.

Masters Interstate Championships for Men and Women. Home State WA.

September 21st to 30th: Women. ]

September 23rd to October 1st: Men O/34, O/40, O/45. ]

September 28th to October 7th: Men O/50 plus. ]

*Venues to be confirmed*

*PHS is primary location*

**2024** To be advised: Masters Interstate Championships for Men. Home State Tasmania.

**“Registration:** is now of vital importance to allow the WHM captains to maintain contact and for you to receive club messages and invitations.

Please use the following link

[www.revolutionise.com.au/westernmasters/home/](http://www.revolutionise.com.au/westernmasters/home/)

Registration is a requirement each year as we need to ensure up to date contact details are available to captains of teams and administrators of the club.

During registrations there are classifications for Playing Members, Social and Non Playing Members and Country Associates.

So there is a need for you all to register your interest in WHM Hockey.

Colin Gee, Club Administrator”

Simon Thomson puts it bluntly: “ALL PLAYERS MUST register via Revosport. Otherwise they will not receive any communication from us.

**Vale Brian Glencross:** Many thanks to the organisers of the memorial function for Brian held at the Stadium on Saturday January 21st. Fine tributes were rendered by Brian’s widow Judy, David Peet, Ric Charlesworth, MC David Hatt, Richard Aggiss, Sally Carbon and Rechelle Hawkes .

**Vale Eric McCauley:** Eric was a WA Country stalwart and was the #3 member as well as being the third life member. He played for WAC in every Masters tournament save one between 1981 and 2007. Stan Salazaar has let me know that he was a regular Wednesday player from 2006 to 2013 when it became too complicated for him to keep coming up by bus. He captained the WA State O70s in the Bunbury/Busselton tournament of 2010. Our condolences to Eric’s family.

*Thanks to WA Country and Stan Salazaar for the information.*

**Health Update on Greg (Ted) Allen:** Thank you to Simon Thomson and Dan Hill for the following:

“Many members will be aware that Ted has been undergoing cancer treatment for many months. Ted has advised (and he is happy for us to share) that he had a PET and CT scan last week and his cancer has unfortunately spread significantly. His quality of life is extremely poor. Ted has made the very difficult decision to cease any further treatment and allow nature to take its course.

Ted is now planning to enjoy the time he has with family and is looking forward to his youngest daughter’s wedding in March.

Ted has been a much-valued member and hockey comrade for many years. We wish Ted all the very best during this difficult time.”

**The Raffle is Back!** Many of us, particularly in the more senior divisions, have fond memories of the times when it was possible to take home a bottle of fine wine after Wednesday hockey. The revised playing arrangements put an end to our charity raffles from May of 2022 but a lot of thought has gone into the problem. As a result:

“Keith Platel has kindly volunteered to run a weekly Wine Raffle starting soon (*to be advised*) for all ABC Divisions. Peter Jones will sell tickets to all A Division players and give the tickets to Keith for the draw. The draw will take place at approx 5:00 pm weekly. Any prize won by a player not present at the draw will be kept by Keith and handed over to the winner the following week.”

*The tickets used to cost \$5 for three or \$2 for a single. Anybody who wants to enter the raffle should remember to bring some cash, or negotiate across the bar for a cash-out.*

**Grumpy Old Men and Women One:** “The most intense hatreds are not between political parties but within them.” *Phillip Adams. Australian broadcaster and newspaper columnist. Hopefully none of you ever played in a hockey ‘team’ like that. That has always been one of the prime goals of our hockey on Wednesdays; to avoid any friction and enjoy the hockey and the fraternisation.*

**Department of Health:** Some of the news this month has not been good, as shown by Page 3. Bob Claxton was swathed in dressings on all limbs in the early weeks of January but is now back playing again, as are Ian Hill (Saturday 28th January) and Terry Gaston (Wednesday 25th January). Brian Soares and Jim Balding (March comeback) are still working their way back. Barry Rutter has duly had his operation on 25th January and is looking forward to an imminent return to the goals. The news from Saturday is not good with both Simon Thomson (January 14th) and Les Waldon (January 28th) copping serious hand injuries. I noticed that Simon was back playing again on 1st February (with a thick glove on the hand) but Les may be out for some time. In late news I did hear that Alan Oldfield has had a cardiac scare resulting in a stent. It was good to see him back playing on Saturday 28th January. In further late news John Mercer stopped taking a new medication he's been on since the start of December, resulting in the lifting of a mental fog that he did not know was there. Best wishes from MM to all, including those we do not know of, for a rapid and complete recovery.

**Letters To The Editor:** Peter Fogels responded to the January issue with a nice compliment and the suggestion: "..... promote the editor but deduct 5% pay from the proof-reader for each error." *Good idea. Editor-in-Chief sounds OK, with a 20% pay rise (Ed.)*. Nobody else wrote, they all must have been too busy with post Christmas and New Year functions.

**Department of Corrections:** Apologies to President Simon Thomson for claiming that he would like to see the wine raffle reinstated in **2003**, instead of **2023**. Anybody got a time machine? The January edition incorrectly claimed that all the birthdays belonged to December. As one of them was the Editor's the proof-reader is in the bad books - again. Apologies also to Ivan Wilson for calling him W1lson. Where do you get good staff these days - do you have to pay them?

**Player Birthdays:** If you do not want to have your birthday included in Masters Matters then please contact the editor at the email address [johnmercer@iinet.net.au](mailto:johnmercer@iinet.net.au).

Please let me (and Colin Gee) know if there are any errors or misspellings. We stress again that there is no compunction to buy drinks for the bar on either a Wednesday or a Saturday.

Happy February birthdays to all the following:

**A Division:** **9th** Colin Sanders (1941).

**B Division:** **11th** Chris Morley (1950) **12th** Roger Davey (1951).

**C Division:** **2nd** Colin Howell (1955) **9th** Stuart Lamont (1959) **12th** Keith Harper (1958) **16th** Rick Roderer (1957).

**D Division:** **3rd** Rob Tincey (1962) **6th** Diarmid Burns (1963) **7th** Bruce Taylor (1963) **27th** John Pestana (1960).

**Saturday:**

**Past Players:**

Perhaps the paucity of birthdays indicates that May is not such a merry month.

*I hope that you're named in the correct WHM Division. And there are no non-preferred names. Ed.*

**Expressions of Interest for Asian Cup:** Southern Cross are deciding on whether to attend. The email: Hello to all SX Members,

This Newsflash is to invite members to provide an **Expression of Interest** to represent Southern Cross Masters Hockey in the **Asian Cup** to be held at the grounds of the Hong Kong Football Club starting from 20 November 2023 to 26 November 2023.

We mention that 25+ teams have already registered for Hong Kong with LX not yet included but intending to so. In this regard, team nominations close 15 February 2023 therefore, **your earliest reply** would be appreciated by **no later than the 10 February 2023**. This will allow the SX Committee to decide on the number of teams and in which age group to nominate.

Yours in hockey,

Phil Retford - Secretary Southern Cross Masters Hockey, inc.

**'A' Division Blog:** January began slowly but the promoted players have now improved our numbers.

**January 11th:** A significant section of A Division must have gone on holiday as we barely had numbers for two teams and two umpires, despite there being three goalkeepers. White had the largest contingent and George and the captains organized a two team day. We could not start on time as the watering system had decided not to function properly and despite the best efforts of Rory from Hockey WA we only achieved one sprinkler coming on. Four games were played before we called it a day. Thank you to John Burt, Tony Marshall and Graeme Sansom for their custodial efforts - I believe that John and Graeme helped the B Division later on. The goal of the day judges were unanimous that Robin Bailey's effort from the backline was the winner. The scorers were:

**Scorers:** Robin Bailey (2), Ken Beer (3), Nev Brown and Peter Dennis. Total goals 7.

Team numbers were: Blue (6), Gold (6), White (10).

**January 18th:** Numbers were a little better than the previous week and we tried to play the proper fixtures. Many thanks to a very youthful member of the Hockey WA staff who managed to get the watering system operating. Due to the wind it all evaporated very quickly and the repeated watering pauses meant that we ran out of time to play the last game, possibly much to the relief of our two keepers Graeme and John. Butch Worth arrived on Turf Two and played a couple of games (we think he then went to be in the Bs) and Chip Challenor made another comeback (successful!). The play appeared to be relatively even but the White team had trouble in scoring, possibly due to their inability to recruit star players as fill-ins. Many of the goals ended up as tap-ins but a sweetly-struck corner from Ricky Watts and a well-executed one on one with the keeper by Phil Metcalf made the judges short list. However they finally decided that Ken Walter's hat trick should be goal of the day, as he did plenty of lead-up work for each one. The results and scorers were:

**Gold 3 Blue 0; White 0 Blue 2; White 0 Gold 1; Blue 0 Gold 1; Blue 3 White 1.**

**Scorers:** **Blue:** Ken Beer (2), Nev Brown, Phil Metcalf (2), **Gold:** John Mercer, Ken Walter (3), Ricky Watts. Total goals 11.

Team numbers based on original sides: Blue (7), Gold (9), White (10).

**January 25th:** Numbers really went up as shown by 13 White players at the start of the day which became 14 with the arrival of Chip Challenor. Blue welcomed back Colin Sanders and also had the services of Robin Bailey and Peter Andrews all day with the added bonus of a couple of games from Butch Worth. Gold managed 10 players after the return of Mark Faithfull and managed to borrow Peter Galbraith for one game after a finger injury to Ken Walter. Bob Claxton brought a friend along in Martin Gullivan, the President of Welsh Hockey who was good enough to umpire 5 games for us. Unfortunately our hockey standard was below that of last week and the necessary team work to produce goals was absent for much of the day. Goalkeepers Tony Marshall, Graeme Sansom and John Burt were rarely bothered in the first three games. Eventually someone had to score and the goal of the day went to Peter Dennis for the only one of the three goals which did not come off the keeper on the way in. The results and scorers:

**Blue 0 White 0; Gold 0 White 0; Gold 1 Blue 0; White 0 Blue 1; White 0 Gold 1; Blue 0 Gold 1.**

**Scorers:** **Blue:** Peter Dennis. **Gold:** Ken Beer (filling-in), Ricky Watts (PS).

Team numbers at maximum: Blue (9 + Robin B, Peter Andrews), Gold (10), White (14).

**February 1st:** The inclusion of the B Division promotions made a big difference to the quality of our midfield play but after three matches only one goal had been scored. Unlike last week this was not due to a lack of opportunities but some very poor finishing. No names, as there is a ban on editorial selfies. Before we began a warm welcome was extended to Ash Challenor, Peter Galbraith, Peter Wallis (Blue), Peter Andrews, Scott Blackwell (Gold) and Bob Claxton, Jeff Kozak (White). Our keepers Tony, Graeme and John were hard to pass all day and repeatedly were able to leave errant shots. Jim Malcolm transferred from White to Gold for the day but White were still rotating three players. The goal of the day went to Ken Eliot for a centimeter perfect corner conversion. Results:

**Blue 0 Gold 1; White 0 Gold 0; White 0 Blue 0; Gold 2 Blue 0; Gold 1 White 1; Blue 1 White 0.**

**Scorers:** **Blue:** Ash Challenor. **Gold:** Peter Andrews (2), John Mercer (2). **White:** Ken Eliot.

Team numbers Blue (11), Gold (10), White (14). Total goals 6. *See also limerick on Page 7.*

**From Saturday Masters:**

# Recent weeks have seen severe hand injuries to Simon Thomson (14th January) and Les Waldon (28th January). I have not heard the details of Simon's injury (see Department of Health Page 4) but Les has actually suffered a fracture. Hope the treatment has been effective.

# Apologies to all players for the to-ing and fro-ing on the 21st January. The weather on the day was so warm at the Stadium that the memorial function for Brian was held indoors instead of outdoors as originally planned. This also caused us to try to move our games back to Perry Lakes. It was still an excellent idea to move to PHS which would have felt like a fitting tribute to Brian from us.

# In this section of our last issue we brought you all up to date with our intentions regarding Revosport. Since then all players have been sent the email regarding registration and we hope to be able to assist you to do this at YMCA on Saturday 11th February. It is our intention to use this platform for all communications eventually so we will also be guiding our social and mailing list members to register too - eventually.

# Since play restarted on Saturday 7th January attendances have been consistently good and a lot of the hockey has been comparatively high standard. The age range is now quite wide but the younger players are fitting in superbly and making sure that all the aged and infirm get a hit too.

# Saturday the 28th featured comebacks from Ian Hill and Lance Woods. Welcome back to you both.

# A reminder that the stubby holders donated by Ken Watt are available in the bar area. Please help yourself from the green Woolworths bag in the bar area and return them to the bag when you leave.

# Make sure that you book in to play by responding to the "are you playing" email before the time requested by Bruce. And if you've booked in and can't make it, then please notify us about that too.

As the weather has been a bit tropical lately I thought I'd include a depiction of how the other half of the world are sometimes forced to train for their hockey. Some like it hot - others don't.

**Picture supplied by John Sanders**



**Quotable Quote 1:** "The cricket bat is mightier than the pen and the sword combined." *Said to be an Australian quote. From "Joy of Museums Virtual Tours." But a cricket journalist determined to skewer some unfortunate player combines all three and is usually irresistible.*

**Balinese Bulletin No 77:** Peter is back:

We are now three months into our new accommodation arrangements and have settled in comfortably here at Pondok Cintya.

We have established our own "Meals on Wheels" facility here with two local eateries located close by. We generally have food delivered 3 times per week with each delivery being sufficient to cover 2 nights' meals. Fortunately the cost falls within our reach .....the regal sum for all this food is around Au\$20.00 in total. I think we can keep this going for a little time yet.

With our current state of advancing years we are finding a new & comfortable level of respect being shown to us by the lovely local people. The Family at one of the 2 local eateries refers to us as Grandpa & Grandma while at the other one of girls calls us Dadeee & Mumeee. Here at Pondok Cintya the young man (Jimi), originally from Timor Leste & his Wife from Sumba, refer to us as Opah & Omah. This is the Dutch form of expression for Grandpa & Grandma.

I think that may be enough idle chatter from this Old Bloke up 'ere. Time for a nap maybe!

Peter Hammond

*Thank you Peter - good to hear that the Meals on Wheels is operating well. We're having a bit of a heat wave down here and naps are a survival mechanism. Ed.*

**Goal Shooting in A Division:** The Blog for the 1st February mentioned that the day really featured many hits - almost all of them misses. MM's limericist was sympathetic, for once:

Our forwards have one major role

To score an occasional goal

But shot after shot

Keeps missing the lot

Is suffering good for the soul?

*Most of the suffering is done by the providers of the opportunities rather than the errant shooters.*

**Shakespeare Said It:** "My ears are stopped and cannot hear good news, so much of bad already hath possessed them." Two Gentlemen of Verona Act III, Scene I. *Hope none of you feel like this after watching the world drift towards calamities - with the Hockey World Cup on top of that.*

"Yet hath my night of life some memory, my wasting lamps some fading glimmer left, my dull deaf ears some little use to hear." The Comedy Of Errors Act V, Scene I. *Many of us who played in the OBE Challenge match managed to remember enough of the past to play some reasonable hockey (on a weight for age basis) at times. That does not mean me. Ed.*

".... We did think it writ down in our duty to let you know of it." Hamlet Act I, Scene II. *The editorial policy of Masters Matters. Ed.*

These are a little more dismal than our usual. We will try to do better in the March edition.

**Well Dones for January:** Wednesday's A Division umpires: Rob Ainsworth, George Bradbury, Bob Claxton, Ken Eliot, Peter Evans, Peter Galbraith, Colin Gee, Martin Gullivan, Ian Hill, Mal Horrigan, David Horsley, Mal Jackaman, Peter Jones, KY Lee, Bob Maley, Colin Sanders, Neil Scaddan, Peter Trend, Les Waldon, Ken Watt, Ricky Watts and Ivan Wilson. Saturday's umpires were: Dudley Burress, Terry Gaston, Ian Hill, Tom Long, Steve Powles, Neil Scaddan, Rod Spencer, Greg Street, Len Walker, Ken Watt. Our thanks to you all.

**Past Players, Non Players and Injured Players January:** Noted at PHS: Jim Balding, Bob Claxton, Ian Eliot, Ian Hill, Barry Rutter and Neil Scaddan. At Perry Lakes: Eric Alcock, Terry Gaston, Michael Gottschalk, Ian Hill, Peter Livingstone, Tom Long, John Milner, Alan Oldfield, Steve Powles, Barry Rutter, Don Sanders, Neil Scaddan, Rod Spencer, Len Walker.

**Grumpy Old Men And Women Two:** "Help the poor by not becoming poor." *Alleged Australian proverb. Wish someone had told me that earlier. Ed.*

**B Division January 2023:**

A brand new year and the anticipation of a new format commencing 1<sup>st</sup> Feb has seen players gradually prise themselves out of their easy chairs and away from their TV's, pools, holidays and relatives. After only a couple of weeks numbers have increased as the attraction of a Wednesday afternoon full of hockey, refreshment and general R and R has taken hold. At first general fitness in the group was down after the usual much enjoyed Christmas and New Year celebrations however this is fast improving. Also the break has allowed the recuperation of minor injuries, sprains and niggles or at least be out of mind for a while.

Squads for the new format have been finalised with each team getting 2-3 new players. This will strengthen the competition and ensure the continued evolution of Western Hockey Masters.

My latest information is that Bob Claxton, Scott Blackwell, Peter Wallis, Peter Andrews, Peter Galbraith and Geoff Kozak have moved on to A Division. We thank them for their past efforts and wish them well as they tackle new challenges.

Steve Farrar, Adrian Gabriel, Dan Hill, Tom Long, Alan Oldfield, Stefan Olekjo, Leo Welten and Martin Whitely have been brought up from C Division and have been allocated to the various teams. Butch Worth has returned from injury and is another welcome addition.

Our B Division coordinator John Chapman has done a great job in assessing and distributing these players which in his own words, "can all change in the blink of an eye as player movement is like herding cats!"

And so another year begins which is already a huge success as it keeps us older members of the community out and about with a bit of exercise thrown in!

*Dudley's closing paragraph makes an excellent point on the benefits we gain from our Wednesday hockey. Even players who do not go the bar afterwards benefit from the sideline chats which seem to be a feature of all our Divisions while those who do reach the bar have the chance to maintain cordial relations, not only with team mates but also with opposition players. I often claim that our hockey has all the good features of a Men's Shed with physical benefits thrown in. Ed.*

**MM and World Peace:** We had intended to do our bit for the peace of the world but there seems to have been a slight mix-up somewhere. There also seems to have been a major mix-up in the Defence Departments of the world as we all apparently are preparing to attack somebody else.

**World Peas**

**Punology One:** What do you call a kangaroo that is a dead set genius? A quantum leap.

**Visitors:** As mentioned in the A Division blog, Bob Claxton brought a guest to PHS on 25th January. He turned out to be Martin Gullivan, the president of Welsh hockey and he ended up umpiring five matches for us. I did not see him in the bar afterwards, which was a shame because we certainly owed him a drink or two. Henry Barry, from Victoria, was a guest at Perry Lakes for a run on January 14th. We hope that both our visitors enjoyed their time in Perth and their encounters with WHM.

### **Test Your Hockey Knowledge With John Sanders:**

**January's** question was:

I have been compiling a pictorial record of the incomparable Pearce family of boys.

A keen hockey follower should be able to match the correct given names for the Pearce boys with their more commonly known name:

Cec		Robert
Mel		Brian
Eric		George Arthur
Gordon		No Middle Name
Julian		Charles

The correct answer is:

Cec	No Middle Name	Pearce
Mel	Melville George Arthur	Pearce
Eric	Eric Robert	Pearce
Gordon	Gordon Charles	Pearce
Julian	Julian Brian	Pearce

There is no question for February because my emails are bouncing back as John's inbox is full. I hope it's due to trouble with his emails rather than a health issue - information welcome.

**Blast From The Past:** Thanks to Robin Bailey for a newspaper clipping from 1998 which lists the names of the Masters State hockey teams for that year. There aren't many unknown even to me and most of them have been part of Western Hockey Masters at some stage:

**O/50s No 1:** R MacLiver (capt/coach), J Halley (manager), D Wilson, R McCarthy, K Walter, A Stewart, A Cook, P Eastlake, C Evans, D Price, D Philp, J Dunstan, H Tyrrell, L Blyth, B Price, N Gandy, G Corlett.

**O/50s No 2:** R Lonnie (capt/coach), M Horrigan, J Jeffreys, R Kidd, R Norton, M Goodman, P Thunder, S Thomson, R Denny, M Wilkinson, A Hams, B Milne, R Phillips, A Challenor, L Waldon, T Wicks.

**O/55:** P Hammond (capt/coach), G Whyte (manager), W Gurr, I Wilson, W Daley, B Lester, B Young, B McIntosh, R Venables, P Gason, C Sanders, M Mason, D Palandri, M Stewart, B Stewart, C Bala, (*known to us as Bala Chandran*) B Rutter.

**O/60s:** C Nicholas (capt/coach), B Robinson (manager), J Metcalfe, K Hawkins, R Benjamin, A Foster, F Pownall, T Crossen, L Grostate, R Campbell, B Williamson, B Jenkin, B Dare, G Winning, D Younger, D Kelly, B Pickering, F Fay.

*If I am certain that the name is wrongly spelled I have corrected it. It looks as though all the Bills have been shown as 'B' rather than 'W.'*

**Guest Limerick:** Thanks to Bill Campbell for this. Only Spike Milligan could do something like ....

There was a young man named Wyatt  
Whose voice was terribly quiet  
And then one day  
It faded away  
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**Stay Safe in Hospital Research**

Prof Anne-Marie Hill, Senior Research Fellow, UWA School of Allied Health (and wife of WHM Secretary, Dan Hill) is leading a study about helping people aged 65 and over have a safe and quick recovery if they go to hospital.

“Stay Safe in Hospital” Project Officer, Tammy, is interviewing patients and their caregivers to share their thoughts and experience of staying in hospital. Participants will receive a \$50.00 Myer gift voucher in appreciation. Further information is in the flyer published in this newsletter and you can contact Tammy on 0410 426 005 or [tammy.weselman@wa.edu.au](mailto:tammy.weselman@wa.edu.au)

**Safe Stay in Hospital: Patient Fall Prevention Education Program**

**Are you aged 65+ and stayed overnight in a hospital?**

**OR**

**Are you a caregiver (family member/relative/friend) of the above older person?**

Researchers from The University of Western Australia and La Trobe University invite you to share your or your family member's experience with falls prevention education when hospitalised

Participants  
will receive a  
**\$50**  
Myer Gift Card

Participation involves one of three options:

1. A 3-hour community group meeting and morning tea OR
2. A 30 to 60-minute interview (in-person) with a research team member OR
3. A 30 to 60-minute interview (online) with a research team member

Your feedback will  
influence the  
delivery of patient  
education in  
hospitals

**Register Here OR Contact our team**



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**M: 0410 426 005**

The study has ethics approval from The University of Western Australia's Human Resource Ethics Committee Ref No: 2022/ET000692

*Thank you to Dan for this item. I urge WHM members to help in this research, especially if you have ever had a bad night in a hospital. Ed.*

**Quotable Quote Two:** “A platypus is a duck designed by a committee.” *Alleged Australian saying.*

**Punology Two:** Why did the wombat decide to cross the road? To see his flatmate.

**Late News:** Saturday Hockey will hold a function after play on Saturday 25th February. This will be a fully catered meal with drinks supplied. Free for playing and social members. More details to follow.

**Change of Details:** In the event of any change to your email address and other details you should notify Colin Gee, our membership administrator, whose email address is [gee.colin@gmail.com](mailto:gee.colin@gmail.com).

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