



Cheltenham Baseball Club Inc.
Annual General Meeting NO. 1

Minutes of Meeting Held: 7.30 pm Thursday
23 October 1986.
Cheltenham Hall

1. Attendance.

1.1 Present :

John Stewart, Graeme Ainscough, Sam Jamieson, John Ferguson, Harry Kalinski, Stan Hogben, Barry Hughes, Graham Lewis, Chris Reece, Frank Babidge, Jeff Druce, Maureen Phillips, Glenys Harris, Frank Dinnie, Mick Trevorah, Mark Johnson, Peter Smith, Kel Roberts, Liz Landry.
(19)

1.2 Proxy Forms Received From :

Dean Sinfield, Mark Dinnie, Kevin Williams, Lee Bailey, Wayne Bailey, James Stewart, Grace Stewart, Matthew Stewart. (8)

1.3 Apologies :

Trevor Hogben, Andrew Connor. (2)

2. Reports.

2.1 Financial - Sam Jamieson.

Statements covered the period 6/1/86 to 30/8/86 and were prepared on a cash rather than an accrual basis. The item "coaching expenses" includes airfares for Gary Harrison which should be refunded in 1986/1987 financial year.

The item "sponsorship" includes trophies donated by the Sportsmans Centre. Special mention was also made of the bingo turnover of \$180,000 for a profit of \$5,000, and the major contribution Maureen Phillips has made to the club's sound financial position.

Moved : Sam Jamieson, Seconded : Graeme Ainscough

That the financial report as tabled (attachment 1) be accepted.
CARRIED

Noted : Excellent presentation of the statements by the treasurer.

2.2 Facilities - John Stewart.

Pavillion access is expected in February 1987. Costs have increased by \$80,000 over the original estimates.

The top ground has proved unplayable during most of the winter season and major improvements are essential. The bottom ground is now well grassed and is playing well.
Requirements are to be given the highest priority and made clear to the Morrabbinn City Council.

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2.3 Summer - Graeme Ainscough.

In spite of strong and inspiring leadership by the club coach Lawrie Hall and an outstanding effort by our junior players, our on-field senior performances during 1985/86 were disappointing.

On the other hand junior performances continued to improve and the club is developing a solid base for the future. The Under 17 side, managed by Kevin Williams, was particularly successful and played off for the section championship.

The presentation and wind-up night was a major success with over 150 people in attendance.

The 1986/87 season has started well with a successful Registration Day run by Grace Stewart and Mick Trevorah. The uniform has been changed and the club is looking for the new image to contribute to a new beginning.

Special mention should be made of the outstanding work of Grace Stewart (Canteen) and Glenys Harris (Teeball).

John Ferguson has been appointed club coach to replace the American coach Gary Harrison who was unable to take up his appointment due to a serious illness in his family.

2.4 Winter - Sam Jamieson.

Written report tabled (attachment 2).

Moved : Harry Kalinski, Seconded : Kel Roberts

That the reports as presented be accepted.
CARRIED.

3. Election of Office Bearers.

Board

President	John Stewart
Vice President	Stan Hogben
Secretary	John Ferguson
Treasurer	Sam Jamieson
Member	Graeme Ainscough
Member	Frank Babidge

Honorary Auditor	John McHarry
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4. Subscriptions.

Moved : Stan Hogben, Seconded : Frank Dinnie

That the annual membership subscriptions be set at \$10.00 for 1986/87. This subscription is meant to be additional to any playing fees set by the Summer and Winter committees.
CARRIED.



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5. Special Resolutions.

Notice of motion as distributed prior to the meeting (attachment 3) to alter the rules of Cheltenham Baseball Club Inc. was discussed.

Liz Landry asked that the provisions for transferring the net assets in the event of the club winding up be clarified.

Graeme Ainscough explained that the clause is to protect the assets from unscrupulous persons involved in illegal gambling and raffles.

Moved : Sam Jamieson, Seconded : Graeme Ainscough

That the resolution as presented be accepted.
CARRIED.

6. Life membership. -- Paul Ferguson.

A summary of Paul's service was distributed (attachment 4).

Moved : Mick Trevorah, Seconded : Graeme Ainscough

That life membership be conferred on Paul Ferguson.
CARRIED.

7. General Business.

- Life Membership. Mick Trevorah suggested we need to clarify the guideline for nominations. Referred for consideration by the Board.

• Honour Boards. Principle of recognition for various levels of service was strongly supported.

Moved : Graeme Ainscough, Seconded : Harry Kalinski

That the Board make the necessary arrangements to provide honour boards and establish guidelines for awarding long service medallions and ten year certificates.
CARRIED.

- Code of Conduct. Supported in principle and referred to the Board for consideration.

• Donation. Stan Hogben moved a vote of thanks to Sam Jamieson for his donation of \$131.16 to cover the incorporation expenses.

• Player Participation. Frank Dinnie stressed the need for more player involvement at meetings and in other areas of club administration. Frank Babidge suggested that the agenda should include a notice of motion of a membership levy of \$150.00 to encourage more members to attend the next AGM.

8. Meeting Closed: 9.45pm

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ATTACHMENT 1A

CHELTENHAM BASEBALL CLUB

Life Membership Proposal - Paul Ferguson

Paul commenced playing with the club (Pahran) in 1965 with the Under 17 and Reserve teams. He first played Division 1 in 1966 and "retired" at the end of the 1985/86 season with an outstanding playing record spanning 22 years.

His playing highlights include :

- Over 500 games;
- Cheltenham MVP 1978/79;
- 5 Hits in Division 1 final versus Preston;
- Most stolen bases for the club 1965-86;
- Most runs scored for the club 1965-86 (average over 1 per game);
- Golden Glove Division 1 Second Base 1978/79 (.957)
- .303 BA Division 1 as Number 9 hitter in 1972
- Stole third & home to beat Sandringham (1977);
- .410 BA 1981/82 Division 2;
- Claxton Shield representative 1969-77;
- VPBL Under 18 representative 1963;
- Victorian and Australian U16/U18 Junior representative 1963-65;
- Australian Senior representative 1969-74.

Paul is regarded by most people as the best defensive second baseman in Australia in the 1970's. As a finals player for the club his record was outstanding and he is highly respected as a very aggressive competitor.

His dedication to the club is best demonstrated by his decision to stay and play following the club's relegation to Division 2 in 1980.

Paul has served on the committee and as Chairman of social activities at various times. He also coached five Pee Wee teams winning a premiership in 1982/83.

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CHELTENHAM BASEBALL CLUB INCORPORATED -- WINTER COMMITTEE 1986

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

In my 1985 address as President of the Cheltenham Baseball Winter Club I indicated the 3 main challenges for 1986 as:

- (1) the amalgamation of the Winter Club with the Cheltenham Baseball Club Inc. so as to attain the new clubrooms and an overall improvement in administration;
- (2) to win an A grade premiership, and
- (3) attaining an improved junior administration.

The Club was incorporated on the 6th of January this year with the invaluable assistance of Ralph Bailey and Graham Ainscough, and the new clubrooms should be completed by the end of this year under the watchful eyes of John Stewart and John Ferguson. These members are to be congratulated for their very significant contribution to the future of the Club.

We did not win the A grade premiership; not due to any lack of trying, but due to the efforts of the Dingley Baseball Club and its importation of VBA Division 1 players to play Monash at its own game. Under such circumstance our second spot in A grade was a great achievement, and together with getting our three other senior teams into the finals has consolidated our position as the most envied and feared club in the competition.

We also did not achieve an improved junior administration; also not due to a lack of effort or commitment by the Committee or the junior coaches, but due to my personal inability to initially convince people of the need. People are now convinced, and this will be rectified prior to the 1987 season under the chairmanship of Kevin Howe, and I urge all parents and players to give him any assistance as requested.

Senior Baseball

1986 showed once again that Cheltenham Baseball Club was the major force in DBA senior baseball, finishing 2nd in A grade, 3rd in both C1 and C2 grades, and 4th in A Reserve. All congratulations for this effort must go to Trevor Hogben, Terry Reid, Garry Cox, Kel Roberts, Dirk Beven, and Ross Ginns for their coaching commitments, and to all senior players.

The efforts of individual players were well noted by the umpires, Terry Reid won the O'Brien Medal for the best and fairest player in A grade, Ron Boles was 2nd in the A Reserve award, Colin Upfill was 2nd and Wayne Purton 3rd in the C1 award, and all 16 players in the C2 team scored votes for their award. In addition David Kettle was voted Most Valuable Player in the VPBL series for the second year in a row. I extend my personal congratulations and those of the Committee and other members to all of these players.

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ATTACHMENT 2

Junior Baseball

On the junior side the year was very satisfying in terms of level of commitment present from the coaches players and supporters, and the personal improvement of all players. It was however disappointing in terms of the number of teams fielded. An excellent second half of the season was had by both teams indicating that next year may be better.

Thanks must go to all who coached and assisted each Saturday, especially to Colin Uppill, John McHarry and Kel Roberts with the Under 17's, and Kevin and Cheryl Howe with the Under 13's. I would also like to thank the parents who attended games regularly and assisted in any way they could, as well as those senior players who umpired and marked grounds when asked to.

Social Committee

Once again the Social Committee has triumphed over the adversity of totally inadequate clubroom facilities, to record an impressive list of social events and new ideas in fund raising. The Inaugural Presentation Night Dinner/Dance was one of the years highlights both on and off the field, and its organisation and execution has shown the DBA the new standard required for such events.

I wish to personally thank the whole social committee for continuing the tradition, and in particular Dirk Beven and Joe Peterson for their individual efforts.

Conclusion

To me personally the most satisfying aspects of the 1986 season were the emergence of a revitalised Club spirit, an increased depth in senior player ranks and competitiveness, the promise of a properly organised junior administration for next season, and seeing the start of the building of the new clubrooms. These are all good omens for 1987.

With the completion of the new clubrooms expected prior to the start of next season, next year should be bigger and better in every way.

The strength of this Club is its fighting spirit when placed against either an unknown situation or seemingly unbeatable odds. The challenges for 1987 are to continue the commitment necessary to retain the respect of our peers, remain a legitimate challenger for top honours, and lead the way in innovative administration.

Sam Jamieson
President



ATTACHMENT 3

CHELTENHAM BASEBALL CLUB INCORPORATED

Notice of Motion requiring a Special Resolution¹

That the Rules of Cheltenham Baseball Club Incorporated be altered as follows :

1. Amend paragraph 8(4)(e) to read -
"to receive and consider the audited statement submitted by the Club in accordance with section 30(3) of the Act."
2. Insert a new paragraph 8(4)(f) to read -
"appoint an auditor of the Club for the financial year."
3. Amend paragraph 36 to read -
"WINDING UP OR CANCELLATION
In the event of the winding up or cancellation of the incorporation of the Club, the net assets of the Club shall be given or transferred to some other incorporation club or association having objects similar to the Club, as determined by the members of the Club at or before the time of dissolution, or in default thereof be given or transferred in equal shares to the Dandenong Baseball Association and the Victorian Baseball Association to be used specifically for the purposes of promoting the game of baseball in the Cheltenham area of Victoria

Proposed : S. Jamieson

Seconded : G. Ainscough

1. Under Sub-sections 22(1) and 29(1) of the Associations Incorporation Act 1981 the Rules of the Club may only be altered by a Special Resolution. A Special Resolution requires 21 days notice of motion and must be passed by a majority of three-fourths of all members entitled to vote either in person or by proxy.

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