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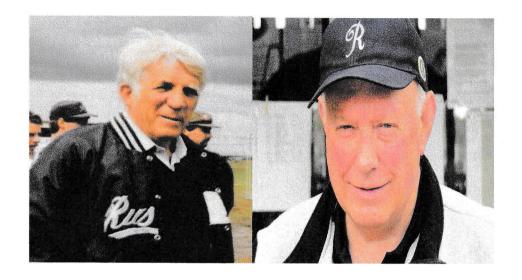
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CLUB COACH
MANAGER V.B.A. "1"



AROUND THE CLUB 1975



Jim Upfill Chairman of Selectors

Graeme Ainscough Secretary



Gordon Dossor, Colin Anderson and Jim Upfill

Raylene Tanner





George Ingram

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Frank Babidge Jnr

Kel Roberts



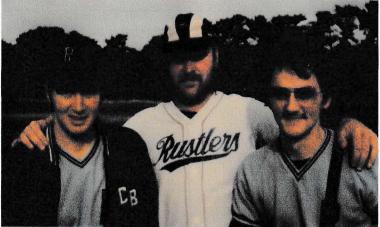
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Michael Trevorah

John Landry

Colin Upfill

SCORERS



Liz Landry,

Molly Knorr

Joy Roberts



CHELTENHAM RUSTLERS BASEBALL CLUB

1975 - ANNUAL REPORT

Ladies and Gentlemen,

On behalf of the Committee I present the Third Annual Report of the Club since the merger and although there are still difficulties facing the Club some of the original hopes and aims are in the process of being achieved and at long last the ground at Cheltenham Park is soon to be upgraded by the Moorabbin Council.

The 1975 season saw a shuffke of positions on the Club L. Executive and Committee with the departure overseas on long service leave of Leo Anderson (President in 1974) and Leo's presence and assistance was sadly missed. Alan Burdett assumed the Presidency and Graeme Ainscough took over the position odf Secretary with Colin Anderson as Assistant Secretary.

Unfortunately the Club did not enjoy a great deal of success on the field during 1975 with only 4 of our 9 teams reaching the finals . The with the only major success going to D.B.A. "C" Grade Team led by Kel Roberts and we sincerely congratulate Kel and his team on their achievement of the Club's first pennant in this Grade.

The D.B.A. "A" Grade team defeated Noble Park in the last round of the season to make the finals only to go down to the same team the next week in the semi final.

The under 13 and under 17 teams both made the finals only to drop out of calculations in the semi final and preliminary final respectively but this augers well for 1976 as the under 13's were most inexperienced and improved dramatically during the season whereas the entire under 17 squad are elligible in 1976 and prospects for the future appear bright.

Reports on various facets of the Club are as follows:-

COMMITTEE and EXECUTIVE

The Club was ably led by Alan Burdett with strong support from the executive-Graeme Ainscough (Secretary), Colin Anderson (Assistant Secretary), John Ferguson (Treasurer) and Gordon Dossor (Assistant Treasurer) who gave more than a fair share of their time to Club activities and the Club is indebted to them for their untiring efforts for the Club.

Of the Committee - Jim Upfill's efforts as Chairman of Selectors was outstanding once again as without his ingenuity and juggling of players etc week after week the Club would surely fail to fulfill its commitments of fielding teams in the various grades. Also Ross Upfill as Social Secretary (until his departure to Western Australia late in the season) proved most capable and Along with other members of the Committee formed a capable and sound team of administrators and to all of them I would express the thanks and appreciation of Club Members f r their efforts on behalf of the Club.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

In any organisation there are always the few who single themselves out by their achievements, generosity or quiet tireless work and this Club has its share of such people and it is fitting to make mention of them in such a report.

Mary and Max Johanson and Dora Anderson were once again responsible for the running of the Club's major function at the Caulfield Town hall and we thank them sincerely for a most enjoyable and financially successful evening.

The Social Events were broken up amongst the Social Committee with the running of various events allocated as follows:-

Wine & CheeseNight - John Ferguson

"Games Night " (at Clubrooms) - Harry Kalinski

 Club Wind up Night - Alan Burdett

Fancy Dress Night - Ross Upfill

Trip To Gold Coast - Graeme Ainscough (Phil Purvis for organising the prize)

1000 Effort - Colin Anderson and Fred Capper (Graeme Ainscough for organising the prize and Mick Trevorah & Russell R bertson for collecting the spoils)

Junior Wind up - Graeme Ainscough

Raelene Tanner and Nola Burdett for organising sale of Hot Dogs etc. at M.ngston Centre .

COACHING SEMINAR at the Club Rooms was an outstanding success and thanks to Paul Fefguson assited by Alan Byrdett, John Ferguson, Alan Tanner with support from Ted Wale (Malvern), Peter McFarlane and Gary Thompson (Sandringham)

Attendance at the first night were between 60 and 70 with over 40 attending on the second night with a large number of junior members present and it is anticipated that these seminars will be held in future seasons

SCORERS

It would be improper for the Club not to make special mention of the scorers for the various nines and to all of them we say a special thankyou for giving of your time throughout the season.

Elizabeth Landry ... VJA A1,A2 and DJA "B" Grade on occasions. A terrific effort for a first season with "the pencils"

Molly Knorr .. DBA "A" Grade and under 15's - Joy Roberts .. DBA "C" Grad and under 13's

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The C ub wishes to thank the following for the dona-ions and support during the year.

Ralph Bailey, Jim Upfill, Colin Anderson , Frank Babidge Snr. Lay Treverah, Mr Hibbert,

Thanks to Mr & m's Hogben for regualrly supplying transport to under 17 matches and for their consistent support.

COMMISERATIONS to the following who were unfortunate enough to suffer major injuties during the season and were sidelined for long periods. Tom Stalzer (cartilage operation), Con Adamis (cartilage operation and also a broken wrist), Brendan Hall (ankle injury), Phil Purvis (cartilage operation at time of going to press), Colin Anderson Broken finger), Hax Johanson (Knee) Bill Quaiffe (knee injury) Trever Martin (Glandualr Feever), Lindsay Reyston (Knee), and ankle

SECRETARIAL COMMENT

I would like to especially thank those who gave no assistance throughout the season, including John Ferguson, Alan Burdett Colin Anderson and Jin Upfill. Also the Junior team nanagers in Paul Ferguson John Ferguson and George Ingram who took a large burden off my shoulders after the initial heatic opening rounds.

I would also like to thank the Committee for their regular attendance at no tings and the social committee for their excellent work throughout the season.

LOWLIGHTS

The lack of enthusiasm of so many of our players who find any excuse to not turn up to a game and don't even bother to advise that they are unavailable.

Also I strongly support our President's comment that a large number of our members do little or nothing for the Club other than playing on saturdays and this attitude and lack of thought for the Club must change if we are to lift the standing of the Club both on and off the field.

Graene Ainscough
Hon Sec.

TOAM ONPTHINS REPORTS

V.B.A. "A1" & COACH'S REPORT Alan Tanner

After winning several early games the first Nine reached a position where they could have secured a place in the finals. However, injuries loss of key players and to some extent lack of practice were the main reasons for the end of season losses.

Throughout the season several good performances were recorded. Young players having their first full, season acqitted themselves quite well (namedy Laurie Hall & Mick Trevorah) and the players put into the side as replacements also proved to be more than adequate.

If all the players involved in making up the First Nine throughout the season are prepared to put the time in at practice, give the Club complete dedication and discipline themeselves to the initial objective, whinning a premiership is well within sight of their talents. Lapses of concentration, inexperience and general fitness caused vital mistakes in one or two innings per game, causing the team to be beaten by small margins, therfor finishing well down the ladder. Our defence over the past couple of seasons has been very suspect and this department is subsequently tightened a place in the "F ve" is certain.

To achieve the best end result all players must be prepared to play in any position he is selected in, concentrate wholly on his own game and give his best for the entire time from warm-up to games end without any complaints and then study his own game -the perfect player doesn't play for our (Club Yet

V.B.A. "A2" Don SMYTH

After a slow start gaining only a draw in the first seven matches, the team settled down to win six of the next seven games. Unfortunately injuries to several players at this time depleted the side causing it to finish the season with four losses.

A disappointing season in which my congratulations go to Jim Upfill and the Club Selectors who battled hard to produce sufficiaent numbers every week to fill gaps caused by injuries and unavailable players. Although changes are unavaoidable in second sides I feel the necessity to use thirty six players over the season was unusually high.

The old adage "Batting Wins Games" was very evident as good pitching and defensive dsiplays were often wasted for the lack of one or two runs.

I would like to thank the players from other teams who came amd helped out when we were short and I can assure you it was very much appreciated.

My thanks also to Colin Anderson for his many ground marking efforts and to isa'eth Elizabeth Landry who stayed and scored after the first nine games and to J hn Ferguson who also stayed after first nine matches to assist and my gratitude must have been obvious. Finally to the players who accepted my shortcomings and gave me their support throughout the year I wish them every success for next season.

V.B.A SOUTHERN ZONE Harry

Harry Kalinski/ Graeme Ainscough

The V.B.A. Southern Zone Team commenced the season under the leadership of Harry Kalinski; however, due to a change in employment necessitating saturday work Harry reluctantly had to relinquish the position after 5 rounds with Graene Ainscough taking over with Alan Black as deputy.

Results: Played 16 games Runs for 170
Won 7
Drew 1 Against 192
Lost 8

BATTING AVERAGES A.B. H SAC BBK's S. JAMIESON 38 18 .600 L. KAUSMAN 3 .750 4 (Pronoted to VBA A2 AFTER 2 GAMES) S? BOTT 5 12 (Promoted to DBA A Grade after 3 games) XXXXII.

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| | R. | LEWIN | 44 | 12 | | 9 | .341 | 5 | OUR OPPONENTS |
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It was pleasing to welcome <u>Greg Christie</u> back to the <u>C ub after several</u> yaers absence from the game. <u>Greg came</u> in to the line up after 5 rounds and his experience soon became evident with the bat as well as assiting to stabilize our infield.

One of the most improved players was undoubtedly"the hyphen" Murray Spender-Gardiner, who enjoyed his best season with the Club despite the handicap of travelling from Heidelberg at weekends.

Probably our most consitent player was Daryl ROULSTON at second base as well as performing well with the bat and notching a number of Home Runs.

Maurie Powell played some fine games at centrefield and took many outstanding flys including a "screamer at leftfield against Caulfiled and you would not see better in any grade of baseball.

Pitching was one of our major problems and we relied heavily on Steve Abbey playing his first season in senior baseball with the Club not having played for some 3/4 years since his under 15 days at Praham and Steve improved as the season progressed.

Another young player to show outstanding potential was Rod Lowin both with the bat and in the field with an outstanding effort as a "pinch hitter" against Port Melbourne with a grandslam Homer.

Performance Sunnary

Undoubtedly there is untold potential to be found in this generally young line-up with 7 regular players under 20 years of age.

However, the general lack of enthusiasm towards practice and self improvement and the teams performance throughout the season resulted in numerous fielding lapses and subsequent lost games.

Although distance from the area was a problem with a number of the younger members it was obvious that other interests to baseball were preferred. and the teams performance suffered as a result of non attendance at practice even on a spasnodic basis.

Thanks

Sincere thanks to Alan Black for his many ground marking efforts throughout themsesson and for transporting of gear to and from the storage sized -

Graene Ainscough = Team Captain.

D.B.A. "A" GRAD ... Alan Burdett

The D.B.A. "A" Gr de Tean witnessed the return to the Club of several former players (notably Bruce Lines, Peter Anketell, Mick Hornibrook and Ray Bridger) in an attempt to offset the loss of younger players who had moved to the A1 and A2 teans in the past two years and although this endowed the team with great experience we displayed premiership brand baseball on only one or two occasions.

The side was well placed towards the end of the Internation home and away games to finish in second place but a late slump pushed us to fourth place. As we had defeated Noble Park in the last game we confidently faced them again in the seni final. However, as we all know runs win ball games and our "nil" runs left us 4 behind at the end of play.

I thank the players for their efforts during the season and wish then

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all success for 1976.

Llan Burdett - Team Captain

D.B.A. "B" GRAD John LANDRY TEAM CA PT. IN

John had probably the most difficult coaching task of all during the season with the D.J.A. "B" Grade team as it was somewhat of a makeshift line-up throughout the year with players continually making themselves unavailable due to work, injury, illness and a variety of other reasons and to John's credit he stuck to his task enthusiastically the entire season despite many players letting him down.

Undoubtedly one palayer of outstanding potential is Alan Jowett who performed very well at first base and with more experience and practice xixl could develop in to a top player.

Phillip Bibby despite arm trouble xx early in the season again made the DBA under 19 team for the Provincial Carnival and we congratulate Phil on his achievement.

Unforunately Brendan Hall (catcher) suffered a severe ankle injury early in the season, and Trevor Martin wo had been playing most consistently contractedGlandular Fever and these losses left major holes in the line up.

Ian McIntyre and Keith Boocock turned in consitent performances throughout the season and along with Wally Trevorah and Nick Giasouni (apart from absence through studies) were the mainstays of the team.

Robin Stathan was an acquisition until he found it a problem traveling weekly from Greensborough and Rob McEwan8s return to the tean midway through the season was welcomed.

Thanks also to John for his many Ground marking efforts and to his sister Elizabeth who scored on many occasions when matVBA matches were not scheduled mx.

D.B.A. "C" GRAD Team Captain Kel Roberts

After a slow start to the season and following many hours of behind the scenes recruiting the "C" GRADE TRAM UNDER KEL ROBERTS achieved their ain with a well desrved premiership easily defeating Noble Park 17 runs to 2.

The Premiership Linc-up was as follows:-

- 1.Frank Babidge Jnr.
- 2.Dean Mason
- 3. Kel Roberts
- 4. Don Upfill
- 5. Ian Turnbull

- 6. Peter TEASDALL (Best Player)
- 7. Neil Smith
- 8. Tony Cooke
- 9. Stephen FRASER

Other team nembers throughout the year were Con ADAMIS (Pitcher) who unluckily had two operations fluring the season for a broken wrist and cartilage. Despite these Con helped the team by winning a number of games. Bob Fileds. Frank Babidge Snr (whose coaching was invaluable), Lindsay Nichel, ary Cox, (who hit safely as a pinch hitter), Chris Peaceck (who retired but came back towards the end of the season to help out) Alan SEIGNIOR until, his decision to enter into business at Sale, John Grivas

The season was not without problems particually the loss of pitchers Con Adams and lan Turnbull towards the end of the season and mucj of the success in the finlas was due to the fine pitching of Frank Labidge Jnr. who went the 9 innings in 3 successive finals matches and if anything improved with each game.

Also during the finals no one played better than Petere Teasdale whose devastaing form with the bat paved the way for many runs throughout the finals series.

Thanks must also go th Joy Robertsfor scoring, many times in adverse weather conditions with little shelter.

UNDER 17

JOHN FERGUSON / TON STALZER

Despite inexperience and a very young side this season was a relatively successful one. Out of 15 games the team won 3, drew 1 and finished a creditable third, going down to Noble Park, the eventual premiers in the preliminary final. Over the year every boy in the team contributed and it was very pleasing to see the enthusiasum and dedication they applied to their game both at practice and in the matches.

Congratulations go to Trevor Hoglien and Ross Ginns on their selection in the Dandenong U17 Representative Team. Trevor carried the pitching duties and completely dominated with the bat, registering 23 hits for a .590 average and a most remarkable 1.128 slugging percentage. Close behind in the hitting department came Richard Kausman (.435 average), a first year player with good power and a bright future. Peter Fullins was a model of consistency both in the field and at the plate and his pickoffs at second base were a highlight throughout the season.

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"Chick" Charles showed flashes of power at the plate and the fastest wheels on the basepaths. Paul Kilburn showed improvement each week with the bat and Ian Curnomade good contact and batted much better than the statistics indicated. Ross Ginns performances as a first year player were very impressive and when asked to take on catching late in the season he did a very useful job under difficult circumstances.

UNDER 17 BATTING AVERAGES

| PLAYER | AB | Ħ | <u>2B</u> | 3B | \underline{HR} | BB | K | AVER. |
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| Robert Charles | 27 | 7 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 14 | 10 | . 259 |
| Trevor Hogben | 39 | 23 | 10 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 2 | . 590 |
| Richard Kausman | 33 | 16 | 4 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 2 | . 485 |
| Ross Ginns | 37 | 7 | 1 | - | 1 | 2 | 4 | . 200 |
| Peter Fullins | 31 | 11 | 1 | - | **** | 11 | 1 | . 355 |
| John Leo | 11 | ,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,, | _ | *** | | 4 | 3 | . 000 |
| Craig White | 7 | mana | | *** | **** | 5 | 4 | . 000 |
| Paul Kilburn | 16 | 5 | - | *** | | 11 | 6 | . 313 |
| Ashley Kausman | 10 | | | - | - | 10 | 3 | . 000 |
| Michael Browne | 16 | 3 | *** | *** | MANA | 2 | 4 | . 138 |
| Jim Studd | 14 | 3 | **** | *** | Prints | 8 | 3 | . 214 |
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U13 REPORT - PAUL FERGUSON (COACH)

We began the season with few knowledgeable baseballers having lost many players to the U15's and Grant Weir and Ricky Sharp to other Clubs. However due to the boys' enthusiasm to play better baseball they improved rapidly and finished the season as the most improved team of the competition. Over 90% of the team attended the practice sessions on Friday nights and Sunday nornings and were the best represented team of the Cheltenham Club at the Club's Coaching Seminars.

As the season progressed the team won more games and won by larger margins, and lost against the top sides by less runs. Our team was the only side to beat the Premiership team, I corabbin. We finished in fourth place but were not quite good enough to win the elimination final against Sendringham.

The nore senior players in Michael Seigmor, Tony Wells, Stephen Babidge and Neil Le Page led the team very well. The most improved players would be Robert Stewart, Andrew Liddell, Andrew Siddell and Paul Roberts.

Next year should be very successful if the boys continue to improve at the same rate. The boys wish Stephen Babridge and Tony Wells every success in the U15's next season and thank Michael Seignor for his leadership as Captain (Fichael will be moving to Sale next year). Special thanks from the boys also goes to Alan Seignor, Lenl Le Page, Joy Hoberts (Scorer) and Frank Bab idge for their assistance during the season.

Others to assist were "Charlie" Siddoll (Ur.piring) John Landry (Umpiring).

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UNDER 15 Team Manager GEORGE INGRAM

In view of the a lack of numbers in our under 17 age group it was necessary to move our more experienced under 15's to this grade in order to fulfill the Club's commitments and so the under 15 team was somewhat inexperienced and of a younger age generally than most of its opponents with a predominant number of players from last years under 13 team and as a result the team could only manage 1 win and 2 draws for the season.

Nevertheless the boys tried hard on all occasions and did not give up easily and a majority were consistent attending practice and this will stand them in good stead for the future.

This year the boys participated in the Coca Cola Lightning Premiership at Caulfield Park and won 2 of their 4 natches and the experience will also assist in improving the boys in the future; thanks to John Landry, Steve Bott and Alan Burdett for their assistance at the se natches. Special thanks to Ralph Baile; Bailey for his regular assistance and also Rick Parker for unpiring home games.

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SOCIAL COMMITTEE REPORT - YEAR ENDED 30th SEPTEMBER, 1975

Once again the Social Committee pahyed a major part in the financial success of the Club during 1974/75 season and much of the success must be attributed to the excellent work put in by Ross Upfill as Social Secretary prior to his departure to Western Australia late in the season.

Regular Social Committee Meeting s were held during the year at the home of Harry Kalinski and xxx this venue was most conducive to formulating the pattern of social activities for the year and the Clu' is indebted to Harry and Eva for their hospitality.

The Social Programme included A Wine and Cheese Hight, Fancy Gress Cabaret at Black Rock Hall (which was not well attended but enjoyed by all those present), "Games" Night at the Gubroons which was well attended and a financial success, Annual Club Dinner Dance at the Caulfield Town Hall which was once again a huge success and continues to be a major contributir to Club finance as well as being a first class function organinised by Mary & Max Johanson and Dora anderson.

As usual it was necessry to conduct numerous other fundraiding agtivities such as Little tatts, Pontoon cards, Trip to thenGold Coast and 1000 "jars" all as a means of boosting Club Finances and the Club sincerely thanks those members of the Social Committee involved with these activities.

Activities at the Glub rooms were not on as large a sclae as previos years due to the fact that only one ground was in use. Nevertheless members rallied back to the rooms as much as possible and in this regard special mention to the D.B.A. "C" Grade team which was notived well to the fore on numerous occasions with their large number of players and supporters.

The Glub would also like to thank those persons who regularly assisted in the rooms after the natches and in particular Nola Burdett, Gordon Doosor, Kevin Knorr for delivering pies etc to rooms, Colin Abderson, John Landry and Harry Kalinski, Raclene Tanner, and Ross Upfill, Graene Ainscough for obtaining supplies of chips, sweets etc for resale and Mick Trevorah for obtaining a special deal on soft drink, and John Landry for transport of liquid refreshments etc. John Ferguson for supplying wine for wine and cheese night.

In conclusion I would like to thank each and ovry member who assited in fundraising in anyway and if I have missed anyone in person I would apologise and in closing would like to commend to members to assist with Social Activities in the forthcoming season as the function of the Committee is vital to the success of the Club in the future.

Graene Ainscough for the Social Sceretary.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I feel that 1975 was not a year/the Club to look back on as one of great success but many items for the advancement of the Club wore brought closer to reality.

We are now very close to having a first class ground; a pitching machine will hopefully be in use at the start of 1976 practice and we anticipate a much more congenial atmosphere will be experienced in the Glub Rooms next season.

In my first year as President I received great support from the executive and the general committee of the Glub and I would like to express my sincere thanks to all members who assisted me and supported the Glub during 1975 and the future of the Glub will depend on the support of each and every member in the future.

I am of the opinion that many people in this Club are are not prepared to do something for the Club other than playing and I am sure that if every member did at least one thing for the Club we would have a lot better Club. So I take this opportunity to ask you all to examine your own efforts in the past and decide for yourself whether you have done your share for the Club

just complain about jt.

Alan Burdett