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South Oakleigh Club

Here's a snapshot of the benefits that can be enjoyed by members:

- 10% discount on drinks, meals and other special events (conditions apply)
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- Special Members' prices on take-away beer, wine and spirits
- A regular South Oakleigh Club Newsletter including specials and discounts
- Access to all Sporting and Recreational activities
- And lots more...



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CHELTENHAM BASEBALL CLUB INC

Summer Season 2005-2006



JUNIOR PRESENTATION

Sunday, 2 April 2006



President's Report

If you didn't enjoy the 2005-06 baseball season, where the bloody hell were you?!

This was a very successful season in a number of ways.

Tee-ball introduced about 48 new families of future baseballers to this great game and it always gives great pleasure to see many players, parents, coaches, scorers and team managers having fun on Saturday mornings. Colin Upfill has completed 10 years of tee-ball coaching and we are considering buying him a new helicopter hat in recognition.

Special thanks to Sue Felsenthal for starting the tee-ballers off at the beginning of the season and to Connie Upfill for taking over the reins mid-season and finishing the year on a high note. The tee-ballers acquitted themselves well during the annual tee-ball tournament and had great fun.

The four Under 12 and three Under 14 sides that played on Friday nights were again given great support by skilled coaches under the coordination of Peter Leslie and John Carlile. Thank you to these coaches and all the parents, scorers and team managers who allow these players to improve their skills.

The Under 12 State team acquitted themselves well during the season making the finals. Congratulations to three of these players, Adam Burdett, Yoshi Campitelli and Brett Curnow for making the Rubberball teams. The Under 12's represented the club well at the annual tournament during the year.

The Under 14 Metro team completed a great year with a come-from-behind brilliant win in the grand final. Well done players and congratulations to coach, Greg Blaskett. The Under 14 Cardinals had a great year to make the grand final.

Congratulations also to the Under 14 Victorian State Representatives, Daniel Farmer and Takashi Kobiashi.

The Under 16 teams were well represented this year with two Cheltenham teams and one combined Cheltenham Ormond-Glenhuntly team, which allowed more players to play each week. Thank you to the three coaches in this age group who made playing baseball a priority.

Congratulations to the Under 16 Victorian State representatives, John Blaskett, Kable Hogben and Nathan Aron who acquitted themselves well.

Thanks to John Davidson who took on the role of U16 Age Group Coordinator. John's son Kane hasn't played in the Under 16's for some years now, so many thanks for giving up your time and coordinating this age group.

Umpiring Courses

The following people attended the
Introduction to Umpiring Course
on 19 November 2005

Rod Blackman
John Carlile
Noel Davidson
Will Felsenthal
Peter Katz
Michael Rizzi
James Upfill

Greg Blaskett
Matthew Carlile
Trent Davidson
Tom Fitzgerald
Adam Katz
Andrew Rizzi

Anthony Blaskett
Tony Cevce
Dean Felsenthal
Lawrie Hall
David Maxwell
Peter Rizzi

The following people attended the
Level O Umpiring Course
on 4 February 2006

Rod Blackman
Trent Davidson
Tom Fitzgerald
Michael Rizzi

Tony Cevce
Dean Felsenthal
Simon Michaelis

Noel Davidson
Will Felsenthal
Rowan Payne

**Cheltenham Baseball Club would like to thank
Mark Gooding
for conducting these courses**

Club Acknowledgements

The Committee would like to thank the following people for their time and support at the recent working bee held on 4 March 2006

John Carlile
Matthew Carlile
Russell Ferguson
Tony Cevce
Peter Leslie
Leigh Farmer
Pauline Stenhouse
Takashi Kobiashi
Peter King

Peter Katz
Adam Katz
Richard Holmes
Trent Davidson
Alan Gribbin
Daniel Farmer
Dave Stenhouse
Mr Kobiashi
Matthew Coppens

Katrina O'Neill
John Ferguson
Dean Felsenthal
Bruce Fitzgerald
David Maxwell
David Johnson
Michael Rizzi
Sean Gabb
Scott Maxwell

Under 14 State Rustlers

This year has seen a few ups and downs but all in all has seen some great improvement through the year. By attending training and being enthusiastic this improvement will continue and give them more confidence to swing the bat and dive for that ground ball that was just too far away a few months ago.

As a team we have tried to ensure that encouragement and support for our team mates has been a priority and having fun was above winning.

After last year's side won the Grand Final defeating Waverley after coming from behind (just love the memory), this year would be difficult maintaining such a high standard. I think as a team we have done this by making the finals again and giving ourselves a chance.

I would like to think that this year has given the players who are going to U16 next year a very sound base to continue the improvement that is necessary as they get bigger and stronger.

In closing I would like to thank:

Assistant coach	Shayne Harvey
Scorer	Karen Cotter
Pitch Count	Peter Katz
Umpire	Glenn Farmer
Operations Manager	Tony Hogan

John Carlile
Coach

Team Members

Daniel Farmer (Capt)	Adam Katz
Tom Cotter	Matthew Harvey
Takashi Kobiashi	Kyosuke Nosaka
Matthew Carlile	Angus Macquire
Dale King	Luke Hogan
Jordon Michaelis	

Our Under 18 teams had a stellar year. Under the coaching of Kevin Williams, the State team completed a brilliant year with a gutsy grand final win to make it back-to-back grand finals. Kevin took up this important role, gave it his full commitment and the team responded accordingly. The team was well represented by Victorian State players Tom Ellis and Andrew Gribbin, and Victorian Provincial players, Andrew Adams, Justin D'Rozario, Blake Cunningham, Russell Ferguson, Ben Ford, Karl Mackay and Josh Mulherin.

Mick Trevorah did a sterling job to get the Metro team into the grand final. His time and commitment to this team was exceptional and all players improved during the year.

Thanks to John Ferguson for being Under 18 Coordinator amongst his other numerous roles.

The club introduced a fifth senior side this year to enable more juniors to play senior baseball and to encourage parents of junior players to join in the fun. This proved to be a successful move and I hope that all the new "old" players enjoyed their year. I would like to personally thank Colin Uphill for taking on the daunting role of Manager of the 5th's and Bruce Fitzgerald for agreeing to manage and coach the 4th's.

All five senior sides made the finals – a magnificent result – with the 2nd's and 3rd's progressing to the grand final. Thanks to Mick Trevorah for coaching the 3rd's to a very good year—a good double Mick.

The 2nd's, under the coaching of Matt Coppens, finished a great year with a huge win in the grand final. Most of the players came from the juniors and several played in two grand finals. Well done Matt for a solid performance.

The 1st's had a fluctuating year but finished strongly to make the finals. They were ably coached by Matt Gourlay with the support of assistant coach, Anthony Reinke. Thanks for a job well done. Many junior players were introduced to this team during the year and learned from great coaching.

Off the field, there are some special thanks you's.

Thanks to John Carlile for initiating and coordinating the three junior family nights which were extremely successful and enjoyed by everyone who attended. Hopefully the success of these nights will continue next year and will be encompassed by the whole club. Thanks also to Peter Katz for his contribution to the success of these nights, especially in obtaining the encouragement awards and coordinating the catering side of the evenings.

The Board of Management Cadetship program was introduced at the beginning of summer by Greg Blaskett. This has proved very successful with a number of our junior players participating. It is a very worthy program and all juniors should be encouraged to participate.

Thanks to Sue Felsenthal for organising and running two umpiring courses during the year where several players learned the fundamentals of umpiring. Thanks to Sue for also getting the Rustlers website up and running – log on and enjoy www.rustlers.org.au

Thanks to the people who turned up for the recent working bee and helped spruce up the grounds.

Thanks to all the helpers in the canteen during the year – especially Chris and Scott Cunningham, Karen Ellis, Connie Upfill and Sue Felsenthal.

A special thank you to John Ferguson for stepping into the unenviable role of Chairman of Selectors (five out of five teams in finals speaks for itself), as well as organising the grounds, along with his son Russell, week in and week out, and maintaining the baseball equipment in top condition.

Thanks to Chris Cunningham and Di Adams for providing the uniforms throughout the year. Thanks to Mick Trevorah for arranging for Terry Reid to run a "coach the coaches" session – a great initiative.

Once again, Tina Cooen should be thanked for coordinating the Rubberball lunches for visitors and officials. Tina has done this job for a number of years now and every year her lunches just get better and better.

Congratulations to Tom Ellis and Andrew Gribbin on being signed by the Mariners and Padres respectively. We wish them well in their overseas endeavours.

Congratulations to the following players selected for the Victorian Institute of Sport Academy: Josh Mulherin, Karl Mackay, John Blaskett, Justin D'Rozario, Kable Hogben, Tom Ellis, Andrew Gribbin.

Personal thanks to my hard working fellow committee members for a job done well under sometimes trying circumstances.

In closing, I encourage you all to help in the best way you can to allow as many people as possible to enjoy baseball at Cheltenham Baseball Club "our club".

Be involved! Play ball!

Kevin Adams
PRESIDENT

Cheltenham Under 14 Metros Win a Blinder!

The Cheltenham Under 14 team played the highly fancied Blackburn team in one of the most exciting games ever witnessed in Victorian junior baseball.

The Blackburn team, as they do not have a State league team, were playing their best players for the age group, including Victorian pitcher Matthew Bright whose brother Adam recently competed Australia in the World Baseball Classic. It was going to be tough, as each side had beaten the other once during the season.

As expected, Blackburn started strongly and they soon had a 5-0 lead and Cheltenham's heads started to drop. But, as has been the case all season, the boys never gave up, scoring one run in each of the third and fifth innings. At that time, the umpire called "time and game" – Blackburn started celebrating, spectators started going home ...but he was one minute too soon and we were entitled to one more inning.

Cheltenham came out again and behind the brilliant pitching of Dean Cooper, stopped Blackburn scoring for the fourth consecutive innings. But the boys still only had one innings to come back from the 5-2 deficit.

Cheltenham's first two batters then struck out – still 5-2 and no more chances. Then the game turned. Rowan Payne got hit by a wild pitch, Scott Maxwell got his third hit for the game (also after two great outfield catches), and Brandon Thomson managed a disciplined walk to load up the bases. Dean Cooper then ripped the ball to right field for a triple bringing home all the runners to tie up the game 5-5. Jak Jowett, after some brilliance in the field, then got lucky with the bat, popping up safely allowing Dean to score the winning run.

We were so proud of the way the boys all contributed to the day and the season and never gave up. Although Blackburn felt robbed, the Rustler boys just smiled, satisfied with a great season where we had only one loss all year. The way we were gracious in defeat – and then victory, showed what junior sport should be about. Congratulations!!

Greg Blaskett
U14 Metro Premier's Coach

Under 14 Metro Stallions

- Anthony Blaskett—Switch batter, reliable reliever. Most consistent.
- **Brandon Thomson — 2006 surprise packet.**
- Chris Welch—Pitching, beat every top 4 side, terrific shortstop.
- **Daniel Lapa—Although consistent, best at year end. Well done.**
- Dean Cooper—Good pitching and catching.
- **Jak Jowett—The Natural. Jak has a great potential if he wants to concentrate on b'ball.**
- Jesse Casserly—Terrific team player, back up catcher. Thanks for willingness to help with State, ride your bike to practice and readiness to encourage your mates.
- **Matthew Felsenthal—Terrific hitter. Started us off on our winning way.**
- Nick Fitzgerald—Mr Versatile. The team "leftie" and caught great in final.
- **Rowan Payne—Gigantor. Did some big hitting and kept working/improving game.**
- Scott Maxwell—Best outfielder and fastest on the team.
- **Thomas Orchard—Vic Softball Rep. 2005. Played best at the season's business end.**
- (Others: Jordan Michaelis, Luke Hogan)

At the time of writing this report we have only one game to go. We have just knocked off the "unbeatable" Blackburn, and over the year have won all of our games except two – one loss and one draw. This far exceeded general original expectations as the bulk of the team didn't enjoy great success at Under 12 level the previous season.

Although there was the normal disruptions at the start of the year, a highlight was the way the team bonded. Whilst their Sunday efforts were sometimes better than at training, the guys were quite consistent in attendance and effort and encouraging of one another.

One of my early goals was to play as a team. This is an area where some of the individuals can develop further as they mature, but everyone made a contribution and there was a general harmony throughout the group. This was an even side. Whilst there were some terrific performances, the MVP could have gone to any of 5 or 6 kids with 2 weeks to go. Every player scored at least 2 votes (on my 3-2-1 system) and everyone averaged .250 or better. My suggestions to all the kids are to stick at the game and you will become a good player. How good you are depends on how hard you work at it.

I have acknowledged everyone's performance and contribution (above) as everyone has contributed to a successful season - no matter how the Grand Final finishes up. The boys have a lot to look forward to in the winter season and next year. WELL DONE. I'M PROUD OF YOU EACH AND ALL.

Special thanks to:

Marcella Lapa—It is so good to know that the scoring is covered so well every week.

Dean Felsenthal—Also great to have a reliable umpire – Matthew is the only one who doesn't agree!

Simon Michaelis—Assistant Coach, despite soccer coach in the winter and son, Jordan in State team.

Dave Maxwell—Great job as running coach. We saw the improvement almost straight away.

Steve (Team Manager); **Greg C; Graeme; Leanne** – general support and willingness to help out.

All parents (I had no problems with anyone!) and other helpers throughout the season as specialist coaches, umpires, assistant coaches, BBQs etc.

Greg Blaskett
Coach

Thank you...

I would like to thank the following people who have contributed to the weekly team reports which have appeared on our website and in the Leader Newspaper.

Kevin Williams
Trevor Hogben
Bruce Fitzgerald
John Carlile
Greg Blaskett
James Upfill
Connie Upfill

I would also like to give special thanks to **Marty Shevelove**, Sports Journalist for the Leader Newspaper.

Marty has continuously supported and promoted baseball and Cheltenham Baseball Club, and it is with pleasure that our club has nominated him for Baseball Victoria's 2005-06 Journalist of the Year Award. We hope Marty receives the accolades and recognition he deserves.

Sue Felsenthal

Cadetship—Cheltenham Baseball Club

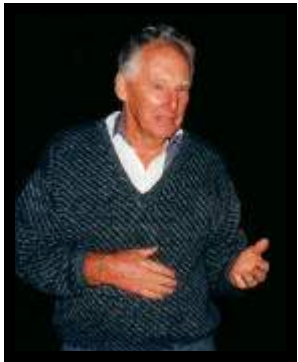
This year the Board of Management introduced a module-based programme (Cadetship) to formalise the development of our junior members (ages 13-18). The objectives of the programme are to:

- Better coordinate and resource our skills and development
- Provide a broader base of knowledge
- Introduce external expertise to our development
- Grow appreciation of the non-playing aspects of the game

The Cadetship includes the following modules, which are completed over two or more years:

- Club History & Structure ? Grounds Preparation
- Scoring (Intro) ? Scoring Level 1
- Umpiring/Rules (Intro) ? Umpiring Level 0
- First Aid Certificate

All junior members are encouraged to participate in this unique programme, and can find out more details by contacting Greg Blaskett on 9551 1457 or via email at blacksters@tpg.com.au



Vale Stan Hogben

It was with much sadness that we learned of the passing of Stanley Hogben on 16 January 2006.

Stan had a very long association with the club, starting his illustrious baseball career in 1954 and quickly became an "A" Grade player as a pitcher and at first base.

Stan's commitment and dedication to Cheltenham Baseball Club saw him being nominated and elected a Life Member in 1984.

Stan was an inaugural member of the Board, he held the position of Vice President of the Board in 1986, and in 1987 he took the role as Acting President before resuming his position again as Vice President from 1988 to 1992. Then from 1993 he was a committee member of the Board for a few years.

Another love of Stan's was being able to watch his son and grandson develop a passion for baseball and go on and play for his beloved club. He was extremely proud when his son, Trevor, was elected a Life Member in 1992. When his grandson, Kable, was chosen to represent Victoria in the U16 Victorian State Team in 2006, Stan had much pleasure in showing the nursing staff and any of his visitors a photo of Kable in his State uniform—a very proud grandfather.

Stan Hogben will be remembered by club members as a talented, determined and hardworking clubman.



Under 14 – Cheltenham Dodgers

"A great season that just fell short" is how I would like to remember the Cheltenham Dodgers of 2005/2006.

We finished the regular season on top of the ladder with a record of 8-1-1. The most pleasing aspect of the season from a coach's point of view was the vast improvement from all 10 guys on the team. From where we started as a group all players can take great pride in where they finished the season.

Even though we lost to Bonbeach in the Semi Final, that game should be the game in which we judge our season. Against a pitcher who represented Victoria this year, we were able to hang in there and get guys on base in all innings we faced him. We created our chances and could have pinched the game like we had done on several occasions this season.

To all the boys, thank you for an enjoyable season. I have had a great time working with you and watching your games develop. It wasn't always smooth sailing however in the end I couldn't ask for a better bunch of players. One of the highlights of the season was the way all the boys related to the Japanese connection of Takashi and Kyosuke. Although not much correspondence could be had, they were fantastic members of the team and I believe everyone enjoyed the fact they were Dodgers. All the very best to Takashi as he heads home with his family to Japan.

To the three guys who picked up awards today, a big congratulations. The awards were for your attitude and hard work throughout the season as much as it was for your outstanding play. To all the other members of the team, I hope you enjoyed the season and that you continue to play in future seasons.

I would like to thank Christine Fitzgerald (scorer), Tom Fitzgerald (assistant) and Dean Felsenthal (umpire) for their contributions throughout the season.

Andrew Coppens
Coach

Team Members

Takashi Kobiashi
Ryan Williams
Anthony Blaskett
Tyrone Ludowyk
Paul Morris

Matthew Felsenthal
Nick Fitzgerald
Kyosuke Nosaka
Adrian Hare
Oliver Oxley

Christine Fitzgerald—Scorer
Tom Fitzgerald—Assistant
Dean Felsenthal—Umpire

Under 14 – Cheltenham Diamondbacks

The Diamondbacks should be very proud of their season. Every player did their bit at some stage during a very even season. To go that little bit better next season each player needs to push themselves at training, be more aggressive and vocal, have a bit more confidence in their own ability and concentrate for the whole game every game.

Thank you to Karen Cotter for scoring, Jake Harvey for umpiring, Steve Cooper for warm ups on match day and Peter Katz for team manager, umpiring, pitch counts, ground preparation and anything else that needed doing. To all the parents, relatives and friends, I thank you for your support and conduct.

Finally as this is was the last opportunity for me to coach a Friday night team I would like to warmly thank Alan Gribbin, Bruce Fitzgerald, Brad Lark, Greg Blaskett and John Carlile for giving me the confidence to enjoy the thrill of coaching.

To all the boys and girls I have coached I hope you have enjoyed my company as much as I have enjoyed the experience.

Best wishes,
Shayne Harvey
Coach

Team Members

Matthew Harvey
Tom Cotter
Shelby Henning
Dean Cooper
Adam Smrdl

Adam Katz
Yaron Topp
Scott Maxwell
Jake Cox
Brandon Thompson

Karen Cotter—Scorer
Jake Harvey—Umpire
Peter Katz—Team Manager

Vale Cliff Corcoran

By Colin Upfill

I was honoured when Jackie asked me to speak of Cliff on behalf of the Cheltenham Baseball Club, and I know there is a large group of Club members who have enjoyed Cliff's gentle wit, his eagerness to assist in all the facets on and off the field, *however* for me and I'm sure for all of us in the team, Cliff above all, epitomised the 5th's.

His energy and enthusiasm, his love of the game, his camaraderie, and win or lose, the evenness of his temperament.

We were made aware (after the Blackburn game) that Cliff was appearing on the unavailable list from the chairman of selectors, and, (after some thoughtful drinking) we agreed this to be true, he is unavailable, however what is also true is that he *should* be there, on the list, for his spirit still runs through our team.

So when we talk of 'Ten Beers' it is the remembrance of mates, it is from the heart.

My years in team sport have taught me at least one thing, ... that true character will be revealed. Cliff Corcoran proved to be a man of integrity, high ideals, humour and compassion. He was also the loving and proud father of his sons Tyler and Clark, in his last game, against Upwey, he was glowing when Clark got the hit to start a rally which won the game and ensured the team a finals berth.

It is the sum of these attributes, and Cliff's celebration of small victories, which brought to my mind a treasured note from a friend long, long ago, she wrote:

'And in the sweetness of friendship
let there be laughter, and sharing of pleasure.
For in the dew of little things
the heart finds its morning and is refreshed.'

Take care my friend
Love and peace to you always.

Under 12 Coordinator's Report

I got talked into this job last year by Sue Felsenthal and Greg Blaskett, I'm sure it was so that I would stop coaching—they were probably right! It's taken me almost all season to remember names and put faces to names - I still haven't worked out all you parents yet, sorry about that!

What a season we have had. Two teams have made the finals with two more just out side the 4. This has been a great effort especially because of the large number of new comers and bottom age children in our teams. Well done boys and girls.

The club is hoping more of your children will want to play more baseball and put their hands up to play on Sundays in the Metro and State levels as they have the ability to do well at these levels.

Winter baseball is also a great learning competition to springboard into summer and is highly recommended, with great coaches available.

I would like to thank the Friday night coaches. They put themselves out to train and coach your kids. They could be out doing teenage things, but no, they are down there every Tuesday and Friday, passing on their knowledge to the kids.

Ben Cooen and **Nathan Aron** have given every one a go in all positions. This is what Friday night is about, not winning at all cost. These two boys especially have worked with this in mind.

Trent Vanderheiden took on a very young side and almost made the finals. All his team is capable of playing State next year.

Tony Cevac and **Michael Rizzi's** team has been well organised with a lot of thought put into training. They were the only side to legitimately beat the Bonbeach Blue side all season.

Trent Davidson and **Blake Cunningham**, and later **Nick Rossell**, have done well to get this side to 3^d after home and away. Not scoring many runs for the season, their fielding has stopped many a side.

Our State Team under the leadership of **Peter Burdett** and **Ian Curnow** has been a well-drilled and well-trained machine, losing only one game all home and away season. Having three great pitchers has made their job a lot easier and with every player contributing to a great season..

Under 14 – Cheltenham Cardinals

It has been a great year for this team. We are in the "4" and if things go our way we will make the finals. With such a wide span of abilities it has been fantastic to see the support that all the players have had for each other when things have been going both good and bad.

Again the improvement in the players has been the result of their attendance at training. Keep up the good work.

Hopefully by the time you have read this we will have made the finals and maybe won the GF – here's hoping.

It is great to see the support of the parents and the time and effort they put into getting the kids to training and games - thank you very much

In closing I would like to thank:

Scorer	Marcella Lapa
Umpire	Glenn Farmer
Assistant Coach	The State Players

John Carlile
Coach

Team Members

Daniel Farmer
Jessie Casserly
Jordon Michaelis
Thomas Orchard
Chris Welch

Matthew Carlile
Brittney Cevac
Daniel Lapa
Angus Macquiere
Ben Doree

Under 14 Coordinator's Report

This has been my second year as the U14's Coordinator and again it has been a pleasure to do the job. The kids have again taken up the challenge and made the necessary steps to play the best they can.

We have tried to give them the best possible environment to take up the challenge to improve their baseball knowledge and skills. This year I have had fantastic assistance from **Greg Blaskett, Shayne Harvey, Brad Lark and Terry Reid** with training on Wednesday nights. Even some of the dads got out there and picked up balls late in the sessions to speed things up when it was getting a bit late – some of them even put gloves on to “shag some flies”.

At the U14 level I have had great assistance from all parents, you have all put up your hands for small jobs which has made my job so much easier. With this sort of support Cheltenham Baseball Club can only continue to provide the best environment for our kids to grow from young boys/girls to mature supportive young adults.

It is great to see the support of the parents and the time and effort they put into getting the kids to training and games - thank you very much.

Remember – Talent is very common – Applied Talent is very RARE

Congratulations to the players who represented the State at the Australian carnivals in January:

**Daniel Farmer
Takashi Kobiashi**

Congratulations to all award winners.

This year we tried something new in the Sunday awards night. We ran three for the year and they seemed to be well received. Hopefully we can continue these next year and continue to make them a regular part of our calendar.

A special thanks goes to **Peter Katz** for being able to put up with my continual stream of suggestions which normally result in another job for him.

In closing special thanks to the team coaches, scorers, umpires and social coordinators for your assistance this year.

John Carlile

...Under 12 Coordinator's Report continued

During the season we lost a great bloke and father, in Cliff Corcoran to a sudden death. We all really miss him - he was always willing to help me out from cooking sausages, to packing up. He was always keeping us entertained with great stories; the perfect clubman.

Thanks to all those that helped me. From Team Managers who have made my job of distributing information so much easier, to those that helped me at the BBQ and those that worked in the canteen.

The club wouldn't run without you.

Well-done Under 12's.

Peter Leslie



**Yoshi Campitelli, Brett Curnow, Adam Burdett
2005-06 Rubberball Participants**

Under 12 – Cheltenham Broncos

Throughout the season the players of the Broncos have performed exceptionally well ending the home and away season in third position with 8 wins and 3 losses just under Bonbeach Jays and Blues.

We have had a great time coaching this bunch of guys. With a side that had 8 players who have never played Under 12's before and just 3 who had, it was a great achievement to have such quality in their fielding skills and such high batting averages. With all the kids showing us some extreme skills throughout the season it unbelievable what they will turn out like in the future.

We would like to thank a few people for helping out throughout the season whether it was scoring, umpiring or just helping us when it was needed.

Tony Cevec and Michael Rizzi
Coaches

Team Members

Chase Cevec	Jack Ogilvie
Tom Davidson	Adam Asi
Stefan Taranto	Adrian Marcon
Connor Doody	William Mason
Brandon Stenhouse	Stephanie Jackson
Jack Warner	

Sue Cevec—Team Manager
Pauline Stenhouse/Sue Cevec/Janine Rizzi—Scorers

...Under 12 State Rustlers continued

To Ian Curnow, thanks for all your input, work, time and effort. Your knowledge and ideas are invaluable.

Congratulations to Adam, Brett and Yoshi for making the Rubberball side and we all wish you the best in the tournaments.

In closing I would like to thank Noel Davidson for umpiring the season, Peter Leslie (with some help from Sue Cevec) for scoring, and to Jackie Corcoran for being Team Manager.

Lastly to all the parents for their support of the kids and attendance at games. The kids love you watching them play. You should be very proud of their commitment and achievement over the season. Oh also to the kids for all their efforts!

Good luck in the future

Peter Burdett
Coach

Team Members

Ben Leslie	Tyler Corcoran
Yoshi Campitelli	Justin Aron
Chase Cevec	Brett Curnow
Thomas Davidson	Jack Ogilvie
Lachlan Whiteside	Adam Burdett

Ian Curnow—Assistant Coach
Jackie Corcoran—Team Manager

Under 12 State Rustlers

Well what a fantastic year we had finishing the home and away season on top. Unfortunately the guys bowed out in straight sets from the finals but the games were two of the best Under 12 games you could have wished for.

Throughout the season the guys worked very hard on many aspects of their game and this showed in the results with only one loss for the home and away season. I am certain that all players have learned something and improved aspects of their game over the year.

The team balance was very good and in many games we were able to swing players into different positions where they performed very well.

Yoshi, Brett and **Chase** were excellent on the hill and this was one aspect of the team that helped us stay in control of most games. When not pitching Brett and Yoshi held down 3rd while Chase switched between short and centre.

Lachie and **Justin** started the season as 8 year olds and improved their batting and fielding enormously. Both guys did great jobs in the infield and outfield. Justin made an awesome catch in the first game against Waverley and then Lachie came up with the best throw home from shortstop in the Preliminary final. You guys keep up the great work and you will go far!

Jack and **Tyler** held down the middle infield positions for most of the year and both batted very well. You guys keep putting in and improving it's great to see.

Tom performed well in his first season of baseball both in the field (3rd, short, outfield) and with the bat. He has good strength in the box and as he plays more will pound that ball!

Adam had an excellent season behind the plate and performed well with the bat.

Ben. Ben had a great year at first. Very important position as we need to a strong glove hand at first. His bat fired in the second half of the year. Keep up the good work and watching the ball!

Under 12 – Cheltenham Stirrups

What a great learning season for all. Every time we played we learnt a little more about each other and the game. We had a good group of kids and even though we didn't get through to the finals we were competitive and had fun.

Campbell	A player that has come a long way this season. He tried lots of positions and enjoyed himself each week. Keep up the enthusiasm.
Georgia	<i>You had a good season and gained strength each week. You were able to follow the ball well and tried hard in all positions.</i>
Justin	You have come along way this season and have been valuable in all positions that you played.
Koji	<i>What a great season! You held your head up high and achieved all that was asked of you. Keep up the great work.</i>
Matt F	A quiet achiever progressing slow and steady. Keep it going your rewards will come.
Matt T	<i>What a great season. You have achieved a lot and have grown in confidence. You will have a great year in U14 next year.</i>
Michael	You made the big step this year coming from T-Ball. Keep up the great work. It will pay off.
Miffanwy	<i>You were getting stronger and stronger. What a shame the season is over. Keep up the good work. It will fall into place soon.</i>
Tyler	<i>You matured as a player, leading by example. You stepped up every time you were asked. Your future is just beginning.</i>
Yoshi	<i>You have had a great season. You can hold your head up high. All of your hard work is paying off. Good luck with the Rubberball</i>

We would also like to say thank you to Jayde and Julian for helping us each week with training, scoring, team manager and organizing everything each week.

Finally we would like to say thanks to all the parents for bringing the kids to training and the game each week.

Ben Cooen and Nathan Aron
Coaches

Team Members

Campbell Somerville
Justin Aron
Matthew Frost
Michael Fiore
Tyler Corcoran

Georgia Smith
Koji Campitelli
Matthew Taranto
Miffanwy Smith
Yoshi Campitelli

Jayde Aron—Scorer
Julian Aron—Team Manager

Under 12 – Cheltenham Cowboys

This season I was pleased to be able to coach the Cowboys.

We had a very young team and the only team without a State player, however the talent in our team was amazing and I think the players would agree that we had a good season, even though we missed out on the finals, but we were still able to win most of our games. These guys were keen to learn new skills yet at the same time still have fun.

I would like to thank everyone for their support, especially the parents who made my job of coaching their children so much easier. The parents were really friendly and always helping out at training.

Special thanks to Michael Bode who was my Assistant Coach this year - I wouldn't have been able to coach without you.

Special thanks also to Karen Michaelis who drove me to the away games and thanks for scoring the games.

I hope the boys continue with baseball as they are all talented and I would like to see them all try out for the State teams in the future.

This is my last year of coaching for now, as I now have to concentrate on my study for VCE, so thank you all for support and it has been a pleasure coaching you.

Trent Vanderheiden
Coach

Team Members

Ryan Taylor	Harrison Michaelis
Jordan Wade	Alex Wearne
Thomas Escott	Joshua Gray
Kane Bode	Charlie Bennett
Sam DeRose	Tim DeRose
Sam Bennett	

Karen Michaelis—Scorer
Michael Bode—Asst Coach/Team Manager

Under 12 – Cheltenham Brumbies

This year I had a good bunch of kids that tried extremely hard and put a hundred percent into playing the best of their ability. The thing was they bounced around like they had drunk a gallon of red cordial! The kids seemed to put that energy to good use and they fought through the season winning 6 games drawing 2 and losing 2. We finished 4th and went on to the finals.

Unfortunately we were beaten by some good pitching from the Bonbeach side. Just cause we lost doesn't mean that we were crushed. In this game I found out some hidden talents, such as the amazing glove work of Michael Mitchell. He made a brilliant grab at second base saving extra bases. Then later on he deflected one off his knee to the first basemen getting the out.

In the last innings of the game we needed 3 runs to win and Ben Leslie came up with a huge solo homerun, but it wasn't enough. Even though we lost, there was some great pitching from Adam Burdett and Ben Leslie and some great catching from Lachlan Whiteside. Congratulations on the whole team on a great season keep up the good work.

I would like to thank Kathy Whiteside (team manager), Blake Cunningham (assistant coach for first half) and Nick Rossell for helping out when Blake couldn't make it. Also I would like to thank my scorers Mark Russell and Peter Leslie, and Peter Burdett for umpiring.

I would like to thank all the parents for bringing the kids to all the trainings and games. If it wasn't for the parents the kids would never get to the games and we wouldn't had such a great season.

Good luck to all the kids for the future, keep focused and you will always play good baseball.

Wiggy

Team Members

Ben Leslie	Adam Burdett
Lachlan Whiteside	Nicholas Richards
James Cunningham	Michael Mitchell
Will Peters	Ashleigh Holmes
Cassie Tulley	Jordan Russell
Mitch Foss	

Trent Davidson—Coach
Mark Russell/Peter Leslie—Scorers
Peter Burdett—Umpire
Kathy Whiteside—Team Manager
Blake Cunningham/Nick Rossell—Asst Coaches

SHUT OUTS

Div 2 Fourths v Preston on 30/10/05
U18's v Waverley
U18 Metro v Springvale/Berwick
Div 2 Thirds -v- Doncaster 20/11/05
Div 2 Thirds -v- Bonbeach 11/12/05
Div 2 Thirds -v- Werribee 5/2/06

Michael Rizzi
Blake Cunningham
Dale Ravesi
Brad Heenan
Brad Heenan
Brad Heenan

GRAND SLAMS

U14 Metro v Moorabbin
U14 Dodgers v Ormond/Glenhuntly
U14 Cardinals v Bonbeach 23/10/05
Div 2 Fourths v Bonbeach 19/02/06
Div 2 Thirds v Werribee 09/10/05

Nicholas Fitzgerald
Takashi Kobiashi
Daniel Farmer
Thomas Fitzgerald
Nathan Aron

Junior Champion Award
Best Junior Coach
Senior Clubman Award
Junior Clubman Award
Rookie of the Year CBC Summer
Golden Glove Award

Tom Ellis
Greg Blaskett
John Carlile
Trent Davidson
Adam Irons
Russell Ferguson/Steve Gourlay

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHELTENHAM'S STATE REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2005-2006

Tom Ellis
John Blaskett
Takashi Kobayashi

Andrew Gribbin
Nathan Aron

Kable Hogben
Daniel Farmer

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHELTENHAM'S VPBL REPRESENTATIVES FOR 2005-2006

Andrew Adams
Karl Mackay
Josh Mulherin

Blake Cunningham
Justin D'Rozario

Ben Ford
Russell Ferguson

CONGRATULATIONS TO CHELTENHAM'S UNDER 12's REPRESENTATIVES FOR THE RUBBERBALL TOURNAMENT 2005-2006

Adam Burdett
(Gold Coast)

Yoshi Campitelli
(Japan)

Brett Curnow
(Japan)

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE MVP IN GRAND FINAL 2005-06

Tom Ellis

CONGRATULATIONS TO PREMIERS 2005-2006

2nd Nine (Div 2 Res)
Under 18 State
Under 14 Metro



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Summer Season 2005-2006



JUNIOR & SENIOR AWARDS

Under 12 – Stirrups

Batting Avg .708
Coach's Award

Justin Aron
Koji Campitelli/Campbell Somerville

Under 12 – Brumbies

Batting Avg .786
Golden Glove Award
Most Improved Player

Adam Burdett
Ben Leslie
Jordan Russell

Under 12 – Broncos

MVP & Batting Avg .789
Golden Glove Award
Coach's Award

Tom Davidson
Jack Ogilvie
Connor Doody

Under 12 – Cowboys

MVP
Rising Star
Coach's Award

Harrison Michaelis
Kane Bode
Sam DeRose

Under 12 – State Rustlers

Joint MVP
Batting Avg .428

Yoshi Campitelli/Brett Curnow
Ben Leslie

Under 14 – Diamondbacks

Batting Avg. 652
Fielding Award
Most Improved Player

Tom Cotter
Adam Smrdl
Scott Maxwell

Under 14 – Dodgers

MVP
Batting Avg .471
Coach's Award

Oliver Oxley
Matthew Felsenthal
Ryan Williams

Under 14 – Cardinals

MVP/Batting Avg .722
Most Improved Player

Daniel Farmer
Brittney Cevec/Jesse Casserly

Under 14 – State Rustlers

MVP
Batting Avg .556
Most Improved Player

Takashi Kobayashi
Matthew Carlile
Jordan Michaelis

Under 14 – Metro Stallions

MVP/Batting Avg .667
Best Defensive Player
Coach's Award

Dean Cooper
Chris Welch
Jesse Casserly

Under 16 – State Rustlers

MVP
Batting Avg .447
Coach's Award

Kable Hogben
John Blaskett
Will Osborne

Under 16 – Metro Broncos

MVP
Batting Avg .370
Coach's Award

Tristan Kay
Brad Sheather
Andrew Rizzi

Under 16 – Metro COG's/Cheltenham

MVP
Batting Avg .379
Best Clubman

Thomas Fitzgerald
William Felsenthal
Mark Blackman

Under 16 – Metro COG's/Ormond Glenhuntly

MVP
Batting Avg .373
Best Clubman

Michael Sullivan
Ben Carrecher
Matt Crone

Under 18 – State Rustlers

MVP
Batting Avg .387
Coach's Award

Tom Ellis
Josh Mulherin
Russell Ferguson

Under 18 – Metro Stallions

Joint MVP
Batting Avg .452

Dale Ravesi/Jarrold Hall
Ben Macquire

1st Nine

Gwen & Len LePage
MVP/Club Champion
Batting Avg .365
Coach's Award – Best Finals Player

Andrew Gribbin
Daniel Williams
Josh Mulherin

2nd Nine

MVP
Batting Avg .485
Coach's Award

Andrew Adams
John Blaskett
Karl Mackay

3rd Nine

MVP
Runner Up - MVP
Batting Avg .424

Dylan Trevorah
Sean Gabb
Dale Ravesi

4th Nine

MVP
Batting Avg .564
Best Clubman

Tony Cevec
Michael Rizzi
John Vanderheiden

5th Nine

MVP
Batting Avg .533
Coach's Award

Peter Burnett
Mike Cook
Glenn Farmer