

Rustlers

VOTE COUNT

1987

PROGRAMME

<u>7.00 P.M. - 7.30 P.M.</u>	<i>Pre Dinner Drinks</i>
<u>7.45 P.M.</u>	<i>First Round Votes</i>
<u>8.00 P.M.</u>	<i>Entree</i>
<u>8.15 P.M.</u>	<i>Second Round Votes</i>
<u>8.30 P.M. - 9.00 P.M.</u>	<i>Main Course</i>
<u>9.00 P.M.</u>	<i>Last Round Votes, Presentations & Speeches</i>
<u>10.00 P.M.</u>	<i>Dancing & Dessert</i>
<u>12.00 P.M.</u>	<i>Finish</i>

MENU

ENTREE:

THICK VEGETABLE SOUP
Home made to a special recipe.

MAIN COURSE:

ROAST BREAST OF TURKEY WITH SMOKED HAM
Served with Cranberry Sauce.

FILLET OF BEEF
With a choice of Mustard or Horse Radish Sauce.

DESSERT:

HOT APPLE STRUDDLE
Served with Cream

CUSTARD FILLED PROFITE ROLLS
With Hot Chocolate Sauce.

PRESIDENT:

Sam Jamieson.

VICE PRESIDENT:

Joe Peterson.

SECRETARY:

Jenny Babidge.

JUNIOR SCERETARY:

Cheryl Howe.

TREASURER:

Mark Johnson.

GENERAL COMMITTEE:

Sam Jamieson
Joe Peterson
Dirk Beven
Jenny Babidge
Mark Johnson
Frank Babidge
Trevor Hogben
Kel Roberts
Greg Wheeler
Steven Babidge

COACHES:

A GRADE:

Trevor Hogben

A RESERVE:

Kirk Peterson & Ross Ginns

C 1 :

Dirk Beven

C 2 :

Noel Pettit

UNDER 17:

Michael Roberts

UNDER 15:

Michael Ducksberry & Greg Wheeler

UNDER 13:

Kevin Howe

SCORERS:

A GRADE:

Robyn Hogben.

A RESERVE:

Jenny Babidge.

C 1:

Samantha Johnson.

C 2:

Linda Goss.

UNDER 17:

John McHarry.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE:

Joe Peterson.

Gina Peterson.

Jenny Babidge.

Dirk Beven.

Trevor Clemens.

Robyn Hogben.

Peter Jacob.

Olivia Lowrie.

Joe Peterson
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A RESERVE.

Kel Roberts. (Life Member).

C 1.

Frank Babidge. (Life Member).

C 2.

Sam Jamieson.

UNDER 17.

John McHarry.

VOTE RECORDERS:

A GRADE.

Robyn Hogben.

A RESERVE.

Jenny Babidge.

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Samantha Johnson.

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Cheryl Howe.

UNDER 17.

Judy Smith.

CHELTENHAM BASEBALL CLUB INCORPORATED - WINTER COMMITTEE 1987.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

Last year I indicated that during 1987 our most important challenge would be to maintain the level of commitment required to remain a strong & unified Club, and to be worthy participants in the DBA. I believe that we have been successful in both these endeavours, although not without a number of hiccups.

Firstly, serious training commenced only 2 weeks before the first game, due to some rather lengthy discussions with a number of prospective coaches, & secondly, we were only able to occupy the new pavilion after the season had started, and even then without it being properly fitted-out.

To have overcome such hiccups & still have had such a good year has clearly showed the strength & depth of talent in the Club.

SENIOR BASEBALL.

Once again we have proved ourselves to be one of the major forces in DBA Senior Baseball. As I write this report, the Senior A Grade, A Reserve & C 1 teams, have all reached Grand Finals & will be competing for that highest of honours next week-end. I trust that whole Club will be there to support them.

While the C2 team did not enjoy a successful season (managing only a handful of wins), it was good to see the new faces & their enthusiasm, & the degree of improvement that occurred in a number of old ones.

All credit for this seasons performances so far must go to **Trevor Hogben, Ross Ginns, Kirk Peterson & Dirk Beven** for their leadership both on the training track and on & off the field. It was particularly pleasing for me personally to see **John Ferguson** once again involved in Winter Baseball.

It was also great to see the dedication of the majority of Senior players at training and the extra dimension added through the late arrival of **Matthew Sheldon-Collins** and **David Buckthorpe**. It was disappointing however that a number of players did not continue that effort for the full season. This one area in which we need a significant improvement in 1988 if we are to remain a power in the DBA.

JUNIOR BASEBALL.

1987 saw the mixture of old faces & new blood in the Junior coaching ranks. All of them deserve the applause of each and every member and parent for their dedication to the task.

Thanks to **Kevin Howe**, the Under 13's made the finals for the 4th consecutive season, although once again, they were knocked out in the first round of finals. The Under 15's, under **Greg Wheeler & Mick Ducksberry**, finished a creditable fifth on percentage despite playing a number of games with less than nine players. The Under 17's, under **Michael Roberts**, with assistance from **Mark Lewis**, failed to show a consistent performance despite a number of the players showing that they are capable of being good competitors in the Senior ranks next season.

Kevin Howe has already indicated that he will not be looking after the Under 13's next year. I believe his efforts will be sadly missed in the Junior ranks, and would like to thank him on behalf of all the Club for his commitment over the past five years.

THE COMMITTEES.

If you were present in these rooms for the first game of the season, you should not need to be reminded of the efforts that the Social Committee, and in particular **Joe Peterson, Olivia Lowrie & Dirk Beven** have put in during the season. Between fitting-out and running the kiosk and pavilion, the very successful discos, we all owe them a large vote of thanks for the service and enjoyment they gave us all. The money the Committee has raised will be put to good use in the future.

The General Committee also had a busy schedule, ranging from the pre-season search for a Coach, the defence of the A Reserve competition in the DBA, the fight for improved playing conditions and the organisation of working bees to improve ground facilities. I am glad to say that with exceptional efforts from Frank Babidge, Dirk Beven & Greg Wheeler, they have proved to be most capable of the task. They proved themselves through this year of new challenges to be a most efficient and formidable line up (and capable of continuing to be so, for a number of years to come).

I would like to personally thank each & every member of both Committees for their continued excellence and their significant commitment to the present well-being and future of the Club.

CONCLUSION.

I will not be accepting nomination for any Winter Committee position in 1988. Between work and family commitments I will not have the time to put in the effort that I believe is required to do the job properly.

I would like to thank my wife, Sue, for her help and support during the past 3 years. There were times when, without her support I would not have kept going.

Unlike previous years, I will not leave you with a combined challenge for next season; that is for the incoming President and Committee to set. Instead I will sign off with a very personal and individual challenge for each and every one of you.

It is this; that each and every one of you spend a few hours each week putting back into the Club a little of the effort that others have put in for your enjoyment in the past. Only by a combined effort from each and every one of you will it continue to grow.

SAMUEL JAMIESON.
PRESIDENT.

"SOCIAL REPORT"

As the Winter Season has come to an end, I take this opportunity to thank all players, members and supporters for their help towards making all social activities in the Club a success.

My sincere personal thanks go to the Social Committee, namely, Jenny Babidge, Dirk Bevan, Trevor Clemens, Robyn Hogben, Peter Jacob, Olivia Lowrie & Greg Wheeler, who have done an excellent job throughout the Season, by giving their time to organise Social events and to work in the kiosk.

Next year should be even bigger for the Club, so keep the good work up.

JOE PETERSON.

SOCIAL MANAGER.

A GRADE REPORT.

WE WON!!

The A Grade started the Season with a depleted line up compared with last Season, having David Kettle out with a new job and Al Baker & Simon Edgeworth out, injured.

On the plus side, we got David Corby from Mornington & John Ferguson came down to help with the coaching.

We started the Season poorly, losing the first game 13 - 4 and after a few games, I thought that if we can get into the Finals, we had the Finals experience to maybe get into another Grand Final.

Then things started to improve. Craig Kernick came down and played three games before he went overseas on holidays, two of those games he pitched winning games. Terry Reid started pitching again and Steve Babidge, who has always done the bulk of the pitching, was learning to be a relief pitcher and also matured as a hitter this year, which was a big bonus to the side.

We also picked up two excellent players in David Buckthorpe and Matthew Sheldon-Collins, who were wanting to play baseball before going to Japan and representing Australia in the play-off games for the 1988 Olympics.

At the half way point of the Season, the A Grade Team were in second position, behind Bonbeach, in a Season where no side was sure of winning their next game

We had a lot of injury problems this year, using 29 players in the A Grade Team, including seven different catchers. Amongst those 29 players, three played every game, being Terry Reid, Mick Ducksbury & myself. Steve Babidge was also there for every game, but was rested for 2 games during the Season.

The A Grade Team won enough games in the second half of the Season to hold onto second spot and have the double chance in the Finals.

We were playing Bonbeach in the Second Semi-Final and they had beaten us four times during the Season, though not once did we have our best line up on the diamond. The closest we came was against Dingley when we beat them 11 - 1.

We started the game well, scoring 2 runs in the first innings and went on with the job, winning 5 - 4. Steve Babidge pitched a great game and everyone batted well, though we didn't score after the 5th innings.

Bonbeach won the Preliminary Final, so we played them again to see which team would be Premiers for 1987.

Steve Babidge was sick with the flu, but pitched the game of his life, only allowing Bonbeach to score one run, which was in the 7th inning, and four hits, while our batters scored one run in the 1st inning, 7 in the 2d inning & four in the 3rd inning, with Terry Reid & Craig Kernick hitting home runs. Everyone batted the ball extremely well and it was a great Team performance to win 12 - 1.

In closing I would like to thank John Ferguson and all the players who played in the A Grade Team during the Season and I wish whoever is coaching next Season, all the best, you have a tough act to follow.

TREVOR HOGBEN.

A RESERVES.

"YES SIR, WE DID IT AT LAST"

The A Reserves continued their winning streak to outplay every opposing side we confronted (except for Bonbeach).

Colin Upfil & Lee Bailey continued their consistent pitching efforts, to hold our great side together. The batting strength of Paul Kilburn, Daryel Roulston & Colin Upfil, smashed opposing pitchers off the mound. By this time the Team playing as unit, were looking hard to beat.

Chris Reece, David Johnson, & Russell Ingram, were all starting to hit their strapps and the players were looking forward to the Finals.

In the last 3 games, the A Reserve hitting machine, scored a remarkable 64 runs, which proves we were all in top form for the Finals.

The very last game was played against Bonbeach, the side we thought we would be playing on the following week in the Second Semi-Final.

At this stage of the year, the Final Four were cemeted, consisting of;

1. Bonbeach
2. Cheltenham
3. Dingley
4. Frankston

To our surprise, but certainly not to our concern, Bonbeach realising that they could not get "knocked off" from top position, did not field their best side. We saw their reasoning, but certainly interpreted this opportunity differently, as we played our best side and had excellent

batting and match practice. As predicted, we beat them 8 - 4, giving us the first win against Bonbeach.

THE FINALS.

Second Semi-Final.

Bonbeach vs Cheltenham

The guys were confident, eager, keen and fully motivated. We had a terrible start with Bonbeach scoring in the first innings and continuing to hit the ball; we continued watching as the Bonbeach pitcher threw strike after strike.

We would prefer not to ramble on about this game, and the fact was that Bonbeach defeated us by 9 runs, which put a happy Bonbeach Team, straight into the Grand Final, and a sad Cheltenham Team having to play the winner of Frankston vs Dingley, the week after.

Preliminary Final.

Cheltenham vs Frankston

Now this is a game we enjoy writing about!

We went out knowing that we were the only Cheltenham Team not in the Grand Final line up.

The aggression we were used to came out, the bats were swinging and the job done by each and every player was courageous. We hit the lead early and continued on, giving us a convincing "10 Run Rule" victory, putting us into the Grand Final to play Bonbeach.

Grand Final.

It was said during the week by many, the side who has the most aggression will win the game.. Our interpretation was

more of a question; "It depends on how long Lee Bailey can throw top quality pitches for?" It was great to notice that Lee Bailey threw a brilliant nine innings game.

It was a high standard game and at 1 - 1, until the bottom of the fourth, it looked tough. Then the true talent of the A Reserves came through, hitting the ball wherever we wanted and just to top it all off, a tremendous GRAND SLAM by Colin Upfil, putting us a total of 11 runs in front.

The final score being 14 - 6, obviously in Cheltenham's favour, giving us the FIRST A RESERVES PREMIERSHIP FLAG.

"Rustlers in Heaven in '87"

KIRK PETERSON & ROSS GINNS.

C 1 TEAM REPORT.

Cheltenham C1 had an excellent year!

Out of 18 games, we only suffered defeat twice;- once to Sandringham & once to Dingley. As fate would have it, they were the teams we played in the Finals.

The team led by myself, achieved a remarkable standard of excellence, with the help of Steven Williams; who batted very consistently, Mark Johnson; a versatile player, Garry Cox & Kevin Howe; experienced players & Peter Innes; who pitched a remarkable Season and completed the year by leading us to victory in the Grand Final.

We finished on top and played Dingley in the Second Semi-Final. "Aggression" was the word for the day, and we proved that, winning by the "10 Run Rule", in the seventh inning.

The next two weeks felt like two years. Despite the very hard training the "nerves" took its toll in the most important game, "THE GRAND FINAL". We were plagued by errors - but, runs win a ball game.

We finished the Season winning 11 - 8, the 1st flag of 3.

DIRK BEVEN.

C2 TEAM REPORT.

Played 18 Won 3 Drew 1

Due to lack of experience and enthusiasm, the team had to struggle hard all season, however the team lifted itself in most games where our pitching became competitive.

The loss of a couple of veteran players during the season had a marked effect but fortunately we had new players available to step in.

The book will show that our batters acquitted themselves well and were usually a match for our opponents - it was our defence that failed to consolidate any advantage created by good hitting.

Highlights of the season were our 20 - 20 draw against Bonbeach, coming from 18 - 3 down, and our fighting losses against our Clubmates.

All players have a future with the Club provided they are prepared to commit themselves to undertake the necessary regular physical work.

NOEL PETTIT.

UNDER 17 REPORT.

Being my first year in coaching, the year did not turn out like I would of liked it to, winning only three games and drawing in one.

The talent in the side was of pretty good standard, but it was the lack of motivation that let us down.

I would like to thank John McHarry for getting out of bed on some pretty cold Saturday mornings, (not to mention the Coach), and coming down and scoring for me, and dragging the sometimes "little brats" down to the game.

That's about the whole year summed up!

MICHAEL ROBERTS.

"PICKLES"

"CHELTENHAM BASEBALL CLUB INC."

WINTER COMMITTEE.

	<u>PRESIDENT</u>	<u>VICE-PRES.</u>	<u>SECRETARY</u>	<u>TREASURER</u>	<u>COACH</u>
1978	K. Roberts		J. Landry	C. Peacock	S. Bott
1979	K. Roberts		S. Bott	C. Peacock	S. Bott
1980	P. Stanford		T. Hogben	S. Jamieson	G. Siddel
1981	P. Stanford		D. Roulston	S. Jamieson	S. Bott
1982	P. Stanford		R. Ginns	D. Beven	S. Bott
1983	S. Bott	M. Johnson	T. Hogben	R. Knevitt	T. Hogben
1984	S. Bott	K. Roberts	T. Hogben	P. Babidge	S. Bott
1985	S. Jamieson	D. Beven	S. Edgeworth	J. Babidge	D. Kettle
1986	S. Jamieson	D. Beven	S. Jamieson	M. Johnson	T. Hogben
1987	S. Jamieson	G. Peterson	J. Babidge	M. Johnson	T. Hogben

CLUB CHAMPIONS:

1977, 1983.

PREMIERSHIPS:

A GRADE 1958, 59, 60, 65, 67, 68, 69, 71, 73

B GRADE 1960, 61, 65, 71, 76, 78

C GRADE 1975, 76, 80, 82

UNDER 17 1969, 73, 76

MOST VALUABLE PLAYERS (DANDENONG BASEBALL ASSOCIATION)

A GRADE 1971 G. Siddel

1980 L. Hall

1981 L. Hall

1986 T. Reid

B GRADE 1981 S. Babidge

C GRADE 1976 F. Babidge Int

1981 F. Babidge Int

Many people have contributed their time and efforts to the Club this season and we would sincerely like to thank.....

.... all Senior Players who assisted in ground marking of both Junior & Senior games and to those who assisted umpiring.

.... all girlfriends, fiancées, wives, mothers, who assisted in the kiosk and made salads for various functions.

....all who assisted in decorating, organising and cleaning up for social functions throughout the season.

.... all supporters, members, parents and players, for making "Cheltenham Baseball Club" the great Club that it is!

Thank you once again, and we look forward to seeing one and all next season.



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Steven Babidge



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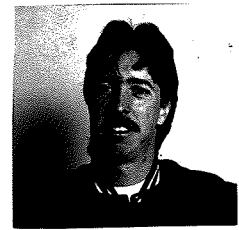
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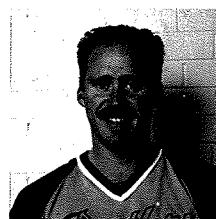
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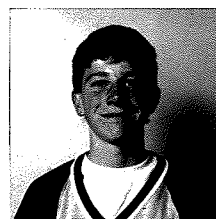
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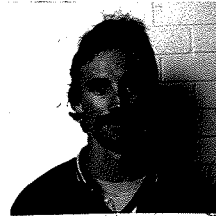
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GREAT GRANDY R.O.I.

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