

CHELTENHAM BASEBALL CLUB

THE YEAR OF THE HOODIE

WINTER SEASON REVIEW 2013

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President's Report

Seniors & Juniors

Well here we go...

It only seems like yesterday that I was handed over the presidency and we have flown through another winter season. We have had our ups and downs this year both on and off the field.

A big thank you to all our sponsors this year, but losing a major sponsor Leading Edge, who ended up closing up (sorry to hear after a long partnership with us), hurt our bank account a lot.

Huge thanks to Stenny for finding and collecting sponsorship where he could but we just couldn't cover the loss of the big one. If anyone knows of or wants to sponsor our great club, please get in contact with us any amount will help.

We saw a Cheltenham team go across to the other league and wipe the floor with an undefeated season and bring home the only flag to our club. Congratulations guys.

A big thanks goes out to all the coaches who volunteered their time. I think right from our littlest players, our U11s, through to our club coach Clarko we were well represented, but all should be a bit disappointed that we didn't get one red and black flag to put up in the rooms. Not saying we didn't try, just kind of feels empty and as the sign states in the change room "the reason we exist is to win premierships."

This job is a hard job and without a good group of people below me I would have gone crazy and not enjoyed doing it as much as I have. So, to my committee, I can't thank you enough, you guys and girls have work your backsides off to make sure this amazing club ran smoothly.

To my Mum Katrina, a huge thanks goes out once again for having that canteen stocked every week. Most people don't know, but this actually is a volunteer placement in the winter, so to all the helpers I can't thank you enough. For those people who didn't help out, working in the canteen is a great way to meet new people in the club. So, don't just sit on your hands, let's all pull up our sleeves next year and volunteer around the club.

I would like to say that I will be staying on as president next season and I hope all my committee enjoy their summer break and come back and put their hands up next year. Also calling out for some new faces; would be great to have some new representatives from our junior section.

To the rest of the club, whatever you do in summer, enjoy, be safe and we will see you all again in the blue pants next year where hopefully we have a few more flags to put up on the wall.

Go the Rustlers

Pat O'Neill - President 2013

Cheltenham Baseball Club

LIFE MEMBERS

PRAHRAN

1934	L.E. Cheong *	1936	T. Greenwood *
1937	C. Boulton *	1939	J. Lowe *
1940	M. Simpson *	1940	H. Raphael *
1946	J. Middleton *	1947	J.W. Ferguson *
1948	R. Chapman	1949	J. Phillips *
1950	G. Tamblyn *	1951	L. Collins *
1951	C. Chapman *	1951	R. Grime *
1951	J. Coulson *	1954	M. Adams *
1954	L. Snare *	1955	J. Scott
1957	W. Anderson	1957	J. Wadsworth
1961	B. Bedwell	1961	C. Hyland
1961	W.C. Wale	1961	J.E. Beitzell *
1963	G. Lockhart	1966	P. Boulton
1967	H. Fowler *	1968	R. Skinner *
1970	G.B. Ainscough	1971	P.R. Finney

1972 – PRAHRAN & CHELTENHAM MERGED TO BECOME CHELTENHAM BASEBALL CLUB

CHELTENHAM

1962	E.E. Knorr *	1963	J.R. Trevorah *
1964	Mrs. M. Knorr	1966	T.G. (Frank) Babidge Snr *
1968	J.E. Upfill *	1971	A.H. Burdett
1981	K.H. Roberts	1982	P.C. (Frank) Babidge Jnr *
1983	J.R. Ferguson	1984	S.J. Hogben *
1984	A.M. Tanner	1985	M.J.P. Trevorah
1986	P.A. Ferguson	1987	Mrs. B. (Joy) Roberts
1990	S. Jamieson	1992	P.A. Stanford
1992	S.T. Hogben	1992	L.J.P. Hall
1993	Mrs. M.E. Phillips	1994	K.K. Williams *
1996	C.J. Anderson	2000	C.T. Upfill
2001	S.J. Babidge	2002	B.A. Fitzgerald
2006	A.J. Bailey	2006	Mrs V.E. Bailey
2006	J.P. Carlile	2006	T.W. Clemens
2006	B.R. Lark	2006	D.A. Stenhouse
2009	L.R. Blackley	2009	P.A.Burdett
2009	C.S.Reece	2010	Mrs. R. Hogben
2010	M. Gourlay	2011	Mrs. C. M. Upfill

TOTAL: 66

Cheltenham Baseball Club

PAST & PRESENT: WINTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

CHELTENHAM BASEBALL CLUB was formed on Tuesday 24th March 1953 at the home of Mr Eric Knorr.

In attendance at our first meeting were the following -: Mr N. Hewitt, Mr E.Knorr, Mr L. Giles, Mr H. Steele, Mr K.Cowell, Mr T. Crutchfield, Mr C Loosemoore, Mr N. Hocking, Mrs E. Hewitt, Mrs M.Knorr.

Chairman elect was Mr Norm Hewitt

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<u>YEAR</u>	PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENTIS	SECRETARY/ASSIST	TREASURER/ASSIST	CLUB COACH
1953	Norm Hewitt		Eric Knorr / Molly Knorr	Kevin Cowell	J.(Ray) Trevorah
1954	J.(Ray) Trevorah		Eric Knorr / Molly Knorr	Kevin Cowell	J.(Ray) Trevorah
1955	J.(Ray) Trevorah		Eric Knorr / Molly Knorr	Jim Upfill	Jim Upfill
1956	J.(Ray) Trevorah		Eric Knorr / Molly Knorr	Laurie Myers	Jim Upfill
1957	J.(Ray) Trevorah	Y	Eric Knorr / Molly Knorr	Ron Corney	Jim Upfill
1958	J.(Ray) Trevorah		Eric Knorr / Molly Knorr	Ron Corney	Jim Upfill
1959	J.(Ray) Trevorah		Allan Burdett	Kel Roberts	Jim Upfill
1960	J.(Ray) Trevorah		Allan Burdett	Kel Roberts	Jim Upfill
1961	J.(Ray) Trevorah		Allan Burdett	Frank Babidge Snr	Jim Upfill
1962	J.(Ray) Trevorah		Allan Burdett	Frank Babidge Snr	Jim Upfill
1963	J.(Ray) Trevorah		Allan Burdett	Ron Corney	Jim Upfill
1964	Frank Babidge Snr		Allan Burdett	John Longden	Jim Upfill
1965	Frank Babidge Snr		Kevin Knorr	Allan Burdett	Jim Upfill
1966	Frank Babidge Snr		Kevin Knorr	Allan Burdett	Allan Burdett
1967	Lance Purton	S. Hogben, J.Bridger,	Kevin Knorr / K. Hewitt	Allan Burdett	Allan Burdett
		L. Anderson, F. Coombes, Dr Hudson, J. Riddle Snr			
1968	Allan Burdett	S. Hogben, J.Bridger,	Kevin Knorr / D. Upfill	Frank O'Shea	Allan Burdett
		L. Anderson, F. Coombes,			
1969	Allan Burdett	Dr Hudson, J. Riddle Snr S. Hogben, M. Johanson Snr,	John Longden / D. Upfill	Terry Anderson	Allan Burdett
1707	/ mail bardett	G. Ingram, F. Coombes,	Soriii Edrigueti / B. Opinii	Terry Artiderson	Alian Baracti
1070	Laa Andaraan	J. Riddle Snr, R. Corney	Allen Dywlett / I. Lennden	Tarry Anderson	Allon Durdott
1970	Leo Anderson	S. Hogben, M. Johanson Snr, G. Ingram, K. Roberts,	Allan Burdett / J. Longdon	Terry Anderson	Allan Burdett
		J. Riddle Snr, R. Corney			
1971	Leo Anderson	S. Hogben, M. Johanson Snr,	Colin Anderson / A. Burdett	Terry Anderson	G.(Charlie) Siddle
		G. Ingram, K. Roberts, J. Riddle Snr, R. Harding			
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		Amalgamation with	Prahran Baseball Cl	<u>ub 1972</u>	
1972	Max Johanson Snr	S. Hogben, L. Anderson,	C. Anderson / M. Johanson Jnr	Colin Upfill	Allan Burdett
		L. Purton, R. Dunne &	4-17-20	'	
1973	Leo Anderson	K. Roberts J. Upfill, L. Purton, G. Ingram,	A. Burdett / G. Ainscough	Gordon Dossor	Don Smythe
1973	Leo Anderson	M. Johanson Snr, M. Trevorah,		GOLGOLI DOSSOL	Don Smyme
		C. Anderson			
1974	Leo Anderson		A. Burdett / G. Ainscough	John Ferguson / G. Dossor	Fred Capper
1975	G. Ainscough		Allan Burdett	R.Bailey	
1976	Allan Burdett	G. Ainscough	J. Ferguson / C. Anderson	Sam Jamieson / John Landry	Kevin Knorr
1977	Harry Kalinski	G. Ainscough	J. Landry	Sam Jamieson	??????
1978	Kel Roberts	G. Ainscough	J. Landry	Chris Peacock	Steve Bott
1979	Kel Roberts	G. Ainscough	Steve Bott	Chris Peacock	Steve Bott
1980	Paul Stanford	G. Ainscough	Trevor Hogben	Sam Jamieson	Steve Bott

PAST & PRESENT: WINTER EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

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<u>YEAR</u>	PRESIDENT	VICE PRESIDENT/s	SECRETARY/ASSIST	TREASURER/ASSIST	CLUB COACH
1981	Paul Stanford	G. Ainscough	Darryl Roulston	Sam Jamieson	Steve Bott
1982	Paul Stanford	G. Ainscough	Ross Ginns	Dirk Beven	Steve Bott
1983	Steve Bott	Mark Johnson	Trevor Hogben	R. Knevitt	Trevor Hogben
1984	Steve Bott	Kel Roberts	Trevor Hogben	Jenny Babidge	Dave Kettle
1985	Sam Jamieson	Dirk Beven	Simon Edgeworth	Jenny Babidge	Dave Kettle
1986	Sam Jamieson	Dirk Beven	Sam Jamieson	Mark Johnson	Trevor Hogben
1987	Sam Jamieson	Gina Peterson	Jenny Babidge	Mark Johnson	Trevor Hogben
1988	Dirk Beven	Greg Wheeler	Jenny Babidge	Mark Johnson	Garry Hicks
1989	Dirk Beven	Peter Burnett	J. Babidge / B. Holman	Russell Ingram	David Clarkson
1990	Dirk Beven	Olivia Reid	Barbara Holman	Russell Ingram	Dan McConnon
1991	Paul Stanford	Trevor Hogben	Kim Brooks	Russell Ingram	David Clarkson
1992	Russell Ingram	Trevor Hogben	Kim Brooks	Russell Ingram	?????
1993	Russell Ingram	650	Kim Brooks	Simon Edgeworth	Terry Reid
1994	Brad Lark	TAL	Terri Clemens	Simon Edgeworth	Terry Reid
1995	Brad Lark	Olivia Reid	Trevor Clemens	Simon Edgeworth	Greg Brown
1996	Brad Lark	Bruce Fitzgerald	Trevor Clemens	Ben Rowlands	Greg Brown
1997	Bruce Fitzgerald		Trevor Clemens	Michael O'Shea	Tony Dinnie
1998	David Stenhouse	Trevor Hogben	Trevor Clemens	Brad Lark	Tony Dinnie
1999	David Stenhouse	Trevor Hogben	Trevor Clemens	Brad Lark	Tony Dinnie
2000	David Stenhouse	Jenny Babidge	Trevor Clemens	Brad Lark	Tony Dinnie
2001	David Stenhouse	Jenny Babidge	David Stenhouse	Brad Lark	John Wadsworth
2002	David Stenhouse	Simon Hill	Trevor Clemens	Russell Oborne	Myles Barnden
2003	Colin Upfill	Colin Basham	Trevor Clemens	Russell Oborne	David Clarkson
2004	David Stenhouse	Mika Tossavainen	Trevor Clemens	Steven Kavanagh	David Clarkson
2005	David Stenhouse	Mika Tossavainen	Trevor Clemens	Pauline Stenhouse	David Clarkson
2006	David Stenhouse	Mika Tossavainen	Trevor Clemens	Janette Holland	David Clarkson
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2009	David Stenhouse	Mika Tossavainen	Trevor Clemens	Russell Ferguson	David Clarkson
2010	David Stenhouse	Mika Tossavainen	Trevor Clemens	Katrina Johnson	David Clarkson
2011	David Stenhouse	Mika Tossavainen	Trevor Clemens	Katrina Johnson	David Clarkson
2012	David Stenhouse	Patrick O'Neill Stuart Holding Mika Tossavainen	Trevor Clemens	Katrina Johnson	David Clarkson

2013 Patrick O'Neill David Stenhouse Trevor Clemens Katrina Johnson David Clarkson Stuart Holding

Congratulations to -

Patrick O'Neill on his 1st year as President Trevor Clemens on his 18th year as Secretary David Clarkson on his 13th year as Club Coach

Club Coach's Report

Editor's note - congratulations Dave on completion of 13 years as Club Coach

Where do I start?

Again, the Cheltenham Baseball Club had a great Winter season. Although no premierships this year, we have set the club up for the next 10 years, so there should be more success around the corner.

The club has blooded a lot of young players through A1 this year and there just seems to be endless pit of players doing their time through the lower grade teams as well.

It's a pleasure to come to a training session and work with these kids with their high spirits and wanting to learn. We just have to get Mother Nature on side next year, as it seemed to rain every Thursday around 5-30pm.

I would like to thank TC, Johnno, Dan W-B, Ben Cooen and Julie Cameron for their effort in managing their appropriate teams during the season.

Special mention and thanks goes to Matthew Blackmore for stepping into my shoes, taking practice and also looking after A1s when I was having my hospital visits earlier in the season.

Another mention of thanks goes to TC for his effort as Chairman of Selectors. A fantastic job done TC, everyone knew where he or she was playing in plenty of time before the Saturday's game.

A big thank you to Paul Barrett (Bar) and all of the chefs with the BBQ on training nights. God, that BBQ smells so good when I am throwing batting practice ©.

Lastly, to the President and the board of Cheltenham that allows me to go about my job without any interference at all, thank you to you all.

To everyone listed here, and to people I may have missed, you are the people that make it a pleasure to be at the Cheltenham Baseball Club

I look forward to watching players develop and rekindling friendships over the Summer season.

Regards,

David Clarkson - Club Coach 2013

WINTER COMMITTEE

<u>PRESIDENT</u>

Patrick O'Neill

SENIOR VICE PRESIDENT

David Stenhouse

VICE PRESIDENT

Stuart Holding

SECRETARY

Trevor Clemens

TREASURER

Katrina Johnson

COMMITTEE

Ordinary Members

Paul Barrett
Nicole Croker
Stuart Holland
David Johnson
Ian Palmer
Pauline Stenhouse
Mika Tossavainen
Dan Wardbourton

BAR MANAGER

Paul Barrett

CANTEEN

Staffed by Committee members

CHAIRMAN OF SELECTORS

Trevor Clemens

CLUB COACH

David Clarkson

EQUIPMENT MANAGER

Mika Tossavainen

GROUNDS MANAGERS

All team members

JUNIOR COORDINATOR

Nicole Croker

SPONSORSHIP

David Stenhouse

WEBSITE

Steve Campitelli

TEAM COACH'S & SCORER'S

COACH'S

SCORER'S

Meg Clarkson

Steve Campitelli

Robyne Hogben

Peter Leslie

Steve Campitelli

Tony Preston

Dave Holland

Graeme Chittenden

<u>'A1' Grade</u> Dave Clarkson

Trevor Clemens (1st Base)

'A2' Grade Trevor Clemens

Trevor Hogben – Assistant Coach

<u>'B1' Grade</u> David Johnson Katrina Johnson

<u>'B2' Grade</u> Dan Ward-Bourton

Dave Stenhouse - Assistant Coach

<u>'C1' Grade</u> Ben Cooen Team effort

<u>'C2" Grade</u> Julie Cameron Team effort

U17 Matthew Carlile Peter Leslie

U17 MWBL David Stenhouse

Stell Michael – Assistant Coach

Stuart Holding - Team Manager

U15 White Adam Leech Lisa Clarke

U15 Blue Dan W-D – Coach

Phil Taranto - Assistant Coach

<u>U13 White</u> Russell Ashen– Coach Michael Phillips

<u>U13 Blue</u> Antony Harrowell Sara Caruso

U11 Rookie Ball David Johnson Team Parents

Brad Heenan

WINTER PREMIERSHIPS

SENIOR'S

Comp Start / Finish

2008/ **'A1'** 2008, 09, 10, 11, 12

1932/2007 'A' GRADE 1958, 59, 60, 65, 67, 68, 71, 73, 87, 89, 2001, 02, 04, 05, 06

2008/ 'A2' 2009

1983/1987 1996/2007 'A' RESERVE 1987, 2000, 01, 02, 05, 07

2008/ **'A3'** 2008, 10, 12

1950/2007 'B' GRADE 1960, 61, 65, 71, 76, 78, 89, 93, 05, 06

2008/ **'A4'** 2009

1959/1979 1988/2007 <u>C' GRADE</u> 1975, 76, 90, 91, 92, 96, 97, 2001 1980/1984 C' NORTH 80, 82

1980/1984 <u>C' SOUTH</u> 1985/1987 'C' 1 87

1985/1987 (C 1 1985/1987 (C 2

2008/1988/2007 **B1'**'D' GRADE

1989, 99, 2000, 01, 03, 05

2008/ 'B2'

1992/2004 <u>'E' GRADE</u> 1995, 99, 2000, 01, 02

2009/ **'B3**" 2010

1995/2006 <u>WOMEN'S</u> 1996, 98

JUNIOR'S

1989/1998 U 18'S 1990, 95, 97

1969/1969 1972/1988 <u>U 17'S</u> 1969, 73, 76, 12, <u>2013 мивь</u>

2012/

1989/2011 U 16'S 1995, 96, 98, 2000, 01, 03, 04, 05, 09, 11

1962/1988 2012/ **U 15'S** 1966

1989/2011 <u>U 14'S</u> Centre: 1992, 93, 94, 95, 99

Association: 1992, 99, 04, 07, 09,11

1971/1988 2012/ **U 13'S** 1982, 88

1989/2011 <u>U 12'S</u> Centre: 1992, 93, 94, 95, 99

Association: 1992, 94, 01, 05, 08, 09

1990/1995 1997/2004 T-BALL 1990, 91, 92, 96, 97, 2000, 04

'A1' Report

This year the A1 grade team did the same as in past years and won most of its games during the season, finishing with 17 wins, 2 losses, a draw and a washout, but unfortunately, our bats went quiet around finals time, which hurt us and we finished third.

For me, this was not a wasted season as our young players got plenty of playing time in A1s, which all bodes well for the future of the Cheltenham Baseball Club. Sam Trend Beacom, Koji Campitelli Jack Enciondo, George Calill, Sam Michael, Yuta Sekino, Josh Lean, Declan Chittenden, Jack Daniels and Max Barrett, all enjoyed playing time in A1 this year.

Our pitching staff was ably led by Yoshi Campitelli and Brandon Stenhouse, and well supported by Blake Cunningham, Matthew Blackmore, JJ O'Connor, Jack Enciondo and Russell Ferguson

Catching duties were mainly done by 15 year old Mitch Holding, but when he went to the MLB Academy or was injured, JJ filled in admirably.

Our infield consisted of Russell Ferguson, Matthew Blackmore, Brett Curnow, JJ O'Connor and Sam Trend Beacom. These guys were stable all year with most of them being thrown into different positions over the whole season.

Paul Rutgers, Matthew Carlile, Adam Blackley, JJ, and Sam T-B chased down the balls in the outfield, with ease.

Overall, we had a great mixture of veterans and rookies, which as I said before, puts the club in a great position to be chasing the A1 premiership for the next 10 to 15 years.

I guess it was disappointing that we weren't there playing in that last game of the season, but if you look at the talent coming through, it was not a wasted season at all. We can't win it every year! ©

I must thank a couple of people. Firstly, Meg Clarkson, thank you for suiting up again to score. It takes a certain type of person to sit out for 9 innings in cold, wet and windy conditions scoring Winter baseball.

To TC, thanks for helping out with A1s again. It's always good to have someone to bounce things off in the dugout.

To all the players who have played A1 this year, I thank you for your time and hope you have learnt along the journey.

'A1' Coach/Manager 2013

David Clarkson

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verses	Paken	Dand	Morn	Berw	Fran	Bon	Bon	Ding	Paker	Dand	Fran	Morn	Berw	Fran	Bon	Ding	Paken	Berw	Dand	Morn	Ding	
<u>Player</u>	Н	Α	Н	Н	Н	Н	Н	Α	Α	Н	Н	Α	Α	Α	Α	Н	Н	Α	Н	Н	Α	Total
Mitch Holding	3		2												W			2				7
Russell Ferguson	2	1		2	1	1		3				2		3		3			3	2	1	21
Brandon Stenhouse	1						3	1		3		3		2	Α	2						15
Yoshi Campitelli		3			3				1												3	7
JJ O'Connor		2		1			2	2	3				3		S				1		2	13
Matthew Blackmore			3								1											4
Brett Curnow			1								2	1			Н		1		2	3		5
Adam Blackley				3	2		1															6
Max Barrett						3									0							3
Jack Enciondo						2							1				3					6
Paul Rutgers									2	1	3				U					1		6
Blake Cunningham										2			2	1		1		3				9
Matt Carlile															Т		2	1				3
							AW	ARD	RE	CIPIE	ENTS	<u> </u>										
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BATTING AVER	AGE		Russ	ell Feg	guson	.474 A	Averaç	je														
COACHE'S AWA	RD		Sam Trend Beacom																			
GRAND SLAMS	MS Nil																					
SHUT OUTS			Blake	Cunn	ningha	m Rd	18 4/8	3/13 v	Berwi	ck 22-	0											

A1' Batting Averages

<u>Players</u>	<u>Games</u>	At Bats	<u>Hits</u>	<u>Average</u>
Russell Ferguson	20	76	36	0.474
Adam Blackley	9	28	13	0.464
Jack Enciondo	4	9	4	0.444
Paul Rutgers	20	75	29	0.387
Mitch Holding	15	37	14	0.378
JJ O'Connor	18	72	27	0.375
Brett Curnow	18	68	25	0.368
Blake Cunningham	14	47	17	0.362
Yoshi Campitelli	14	14	5	0.357
Matthew Carlile	16	54	18	0.333
George Calill	2	3	1	0.333
Matthew Blackmore	18	60	19	0.317
Koji Campitelli	9	13	4	0.308
Sam Trend Beacom	13	29	8	0.276
Sam Michael	2	5	1	0.200
Brandon Stenhouse	14	50	9	0.180
Zak Palmer	1	3	0	0.000
Yuta Sekino	3	3	0	0.000
Declan Chittendon	1	2	0	0.000
Michael Rizzi	1	3	0	0.000
Josh Lean	1	3	0	0.000
Jack Daniels	2	2	0	0.000

Award recipient must have a minimum of 45 at bats or played 1 game more than half the season (9)

'A2' Report

Let's firstly get into our time machines and go back to the 2012 DBA A2 Grand Final. We lost by 1 run in the 12th innings and at that time in history, I declared that this A2 team had everything it takes to win the 2013 DBA A2 Grand Final.

This is what drove my passion for the A2 side this season. We started out with a similar side as 2012 only missing a couple, but gaining some new comers all with similar winning passions. The team started the season very well with wins against Pakenham, Mornington, Berwick, Bonbeach and Dingley. At times we started to see a little of the winning passion subside once we came across a good competitive side, mainly Dandenong and Frankston. I have to say that my assistant coach knew how to deal with Dingley on both occasions and still won't tell me his secrets. Hoggy, to you, thank you very much for all your assistance, it is very much appreciated and certainly makes it much easy for me to do the Coaching job, due to work commitments.

CBC has been a strong 'A' grade club over many years, to manage the A2 side is a very difficult task, trying to keep a team of young promising players together on the field is very challenging. You finally establish players in positions, they show good form and bang they're gone, promoted to the ones. This season we had a lot of staff shortages (injuries, academy and holidays) in the A1s and the A2s, so again, we had to welcome more new comers from the lower grades into the 2s. To my Senior players/mentors, thanks for the season and all the inspirational tips you gave the Junior players, I appreciated your support and I assume the young blokes learnt a lot from your experience. Hopefully, you will all be back in 2014 and we will have another crack at the big one.

People to thank for what I consider a very good season considering our staff shortages are as follows:

Steve 'Scoop' Campitelli, the team's Scorer, without Steve taking all the numerous field changes, doing all team stats, the side would certainly have not survived.

Trevor 'Hoggy' Hogben, again Trev, I need to know your secrets against Dingley.

Kable 'Hoggy Jnr' Hogben for your help in filling spots when we were short and coaching 1st base when I was working.

Dave 'Clarko' Clarkson who I think has been around long enough to take credit for teaching all the young blokes a lot of what they know about baseball. Better you out there on a Thursday night than me Dave, middle of winter too cold for this old bloke.

And last, but nowhere near least, the A2 side of 2013 in no particular order:

Sam Michael	Connor Doody	Declan Chittenden	George Callil
Jack Daniels	Jack Enciondo	Josh Lean	Koji Campitelli
Max Barrett	Michael Rizzi	Sam Trend Beacom	Stefan Taranto
Stu Holland	Yuta Sekino	Zak Palmer	

See you all in 2014 for a fair dinkum crack at the Flag

'A2' Manager 2013

'A2' MOST VALUABLE PLAYER

Round	R1	R 2	R 3	R 4	R 5	R 6	R 7	R 8	R 9	R 10	R 11	R 12	R 13	R 14	R 15	R 16	R 17	R 18	
<u>verses</u>	Paken	Dand	Morn	Berw	Fran	Bon	Ding	Paken	Dand	Morn	Berw	Fran	Bon	Ding	Paken	Dand	Morn	Ding	
<u>Player</u>	Н	Α	Н	Н	Н	Н	Α	Α	Н	Α	Α	Α	Α	Н	Н	Н	Н	Α	Total
Koji Campitelli	3												W					2	5
Sam Trend-Beacom						1		2					Α			2	2	2	9
Sam Michael	1	3			2		2						S		3				11
Jack Enciondo		1	3	3	1				3	1			Н			3			15
Michael Rizzi			1	1	3		1		1				0	1			1		9
Max Barrett	2					3				2			U					2	9
Zak Palmer													Т		2				2
Declan Chittenden							3					1		2					6
Josh Lean										3			W						3
Stuart Holland			2	2				3			3	3	Α			1			14
Yuta Sekino		2				2		1	2			2	S	3	1				13
Kable Hogben													Н						0
Connor Doody											2		0						2
Stefan Taranto											1		U						1
Jack Daniels													Т						0
George Callil																	3		3
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A2'Batting Averages

<u>Players</u>	<u>Games</u>	At Bats	<u>Hits</u>	Average
Sam Michael	13	41	18	0.439
Connor Doody	8	19	2	0.105
Declan Chittenden	17	47	13	0.277
George Callil	3	5	2	0.400
Jack Daniels	2	4	0	0.000
Jack Enciondo	15	53	18	0.340
Josh Lean	9	19	6	0.316
Kable Hogben	3	9	2	0.222
Koji Campitelli	14	46	17	0.370
Max Barrett	10	23	8	0.348
Michael Rizzi	15	47	17	0.362
Sam Trend Beacom	14	47	19	0.404
Stefan Taranto	2	5	2	0.400
Stu Holland	12	46	17	0.370
Trevor Hogben	1	2	1	0.500
Yuta Sekino	14	40	12	0.300
Zak Palmer	14	31	4	0.129

Award recipient must have a minimum of 45 at bats or played 1 game more than half the season (9)

'B1' Report

This year I was given the chance to coach the B1s Team; it is a hard grade when you play other clubs' ones.

At the start of the year, we had a few hard games when we lost only by one or two runs against the top teams.

The team had to promote players into the A2s which was hard as losing good players weakens the team.

I had a lot of help from Mika and Alan during the year, both of which had good year, both in the field and with the bat.

Rick, Connor, Naoki, Stefan and Casey were the team's pitchers and all did a great job when asked to throw.

In all, I had fun time this season, but the win/loss ratio wasn't so good. Hopefully, next year the B1s will make the finals.

David 'Johno" Johnson-Coach

Tony Preston- Scorer

<u>Awards</u>

MVP----Connor Doody

Batting----Connor Doody .500

Coaches----Gareth Harris



B1' Batting Averages

<u>Players</u>	<u>Games</u>	At Bats	<u>Hits</u>	<u>Average</u>
Jack Daniels		54	14	0.259
Rick Preston		52	16	0.308
Alan Heyward		46	14	0.304
Mika Tossavainen		49	16	0.327
David Johnston		29	6	0.207
Casey Hodgson		17	3	0.176
Naoki Liu		49	13	0.265
Zac Palmer		14	4	0.286
Stefan Taranto		43	12	0.279
Connor Doody		34	17	0.500
Gareth Harris		34	13	0.382
Jak Cummings		20	2	0.100
Sean Hart		45	8	0.178
Ashley Flynn		33	10	0.303
Matt Cameron		3	1	0.333
Michael Woods		3		0.000
Peter Burdett		5	2	0.400
Michael Rizzi		3	1	0.333
Paul Cummings		6	0	0.000
Michael Leslie		1		0.000
Stuart Holland		10	7	0.700
Leigh Heinrichs		4	1	0.250
Brad Heenan		8	1	0.125
Adam Leech		9	1	0.111
Yuta Sekino		3	2	0.667
Brad Lark		1	1	1.000

'B2' Report

In order to tell this story properly, first we must travel back some in time. So fire up the DeLorean and don't worry, where we're going, we don't need roads. Because all you're doing is reading obviously. Why would you need a road? DON'T READ THIS WHILE YOU'RE DRIVING, I cannot stress that enough.

The year was 2012. Obama was president, Kevin Rudd had recently been ousted as Prime Minister and Marvel movies were dominating at the box office. (It was a wacky time. You'll just have to use your imaginations.) Also at the time, Dandenong had just defeated Cheltenham in the B2 Grand Final. 'Twas a dark day my friends, tis true. So dark that the emotional turmoil and psychological fallout it created is still being felt in modern times. An event so traumatic that it sent certain members of the team's leadership group into the depths of a cyclone sized shame spiral and set off a cycle of self-harm, substance abuse and fractured realities. Digging ever deeper into an abyss of despair from which it seemed some would never return.

But return they did, with a vendetta in their hearts and a desire for vengeance that was herniating its way out of their medulla oblongata.

Replacing last year's brigade of tadpoles was a posse of battle tested gunslingers all with one thing in mind. To win premierships, raise funds for the kitty, drink the hell out of those funds and then bust each other's balls incessantly. Yes, I realize that's more than one thing, whatever, it's all a rich tapestry.

Unfortunately, God exists and he hates you. He cackles at your dreams, he titters at your desires, he guffaws at hope and he revels in crushing them all in front of your eyes. He holds out his hand, yet snatches it away when you reach out to grab it just so he can watch you flail helplessly while he points and ha-ha's like some cosmic Nelson Muntz. Our vengeance was not satiated this year as, once again, Dandy knocked us off in the Grand Final. This time in extra innings, just to twist the knife in a little more.

It was quite a ride though. Roughing up the opposition on the regular to some lopsided score lines along the way to season run totals of >170 for and <60 against. I guess that's what happens when you hit .450 as a team. Led largely by standout performances from Leigh Heinrichs with his .673ba and 40+RBI, and the youngsters Lucas Anderson & Matty Stenhouse, who were his main competition for the batting title, and racked up a bunch of hits in front of him. While Adam Katz and...drumroll...'My Favourite Player' shared the pitching duties and stymied any offensive designs the opposition drew up.

Not too shabby as far as seasons go. We got a lot from a lot of places this year.

We racked up more fines than a drag race down Eastlink. There were more guys ashamed that they'd ended up in the pink than after a Thai lady-boy show. More men giving other men a gay signal to head home than outside the Blue Oyster at 3am. There were more crushed slabs than 9/11 and more 1st & 3rd outs than at a Danish gang bang. Not to mention the support. Yeah, I said it, all the tremendous team support. This team was like a 12-way 36DD wonder-bra. Yes, those are all private jokes and no, I will not explain them.

Surely, after all that we deserved a cheap medallion (or rather cool looking beer glass) to show for it? What say you Lord, did we not pass your test Father? I ask to the sky. "Envy" he whispers in my left ear. "Greed" he purrs to my right. Then, right in my face he

bellows "Pride!" and after an awkward pause, "Gluttony and Sloth to a lesser degree" he mutters

offhandedly. "Also" he continues "they're called The Angels. Whose side did you think I was going to be on?"

I should have seen it coming. I should have known something was amiss as top spot was wrenched from our grasp via Adam Leech booting the ball into the bushes down at Mornington like he was Malcom Blight and the siren had sounded. In hindsight the only explanation could be divine intervention. But, I was blind to it. I was blind...but now I see. As of this moment, I'm renouncing my Christian beliefs and becoming a Scientologist. After all, it seems to be working for Leigh. The only thing higher than his batting avg was his Thetan count.

Now, for the thankyous; routinely the shortest part of my reports.

A firm head nod of acknowledgement goes to Pete Leslie for scoring the whole year even though his kid was crippled and couldn't play.

A thumbs up to Rod Anderson for filling in for him when Pete was unavailable.

A high five to the parents of the young'uns who did the right thing and paid their fines for them.

A completely hetero pat on the ass to all the guys who came in and out of the side, but made good on their fines anyway.

A hug that veers into the uncomfortable when held slightly too long, to all the boys who helped out the C2s for numbers without giving me grief about it.

A cheers-big-ears to Johnno for helping us out. Coaching, playing, diamond preparation etc. Shame we couldn't quite get you qualified for the finals but your contribution was noted and appreciated.

Finally a drunken arm around the shoulder EYE-LUV-YOUS to Pat, Pete & Stenny for doing all that 'coaching' stuff so that I didn't have to bother. It was a welcome relief.

That's it. Praise be to Tom Cruise and see you next year.

Dan Ward-Bourton

Coach/Manager/My Favourite Player 'B2' 2013



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B2' Batting Averages

<u>Players</u>	<u>Games</u>	At Bats	<u>Hits</u>	<u>Average</u>
Leigh Heinrichs	16	55	37	0.673
Mathew Stenhouse	14	48	22	0.458
Lucus Anderson	14	45	21	0.467
Daniel Ward-Bourton	13	40	18	0.450
Adam Leech	13	41	18	0.439
Peter Burdett	12	39	18	0.462
David Stenhouse	13	42	16	0.381
Michael Woods	9	36	16	0.444
Adam Katz	12	37	15	0.405
Pat O'Neill	11	31	14	0.452
David Johnson	7	18	9	0.500
Brad Heenan	10	23	7	0.304
Alex Marshall	5	14	5	0.357
Michael Leslie	5	10	1	0.100

Award recipient must have a minimum of 45 at bats or played 1 game more than half the season (9)

'C1' Report

Cheltenham C1s

The season Highlights:

The season was a good one, overall we had 5 new players that have never played baseball and a couple of boys that have played through juniors. We didn't come into the season expecting to win the flag, but a few of the boys were hopeful. We won a handful of games and lost a few that we shouldn't have.

We had shirts made up that weren't the same as the normal club uniform with all our nicknames the back, such as Peppa, Pinny for some unknown reason, and Hannam (which we are going to change to Butterflies because he was always in the outfield and looked like he was watching butterflies and not the ball), Chief, Bossman, Fatboy, Boof, Jockey and a few more. There was a bit of controversy at the start of the season as I'm sure most of you know.

We finished 7th out of 8 on the ladder with 6 wins and 10 losses. We were just a bunch of mates that wanted to have a throw and a hit, some fun and have a few bevs either before or after the game.

Highlights of the Season:

- Boof hitting a grand slam against Dingley gold
- Kyle Brooks sliding through a big puddle head first with \$50 bucks in his mouth when there was a wash out against Carrum Downs.

Awards

Grand Slam Award - Michael Olsen

Most Improved - Jamie Aarons

No error season - Aaron Mizzi



'C2' Report

Well, where does one start? I decided to live the dream of all aging baseballers – to play a few games side-by-side with my boy before I hung up my boots for the very last time - and so I moved to Cheltenham Baseball Club, where my boy has been a member for the past few years.

Coming in I thought it would be a low key arrangement, that I would slip quietly into one of the 'C' grade teams, play a couple of games with my boy, before he moved up the grades. Then I got a smug "we put your name forward to Coach the C2s, TC wants to see you." Were they for real? ...who was this TC?...why me? I don't know the players here...I've never coached before...too many questions ran through my mind.

Anyway, found out who TC was, and approached him. He 'sold' me on the idea of taking on the role of Coach, and that was that. I probably should add that 'Coach' is not really the term for what I did, given there is no training undertaken by the C2s, no real opportunity to coach the players, before, during or after the game, you get the drift...

The C2s started off on a high securing first spot on the ladder with an unbeatable 100 percentage points - OK, so we got that due to a forfeit, but we basked in the glory just the same. Our fortune continued for another round, maintaining our percentage - this week due to a bye - but again, the mighty C2s at the helm of 'Super Coach' were riding the glory train. Then it happened, we had to start actually playing ball, and truth came out ...we were not a great team, I was no 'Super Coach', and we quickly slipped from the top of the ladder to finish a respectable 7th by season's end.

Our early games were pretty one-sided, with our opposition getting the better of us (by lots), i.e. they had scored a massive 53 runs to our 5, but by round 6, we had started to gel, going down by only 2 runs. We had our first win at round 9. I had gone to the opposition to ask them to go easy on us as we had only 7 players. I was met with a 'Make sure you spread your blanks'. This made me angry. Had he said this because I was a girl (and probably had no idea how to play ball), or because he was trying to be nice? I took the first option. I went back to my team and asked them to dig deep. Watching our opposition in warm-up, I thought we might have a chance, even with the two blanks. Just before game time, another of their coaches came over offering a fielder – meaning I could now fill my infield (I had elected to drop my 2nd baseman so that I would have two outfielders).

We continued on, to round 15 before we got another opportunity to celebrate a win – a marvellous victory I am told (pity I wasn't there to enjoy the celebrations, but I was probably strolling down Hollywood Boulevard at the time). Another couple of losses, before we closed out the season with our third real win. This last win, I am still struggling to understand how we made it happen. The C2s decided to have a 'pitch-a-thon', opening up the mound to any and all comers. We had six pitchers on the day – some of them realising just how hard it is up there on the mound, I lost count of the wild pitches.

The C2s started the season with players doing everything they could to get out, and closed out the season with them fighting to get in. My core team were:

Russell (Rusty) Ashen – Rusty (OMG, what is he doing now?) was one of the baseball dads, who came with past experience, and I'm sure hasn't looked in a mirror in a long while (pretty sure he still thinks he is in his 20s), 'daring the opposition to try and pick him off' (thanks Meatloaf) at any opportunity. Turns out he's not a bad baseballer, and not too bad a catch.

Damon Pettit – Damon came to us as relative beginner, having played only one summer season before. I think he was shocked when I asked him to take on 3rd base, and even more shocked when I offered him the prime position behind the dish – which he took to with ease. Damon was our quiet achiever.

Carl (Dr Carl) Cravino - Dr Carl, is another baseball dad, but with no prior experience. Dr Carl proved himself pretty handy with the bat, and quick on foot, managing to track down anything that was hit into his outfield position. Dr Carl's exuberance upon taking his first fly ball was something to behold (I think there was an opportunity for another out that went begging because of the celebratory dance).

Antony (Ant) Harrowell – Ant joined the team later in the season, the weekly 'what are you doing on Saturday, want a run with the C2s?' ultimately paying off. Ant soon became the key to the infield (although at times I think he was playing in the outfield cause he likes to play very deep).

Michael Phillips – like Dr Carl, Mike is baseball dad with no prior experience. Mike's enthusiasm is only shadowed by his speed, a very fast outfielder indeed. Mike took a while to get his 'eye in' but is now able to catch the fly balls hit into right field.

Matthew Cameron – my boy. Wasn't too happy about being listed in the C2s, and his disappointment followed him onto the field in the early games. Once he 'got over' the fact that he was playing 'low grade' baseball, his skills came to the fore. Matthew was our No 1 pitcher, who simply got better as the season progressed.

Guest appearances, well there were a few, namely: myself (due to injury, and my trip to the home of baseball, the mighty USA), Jake Cox, Gianni Caruso, Joe Caruso, Rod Anderson, Paul Barrett, Dan Ward Bourton (apparent pitcher extraordinaire), David Johnson, Henry Bevan, Jak Cummings, Paul Cummings (who hit our only home run, only for it to not count as we failed to complete the innings), Ashley Flynn, Brad Heenan, Sean Hart (one of the cheekiest baserunners I've seen in long while), Michael Woods, Brendan Beacom, Pat O'Neill, Dave Stenhouse, Matt Stenhouse, and Stu Holding (awesome baseballer – just ask him). (My sincere apologies if I have left anyone out).

As you can probably guess by the number of 'guest appearances', we struggled with numbers to take the field, which meant we went without a scorer at times. I have done my best (based on the stats I had, and my memory, which isn't always good) to award my trophies. They are:

Batting Award: Carl Cravino (.515 average)

Sportsman Award: Damon Petitt (who stepped up to become my No 1 catcher)

Sportsman Award: Antony Harrowell (who could not resist the draw of the C2s, becoming my No 1

shortstop)

Well done to all my team members (core and guest), I think all in all we had a pretty good season – probably a little more frustration than we wanted, but that was overshadowed by our moments of brilliance, our earned wins, and laughter, lots of laughter.

Julie Cameron

Coach/Manager 'C2' 2013



Club Person

FRANK BABIDGE JNR MEMORIAL TROPHY

Nominations are -:

Johnson Family:

- Committee Members
- ➤ Katrina Treasurer/ Canteen specialist
- Johnno General Gopher and all rounder
- Jade All round helper and Junior Club person for 2013

The Johnson Family, well what can you say, 'what would we do without them?' Again, for another season, the club runs reasonably smoothly with all the work done by these 3 people. Jobs done are too numerous to mention; only they know how much work it takes to run a club the size of Cheltenham. So, to the 3 of you, the committee appreciates your passion and dedication for all the jobs you do around the club, and hopes to see you back again in season 2014.

Ian Palmer: Club Person 2013

- > General Committee member
- Canteen do it all
- General do anything specialist

lan has gone way beyond his duties as a committee member for at least the past 2 seasons. This season, if something was being cooked, lan was there making sure it was done correctly. His work behind the counter of the canteen was exceptional, as he was always there when needed. Ian also has the daunting task of dealing with the council all season, and did an excellent job. The committee appreciates your passion and dedication for all the jobs you do around the club, and hopes to see you back again in season 2014.



DANDENONG BASEBALL ASSOCIATION

Senior DBA Rep side

Congratulations to the following Cheltenham players who represented the DBA at the Queens B'Day VPBL Carnival for the 2013 Winter season held at Geelong 9th-11th June.

Kane Davidson

Blake Cunningham

The 2013 Winter Committee would like to congratulate the above players for representing Cheltenham Baseball Club at what we consider a very high level of competition. Well Done.

DBA Award Winners

DBA Batting Champion - Russell Fergusson 0.500 ave

DBA Most Victories - Yoshi Campitelli 6 wins

DBA Home Run King - Brett Curnow 2 Home runs

The 2013 Winter Committee would like to congratulate all the above CBC players who won a DBA award for their high achievements in the 2013 DBA season. Well Done

Good luck to everyone playing their chosen sport this Summer (hopefully baseball with Cheltenham!) and we look forward to seeing you again in Winter 2014.

Winter Committee 2013

D.B.A. Most Valuable Players

'A1' (new grade 2008)

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	2008 Pat O'Neil		<u>'A3' _{(ne}</u> 2009 – Geoff I	w grade 2008) Holland	2010 – Da	n Wardburton
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	2009 – Steve Go	urlay &		w grade 2008)		
1976 1997	Frank Babidge Jnr. Brad Lark	1981 2001	'C' G Frank Babidge Jnr. Ricky Wheeler	1987 2003	Peter Innes Mika Tossavainen	1996 Ueno Takashi
	2011 – Pat O'Nei	II	<u>'B1' (ne</u>	w grade 2008)		
1989	Colin Upfill	1993	'D' G David Stenhouse	RADE		
			<u>'B2' (ne</u>	w grade 2008)		
1995	Stephen Williams		<u>'E' G</u>	RADE		
			<u>'B3' (ne</u>	w grade 2009)		
1996	Narelle Gosstray	2001	Sue Kendrick	MEN'S		
						

Club Champions

1977, 1983, <u>1988, 1989, 1990, 1991</u>, <u>1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010</u>

JUNIOR CO-ORDINATORS REPORT

Here we are at another end of a fabulous winter season of baseball. Well done to all who braved the chilly mornings to enjoy a game of baseball. It was great to see Cheltenham Baseball Club represented well in each age group, as well as a team in the Melbourne Winter League this season, who dominated all season and to top it all off, they came home with the flag in a nail bitting finish.

All our junior age groups did an exceptional job representing the club in the finals with only Cheltenham White U13s making it to the Grand Final. Unfortunately, after a fantastic exciting battle, they could not come away with the flag, but should be proud of their effort. All our players should be very proud of their efforts this season, and I hope you all had a lot of fun and come back to do it all again next winter.

The season could not happen without a lot of work from all our wonderful coaches, David Johnson, Brad Heenan, Russell Ashen, Antony Harrowell, Dan Ward-Bourton, Adam Leech, Matt Carlile and Dave Stenhouse. These wonderful people all gave up a lot of time to coach and develop our kids, so thank you very much.

To all the committee members, scorers, umpires, parents and helpers who all volunteer their time week after week to make this all possible, thank you all so very, very much.

Nicole Croker Junior Coordinator 2013



D.B.A Junior Rep Players

Cheltenham Junior Players who were selected to represent the DBA in their VPBL Sate Championships during Winter 2013

U18 @ Mildura 6-7/07/13

Jack Enciondo

U16@ Wangaratta 27-28/07/13

Matt Stenhouse Jak Cummings Lucas Anderson Ashley Flynn Jack Daniels Jake Pocock

U14 @ Ballarat 29-30/06/13

Cruiz Leech Declan Croker Fraser Parsons Will Tucker Thomas Ogilvie

U12 @ Bendigo 6-7/07/13

Dante Caruso Josh Ashen Rhys Fairweather Blake Holding

D.B.A Junior Awards

DBA Best Players - U16 Black – Jack Daniels

The 2013 Winter Committee would like to congratulate the above players for representing Cheltenham Baseball Club at what we consider a very high level of competition. Well Done.

Good luck to everyone playing their chosen sport this Summer (hopefully baseball with Cheltenham!) and we look forward to seeing you again in Winter 2014.

Winter Committee 2013

'U17' Report

Grand Finalists

Firstly, I would like to thank all the parents and kids involved in the under 17s this season. To start off we had too players many for one team and not enough for two. To all the kids that played in both sides during the season, I thank you for cooperation and understanding in trying to make two competitive teams.

The boys this year had a fantastic season, finishing 3rd on the ladder just two wins away from top spot. We went into our first final against Mornington/ Boneo and came away with a pretty comfortable 19-5 win. Huge effort by the boys, all swinging the bats well to score that many runs in a final. For our preliminary we headed to Bonbeach to play Dingley, who we had beaten once during the season and lost to twice. Lucas was outstanding on the hill for us throwing his maximum pitch count for only one run, and with run support coming from Jack Daniels and George Callil, we were up 5-1 going into the last inning. Unfortunately, when Lucas came out, that's when Dingley decided to attack. They scored 6 runs in the last to take the win and progress. Not the result we wanted, but the boys played such a great game they should be proud of their achievements this year.

Defense this season was our strong point, led by Lucas Anderson on the hill and George Callil at shortstop, we were always able to stay in games by limiting the opposition. Coming out of the bullpen, Jak Cummings and Matt Cameron also had great years pitching. Behind the plate, Jack Daniels had a huge year catching plenty of innings, ably supported by Matt McKenna. On the hitting side of things, we were led by Jack hitting .559 with 19 hits and 18 runs scored. Overall, the team had 8 players record averages of above .300. This gave us the ability to score runs all throughout the lineup, and why we were never out of any game.

I would like to congratulate Lucas, Jack, Jak and Ashley Flynn for making the under 16 DBA Rep side during the season, and Jack again for winning MVP of the team over the weekend. Also George Callil and Brandon Stenhouse for going to the Australian Baseball Academy on the Gold Coast, and again Brandon for being selected in the Australian team that went to Taiwan.

I would like to thank all the parents who helped out during the season setting up diamonds, but particular thanks to Rod Anderson and Paul Cummings for all your help on game days and at training, makes my job as coach much easier and your help was greatly appreciated. Thanks to my scorer Peter Leslie for continuing to come down even once Michael broke his leg. I would like to also thank Matt Blackmore for helping me during the season and coaching the other side.

Matt Carlile Coach / Manager 'U17' 2013

Team Members

Lucas AndersonJak CummingsAshley FlynnMax ThompsonConnor O'NeilFred HoltenMichael LeslieJack DanielsMatt McKennaGeorge CallilBrandon StenhouseMatt CameronDion SuttonLogan Tuki-Jones Henry Bevan

Peter Leslie- Scorer

Awards

MVP- Lucas Anderson Batting Average- Jack Daniels .559 Coach's award- Matt McKenna

'U17' MWBL Report

Premiers

Winter again and something new had been added. Whilst all leagues play a vital role in the continued enjoyment of baseball, the opportunity for the U17 group to stretch their wings and move a team over into the Melbourne Winter league seemed like a great idea. Without having seen the league too closely, the talk was that the teams were better, and the baseball would be of a much higher level. So off they went, Coach Stenny picked a nice deep team and ventured over to the other side. However, in Stenny's inimitable style there were a couple of distinguishing features which helped the Rustler team stand out. Apparently, boldly declaring that we were going to come over and win their league at the preseason P&S meeting didn't bringing enough attention to the team. High hooped socks were the team rule, and everyone was to swing wood in a league where anything was allowed.

The season opened with an away game at North Balwyn, the team on the other bench looked like slightly better opposition than the team were used to. Even though there was some good pitching from the Balwyn side, the team were able to control the game and take it away with a 9-0 win to the good guys.

Without being too arrogant, the team was not pressed too much during the season. Even low scoring games had a feel of control and the team's depth in hitting and pitching was able to outlast sides. Depth of pitching was a bit of a problem, but not in the normal sense. If it wasn't for the afternoon games, we would have struggled to give guys their work. Big Jack Enciondo, Max Barrett, Josh Lean, Sam M, Sam TB, Koji, Rikki, all demanding innings. Later on with the demise of one of the DBA teams, Matt Stenhouse came in with his lefty stuff to have some very good outings as well. Hitting was also not a weakness, batting all through the order, so opposition teams were always under pressure, regardless of where in the batting line up the team was.

So, despite a season full of kids off to Japan, kids off to the States, kids off to the Gold Coast Academy, kids off to Darwin to play footy and kids getting injured, the team was able to complete the regular season undefeated and meet our old adversaries North Balwyn in the first knockout final. That was a low key game where the outcome never really seemed in doubt, the final score 7-4, courtesy of some big hitting from Mitch Holding (multiple bombs), and good pitching from Jack E, Josh Lean and Matty S.

The grand final was a good high standard game, as has been reported already. Surprisingly enough, that was the one day that the Rustlers seemed to have met their match on the mound. GMBC's starter Marcel D'Avoine threw one of the best outings you'll ever see a junior throw. Fair to say that, with 15 or so pitches remaining, if allowed to continue, he would probably had shut the team out for a 4-0 win. But, the advantage that Chelt had all season was their depth. No other team could compete with that, when we switched pitchers it was normally even or a step up. Other teams typically lost something when their starter was removed. In this case, the 12-outs rule meant GMBC had to take him out of the game, and our guys seized the opportunity. After him, their reliever was abused by the bats, who suddenly came to life. 6 runs later the 16-0 season was capped

off with a 6-4 victory. In the end a great game where our depth and constant pressure was able to outlast their ace.

So, the end of the season and off to another season of summer baseball. A bit like one of those Old Spaghetti Westerns, the team splits. Some boys go play U18s, some go play U16s, one off to Waverly for summer, one (and a coach) off to Springvale for their summer. Hopefully, the boys can take some of the dominance they had all winter and spread the feeling amongst their new team mates. To Dave, another great season and thanks for all the work you do on the field and behind the scenes. Stu Holding, another season of team managing done in his unique style and class. To Scoop, scorer extraordinaire, great work, still the accurate one, but feeling the pressure of young and upcoming Cub reporters (well only one really) who have embraced technology that Steve just can't get his "pencil and paper mindset" around. To the parents who help set up and umpire, and anything else, thanks.

Dave Stenhouse

Coach/Manager 'U17' MWBL 2013

Team Members

Max Barrett Koji Campitelli Declan Chittenden Jack Enciondo Mitch Holding Josh Lean Naoki Lui Sam Michael Rikki Preston Yuta Sekino Matt Stenhouse Sam Trend Beacom

Assistant Coach - Stell Michael

Team Manager - Stuart Holding

Scorers - Steve Campitelli Graeme Chittenden Tony Preston

Awards

Best and Fairest – Josh Lean
Batting – Sam Trend Beacom .571
The Big Improver – Declan Chittenden

Batting

Sam Trend Beacom .571 (20-35)
Koji Campitelli .500 (15-30)
Declan Chittenden .424 (14-33)
Jack Enciondo .358 (14-39)

Josh Lean .541 (13-24)
Max Barrett .500 (10-20)
Sam Michael .407 (11-27)
Naoki Liu .354 (11-31)

Mitch Holding .523 (11-21) Riki Preston .428 (12-28) Matt Stenhouse .400 (6-15) Yuta Sekino .343 (11-32)

Pitching

Josh 16 inn / 0 earned runs - 0.00 ERA Matty Sten 8 inn / 2 earned runs - 2.25 ERA Sam TB 12.1 inn / 4 earned runs - 2.98 ERA Koji 14.2 inn / 7 earned runs - 4.44 ERA

'U15' White Report

The Winter season was always going to be a challenge with majority of the team being bottom age U15 boys. The competition had four extremely strong teams who, as expected, played off in the finals series.

The White team went through the season with wins against Pakenham x2, Frankston x2 and Mornington. We had some nail biters against Dandy Blue, Berwick and Mornington, that could have seen us win a few more. The "grudge match" between the two Cheltenham teams was unfortunately the only washout for the season.

I would like to thank the entire team for their dedication and fantastic attitude throughout the season. We always played aggressive baseball and, most of all, had fun.

Congratulations to the Award Winners, you were the standouts for the season and you totally deserve your awards. The Batting average was close, with new teammate Bailey Cotsis coming runner up hitting .400 for the season

Congratulations to the Blue team for making the final and to Coach Dan Ward-Bourton for running great training sessions every Tuesday night for all U15s, as well as specific Pitcher/ Catcher training on Thursday. The White team really appreciated the time you put in.

A big thank you to Lisa Clarke for scoring all season. Any help you can get on game day is super important, and I encourage all other parents to get involved no matter how small the contribution.

Team Members

Gianni Caruso Josh Smith Jackson Hoult Sam Doree

Bailey Cotsis / Ben Fierenzi Ryuto Nashiro Shelby McKeown

Kyle Clarke Dylan Burhmann Ryan Crook Cruiz Leech Martin Duncan Declan Croker Taiga Takahashi Jake Pocock

Adam Leech - Coach

Lisa Clarke - Scorer

Ladder Position 7th

5 Wins 9 Losses 1 Draw

Awards

MVP – Ben Fierenzi Batting Award – Sam Doree .461 Most Improved – Shelby McKeown



'U15' Blue Report

I was initially reluctant to take on the u15 gig again this year after having my precious little heart broken in the Grand Final last winter. I eventually relented, albeit at the last minute, and I'm glad I did. There's been a lot to like about this season.

As a result of the late appointment, we were a bit slow getting organised and had to forego any semblance of a proper selection process. Instead, we made do with our best guess, which in the end, turned out pretty well, because with just a few tweaks over the season we were able to solidify a couple of line-ups that would hopefully foster the maximum amount of development for as many kids as possible in the White team, and also put forth a side with the chance to be highly competitive and play finals in Blue.

With both teams training together as a squad on Tuesday and some super-secret need-your-password-to-get-in bull-pen sessions on Thursdays, I think we've made healthy strides as the season has progressed. I'd like to thank all the guys from both teams for their hard work, I know I can get intense sometimes, but it's for your own good, so shut up and RUUUUUUN!

At the outset I had envisioned our major issue over the season would be a lack of pitching. We had guys that would be handy, in my estimation, but no fire-baller or obvious ace on the hill. In the end, this didn't turn out to be an issue at all, so it shows what I know. I can say categorically that our pitching this year was outstanding across the board. Four guys shared the major load and all did more than a good job. There was only one game all year long that I could say our pitchers didn't do the job for us. Once. This exceeded my expectations by a long shot. So, they (Michael, Jake, Ryuto, Ryan.T) all should be as proud of their work on the hill as I am. Getting to see them progress from guys just trying to throw strikes to gaining a better understanding about the intricacies of pitching, about where to throw the strikes and when or even when not to, was a real bright spot for me.

So, no, our major issue wasn't pitching at all. And neither was it offense. Putting up 140 runs for the season was a great effort. We had some prodigious hitting in the middle of our line up from Michael, Ryuto and Tyler, who all notched up home runs and, along with Gus, all hit 450+, while Archer and Jake excelled at setting the table for them.

So, if the major issue wasn't offense or pitching, what was it? Well, it was our defense. Consistent errors, be they physical or mental, were extremely costly, especially early on. We wrestled with this for most of the season, and while it undoubtedly improved thanks to the likes of Gus (exceptional behind the dish), Jake and Archer, really busting their...um...tails (PG high-five!), all over the infield and making some spectacular plays and the continued development of Tyler and Cruiz in the outfield, we had all the components needed to "minimize the damage" as my season mantra went (which I'm sure the boys are sick to death of hearing.) While I got as much a sense of satisfaction over the string of near errorless team performances late in the season as I did over anything else this year, this issue was never entirely quashed.

All this good work on both sides of the diamond saw us into the finals in 4th place. Equal on Wins/Losses with 3rd. Unfortunately, some defensive regression reared its ugly head and we were knocked out in week one. Disappointing, yet when you add it all up, it equates to a quality season by any measure.

Man, this report is getting long. I'd better think about finishing up. But, before I do, here are some random things that made me smile during the year.

- One of my major baseball philosophies is to be behind the ball. Trade a bruise for a run any and every time, I say. Never was this exemplified better than by Arch, who gritted his teeth and

blocked a ball smashed to the hot corner and saved 2 runs. Sure, he had to limp from the game immediately because his knee cap was turning black, but he got behind it and I was proud as hell.

- I'm still laughing about Jake Pocock fielding a come-backer and then taking the time to make sure his "Bieber-fringe" looked cool before making the throw to first base.
- There was that time that Michael Moore got angry. Just that one time mind you, ever so briefly and whatdayaknow? He *can* throw hard! It was like in The Avengers when Banner FINALLY Hulks out. Best part of the movie.
- How about Tyler smashing ground rule doubles in his first two baseball at bats ever!
- Then there was Ryan Taranto trying to catch a bean-ball with his bare hand. "NO! NEVER DO THAT! You'll end up with broken fingers or something" I says to him. Not to worry. No broken fingers. Just a fractured wrist! Found that out two games later. He's a tough little nut, Rhino. Still...I told you so.

Now, before I'm done I'd better thank the grounds crew. Phil, Steve and Kenji. Big thanks. The next time I show up at Chelt and it looks like a winter wonderland, I'm going to expect the parents to manually de-frost the entire field with rakes and mats. You've set the precedent now and others will pay for it.

Phil gets another thank you for being the Asst Coach. I still think it's hilarious that the kid who doesn't even speak English managed to learn the signals faster than my assistant coach, but he got there eventually.

Cheers to the guys that helped us out with umpiring. Mostly Stu Holland, but also Steve Pocock in emergencies. Normally getting umpires is a real pain in an A. Not so this year, so thank you guys.

I also want to say a big thank you to Adam Leech for looking after the White side this year. With Cruiz playing in the Blue side, this meant Leechy wasn't just giving up his time; he was also giving up the chance to watch his son play every morning. This was extremely generous and greatly appreciated.

Lastly, I'd better thank Dave Holland, specifically. For scoring, yes. But also for organizing...pretty much everything. Cheers mate.

That's it, this thing got a bit long winded. Sorry. But as Tolkien used to say, the tale grew in the telling.

Dan Ward-Bourton
Coach / Manager 'U15' blue 2013

Team Members

Archer Hall Jake Pocock
Angus Octigan Michael Moore
Tyler Brodie Ryuto Nashiro
Ryan Taranto Matt Holland
Cruiz Leech Ryan Crook

Phil Taranto – Asst. Coach Dave Holland – Scorer

Awards

MVP – Michael Moore Batting – Tyler Brodie (.523) Coach's Award – Archer Hall



'U13' White Report

Grand Finalist

The Under 13 White had a successful season finishing the regular season equal 1st on points with Dandenong and 2nd on for and against percentage.

The season philosophy was focused on player development across a range of positions infield and out. All players took a turn on the mound pitching, many for the first time in their careers. This concept was easily extended to the batting order ensuring everyone was given the opportunity to contribute to the team in a meaningful way and they did.

Our finals campaign had an early setback with unexpected sickness to a couple of players on the morning of the game. Playing short against a ready to fire opposition gave us our only bad result for the season.

We rallied in the preliminary final to beat our mates in the Cheltenham Blue team with strong pitching and a number of excellent plays in the field to deny the opposition runs for a shut out 7-0 win.

We entered the Grand Final knowing only our best would get us a win over strong opposition. We came out firing and competed strongly all day from the mound, with the bat and in the field. Our best was not quite good enough on the day, but we went down fighting in a game the boys should be proud of.

The Ashen family provided 25% of the team with 'Dad' coaching and two sons playing. Sibling rivalry, coupled with butting heads with Dad, made for some interesting spectating. Loose Cannon Luke exasperated Coach Rusty who was often seen pulling off his Rustlers cap and slapping it against his leg ...

Amongst this turmoil, Kaito was the sea of tranquility. Kaito had an excellent season pitching, batting and playing any field position like an expert. He completed most of the season with a zero ERA dominating the opposing bats with his speed and accuracy. His quiet demeanor didn't mean he wasn't ready for business – just that he was always concentrating and punished any misplay by batters or fielders.

Josh also had a great season. His batting skills have impressed, he's been solid on the mound, but his most impressive play was firing the ball from centrefield to his brother at catcher to tag out a runner on the slide home.

Luke, with only a summer season of baseball under his belt, is a highly excitable player. If left to his own devices, he would play every position confidently, giving orders to anyone that would listen. He is confident behind the plate, has a great arm and, when at bat, makes it to base frequently and was our RBI leader. His taunting of the fielding side when on base would drive any fielder nuts – is he going to run....yes, no – who knows!!!

First base has belonged to Declan for most of the season only changing up to take the mound. Declan enjoys the game so much and it wouldn't be an ordinary week for him without the inclusion of baseball training. His pitching improved dramatically through the season and he was rewarded with starts in the finals and gave the team a great start in both games. He consistently hits well when at the plate – great season Dec.

Rhys is quiet – unusual for a boy. He has worked hard all season and listened to all instructions from Rusty. At the plate he is an intense batter concentrating hard on the pitch, and whilst it hasn't always resulted in a safe run to first, there have been many runners batted in. Great work Rhys.

Seasoned Winter baseballer, Jackson, brings almost another team along as supporters. We don't know what he does in the Summer season, but for Winter it is definitely baseball. He struggled early getting bat on ball but certainly improved as the season progressed. Jackson went into the finals series as Shortstop and made two impressive tag outs at second when the team really

needed it. Looking forward to seeing him again next Winter ..

Fraser has shown that you don't need to be a giant behind the plate. He has a quiet confidence both at bat and in the field. Fraser bats in the top order, and deservedly so – he made many runs and batted in runners on base, always ready to take an out for the team. Apart from playing as catcher, he is a great infielder... and apart from taking a holiday during the season, his season was exemplary.

Zac joined the team a few weeks into the season and all we can say is wow! Coming across from Lacrosse he had great eye hand coordination with bat and ball. He can hit the balls over the cones, and with a bit of concentrated effort, turn these into home runs instead of doubles. A memory of one of his first games saw him sliding into home base when he didn't know how to slide, ending in a turned ankle and bruised confidence. Rusty soon fixed that.

Max enjoyed another season of Winter baseball. He is the resident outfield expert covering a huge amount of ground in the final to attempt a catch which was well into foul territory......just dropping from his glove.....ugh! Best plays for the year were a huge throw from right outfield to catcher for an out, and a relayed throw from left outfield for another out at home in the final. Max needs more work at bat to move him up the batting order, but he can always be counted on to move the runners around the bases.

Andrew became our trusted 2nd baseman. He played the early part of the season with a bat with a quite noticeable bend in it. This didn't stop him from hitting the ball....this worried me a little, thinking that he may not be able to hit with a straight bat. No need to be worried though, as Rusty says, SEE BALL, HIT BALL. With Winter under his belt he will be flowing straight into the Summer season and will continue to develop his skills.

It has been a great season seeing us come second. You can only enjoy this sort of success with dedicated teamwork and with some great coaching. Russell is at training whether it is raining or sunshine. He is a hands on coach that is looking at each individual players strong and weak points to give those kids some individual coaching.

Congratulations to Russell for a great Winter series.

Poor Michael has endured some terribly cold and windy weather as the scorer all season. He's looking forward to a Summer season of baseball that he can just sit back and watch Max play. Roll on Friday night baseball ©.

Russell Ashen Coach / Manager 'U13' white 2013

Team Members

Kaito Aono Josh Ashen
Luke Ashen Declan Croker
Rhys Fairweather Jackson Heyward

Fraser Parsons Zac Peeler

Maxwell Phillips Andrew Vacouftsis.

Michael Phillips- Scorer

Awards

MVP – Kaito Aono MVP Runner Up – Luke Ashen Batting Award – Declan Croker Golden Glove – Josh Ashen



'U13'Blue Report

From the Team Manager

The Under 13 Chelt Blues had a super, solid, sensational season!! With 10 Wins, 4 Losses and a rained out Draw, the boys season came to an end against our buddies Chelt White in the Preliminary Final. A terrific result for the club and one the boys should be proud of.

We had a great bunch of boys who got on well and learnt to play as a team. Although our U13 were split into two teams, the boys always trained together, showing great club spirit from our clever coaches. A club spirit no more evident than on Grand Final day, as our two teams lined the bench alongside each other. Each of the boys showed improvement week after week. Their skills at bat, running bases, attack on the ball, and encouraging their teammates, all showing in each of them.

A season highlight being the ONLY team in the competition to win against the Grand Final winners, Dandenong! A tough gig any day, but Round 6 the boys played with conviction and belief. That same belief was evident in our semi-final win against Bonbeach, coming back from 3-nil.

We are very lucky to have had Antony Harrowell driving and encouraging each of our boys consistently throughout the season. Thank you for your tireless effort and dedication to our boys Ant, it was a pleasure to watch as they each played with more confidence as the season went on. A season WON on all levels.

Our enthusiastic supporters of family and friends did an amazing job cheering on the team each week. Thank you all for braving some cold mornings and sitting on the sidelines (or in the car till game time, not mentioning any names!!!) The team appreciates it.

Thanks to the many hands that helped in getting our games up and running at Home. "Right hand man and bench organiser" Rob Coe, thank you! And "Super scorer" Sara, amazing stats from every game. We truly appreciate all the work you've both done.

To our boys who have put in hard for season 2013, it's been a joy to watch you play and we wish you all the best in the future.

Jane Tucker

From the Coach

Ethan Alston -

Jack Rice -

Jake Harrowell -

Charlie Montgomery – A new player in his first year of Baseball who, although starting the season late, fitted into the team well and was a good contributor. Charlie is the kind of player that coaches enjoy coaching, as he will play whatever position is required without complaint. It has been great to see him improve throughout the season, and with 6 Runs and 3 RBIs from 11 Games, I look forward to seeing him continue.

Dante Caruso – A great young player. As if Pitching 25 Inns and getting 60 Strike Outs, wasn't enough, throw in a Batting Average of .767 with 25 Runs (including 3 Home Runs) and 16 RBIs, and you have a fantastic season. What more is there to say apart from Congratulations Dante on receiving The MVP Award.

A quiet guy who has continued to improve from summer and had a good season. Willing to play any position he has really found his niche at left field and has made this position his own. Ethan's focus on his batting wasn't made any easier by the fact that he got walked 15 times and Hit by pitches twice, but once on base he got 14 runs.

Another quiet guy who has really improved week in week out. Getting a full season under his belt, Jack's batting is coming on well and has been a pleasure to coach and watch develop. I look forward to big hits in the not too distant the future. Jack is always keen and will play any position requested of him, and I can't wait to see the racehorse running round the U14 diamond. Congratulations Jack on receiving the Most Improved Award.

A real team player who is very hard to faze. Struggled with the bat in a few games, but still managed to finish the season with a very credible Batting Average of .469, with 24 Runs (including 2 Home Runs) and 11 RBIs. A strong base runner Jake finished the season leading the team with 16 stolen bases. Look out in summer in the U14's when he can take a lead.

Keiran Moran -

A good little player who has had a consistent season. Keiran batted .320 for the season and with 10 RBIs was a solid contributor. Keen to play wherever required, Kieran is a joy to coach, and when handed the ball for some pitching, he had a good Strike to Ball ratio. I look forward to seeing him get stronger and stronger as he continues.

Lucas Confalonieri -

A guy who is always enthusiastic and smiling. Happy to play any position, he has taken some great catches and made some very important plays. Lucas was consistent across all areas, and as he improves his timing when batting, we will see more hits coming. I look forward to seeing Lucas running around in the U14's and I hope that he can keep those boot laces tied!

Matt Coe -

An experienced player who is passionate about his baseball. Frustrated by the team leading stat of 17 walks, he made the most of it when on base, finishing the season with 8 Stolen Bases and 15 Runs. Matt can play any position, but really found a home at 3rd base, making this position his own. As one of the senior members of the team, Matt led by example and was always dependable when called upon, leading the way with the highest number of Put Outs outside of the Catcher and 1st Base. I wish Matt all the best with his move to U14s this summer.

Thomas Ogilvie -

One of the senior players of the team Tom has had a good season with the bat, finishing with a Batting Average of .545, with 18 Hits and 11 RBIs. This was supported by great pitching in a couple of high pressure situations, the best of which was to get the last out for us to make the preliminary final. A talented player who is yet to reach his full potential, look out when he gets his arm straight instead of flick pitching, because he can throw rockets!

Will Tucker -

A guy who loves to have fun and keep the team entertained, it is great to have him in the team. Will did a great job pitching 18 Innings and getting 44 Strike Outs and supported this with very respectable stats with the bat, with a Batting Average of .594 with 21 Runs (including 5 Home Runs) and 22 RBIs, he ensured that he entertained on the score sheet also. Congratulations are in order as Will receives The Coaches Award.

Thank you to all the Family and Friends who came along to support the team each week and made sure that the cast turned up ready and rearing to play their parts.

Thank you to Russell Ashen the other U13 coach for his input to the player's development at training, and to Rob Coe for his work as first base coach during the games. Lastly, but by no means least, a very special thank you to Sara Cullen for scoring each week and providing stats that are second to none, and to Jane Tucker for her support and assistance as Team Manager.

Yours in Baseball,

Team Members

Charlie Montgomery Keiran Moran Ethan Alston Matt Coe Jake Harrowell Will Tucker Dante Caruso Jack Rice Lucas Confalonieri Thomas Ogilvie

Antony Harrowell- Coach

Sara Caruso - Scorer

Awards

MVP – Dante Caruso Most Improved – Jack Rice Coaches Award – Will Tucker

'U11' Report

At the start of the season, we had 21 players, after round three, we had to split the team into two...Blue and White.

The main aim this year for both teams was to have fun and learn. As some players couldn't train on Thursday, we made the decision to train on Tuesday as well. In doing this, by the end of the season, we could see a lot of improvements in all of the players.

After the home and away season, the blue team finished third and the white team finished sixth, somehow we lost some players during the season, so the Blue team was able to borrow some White players to play in the finals.

The Semi-final against Dandenong, we won 12-0, all the players played well and as a team. In the Preliminary final against Berwick, it just didn't work out, and after three innings it was 8-8 and went into overtime; at the end of 4th, still 8-8. After the 5th, I'm sorry to say, we went down 8-9.

All the players this season improved a lot, which was great to see, and we both had a good time coaching this winter season.

Hope to see you all down at the club in the near future.

Thanks to all the Parents that helped out at training and during the games, especially the scorers.

Team Members

Holly Bean
Danielle Gower
Dylan Allison
Blake Holding
Jade Johnson
Blake Dunkley
Jackson Montry
Kellan Hill

Daniel Fitness
Hanami Campitelli
Patrick Bouvier
Renzo Glennon
Matteo Raphael
Daniel Wallace
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