



SUMMER SEASON 2020-21



Russell Ferguson
President



Matthew Gourlay
Club Coach





PRESIDENT'S REPORT

My second year as President has been challenging and I could not have managed without the support of Matt Gourlay who stepped up to take on the role of Club Coach and Manager of the Firsts, the Team Managers and the Summer Committee.

The Covid19 Crisis has seriously disrupted the Summer competitions and reduced participation by our members and it is possible the impact will be felt for several years.

Committee

On behalf of the Club I would like to thank our Summer Committee for their efforts and commitment in making this Summer Season happen .

Brett Curnow (Secretary), Judy Williams (Treasurer) –Kath Daniels (Canteen), Damon Pettit (Web Site and Equipment), Michelle Ogilvie, Denise Healy, Joey Tucker, Josie Broad, Adam Leech (Ordinary Members).

On Field Performance

The Club managed to play a reduced schedule of 13 games under the strict Covid restrictions that applied. The Club performed very well under the circumstances.

The Firsts finished fifth and just missed a place in the finals. The Seconds finished the home and away games on top of the ladder but were knocked out in the play offs. The Thirds and Fourths were competitive but lacked pitching and finished in the bottom half of their competitions.

International players were not allowed to participate this season and Matt Gourlay took on the role of Club Coach and Manager of the Firsts and did an outstanding job under demanding circumstances. He was ably assisted by Bryan Kloppe when he arrived part way through the season.

Our Women's team led by Manager Michelle Ogilvie played an 8 game season successfully introducing a number of younger players.

The Masters also played an 8 game season with a 50%WP.

The Summer Juniors are in a rebuilding phase after decades of success and this area of the Club needs more focus moving forward. Joey Tucker efforts as the Junior Coordinator and junior team manager were exceptional. U16 Metro team performed very well under Manager Stell Michael's and the team was undefeated at the conclusion of the home and away rounds.





Little league and Tee ball participation improved over the previous season and this will remain a high area of focus as the Club continues a rebuilding phase.

Main Field Canopy

In November 2020 the poles supporting the canopy developed fatigue cracks and were removed by KCC for safety reasons. The replacement canopy incorporates a much improved design that extends to the end of the dugouts and is expected to be installed by July 2021. KCC have assumed the responsibility for the ongoing maintenance.



College Players

Our very best wishes to the following players who are headed for US too pursue their studies and baseball through the college systems:

- Connor Myles
- Mack Turley
- Ben Fierenzi

Administration

The Club was in a sound financial position prior to the advent of Covid-19 Virus thanks largely to the close management of our finances by the Summer/Winter Executives and the oversight by our Treasurer Judy Williams.

Fortunately' the Club has received several grants from State and Federal Governments totalling over \$10k to assist the Clubs meet unavoidable running costs and to support our efforts to retain and attract new players.

The relationship with the Mordialloc Ducks continues to flourish and develop with benefits to both parties.





Thank you

My thanks to all members of the Summer Committee and the Team Officials who were involved this season.

In particular

- A big thank you to all who assisted with the successfully hosted the State Little League finals in March 2021 in spite of the adverse weather conditions. over that weekend, namely Joey Tucker, Kathy Daniels, Jack Daniels, Jack Dunn, Mack Turley, Bryan Kloppe, Jennifer Hawkins, Andrew Campbell, John Ferguson. That event was the major source of fund raising this season.
- The work of Brad Lark as our Covid -19 Officer that allowed the Club to continue with our on field operations.
- Our Treasurer Judy Williams whose close management was instrumental in keeping the Club financially sound and functioning under extreme conditions
- Alan Gribbin for his Game Day music
- Kathy Daniels for her tireless work in the Canteen

Looking Forward

Participation:

Increasing player numbers and rebuilding our junior programme must be the major priority moving forward. Joey Tucker is doing a fantastic job and he deserves to have everyone's support.

Concluding Comments

The Covid-19 Crisis is proving to be an ongoing challenge and all members are asked to assist as much as they can. The Club can only exist with the help and commitment of our volunteers and there is little doubt that we are going to need your support

Russell Ferguson
Summer President





AWARDS 2020-21

Division One Firsts	
Most Valuable Player	Russell Ferguson
Batting Award	Ben Fierenzi (.400)
Coaches Award	Sam Michael
Division One Reserves	
Most Valuable Player	Josh Tribe
Batting Award	Josh Ashen (.455)
Coaches Award	Lachlan Stevens
Division One Thirds	
Batting Award	Riki Preston (.434)
Pitching Award	Brad Earle
Defensive Player Award	Zach Dunkley
Division One Fourths	
Most Valuable Player	Zach Dunkley
Bating Award	Heath Dunkley
Coaches Award	Kyle Yong
Womens Division Three East	
Most Valuable Player	Zienna McCulloch
Batting Award	Sophie Sullivan (.538)
Pitching Award	Carolyn Allen
Masters 38+ South	
Most Valuable Player	Tony Kouchakdjian
Batting Award	Heath Dunkley (.636)
U18 State	
Most Valuable Player	Josh Ashen
Batting Award	Josh Ashen (.500)
Coaches Award	Blake Holding
U16 Metro East	
Most Valuable Player	Mason Haimona
Runner Up MVP	Zach Dunkley
Coaches Award	Jeremy Hess





Perpetual Winners	
Senior Club Champion	Russell Ferguson
Junior Club Champion	Josh Ashen
Best Junior Club Person	Lachlan Stevens
Best Senior Club Person	Joey Tucker
Best Junior Coach	Stell Michael



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TEAM OFFICIALS 2020-21

Team	Manager	Coaches/Team Managers	Scorer
Division 1- Firsts	Matthew Gourlay	Laurie Hall Bryan Kloppe	Robyn Hogben
Division 1- Seconds	Michael Rizzi	Jarrold Hall	Peter Leslie
Division 1- Thirds	Adam Leech	***	Brent Dunkley
Division 1 - Fourths	Paul Dunham	Eddie Meadows	Gerry Yong
Women Div 3 East	Michelle Ogilvie	Sue Leslie	Peter Leslie Michael Gourlay
Master 38+ South	John Ferguson	Darren Hiddlestone	Tony Preston
U 18 State	Michael Rizzi	Josie Broad	Rosie Hawkins
U 16 Metro East	Stell Michael	Samatha Finney	Jennifer Hawkins
Junior League	Joey Tucker	Adam Leech	Shanon Reid
Intermediate League	Rhys Fairweather	Josh Tribe Sharon Tapner	Adam Leech
Rookie Ball Blue	Delia Robey	Tara Lian Louise McCormack	***
Rookie Ball White	Blake Dunkley	Lockie Stevens Nataly Orr	***
TeeBall	Aaron Gale	Russell Ferguson	***

Regular Junior Umpires

Peter Leslie (Junior League)

Zack Dunkley (Intermediate League)

