

EAST TORRENS BASEBALL CLUB



**2017/2018
ANNUAL REPORT**



YEAR	LIFE MEMBER	PLAYER LIFE MEMBER
1962	G. DRAPER†	
1964	MRS A. ROBERTS†	
1965	G. FENWICK†	
1966	P. ROBERTS†	
1967	R. EDMEADES	
1968	D. ROBERTS	
1968/69	D. ROACH	
1969/70	K. PITT	
1970/71	J. TOWILL	
1972/73	B. HAYLEY	
1973/74	B. ADDISON	
1975/76	D. DATE†	
1976/77	R. KENEALLY	
1977/78	J. DAVIS	
1979/80	A. SMITH†	
1980/81	B. MARKS†	
1981/82	MRS L. MADDISON†	
1981/82	P. PIKE†	
1983/84		G. MCKINLAY
1984/85		G. MADDISON
1985/86		D. TOWILL
1986/87		G. WILDEN
1987/88	J. KING	
1988/89	T. BENNETT†, T. MADDISON†	
1989/90	B. ABBEY	
1990/91	R. RUSH	W. BROOKS, C. WHITTLESEA
1991/92	R. CHANDLER	R. CHANDLER, S. PIKE
1992-93	P. KEEN	G. ANDREW, B. BAHNERT
1993/94	R. ROBINSON	P. HAYNES, J. LAMB,
1994/95		J. KEVAN
1995/96	D. RICE†	M. BARMBY, B. SANDERSON, P. WHITE
1996/97		I. LOVEGROVE
1999/00		M. ADAMS, G. MORROW, P. CHANDLER
2000/01	B. DAY	M. RUSH
2001/02	S. PIKE	
2002/03	J. WILTON†	P. O'RILEY, D. ROBINSON ,L. THOMPSON
2003/04	MRS H. BROOKS	K. HRIBAR, G. MCCALL, P. KEEN
2004/05	B. NORSWORTHY	R. SMITH, W. TOWILL, S. VINCE
2005/06	B. SANDERSON	K. ASHWORTH, G. SIMMONS
2006/07		D. SYMONS, R. TRENGROVE
2007/08	MRS V. ADDISON	A. COUZNER, J. KING
2008/09	P. CHANDLER	B. ARMSTRONG, A. MATTHEWS
2009/10	R. SMITH	D. KING, C. ARMSTRONG
2010/11	MRS R. INGERSON†	L. RHODES, R. D'ONISE
2011/12	J. LAMB	A. DEINELT, P. LOUNDER, T. UNDERHILL
2012/13	MRS C. SMITH	
2013/14		
2014/15		
2015/16	MRS L. SANDERSON	
2016/17	D. TOWILL	B. THOMAS†, T. HARRINGTON
2017/18	D. KING	T. SYMONS, B. COPPING

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT:	Damien Norsworthy
VICE PRESIDENT:	Blake Armstrong
SECRETARY:	Amanda Irwin
ASSISTANT SECRETARY:	Ange Probert
TREASURER:	Lauren Sanderson
ASSISTANT TREASURER:	Paul Chandler
OPERATIONS MANAGER:	Stuart Millar

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

SENIOR COACH:	Tony Probert
BAR MANAGER:	Bob Hollands
CANTEEN MANAGER:	Kay Taylor
SPONSORSHIP MANAGER:	Tony Rogers
SCORERS DELEGATE:	Carolyn Smith
UMPIRES DELEGATE:	Payne Sowter
JUNIOR COACHING COORDINATOR:	Craig Powell
T-BALL COORDINATOR:	Anthony Denielt
HOUSE AND GROUNDS:	Richard Smith
EQUIPMENT MANAGER:	Steve Klemm
UNIFORMS AND REGALIA:	Trish Hollands



2017 East Torrens Baseball Club
Minutes of Annual General Meeting

Held at the Windsor Hotel, North East Road, Windsor Gardens SA

Monday 5th June 2017

Meeting declared open: 7:36pm

APOLOGIES

Sharon Chandler, Jill Chandler, Helen Brooks, Darren Robinson, Ralph Robinson, Carolyn Smith, Andrew Couzner, Dean Towill, Todd Symons, Danny Symons, Warwick Marks

PRESENT

As per listing 27 attendees

John Lamb thanked everyone for attending and ran through the minutes of last year.

MINUTES OF 2016 AGM

2016 AGM minutes accepted – Richard Smith moved – Ron Chandler 2nd – all in favour

No business arising from 2016 minutes

John Lamb advised the minutes of the '2016 Special AGM' will follow in due course

SECRETARY REPORT

2016/17 Secretary Report accepted – Paul Chandler moved – Richard Smith 2nd – all in favour

TREASURER REPORT

2016/17 Treasurer Report accepted – Angela Probert moved – Trish Hollands 2nd – all in favour

John King asked if second grant money has been received yet and is it included in draft finance handout. Lauren Sanderson advised it came into bank today 5th June and is not included in draft finance handout.

Treasurer Report cont.



Paul Chandler advised members 2016/17 figures are a draft only and will be closed off at EOFY. Paul outlined that the AGM was brought forward prior to EOFY as incoming committee wanted to move forward with projects however needed official capacity.

Ron Chandler queried if an audited balance sheet will be made available once complete. Paul Chandler advised it will be circulated once finalised and audited.

LIFE MEMBER NOMINATION

Darian King was nominated – Paul Chandler read his contribution to the club over many years.

Bob Norsworthy 2nd – all in favour

PLAYER LIFE MEMBER NOMINATION

Troy Harrington received his playing life membership at the 2016/17 Presentation Night.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Executive Committee

President

Nomination received from Damien Norsworthy

John Lamb 2nd – all in favour

Vice President

Nomination received from Blake Armstrong

Richard Smith 2nd – all in favour

Secretary

Nomination received from Amanda Irwin

John Lamb 2nd – all in favour

Assistant Secretary

Nomination received from Angela Probert

Blake Armstrong 2nd – all in favour

Treasurer

Nomination received from Lauren Sanderson

Trish Hollands 2nd – all in favour

Election of Officers cont.

Assistant Treasurer



Nomination received from Paul Chandler

Lauren Sanderson 2nd – all in favour

Operations Manager

No nomination received

Honorary Auditor

No nomination received

Paul Chandler advised he has spoken to Troy Harrington and is looking at options

Management Committee

Nominations received from the floor or prior to the AGM. These positions will be confirmed at the first Executive Meeting.

Social Club Manager – Angela Probert

House & Grounds – No Nominations

Bar Manager – Bob Hollands

Canteen Manager – No Nominations

Sponsorship Manager – No Nominations

Scorer's Delegate – Carolyn Smith *TBC

Teeball Co-ordinator – No Nominations

Uniform Manager – No Nominations

Regalia Manager – Trish Hollands

Junior Co-ordinator – Craig Powell

Umpire Delegate – Payne Sowter

Equipment Manager – Steve Klemm *TBC

Ron Chandler thanked Barb Lamb and canteen staff for previous years' service

GENERAL BUSINESS

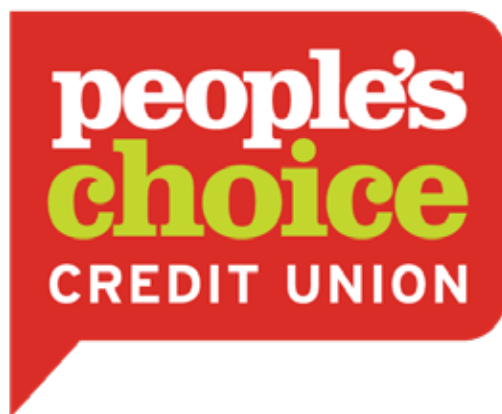
- Lauren Sanderson queried the removal of 'Payneham' from our name and if it has been implemented. Paul Chandler advised yes it was passed at special AGM & it is a work in progress to slowly transition.



- Ron Chandler raised his concern about the number of Non National players being registered in division 1 clubs and how he feels it is detrimental to the league. He understands that ETBC needs to follow other clubs or we will not be competitive however queried the costs associated. He will be voicing his concerns to BaseballSA. Tony Probert mentioned there are behind the scenes discussions with a league review committee formed specifically to look at this type of issue.
- Ron Chandler raised the point that he would like to see the U11 & U13 age groups play more games. With heat policy & wet weather we tend to lose several games a year and he believes these can be made up with an earlier start to the year or mid week games.
- Brian Addison advised previous Mayor of Payneham, past ETPBC Patron & long time supporter of ETPBC Norm Wilson sadly passed away. Norm played a big part in the history of the ETPBC.
- Anthony Dienelt queried if the club had a business / strategic plan moving forward as he believes this would be beneficial so the Committee and members are all working towards the same goals. Damien Norsworthy responded to say yes they have been working on this behind the scenes however can now progress in their official capacity.
- Damien Norsworthy advised that the Lacrosse Club has renovated the canteen and it looks great. He mentioned lacrosse funded this through a grant received from the Government.
- Bob Hollands thanked and congratulated John & Barb Lamb, Kirra & Darian King and Richard Smith for their hard work in their previous roles
- Coaching Appointments
 - o Tony Probert - Division 1
 - o Warwick Marks - Division 2
 - o Other assistant coaches TBA
- Paul Chandler welcomed Warwick Marks back to the club after several years and wished him all the best as the division 2 coach.
- Paul Chandler thanked Damien Norsworthy and his coaching staff for the past 2 years' service given to the division ½ squad.

Meeting declared closed: 8:28pm





PRESIDENT REPORT

George Lucas spent four years sending the script for Star Wars around to the various studios and racking up numerous rejections in the process. Universal Studios and United Artist both turned him down. Finally an executive from 20th Century Fox gave him a chance. The film was made for \$11 million dollars and was released in 1977. Since then the original Star Wars trilogy has grossed over 2.4 billion dollars.

Taking over as President of the East Torrens Baseball Club was a daunting prospect, having had such a strong and knowledgeable leader over the past 6 years, it was always going to be challenging. For me I had to identify what my priorities were and what I wanted to achieve during my time as President of this great club. The key question, do I continue to operate the same, status quo if you like, an 'if it aint broke don't fix it' mentality, or do I acknowledge the great work done previously, but now "plant my own tree" so that one day someone can enjoy the shade I have created? I decided on the latter approach with the mindset of building on the great work done previously, to simply see if I could make things even better with some fresh new ideas especially with a largely new executive committee.

With that said, my goals were focused on sustainability and opportunity. With this we have updated the website, created a single point of truth for the executive team, with the introduction of a central repository of information that can be accessed on any device anywhere you need it, set up uniform emails, ones that can be passed on and maintain a level of information sharing previously unavailable and we began the process of reviewing all our policies and procedures to ensure not only are they current, but do they exist. The goal from here was to create an environment of opportunity to expose more people to the positive influence this sport and this club has. There is a long way to go in this area, but we saw a glimpse of what is possible with Thursday night dinners being reinvigorated and discussion around female inclusion with the hope one day we can expand our female membership base both playing and non playing members. Whilst I have a number of ideas, I am always reminded that I don't have all the answers, but we have certainly tried to make an impact on everyone's experience at the club and hope with some more fine tuning and more expansion on ideas, we can improve on this along with many other projects.

If I am to look at the challenges facing the club as a whole moving forward there is no doubt a number, notable issues however are the lack of a working cool room, ongoing electrical issues within the canteen, the external eaves that are close to falling down, all doors that require upgrading, batting cages requiring new netting, the need for more field screens, and an ever increasing cost on basic essentials like facilities and services.

On a positive note we have had a number of meetings and discussion with the council about our future at Patterson Reserve and these have all ended on a positive note with the verbal promise of a long term lease just around the corner.

Funding is always a catalyst for change and I would like to acknowledge the work of John King in submitting our grant's for the past year. We were unlucky in missing out last round, but we are hoping to secure some funds to upgrade certain facilities and field aspects over the course of the next 2 rounds. Thank you John for your time in this area.

I would like to congratulate all players, coaches, scorers, umpires, managers, parents and supporters for your contribution to this season. I hope everyone enjoyed their summer of baseball and count the days until it can all start again.



As a club we have enjoyed tremendous junior successes and are certainly continuing to see this thanks to the hard work of our junior coordinator and all the junior coaches and managers. We have seen an ever increasing number of East Torrens players representing at charter level, national level and even international level. In previous years the Don Rice Fund has provided financial support to all of these players however with such a large number making it onto representative teams, it was decided to amend how these funds will be distributed. No longer will the Don Rice Fund pay out to individual players, but focus on ways to support all those who are making these teams to get even better as well as improving access for others to achieve their goals. The aim is to provide specialist support and coaching through programs such as the winter academy. This decision was not made lightly but believe it is going to provide greater support to more people in achieving their baseball dreams.

Whilst discussing dreams, congratulations to all players who played for a representative team and to those who travelled to Sydney for the U16 and U18 tournaments in January. A special mention to Riley Yeatman for making the Australian Squad who played in New Zealand also Jude Barker who played as part of the Cal Ripken World series team over in America. It's great to see so many ET players representing their club, state and country.

A few thank you's.

Firstly to the hard working Executive team this year, who put in hours and hours of work to ensure smooth operations. I asked a number of things this year of this group and they certainly came to the party, so I thank you, everyone went above and beyond and the work is truly reflected in what I believe to be a wonderful product and culture.

To the Management Committee for all your hard work. Again a very thankless task.

I would like to thank Kay and Ange for their work in the canteen. For years we have had the privilege of Barb Lamb, one that is hard to replace. I thank all the members who helped in the canteen, purchased food and overall supported Kay and the executive is what was a monumental decision to change our approach to the canteen, one I am comfortable in saying was a success.

Barb was still visible however, particularly around Christmas time and produced another full house for the annual Christmas dinner. Many thanks to Barb and Trish for all their work on this event, another wonderful feast and at a wonderful time of year.

I wish to personally thank Bob & Trish Hollands for all their work, notably Bob in the Bar who for the season had to deal with the lack of a cool room. This in itself placed a great toll on Bob and I appreciate everything he did, without complaint all season. Whilst Trish worked harder than a used car salesperson to clear all our regalia stock, she also offered a helping hand at every opportunity and it was certainly appreciated.

Thank you to Richard Smith along with Paul Sowter and Gus Andrew for your consistent and tireless work on maintaining the fields. Whilst we ask every week for more and more help, I am fully aware you 3, week in week out get the job done and as always the ground was of an elite standard.



Thank you to Steve Klemm, who not only ensures there is enough equipment for all teams to do what they do, he also coaches a junior team. Thank you Steve for your efforts.

To Anthony Dienelt and all his helpers for running an amazing T-ball on Friday nights. Emali Early Learning Center Hectorville came on board as the major sponsor for T-ball this year and this allowed for a number of improvements to the program with some injection of new equipment. Numbers were steady and I certainly look forward to many more little ones running around learning wonderful skills next season. Thank you to 'Bubba' and everyone that helped especially Belinda Deneilt, Marnie Yeatman who supported the canteen every week and Paul Sowter for cooking the BBQ. There were many more people running around both in the background and on the field including a number of senior players, so thank you to everyone, as this program is the foundation for our youth program and allows us to deliver a more sustainable future.

I would like to acknowledge Craig Powell, who is an amazing Junior Coordinator, coach, and this year more heavily involved in the senior program. Whilst the amount of work required to maintain all this, Craig never complained and when asked always put his hand up to help, with things such as cooking meat for our Christmas dinner and senior presentation night, not to mention the amazing AFL show he puts on at the start of the season. All this and he still plays every Saturday at a high standard in Division 4, hence a truly deserving Graham Fischer Memorial Award recipient.

I am fully conscious that I may not have mentioned every one who volunteered their time this year. Please accept my thanks as the support everyone provides this club is appreciated.

A very large thank you to our wonderful sponsors. I encourage all members where possible to use their services and support our sponsors as much as possible. A big thank you to Richard Smith and Signs Inc. for their ongoing support in producing the wonderful signs, to Colin Matthews for your significant contribution and to all other sponsors who you will see throughout this annual report. Whilst mentioning Sponsorship I would like to thank Tony Rogers, who put his hand up to assist in securing new sponsors to the club. Tony was able to secure a number of fantastic new sponsors and I thank him for all the time and effort he put in to supporting the club this season.

Congratulations to all award winners, your service to this great club is truly noticed and I hope this recognition does some justice to your valued contribution.

From a playing perspective, congratulations to everyone who wore the ET uniform. Majority of our senior and junior teams made the finals which is a true reflection on what a great club and program is on offer.

Congratulations to Division 4 and Division 7 in winning the Clubs 2 premierships for Season 2017-2018.

To Glenn Simmons on playing your 700th senior A grade game, congratulations.

Andrew Hollands for winning the BUASA & SABSA Medal for Division &, well done.

Congratulations to Todd Symons and Ben Copping for receiving Player Life Membership and to all those players who played milestone games this year.



I would like to acknowledge our newest life member Darian King, who gave a moving speech at the Presentation Night and I hope many more true club legends will receive this honor in the near future.



Darian King here with Life Member Brian Addison

Looking ahead I am hoping to set the Clubs Strategic Intent for the next 3 years as well as update our Constitution and By-Laws. All of these are significant projects, but I look forward to consulting with all members on these important pieces of work.

I feel very confident about the future and see wonderful things on the horizon. Whilst I may not hold the script to the next Star Wars, I know there are people out there who have some great ideas and I look forward to working together to make this club even better than it is right now.

Damien Norsworthy

MAYLANDS
HOTEL
BAR & KITCHEN



SECRETARY REPORT

Don't let the fear of striking out keep you from playing the game, Babe Ruth.

This quote comes to mind when reflecting on the 2017/18 season for the East Torrens Baseball Club in so many ways, not only by the strength and fearlessness shown on the diamond, but the resilience and success shown off of it.

Successes on the Diamond

The Club fielded 14 team this session; 7 Seniors and 7 Juniors.

We continued to grow as a club with 10 new members transferring to our baseball club, these included two interstate players, moving from Queensland and Victoria.

In total the club saw 148 registered playing members, this alone was a challenge with the late implementation of a new national registration platform, threatening to prevent many players taking the field for the opening game.

We also saw increased numbers to our T-ball programme, with 48 little baseballers taking the field each Friday.

ETBC saw a number of teams make finals series with two teams gaining premiership success; division 4 winning back to back and division 7 with their third successful finals campaign.

The Club had an enormous number of players and coaches' representatives at State and Charter level this season;

Under 18 state team representatives: Brayden Caskey and Zac Stroud. Assistant coach Tony Probert.

Under 16 state team representatives: Carter Powell and Riley Yeatman. EO Darren Unger.

Little League Charter- Marlins representatives: Noah Bischoff, Will Couzner, Zac Francis, Aiden Lucas, Kason King, Alex Smith, Connor Yeatman. Head Coach, Steve Yeatman, Ass coach, Andrew Couzner, Stuart Millar.

Junior League Charter- Pirates representatives, Sebastian Heintze- Unger, Brad Przibilla, Boyd Warden, Jude Barker, Noah Rogers. Ass Coach: Darren Unger, EO Jon Barker.

Senior League Charter- Titans representatives: Zac Stroud, Carter Powell, Ryan Przibilla. Head Coach: Craig Powell Ass Coach: Luke Chandler.

This year saw two Juniors represent their country playing for team Australia; Jude Barker who played as part of the Cal Ripken World series team over in America.

Riley Yeatman who represented team Australia in the Oceania Qualifiers for the U15 World Cup. Riley will hopefully be once again representing Australia at the U15 World Cup in Panama later this year.

All these players have shown great courage and fearlessness in both their club baseball and their state/charter baseball, it is these qualities which make the club and its community so proud.

Success off of the Diamond

This year saw huge change to the ET community. We witnessed the end of an era with the stepping down of President, John Lamb, Vice President, Darian King and Operations Manager, Danny Symons; which left a sizable hole in the executive committee. The committee had 5 new members take up positions, which saw the Treasurer and the assistant Treasurer the only veterans standing. As you can imagine, all 5 members brought along a huge amount of fresh and somewhat ambitious ideas. Countless hours of planning and being fearless to embark on the journey of change, in my eyes, helped make the year a success.



SECRETARY REPORT

Our ETBC Committee was not the only change seen this season; ETBC welcomed home a club legend Warick Marks who took up the post of division 2 coach and senior squad pitching coach and saw Tony Probert take up the challenge of coaching division 1. We saw members of our community fulfil different roles on our management committee, Bob Hollands returned as our bar manager, Trish Hollands took over regalia, Payne Sowter stood up as Umpire delegate, Kirra and Darian King took over 'House' role and Anthony Denielt revitalised the Tball programme. We saw change within the canteen, with the honorary position filled by Kay Taylor. Taking much stress away from other members of our community. We saw chief John cater Thursday nights and Sunday home game dinners. We saw a successful T-ball programme take flight, thanks those who run it and our sponsor Emali for making it possible. Thanks also goes to Belinda Deneilt, Marnie Yeatman and Paul Sowter for running the canteen and BBQ on Friday nights. We saw continued support for our Grounds, thanks go to Dickie, Paul and all those who help maintain the field and have it ready for game day. We saw change to our website and an online shop for merchandise, giving 24/7 access to regalia, allowing us to raise much needed funds. We saw a new supplier of home game playing uniform. We saw new and continued support from our many sponsors. Without them we wouldn't be in the position we are. We saw a successful presentation evening for both Junior and Senior teams, held by ETBC. We saw another successful Christmas party, thanks go to those who make it possible. We saw more players reach incredible mile stones, special mention to Glenn Simmons for making 700. Thank you, John and Barb Lamb, for their tireless efforts of keeping these records up to date.

Thank you to all the wonderful volunteers who either continued in their roles or took up new roles this season.

To the management committee, you all go above and beyond what is required of you, and without you, the club suffers. To all the coaches' scorers and team managers, for their time and effort. To the Yeatman's for their imputing of game scores to the League. To all the parents/partners/families; our 'non-playing members' who not only support the players but continue to make this club a success.

Special thanks go to the members of the executive committee; to Damian Norsworthy and Blake Armstrong for having the gusto to make things happen, without them, our ideas wouldn't have left the drawing board.

To Lauren Sanderson for her continued work as treasurer, it is time consuming and requires more work than people think, her continuing years of service is an inspiration and much appreciated.

To Paul Chandler and Angela Probert for their continued assistance in the roles they played within the committee and all the extra challenges they took on.

To Stuart Millar for all the work he accomplished in his capacity of operations manager, for the many hours spent on the phone ensuring game days to run smoothly. For your continued support which allowed me to complete this role to the best of my ability.

Amanda Irwin



TREASURER REPORT

This season welcomed 5 new committee members on board. Many thanks to the tireless efforts of all from previous years. Damien has followed up with the implementation of the canteen POS last year adding this facility to the bar making it easier for everyone in this cashless society. We still have the EFTPOS machine which is now mainly used for the uniform / regalia sales or function nights. The MYOB accounting has now been transitioned to the cloud allowing for all transactions to flow through the bank feed reducing time in entry data.

The IMG system was upgraded to SportsTG and as most upgrades there was a few issues with the memberships going through. As we have a 2 payment system this created a headache for some members and hopefully will be much smoother next season. We are still to receive some player's fees into our account and we would appreciate those fees to be paid by the 30th June so we have a budget plan in place for the new season. There will be a review for next season with the fees which will be advised to all playing members soon.

This season saw the introduction of having Kay into our kitchen. With nobody wishing to take on the huge task of running our canteen this has become the only option to keep the canteen running over the season. Many thanks to everyone who has supported Kay in the canteen and also the hard working Bob Hollands in the bar. Kay has been welcomed by the members who have enjoyed some new additions to our menu. We also welcomed John and staff on Thursday and Sunday nights to cook the teas taking the pressure of our members in taking on these tasks.

We have had successful functions over the season with members continuing to use Try booking for online purchasing for tickets and events but still having the option of EFTPOS facilities on the night. A huge thank you to Ange who put in a lot of work in the advertising and securing of Kay and John. Ange has also put in countless hours organising our kitchen purchases, event planning and decorating to ensure our events are successful. Another special mention to Barb, Trish, Craig Powell and all helpers in making our Christmas dinner another great night.

Saying that unfortunately our profits are down from last season and some running costs have increased this season with increased permit fees issued by the council, higher electricity costs and ongoing repairs to our ageing clubrooms. Unfortunately we missed out on any government grants this season which has affected our final figures but applications are already in the pipeline for the upcoming season. It certainly is a challenge to stay within our budget and maintaining our facilities and we certainly appreciate our wonderful club sponsors.

After 6 years on the committee and due to work and personal commitments it is time for me to step down and pass on to others. I would like to thank my fellow committee members from previous years and to the current committee Damien, Blake, Ange, Amanda and Stuart. Last but not least Paul Chandler who along with playing, coaching also organises the online Sports TG, implementing and chasing up fees, banking and helps me out with the countless questions and emails I send him. His knowledge is a huge asset to our club.

On finishing up I would like to thank the Redsox family for the wonderful friendships and always being a huge part of my life. I look forward to many more fun and successful times to come.

Wishing the best of luck to Tony, Wally, Kane and all coaches and players for the 2018/2019 season.

Lauren Sanderson



Profit and Loss

East Torrens Baseball Club

01 July 2017 - 30 June 2018

ABN: 30336730212

	Total
Income	
Bank Interest	65.53
Bar	37,511.63
Less Bar Purchases	(22,577.90)
Canteen	27,936.73
Less Canteen Purchases	(18,713.32)
Club Membership	24,878.91
Don Rice Foundation	1,250.00
Raffles/Fundraising Net	1,375.20
Regalia & Uniforms	16,313.20
Less Uniform/Regalia Purchases	(19,075.47)
Reimbursements	837.60
Senior Presentation Night	4,085.13
Social & Fundraising	8,550.84
Sponsorship - Club	19,300.00
Total Income	81,738.08
Less Expenses	
Administration	2,451.40
BUASA	5,278.06
Bank Charges	625.16
Baseball SA	830.00
Canteen	5,020.00
Cleaning	4,986.83
Club Car	3,412.60
Insurance	2,762.69
Coaches & Managers	8,382.60
Electricity	4,636.39
Equipment	10,740.00
Ground Hire	9,541.96
Import Players	14,636.33
Pre Season Training	3,050.00
Printing & Stationary	1,532.15
R & M - Club House	4,238.30
R & M - Grounds	6,048.13
SA Scorers Association	390.50
Senior Presentation Expenses	4,374.09
Social & Fundraising	6,517.09
Tee Ball	3,264.60
Total Expense	102,718.88
Operating Profit	(20,980.80)
Net Profit	(20,980.80)





**JOHN LAMB
CARPENTRY**





JUNIOR COACHING

The 2017/18 season saw East Torrens juniors field 7 teams in the SABL competition, 2 in the 11's, 2 13's 2 15's and one in the 17's, 4 of which progressed to the post season appearing in the finals, of which is not the main goal for younger members but it is always nice to receive reward for all their hard work.

The Redsox again having a rather large representation at national charter level in all 3 of the participating grades, with both players and Coaches alike. 4 players were members of the state sides that competed in nationals in January, 2 in the 16's and 2 in the championship 18's squad. Riley Yeatman progressing on to the oceanic qualifier, helping Australia secure a birth in the u15 world cup in August.

The dedication and hard work of our junior coaches has continued to nurture and improve the standard of our club from the ground up. Sometimes it seems to be a thankless job but their effort and sacrifice does not go unnoticed and the future success of the senior sides are in your debt.

On behalf of the junior club I would like to recognise and thank the people that support the program we run, and provide the structure that enable us to do so. That includes the executive committee, ground staff, right down to the parents that volunteer in the canteen.

Overall it was another fruitful year for East Torrens junior development and there is no reason for this to change next summer

Craig Powell



BAR

Firstly, thank you to the committee and the club for appointing me as Bar Manager again this season.

While I did enjoy it, things got very difficult when our cool room gave up the ghost early and keeping drinks cool became a lot of hard work. Stocking drinks from the fridge in the back room to the bar was a full time job from the start of the day till well after the bar closed. We had three or four days where we went through 20 – 30 bags of ice. Thanks must go to Mark “Spesh” Stewart for donating a large fridge freezer that certainly helped.

The Point of Sale system set up by Damien was easy to use and certainly helped with keeping track of money and sales. I can’t give my total sales, expenses and profits but I am comfortable they will be around the same as last season. The Treasurers report will have all these details.

A huge thanks to our club sponsors The Maylands and The Feathers Hotels. Purchasing stock was made a lot easier this season with me just having to send an email and my stock would be delivered Friday afternoon. Thanks to Blake Armstrong and Bob Norsworthy for taking care of the deliveries.

I always had plenty of offers for help and thank you to all who did especially during functions. Thanks also to Troy Chandler who did the bar for me on Saturdays when the sevens were playing away and on grand final day. I must also add a huge thanks to Angela Probert for organizing the beautiful bar ladies on the Senior Presentation night.

Lastly I would like to thank my beautiful wife for all her support and help over the whole year. Without it I would not have lasted till Christmas.

While I have advised the committee that I will not be going around again next season, I am more than happy to offer any help I can to who ever takes on the role. Can I say to anyone who wants to be involved with the club, it is a very enjoyable and fulfilling position and a great way to make friends within the club.

Bob Hollands



CANTEEN

Report completed by portfolio holder; Angela Probert (Assistant Secretary)

Overview;

The 2017/18 Executive Committee formally supported and endorsed a new Proposal of Canteen Management due to the inability of finding a Canteen Manager who was willing to complete the task on a voluntary basis as per previous years.

The proposals intent was to levy the playing members by \$20 per player in order to be able to pay an Honorary Payment to a Canteen Manager for the duration of the season. This levy was intended to cover some of the Managers payments only and the committee was committed to picking up the remainder. The Manager was obtained via a Gumtree Advertisement where we were fortunate to secure Kay Taylor who was employed at Glenunga International High School as the Canteen Manager and came to us with a wealth of knowledge.

Kay quickly became a loved member of the East Torrens Community, making changes to the efficiency of the canteen and adding scrumptious Korean delicacies to the menu. Rostering and Ordering remained with myself for this season, allowing Kay to settle in to her role as she built rapport with community and become familiar with the expectations of the position.

Kay had a focus for freshness, flavoursome yet affordable items and worked with the committee in ensuring that expectations were met. Kay proved to be approachable and flexible and was reliable on all levels with minimal wastage when managing the stock.

The ordering for Canteen was centralised via Galipo, PJ Confectionary, Athelstone Bakery and Campbelltown Meats which simplified the role. All these places delivered as required and orders were able to be completed via phone or online. Feedback now they are established from the distributors have advised they would be able to more efficiently with deliveries and support if they had a key for access. The Canteen, despite the Honorarium payment sales was able to reflect income not dissimilar to previous years, with total sales of \$32956.73, a profit of \$9223.41. Kay's Honorarium payments totalled \$5500 approx. which reflects coming from the profit..

Conclusion;

The feedback from coaches and players throughout the season was that the new canteen arrangement was easier, smoother and overall happy with the arrangement. Earlier in the season I was having to follow up and monitor the roster changes to ensure that Kay had support, however the back half of the season was taking care of itself with Coaches and Players contacting me prior to rosters being released to indicate the times they were available.

Intention of the committee in the future is for the Canteen Manager to be able to take over the ordering and management of rosters etc. For this to happen more effectively the distribution/delivery companies would need to be issued with a key in order to deliver the goods without the need to have an Exec. member present. Kay Taylor has indicated that she would like to be part of the 2018/19 Season again which will make the transition moving forward easier.

I would like to thank the committee for trusting the Proposal and allowing me to work with the community in creating change for the future of the club.



TEE BALL



Firstly to the families of all our Teeballers this year, thank you for bringing out your bundles of joy's and our future superstars every Friday night. Your commitment reinforces that our program is attracting new families to our club.

Our new registration format made a successful launch this year. The format allowed families to load necessary information, make payments and select times slots throughout the year, which also allowed them to volunteer. It was amazing how much support our regular club volunteers received. The new system from the clubs perspective was paramount, easy to use in gaining relevant information to run our program more efficiently.

One of the biggest impacts this year for our Teeball program was the generous sponsorship from Emali Early Learning. A wonderful, positive relationship was formed which allowed us to introduce Teeball to a young local demographic. We were able to run several clinics at the Hectorville location, also offer free Tee ball to children who attended the centre.

From a club point of view this partnership allowed us to purchase equipment, uniforms etc. But most importantly it has given our club an opportunity to be involved in an early childhood education environment. We were limited this season to see the full potential of this, as it was the first time we have had this exposure outside of our normal recruitment channels. Hopefully this partnership will continue to grow in the years ahead.

Our participation numbers this year showed a slight increase, but we were well below what we had envisioned at the start. As a result we were limited in a game competition format tee ball, which we were hoping to implement in the second half of the season.

Instead focusing on building confidence and social skills based on core baseball activities, throwing, fielding and batting in the first half the season. With outstanding instructor's provided from the clubs senior/junior playing group; their contributions were imperative to the program success. The results were outstanding as skills and confidence levels increased, which showed in the second half when games were introduced into the program.

I received numerous positive feedbacks from parents/guardians congratulating us on the level of engagement from all junior & senior players who were involved in the program. Everyone who made this commitment had a positive impact on young minds and a wonderful interaction, which was circular.

We lost a couple of sessions to inclement weather however were still provided fun activities. The Heat rule policy did not stop our teeballers, the kid's reaction to the giant slip and slide and slushy machine we arranged was priceless.

Our annual Christmas breakup with a visit from Santa Claus together with a 'Kids v Adults' game were social highlights enjoyed by all.

A special mention goes to the backbone of our club, the committee and members. Those who freed up their time to work tirelessly in developing, supporting and running the tee ball program this year.

The club is already looking forward to next season and we have some great ideas for the kids to keep learning and enjoying.

Final thought, it is imperative we continue creating a fun, friendly environment with great role models. This is the crucial link in the retention of our future stars, and the prosperity of our club.

"GO REDSOX"
Anthony Dienelt



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CLUB AWARDS

Graham Fisher Memorial



Craig Powell

Peter Pike Coach Of The Year



Paul Ashworth

Patrons Award



Paul Sowter

George Hayman Shield Team of Year



Division 7

Redsox Trophy U21



Braeden Ashworth & Troy Chandler

Max Trengrove Junior Batting Award

Tyler Dunn



DIVISION 1

The 2018/19 season was a very successful season for both the Division One team and the East Torrens Baseball Club.

Firstly, thank you to our hard working board for their faith in me and this opportunity to lead this great ball club. President, Damien, and his board have supported our work at every turn and laid a great foundation for club wide success.

Thank you also to my 'Dream Team' coaching staff. I have the enviable position of leading a staff that includes Wally Marks, Kane Galloway, Craig Powell, Paul Chandler, Dean Towill, Troy Harrington and Todd Symons. All would be capable of a head coaching position and all have immense baseball experience that adds value to our program. Wally in particular brought immediate professionalism and legitimacy to our ball club.

Thank you to our dedicated supporters, mothers, wives, girlfriends and family members who give their time as volunteers to allow us to do what we do and support us on the field each week. To our club members who attend games, offer encouragement and support, to our generous sponsors who assist us to stay on the field and finally to our playing group. I am gifted to have the privilege to work with a bunch of positive, open minded and determined young (ish) men who are willing to accept change, trust our judgement and represent our club on the field with a hard-nosed, determined attitude, playing the great game of baseball the right way.

There have been many changes this season and although change is often met with resistance, I appreciate the total buy in from most sectors of the baseball club. Our preparation, preseason, workouts, structures, game approach, selection, squad composition, club engagement and attitude all underwent dramatic overhauls. Directly related to these changes, we experienced further success on and off the field.

From the get go, the East Torrens Senior squad worked very hard in 2017/18. In a bid to strengthen our numbers, provide quality workouts throughout our senior grades and heighten club development, we formed the 'Super Squad', a squad that comprised Division 1-3 players and many Under 17 and 15 future stars of ET. Under the tutelage of Brian Beinke at Karmony fitness and Australian Baseball Physio, Ben Onofrio, we commenced a testing strength and conditioning program in May. This program laid the foundation for our year as we strived to finish games hard and compete late into a 36 game season.

In July, Wally took hold of our pitching staff and under our other coaches and 2017/18 ET 'Coach of the Year', Paul Ashworth, our positional players' commenced field work. Thank you to our partners at the Payneham footy club who tolerated 20 odd baseballers invading their oval for late night trainings under lights in the depths of winter.

Following a successful preseason tournament in Mildura and 5 month preseason program, our squad was ready to hit the ground running. The only disappointment was the inability to take the 30 odd players that had committed to preseason training to Mildura to compete. The squad welcomed two new faces in 2017, RHP Mitch Patito joined us as our club import from California and LHP Ryan Duncan shifted down from QLD for the summer. Working commitments limiting key player, Jaryd Klemm proved a difficult challenge to the team, but the return of new 'local', Leroy Urbina, eased the pain.



The tough preseason lead in bore immediate fruit, the Division One squad won its first six games of the year to send a definite message to the league, East Torrens meant business. With each victory the ET Super squad gathered momentum with similar success achieved by both the partnering Division 2 and 3 squads and Thursday trainings swelling to include up to 40 players working out on the main field at Patterson. During this streak we had double header sweeps over Henley and Grange and Golden Grove, but also bested Woodville in a home season opener and eventual SABL Champions, Goodwood in a 4-1 tussle.

As we entered games against the top seeded teams in the SABL our momentum continued, but we found the going tough. Our rookie players hit the wall as their reputation around the league spread, all the sudden our explosive line-up that had led the whole league in offense, was gaining more respect and facing tougher pitching. We experienced some real highs before the Christmas break with tough victories such as a 1-0 nail biter at West Beach over Kensington and inspiring routs such as the 12-0 demolition of a star-studded Sturt at home. Unfortunately, at times, our consistency waned and we suffered heart breaking losses such as a 10th inning defeat by 2017 Champions, West Torrens and another walk of loss in the last to the Eagles.

In the latter half of the year our squad readdressed some absolutes we had strayed from and realigned our season following some tough losses. While I was coaching at the U18 National tournament, Kane Galloway took the reins for key wins over The Bay and West Torrens. Further wins over Glenelg, Woodville and H&G kept our top 6 finals dream alive. Unfortunately a series loss to Adelaide and two losses to Southern Districts (both lower ranked teams) saw us slip from contention in the final 3 weeks. Congratulations to our Division Two lads who powered on and played finals baseball for the first time in many years, reward for their hard work and Wally, Craig, Paul and Travis Underhill's direction.

At 17W-18L-1T we certainly have room for improvement. The way forward is obvious, continued hard work, club based development and consistency in our game. We had shown through 2017/18 that we have the ability to compete with any club in the SABL, at the moment, the only thing in our way, is ourselves.

In addition to a successful season as club coach, I had the privilege of witnessing some exceptional achievements this last season.

- Glenn Simmons played his 700th Division One game for ET. An amazing achievement. Finished in true 'Simmo' style as he wore a line drive down the 3B line off his chest, scrambled for the ball on hands and knees and forced the final out at 3B, claiming a win over Souths in our final game of the season.
- Dalton Probert and Charlie Ashcroft represented our ball club with selection to the SABL Allstar game Vs The Bite. Karl Hoschke and Ryan Duncan represented on the Bite squad.
- Hoschke and Duncan's selection to The Bite in the ABL in addition to Probert's invitation to join the Bite training squad and Ashcroft's invitation to trial with the Canberra Cavalry.
- Brayden Caskey, Zak Heintze – Unger and Zac Stroud joined the SA Under 18 squad with myself to win the Under 18 National Championship, a drought breaking achievement for SA of 30 years!
- Both Ryan Duncan (Vs Northern Districts) and Charlie Ashcroft (Vs Henley and Grange) spun No-No's. (No hitters)



- It was a privilege to manage several young future stars in their senior debut; Kynan Skein, Brandon Manzella, Hunter Powell, Zac Stroud and Zak Heintze – Unger.

- Congratulations to our Division One award winners.

- o Travis Underhill: The Brad Thomas Player's Player

'Undies' had a stellar season, narrowly missing an SABL All-star award at first base. He led from the front, batting over .300 and conjuring a perfect defensive season. In addition he served as a support and leader to all aspects of the senior squad, his own D1 team, always present to support D2 games and assisting to coach the Don Rice U19. 'Undies' was the cornerstone of our senior success.

- o Jay Sanderson: Best Team Man

Jay also served as member of our 'Leadership group'. He had a successful season personally while sacrificing to ensure our squad was settled. He transitioned to catch most games Klemmy was unavailable, suffered a separated shoulder in a game VS Adelaide and bounced back to lead from the front 3 weeks later. Jay was an integral link between our future stars and the stability of our senior players.

- o Charlie Ashcroft: 2018/19 Division One Best and Fairest.

Charlie was a deserved winner of our Best and Fairest award. He pitched 10 of our 17 season wins and carried many of our struggling bats offensively for a stretch through the tough part of the season. When not pitching, Charlie controlled the outfield from CF and posted a batting average that nudged .300. It was refreshing to see a local product claim our Best and Fairest, an award that has been shipped overseas for many years!

I have no doubt that the senior squad will go from strength to strength next year, led by Norsy, Chieftain and the board and the fantastic members of the East Torrens Baseball Club.

We have a stable of incredibly talented young men and women and I look forward to the opportunity to lead them into season 2018/19.

Cheer Boys, Cheer Boys, Here we are, The Red Sox!

Tony Probert.



DIVISION 2

I would like to start with all the thankyou's:

Firstly, to Tony Probert, having talks with Tony March last year to see if he could get me to come home and hearing his plans and vision seemed a perfect fit. Not to mention Ange's cooking unbelievable. Also, to the board for giving me the opportunity to be a part of the coaching staff. Thumbs up to the board for some new initiatives Kay in the Canteen, John Meals at the Club Thursdays and home games. Big plus.

Grounds crew: Richard Smith, Paul Sowter and Guy Andrews unsung hero's many thanks it was a pleasure to play on a field like that.

All the Volunteer's you are the people that make this club great, special mention to Bob and Trish Hollands.

Sharon Chandler my scorer, thankless job and with all the other extra things I might ask her to do, never a problem and always a smile on her face. Don't know how you do it Sharon.

My EO Paul Chandler not enough words to describe him one of my best if not the best I have had. The way Paul looks after the players and coaches is unbelievable. Some of the extra stuff writing up the line-up, Pre-game Coffee, check the pitch count, mid game coffee, speaking after games and above all coffee. Everything you do lets me concentrate on the game and the players. Just needs to keep his mouth closed during games, very passionate man.

Craig Powell_ my assistant and right hand man your knowledge, enthusiasm and passion for the game outstanding, keeps me on my toes with suggestions, recommending any key thing I might have overlooked.

Also due to the formation of our Super Squad (div 1,2,3 and U17) many thanks to Tony, Kane, Dean, Todd and Harro for their input. Andrew Couzner for helping out Thursdays with the Bull pens, many to get through with 4 teams.

The Season

You will probably hear more about this from Tony... Early start strength and conditioning program for 6 weeks twice a week a great foundation for our extended pre-season. Then field sessions Sunday and Wednesdays. Introduced trowing programs, Thera band workout, dry drills, bat cals infield and outfield drills, which all players took on board.

A pre-season tournament in Mildura and we were cherry ripe for the start of the season.

The focus early was respect:

The coaches

Your team mates,

Your opposition

Umpires

The club

and above all Respect the GAME

if you don't it will come back and get you...

initially I believe we had guys that just played baseball but were not yet baseballers!!!!

So spent a lot of time teaching the game.. Learn something new every day understand the game eg running counts, what to do when guys are on base in front of you, cuts and relays, bunt defence, pitch to contact, get a runner to third base with none or 1 out.



AT THE END OF THE SEASON I BELIEVE WE HAD A TEAM OF BASEBALLERS.

Div. 2 is a breeding ground for future Div. 1 players and we had a total of 24 players getting a go in the 2's this year. Yes there were some div 1 players amongst those 24 but most of them needed some extras at bats. The rest were from our U17 Div. 3 and 1 from the U15's. Of my 11 regular Div.2 players 9 had some Div.1 game time this year, very proud.

I set a target to the 1's and 2's this year to have a combined 100 stolen bases, Div. 2 this year had 53 SB and were only thrown out 13 times.

Regulars

H Powell, B Manzella, ZUH Zac Heintze-Unger, L Chandler, J Hardman, J Hollands, A Kortekkas
J Caskey, K Skein, T Chandler, B Caskey

Special thanks to C Powell, Z Stroud, S Paturis, R Przibilla for sitting on the bench all season,
That's how you get better and learn the game..

We started the season on fire winning 9 out of the first 11 games to lead the comp going into the Xmas break. First game back we had a heat out another week without playing. Then 2 heavy losses and another heat out Feb 10 was our first win for 2018.

Seems we went off the boil a bit and were struggling to do and create the things we did in the early part of the season. As young athletes what tends to happen is that they start to believe they are bullet proof and by just showing up they will get the job done. It's one thing to do all the hard work pre-season to make the Div 2 Team, you still have to work even harder to stay there. Lesson learnt, I take full responsibility for this as most of the important drills we had done pre-season and every training early in the season went out the door. So that was addressed. You must keep working hard on your game, keep getting better. We were lucky enough to grab the last spot in the finals, I believed we deserved that. Bring on West Torrens.

First Final:

Our moto now was – Play for your team mates, the name on the front of your Uni, for your family, for the Club and not the name on your back!

Had a couple of hurdles to overcome, Abe Kortekaas had moved to Melbourne for Uni and was unable to get back for the game and Justin Caskey called into work. That gave some other young ones a chance. Enter Carter Powell to catch and Sam Paturis to RF. So proud of this squad up against the experienced West Torrens team. A rundown of the game We scored 2 in the first, 2-1 up, tied 2 all, 4-2 up, 5-4 down, 5-5 going into the bottom of the 8th. WT then put a 7 spot on us courtesy of a couple of bleeders, some balls with eyes, 2 walks, a double and a HR we were down 12-5. Not to be denied the boys came straight back loaded the bases and scored 3 in the last 12-8 final. Unbelievable game played by our men. Special note WT senior finals experience maybe 100+ games, ET Zero – They all have had their first taste of senior finals and want more.

Even though the the result was not in our favour the way these young men played the game it was a huge win for me. The depth of young talent at this Club is going to have ET a force in this League for many years.



Players

Left Field

B Manzella – On the fringe during pre-season but after the tournament in Mildura played his way into the starting line-up and never gave it up. Great defensive outfielder, good speed catches them all. Got on base a lot, working the count 11 SB for the year.

Center Field

K Skein

Another outstanding defensive outfielder, Kynan caught balls that you never thought he could get to, proved us wrong caught em all. Plenty of highlight reels. 8 SB

Love to be a pitcher with these two patrolling the OF..

RF – combination of

J Hardman

T Chandler

J Hollands

This position was rotated as these guys were in the starting pitching rotation. Talk about them later.

Catcher

Abe Kortekkas

Abe put his hand up to catch for the 2's this year, worked so hard at his game it was a pleasure to watch. Always tough behind the dish, running the game, controlling the pitchers, and trying to stop the running game. He was very hard on himself too much sometimes. Batted .256 for the year.

1st Base – Early Hardman, T chandler

Luke chandler only DH early in the season – recovering from surgery, once game ready Luke was the regular 1st baseman. This boy can hit.. .302 and late in the season Luke earned the div1 DH spot. 4 SB great to see you back after surgery.

2nd base

Hunter Powell

A gamer always making the plays, knocking the ball down throwing guys out, turning doubles, taking the hit on double plays. A huge plus for Hunter was his ability to get on base and becoming a threat with the pitchers concerned about him stealing a bag they were not making quality pitchers to the next hitter, 7 bags this year.

3rd Base

J Caskey

Had a positional change for Justin this year to 3rd base, once he had learned the position and its responsibilities he never looked back, that position suited him to a tee. The ball gets to you a lot quicker and Justin's quick reflexes and glove work a perfect fit, played it like he has always been there. – credit to him. 8 SB



SS

Zac Heintze-Unger (ZHU)

Hard worker, wants to be better always working on his game and asking questions. Can rush himself a little, needs to slow the game down. But is working it out, knowing the opposition runners. Being in a good fielding position, first step quickness. Hit very well this year

First full year in senior ball

BA .383 18 for 47, 12 RBI's, 7 SB, 20 PO, 22 A.

And yes playing one of the toughest positions SS, congratulations ZUH.

Pitchers

T Chandler

Very good pre-season got stronger and smarter. Knows his strengths and when he pitches to them very effective. Troy had 4 wins in the 2's this year and numerous appearances in the 1's in relief. Hit a very healthy .385

This young man seemed to do everything this year apart from his main role pitching ,anything that was needed he was our go to guy.

Pitching: 4 wins 0 losses, 30 1/3 inn ERA 4.46, 22 runs only 15 ER.

Batting: BA .385, not only getting hits and moving guys over 1 SB..

Fielding 17 PO, 5 ASS

Congratulations Troy a great year.

J Hardman

Made a big change after Xmas to drop down on all his pitches. He became the in form guy late in the season with better command, movement and velocity. A strike thrower Credit to you Jarryd.

Jimmy Hollands

Started off the season well Starting the 2's and relieving the 1's. when Jimmy was not pitching he played the field in the 2's. Unfortunately arm problems just before Xmas so Jimmy did not pitch again for the rest of the season. Jimmy took over the DH role, hit .483 with a slug % of .759 power guy always a threat at the plate.

B Caskey

I have plenty of time for this young man, lively arm great movement just needs some better command, that will come. Threw 28.1 inn 3rd highest for our team. Did throw a lot of pitches so that could have been a lot more.

K Skein

Crafty left hander, with good velocity only threw limited inn too good of a defensive outfielder though. Had some elbow issues so decided to shut him down anyway.

Z Stroud

From the U17's tall 6' 6" and still growing. Hard thrower great angle. Working on balance, direction. A huge upside to this young man.

R Yeatman

Ryley had one appearance for the 2's late in the season. Double header weekend for the 1's so needed an extra arm. This young man was the ideal fit. 3 inn late in the game and held the powerful Woodville lineup.



Congratulations to the U 18 state reps ZHU, B Caskey, Z Stroud

I think I am the lucky one to have been able to lead these young men so thank you guys.

The future looks bright with all these young guns at the Club and I know that ET will be a force to recon with for many years to come.

Awards

Batting Award

Jimmy Hollands

12 games , 35 plate appearances, 10 runs scored 14 hits 5 doubles 1 home run batting ave .483 slug % .759 yes he has some pop and he knows it.

Most Consistent Award

Zac Heintze-Unger (ZHU)

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Cheer Boys

Warwick Marks



DIVISION 3

The 2017/18 RedSox Division 3 season was a tale of two halves. After a gruelling preseason, which seemed like it started midway through the 2016/17 season, things got off to less than ideal start with an opening day walk off loss against Woodville. Things picked up from there however, as the Sox headed into the Christmas break sitting in third behind the ultimate grand finalists of South and Glenelg, with 3 losses all by the slimmest of margins, 5 crushing wins and a draw against West Torrens.

The Christmas break turned out to be a real momentum killer, with two heat outs and coming up against the the pace setting Hawks right after the break. A narrow loss to the Angels, a draw with Woodville and a loss to Glenelg left things on a knife edge, but the favourable last round matchup against Gawler meant that finals baseball was on the cards.

Facing up against Glenelg at the Bay was always going to be tough, and all guns would need to be blazing. Unfortunately it wasn't the right day to have an off one, with Glenelg turning the screws late and the finals run was over at the first hurdle.

Looking back at results, the wins were all brutal and clinical; the losses were close fought for the most part, and the draws were disappointing as they came from early leading positions. However, the positives to take from that is that ET were able to take games to a good portion of the league, which wasn't necessarily the case in the previous year. This can be attributed to more consistent individual performances throughout the lineup aiding the overall team performance.

All in all, an upper mid table finish was about what was deserved, however what might have been - 5 runs in the right games at the right times over the year would have seen a top three charge. But that is baseball after all. Any season which includes playoff baseball should always be called a successful one, and will be used as a stepping stone to a deeper run in 2018/19.

On a sad note, in announcing his retirement due to ongoing injury, Ben Copping won't be joining us for the championship tilt next season. Many of us in the Threes have played a lifetime of baseball with this jovial, hyperactive character. Ben is a guy who never leaves anything in the tank both on and off the diamond for this ball club, putting his team ahead of his own personal health and well being. He has played through more pain (and painkillers) than the average person experiences in a lifetime. Congratulations Coppo on an amazing 15 year senior career. We're all going to miss you having our backs out there on the field.



DIVISION 4

The quest to go back 2 back in season 2017/18 would be without everyone's favourite Italian, Ralph D'Onise, as he looked to start his own dynasty in Division 6. This left us with 9 players but we were lucky enough to pick up two quality players in Victorian recruit Brent Davis and Jared King after an absence of about 8 or 9 years. This dedicated and highly committed bunch were itching to go, and after no preseason we assembled for game one.

Our team was Steve 'Steam' Yeatman our starting pitcher – a very shy man who relied on his calm and considered manner along with his strong work ethic to win most of his games on the bump.

Darian 'the Janitor' King was another dedicated to remaining in peak physical fitness for the grind behind the dish and was always quick to offer encouragement and sage advice to his team mates when they were down.

Anthony 'the Palmerston Prince' Dienelt was our main man on 1B as well as a valuable utility player who we realised is best suited to 1B. The Difference can't wait for another GF to pick up a knock or two.

Adam 'I wear my sunglasses at night' Matthews came back to us a couple of years ago. A very sound 2nd baseman with a cannon for an arm and is known for not taking the game too seriously.

Kane 'Knackers' Galloway – an incredibly agile 3rd baseman who also won many games on the mound and was widely acknowledged for his messages of encouragement and inspirational videos the night before games.

Damien 'The Pres' Norsworthy was known for his tremendous range at short stop and backing up Steam and Knackers when needed. We are looking forward to his rolling out the new red METGA (Make ET Great Again) caps next season.

Craig 'Chandra Bahadur Dangi' Powell is a specialist outfielder who found time to bust out some serious dance moves while chasing balls down at Left. Mumbles is also very good with meat.

Brent 'Whisper' Davis was our star Victorian recruit who made us forget all about Ralph from game 1. Being the good bloke he is, Whisper proved to us all he was indeed human by making his first errors for the year in the Grand Final.

Malcolm 'Andrew' Couzner owned rightfield and along with Knackers played every position on the field. Selflessly sacrificed himself taking a lead at 3B v Glenelg one game and apparently offered a hint of a smirk in a recent selfie with an alpaca.

Jared 'The good King' King came out of retirement for this season and showed us all that he should have pitched earlier in his career. Spends a lot of time driving. John 'JCL' Lamb with his amazing agility and range showed he was more suited to 1B and this season. Faced the best curve ball ever thrown in minor league baseball.

Carter Powell & Riley Yeatman, both clearly better blokes than their dads, were called upon most games to relieve breaking bodies and did a great job for the team.

Big thanks to Marnie Yeatman for scoring and Kirra King for helping in Marnie's absence.

In closing we won every game but the most important game in Glenelg's season and went on to win the Grand Final.



DIVISION 6

Having never coached a seniors team was I surprised actually how hard it is to keep people informed and committed.

Playing 17 games winning 10 losing 7, left us in 3rd position for a shot in finals.

Playing 2 v 3 we played Portt Adelaide a team you would say should not be playing in this division. Having lost our first game to them 16 to 1 we put up a fight and kept them to 6 over 7 innings and ET scoring 3.

Having plenty of players at the start was good only to have some disappear to injury and another to schoolies, we had to call on some Jr's which performed well beyond expectation special mention to Boyd Worden who always made himself available when ever needed and that was nearly every game after Xmas.

One outstanding mention to a player that hadn't played in 5 years to come second in the Caps medal behind a glenelg player and bat .540 and to pitch a whole seven innings in a final goes to Anton Couch.

Hopefully we go 2 games longer next season if we don't have to hunt players every week.

Ralph D'Onise



DIVISION 7

The superstars of D7 entered the 2017/18 season riding on the wave of back to back championships.

The majority of the good guys returned eager to defend their titles, and we were joined by 3 new faces in Armando, Conor and Jonathon.

Bob Hollands stepped aside as coach to concentrate on his role as bar manager and a new coach was appointed.

Even before the season started, the pressure to win a 3rd consecutive title weighed heavily upon our shoulders.

We knew we had the talent and the determination and we embarked on a quest to win as many games as we could and hopefully make the finals.

We set off at a cracking pace winning all our games leading up to the mid-season break. On the run home to the finals we remained undefeated and began our title defense with an unblemished record. We cleaned up Henley&Grange and Glenelg in the first 2 finals and met Flinders in the Grand Final. And what a hell of a game it was.

Who would have thought a D7 Grand Final would turn out to be a pitchers dual backed up by amazing defense from both teams? The good guys won 2-1 thanks to a walk off RBI in the bottom of the seventh.

The fairy tale season was complete.

The coach would like to thank Deb and Trish for their amazing help and support.

Thanks to Steve and Bob for coaching our first 2 championships.

All of the wives, girlfriends and partners, parents and friends for supporting us.

Lastly, thanks to my players. Thank you for doing your jobs, making sacrifices and working together to achieve something special. Carrots, John, Chuckles, Hamster, Luis, Armando, Josh, Payne, Pumpkin, Stef, Conor, Jonathon, Tony, Adam, Razz and Grant.

We are the 2017/18 ET D7 team and we are....

UNDEFEATED, UNDISPUTED, 3X DEFENDING CHAMPIONS.

Scott Menhennett



UNDER 19

The young guns entered the 2017/18 season well prepared from the Pre Season laid out by Head Coach Tony Probert and under the guidance of myself; Charlie Ashcroft and Troy Chandler.

The majority of the team made up of Under 17 players and a few veterans returning, including some new faces led by Under 15 pitcher Riley Yeatman returning on the back of representing Australia. .

The selection of young talent and the determination in which they faced the season made our job easy as we embarked on a quest to win as many games as we could and hopefully make the finals.

The young talent group of guys come into the season as the underdogs. We had ballers from all different ages who all knew how to play the game the right way.

Winning the majority of the games we felt well prepared for finals, however when meeting the West Torrens in finals we met our match. Unfortunately we didn't make it to the dance this year but as a coach I was very happy how we play as a team and how we ended up overall.

Lastly from the coaches we want to say thanks to all the players for their efforts coming out every Wednesday night and showed up week in week out. Especially say a big thanks to Cheryl Caskey for scoring every game this season and to the Umpires.

Till next year,

Charlie Ashcroft



UNDER 17

The East Torrens u17's put in another solid showing for the 2017-18 season, amassing 10 wins and only 4 regular season results, qualifying for finals for a 2nd straight year. Only to go down 3-2 in exciting qualifying final to Glenelg.

For the 1st time I can remember the whole 17's team was included in the 'senior super squad' training with club coach Tony Probert's A-grade.

After overcoming a natural shyness with the age difference, the new practice scenario became advantageous in sharing the resources of an expert coaching panel and was evident in our game style.

For most of the year we developed 4 main pitchers - Zac Stroud, Braeden Ashworth, Jake Bonnet and Ryan Przibilla, whilst utilising the services of 3 main catchers having Carter and Priz being the main stays.

All players tried multiple positions and becoming competent where they played. Having a squad of 12 makes it extremely difficult to supply sufficient diamond time but the boys and parents were very understanding.

Only 3 of our squad playing group made appearances in representative baseball. Stroudy pitching in the u18's nationals, Carter catching the 16's, and Ryan joining the other 2 for the Titans charter side.

5 guys managed to push up to play some division 2 games and Zac Stroud also pitched an inning of A grade, which is proof that our practice technique is on the right track.

Thank you to those who helped support the boys season, especially Grant and Paul for their game day assistance, and Karryn, Tracey and Mel for keeping the books.

Craig Powell



UNDER 15/1

The U15 were fortunate to have a strong group of nine baseball players in 2017/18, which included one state and five charter representatives. It was a credit to the boys as they gelled very well on both trainings nights and game days. While not having great competition in league the team finished 13 wins and 1 draw and rank 1st on percentage. With a rainout, heat-out and uneven draw we were unable to play against quality opposition in Henley & Grange, Sturt and Goodwood which all finished in the top four and I thought this may have affected our preparation leading into finals.

In the first round of the finals we easily accounted for West Torrens 13-2, the second round we came up against Goodwood and unfortunately came up short going down 10-11, I thought the team played OK on the day but I think we may been under prepared mentally.

Overall I thought the team had a great season, I was able to rotate positions in field and also use different pitches weekly.

I would like to wish all the players moving up to U17's next season as well as the players playing U15's again.

Trophy winners:
Best & Fairest, Riley Yeatman.
Coaches Award, Jude Barker.
Best Team Man, Boyd Worden.

Darren Unger



UNDER 15/2

The year started out with the League changing to the new age matrix but in their wisdom decided to enforce the new rule for U/17 and U/15 players only and not the U/13s and U/11s age groups until the following year. This obviously reduced the playing numbers in the U/15s across the board for all clubs

There is a massive difference in growth rate and ability among children at this age so it is important to have two divisions to allow players to play in a competition for their ability so they can enjoy playing baseball.

We were able to manage a team of eight players to start the season off, with Cooper Newbound moving from Woodville just prior to the season starting and Reeco Pizzino playing above his age group who was still eligible for U/13s and having never played baseball before. We had enough for a team but there was a big discrepancy in knowledge and ability within our team.

Our competition started with six teams and 17 rounds, however the League added Port Adelaides only team into our division a week into the season which created a bye and reduced our season from 17 games to 14 - we then lost two through heat so the kids only got to play 12 games in the regular season. With a very limited preseason mainly due to completion of other sports it took a few games for the team to gel and start playing the team baseball that I expected. The entire team showed great improvement quickly though which saw us go into the Christmas break having a walk off win against Goodwood where every person contributed towards the win.

After Christmas we settled the team with our pitchers being Sebastian Pezzotta, James Metaxas and Jordan Ashworth. Caleb Evans became a blocking wall behind the plate. The infield was made up of Jackson Poole at first base, Josh Dobie at shortstop and Jordan Ashworth at third base while the outfielders were Cooper Newbound, Metaxas/Pezzotta and Reeco Pizzino. Our hitting improved immensely with every player increasing their batting average after Christmas with some long home runs hit by Jackson Poole and Caleb Evans while Sebastian Pezzotta regularly hit hard line drives.

Coming into the final round we needed the win to secure a final position which we did, scoring one run in the last innings. In the final we pushed a strong Henley and Grange outfit all the way being tied at 9 all with an innings to play but went down by five runs.

The kids were an absolute pleasure to coach. It was great to see their improvement throughout the year and when training drills work out and get implemented naturally in game situations. Thank you to all the parents who were always there to help out if needed. I knew I only had to ask.

Big thank you to Graham Newbound, Kym Dobie and Katherine Ashworth who were assistant coaches and main scorer. Further thanks to Darian King, Kym Ashworth, Darren Unger, Tony Probert who did some coaching when I had work commitments and Jodie Dobie and Jenna Fromme who helped out scoring when Katherine was unavailable.

Award Winners

MVP - Josh Dobie (also highest batting average .542)

Best Team Player - Caleb Evans

Coaches Award - Jackson Poole

Encouragement Aware - Reeco Pizzino

Hope to see you all again for the up and coming season

Paul Ashworth



U13/1

Wow, what a great bunch of kids to coach.

Hunter Maschotta, Noah Bischoff, Kason King, Connor Yeatman, Sam Gniel, Will Couzner, Alex Smith, Damon Ashworth, Aiden Lucas & Zac Francis your attitude and effort was outstanding all season.

As a coaching staff our aim this year was to continue the development of our playing group and allow our players to play multiple positions. With this in mind we managed to have every player throw at least an inning on the mound with every player throwing consistent strikes. This philosophy also gave us greater flexibility throughout games as all players were able to play all positions with confidence.

With 9 wins & 1 draw we ended up in 4th position and had a crack at finals baseball. This was considered a bonus for us as our main aim as mentioned above was to continue with the boys development. That being said you have to strive to be the best so finals baseball was a reward for the boys hard work and we were looking forward to the extended season. We faced Goodwood in the first week of finals and although we drew with them earlier in the season this time they had our measure and we went down 3 nil. It was gallant effort by the lads as they worked hard all day to get on top of their pitcher but it wasn't to be. Unfortunately other results didn't go our way and we didn't make it through to the second round.

Congratulations to those boys who were selected in the Marlin Charter and Charter development teams. It is a great achievement, something to be proud of and a springboard for future representative teams.

Congratulations to our medal winners

MVP: Connor Yeatman

Hitting Award: Aiden Lucas

Coaches Award: Will Couzner

Thank you Kym Ashworth for being a great assistant coach. Your knowledge is second to none and I appreciate your thoughts and support.

Other thank you's:

Andrew Couzer for assisting when Kym not available

Kirra King & Marnie Yeatman for scoring

Cheryl Couzner for pitch counting

Grounds staff

Anyone else I missed

Overall a great season and one to be proud of. Good luck to those players moving up to U15's and to other teams in the 2018/19 season.

Darian King



U13 -2

We started the year focusing on developing the basic skills of throwing, fielding and batting. Starting with a basic game plan of "Throw strikes" and "Swing the bat hard", when we played with that mind set we could challenge the best of them. Unfortunately too often we went into our shells and looked for walks and had trouble finding the strike zone. The coaches found this difficult to change so started the mantra of "Train as You Want to Play". We were looking for players that, irrelevant of skill, put in 100% at training and during games. There were a few players that we identified doing this week in and week out making it hard to determine the coaches' award for best team player.

Two standout games for the season was against Glenelg and Sturt. Glenelg finished 4th and played finals and Sturt won the Grand Final. We beat Glenelg 8-5 with ever run earned and while we lost to Sturt 9-0 the score did not reflect the excellent play both defensively and offensively.

We had a number of pitchers through the year, early focus was on "One Eyebrow" Vinod early on who, when on fire, was hard to hit. He was also a gun with the bat. Kaylan developed well through the year and proved to be accurate over the plate getting strikes but just as importantly for developing the team getting the ball in play. Dylan worked hard on throwing this year and while there is a bit too still do, has greatly improved his technique and this showed when he was called in to relive many time with pitches over the plate. Ted was a good solid pitcher that could be relied on to steady the ship when needed.

Behind the dish Mia regularly put in a massive effort each game to win the MVP for the season. Mia was backed up by Ethan, who also assisted with pitching, and while being left handed did a great job learning the roll of catcher. In the field we had regular contributors with the Fromme sisters, Tatum and Bailey, working hard in the outfield and filling in at second. Both worked on developing their skills this year and we could see the improvement as the season went on. Lachlan was a regular at first base and in the second half of the season we noticed a shift when a number of things seemed to click for him allowing him to be more focused and understanding the plays much more. Josh put in a big effort this year again doing all he could to improve his baseball, particularly in the second half of the year. He showed an interest in pitching and we spent some time learning the basics. His big chance came in the last game of the season when he pitched for an innings. Steep learning curve for that but he did well. We had two new guys join the team late in year. Will and Terry both had no experience and had a sharp learning curve going straight into games with little chance to learn the basics.

As usual this is a job you cannot do all by yourself... Many big thanks to Grant "Mr Wonderful" Bonner who was my right hand man all season. Grant spent many an hour on the training track with me helping the kids hone their skills & took on several projects helping those who wanted to spend the time in the art of pitching.

Another fantastic person who deserves a big mentioned was Brett Cole who was always on the training track, week in, week out & also base coached for me throughout the season, many thanks for your efforts. Scoring can be one of those "I don't want to do it jobs" however we were lucky to have Jenna Fromme on board to push around the crayons all season. Thank you all for your outstanding effort all season.

AWARDS

MVP	Mia Rogers
Batting	Vinod Trengrove
Coaches	Bailey Fromme

We will see what next season holds...We are Redsox

Train like you want to play.

Cheers Klemmy & G.B



RED SOX U11

Another great season of Little League Minor baseball. We built on the basics learnt last season and the boys learnt a little bit about what they would face moving up to under 13's next year. The team continued to develop well and our pitching depth was strengthened with the ability to share the duties amongst the majority of the team while others showed great improvement behind the dish. The boys progressed their skills greatly with fielding and base running being the standouts for this season. They constantly knew where their next play was going to be and how to run in certain situations without being prompted. Very pleasing.

A big thank you to must go to Andrew Couzner for his tremendous help throughout the year and also to Jack and John for being there when needed and being the sounding board during games. The continual help and support from parents, who were all rostered on to duties, throughout the weeks was very appreciated and again made coaching much more enjoyable. I will miss it next year. A couple of memorable moments....the flat battery, the speeding fine, stick insects and apologetic HBPs to name a few....

Last season's players Liam Adey, Aiden Begg, Tyler Dunn, Charlie Leask, Harper Manning, and Daniel Mosen were joined by Elijah Bischoff and newcomer's Nicholas Braithwaite and Junheon Kim.

Charlie Leask and Elijah Bischoff took out the encouragement awards and all the boys collected trophies to cap off the season. Tyler Dunn repeated his efforts from last season and took out the Max Trengrove Junior Batting Award. Well done boys.

I wish all the boys the greatest success as they continue to learn moving through to the U13s next season.

Richard Begg



EAST TORRENS U11

The team assembled for this past season consisted of one 9 yr old, seven 8 year olds and a 7 year old. During preseason we started off with real basic drills but this quickly progressed as the season started. These boys all showed an eagerness to learn and get better which is what you want as a coach.

During the season the boys played some outstanding baseball for their age and we also played some average games which I have come to expect over the last 3 years as an Under 11 coach. The beauty of this team was that after each game during our little chat down the line the players were able to point out the good and bad parts of their performance rather than me as a coach having to do it. For them to be able to break the game down at their age shows that they are taking on board what I and the other coaches were trying to teach them and they are able to understand the process behind the practice sessions and game day scenarios. I know that's a little deep for such young ball players but for me as a junior coach it shows I'm on the right track I think. We finished the year with 6 wins, 6 loses and a draw which with such a young group I see it as a massive success.

Thankyou to Richard Begg for his help, knowledge and hard work over the past 2 Under 11 seasons. I hope to be able to call on you in the future. Thankyou to Darian and Moises who helped out at trainings and games throughout the season. A big thanks to my scorers Kirra and Cheryl and also any parents who helped out with pitch counting, canteen duty or any other role that I asked of them. Also thankyou to every member of the East Torrens Baseball Club who helped around the club this past season, your help is always welcomed.

Andrew Couzner



SENIOR GAMES MILESTONES

700 Games

Glenn Simmons



450 Games

Anthony Dienelt

400 Games

Jared King

250 Games

Jay Sanderson

200 Games

Mark Stewart



SENIOR GAMES MILESTONES

150 Games

James Hollands

Jarryd Klemm

Ross Matcham

100 Games

Grant Bonner

Josh Boyd

Troy Chandler

Jarryd Hardman

Stuart Millar

Dalton Probert

Leroy Urbina

50 Games

Adam Brooks

Steve Cope

Anton Couch

Karl Hoschke

Hunter Powell

Zac Heintz-Unger



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Division 4



Division 7



