

EAST TORRENS BASEBALL CLUB

HISTORY

1990's



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1990/91

The abolition of Club boundaries occurred for the first time with the introduction of transfer fees for players wanting to change Clubs.

Another successful season occurred with nine of the twelve teams competing in the finals with nine teams reaching the preliminary final which was a Club and League record. Unfortunately, the Club was unable to secure a premiership from any of the teams. The Club however received the Oldsrom Shield for the most successful Club at senior level and was runner up in the trophy for the most successful junior club.

Senior Teams

Division1

Started the season slowly with four wins from the first ten games. It therefore became necessary to win almost every game of the remaining fourteen to play off in the finals. In winning twelve, drawing one and losing one placed the team in fourth position. Both Kensington and our team played the last minor round game for the fourth position.

After defeating Henley & Grange in the semi – final the team then lost narrowly to Sturt who then went on to win the grand final.

Division 2

Finished the minor round in second position, missing out on the minor premiership on percentage only.

Division 3

Finished the minor round as minor premiers by losing only one game and drawing another. A loss in the grand final by one run was however a disappointment.

Division 4

Finished the season in third position.

Division 5

Finished in second position at the end of the minor round with a 13-win 4 loss record.

This team lost the semi – final and then won the preliminary final but then lost the grand final to Sturt 8 – 6.

Division 6

Winning only four games out of sixteen, this team finished outside the final four.

Senior Trip

The end of season trip was to Pt. Lincoln and a good time was had by all.

Junior Teams

Under 18

Finished outside the final four team winning only 6 out of 19 games.

Under 16 Division 1

After winning the minor premiership this team lost the semi – final and the preliminary final to finish in third position.

Under 16 Division 2

This team playing against other club's Division one sides finished in a credible third position.

Under 16 Division 3

This team playing against other club's Division one and two sides did not win a game but did not lose one member of its team throughout the season.

Under 14 Division 1

This team finished the minor round in second position and then lost their two final's games to finish the season in third position.

Under 14 Division 2

This team finished the minor round in second position and then lost their two final's games each by one run to finish the season in third position.

Junior Trip

Sixteen Under 14 as well as the 12 Under 16 players participated at Mt. Gambier during January. Waverley won the Under 14 Competition whilst Southern Districts won the Under 16.

Pee Wee

Again games were played on Fridays with four teams each of Pee Wee and Tee Ball.

1991/92

Senior Teams

Unfortunately, only two senior sides made the finals with the other four sides finishing in 5th position.

Division 1

After another slow start to the season this team reached the finals and lost to Glenelg in the preliminary final 16 – 9. The team finished the minor round with 14 wins and 8 losses. In the semi – final against Sturt the scores were tied at 13 runs each at the end of six innings. In the top of the 11th innings the team scored five runs and Sturt were unable to score in the bottom of the innings so that the team won 18 – 13.

Division 2

Finished the minor round in fifth position.

Division 3

Finished the minor round in fifth position.

Division 4

Finished the minor round in fifth position.

Division 5

Finished the minor round in fifth position. This team mainly consisted of the second under 18 players.

Division 6

Finished the minor round in third position. The team defeated West Torrens in the semi-final and then lost the preliminary final to Henley & Grange who went on to win the grand final.

Junior Teams

With four junior sides in the finals and the Under 18's in 5th position the Club was successful in winning the S.A.B.L's Junior Club Trophy.

Under 18

Finished in fifth position winning 14 out of 21 games.

Under 16 Division 1

This team won the grand final at the October Long Weekend Carnival at West Beach. In the normal home and away series this team convincingly won their semi-final but lost the grand final two weeks later.

Under 16 Division 2

This team lost only two games during the minor round and went on to win their two games in the finals to take out the premiership without conceding a run to their oppositions.

Under 16 Division 2 (Sox)

This team playing against other club's Division one and two sides finished outside the final four.

Under 14 Division 1

Finished runner up at the October Long Weekend Carnival at West Beach. In the normal home and away series this team played in the preliminary final but were defeated by Sturt.

Under 14 Division 2

This team participated in the finals and throughout the season were able to defeat all opposing teams but could not reach the grand final.

Pee Wee Allstars

This season fifteen players represented East Torrens in the Pee Wee Allstars League Competition. Their achievement was pleasing with a 5 win, 3 loss, 1 draw record.

Junior Trip

Under 14 and Under 16 players participated at Mt. Gambier during January.

Pee Wee

Again games were played on Fridays with four teams each of Pee Wee and Tee Ball.

Social Club

The following activities were arranged:

Seafood Night

Roast Night

Raffles

Family Fun Night

Barossa Wine Tour

Senior Presentation Night

Junior Presentation Night

1992/93

Diamond Sizes

At the September Committee meeting it was reported that Under 16's will play on a full size diamond and the Under 14's will play on a diamond with the base paths 80' in length. These changes will commence at the start of the 1992/93 season.

Senior Teams

With a new Club Coach and Assistant Coach a pre-season Training Camp was arranged at Barmera. At the end of this season Kym Ashworth left for U.S.A. to embark on a professional career.

Division 1

Unfortunately, this team had a pre-Christmas slump again and had to play in the bottom eight competition where they took out the A Grade premiership.

Division 2

Played in the Grand-final but lost it to Southern Districts.

Division 3

Finished the minor round in tenth position, missing the finals for the second year in a row.

Division 4

Finished the minor round outside the final four.

Division 5

The majority of the team was made up of first and second year players and therefore did not make the final four.

Division 6

Finished the minor round outside the final four with 6 wins, 10 losses and 1 draw.

End of Season Trip

This was again held at Berri with 23 members in attendance.

Junior Teams

For the second year in a row the Club won the S.A.B.L's Junior Club Trophy.

Under 18

This team finished the minor round in fifth position on percentage and therefore missed out on playing in the finals.

Under 16 Division 1

This competition was split into a North and South Divisions. This team finished the season as undefeated premiers and also won the grand final at the October Long Weekend Carnival at West Beach.

Under 16 Division 2

This team finished minor premiers, losing only one game to Southern Districts, who defeated us in the Grand-final by only one run.

Under 14 Division 1

This competition was split into a North and South Division. This team finished runner up to Henley & Grange in the Northern Zone.

Under 14 Division 2

Finished the minor round in second position and then lost both the semi-final and Grand –final to Golden Grove.

Junior Trip

The Under 14 and Under 16 players participation at Mt. Gambier during January did not go ahead due to the withdrawal of teams from Victoria.

Pee Wee

Again games were played on Fridays with an increase of teams from eight to eighteen teams of Pee Wee and Tee Ball. A Pony League team was introduced after Christmas.

Special General Meeting

Held at the Clubrooms on June 26th to add the position of Vice President to the Management Committee. The motion was carried unanimously.

Social Club

The following activities were arranged:

1. 100 Club

1993/94

Senior Teams

A pre-season Training Camp was again arranged at Barmera. This season was more enjoyable with the Division 1 playing in the Top eight Competition.

Division1

Finished in the top 6 to play in the Premier Division and then finished in the final four but were defeated by Southern Districts in the semi-final.

Division 2

Finished the minor round in third position on percentage and unable to play in the finals because of the finals two format.

Division 3

Finished the minor round in first position and took out the premiership with 22 wins out of 24 games played.

Division 4

Finished the minor round in second position with 18 wins, 3 losses and a draw. Unfortunately they lost the Grand-final 6-2 to Kensington.

Division 5

Finished the minor round outside the final four with 10 wins 9 losses and 1 draw.

Division 6

Finished the minor round outside the final four with 6 wins 9 losses and 1 draw.

Junior Teams

The appointment of a Junior Coaching Coordinator was made for the first time.

Under 18

Finished in fourth position in the first part of the season which put them into the top eight. However they missed narrowly missed out on playing in the finals of the top eight competition.

Under 16 Division 1

This team was successful in winning the SABL Youth Championship Competition at West Beach in October. The team finished the season in top position in the Northern Zone with 14 wins, 2 losses and 1 draw. They won the first final easily and then lost the Zone final 3-2 to Henley & Grange.

Under 16 Division 2

This team finished in second position with 12 wins, 3 losses and a draw. They then lost their semi-final and then lost to Southern Districts by one run in the Preliminary final to finish the season in third position.

Under 14 Division 1

This competition was split into a North and South Division. This team won their Division final and then went on to defeat Southern Districts in the Zone final.

Under 14 Division 2

Finished the minor round outside the final four with only four wins.

Under 14 Division 3

Finished the minor round just outside the final four.

Pee Wee Allstars

In late October 1993 a notice went out to all Friday night Club Pee Wee teams advising them of tryouts for Pee Wee Allstars, the first taste of inter club baseball at this level. The team of 12 players selected won eight games and lost 3 against Kensington, Southern Districts and Sturt.

Pee Wee

Again games were played on Fridays with an increase from 18 to 25 Pee Wee and Tee Ball teams.

Social Club

The following activities were arranged:

100 Club

Home Game Raffles

Quiz Nights

Seafood Night

Roast Night

Family Fun Night

New Year's Eve Party

Film Night

Phantom Band Night

Redsox Raffle

Caps

A red cap with a blue peek was introduced.

1994/95

A letter, dated 29/6/94, was sent to the Secretary, signed by 10 Club members, requesting that a Special General Meeting be held to discuss and vote on the following motion:

That a two tiered Management structure be introduced.

The two tiers being; the top tier to be known as the Executive Committee and a second tier to be known as the Management Committee.

A Special General Meeting was held on Friday July 8 1994 to discuss and adopt a two tier management structure.

It was pointed out that the constitutional guidelines were not observed and it was therefore resolved that the Management Committee act in accordance with the recommendations pending amendments of the constitution at the next Annual General Meeting.

The Club President reported at the end of this season that operating under the newly introduced two tier management system improved the communication on a Club wide basis.

Business Plan

A Business Plan for the East Torrens Payneham Baseball Club Incorporated was prepared during August and revised during December 1994 By Paul Anderson – Dynamic Potential. The review of the Business Plan was conducted at the Regal Park Motel.

Club Teams

Congratulations to the Club for having 10 teams out of 12 playing in the finals and three teams, Divisions 2 and 3 and Under 16/1 winning the premiership.

Player Transfer Fees were introduced by the S.A.B.L. It was based on a points scale with one point per year from the age of 12 years up to 25 years. (e.g. 25 points for a 25 year old.) From 26 years on the points reduced by approximately 3 points per year. Further points were given to Junior and/or senior State participation and Australian participation as well as years played at A grade level.

The value was \$10.00 per point up to 50 points with the top value being \$5,000.00 to a player with in excess of 100 points.

Senior Teams

Division 1

Finished the season in third position.

Division 2.

Finished the minor round in second position with 12 wins and 6 losses. This team lost the 2nd Semi-final by one run in the 11th innings. From there the team won the Preliminary final and then defeated Henley & Grange in the Grand – final.

Division 2 Premiers



G. Rice, P. Datta, B. Day (Manager), A. Keen
 G. Morrow, C. Bradbrook, J. King, S. Yeatman, C. Chipperfield, R. Trengrove, T. Rice, P. Chandler
 A. Couzner, P. O'Riley, S. Lancaster, J. Lamb (Coach), A. Matthews, M. Rush.
 M. Williamson, W. O'Riley (Bat Boys)

Division 3 - Back to Back Premiers



B. Sturman, S. Whitehead, P. O'Riley, M. Chandler, A. Keen, R. Trengrove, P. Chandler (Coach), R. Rush (Manager), S. Chandler (Scorer), D. Rice (Ass Coach)
 H. Price, A. Couzner, J. King, W. O'Riley (Bat Boy), M. Rush, B. Kennealy

Division 4

Finished the season in second position after losing the Grand final.

Division 6

Finished the minor round in third position with 13 wins, 3 losses and 2 draws. The team won the first semi final but then lost the Preliminary final.

Division 7

Finished in fourth position after losing the first semi final by one run in extra innings.

Junior Teams

Under 18

Finished in fourth position. They won both the semi and Preliminary finals but then lost the Grand final to Glenelg.

Under 16 Division 1

Won the Northern Zone final 4 – 0 against Henley & Grange and then went on to defeat the Southern Zone Premiers, Sturt 3 – 2 in the State Championship.

Under 16 Division 1 Premiers



C. Williamson, M. Golotta, T. Wieringa, A. Williamson, P. Wieringa (Ass Coach), M. Panozzo, D. King, J. Wissell, J. Kevan (Coach)
W. Frogly, N. Johnson, A. Freebairn, S. Wissell (Manager), D. Norsworthy, J. Demant, S. McMahon

Under 16 Division 2

Finished in fifth position and therefore missed out on playing in the finals.

Under 14 Division 1

Finished in fourth position at the end of the minor round, losing the first semi-final. They lost five games by one run to the three teams above them on the premiership table.

Under 14 Division 2

Finished the minor round outside the final four with only three wins.

Friendship Series Melbourne

The Club took a team of mainly unders 16 year olds to Melbourne on the Easter weekend in 1995.

The team played 5 games and won them all with the following scores: 17 – 3 against Seaton High School.

17 – 3 against Victoria Development.

9 – 8 against NSW Indians.

11 – 0 against ACT.

7 – 2 against Victoria Development.

Pre Season Camp

Held at Victor Harbor

Social Club

The following activities were arranged:

Season Launch with guest speaker John Letts

Sports Night

Quiz Night

Seafood Night

Roast Night

Film Night

Redsox Carnival Day

Senior Presentation Night

Junior Presentation Night

1995/96

This season saw the introduction of yet another new format with the transfer of Division 1 and 2 to Saturdays, and Youth matches to Sundays. Division 1 also moved to a 36 match minor round.

Jay Ivanoff and Tony Sharpe toured the U.S.A. and Canada with the Australian Under 19 AAA side culminating in Australia winning the bronze medal at the IBA World Championships conducted at Fenway Park, Boston.

Very few Australian baseballers have come away from World Championships with medals, let alone two players from the one Club.

Senior Teams

Division 1

Finished the season in fifth position with 21 wins, 12 losses and 3 draws.

Division 2

Finished the minor round in second position with 14 wins, 4 losses and 3 draws. The team lost the Grand – final.

Division 3

Finished the season in fourth position with 13 and 7 losses and then lost the semi – final.

Division 4

Finished the season in sixth position with 6 wins, 8 losses and 2 draws.

Division 6

Finished the season in first position with 17 wins, and 1 loss.

End of Season Trip

Back to the favourite spot Berri.

Junior Teams

Under 18

Finished the minor round in third position with 15 wins, 4 losses and 1 draw. They won the semi and Preliminary finals and then went on to win the Grand final.

Under 16 Division 1

Finished the season in 12th position with 3 wins and 15 losses.

Under 16 Division 2

Finished the season in 10th position with 6 wins and 11 losses and 1 draw.

Under 14 Division 1

Finished the season in 5th position with 13 wins and 5 losses.

Under 14 Division 2

Finished the season in 7th position with 8 wins, 9 losses and 1 draw.

Under 14 Trip

An Under 14 team played in Melbourne in January winning 3 games, losing 1 game with one game being rained out.

Mothers & Son Match

The Club 's inaugural game was played on Saturday 24th February and was won by the mums 19 – 13.

Pee Wee & Tee Ball Allstars

Both teams did the Club proud with the Pee Wee team winning 12 of their 18 games.

Pre Season Camp

Held at Victor Harbor

Social Club

The following activities were arranged:

Night at the Talbot Hotel with monies raised to the Australian players – Guest speaker Tony Hall

Country & Western Night – Line dancing

Season Launch with guest speaker Rachel Sporn

Fashion Night

Time Warp

Karaoke Night

Hawaiian Seafood Night

Christmas Show

Sponsors Networking evening with guest speaker Phil Alexander

Senior vote count

Senior Presentation Night

Junior Presentation Night

Sponsorship

A Sponsor's Breakfast held on January 24 was very successful as well as a Sponsor' Golf Day held on February 11.

1996/97

The Club fielded 5 senior teams and 9 junior teams this season.

Senior Teams

Four senior teams participated in the Major round, with Divisions 3 & 6 reaching the Grand Final. Division 6 was successful in gaining the Club's only premiership.

Pre season training commenced at the Parkes Swimming Centre.

Division1

Finished the minor round with 24 wins from 34 games and lost the Preliminary final to Sturt by one run in the 13th innings.

Division 2

Just missed out of playing in their third straight Grand Final.

Division 3

Finished the minor round in second position and then went down to Henley & Grange in both finals games.

Division 4

Finished the season well down on the ladder, winning only 2 games for the season.

Division 6

Finished the season winning the Grand final.

End of Season Trip

Back to the favourite spot Berri.

Junior Teams

Six junior teams participated in the Major round with the Under 16 (3) and Under 14 (4) teams playing off in the Grand finals.

Both East Torrens and Kensington had too many players for two Under 16 teams but not enough for three. A composite team, called the RedCards was entered into the competition.

The S.A. Baseball League formed an Under 12 Competition for the first time. It evolved out of the Pee Wee Allstars Competition and consisted of 14 teams.

Under 18

Failed to win a game mainly due to many second year players playing at senior level. Under 16 Division 1. Finished the season just outside the final four with 12 wins and 9 losses.

Under 16 Division 3 (RedCards)

Finished minor premiers and lost to Henley & Grange in the Grand final.

Under 14 Division 1

Finished the minor round in second position but then lost both the semi and preliminary finals.

Under 14 Division 3

Finished the minor round in 3rd position and finished the season in 4th position after losing the semi final.

Under 14 Division 4

This team only lost 4 games during the season, with one being the Grand final.

Under 12

In the inaugural season this team just missed out playing in the finals.

Pee Wee & Tee Ball

A Friday night competition consisted of 5 Club and 5 School Pee Wee teams as well as 5 Club and 11 School Tee Ball teams.

Finances

The Clubs informed the S. A. Baseball League to dispose of the license to operate the Clipsal Giants. Sale of the license was expected to save considerable annual expenditure for the League as well as the Clubs. The Club owed the Payneham Council \$11,000 for the loan on the Clubrooms as well as \$4,000 for hire fees.

New Landlord

The President reported that in the coming season the amalgamations of three local councils will take place resulting in the formation of the Norwood, Payneham, St. Peters Council.

Social Club

The following activities were arranged:

Quiz Night

Seafood Night

Sponsors Breakfast at the Paradise Hotel

Sponsors Breakfast at the Talbot Hotel

Sponsors Breakfast at the Regal Park Inn and Golf Day

Senior Presentation Night

Junior Presentation Night

1997/98

The Club was successful in winning the Division 1 premiership, the first one since the 1988/89 season.

Shayne Bennett became the first East Torrens player to play in the Major League Baseball, playing for the Montreal Expos.

Senior Teams

A new format (top eight and a best of three finals series) was introduced for Division 1.

Division1

A summary of the team's performance during the season was as follows:

Minor round win/loss record was 27 – 7 – 2

Runs for – second in the League

Runs against – 1st (best defensive record)

Team hitting average - .400

Opposition batting average against E.T. - .232

Fielding average - .980

Play-offs:

Defeated Goodwood 2 games – 0

Defeated Henley & Grange 2 games – 0

Grand Final:

Game 1 Lost 5 – 8

Game 2 Won 11 – 0

Game 3 Won 4 – 0

Total win/loss record was 33 – 8 – 2

Division 1 Premiers



S. Johnson, J. King, A. Couzner, J. Lamb, A. Qualmann, J. Ivanoff
T. Sharpe, M. Chandler, C. Stovell, B. Sturman, M. Sanders, G. Simmons, D. King.
J. Demant, K. Biggins, P. Chandler (Ass Coach), B. Ettridge (Playing Coach), B. Sanderson (Ass Coach), A. Matthews, A. Wilton.
P. Ashworth, B. Thomas, C. Bradbrook

Division 2

Finished only 1 point out of the final four.

Division 3

Finished the minor round outside the final four.

Division 5

Lost the Grand Final to Goodwood 9 – 8 after out hitting them 16 – 9. Division 6. Finished the season in third position after losing the Preliminary Final.

Junior Teams

Under 18

Played in the Grand Final losing it 2 – 3 to Woodville.

Under 16 Division 1

Played in the Grand Final losing narrowly to Southern Districts. Under 14 Division 1. Finished the minor round outside the final four.

Under 14 Division 2

Finished the minor round outside the final four.

Under 14 Division 3

Finished the minor round outside the final four. Under 12. finished the minor round outside the final four.

Tee Ball Allstars

The Tee Ball allstars team won its first premiership against Kensington, Sturt and Southern Districts.

Sports Camp

A year 7 camp was held at Fort Largs in September. Pre – Season Carnival. Held at West Beach for Under 14 and 16 teams.

Pee Wee & Tee Ball

A Friday night competition consisted of 4 Club and 6 School Pee Wee teams as well as 6 Club and 7 School Tee Ball teams.

Finances

The President reported that the Club had done quite well financially this season given that the Stateball shares had been written off. A reduction of the debt to the Council occurred with an amount of \$5,000 being outstanding.

No Smoking Policy

The implementation of a No Smoking Policy in the Clubrooms was enforced on 1/10/1997.

Social Club

The following activities were arranged:

Off Season Dinner at the Regal Park Motor Inn – Guest Speaker Pat Mickan

Rock and Roll Night

Quiz Night

Seafood Night. Christmas Family Fun Night

Car Rally

100 Club

Senior Vote Count – Divisions 2 – 6

Chinese Banquet

Senior Presentation Night and Division 1 Count

Junior Presentation Night

1998/99

75th Anniversary. The Club celebrated its 75th year, culminating in a gala dinner at the Norwood Function Centre (Redlegs Club Wood Street Norwood) in February.

The Club was successful in winning back to back Division 1 premierships. This was the Club's third premiership since the 1988/89 season. It was also the first time in over 70 years that the Club achieved consecutive Premierships in the S.A.B.L. A Grade. The previous occasion was the winter seasons of 1925 and 1926.

A Pre Season Training Camp was held at Harndorf in September for the Division 1 and 2 training squad. An Allstars game for Division 1 players was held in late January.

The following players were contracted to American teams:

Calvin Chipperfield and Kym Ashworth – Detroit Tigers.

Justin Demant – College.

Senior Teams

Division 1

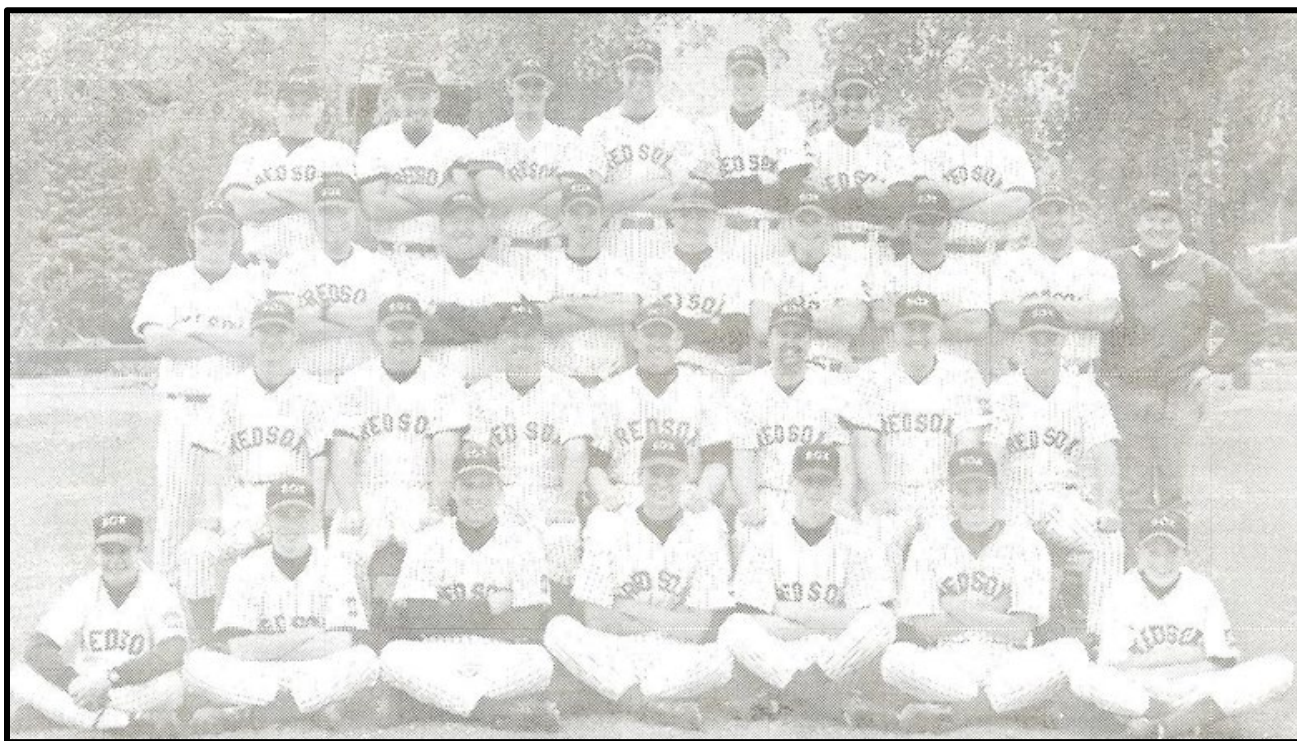
A summary of the teams performance during the season was as follows:

Minor round win/loss record was 24 –6 – 1.

Final round – defeated Sturt to win the Minor Premiership.

Defeated Henley & Grange 2 games to 1 to win the Premiership.

Division 1 Back to Back Premiers



D. King, P. Ashworth, A. Couzner, B. Sturman, C. Stovell, D. Ward, D. Griffiths

D. Norsworthy, A. Dienelt, J. Lamb, C. Bradbrook, J. King, G. Simmons, V. Pantazis, J. Ivanoff, S. Pike(Manager)

A. Matthews, A. Sperling (Ass Coach), B. Sanderson (Ass Coach), B. Ettridge (Coach), P. Chandler (Ass Coach), A. Bennett (Ass Coach) K. Biggins

M. Harris (Bat Boy), B. Thomas, T. Underhill, A. Qualman, A. Wilton, S. Johnson, D. Cartland (Bat Boy)

Division 2

Finished outside of the final four. Division 3. Finished outside of the final four.

Division 5

Defeated Woodville 16 – 3 in the Semi Final and Henley & Grange 20 – 5 in the Preliminary Final but lost the Grand Final 11 – 15 to Goodwood.

End of Season Trip

Senior players and supporters ventured to Berri.

Junior Teams

Under 18

Finished 2nd in the Minor Round and played in the Grand Final losing it 9 – 11 to Glenelg. Under 16 Division 1. Finished 6th out of nine teams.

Under 16 Division 3

Finished 6th out of six teams. This team consisted of players from Golden Grove. Under 14 Division 1. Finished 7th out of eight teams.

Under 14 Division 2

Finished 10th out of ten teams. Under 14 Division 3. Finished 8th out of eleven teams.

Under 14 Division 3 (Sox)

Finished 11th out of eleven teams. Under 12 Division 1. Finished 10th out of ten teams.

International Goodwill Series

Held in December for Under 18 and Under 16 S.A.S.I. and State players against teams from U.S.A.

Tee Ball Allstars

The Tee Ball All Stars team won its second premiership in a row against Kensington, Sturt and Southern Districts.

Sports Camp

A year 7 camp was held at Fort Largs in September.

Pre – Season Carnival

Held at West Beach for Under 14 and 16 teams.

Pee Wee & Tee Ball

A Friday night competition consisted of Club and School Pee Wee and Tee Ball teams as well as the introduction of an Under 7 Tee Ball Program.

Finances

The Treasurer paid tribute to the Pee Wee League Committee, who have contributed so much money to help pay off the debt owed to the Council. A huge amount of sponsorship money was raised over the past four years which also helped to pay off the debt.

Junior Development Fund

A fund was set up to enable payments to be made to elite junior athletes within the Club. It was named “The Don Rice Junior Development Fund.”

Social Club

The following activities were arranged:

Off Season Dinner at the Regal Park Motor Inn – Guest Speaker Jan Sterling. (Proceeds to the “Don Rice Junior Development Fund.)

Halloween, Silent Auction, Quiz Night

Grease Night – karaoke & Film

75th Anniversary Dinner - Sat. Feb. 6

Wine Sales – 75th Anniversary

Christmas Family Fun Night

Chocolate sales

100 Club

Magic squares

Talent Quest

Hawaiian Luau

Car Rally/Barossa Train

Senior Vote Count – Divisions 2 – 6

Senior Presentation Night and Division 1 Count

Junior Presentation Night

1999/2000

After winning back to back Division 1 premierships over the past two seasons, they finished up winning the minor premiership but lost the preliminary final.

Senior Teams

Division 1

A summary of the team’s performance during the season was as follows: Minor round win/loss record was 23 – 4 – 2.

Won the last 15 games to win the Minor Premiership and then lost the semi final and preliminary final..

Division 2

Finished about mid-table with 9 wins and a draw from 19 games.

Division 3

Finished outside of the final four.

Division 5

Undefeated Premiers after losing the last two Grand finals.

Division 6

Finished the minor round in first position, however losing both the Semi final and Grand final to Henley & Grange.

All Stars Game

Held in mid December for Division 1 players.

End of Season Trip

16 Senior players and supporters ventured to Berri.

Players Player Award

This award was introduced for the first time with Andrew Couzner being the recipient.

Junior Teams

Under 18

Finished 4th in the Minor Round and played in the Grand Final which they lost Under 16 Division 2. Finished 1st in the minor round and went on to win the Grand final.

Under 14 Division 1

Finished well down the table with only 4 wins and a draw.

Under 14 Division 3 (Sox)

Finished 1st in the minor round and went on to win the Grand final against Golden Grove by 1 run after trailing by 7 runs in the third innings.

Under 14 Division 3 (East Torrens)

Finished 5th at the end of the season. Under 12 Division 1. Finished 1st in the minor round and lost the Grand final.

Under 12 Division 2

Finished 1st in the minor round and went on to lose the semi final 4 – 9 to Sturt. They then went on to win the Preliminary final 15 – 14 and then win the Grand final 21 – 19 after 9 innings.

International Goodwill Series

Held in December for Under 18 and Under 16 S.A.S.I. and State players against teams from U.S.A.

Pre – Season Carnival

Held at West Beach for Under 12, 14 and 16 teams.

Pee Wee & Tee Ball

With the Club entering 2 teams in the SABL Under 12 Competition, consequently a reduction in the number of Pee Wee teams occurred. Friday night competition consisted of Club and School Pee Wee and Tee Ball teams.

Social Club

The following activities were arranged:

Halloween Night

Film Night

Senior Vote Count – Divisions 2 – 6

Senior Presentation Night and Division 1 Count

Junior Presentation Night

EAST TORRENS PAYNEHAM BASEBALL CLUB



EAST TORRENS 1997/98 SABL DIVISION ONE PREMIERS

Second most runs scored in minor round - Least runs against

Second in minor round

Grand final MVP - Tony Sharpe

Andrew Couzner - Senior Australian Side

Justin Demant - AAA under 19 tour

Calvin Chipperfield - SASI USA tour

Damian Norsworthy - SASI USA tour

Darian King - SASI USA tour

First Redsox player in Major Leagues

Shayne Bennett - Montreal Expos

Port Augusta Carnival:

Winners - East Torrens

MVP - Jay Ivanoff

Giants Squad:

Kym Ashworth, Shayne Bennett,

Calvin Chipperfield, Andrew Couzner,

Tony Sharpe, Jay Ivanoff,

Calvin Chipperfield & Damian Norsworthy - USA Junior College

Shayne Bennett - ABL AllStar game

Under 16 State side - five Redsox Representatives

Under 18 - Justin Demant - SASI scholarship winner.

SABL All Star Side:

Glen Simmons - short stop

Kym Biggins - second base

Mark Sanders - third base

Paul Ashworth - outfield

Paul Ashworth - BaseballSA Outfielder of the Year

Kym Biggins - r/u Capps Medal (five players in top ten)

Division two Medal - Darian King

Mark Chandler - second

Colin Stovel - third

IS EAST TORRENS THE OLDEST CLUB IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA?

by Robert Laidlaw

The current BaseballSA started out as the SABL in 1908. There were four clubs competing in that first season - Goodwood, Norwood, Adelaide and Sturt. To establish the age of these four clubs, you must first explore the initial SA baseball competition, which ran from the Summer of 1889/90 to 1896/97.

In 1889, an Al Spalding visited Australia with two professional baseball sides, Chicago and the 'All Americans', playing matches in and around Australia, including Adelaide. When Spalding's entourage left Australia, a Mr Simpson was left here to establish baseball competition in Australia.

In Adelaide, various teams sprung up and played baseball, and then a competition was set up to begin in the Summer of 1889/90. The competing teams in that first season were Post & Telegraph, Norwood, North Adelaide, Goodwood and Kent Town.

Interestingly there were two Norwood teams the first season, so the second side played under the Kent Town name. This fact is important to note for future developments in this early competition. Norwood competed in the grand final the first season, then finished second, before struggling for players in the third season, and actually pulled out mid-season, with the Norwood players continuing on in its other side, Kent Town.

After competing the next two seasons under the Kent Town name, the Easterners then played the demonstration season under the re-emerging name of Norwood. Before the 1894/95 season, the newspapers stated that the Kent Town side had changed its name back to Norwood. For the last three years of this competition, the Norwood name remained.

Because there was no competition baseball played in South Australia from after the 1896/97 season until 1908, it begs the question whether the Goodwood and Norwood teams of 1908 were the same clubs as the earlier versions. Newspaper articles of the time mentioned the 'old' players from these two clubs as if these clubs were reforming, so the indications seem to bare out that these clubs were not new clubs.

Looking forward since 1908, of the four clubs, there are some interesting holes in three of the four competing clubs from that season, with an indisputable link from 1908 to the present day of one club competing in every single SABL season.

Adelaide, Sturt and Goodwood all dropped out of the competition at various times, with all the names again re-emerging at various times. The Goodwood club seems to have a bit of controversy surrounding its length of service as a club. Except for the season before and after WWI, there has been a Goodwood in every SABL season, so in effect, a Goodwood can be traced as a team name back to the very first competition season of 1889/90.

From 1913, a junior competition started, with first a Goodwood Iroquois and then a Goodwood Ramblers participating. No obvious connection seemed to be made between these teams and the Goodwood in the SABL, although it is possible that Goodwood were concentrating on nurturing their juniors for their future.

In 1920 the newspapers made mention of a new club forming from the junior association, and to be known by an old name. Interestingly, the first mention of the colours red and black were first mentioned as Goodwood's colours at this time, (which is still Goodwood's colours today).

Starting from 1908 through to the 1922 season, Norwood are the only club to participate in every SABL season. Before the start of the 1923 season, Norwood applied to the SABL to change its name to East Torrens, (a name a second Norwood side competed under in the 1909 season). The name change was perhaps influenced by a similar change made by the Norwood cricket club before the turn of the century. Another possibility was to foster a natural rivalry with the West Torrens club which formed in 1919.

There is a direct and easily followed lineage from the original Norwood/Kent Town from the early years, through to the Norwood club from 1908-1922 and then following on from the name change to East Torrens in 1923 through to the present day. This information can be interpreted to show that the present East Torrens club is, if not the oldest club in SA, an equal share holder with Goodwood.

EAST TORRENS - 1997/98 SABL PREMIERS

by Robert Laidlaw

In 29 years of Summer baseball, many different finals' systems have been used. This season a radical final eight will be used for the first time. After a 36 round minor round the highest four ranked sides will have home ground advantage in a three game series. The first game will be played on the Saturday at the lower ranked side, while the following day, the remaining two games will be played on the higher ranked side's ground.

In the first week of the finals, the first ranked side will play the eighth, with second playing seventh, third playing sixth and fourth playing fifth. The winners will then be ranked 1-4 and repeat the exercise in the second week, with the winners playing a best of three grand final on the third week.

The advantages of this system is that more teams will have something to play for late in the season, and teams with the deepest pitching staffs are rewarded, so as a mediocre side with one good pitcher will not be an upset premier. After 36 minor round games, teams will be well prepared for up to nine finals' games in three weeks.

After five tight innings, the two Torrens teams, (East vs West), were locked together 1-1. Andrew Queisser (Eagles) and Calvin Chipperfield (Redsox) were in control on the mound. West Torrens broke the deadlock with a single tally in the sixth, but East Torrens opened the floodgates in the final third of the game to score nine runs and break the game open. Mark Sanders with four hits and Paul Ashworth with three (including a home run) were the best of the Redsox batters.

In the game of the round, East Torrens outlasted Glenelg to win by the odd run. With the score tied at 6-6 after five innings, Redsox batter Mark Sanders hit a three-run double for the match-winning hit. Glenelg came back with a couple of runs, and in the last innings had two runners on base when the final out was made. East Torrens had its three Giants pitchers, Andrew Couzner, Tony Sharpe and Kym Ashworth throw three innings each. Glenelg's Craig Watts and Redsox pair Jay Ivanoff and Brett Ettridge hit home runs. With five double plays, East Torrens infield was working like a well-oiled machine. Redsox veteran Paul Ashworth played his 200th A grade game against the Tigers.

East Torrens remains the only undefeated side in SABL division one after their victory over Goodwood last Saturday. The Redsox out-hit the Indians by 16 hits to five and led throughout for a comfortable win. Many Redsox batters had good days, with Kym Biggins collecting five hits, Glen Simmons four, Paul Ashworth three and Jarrod King three.

On the previous Tuesday, East Torrens struggled, but successfully defeated Sturt 5-3. The Redsox scored three first inning runs to set up the win with Andrew Couzner picking up the victory on the mound. Mark Sanders continued his hot hitting streak with another three for three effort.

This Saturday's clash between East Torrens and Henley & Grange could be an early preview of the grand final, although Southern Districts and Glenelg will have plenty to say about that as the season progresses. Both the Redsox and Rams have been hit hard with the un-availability of Giants players for this clash, but a couple of injuries to the Rams team has weakened them further, which should see Redsox remain undefeated.

Although East Torrens defeated Henley & Grange 12-4, the game lived up to its billing of 'game of the week' through to the seventh inning. The Redsox went to an early 3-0 lead, but the Rams, with pitcher Ryan Simunsen regaining control,

fought back and only trailed by the odd run in the sixth inning. East Torrens then flexed their muscle to pull away. Paul Ashworth, Kym Biggins and Calvin Chipperfield with three hits each did the damage for the Redsox, while Michael Forbes was the Rams top batter.

On the Tuesday night game, East Torrens pitcher, Kym Ashworth threw 4 innings of shut-out ball to highlight the Redsox 9-2 victory over Adelaide. East Torrens scored consistently throughout the game, highlighted by Calvin Chipperfield and Kym Biggins picking up a pair of doubles each.

There was no David vs Goliath retelling when top side East Torrens thumped an undermanned cellar dwelling Central Districts 18-1. Mark Sanders with another three hits is shaping as an early favourite for the Capps Medal, while Bryce Sturman with three hits including a dinger and Kym Biggins with four hits, were the Redsox batting stars. The Bulldogs only highlight was in the last inning when coach Steve Conry singled and scored on a long Steve Bottroff double.

After scoring six first inning runs, East Torrens weathered the storm against Woodville last Tuesday as the Senators closed to 7-5 before the Redsox powered away with five last inning runs. Kym Biggins (three hits and a dinger), Paul Ashworth (three hits) and Mark Sanders (two hits) have been on fire with the bat, and continued their form, but Jared King with two hits and five RBI's was the batting star for Redsox.

East Torrens pulled out all the stops to over-run Kensington 14-10 last Saturday to preserve its unbeaten run. Kym Biggins hit a three-run homer in the first inning to give the Redsox a dream start. Kensington replied with three of its own opening runs, and with home runs to David Blight, Warren Neitz and two to David Gibbs, the Cardinals built up a 8-3 lead at the completion of four innings. A six-run fifth inning, highlighted by Mark Sanders and Brett Ettridge home runs, put the Redsox back into the contest. Tony Sharpe came onto the mound to stem the Cardinals tide from the fifth dig, while a couple of runs in each of the next two innings, highlighted by more dingers, this time Damian Norsworthy and Glen Simmons, gave the Redsox its breathing space. Mark Sanders continued his hot form for the Redsox with another three hits, while Torrens second bagger Kym Biggins made some outstanding plays in the field, as well as hitting one of the longest home runs seen at Kensington.

After trailing when Golden Grove scored four first inning runs, East Torrens gradually got on top, highlighted by a five-run fifth inning, to keep its unbeaten record intact last Tuesday. The heart of the Redsox batting order, Kym Biggins, Mark Sanders and Paul Ashworth, again were the catalysts in an East Torrens big inning. Biggins in fact was the best batter again, with three hits again - it's getting so that Kym will soon be nicknamed 'three-hit Biggins'. Matthew Burns and Michael Foote, with two hits were the Dodgers best.

In a shock result, Port Adelaide inflicted East Torrens first loss of the season when they defeated the Redsox 8-4 at Payneham last Saturday. The Magpies took the initiative early when Mark Greutner, Mark Born and Scott Marshall collected hits to give Port a 2-0 first inning lead. A home run from Michael Ewart highlighted a two-run third inning for the Magpies, but the Redsox tied up the scores in the bottom of the third with a walk and four hits. Port regained the lead in the fifth dig when Mark Born doubled and scored on Scott Marshall's hit. Another run in the eighth and two in the ninth, highlighted by a Mark Greutner dinger extended the Magpies winning margin. Scott Marshall not only pitched a complete game victory, but also picked up three hits, as did Mark Born for the Magpies. Glenn Simmons and Bryce Sturman

were the best of the Redsox batters with two hits each, while Ports shortstop Brad Jones, with nine assists, fielded superbly.

With its powerful 15-2 victory over Southern Districts last Saturday, East Torrens has stamped itself as the clear premiership favourite. To beat the Hawks not only by that much, but in its own ballpark, gives the Redsox a huge psychological advantage. East Torrens opened up the game with six runs, highlighted by a Paul Ashworth three-run dinger. After Souths had collected three of its total of four hits for the game in the second inning, and scored its only two runs, it was all one way traffic. Besides Ashworth's home run, Kym Biggins hit two with Glen Simmons and Brett Ettridge both hitting dingers for a team total of five home runs. Tony Sharpe picked up the win for the Redsox with five strong innings, while Calvin Chipperfield struck out four Hawks in his two innings of work.

West Torrens have shown that they will be a force to be reckoned with when they held the strong East Torrens to a one-all draw last Tuesday. The Eagles scored its run in the first inning when Brett Dowsett doubled and scored on a Mark Van Pelt sacrifice fly. In the seventh and final inning, Redsox made its charge, John Lamb singled, and after being sacrificed to second, scored on Justin Demant's double. With tension mounting, Kym Biggins hit a wicked line drive that was snarled by the Eagles second baseman to end the game. Pitchers' Andrew Queisser (Eagles) and Andrew Couzner (Redsox) were both dominant for the full seven innings.

After losing four of the sides last five games, Glenelg rebounded with a last inning avalanche to defeat top side East Torrens last Tuesday. The Redsox had gone out to a 4-0 lead after three innings, highlighted by home runs to Mark Sanders and John Lamb, before Greg Elkson came on to shut them out the rest of the way. The Tigers had scored single runs in the fourth and fifth inning. Trailing 2-4 going into its last at bat, two walks, and then a failed bunt attempt which doubled up another runner, saw the Tigers looking down the barrel at another defeat. A home run to Ben Dixon, brought relief, as a tie was now Glenelg's worst case scenario. Nathan Davison singled and Craig Watts swatted a home run to give the Bays a GIANT victory.

Showing a lot of resolve, East Torrens battled back for a hard fought 4-2 victory over Sturt, to answer some questions after failing in a couple of recent close games. After leading 2-0 early, Redsox found themselves level pegging with the Saints after five innings. The big inning was the seventh, when Justin Demant and Glen Simmons picked walks and scored after Kym Biggins hit into a fielder's choice and Mark Sanders hit a sacrifice fly. Calvin Chipperfield would have been the story of the game, striking out 15 batters, but John Lamb was given the attention on playing his 400th senior game with the Redsox. Justin Demant and Damian Norsworthy, with three hits each were the stars with the bat for the Redsox, while Troy Scoble pitched a good game, although losing.

In a complete team effort, top side East Torrens thrashed Woodville 23-1 in last Saturdays round of the SABL. The game only went five innings because of the mercy rule, with all Redsox batters contributing hits with Kym Biggins (one home run) and Justin Demant collecting three hits each. Pitchers' Andrew Couzner and Tony Sharpe threw three and two innings, with Couzner giving up two hits and Sharpe none.

A five-run second inning, was the catalyst in East Torrens 11-1 victory over Central Districts last Tuesday. The Bulldogs came out fighting in the first inning, scoring a run and leaving a couple of men on base. The Redsox responded with two runs, and then turned the game well in its favour with its second inning avalanche.

John Lamb, Paul Ashworth and Glen Simmons were the Redsox best with three hits each.

A four-run first inning, and consistent batting through the game, paved the way to East Torrens' 11-2 victory over Golden Grove last Saturday. Paul Ashworth with four hits, Glen Simmons with three and John Lamb with two home runs and four RBI's were the Redsox best batters, while Dave Pettman with two hits collected most of the Dodgers three hits. Tony Sharpe struck out 10 batters in five innings of work for three hits, while Andrew Couzner struck out four in four digs for no hits.

After a couple of dismal performances, Kensington almost pulled off the upset of the round last Tuesday, but settled for a 10-all tie with East Torrens. With lead-off batter David Gibbs hitting a home run, the Cardinals piled on seven first inning runs to go to a commanding lead. The Redsox responded in the second inning with five runs, highlighted by a grand slam home run from coach Brett Ettridge. With three more runs, Kensington went into the fourth inning leading 10-5. The game changed complexion because of one player - Mark Chandler, who came onto the mound to shut the Cardinals out for the remainder of the contest, and after the Redsox had narrowed the score to 7-10, hit a last inning three-run home run to tie up the game. Warren Neitz and Jim Gladstone also hit dingers for the Cardinals.

Port Adelaide, with single runs in three consecutive innings, defeated East Torrens 3-1 last Tuesday. In the second inning, Scott Marshall walked, advanced to third on Brian Cakebread's hit and scored on an infield out to give the Magpies a 1-0 lead. The following inning, Sean Doudle walked and scored on another Brian Cakebread hit to extend Port's advantage. The Redsox responded in the bottom of the third when Justin Demant was hit by a pitch, and after advancing to third base on Brett Ettridge's double, scored when Kym Biggins hit to the right side of the infield. The last run of the game was scored by the Magpies Mark Greutner, who doubled, advanced to third on a put out and came home on a wild pitch. Scott Marshall picked up five K2's in seven innings, and only gave up three hits for Port, while Andrew Couzner was solid on the mound for the Redsox, only giving up four hits for six strike outs in five innings. Mark Chandler faced only the bare minimum six batters in the last two innings in a relieving role for the Redsox.

With its strong 8-3 victory over East Torrens last Saturday, West Torrens has cemented its place in the finals, and given itself a chance to become premiers. In its last 10 outings, the Eagles have only lost one game, and that was to top side Southern Districts by one run. Ben Zoontjens pitched the whole game, and had complete control throughout, until the Redsox scored all of its runs in the last inning. Matt McDougall collected three hits for the Eagles while Brett Dowsett and Burke Weber hit home runs. Paul Ashworth and John Lamb were the Redsox best with two hits each.

An interesting innovation which has been discussed as a possibility for this season, is the selection of an All-Star team after the completion of the minor round, with club coaches nominating their top players. Looking at the possibilities from East Torrens, infielders Mark Sanders and Kym Biggins as well as outfielder Paul Ashworth are possibilities, while coach Brett Ettridge could be the team's marshal. Another possibility for the Redsox is utility Justin Demant, who is batting over 500, (he also batted 580 in the recent under 18 interstate series), and is probably favourite for the leagues 'Rookie of the Year'.

In the 'Clash of the Titans', top side Southern Districts sneaked past second placed side East Torrens 2-1 last Tuesday. In the first inning, the Hawks went ahead 1-0 when Ryan Seeley reached on a walk, advanced to third base on infield plays and scored on an error. The Redsox drew level in the fourth dig when Mark Sanders hit

safely and then scored on Bryce Sturman's hit. The game was won for South in the fifth dig when Jason Scarabotti reached base on a strike out/wild pitch, advanced to second on Troy Cook's walk and scored on Ryan Seeley's hit. The game was very much a pitchers' duel, with the Hawks Adam Widdison, and the Redsox Andrew Couzner going the distance.

After winning only one of its past five matches, East Torrens went a long way in consolidating second position on the premiership table last Saturday with a hard fought 6-4 victory over third placed Glenelg. The Redsox were in control early, leading 3-0 after two innings, but a single run in the fourth inning to the Tigers, and then two runs in the sixth after hits to Leon Eldridge, Haydn Davison and Tony Mezzini, tied up the ball game. In the bottom of the sixth, Torrens responded to wrestle back the initiative with three big runs. The runs were fairly unconventional as there was only one hit, to Glenn Simmons, in the dig, with a K wild pitch, a hit by pitched ball, two fielders choices and a wild throw doing the damage. Glenelg did score one more run in the eighth dig, but it wasn't enough to stop a Redsox victory. Mark Chandler, with six innings on the mound was the winning pitcher, while Colin Stovell picked up the save with three innings work in relief.

In an exciting game, Sturt with a three-run fourth inning, came back from 0-2 to win 3-2 against East Torrens last Tuesday. Paul Ashworth collected an RBI base hit in both the first and third innings to stake the Redsox an advantage, but the Saints big push in the fourth, which was started by a Brett MacBeth home run and then followed by an error and hits to James Loechel and Simon Gooley, turned the game. The play of the game was when, with two out in the fifth inning, East Torrens had runners on first and second with when Jared King hit to left field, only to see Saints outfielder James Loechel gather the ball and fire it home to pip the runner at the plate. Anthony Coxon threw for the complete game victory.

Although its ground was unplayable earlier in the day last Saturday, East Torrens ground's crew did a fantastic job to save the day, and allow the match between premiership contenders East Torrens and Henley & Grange to be played, although it started 2 hours after the original scheduled starting time. The game zipped along with the 9 innings being played out in 100 minutes. The Redsox were victorious 4-1 in a well played match. Torrens scored the first run of the game in the first dig when Glen Simmons hit, stole second base, advanced to third on a put out and scored on a Kym Biggins sacrifice. The Redsox went further ahead with runs in the second and fifth inning before the Rams scored its only run in the sixth. Shayne Bennett pitched a controlled game to give his side the ascendancy on the day.

In a one sided game, East Torrens defeated Adelaide 19-1 last Tuesday. A home run by the Angels Danny Phelan in the first inning saw a 1-1 ballgame, but from there it was one way traffic. Kym Ashworth pitched well for four innings, with Tony Sharpe mopping up the last inning for the Redsox. All batters hit well for the Redsox, with Darian King and Glen Simmons collecting three hits each, and Jay Ivanoff, Justin Demant, Paul Ashworth and King hitting dingers.

Goodwood, on the back of a good pitching performance from John Challinor, defeated East Torrens 14-4 last Saturday. The Redsox opened the game with two runs on a two run single from Paul Ashworth. This lead was short lived, as in the bottom of the first dig, Matthew Fielder and Mike Morrow hit home runs for the Indians to tie up the contest. Home runs to Mark Sanders in the second and Paul Ashworth in the fourth dig saw the Redsox go to a two run lead. The big inning for Goodwood was the bottom of the fourth when, after the bases were loaded, Simon Galpin and Matthew Fielder collected two run hits to stake the Tribe to a 6-4 lead. Another run in the fifth, a three run home run from R. Teichmann in the seventh, and

four runs in the eighth - highlighted by consecutive doubles to Mike Morrow and Jamie Bushell, gave Goodwood its 10 run victory.

In a one sided contest last Tuesday, East Torrens had it all its own way in a 16-0 victory over Woodville. Andrew Couzner on the mound for the Redsox was the story of the game, as he struck out 10 Senators while pitching a no hitter. The Redsox batters were dominant with Glen Simmons the best with three hits and four RBI's. Torrens had five home run hitters - Glen Simmons, Kym Biggins, Paul Ashworth, Mark Sanders and Justin Demant.

East Torrens, with its resounding 18-3 victory over Central Districts last Saturday, has now guaranteed itself home ground advantage for the first week of the finals, as well as keeping Glenelg and Port Adelaide at bay for the second placed ranking. Kym Biggins was the Redsox star against the Bulldogs, batting 1000 with four hits, and fielding flawlessly at third base, making two put outs and five assists. John Lamb collected two hits and three RBI's and Jay Ivanoff hit a home run to be the best of the other Redsox batters. Brenton Fowler with three hits and Jamie Anderson with two were again the Bulldogs best. Tony Sharpe picked up the win for Torrens, giving up seven hits for six K2's in six innings on the mound.

East Torrens went a long way in establishing themselves in second position for the finals with a resounding 11-1 victory over Kensington last Saturday. A two-run double to Mark Sanders, and a two-run home run to Jay Ivanoff early in the game steered the Redsox to a 5-0 lead after only two innings. The Cardinals only score came in the third dig when David Gibbs walked and scored on Jim Gladestone's hit. Glen Simmons was the Redsox top hitter with three hits, while David Gibbs picked up two hits for Kensington. Andrew Couzner picked up the win with five solid innings, while Mark Chandler struck out three batters in one inning of work for the Redsox.

In the fight for second spot, East Torrens outlasted Port Adelaide 9-7 in the game of the round. The Magpies went out to an early lead in the first inning when Mark Greutner and Mark Born hit solo home runs. Another run in the second inning, saw a 3-0 Port lead. The Redsox grabbed the initiative in the third dig when Brett Ettridge walked, Darian King, Glen Simmons Jay Ivanoff and Kym Biggins singled, (although one runner was lost in a close play at home), and Paul Ashworth collected the biggest hit of the game with a three-run dinger to give Torrens a 5-3 lead. Another two runs in the fourth inning when Darian King hit a home run after a Brett Ettridge's single, and then a further two runs on Glen Simmons hit in the sixth dig seemed to make the game safe at 9-3. The Magpies refused to surrender, scoring a run in each of the seventh and eighth innings as well as two last inning runs to close the final gap to only two runs. Andrew Couzner settled down after the early avalanche to pitch well for the Redsox, going eight innings for nine hits and three K2's. Brad Jones played short stop to perfection for the Magpies, stopping everything hit his way, and making eight assists. The play of the day though goes to the Redsox left fielder Paul Ashworth, who, in the first inning, made a great back to the plate catch and relay throw through second base to double up the runner on first base.

The clubs with the most success in the 1990's are West Torrens and Henley & Grange. The Eagles won five premierships in six seasons from 1990, and then after finishing 10th in 1996, have recovered over the last two seasons to rebuild into a competitive outfit. The Rams, after entering the division one competition in 1981, struggled until making its first finals appearance in 1990. After hanging around near the top for the next five seasons, they finally broke through for their first premiership in 1996, and made it back to back triumphs last year. Sturt, the only other club to win a premiership in the 90's with its victory in 1991, have been a club that has sat around

the middle of the pack recently until making the last two grand finals. Goodwood finished runners up in its centenary 1990 season, and then struggled for a couple of seasons before recovering to finish mid-field over the last four seasons.

Glenelg have been in the upper echelons of the table through the 90's, with its three consecutive grand final losses from 1992 the lowlight. Port Adelaide began the decade in the lower end of the table, but have recovered to be a feared combination in recent seasons, and could be a dark horse this season. East Torrens has been one of the most consistent sides of the 90's, only finishing lower than fifth once, and with its strong batting line-up and deep pitching staff are my favourites for this seasons premiership. Southern Districts have proven to be the most improved side over the decade. After finishing dead last in 1991 & 92, they played in the 1994 grand final, and have been a force to be reckoned with ever since. With its minor premiership, the Hawks have earned a shot at this years flag, and in many pundits eyes are deserving favourites.

As can be seen by recent form, both this season, and over the last five or so years, any one of the eight clubs can win the 1998 premiership. The fact that every finals contest, including the grand final, will be played over a best of three basis, the best side will win the flag, with no side having a single piece of bad luck costing them its chance. Next week, there will be a review of the match-ups for the first week of the finals, with each sides' season record against its opponent highlighted, as well as likely winners suggested, and why.

In last Saturdays final minor round series of the SABL division 1, top side Southern Districts fell 2-0 to second ranked East Torrens. The game highlighted the pitching strength of both sides, a factor which could be the key in these sides reaching the grand final. The Redsox scored its first run in the fourth inning, when Jay Ivanoff reached base on a fielder's choice, stole second and came home on Paul Ashworth's hit. This lead was extended in the fifth dig when Brett Ettridge reached second base on a wild throw, advanced to third on a Jared King single and scored on the wild throw from the outfielder. Tony Sharpe was solid on the mound for the Redsox, giving up seven hits in eight innings, while Andrew Couzner picked up the save after shutting the Hawks out in the ninth dig. South rotated its three main pitchers, with Tim Nolan picking up three strike outs for no hits in three innings of work, Adam Widdison one strike out for four hits in his three innings stint, and Gene Vaninetti one strike out for two hits in the final two innings. The Hawks Jason Scarabotti and the Redsox Paul Ashworth were their sides top batters with two hits each.

The East Torrens vs Goodwood clash could be a tough or easy series for the Redsox depending on circumstances. The Indians have been on a roll since John Challinor returned from Melbourne, except for last Saturday's shock loss to Woodville. Goodwood have some good arms to back-up Challinor in Justin Clark, Jamie Bushell and Simon Galpin, but both Tony Sharpe and Andrew Couzner for the Redsox can out-pitch the latter named players. If Torrens throw Mark Chandler against Challinor, that game could go the Tribes way, but if the Redsox win, they will win the series in two. East Torrens won the first two clashes against Goodwood this season 12-5 and 4-3, before going down 14-4 last month.

The form guide over the last 10 games shows that Port Adelaide with nine wins, East Torrens with eight and Southern Districts and Henley & Grange with seven wins are better placed to go through to the second week of the finals. The Magpies have won five from six games against other finalists in this period, followed by the Redsox with four wins from six games. If I was to lay odds on each sides chances for the premiership, it would be, East Torrens 2/3, Henley & Grange and Port

Adelaide evens, Southern Districts 3/2, Goodwood 4/2, Glenelg 5/2, West Torrens and Sturt 6/2.

East Torrens defeated Goodwood in two straight games, but had to struggle in both encounters. In the Saturday game, Goodwood went out to an early 1-0 lead in the first inning when Matthew Fielder singled and then scored on Mike Morrow's hit. The Indians scratched out another run in the second inning when Craig Chandler walked, advanced to third on Simon Galpin's hit and scored on an infield out. The score remained 2-0 until the top of the sixth inning, when the Redsox finally broke through after Jay Ivanoff reached base on an error, advanced to third on Kym Biggins hit and scored on an infield out. With John Challinor pitching a great game, the Redsox made the most of a late chance in the eighth inning when Glen Simmons hit, was advanced on a Jay Ivanoff sacrifice and then scored on Paul Ashworth's infield hit to tie the game up at 2-2. In the final inning, Torrens' Brett Ettridge and Jared King collected hits, and then with two out, Jay Ivanoff hit a two run single. After a pitching change, and after a couple of runners had reached base, (including on a crucial error which would have finished the inning with the score at 4-2), Brett Ettridge put the icing on the cake with a home run to see the score blow out to 10-2. Andrew Couzner, who was getting stronger on the mound as the game progressed, made short work of the Indians in the last dig to preserve the Redsox victory. Mike Morrow and Matthew Fielder collected a pair of hits each for Goodwood, while Redsox coach Brett Ettridge was his sides top batter with three hits and three RBI's.

With an act that would have done Houdini proud, East Torrens rose from the dead to score five last inning runs and steal a 7-6 victory over Goodwood in Sunday's return match-up. The Indians again opened well, with Matthew Fielder and Scott Pratt hitting and then scoring on Mike Morrow's single to give Goodwood a first inning 2-0 lead. The Redsox got onto the scoreboard in the third inning when Jared King singled, stole second and scored on Glen Simmons shot up the middle. The score remained at 2-1 until the sixth inning when John Challinor and Simon Galpin both hit and scored on Matthew Fielder's double for Goodwood. In the bottom of the sixth dig, Kym Biggins and Brett Ettridge combined for another Redsox tally to take the score to 4-2. The Indians then seemed to have the game in its keeping when in the last inning, consecutive hits to Jamie Bushel, Matthew Graves and John Challinor, as well as a sacrifice fly to Craig Chandler, scored two more runs. Trailing by four runs, Torrens' first two batters reached base on an error and hit pitch. A single by Glen Simmons loaded the bases, and then a two run double by Jay Ivanoff forced a pitching change. Then in a fairytale scenario, Kym Biggins belted a three run home run to steal the victory away from the Indians, and complete the series sweep over the luckless Goodwood team. Justin Clark pitched magnificently for six innings for the Indians, while Tony Sharpe gave East Torrens five solid innings before tiring, and Mark Chandler, although giving up two last inning runs, picked up the win in relief. Matthew Fielder and Matthew Graves collected three hits each for the Indians, while Glen Simmons, Kym Biggins and Brett Ettridge picked up a pair of hits each for the Redsox.

In head to head clashes this season, East Torrens have comfortably accounted for Henley & Grange each time, winning 12-4, 5-1 and 4-1. As was shown last weekend, minor round match-ups count for nothing in the finals. Henley has an advantage in speed, relief pitching and finals' experience. East Torrens has an advantage in batting depth, the long ball and fielding. Normally good pitching will beat good batting, but in a close contest, East Torrens should sneak through, either way, the winner of this match-up will probably go on to take out the premiership.

With its strong showing against defending premier Henley & Grange last weekend, East Torrens has stamped itself as the premiership favourite. The key to the straight set victory was solid pitching and timely hitting.

In Saturday's nine inning game, Henley went ahead 2-0 in the bottom of the first inning. With two out, Andrew Taintey collected a hit and Peter Arnold walked, with a wild pitch scoring one run, and Danny Bakurski's single scoring the other. This lead was extended to three in the third innings when Danny Bakurski, and brothers Graham and Dominic Hodges collected hits. The game turned in the sixth dig when Glen Simmons hit and scored on Paul Ashworth's home run to cut the Rams lead to 3-2. The Rams did score a run in the bottom of the sixth when Dominic Hodges doubled and scored on Adam Nicks' hit, but the momentum was swinging towards the Redsox. A lead-off double to Brett Ettridge in the seventh inning was followed by a hit to Bryce Sturman and a walk to Jared King which loaded the bases. A two run single by Colin Stovell tied up the contest and forced a pitching change, Steve Yeatman coming out of the game for relief specialist Adam Roe. Glen Simmons sacrificed the go-ahead run over the plate, while Kym Biggins batted an insurance run in to give East Torrens a 6-4 advantage. After a scoreless eighth inning, East Torrens put the game beyond doubt in the ninth when Colin Stovell hit safely, Glen Simmons sacrificed, Jay Ivanoff doubled and Paul Ashworth singled for another two runs. After holding the Rams out in the bottom of the ninth, the Redsox emerged 8-4 victors. Andrew Couzner pitched the complete game for Torrens, giving up 12 hits and one walk while striking out three batters. Marc Taintey took six catches at right field for the Rams. Paul Ashworth was the games hitting star, picking up three hits and three RBI's for the Redsox.

East Torrens sealed its series victory on the Sunday when it defeated Henley 3-0. The result was all about good timing, as the Redsox were out-hit and out-pitched by the Rams. Henley collected five scattered hits in the game, while Torrens bunched its three hits consecutively in the fourth inning to score two runs: - doubles to Jay Ivanoff and Kym Biggins as well as a RBI single to Paul Ashworth. The Redsox other run scored in the sixth inning when Jay Ivanoff reached second base on a wild throw, third on a long outfield fly and home on Paul Ashworth's infield out. Henley's big chance came in the fifth inning, when Brett Hughes singled, but was erased in a double play, before hits to Adam Nicks and Marc Taintey and a walk to Andrew Taintey loaded the bases, but to no avail as the third out was made before any runs scored. The Rams Jon Mellor gave up three hits and one walk for three strike outs on the mound, while his direct opponent, Tony Sharpe picked up the win in giving up five hits and four walks for three strike outs.

The first game on Saturday will be played at Lockleys, while the second, and if needed, third game is due to be played at Payneham, but it may have to be played at a neutral ground because of the un-availability of the ground.

In head to head clashes this season, East Torrens and West Torrens have been evenly matched, with one win each and a tied game. The Redsox won the first encounter 10-2, which was indicative of the sides relative positions at that juncture of the season. In early December, The Eagles scored a run in the first inning, and the Redsox one in the last in an exciting 1-1 draw, with each sides gun pitchers, Andrew Queisser (Eagles) and Andrew Couzner (Redsox) in fine form. In the most recent clash between the sides, West Torrens led 8-0 before withstanding a three run last inning fightback by the Redsox. On form, either side could win, with the Eagles having disposed of the first and third ranked sides, and the Redsox the seventh and fifth ranked teams. The Redsox have shown in the series so far, a determination to succeed, while the Eagles have played like cool veterans. My tip is East Torrens

because it seems to be a team of destiny, but West Torrens will create history if it wins, as no other side has won the premiership from lower than fourth position - the Eagles coming from eighth.

Three times East Torrens has met West Torrens in a SABL grand final, with the Eagles being successful on each occasion. The last time was 10 years ago when West Torrens won 4-3. The other two times were in 1954 (2-1), and 1963 (5-1). West Torrens have won the SABL premiership 20 times, (more than any other club), seven times since summer baseball was instituted in 1968. The Eagles last success was in 1995, capping a run of four consecutive flags. East Torrens have won six premierships, four in summer baseball, the last being in 1989.

This season, for the first time, the SABL honoured an All-Star team for the season. As what could be expected, the top three sides provided nine of the 13 players. Top side Southern Districts supplied the coach in first year skipper Gary Rice, third baseman Troy Cook and designated hitter Darren Ballard. East Torrens supplied the most players to the squad with four, infielders Mark Sanders (first base), Kym Biggins (second), and Glen Simmons (short stop), as well as outfielder Paul Ashworth. Port Adelaide's gun pitcher Scott Marshall and outfielder Mark Greutner won their berths, with outstanding seasons. Catcher Burke Weber from West Torrens and outfielder Adam Nicks made up the positional players, while veteran pitchers Greg Elkson (Glenelg), and Ian Reval (Sturt) completed the pitching staff.

After being shocked 8-5 by West Torrens in Saturday's game one of the SABL division one grand final, East Torrens, riding on the back of some magnificent pitching by Tony Sharpe, won the premiership when it swept Sunday's double header, 11-0 and 4-0. After Sharpe had pitched the Redsox to its first win, there was talk that he would be a strong candidate to win the grand final MVP award. Then in a shock move, not only did Sharpe start the last game, he pitched back to back complete game shut-outs, an amazing unprecedented feat, worthy of legend status in the annals of South Australian baseball history. Of course Sharpe was a unanimous choice as the grand final MVP.

West Torrens installed themselves as favourites for the premiership when it won game one, on the Saturday at Lockleys Oval. Sam Tibbits hit a two out home run in the first inning to put the Eagles on the scoreboard, with the following batter, Mark Van Pelt walking and then scoring on Burke Weber's double to extend its early advantage to 2-0. Another two out home run from Sam Tibbits in the bottom of the third inning put the Eagles in the driver's seat with a 3-0 lead. East Torrens finally scored in the fifth inning when Glen Simmons hit a home run, and then consecutive hits to Kym Biggins, Paul Ashworth and Brett Ettridge scored another run to cut the lead to one. West Torrens bounced back immediately, when in the bottom of the fifth, two walks, hits to Sam Tibbits and Phil Burgess as well as an error scored three Eagle runs, blowing the score out to 6-2. Glen Simmons batted in a run for East Torrens in the sixth dig, while the Eagles scored single runs in the seventh, on another Sam Tibbits RBI, and the Eighth on a Drew Baker dinger to go to a 8-3 lead. East Torrens made a mini comeback in the last inning when Jay Ivanoff and Kym Biggins hit and scored on Brett Ettridge's hit, but it was all too late as the Eagles triumphed 8-5. Ben Zoontjens collected eight strike outs in going the distance on the mound for the Eagles. Sam Tibbits with four hits and four RBI's batted 1000 to be the games top hitter, while Glen Simmons and Kym Biggins picked up three hits each for the Redsox.

East Torrens came out of its corner fighting hard in game two. With two out in the first inning, Kym Biggins hit a line drive up the middle, followed by a long Paul Ashworth home run to give the Redsox a 2-0 lead. In the second inning, Colin

Stovell missed a home run by inches, and had to scramble into second with a double after commencing a premature home run trot. Jared King allowed Stovell to complete his 'trot', when he did clear the fence, for a two run dinger, and a 4-0 Redsox lead. A great running bunt from Justin Demant and hits from Glen Simmons and Paul Ashworth scored another two runs, and spelt the end for the Eagles pitcher Andrew Queisser, with Tony Stephens coming on to relieve. Stephens got the final out of the inning, but not before hitting three batters and giving up a two-run single to John Lamb. East Torrens scored two more runs in the fifth inning, with a bench clearing melee highlighting the fact that this was the grand final. Two players, one from each side, were ejected. Pinch hitter Bryce Sturman hit a home run in the sixth inning to score the eleventh and final Redsox run. Tony Sharpe was as good as his name, sharp, on the mound for East Torrens, giving up six scattered hits for four strike outs and only one walk. Phil Burgess batted 1000 for the Eagles with three hits, while most of the Redsox batters contributed in a true team effort.

In one of the bravest moves ever made in a grand final, Redsox coach Brett Ettridge risked criticism for allowing Tony Sharpe to start on the mound in the final game, after throwing 116 pitches, with only a 30 minute break. It proved an inspired move, as Sharpe pitched well under pressure to complete an amazing double victory. West Torrens continuously threatened, but showing great poise, and with a little help from his fielders, Sharpe pitched out of trouble time after time. On the other hand, the Eagles starting pitcher, David Chandler, was next to brilliant. He walked the first Redsox batter of the game - who was erased in a double play - and then retired every batter he faced, until the Redsox sixth, and final batting inning. In that fateful inning, Jared King led off with a hit, the first hit off of Chandler for the game. Justin Demant followed with another hit, then Glen Simmons picked up the Redsox third consecutive hit and batted the games first run in. After a long fly ball out, Chandler was showing signs of tiring, so a pitching change was made, with veteran Eagle Grant Puckett coming onto the mound. Kym Biggins greeted Puckett with a two run single, then further hits to Paul Ashworth and Brett Ettridge saw another run and another pitching change, with East Torrens leading 4-0. Tony Sharpe came out onto the mound for the final inning and pitched his 14th consecutive shut-out inning of the day to give East Torrens its first premiership since 1989. Sharpe threw 85 pitches to give him 201 for the day, and his 14 scoreless innings, added to his seven from the previous week's 3-0 victory over Henley, gave him an incredible 21 consecutive scoreless innings in the pressure cooker of finals. Brett Dowsett was the Eagles best player in this game, batting 1000 with two hits and a sacrifice bunt.

Although disappointed, West Torrens coach Phil Burgess was proud of his charges. He said "the team has played for its life the whole second half of the season, and almost pulled off an unlikely premiership". He added "Sharpe did a pretty good job in shutting us down, but with the average age of our squad just over 20 years old, the future is quite bright for our club".

Proud East Torrens coach Brett Ettridge, who has been bridesmaid nine times in baseball grand finals, was ecstatic at his first taste of premiership champagne. He said "Sharpe wanted the ball in the final game, and I could see in his eye his determination, a determination I knew would give East Torrens the winning edge". Even though Ettridge was over the moon directly after the presentations, he had the presence of mind to acknowledge the fantastic job West Torrens had done in rebuilding its club from within, in such a short space of time, and is fearful of how strong a club the Eagles will be in coming years.

EAST TORRENS BASEBALL CLUB - 1997/98 PREMIERS

11/10/97: East Torrens 20 d Golden Grove 1.	23/12/97: East Torrens 5 d Henley & Grange 1.
18/10/97: East Torrens 10 d West Torrens 2.	3/1/98: East Torrens 23 d Woodville 1.
25/10/97: East Torrens 9 d Glenelg 8.	6/1/98: East Torrens 11 d Central Districts 1.
28/10/97: East Torrens 5 d Sturt 3.	13/1/98: East Torrens 10 t Kensington 10.
1/11/97: East Torrens 12 d Goodwood 5.	17/1/98: East Torrens 11 d Golden Grove 2.
4/11/97: East Torrens 9 d Adelaide 2.	20/1/98: Port Adelaide 3 d East Torrens 1.
8/11/97: East Torrens 12 d Henley & Grange 4.	24/1/98: West Torrens 8 d East Torrens 3.
11/11/97: East Torrens 12 d Woodville 5.	27/1/98: Southern Districts 2 d East Torrens 1.
15/11/97: East Torrens 18 d Central Districts 1.	31/1/98: East Torrens 6 d Glenelg 4.
22/11/97: East Torrens 14 d Kensington 10.	3/2/98: Sturt 3 d East Torrens 2.
25/11/97: East Torrens 8 d Golden Grove 6.	7/2/98: East Torrens 4 d Henley & Grange 1.
29/11/97: Port Adelaide 8 d East Torrens 4.	10/2/98: East Torrens 19 d Adelaide 1.
2/12/97: East Torrens 1 t West Torrens 1.	14/2/98: Goodwood 14 d East Torrens 4.
6/11/97: East Torrens 15 d Southern Districts 2.	17/2/98: East Torrens 16 d Woodville 0.
9/11/97: Glenelg 6 d East Torrens 4.	21/2/98: East Torrens 18 d Central Districts 3.
13/12/97: East Torrens 4 d Sturt 2.	28/2/98: East Torrens 11 d Kensington 1.
16/12/97: East Torrens 4 d Goodwood 3.	7/3/98: East Torrens 9 d Port Adelaide 7.
20/12/97: East Torrens 14 d Adelaide 2.	14/3/98: East Torrens 2 d Southern Districts 0.

SABL Premiership up to and including round 39 (final), 14/3/98

Team	P	W	L	D	For	Agnst	Points
Southern Districts	36	30	6		390	163	60
East Torrens	36	27	7	2	331	133	56
Port Adelaide	36	26	10		272	140	52
Glenelg	36	25	11		279	181	50
Henley & Grange	36	22	14		298	176	44
Sturt	36	21	13	2	235	172	44
Goodwood	36	19	14	3	306	217	41
West Torrens	36	18	15	3	256	198	39
Kensington	36	13	20	3	190	251	29
Golden Grove	36	10	25	1	179*	327	21
Woodville	36	7	28		147	364	14
Adelaide	35	6	29		144	269	12
Central Districts	35	2	33		79	415	4

* A clash between Adelaide and Central Districts was washed-out, and was not rescheduled.

Results of finals' games from Saturday, 21 March and Sunday 22 March:

West Torrens d Southern Districts 2 games to 0 (18-11, 9-4).

East Torrens d Goodwood 2 games to 0 (10-2, 7-6).

Port Adelaide d Sturt 2 games to 1 (7-17, 12-6, 7-2).

Henley & Grange d Glenelg 2 games to 0 (7-6, 6-5).

Results of finals' games from Saturday, 28 March and Sunday 29 March:

East Torrens d Henley & Grange 2 games to 0 (8-4, 3-0).

West Torrens d Port Adelaide 2 games to 1 (3-11, 5-3, 13-4).

Results of grand final games from Saturday, 4 April and Sunday 5 April:

East Torrens d West Torrens 2 games to 1 (5-8, 11-0, 4-0).

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DIV I 1997/98 SEASON	BATTING					Incl. in total hits														FIELDING				SLUGGING %
TEAM RESULTS	G	PA	AB	HITS	AVG	1B	2B	3B	HR	R	SAC	BB	HPB	RBI	SB	SO	OB	LOB	CS	PO	A	E	AVGE	
GOLDEN GROVE	1	50	41	22	537	11	11	0	0	20	1	8	0	16	6	1	34	9	1	21	12	0	1000	80.49%
WEST TORRENS	2	42	39	16	410	10	5	0	1	10	0	2	1	10	0	6	20	8	0	27	10	2	949	61.54%
GLENELG	3	44	35	7	200	4	1	0	2	9	1	7	1	9	4	7	19	8	0	27	19	4	920	40.00%
STURT	4	25	20	6	300	3	3	0	0	5	0	5	0	4	2	0	11	5	0	15	6	0	1000	45.00%
GOODWOOD	5	45	40	15	375	8	3	0	4	12	1	4	0	11	3	6	23	9	1	27	8	0	1000	75.00%
ADELAIDE	6	31	30	13	433	8	5	0	0	9	0	1	0	8	1	2	15	6	0	18	8	2	929	60.00%
HENLEY & GRANGE	7	51	43	15	349	11	4	0	0	12	1	3	4	12	0	0	29	12	0	27	16	2	956	44.19%
WOODVILLE	8	30	27	12	444	8	2	1	1	12	0	2	1	9	6	1	17	3	4	15	10	1	962	70.37%
CENTRALS	9	51	49	22	449	14	6	0	2	19	1	1	0	18	11	3	29	5	0	27	10	0	1000	69.39%
KENSINGTON	10	48	40	15	375	6	4	0	5	14	2	6	0	14	1	3	24	7	0	27	14	1	976	85.00%
GOLDEN GROVE	11	36	31	11	355	8	3	0	0	8	1	4	0	7	2	0	17	7	0	21	7	3	903	45.16%
PT ADELAIDE	12	36	34	8	235	7	1	0	0	4	0	2	0	4	2	5	12	5	0	27	14	1	976	26.47%
WEST TORRENS	13	30	27	8	296	6	2	0	0	1	2	1	0	1	2	5	11	8	1	21	9	0	1000	37.04%
SOUTHERN DISTRICTS	14	40	32	15	469	6	3	1	5	15	1	5	2	14	1	3	23	4	1	21	9	0	1000	109.38%
GLENELG	15	29	28	8	286	3	3	0	2	4	0	1	0	3	0	1	10	4	1	20	11	2	939	60.71%
STURT	16	37	37	13	351	11	2	0	0	4	0	0	0	4	1	7	19	9	1	27	6	2	943	40.54%
GOODWOOD	17	32	26	7	269	5	1	0	1	4	3	1	2	4	4	6	13	8	0	21	11	1	970	42.31%
ADELAIDE	18	42	34	18	529	9	8	1	0	14	2	4	2	14	1	3	26	7	0	21	11	2	941	82.35%
HENLEY & GRANGE	19	34	29	10	345	7	2	1	0	5	2	3	0	5	1	2	14	8	0	21	9	1	968	48.28%
WOODVILLE	20	43	35	18	514	14	3	0	1	23	0	7	1	19	2	3	33	5	0	15	3	0	1000	68.57%
CENTRALS	21	32	28	17	607	11	4	1	1	11	2	2	0	9	6	3	20	9	0	15	8	0	1000	92.86%
KENSINGTON	22	28	22	7	318	4	1	0	2	10	0	3	3	10	3	2	14	3	0	15	4	2	905	63.64%
GOLDEN GROVE	23	45	40	18	450	11	5	0	2	11	1	3	1	11	3	2	24	10	1	27	10	1	974	72.50%
PT ADELAIDE	24	27	24	3	125	2	1	0	0	1	0	2	1	1	0	5	7	5	1	21	7	0	1000	16.67%
WEST TORRENS	25	36	34	9	265	8	1	0	0	3	0	2	0	3	0	3	12	6	1	24	12	0	1000	29.41%
SOUTHERN DISTRICTS	26	26	23	5	217	4	1	0	0	1	0	1	2	1	1	5	10	4	1	18	7	1	962	26.09%
GLENELG	27	37	33	9	273	7	2	0	0	6	1	1	2	5	2	6	19	7	0	27	9	0	1000	33.33%
STURT	28	29	24	7	292	6	1	0	0	2	1	4	0	2	0	5	16	9	1	18	12	1	968	33.33%
HENLEY & GRANGE	29	34	33	10	303	7	3	0	0	4	1	0	0	3	2	3	12	6	0	27	14	0	1000	39.39%
ADELAIDE	30	42	35	18	514	7	5	1	5	19	1	6	0	17	0	1	27	5	0	18	13	0	1000	114.29%
GOODWOOD	31	32	32	7	219	4	1	0	2	4	0	0	0	4	1	2	13	4	0	22	13	0	1000	43.75%

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DIV1 1997/98 SEASON		BATTING				Incl. in total hits														FIELDING				SLUGGING %
TEAM RESULTS	G	PA	AB	HITS	AVG	1B	2B	3B	HR	R	SAC	BB	HBP	RBI	SB	SO	OB	LOB	CS	PO	A	E	AVGE	
WILMINGTON	31	31	21	13	.542	5	3	0	5	10	1	0	0	15	2	1	23	3	2	15	4	0	1000	129.17%
DELL CITY	33	46	34	15	.441	10	4	0	1	18	3	5	4	16	7	1	27	7	0	21	9	0	1000	64.71%
PENNINGTON	34	31	31	14	.452	10	3	0	1	11	0	2	1	11	1	3	21	4	1	21	12	2	943	64.52%
ELITE ATHLETICS	35	39	36	12	.333	9	1	0	2	9	0	3	0	9	0	1	17	3	1	27	12	3	929	52.78%
SOUTHVIEW DISTRICTS	36	33	29	6	.207	5	1	0	0	2	0	4	0	1	2	5	13	7	0	27	19	1	979	24.14%
MINOR ROUND RESULT		1327	1159	429	.370	269	109	6	45	332	29	111	28	304	80	112	674	229	16	789	368	35	971	59.10%
GOODWOOD SEMI G1	37	44	40	13	.325	10	2	0	1	10	1	3	0	8	2	8	20	7	1	27	13	0	1000	45.00%
GOODWOOD SEMI G2	38	30	29	10	.345	8	1	0	1	7	0	0	1	7	3	5	13	5	0	21	9	1	968	48.28%
H & GRANGE PRELIM G	39	41	35	13	.371	10	2	0	1	8	3	3	0	7	2	2	18	6	1	27	17	1	978	51.43%
H & GRANGE PRELIM G2	40	23	22	3	.136	1	2	0	0	3	0	1	0	3	0	3	5	2	0	21	15	1	973	22.73%
W/TORRENS G/FINAL G1	41	42	37	12	.324	11	0	0	1	5	1	4	0	5	0	9	21	10	0	24	13	2	949	40.54%
W/TORRENS G/FINAL G2	42	34	27	12	.444	8	1	0	3	11	1	3	3	11	1	2	19	5	0	21	13	2	944	81.48%
W/TORRENS G/FINAL G3	43	24	23	6	.261	6	0	0	0	4	0	1	0	4	0	1	7	2	0	21	12	0	1000	26.09%
SEASON RESULT		1565	1372	498	.363	323	117	6	52	380	35	126	32	349	88	142	777	266	18	951	460	42	971	57.07%

DIV I	PITCHER'S FIELDING AV					PITCHING STATISTICS											PITCH COUNT			BAT %
TEAM	W/L	PO	A	E	AVGE	INN	AB	H	SO	BB	WP	RS	ER	BLK	ERA	BALLS	STRIKES	TOTAL	AGAINST	
GOLDEN GROVE	W	0	3	0	1000	7	24	5	10	4	2	1	1	0	1.29	36	71	107	208	
WEST TORRENS	W	0	5	0	1000	9	30	5	5	4	1	2	1	0	1.00	40	74	114	167	
GLENELG	W	0	4	1	800	9	38	15	5	5	2	8	6	0	6.00	54	93	147	395	
STURT	W	0	1	0	1000	5	17	4	4	3	0	3	3	0	5.40	35	50	85	235	
GOODWOOD	W	1	1	0	1000	9	33	7	10	7	3	5	5	0	5.00	64	91	155	212	
ADELAIDE	W	0	0	0	#####	6	21	3	9	3	0	2	1	0	1.50	40	68	108	143	
HENLEY & GRANGE	W	0	3	0	1000	9	36	10	4	6	0	4	3	0	3.00	54	97	151	278	
WOODVILLE	W	0	3	0	1000	5	20	8	5	2	2	5	4	0	7.20	36	55	91	400	
CENTRALS	W	0	1	0	1000	7	27	7	11	1	0	1	1	0	1.29	32	69	101	259	
KENSINGTON	W	0	1	0	1000	9	37	10	7	6	1	10	9	0	9.00	63	83	146	270	
GOLDEN GROVE	W	0	1	1	500	7	28	7	12	3	0	6	4	0	5.14	40	84	124	250	
PT ADELAIDE	L	2	1	1	750	9	36	13	5	6	1	8	8	0	8.00	57	89	146	361	
WEST TORRENS	D	1	0	0	1000	7	26	9	3	4	1	1	1	0	1.29	54	71	125	346	
SOUTHERN DIST	W	0	2	0	1000	7	24	4	6	3	2	2	2	0	2.57	42	60	102	167	
GLENELG	L	1	3	0	1000	6.667	25	8	4	5	2	6	5	0	6.75	41	56	97	320	
STURT	W	0	1	0	1000	9	31	5	15	3	0	2	1	0	1.00	42	88	130	161	
GOODWOOD	W	0	0	0	#####	7	25	5	5	1	0	3	3	0	3.86	24	54	78	200	
ADELAIDE	W	0	3	1	750	7	26	5	6	5	2	2	2	0	2.57	45	62	107	192	
HENLEY & GRANGE	W	0	3	1	750	7	25	6	11	2	0	1	1	0	1.29	37	72	109	240	
WOODVILLE	W	0	0	0	#####	5	16	2	7	4	0	1	1	0	1.80	36	54	90	125	
CENTRALS	W	1	0	0	1000	5	20	6	2	2	0	1	1	0	1.80	26	48	74	300	
KENSINGTON	D	0	0	1	0	5	25	11	3	4	0	10	7	0	12.60	45	67	112	440	
GOLDEN GROVE	W	1	4	1	833	9	30	3	14	5	1	2	2	0	2.00	54	87	141	100	
PT ADELAIDE	L	0	1	0	1000	7	25	4	7	8	1	3	3	0	3.86	58	68	126	160	
WEST TORRENS	L	0	1	0	1000	8	34	14	3	2	1	8	8	0	9.00	38	73	111	412	
SOUTHRN DISTRICTS	L	0	0	0	#####	6	22	3	2	3	1	2	1	0	1.50	34	57	91	136	
GLENELG	W	0	1	0	1000	9	32	10	2	1	0	4	4	0	4.00	41	83	124	313	
STURT	L	0	2	0	1000	6	22	7	2	4	0	3	1	1	1.50	41	53	94	318	
HENLEY & GRANGE	W	0	2	0	1000	9	34	7	10	0	1	1	1	0	1.00	40	86	126	206	
ADELAIDE	W	0	1	0	1000	6	19	4	7	2	0	1	1	0	1.50	26	57	83	211	
GOODWOOD	W	0	0	0	#####	7.333	30	11	5	11	3	14	13	0	15.96	67	91	158	367	
WOODVILLE	W	2	0	0	1000	5	14	0	10	3	0	0	0	0	0.00	31	49	80	0	
CENTRALS	W	1	1	0	1000	7	28	8	6	4	0	2	2	0	2.57	36	70	106	286	
KENSINGTON	W	0	2	0	1000	7	24	4	8	5	1	1	1	0	1.29	44	63	107	167	
PT ADELAIDE	W	0	0	0	#####	9	37	12	3	3	1	7	5	0	5.00	60	96	156	324	
SOUTHERN DIST	W	0	1	0	1000	9	30	7	2	3	3	0	0	0	0.00	45	63	108	233	
MINOR ROUND		10	52	7	899	261	971	249	230	137	32	132	112	1	3.86	1558	2552	4110	256	

DIV I	PITCHER'S FIELDING AV					PITCHING STATISTICS										PITCH COUNT			BAT %		
TEAM	W/L	PO	A	E	AVGE	INN	AB	H	SO	BB	WP	RS	ER	BLK	ERA	BALLS	STRIKES	TOTAL	AGAINST		
GOODWOOD SEMI 1	W	0	3	0	1000	9	32	8	8	4	0	2	2	0	2.00	47	89	136	250		
GOODWOOD SEMI 2	W	1	2	0	1000	7	31	14	4	2	0	6	6	0	7.71	39	86	125	452		
H & GRANGE PRELIM 1	W	3	1	0	1000	9	38	12	3	1	1	4	4	0	4.00	43	87	130	316		
H & GRANGE PRELIM 2	W	1	1	0	1000	7	25	5	3	4	0	0	0	0	0.00	43	56	99	200		
W/TORRENS G/FINAL 1	L	1	1	0	1000	8	29	9	6	8	1	8	7	0	7.88	69	79	148	310		
W/TORRENS G/FINAL 2	W	0	1	0	1000	7	27	6	4	1	0	0	0	0	0.00	47	69	116	222		
W/TORRENS G/FINAL 3	W	0	2	0	1000	7	22	5	2	1	1	0	0	0	0.00	29	56	85	227		
SEASON TOTAL	33	8	2	16	63	7	919	315	1175	308	260	158	35	152	131	1	3.74	1875	3074	4949	262