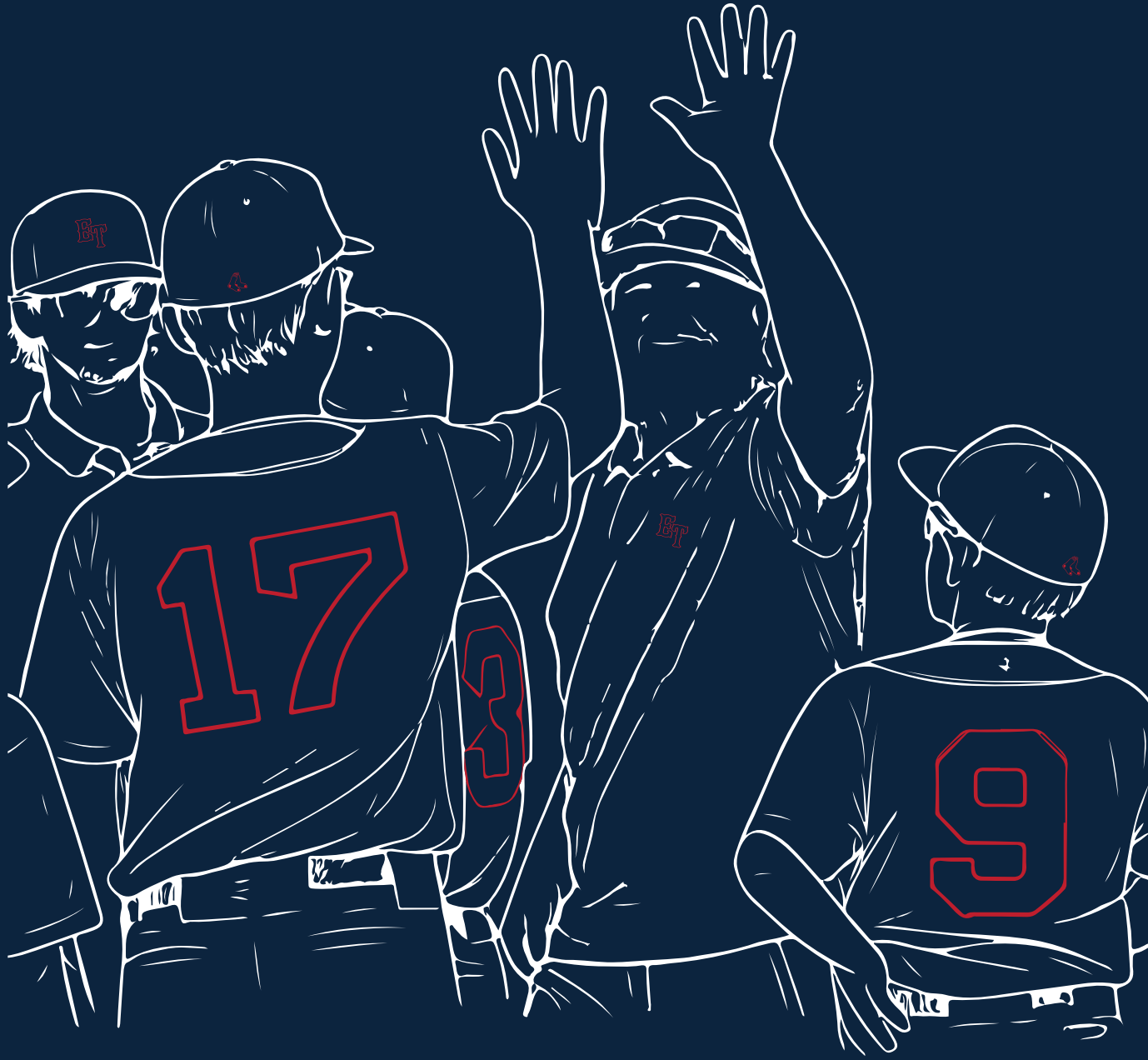


EAST TORRENS BASEBALL CLUB



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**2025 - 2026
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	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		K. ASHWORTH, G. SIMMONS
2006/07	B. SANDERSON	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	
2015/16	MRS L. SANDERSON	
2016/17	D. TOWILL	B. THOMAS †, T. HARRINGTON
2017/18	D. KING	T. SYMONS, B. COPPING, J. SMITH
2018/19	D. SYMONS	
2023/24	D. NORSWORTHY	P. ASHWORTH
2024/25	B. ARMSTRONG, P. ASHWORTH B. HOLLANDS, C. POWELL, S. YEATMAN	D. NORSWORTHY, M. STEWART J. SANDERSON, L. CHANDLER
2025/26	MRS L. NORSWORTHY, MRS S. CHANDLER	T. CHANDLER, R. MATCHAM

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

PRESIDENT:	Damien Norsworthy
VICE PRESIDENT:	David Chapman
SECRETARY:	Angela Probert
TREASURER:	Jarrad Laws
REGISTRATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS:	Stef Gratton
OPERATIONS MANAGER:	Tony Probert
STRATEGY & PLANNING:	Carmen Bischoff
DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION:	Amber Bisset

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

BAR MANAGER:	Bob Hollands
CANTEEN MANAGER:	Raman Kaur
SPONSORSHIP MANAGER:	David Chapman
SCORERS DELEGATE:	Sharon Chandler
UMPIRES DELEGATE:	Ash Ng
SENIOR COORDINATOR:	Paul Chandler
JUNIOR COORDINATOR:	Karen Mentha
WOMENS COORDINATOR:	Imogen Gray
T-BALL COORDINATOR:	Karen Mentha
FACILITIES MANAGER:	Richard Smith, Craig Powell, Paul Sowter, Braeden Ashworth
EQUIPMENT MANAGER:	Kason King
UNIFORMS AND REGALIA:	Marnie Yeatman
SOCIAL MEDIA & ONLINE COORDINATOR:	Tony Probert
SOCIAL & FUNDRAISING MANAGER:	Connor Yeatman



East Torrens Baseball Club

Annual General Meeting Minutes 25th June 2025, 7pm, Feathers Hotel

- **Welcome**
- **Acknowledgement of Country - by President - Damien Norsworthy**
- **Apologies**
 - Richard & Caroline Smith
 - Dalton Probert
 - Charlie Ashcroft
 - Ralph Robinson
 - Ashley Ng
 - Bob & Trish Hollands
 - Raman Kaur
 - Dylan Rollins
 - Paul Ashworth
 - Marnie, Steve, Jenna Yeatman
 - John King
 - Lauren Sanderson
 - Ron & Jill Chandler
 - Luke Chandler
 - Steff Gratton

- **Present (Voting Rights confirmed)**
- **Minutes from the previous Annual General Meeting 2021/22 - (“John” & Jill Chandler - amended to “Ron” from Moved to be accepted by Damien Norsworthy, seconded by David Chapman, all in favour - Accepted as accurate record, with said amendments above.**
- **Reports;**

Annual Report / Financials - **as shared and explained by D. Norsworthy, shared current bank balances, handed to Treasurer for explanation, refer to report for details**

 - Questions from the floor;
 - Damien Norsworthy shared a recent meeting that he and Amber Bisset attended with the local council. Plan is to submit plans for conversion of the current Bar to storage, moving the Bar to the other end near the Canteen, and converting the Storage room to an Accessible Bathroom. Shayne Bennett has committed to supporting the plans and architecture needed for this to happen - this will be where future funds go towards. Painting of the club, removal of the carpet, also included. Lacrosse are a significant player and on board with changes.
 - Financials moved **Moved to be accepted by Damien Norsworthy** - accepted.
- **Nominations;**
 - **D.Norsworthy reminded those present that all nominations are now reviewed by the Life Membership Panel (D.King is the Chairperson, D.Symons, C & R Smith), who then recommend the nomination be presented at the AGM.*
 - Life Members - **2 Nominations - Lynette Norsworth, Sharon Chandler** - all moved and accepted unanimously.
 - Player Life Member; Ross Matcham - missed acknowledgement at Senior Presentation Night,

- Question: Colin Stovell (raised by Jarrad King) would be close to playing continuously - Tony Probert explains the process of how the collection of this data is being improved on.
- **Elections of Officers (Executive Committee);**
 - President - **Damien Norsworthy nominated**, submitted in writing - **no other nominations, approved.**
 - Vice President - (Nominations: David Chapman) - submitted in writing - **no other nominations, approved.**
 - Secretary - (Nominations: Angela Probert) - submitted in writing - **no other nominations, all in approved.**
 - Treasurer - (Nominations: Jarrad Laws) - submitted in writing - **no other nominations, approved.**
 - ***Question from the floor; Jarrad King asked about the voting process, “who is endorsing the written nominations”,** commenting on the possibility of Boards not being a clear process. Damien Norsworthy shared the constitution and by-laws.
 - Operations Manager - (Nominations: Tony Probert) submitted in writing - **no other nominations, approved.**
 - Diversity, Equity & Inclusion Manager (Nominations: Amber Bassett) - submitted in writing - **no other nominations, approved.**
 - Registrations & Memberships Manager (Nominations: Stef Gratton) - submitted in writing - **no other nominations, approved.**
 - Strategy & Planning Coordinator (Nominations: Marmen Bischoff) submitted in writing - **no other nominations, approved.**
- **Elections of Officers (Management Committee);** (Nominations received from the floor or prior to the AGM. These positions will be confirmed at the first Executive Meeting)
 - Social & Fundraising Manager - **Conner nominated from the floor by Jared King, Darian King, to be confirmed with Conner Yeatman.**
 - Facilities Manager (House & Grounds) (Nominations: Richard Smith) via email, Paul Chandler, Katherine Seconded + Team to be confirmed - submitted via email before meeting - **no other nominations, approved.**
 - Bar Manager - (Nomination: Bob Hollands), **no other nominations – approved.**
 - Canteen Manager - (Nomination: Raman Kaur) - submitted via email - no other nominations - approved. *Discussion about this Management role being an unpaid position - however the President put to the AGM members if they were happy for Raman to be paid an Honorarium - all in favor, approved.
 - Social media & Online Coordinator - (Nominations: Tony Probert)- **Damien nominated from the floor Tony Probert, seconded by Katherine Ashworth - approved.**
 - Sponsorship Coordinator - (Nomination: David Chapman) - **no other nominations – approved.**
 - Senior Coordinator - (Nominations: Paul Chandler) - **no other nominations, - approved.**
 - Womens Coordinator - (Nominations: Nil) - **Vacant**
 - T-ball Co-ordinator - (Nomination: Nil) - **Vacant**
 - Uniform & Regalia Manager - (Nominations: Marnie Yeatman) - **from the floor Marnie Yeatman by Damien Norsworth, seconded by Katherine Ashworth, - no other nominations, - approved.**
 - Junior Coordinator - (Nomination: Karen Mentha) - **from the floor Karan Mentha, second Katherine Ashworth, - approved.**

- Umpire Coordinator (Includes acting as delegate to Umpires Association) - (Nomination: Ashley Ng) **no other nominations - approved.**
- Equipment Manager - (Nominations: Kason King) - from the floor - **no other nominations, - approved.**
- Scorer's Coordinator (Includes acting as delegate to Scorers Association) - (Nominations: Sharon Chandler) - **no other nominations, - approved.**

- **General Business;**

- **Thank you:** from Katherine Ashworth to Tony Probert for his work in the "Days to Season Opener", recommendation from Katherine for these to be compiled into a book and placed on the Bar, suggestion from Angela Probert to be made into a book for sale.
- **Review of Constitution:** Damien Norsworthy to review the Constitution on the voting system for AGM for positions.
- **Heritage Committee:** Motion by Paul Chandler to the Executive Committee to form a Sub-Committee, which would join the Life Member Committee. Seconded by Darian King, All in favour - approved.
 - Collecting information from Brian Addison is what provided data for 100yrs, without that it would have been impossible.
 - Suggested that we need to include this into our strategic direction, believes that we can do this better.
 - Would like to put forward that we establish a Heritage Committee, to collect, direct and inform when significant games being played are coming up, LM nominations, score books, Nominate for Hall of Fame, etc. continue the Red/Blue Diamonds. (refer to the proposal sent to Exec.)
- **Voting Rights:** Associate Member; allowing Voting Rights raised by Lynette Norsworthy. Acknowledged that this has not been promoted the best way - Ideas; QR code on the bar, promotions.
- **New BSA Structure:** How the club is going to manage the new BSA structure, raised by Jarad King - asking what the stance is of the Exec. in how we will manage this. In speaking to some club members, they will not play in the time slots of their proposed times, which will impact on the membership and ability to fill teams. Ops. Manager, Tony Probert, advised he would like to collaborate with members before deciding, as this will impact the outcome - Survey to be put out by Exec. to seek feedback. Jared King asked for ET to send BSA a Thank You to BSA for getting this out too early for planning.
- BSA Special General Meeting Monday next week; raised by Paul Chandler, we need to have 3 people attend - as they believe they are trying to change how they get votes to make changes.
- Yardball Proposal for all Inclusive Sport; document up for review/feedback shared by Amber Bisset, encouraging members to view this, recently sent via email to members. Program directives are for Yardball Project to expand to 3 additional clubs for 2nd season.
- Scorebooks; price increase

- **Meeting Closed - 8.55pm**



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PRESIDENT

Over the past 12 months, I have spent a lot of time reflecting on the decisions I have made and those of the Executive Committee. Success in sport is often measured by premierships, finals appearances, wins and losses, but when I look at where the East Torrens Baseball Club stands today, I see something much bigger than that. I see a club that continues to grow, strengthen and evolve both on and off the field. I see a community that genuinely cares, and I see a club that is building something sustainable for the future. This is a credit to everyone involved in this baseball club. I sincerely wish to thank all of the hard working Executive Committee this season and seasons past who are key enablers of this success.

On the field, we have once again demonstrated the strength and depth of our playing groups across all areas of the club. Our senior squad competing in finals baseball is a reflection of the commitment, standards and culture of all involved. I want to thank Darian King for his contribution to this success. It certainly assisted when you have the Capps Medal winner playing for you, congratulations Harry Deliyannis.

This success and growth continued with the Women's program, again finals representation, but more importantly continued improvements in all aspects of the game. Well done to everyone involved.

Equally exciting has been the success of our junior program, including multiple junior premierships. Seeing our young players develop not only as athletes, but as teammates and people, is one of the most rewarding parts of being involved in community sport. Those premierships are a credit to the dedication of our junior coaches, coordinators, volunteers and families who put in countless hours behind the scenes. More importantly, they represent a healthy future for our club.

What has pleased me most, however, is that our growth has not been limited to results on the diamond. Off the field, the club continues to move forward in a strong and stable position. We have continued to grow our membership, strengthen our operations and improve the way we support our players, families and volunteers. Financial stability remains one of the most important foundations of any sporting club, and I am proud that East Torrens continues to operate responsibly while still investing back into our people and our programs.

Community sporting clubs across Australia continue to face increasing challenges. Costs continue to rise, expectations continue to grow, and volunteer organisations are being asked to do more than ever before. In that environment, maintaining stability is an achievement in itself. Continuing to grow while remaining stable is something our entire club should take enormous pride in.

A major part of that success comes from the incredible support we receive from our sponsors. Quite simply, we cannot do what we do without them. Our sponsors are not just names on a sign, banner or uniform. They are genuine supporters of our club, our players and our community. Many of them have stood beside East Torrens for years, continuing to support us through changing times because they believe in what this club represents. Others have joined us more recently and have immediately become valued members of our baseball community.

PRESIDENT

This year we have seen continued growth in our sponsorship program, and that support directly impacts our ability to provide opportunities for our players and families. To every business, sponsor and supporter who has backed our club this year — thank you. Your contribution matters more than you probably realise, and we are incredibly grateful for your ongoing support and belief in our vision.

Another cornerstone of our success is our volunteer base. Every successful community club is built on volunteers, but I genuinely believe East Torrens has something special in this space. Week after week, we continue to see an amazing group of people giving their time, energy and effort simply because they care about the club and the people within it. Whether it is coaching teams, preparing fields, working in the canteen, helping with fundraising, organising events, scoring games, managing teams, serving on committees or quietly helping behind the scenes without recognition — our volunteers are the heartbeat of this club. Community sport simply does not survive without volunteers, and the reality is that many people often do far more than anyone sees publicly. The countless hours that are invested behind the scenes are what allow players to take the field every week and families to enjoy being part of the East Torrens community. To every volunteer at our club: thank you. Your contribution is valued, appreciated and never taken for granted.

As proud as I am of what has been achieved this year, I also know that strong clubs cannot afford to stand still. One of the most important areas of focus continues to be future planning and long-term sustainability. We have continued to work through our strategic action plan with the aim of ensuring East Torrens remains a strong, stable and thriving club for many years to come. Our focus is not simply on short-term success. It is about building a club that can weather the inevitable financial ebbs and flows that all community organisations experience. It is about creating systems, structures and culture that support success during the good times while also providing resilience during the more challenging periods. Importantly, it is about ensuring we remain in a position of strength as conversations around future redevelopment opportunities continue. Redevelopment can bring enormous opportunities for growth and improvement, but it also requires stability, planning and confidence. My goal has always been to ensure East Torrens is in a position where we can have meaningful input into the future of our facilities and our club environment while remaining financially and operationally secure throughout the process.

As I close this report, I want to simply say thank you. Thank you to our players, coaches, volunteers, sponsors, committee members, life members, families and supporters. Thank you to those who step up when help is needed. Thank you to those who quietly contribute behind the scenes without seeking recognition. Thank you to everyone who gives their time, energy and passion to make this club what it is. Clubs like East Torrens are never built by one person. They are built by communities. By people who care. By people who turn up, support one another and work together toward something bigger than themselves. That is what makes this club special. I could not be prouder of what we have achieved together this year, and I am incredibly excited about what lies ahead for the East Torrens Baseball Club.

Damien Norsworthy

VICE PRESIDENT

Firstly I would thank the hard working Executive Committee. There is so much to juggle and maneuver through and they should all be commended for their dedication for the year just gone.

Secondly I would like to thank the many volunteers who help out with the grounds, cooking BBQs, doing their duty in the canteen, or the bar, helping with merchandise, organizing events, team managers and coaches. All of whom assist us to support the players and get them on the field and playing baseball.

As for Vice-President you tend to pick up a varying amount of jobs along the way, trying to coordinate some ground setups and packups, even hosting imports, liaisons with Lacrosse, and also with Council about ground redevelopment and upgrades. This can be especially complicated, tricky and testing.

This year we spent a fair bit of time re-setting some of our sponsorship programs and have been able to deliver quite a few more valuable sponsors to join our current valuable sponsors. And it is fair to say that as a club we could not sustain our fees and grow strategically without their support.

As for our previous and current sponsors, I would like to thank Carls Jr, Australian Fire Services, DJR Property Services, Swift Plumbing, Campbelltown Meat Centre, John Lamb Carpentry, Bickfords, Royce Cross, Environ Green Clean, Enviro Sweep, Karmony, SEO Web, LJ Hooker, Powell Installations, Biggins Carpets, CMFS Group, Tyrepower and I Do Maintenance. And also welcome: The Payneham Tavern, Whittles, Electric Environs, Scott Construct, Chisolm Orthodontics, and Cleanaway.

So please please please support our sponsors where you can.

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David Chapman



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SECRETARY

The 2025/26 season represents a pivotal year for ETBC as we focus on strengthening the foundations of our club through community, connection, and shared purpose. By reinforcing who we are and what we stand for, we continue to create an environment where all members can thrive.

Our success was not only measured in performance, but in the strength of our community, the depth of our engagement, and the consistency with which we live our values. This season, we have seen that when our values are embedded into everyday actions, the rewards extend beyond the field - enhancing participation, retention, and overall club culture. A key priority for 2025/26 has been to build and sustain a strong, inclusive community. By fostering meaningful connections between players, families, volunteers and supporters, ETBC has continued to grow as more than just a sporting club - we are a place where people belong.

Through increased engagement, open communication, and inclusive events, we have strengthened the sense of connection across all levels of the club. This foundation is critical to our future sustainability and success.

Central to this progress has been the consistent application of our values, which collectively underpin our culture and success. By prioritising growth and development, fostering an inclusive and diverse environment, and nurturing a strong sense of community and family, we have strengthened engagement and participation across all levels of the club. At the same time, embracing courage and resilience has enabled us to navigate challenges and adapt, while maintaining a culture of respect, fair play, integrity and honesty has reinforced trust, accountability, and positive experiences for all members. The combined impact of these values is evident not only in our performance, but in the strength, cohesion, and sustainability of our club community.

Looking ahead, we remain focused on embedding these foundations further. By continuing to invest in our people and consistently living our values, ETBC is well positioned to achieve long-term success while remaining a club where everyone feels connected, supported, and proud to belong.

“Building inclusion and equity requires a growth mindset where missteps are treated as learning opportunities rather than failures. Acknowledging blind spots allows organisations and individuals to shift from performative gestures to structural, meaningful change ”

Josephine Palermo

To Amber, Tony & Damien, including the extended Yardball committee, you continue to amaze us with the outcomes created. Thank you to the team you are building around this important project Canteen and Bar Management was predominantly managed by Raman this Season, however it was Damien and his Mother Lynn that backfilled when needed, including running the kitchen on our Thursday Club Nights. The canteen and bar remain a pivotal part of the revenue for the East Torrens Baseball Club and we thank every volunteer that supported the operational needs throughout the season.

SECRETARY

If success was measured in effort, East Torrens would be notably recognised. To our Club Sponsors, thank you for supporting us in what we believe in and love.

Executive Committee; to Damien Norsworthy, David Chapman, Jarred Laws, Amber Basset, Carmen Bischoff, Tony Probert and Stef Gratton, it's been a pleasure! We have learnt from each other, supported each other and led with transparency and integrity.

To our partners and families, thank you for your patience, support and understanding on the days where we doubted ourselves, were time poor and burning the candle at both ends. It's an exciting period to be involved with the club, onwards and upwards!

Angela Probert

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TREASURER

The Club's financial year runs from 1 July to 30 June each year. Accordingly, the financial information presented in this report is current as at 28 June 2026 and is reported on a cash basis. Final accounts will be prepared following the end of the financial year on 30 June 2026. A small number of expenses are still expected to be received and processed prior to year-end, and therefore the figures contained in this report remain subject to minor adjustment.

The 2025/26 season has delivered an estimated operating surplus of more than \$30,000, representing an outstanding financial result and likely one of the strongest in the Club's history. This achievement would not have been possible without the continued support of our sponsors, the dedication of our volunteers, the tireless efforts of the Committee, and the contributions of our members through memberships, bar and canteen purchases, fundraising activities, and club functions.

It is also important to acknowledge the significant contribution of grant funding secured throughout the year. In particular, the Yard Ball Grant secured by Amber, along with several other grants successfully obtained by Carmen, have provided substantial financial assistance and helped offset a number of Club expenses. The considerable time and effort invested in preparing and submitting grant applications is greatly appreciated, and it is hoped that the Club will continue to secure similar opportunities in future years for the benefit of our members and facilities.

Cash sponsorship revenue, including Player Sponsorships, totalled \$51,200 for the year. This is a remarkable achievement and represents an increase of approximately \$26,000 compared with the previous financial year. Our Vice President and Sponsorship Manager successfully attracted several new sponsors while continuing to foster strong relationships with our existing sponsors. I'd like to extend sincere thanks to all sponsors for their valued support and commitment, and we look forward to continuing these partnerships in the years ahead.

Financial Highlights

- Bar sales increased by 11%, with profit improving by almost \$4,000.
- Canteen sales increased by 18%, with profit increasing by approximately \$2,900.
- Regalia and uniform sales increased by 44%.
- The Beyond Bank Term Deposit balance, with interest reinvested, has grown to \$53,237.
- The Club purchased a new ride-on mower to support our grounds volunteers, who continue to maintain one of the premier playing surfaces in the league.

I would also like to extend a sincere thank you to all volunteers who have contributed throughout the season. Whether assisting in the canteen and bar, maintaining the clubrooms and grounds, supporting fundraising activities, or helping organise club functions, your efforts are invaluable. The Club relies heavily on volunteer support, and without it, the cost of operating the Club would be significantly higher.

Due to changes in my professional commitments, I will be stepping down from the role of Treasurer following the AGM. It has been a privilege to serve the Club in this capacity.

TREASURER

I would like to express my gratitude to Norsy and Ange for their ongoing support, including providing the documentation required for reconciliations, approving payment batches at all hours, and assisting with tasks whenever needed. I also thank both current and former Committee members over the past four years for their support, guidance, and unwavering commitment to acting in the best interests of the Club. Finally, a special thank you to Chappy, who eventually convinced me to submit my nomination and take on the Treasurer role in the first place.

While my playing days and tenure as Treasurer have come to an end, I look forward to remaining involved with the Club, attending games when I can, supporting our ET teams, and, of course, making the occasional visit to the bar.

Thank you for the opportunity to serve the Club over the past four years.

Jarrad Laws

Profit and loss report

Cash mode

01 Jul 2025 - 28 Jun 2026

	Total			
	Actual	Last Year	Variance \$	Variance %
4-0000 Income				
4-1200 Sponsorship - Club	46,300.00	21,500.00	24,800.00	115
4-1250 Sponsorship - Player	4,900.00	4,434.00	466.00	10
4-2100 Club Membership - Junior	14,698.01	11,987.51	2,710.50	23
4-2120 Club Membership - Senior	11,291.97	12,686.50	(1,394.53)	-11
4-2150 Club Membership - Tee Ball	709.42	967.40	(257.98)	-27
4-2300 Social & Fundraising	8,834.00	9,928.05	(1,094.05)	-11
4-2400 Club Membership - Non Player	0.00	424.60	(424.60)	-100
4-4100 Bar Sales	40,985.95	36,794.58	4,191.37	11
4-5100 Canteen Sales	50,657.50	42,797.20	7,860.30	18
4-7100 Regalia & Uniforms Sales	14,517.74	10,035.74	4,482.00	45
4-7150 Less Cost of Goods Sold Regalia & Uniform	(9,598.18)	(8,483.50)	(1,114.68)	-13
4-8200 Clubroom / Grounds Hire	1,870.00	2,150.00	(280.00)	-13
4-8550 Don Rice Foundation Income	1,490.00	750.00	740.00	99
4-9005 Canteen Levy	3,075.00	3,380.00	(305.00)	-9
4-9006 Baseball SA Profit Share	674.65	0.00	674.65	-
Total Income	190,406.06	149,352.08	41,053.98	27.50%
Gross Profit	190,406.06	149,352.08	41,053.98	28
6-0000 Expense				
6-1002 Administration	1,531.00	602.69	928.31	154
6-1004 Bar Expenses	18,864.20	18,589.53	274.67	2
6-1006 Baseball SA	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	-
6-1008 BUASA	7,134.01	6,552.29	581.72	9
6-1010 SA Scorers Association	430.00	367.50	62.50	17
6-1100 Redsox - Umpires & Other	1,179.00	1,384.61	(205.61)	-15
6-1101 Redsox - Coaches & Managers	4,500.00	5,000.00	(500.00)	-10
6-1102 Coaches & Managers	6,250.00	7,622.25	(1,372.25)	-18
6-1103 Regalia & Uniform	0.00	(558.42)	558.42	100
6-1104 Equipment	5,018.25	11,365.14	(6,346.89)	-56
6-1106 Pre Season Training Exp	3,960.00	2,860.00	1,100.00	38
6-1112 Import & Players	14,316.75	11,039.36	3,277.39	30
6-1113 Club Car	2,621.05	0.00	2,621.05	-
6-1120 Tee Ball	136.06	1,100.69	(964.63)	-88
6-1175 Social & Fundraising Expenses	3,693.72	2,838.72	855.00	30
6-1180 Sponsorship Expense	9,197.12	4,109.71	5,087.41	124
6-1203 Cleaning	3,780.81	4,177.37	(396.56)	-10
6-1204 R & M - Club House	1,596.34	1,647.72	(51.38)	-3
6-1206 R & M - Grounds	8,581.03	6,130.17	2,450.86	40
6-1210 Security	286.00	550.55	(264.55)	-48

Total

	Actual	Last Year	Variance \$	Variance %
6-1450 Don Rice Foundation	1,220.75	1,287.90	(67.15)	-5
6-1510 Life Members	158.00	587.00	(429.00)	-73
6-1650 Ground Hire	14,772.05	10,000.00	4,772.05	48
6-1710 Club Insurance	2,750.30	1,088.98	1,661.32	153
6-2700 Trophies	3,566.00	3,299.50	266.50	8
6-2750 Telephone/Internet	535.00	1,160.00	(625.00)	-54
6-2810 Electricity	5,377.97	4,306.12	1,071.85	25
6-7200 Website	495.00	660.00	(165.00)	-25
6-9970 Canteen Expenses	37,374.15	32,392.56	4,981.59	15
6-9988 Square Charges	2,255.53	1,748.68	506.85	29
6-9997 Subscriptions/Licences	460.00	825.00	(365.00)	-44
Total Expense	163,040.09	142,735.62	20,304.47	14.20%
Operating Profit	27,365.97	6,616.46	20,749.51	314
8-0000 Other Income				
8-1001 Interest Income	3,062.76	3,772.22	(709.46)	-19
Total Other Income	3,062.76	3,772.22	(709.46)	-18.80%
Net Profit	30,428.73	10,388.68	20,040.05	193

Balance sheet report

Cash mode

28 Jun 2026

	Total
1-0000 Asset	
1-0001 Banking	
1-1110 Westpac High Interest 3849	0.02
1-1120 Beyond Operating 03209817	66,606.06
1-1125 Beyond Transactional	7,623.82
1-1130 Beyond - Don Rice	1,533.99
Total Banking	75,763.89
1-1500 Regalia Stock on Hand	5,188.00
1-4001 Beyond Bank 3 Month Term Deposit	53,237.56
Total Asset	134,189.45
2-0000 Liability	
2-3400 J King Junior Fund	2,387.30
2-3603 Yard Ball Grant	32.19
2-3605 Community Funding Grant - Norwood, Payneham & St Peters	109.20
2-3608 Ground Hire (Provision)	10,000.00
2-3610 Active Grant	3,000.00
Total Liability	15,528.69
Net Assets	118,660.76
3-0000 Equity	
3-0001 Retained Earnings	
3-1600 Retained earnings	88,232.03
Total Retained Earnings	88,232.03
3-0002 Current Earnings	
3-1800 Current year earnings	30,428.73
Total Current Earnings	30,428.73
Total Equity	118,660.76

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REGISTRATIONS & MEMBERSHIPS

Thank you to all members for registering and paying their fees in full this season.

Baseball SA raised their fees by 4% across the majority of categories this season however as a club, we opted for a more targeted approach with our fee increases. Junior and Divisions 4-6 fees were increased by just \$5, while a larger increase was applied to Division 3 to bring them in line with Divisions 1 and 2 given the change in structure to their competition. We also decided to raise Women's fees to align them more closely with Divisions 1-6. We did not raise fees for 3-game memberships.

As always our goal is to balance accessibility with financial sustainability, and we believe this approach achieved that.

With regards to registration numbers, we had a total of 212 registered members, compared to 202 last season, representing a 5% increase, which is a pleasing result overall.

The registrations break down as follows:

- 58 Senior Mens (59 last season)
- 36 Senior Womens (27 last season)
- 95 Juniors – T-Ball to U18 (101 last season)
- 15 Yardball (10 last season)
- 8 Volunteers (5 last season)

While our juniors went backwards this season, the growth came from a very successful recruitment drive in our women's program as well as increased participation in our yardball program.

This season, we made positive progress in improving our records for Life Members and volunteers through the establishment of a Heritage Committee. This initiative will assist in ensuring our historical records are accurate and that past players and Life Members remain connected and informed about club activities.

The Heritage Committee will also assess the nominations of new Player Life Members and Life Members, taking over this process from the Life Membership Committee. We acknowledge and appreciate the contributions of the members of the Life Membership committee that have chosen not to continue with the Heritage Committee.

Stef Gratton

DIVERSITY, EQUITY & INCLUSION

The 2025/26 season saw steady progress in East Torrens Baseball Club's (ETBC) commitment to inclusion, member experience and safe, welcoming environments. The club continued to strengthen programs, governance and understanding of member needs. Growth in the Yard Ball and women's programs highlighted the value of inclusive initiatives and player pathways.

Member, Player & Volunteer Engagement: Feedback was gathered from across our baseball community, including players from the Yard Ball, women's, juniors' and men's programs, as well as volunteers. Members described positive team environments, supportive coaching and a strong sense of belonging. They also clearly highlighted the need for clearer communication, better coordination across teams and volunteers, and continued improvements to facilities as the club grows. This feedback is valued and will directly inform planning for the 2026/27 season.

Participation, Leadership & Volunteering: ETBC is committed to creating opportunities for members to contribute in ways that suit their interests, strengths and capacity - from coaching and game-day support to events, sub-committees and leadership pathways. Getting involved beyond the game is a great way to connect with the club community, learn new skills and contribute to a positive environment. We also see real value in supporting young volunteers as they build confidence, gain experience and develop independence. As we look ahead, we encourage members to think about how they might get involved next season. Whether it's a small role or a larger commitment, every contribution is valued and helps us grow as an inclusive club for everyone.

Inclusive Facilities & Club Environment: Members described ETBC as a welcoming and inclusive club, and also highlighted the importance of having facilities that support this experience. The Executive recognises the need for ongoing upgrades to meet the club's growth, and continued to progress this work throughout the season through advocacy, planning and engagement with Council.

Gender Equality & Leadership Development: ETBC continued its involvement in the Raise Gender Equality Program, progressing actions, including advocating for inclusive facilities, increasing mixed-gender events, refreshing the Codes of Behaviour and strengthening the visibility of club values. I was supported to participate in the Marjorie Jackson-Nelson Centre for Women's Sport Program, which provided a valuable opportunity to learn, connect with leaders across sport and highlight the work underway at ETBC.

Thank you to our players, volunteers and families for contributing to a positive, inclusive and welcoming club environment throughout the 2025/26 season.

Amber Bisset

YARD BALL PROGRAM

The 2025/26 season was another strong year for Yard Ball, offering a welcoming and inclusive way for children, young people and women with disability to learn baseball, build confidence and connect with the East Torrens Baseball Club (ETBC) community. Nineteen participants took part across three programs, with every player from Season 1 returning. Supported by our coaches, buddies and volunteers, players developed new skills, grew in confidence and formed friendships that extended beyond the diamond.

A major milestone this season was a pilot game where our Yard Ball women and teenage girls played their first game of baseball with tailored preparation and support. It was described as a powerful moment of genuine inclusion and a highlight of the year. A big thank you goes to our two Division 3 women's teams for their support and leadership in making this game such a positive and memorable experience. The inaugural Showcase Day was another proud moment, with participants taking the field on the main diamond, throwing the first pitch and sharing the day with Gawler Rangers Baseball Club.

Expansion to Gawler Rangers: This season also marked the first year of Yard Ball at Gawler Rangers. Delivered with real dedication, the program created a welcoming and inclusive environment that was clearly loved by participants and families. We sincerely thank and congratulate the Gawler team for taking on Yard Ball and delivering it with such care and commitment. Their work shows how Yard Ball can grow and create inclusive opportunities across more clubs and communities.

Funding, Recognition and Future Growth: Yard Ball is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health, Disability and Ageing, and ETBC has secured an extension of funding for the 2026/27 season - a significant achievement and recognition of the program's impact. ETBC has also been awarded a grant in partnership with Baseball SA to strengthen inclusive structures and practices across the league. Yard Ball's contribution was acknowledged in the House of Representatives in 2025, reflecting its growing influence in inclusive community sport.

Looking ahead, we are focused on expanding Yard Ball and formalising transition pathways so participants have more opportunities to move into other junior and senior programs at the club.

Acknowledgements: The progress of Yard Ball reflects the commitment of many people across ETBC. The DEI Subcommittee provided leadership and lived experience, while coaches, buddies, volunteers and families created a supportive and welcoming environment each week. The wider ETBC membership also supported the program throughout the season, helping it become a valued part of our club identity - thank you.

Amber Bisset and Tony Probert





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STRATEGY & PLANNING

As I prepare to step away from my role as Strategy and Planning Coordinator, I have reflected on another productive year for East Torrens Baseball Club.

Throughout the year, I have worked alongside the Committee to ensure our activities remain aligned with the Club's strategic priorities and long-term goals. A key focus has been supporting sustainable growth, volunteer development, grant funding opportunities and future planning.

The second-hand uniform sale was successfully delivered for a second year and again received strong support from Club members. The initiative helps reduce costs for families, promotes sustainability through the reuse of uniforms and equipment, and contributes to making baseball more accessible for new and existing players.

Volunteer and coach development also remained a priority. Following the successful Coaching Pathways Program, the Coaching Pathways Booklet was distributed to provide coaches with a clear framework for development and progression within the Club. I would also like to acknowledge Operations Manager Tony Probert, who has continued to expand on this work by delivering a number of coaching development sessions throughout the year. His commitment to improving coaching standards is helping to create better experiences and outcomes for players across the Club.

Grant funding and project development have continued to be important areas of focus. During the year, I supported a number of grant applications and funding opportunities aimed at improving facilities, increasing participation opportunities and strengthening the Club's long-term sustainability.

I am proud of the direction our Club is heading. We continue to have a dedicated group of volunteers, coaches, players and families who contribute to a positive, inclusive and community-focused environment.

I have developed a great appreciation for the work undertaken by Committee members and volunteers. Much of what makes East Torrens successful happens behind the scenes through the commitment and effort of people who are willing to give their time for the benefit of others. I would encourage any member who has considered becoming involved in the Committee or volunteering to take that step. Every contribution makes a difference, and new ideas and perspectives are essential to the continued growth of our Club.

As this will be my final report in this role, I would like to thank the Committee, volunteers, coaches, players and families for their support over the years. It has been a privilege to contribute to the strategic direction and development of East Torrens Baseball Club, and I look forward to watching the Club continue to grow and succeed in the future.

Carmen Bischoff



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The season began with another successful Winter Academy program, which this year included the introduction of our inaugural High-Performance Academy. Congratulations to the seven junior players who participated in this program. Thank you also to Aiden Lucas, Dalton Probert and Braeden Ashworth for coaching and mentoring these athletes, supported by the knowledge and experience of Jake Wong.

Across the season, East Torrens successfully fielded teams in all competitions and continued to provide playing opportunities across junior, senior and womens baseball. Unfortunately, we were again required to withdraw our Under 18 team, a challenge faced by many clubs as increasing numbers of players transition into senior baseball at younger ages. We remain committed to providing opportunities and pathways for these players as they continue their development.

I would like to thank Junior Coordinator Karen Mentha and our dedicated junior coaches for their commitment to player development. A special congratulations to Head Coaches Nick and Bubba and their coaching teams, who were rewarded with League Championships in both the Under 14 Division 1 and Under 14 Division 2 competitions.

Thank you also to Senior Coordinator Paul Chandler and Women's Coordinator Imogen for their work throughout the season. A particular acknowledgement should go to Paul, Carmen Bischoff, Vic and Imogen for the continued growth and development of our women's program, which remains one of the club's great success stories.

Another challenge this season was providing meaningful and consistent training opportunities for our Division 4-6 players. As with many clubs, some players are keen to train every week while others are happy to simply enjoy their Saturday baseball. Finding the right balance remains a work in progress and, while we haven't found the perfect solution yet, we remain committed to improving opportunities for players who want additional development. If anyone has any ideas, I would love to hear it.

Training allocations and field usage continue to require careful planning and flexibility. Thank you to our coaches, players, families and volunteers for their cooperation throughout the season. As participation continues to grow and council developments place pressure on available space, training facilities will remain a significant challenge moving forward. A huge thank you also to our hardworking grounds crew, led by Dicky Smith, whose efforts ensure our facilities remain among the best in the competition.

Another successful initiative was the introduction of our Midweek Academy Program, providing targeted skill development opportunities for aspiring athletes. Thank you to Dalton Probert, Jake Wong, Braeden Ashworth and Harry Deliyannis for delivering these sessions. It was pleasing to see several participants go on to represent at State and Charter level. Thank you also to the parents who supported these opportunities.

A significant highlight of the season was the continued success of our inclusive baseball program, Yard Ball. Thank you to the coaches, volunteers, buddies, families and supporters who make the program possible, and most importantly to our Yard Ball participants, whose enthusiasm continues to make the program such a success.

OPERATIONS MANAGER

A special thank you must also go to our registration guru, Stef, whose work ensures our players are registered, compliant and ready to take the field each week. I would also like to acknowledge Connor Yeatman for the significant role he played in coordinating the club's social activities throughout the season. Events such as Putt for Cash were a great success and contributed positively to club culture.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge Vice President David Chapman for securing significant sponsorship and partnership support for the club. I would also like to recognise Carmen Bischoff and Amber Bisset for the considerable work they undertake in preparing grant applications that help fund many of our programs and initiatives.

As our club continues to grow, so too does our need for volunteers. Whether coaching, team managing, scoring, assisting with fundraising or helping at working bees, there is always an opportunity to contribute. Many of our most successful programs exist because someone stepped forward and got involved.

The operation of a club the size of East Torrens relies on the efforts of many people. Thank you to everyone who contributes throughout the year, and particularly to our Board and executive team for the many hours invested behind the scenes. A special thank you to President Damien Norsworthy, whose leadership and commitment continue to drive our club forward.

I look forward to building on these successes and continuing to provide opportunities for all members of our baseball community in the seasons ahead.

Tony Probert

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WOMENS COORDINATOR

The 2025/26 season marked a landmark year for the East Torrens Red Sox Women's Baseball Program and stands as our most successful season to date. The club proudly fielded three women's teams, demonstrating strong growth in participation, development, and depth across the squad.

The Red Sox Women's squad were represented by one Division 2 team and two Division 3 teams, with competitive performances across all grades and positive development throughout the season. All teams showed resilience, teamwork, and commitment across the year, contributing to a strong overall season for women's baseball at East Torrens.

Finals Campaign and Results

Division 2

The Division 2 team enjoyed a standout season, achieving their first-ever finals appearance, a major milestone for the squad. After a strong regular season, the team progressed to the Preliminary Final, where they were narrowly knocked out, just missing the opportunity to advance further. While disappointing on the day, this finals debut reflects the significant improvement, belief, and competitiveness the team has built and represents a major step forward for the program.

Division 3 Red

The Division 3 Red team qualified for finals and competed strongly throughout the season. They were eliminated in the first round of finals, but their qualification highlights the team's consistency and ability to compete in a challenging division.

Division 3 Navy

The Division 3 Navy team just missed out on finals, finishing narrowly outside the qualification positions. After a rough start to the season, the group rallied impressively, showing great resilience and determination. The team finished the year with some excellent wins, making their late-season performances a real highlight and setting strong foundations for future seasons.

Player Development and Squad Growth

The 2025/26 season saw a significant influx of new players into the women's program. Some joined completely new to baseball, while others took the step onto the diamond after years of supporting from the sidelines. Their enthusiasm and willingness to learn played a vital role in the growth and success of the squad.

The group represents a wide range of sporting backgrounds, bringing diverse skills and perspectives to the game. It has been a highlight of the season to celebrate players' achievements not only in baseball, but also across their other sporting disciplines. These shared successes continue to strengthen the culture and camaraderie of the squad.

Individual Achievements

A major highlight and another first for the East Torrens Red Sox Women's Program was recognition at league level:

WOMENS COORDINATOR

Two Red Sox players finished in the Top 5 of the Capps Medal for their divisions:

Sune Myburgh

Pip Spence

This achievement reflects both individual excellence and the growing competitiveness of the women's program, marking a significant milestone for the club.

Key Achievements Summary

- Fielded three women's teams in the Friday night competition the first time
- Most successful season in the program's history
- Division 2 had their first ever finals campaign, reaching the Preliminary Final
- Division 3 Red qualifying for finals
- Strong late season resurgence from Division 3 Navy
- Two players finishing Top 5 in the Capps Medal, a club first

Looking Ahead

The achievements of the 2025/26 season provide a strong platform for continued growth.

With increasing participation, improving results, and strong player development across divisions, the East Torrens Red Sox Women's Program is well positioned to build on this success and continue progressing in future seasons.

Acknowledgements

Thank you to all players for their commitment, effort, and sportsmanship throughout the season. Your willingness to support one another, continue learning, and represent the East Torrens Red Sox with pride was central to the success of the 2025/26 campaign.

A sincere thank you to the coaches and team officials for their leadership, guidance, and tireless work both on and off the field, and to the volunteers, families, and supporters whose ongoing dedication makes women's baseball possible at East Torrens.

A special acknowledgement and thank you must also go to our scorers. Your time, consistency, and attention to detail are vital to the running of each game and the integrity of the competition. The role you play is often behind the scenes, but it is absolutely essential, and the squad is incredibly grateful for the commitment you show week in and week out. The contributions of everyone involved have made the 2025/26 season a defining year, one that showcased growth, opportunity, and the strength of the East Torrens Red Sox Women's squad.

Imogen Gray

SENIOR COORDINATOR

It has been a pleasure to work alongside our on-diamond personnel throughout our 102nd season. While the year presented its share of logistical hurdles, the resilience of our members ensured another successful chapter for the East Torrens Baseball Club.

Operations & League Transitions

Significant shifts in the State League Division programming required an immense amount of administrative effort. I would like to extend a massive thank you to Tony Probert; without his tireless dedication, we may not have successfully fielded our Senior Division 4 team.

Unfortunately, the changes to game times led several of our Division 4 stalwarts to opt for “early retirement,” and their presence on the diamond was missed.

On the legislative front, Baseball SA introduced sweeping changes to the Bylaws and Playing Conditions. While this eliminated the need for permit applications, it created new challenges. I believe these changes inadvertently allowed some clubs to “strengthen” teams in ways that go against the spirit of fair competition. Closing this loophole will be a primary focus as we head into the next season.

Coaching & Team Performance

A special thank you goes to Darian King as his tenure as our Senior Division 1 Coach comes to an end. Coaching at this level is often a thankless task involving staggering hours both in and out of season. Securing a finals berth in his final year was a well-deserved reward for his commitment.

To all our Senior Coaches: thank you for your constant cooperation. Your efforts ensured we fielded full teams every week and met our umpiring and canteen commitments. However, I must note that our Senior Divisions 1, 2, and 3 need to show significant improvement in assisting with canteen duties on weekend game days next season.

Season Standings:

Finalists: State League Divisions 1, 2, 5, and 6.

Competitive Finish: Divisions 3 and 4 narrowly missed out on finals action.

Women’s Program: Celebrated its most successful season to date (please refer to Imogen’s report for the full breakdown).

Club Support & Community

My thanks go out to the Club Executive and Committee Members. Your leadership keeps this volunteer-run club thriving, and your work in finalizing our Strategic and Action Plans has set a clear path for our future. To our Ground Crew: you perform an often-unseen task, yet the quality of our diamonds is a testament to your hard work. We are truly in your debt.

I also want to highlight the growth of The Yard Ball Program. Thank you to Amber Bisset and Tony Probert for their leadership here, as well as the specialist coaches who helped make these programs such a success.

I am already missing the game, but I am incredibly optimistic about what lies ahead. See you all for Season #103.

Paul Chandler

“To succeed in baseball, as in life, you must make adjustments.” — Ken Griffey Jr.

JUNIOR COORDINATOR

It was pleasing to see an increase in player numbers in the junior program this season. We entered under 8s, two under 10 teams, two under 12 teams, two under 14 teams and an under 16 team, plus our Tee-ball and yard ball programs.

All teams experienced their own success. For the first time ever we were able to enter two under 10 teams. Both under 10 teams and our under 8 peewee team had a great season, learnt a lot and had a great time. These grades don't play finals.

Out of the grades that do play finals, 4 out of our 5 teams made the finals. Both under 12 teams made the finals and played brilliantly narrowly going down in very close games. Congratulations to both of our under 14 teams. Both under 14 teams not only made the grand final but went on to win in impressive form. Well done Bubba's and Nick's under 14 teams on their Premierships.

Unfortunately I am stepping down in my role as Junior Coordinator. I hope whoever takes over this position continues to promote our club and our junior program (through come and trys and winter Academy, etc) and continues to increase our number of junior members.

Thank you

Karen Mentha

SCORERS COORDINATOR

I would like to extend a sincere thank you to all the volunteers who stepped up to score across all grades this season. Your contribution is vital to the success of our games.

Special Acknowledgments

A huge thank you to Kirra King, Katherine Ashworth, and Gail King for scoring for Divisions 1, 2, and 3, and for their diligent work with GameChanger.

I also want to thank Tony Probert for streaming our Division 1 games. Tony, the amount of work you do for our club is truly amazing and appreciated by everyone.

I would also like to congratulate Kirra King and Katherine Ashworth on obtaining their Level 2 Accreditation. Furthermore, thank you both for giving up your time to run the scorers' clinic in the clubrooms, guiding our newer members as they learn to score this great game.

Education and Development

For those who enjoyed scoring for a child or partner this year, Baseball Australia has launched an online learning platform. This site provides education for coaches, scorers, umpires, and governance officials.

These courses are perfect for volunteers supporting local club competitions, whether you are scoring for the first time or wish to advance your skills beyond your immediate team.

How to access training:

Visit the South Australian Baseball Scorers Association (SABSA) website: www.sabaseballscorers.com.au

Navigate to "Training" > BA Online Training > BA Training Registration.

Alternatively, register directly via: <https://baseball.canopihr.com.au/>

The SABSA website and Facebook page are excellent resources for information, upcoming training sessions, and accreditation assessments throughout the year.

Administration Reminders

Thank you to everyone who promptly forwarded results sheets this season for Game Day stats entry. While most are doing a great job, there is always room for improvement. These results are essential, as they are sent to Baseball South Australia to determine MVPs and finals eligibility.

Club Appreciation

Thank you to all committee members for your hard work. A special mention goes to Bob Hollands for managing the bar, and to everyone who assisted with the canteen.

It is wonderful to be part of such a special club. Baseball is at the heart of my family's life, and I am grateful for the involvement. A personal thank you to Paul, Luke, and Troy for helping me learn and enjoy this game.

Sharon Chandler

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BAR MANAGER

Thank you to the Executive Committee for accepting my nomination for the Bar Manager this season. I can't give you any figures for sales and profit. The Treasurers Report will have the exact figures. I know we had around \$40k in sales though. I think this is down a bit from previous years. The main reason was because the first half of the season we had a few rain outs and a lot of Tuesday night games which are traditionally quiet nights (sales wise). The second half of the season had us with a lot of away games as well.

We always appreciate any sponsorship given to the club and I would like to thank all our sponsors, but especially The Payneham Tavern. Their sponsorship was greatly appreciated. I would email an order on Monday morning, and they would have it delivered to the club by Friday. This always saved me a lot of running around. Thank you to Adam and all the staff at the Payneham Tavern.

Thanks to everyone that got behind the bar to help, but I must give a big thanks to Ashleigh Ng, Tony Probert and Damien Norsworthy. They were always there to help, especially Ash on Thursday and Friday nights. I must also give a mention to Connor Yeatman for getting involved with the social side of the club. The beer pong night was great plus the Putt for Cash was also very successful. The ladies on Friday nights always came in and supported the bar plus encouraged their opponents to join them and the Div 5 team always hung around after the game for a few.

A big thanks to my beautiful wife, Trish for allowing me to do the bar again this season. I retired in August last year and thought that this would be a great way to keep involved with the club and keep active but unfortunately often woke up Sunday struggling to get out of bed. Not enjoying getting older but I really did enjoy being behind the bar this year. Thanks to everyone for supporting the club.

Bob Hollands





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CLUB AWARDS

Graham Fisher Memorial



Braedan Ashworth

Volunteer Of The Year (Patrons Trophy)

Ash Ng

Peter Pike Coach Of The Year

Anthony 'Bubba' Dienelt

George Hayman Shield


Under 14 Division 1 (Anthony Dienelt)

Red Sox Trophy U21

Connor Yeatman

Max Trengrove Junior Batting Award

Ryan Northey U12/2



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DIVISION 1 Mens

We kicked off preseason back at Seaton High School, using their indoor facility again. We ran the second year of our Driveline hitting program, and while we expected progress to level out after last year's big jump, the boys still bought in fully and were dedicated to the task. We averaged 12 to 20 people at preseason training from the start of August, strong numbers and a great spread across younger players and senior guys. While our diamond time at Seaton was limited, having the indoor facility meant we could train regardless of the weather, which we really appreciate the club investing in.

We welcomed Harry Deliyannis, fresh off playing in the Belgium league, and he gave us much-needed depth in the pitching rotation. His ability to throw deep into games was welcomed and added some firepower in the batter's box. Above all he stayed relatively healthy, which with the year we had is almost worth an award on its own. Unfortunately, injuries became a theme across our full squad. It started early with a training mishap where Aiden Lucas went down with a sore shoulder, and across the season we had seven long-term injuries, plus numerous other illnesses and niggles throughout. That tested our depth, but it also showed our character, because the players who stepped in did an excellent job and it allowed us to stay competitive when it would've been easy to drop away.

Some of the wins this season just felt different. We reflected on plenty of games where we honestly didn't play our best baseball, but we still found a way to get it done, grinding it out as a whole team. This never give up team first attitude was refreshing to see and something that hopefully becomes the norm and puts fear in opposition in years to come.

In the end, we finished the season in 5th spot with 20 wins, which earned us a finals berth — a strong result considering everything we had to navigate. Finals baseball is a different beast, and we ran into a strong Southern Districts side, bowing out in the first round in the first two games of the three-game series. It was a tough pill to swallow because we genuinely believed we could go further.

A sincere thank you to the players for the effort and buy-in, to families and supporters for everything you do throughout the season, and to the club, including the Executive and Management Committees, and everyone behind the scenes for their ongoing support.

Special thank you's to:

Scorers: Katherine Ashworth, Kirra King, Sharon Chandler, Gail King and Marnie for filling in a few times

Team Manager: Paul Chandler

Live Stream: Tony Probert

Thursday night schnitzels: Damien & Lyn Norsworthy, and all the other helpers

Grounds: Dickie, Powelly, Braeden & crew

Coaching staff: Kym Biggins, Travis Underhill, Glen Simmons & Jake Wong — your selfless dedication to the squad is genuinely appreciated and highly valued

DIVISION 1 Mens

Team Awards

Gold Glove — Carter Powell: Carter was rock solid behind the dish all season. He didn't commit an error in the regular season. He gave the pitchers confidence to throw any pitch knowing Carter would take care of it, and opposition runners were definitely hesitant to steal on him.

Batting Award — Aiden Lucas: Aiden had a great season at the plate. He missed a few games early with the busted shoulder, but when he returned he was a true threat in the middle of our order. He led the team in OPS, and more importantly, he delivered in clutch situations.

MVP — Harry Deliyannis: Harry is a genuine two-way player — reliable on the mound and solid at the plate. He started 14 games for us, including one in the finals, for a total of 97 innings. He only issued 20 walks all season. Offensively, he gave us a spark near the top portion of the lineup, and he was a big part of why we stayed competitive all year. Harry also received the league's highest award, the Capps Medal. This award doesn't come easy. As a coach, bringing in an import player is always a leap of faith, especially when you haven't seen them play before and have to back your instincts. Seeing that player succeed on and off the diamond and become an ET Capps Medalist is something really special.

This was my last season as the Division 1 club coach, and I've genuinely enjoyed it. After a lot of thought, I've decided to step down from the role. Coming back into senior coaching a few years ago, my first year as division 1 coach when it was the club's 100th year was really special. And to be able to lead this group into the finals in my third year is something I'm proud of.

Along the way we lost a few players — some great players — and some who felt the grass might be greener elsewhere and were ready for a different opportunity. In a way, that galvanised the squad. It created space for others to step up, and we built belief in players who maybe hadn't had it before. We proved that when we play for each other, and not as individuals, that's the way forward — and that's where success starts.

Across these three years, we also took some big scalps: three Bevis Marks Cup wins, some genuine rival games against sides featuring former ET players, and that 100th Year celebration game win, just to name a few. Those are moments that stick, and they say a lot about what this group is capable of.

Before I finish, I just want to thank Kirra, Kason, and Harlan for supporting me through this journey. It's not easy having your husband or your dad as the coach — when most decisions get scrutinised, and you've got to be resilient and take it in your stride. Thank you for the patience, the understanding, and for backing me the whole way.

This squad is on the way up, and I've got real faith in the person who is following me to keep leading these guys and continue driving them toward success. Baseball never really leaves your veins, so you never know what the future holds. But for now, I'm looking forward to taking a much-needed break.

Darian King

Capps Medal

Congratulations Harry Deliyannis on winning the 2025/26 Capps Medal



DIVISION 2 Mens

I would like to thank the Division 1 coach for the opportunity to coach Division 2, as well as the opportunity to work with the Division 1 squad throughout the season.

Our aim this season was to make finals, develop players in preparation for Division 1, and support the current Division 1 squad. We had a successful regular season, winning 13 of our 16 games, including an 11-game winning streak. This saw us finish second on the ladder, just one game behind first place.

Unfortunately, that form did not carry over into finals. However, it provided a valuable learning experience for our younger and less experienced players.

Throughout the season, the players showed tremendous grit and resilience. They consistently refused to give in when behind and were able to secure several wins after trailing by multiple runs.

While our team batting average of .280 was solid, I do not believe it was our greatest achievement, as there is still plenty of room for improvement. Credit must go to the players for manufacturing runs through stolen bases, maintaining patience in the batter's box, drawing walks, and being selective with their pitch choices.

Division 2 Award Winners

MVP – Zac Stroud

Zac was our most versatile and reliable player. No matter which position he played, he consistently excelled.

Runner-Up MVP – Troy Chandler

Troy was a consistently strong performer throughout the entire season.

Most Improved – Jack Wilton

Jack was outstanding during his time in Division 2 before earning promotion to Division 1 during the season.

Thank you to everyone who helped throughout the season. We would not have been able to get through the year without everyone's support and contribution. Special thanks to Glen Simmons, Richard Smith (Dicky), Katherine Ashworth and the ground staff Craig Powell, Brayden Ashworth and Dicky without you none of the teams would be able to play.

Thanks,

Kym Biggins

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DIVISION 2 Womens

Wow, what a season for our Women's Program! This year we welcomed 16 new faces to the club, bringing us to a total of 35 registered players. This growth allowed us to field three teams—and while it's not the first time in our history we've done so, having all three playing on Friday evenings required a massive commitment from everyone to ensure we never took the field short.

To the squad's absolute credit, your maturity and dedication meant we only ran short twice all year. It is a testament to this group; you would be hard-pressed to find a more inviting or supportive collection of players.

While my focus for this report is on the Division 2 group, I have to applaud all three teams. Yes, everyone wants to win, but you all play the game exactly as it should be played: with smiles on your faces and genuine support for one another.

Strengthening Our Community

Our relationships with the Para Hills East Soccer Club and the premiership-winning West Torrens Softball Club have gone from strength to strength, and we are thrilled to welcome the Lockleys Football Club into our family.

ETBC Strategic Plan

I might be biased, but I believe this group of players, supporters, and staff truly live its values—especially Respect, Community, Diversity, and Inclusion. My personal highlight of the season was seeing our two Division 3 teams play each other alongside our Yard Ball participants; it was a moving moment for many of us.

Growth and Development

With our increasing numbers, we introduced a leadership group of four individuals across the three grades to improve two-way communication. As we look toward next season, we'll continue to build on this. The next step in our evolution will likely involve splitting the group for training sessions while still maintaining one night a week where we all come together as a whole program.

Our official preseason kicked off in early August, and I'd like to thank the Club Executive for funding the 10-week indoor program at Seaton High School. I also want to acknowledge the dedicated group who started even earlier, hitting Ridley Reserve on Sunday mornings back in June.

Division 2 Season Review

With Division 2 moving to a full-size diamond, there was a bit of "wait and see" regarding how we'd adjust. As it turns out, we handled it beautifully, winning seven of our nine games heading into the Christmas break.

We maintained the same "core" from last season, while welcoming Ash Wood, Bree Green, Erin Hollingworth, Kayla Morris, and Raman Kaur, who all stepped up to get their first taste of Division 2 baseball. By winning three of our final six games, we secured 3rd place and a home final in an incredibly tight race where only one win separated 2nd from 6th.

DIVISION 2 Womens

In our first final against Glenelg—a team that had beaten us convincingly earlier in the year—we shook off a slow start to finish with a strong 11–5 victory. That win took us to Golden Grove Central Districts to face the 2nd-ranked team for a spot in the Grand Final. In an epic battle played over two days, we fell short by just a single run to the eventual Champions. While the end result was disappointing, our players can hold their heads high; they gave everything they had in a game that truly could have gone either way.

Award Winners

Best & Fairest: Suné Myburgh I've had the pleasure of coaching Suné for four seasons now, and her growth in such a short time is incredible. Suné is one of the hardest workers in the squad and improved in every facet of the game this season. Finishing 2nd in the League Medal, Suné adjusted to the extra diamond distance perfectly and became an incredibly reliable hitter in the middle of our lineup.

Batting Award: Sophie Hoyle Sophie led the team in almost every statistical category, posting a .704 Average, 1.074 SLG, and 1.816 OPS. Sophie was 2nd in OBA (.742) and RBIs (12). Whenever Sophie stepped to the plate, you knew the ball was going to be put in play.

Coaches & Team Commitment: Carmen Bischoff This was a difficult choice that could have gone to several players, with special mentions to Teghan and Ash Wood. Carmen is the first person picked each week. Carmen is immensely coachable, never shirks a contest, and does whatever is required for the club. A true leader by example—fingers crossed we see Carmen back around the diamond next year!

Inaugural Women's Player's Player Award

Based on the Brad Thomas Memorial Player's Player Award.

All members of the playing group were invited to vote 3-2-1 for the teammate who best exemplifies character, commitment, club spirit, and on/off-field support. We had an amazing turnout with 28 of our 35 players casting a vote, and 20 different players receiving multiple nominations.

It was my great pleasure to announce the inaugural winner of the Women's Player's Player Award: Carmen Bischoff.

Acknowledgments

A program this size doesn't run without an army of support. My sincere thanks to:

The Leadership Group: Vic McKinlay, Ash Sanderson, Samantha Kennett, and Carmen Bischoff.

Women's Coordinator: Imo Gray.

Division 3 Coaches & Staff: Barney Braithwaite and Matt Williams for leading the Navy and Red teams, assisted by George McKinlay, Steven Pryor, Stef Gratton, and

"People ask me what I do in winter when there's no baseball. I'll tell you what I do. I stare out of the window and wait for spring" Rogers Hornsby

Connor Yeatman. Thanks also to scorers Liz McKinlay, Lauren Sanderson, and Gail King.

Technical Support: Richard Trengrove and Darren "Robbo" Robinson for their Thursday nights, and Andrew Couzner for his work with the pitchers.

The "Right Hand": Paul Ashworth, for being my right-hand man and for those late-night "five-minute" phone calls.

DIVISION 2 Womens

Special Guest: Stephanie Trzcinski. Despite representing her country and leading West Torrens to a premiership, she still found time to assist on game days and during the preseason. Your “voice of reason” is greatly appreciated.

Scorers: Tess Appleby and Sharon Chandler.

Club Leadership: Deb Rollins (the 2nd best EO in the club!), the Executive, and the Committee for their tireless work.

The Crew: The ground crew for the diamonds, and everyone who volunteered in the canteen and bar.

Finally, to my best friend and partner, Sharon. Thank you for your love, your scoring, and your selfless support—and for letting me “date” 35 other women for the last eight months!

Paul Chandler

“People ask me what I do in winter when there’s no baseball. I’ll tell you what I do. I stare out of the window and wait for spring” Rogers Hornsby



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DIVISION 3 Womens Navy

Another successful pre-season for the women's program was started with the forming of a third team. Division 3 Women's Navy had 21 women play at some stage for the team. This is a testament to the closeness that this women's squad have in that they could swap and change between teams and still feel comfortable wherever they found themselves. It also shows how a well-coordinated coaching group all with similar mind sets and plans helps support the squad.

To the women that were part of the women's squad this year, thank you. I enjoyed this year. It is a unique opportunity to coach this group, and I encourage others if they have the time to get out and help.

I need to thank Stef Gratton for helping on the nights I couldn't be there. I need to thank the umpires, scorers and helpers who without their support we could not play. I appreciate you all. I also need to thank Chuckles and Paul Ashworth for their assistance and coaching experience. I particularly want to thank those specialist coaches that came out to training to help with the finer aspects of the game. Your expertise was priceless. We would have been lost without them. I can't express enough how much some of the people in this team improved over the season. The development of those that were new to the game this year was exceptional. They should be congratulated for their efforts.

We missed the finals by one game. A demonstration of our improvement was shown by our results against Southern Districts. Losing in the first game of the season to them 12-10 and winning the last game of the year 19-6. We had ups and downs through the season. There was a huge distance between the top teams in Division 3 and the bottom. However, there were times where we made the best of teams panic and wonder if we were going to shock them. We even beat a couple of teams that didn't expect it.

Congratulations to Kelly, our best and fairest for the year. She had an exceptional year on the mound. To Ash Ng the winner of our batting trophy with only 1 strike out for the season. Her experience in this team was exceptional. Congratulations also to Ashlyn Wright for her award. A first-year player who managed to take on shortstop with great enthusiasm and skill while managing to be a mum with babies while doing it.

I look forward to doing it all again next year.

Barney

DIVISION 3 Womens Red

We started the year with 4 returning players & 7 debutants. A huge amount of player development and magnet shifting throughout the year saw us eventually land on a really competitive team that could match it with the best.

We finished 5th on 9 wins, 5 losses and went down in the first week of finals to eventual winner H&G Gold.

Thanks to Liz McKinlay for scoring, George McKinlay & Steve Pryor for their coaching assistance & also Steve for his impeccable umpiring ability on display at all home games.

Coaches Award – Jess Patman

You may have seen her around the club every day of the week. Rarely missed a training session. Started the year playing pivot and batting down the order but by season's end found her spot as our catcher lead off in finals. She brought just the right amount of white line fever and could even concentrate at the plate with Oscar yelling incomprehensible, rapid-fire gibberish from the coaches box.

Batting Award – Vic McKinlay

After a slow start to the season, Vic came home like a freight train in the batter's box. Didn't miss a game and went 17/34 at the plate for an average of .500 while recording 25 RBI's & 20 SB's.

MVP – Pip Spence

Pitched well and fought hard for us all year. Played every game and went 21/37 at the plate for an average of .568 while recording 12RBI's, 30SB's, 29 Coaches votes, 16 League votes.

Well done to all on a great season.

Matt Williams

DIVISION 3 Mens

Another good pre-season saw the boys in good stead for a season where we would push, not only to make finals, but contest for the flag. Compared to last year's roster we had a few players missing, either not playing or moving up the grades, but gained a couple of experienced guys to hopefully fill the void.

Unfortunately, things didn't go to plan. As the season progressed the injury list across the Div 1-3 squad kept getting bigger. This depleted the Div 3 team as players had to move up to fill the team above. On the bright side it gave a few of the young players a chance to experience senior baseball where they might not have until next year.

Each week was a struggle to get a full team together and on a couple of occasions we played with 8 players and even won one of those games (great effort lads). To the boys' credit they never dropped their heads and battled hard to the end. It was a steep learning curve for the rookies of senior baseball but hopefully it didn't dishearten them from the great game, and I hope with the experience around them they learnt a lot of fundamentals of the game. Hopefully next year we will have a group of lads that will stay together as a team to build a steady structure and consistency to strive for finals and beyond. Thanks for the season boys.

We ended the season in 8th position (only 1 game out of 6th) with a 7 win, 1 draw, 8 loss record.

Congratulations to Archie Carman for taking out the Div 3 MVP. Archie had a great season controlling the outfield and his offence keeps getting better every year. He was rewarded with multiple games in Div 2. Well done Archie

Best Team Man went to a veteran of the game, Jared King. Jared's knowledge of the game and enthusiasm to share this with the team, especially the younger guys, is fantastic. He takes control of the game behind the dish and with a young pitching roster he teaches them how to pitch the game of baseball.

Rookie of the Year went to a very young guy that we had playing in multiple positions throughout the year due to availability but also was a great opportunity for him to experience senior baseball from a variety of perspectives. As the season went on his confidence grew and with experienced guys around him teaching him the finer points of baseball he will mature into a great baseball player. Congratulations to Hudson Thomas.

On closing, I would like to thank 'Dickie' Smith for his help on game days, not only as first base coach but the banter and comments on the bench. Cheers mate. Thank you to all the Senior coaching staff of Daz, Kym, Trav and Jake for your help and support throughout the year. CHEER BOYS. Cannot forget the scorers who helped out during the year, much appreciated. To the ground staff on another magnificent effort on producing the best ground in the state and to the REDSOX Family, Thank You.

Lastly I would like to thank my Mum, my wife Lee and my kids for all their support during the year.

Simmo

DIVISION 4

The off-season exodus of nearly half the squad & over 2000 games of experience — lost due to retirement, work, and family commitments — left the team rebuilding from the ground up. It was important for the club to field a team in this division and special thanks needs to go to Tony Probert for calling on talent from the lower divisions to help fill the roster and fly the East Torrens flag in Division 4.

The final ledger read 5 wins and 9 losses, but those numbers don't tell the full story. Four of those five victories were come-from-behind, walk-off wins — the kind that speak volumes about the character in that dugout. Time and again, when it would have been easy to fold, this group found a way.

On the mound, Ross Matcham was exceptional. A top-five CAPPs Medal finisher and the club's MVP & achieved playing life membership. Ross set the tone week in, week out and gave the team every chance to compete.

Logan Arnold was a revelation. For a player so young, his temperament and composure throughout the season were outstanding — qualities that earned him the well-deserved Coaches Award and mark him as one to watch.

Gavin Patman embodied everything a team man should be. Turning up every game and filling in wherever he was needed — every position bar the mound — Gav was the glue that held the group together, and his Best Team Man award was thoroughly earned.

The club also owes a sincere thank you to Jess Patman for scoring our games all season, and to Ash for umpiring the majority of our matches.

To every player who pulled on the Red Sox jersey this year — thank you. This season was a testament to the depth of talent and the spirit at East Torrens Baseball Club.

Dwayne, Stef, Dave & Ross

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DIVISION 5

Firstly I'd like to thank Vicki for scoring most games and Deb Rollins for team managing and basically keeping us high on sugar and misting fans. I'd also like to congratulate the Div 4 and 6 teams around us as we always tried to help each other out and we need to keep going with fielding these teams for the benefit of our club.

Also to Lawsy – he's officially retired, his knee is no good and he's done, he's one of those glue guys and for the last few years has been host for the famous Late Season Pool Party – you will be missed but we are still coming for the pool party.

Also would like to acknowledge all of our partners for supporting us to play this game. And also like to acknowledge the passing of Ralph Robinson in October, and in my time he was always at the games, letting everyone know what he thought about calls. We miss you Ralph.

The season just gone:

Coming off back to back flags in Div 6 we were “elevated” to Div 5 with a league wide restructure. And finished the season in third place of 15, with a 10 win 3 loss 1 draw season (only 14 games!!!!)

Interestingly the eventual premiers were one of a few teams that were “allowed” to not field a Div 4 side - and perhaps the final result showed that fairness. That said, we did beat them 2-1.

We started the season again with injuries and of our planned starting pitchers we lost 2 for most of the season. Nevertheless we started with a nice 3 win run before running into an away loss at Souths (grand finalists) and away draw at Flinders. We steadied up to Christmas 7-1-1. After Christmas we again lost away to Glenelg and ended the regular season with a home loss to Goodwood (although that did not affect our ladder position.)

We then entered the finals in third place and AGAIN had to play a home final at Norths v Glenelg and again we lost a “home “ final : 1-0. We were the lucky loser and we headed down to South for the prelim and went down 6-1, and even though we outhit Souths we couldn't get them when they counted and we were out.

Some fun stats – we had a team batting average of 371, had 144 hits, 64 walks, 37 Ks and 48 stolen bases. On the fielding side we gave up 103 hits, 44 walks, and had 105 Ks – with a team strike percentage of 66% and made few errors.

Strikeout King: Kano and Delly with 5, Walk King – Kano with 13, Stolen Bases Matt with 13 and Delly with 11 and Norsy and Dylzy with ZERO

Awards: Best Team Man

This award goes to a guy who could be relied upon to do a lot of team things. He led the team with 17 RBIs, and was second in stolen bases with 11. He played multiple positions and made some great plays in the field, had the most plate appearances and completed the year with a 333 batting average. He also was our regular runner for the catcher.

So the best team man award goes to the Italian Stallion – Tony Dellosa!!!

DIVISION 5

Awards: Batting Average

This is always a hotly contested award. With the last couple of years this coming down to one hit to decide the award – and this year was no different. The top three were separated by one hit in total.

Kano came in third with 457 (including 16 hits and 2 stolen bases)

Batting 459 and coming second for I think the third year in a row was Matty Williams who also managed 13 stolen bases.

And the winner batting 481, getting a hit in every game except the season opener versus the wooden spooners, also with 9 stolen bases is Anton Couch!!!

Awards: MVP

Again it's hard to go against pitchers and especially pitchers who can hit.

In third place with 12 votes – as out starting catcher for the majority of the season and a late move to the mound he managed 12 RBIs batting 341. On the bump he threw 18 innings for 25ks- was Aaron Rollins

In second place with 14 votes - pitched early and was injured just prior to Xmas which ruled him out for the rest of the season. Threw 24 digs for 28Ks and was 4th in our batting with 415 was Dylan Rollins

In first place – he threw 50 innings for 44ks and only 10 walks with a 73% strike percentage. With the bat as mentioned above he went at 457. He also managed second in the league medal this year - our Div 5 MVP – Kane Galloway

My final nod to the season just gone is best summed up in a song – more commonly known as Joey by Concrete Blonde: For Jarrad Laws

Lawsy, Baby

Your knee, is breaking

Not enough wins, and cooled jets

We were out, in straight sets

But if we seem to be confused

Cant have a pool party without you

And when you said you retired, well I almost did so too

I know you've heard it all before

And I don't wanna close the door

And if you're out there we could get a flag once more

Oh Lawys your not hurting any more

Thanks

Chappy

DIVISION 6

Team dynamic was very mixed this year with vets and new players to the team with around 4 players moving up to Div 4 to help out as well as injuries to some of our Veterans and also some not coming back. We put out the call and received 1 of our 2 International signings with Henrique Chen joining from Taiwan, Henry was also a part of our successful Red Sox team who won the Winterball Grand Final. Our 2nd International signing was Gurpreet Saini, Gurpreet came out of nowhere with the cricketing background and wanted to give baseball a try – he impressed everyone at his 1st training and with his desire to continue playing cricket it gave us a much welcomed hard throwing player.

The season was very much spent on the road after we copped a heap of away games on the first half of the year and but going into Xmas we held a 5-4 record which was a great result.

We kicked off after Xmas with the bare 9 and all 9 looked and played like they celebrated Xmas & New Years too much and took a few weeks to remember we were back playing ball. Coupled with this was the sad loss of Henrique who had completed his studies in Australia and returned to Taiwan. Adam Brooks was solid behind the plate this year and was a very welcomed addition to the team after deciding to retire down south after years of success up north with the 5's (previously 6's), Steve Prior lead the outfield again this year with solid catching and defense in Left Field, the Braithwaites continued their solid work at 1st base and also Lachy moving over to 3rd Base late in the season to help out was very solid, Declan back in his old role at 2nd Base put up some great defence late in the year and Strugs the everywhere man moved around and did what ever role he was asked to do with a smile. The Battery held well for the season and we snuck into the finals into 6th position, Noah Rogers leading the way on the mound and striking out 75 for the year, Gurpreet got a taste in the relief position and impressed and the coach did his best to cough up leads in 2nd relief.

Leading the batting this year was a neck and neck with the Rogers crew, father and son duelling til the last at bat with Noah (0.436) taking out the batting title by 0.012 over the coach (0.424), Steve Prior (0.387) who had a fantastic last half with the bat settled into 3rd and Gurpreet in only his 1st year came in 4th (0.370)

The MVP race was never really a race with Noah leading the title chase from the get go and ran out the MVP again this year with 34 votes, Gurpreet in his impressive 1st year was Runner Up with 10 votes and Adam Brooks slid in to 3rd with 9 votes for the year.

A huge thank you to the efforts and volunteering of Louis Mourtzios who contacted us prior to the season starting asking to be our scorer for the year, Louis was amazing and very thorough and deserves a big thank you!

Thanks also to the Div 4, 5 and Womens teams for helping us out with numbers throughout the season, especially after Xmas when everyone was hibernating!

Thank you to all the players for volunteering when needed, although a struggle at times we managed to get it all sorted.

Looking forward to 2026/27!

Tony Rogers



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UNDER 16

Along with Aiden Lucas, I coached the Under 16's team in 2025-26. As a manager of a team, it was a learning experience for me just as much as it was a learning experience for many of the boys on the field. Many thanks to Aiden for his assistance

We went into the season with seven players who were U16 age, and after the second week of the season, that number went down to six, so from the beginning we played with Under 14's playing up on our squad. Those six players were Samuel Northsworthy, Hudson Thomas, Lincoln Page, Lucas Welldon, Orlando Grantham, and Jordan Mackie. Of these players, Jordan and Orlando had never played baseball before and it was my pleasure to teach them the game and watch them improve to the end of the season.

Seb Haskett and Sam Clarke played up with the 16's every game that they were allowed to while staying eligible for U14 finals, and they filled key roles for us in the infield, with Sam playing shortstop and Seb playing catcher, first base, and third base.

Even with Seb and Sammy, we still needed to fill out a lineup card each week, and we got appearances from almost every player from the U14-1 team, including Flynn Dienelt, Zac Gratton, Hunter Peterson, Lachy Elliott, Oscar Patman, Shintaro Urushidate, Marcus Cicchiello, and Aaron Davis.

On the mound, Samuel, Hudson, and Lucas threw almost 90 percent of the innings. Samuel had the most innings and he pounded the plate with strikes. The staff also got innings from Flynn, Zac, Harlan King, and an appearance from Jordan.

Seb and Lincoln were our two main catchers, and they put in work behind the plate all season long. I am really proud of their progression with blocking balls. Seb especially, at the start of the year, was reluctant to try to block balls, and over the course of the year he turned into a blocking and framing machine.

Although we didn't win many games (final record of 3-11), I'm proud of our improvement as a team on the field and in focus during training over the course of the season. Certainly we were a better team at the end of the year than we were at the beginning.

Team MVP - Samuel Norsworthy

Hitting Award - Hudson Thomas

Coaches Award - Seb Haskett

Special acknowledgement to the boys who have just represented SA teams at national tournaments.

Adelaide Armada Senior League (in Sydney) - Hudson.

Adelaide Marlins Junior League (in Lismore) - Sammy & Seb.

Adelaide Armada Intermediate League (in Lismore) - Flynn & Zac, with coaches Bubba, Couz & Powelly. Tournament champions & now off to the USA in August to represent Australia.

UNDER 16

Bubba has had an outstanding year with his ET U14-1 boys also taking out the premiership. A big thank you to him for the joint training sessions on Monday nights and for making his players available for us to field a team.

Thanks also to Tony Probert for organising the extra training on a Thursday night as an extension to the winter academy program. Also to all the coaches and players who gave their time and provided their expertise. All the boys benefit greatly from the involvement of coaches such as Jake and Div 1 players such as DJ and Braeden.

An extra special thanks for our scorekeeper Vicki Williams for handling all of my in-game substitutions perfectly in the book and for being flawless on every pitch. Also thanks to our team manager, Ian Thomas, for all his assistance.

Thanks to all the parents and ET staff for giving me the opportunity to coach these boys.

Harry Deliyannis



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UNDER 14 - Division 1

U14/1 Champions has a special ring to it!!!!

I would firstly like to thank Connor Yeatman, Harry Deliyannis and Aiden Lucas for their commitment, input and leadership into this group over the season.

This year we had both 14s and 16s train as a group. This allowed us to cover a lot together with 4 coaches, and we saw great gains in player development in both teams.

I called this season the 'golden year' for this age group. We roughly had an even split between 1st and 2nd year players, and all had played a lot of baseball together. This gave players opportunities to play in positions which they normally would not, which improves their knowledge of the game.

The commitment from all families involved is so underappreciated. Without the all-in approach we had this year, you don't get player development, personal growth and, ultimately, success.

Special honourable mentions to Jessica Patman and Matt Haskett for sharpening the pencils and scoring for the team this year.

Huge thanks to the committee for their ongoing commitment to the club, and to Dicky and Powelly for volunteering their time to have the fields in top condition.

Big thanks to Nick Vadagnini from 14/2 for his contribution and allowing players to fill in during the finals series, as well as congratulations on 14/2 also becoming champions.

A huge mention to Tony Probert for being Tony Probert and, if you don't know what this guy is to our club, you are not spending enough time around it. This year Tony created an elite training academy mid-season for this age group and, having the connections, was able to have some of our best Division 1 players coach it. This was an amazing opportunity for players to hear it from the elite in our club.

Lastly, to the players, thank you for all your efforts this year. We shared some great moments and had some challenges throughout, which we overcame and showed your resilience to overcome.

Bubba

UNDER 14 - Division 2

The 2025/26 season was one to remember for our Under 14s Div 2 team.

We started the year with only seven regular players: Ky Exelby, Sebastian Grieger, Kenny Cooper, Teo Lacroix, Nivedh Nair, Archer Smith and Leonardo Vadagnini.

Throughout the season, Eli Davis, Mandel Guo and Hamish Lee regularly played up from the U12s, while several others stepped in when needed, including Armando Cerquozzi-Rodriguez, Will Miles and Harvey Sampson among others.

A late addition in Shotaro Urushidate gave our bullpen a welcome boost and helped drive the team to an outstanding season, finishing 2nd on the regular season ladder with a 13-1 record before clinching the Premiership after a thrilling finals campaign, capped off by a 19-11 Grand Final victory.

With a remarkable team batting average of .384, our hitters consistently produced runs every weekend, while our bullpen kept opposition teams under pressure.

Most importantly, the dedication, commitment and effort shown by every player and parent played a huge role in the team's success.

This achievement would not have been possible without the support of the many people working behind the scenes, especially Karen Mentha as Junior Coordinator, along with Tony Probert and the entire management team at ETBC.

Season Award Winners:

MVP — Ky Exelby

Batting Award — Teo Lacroix

Pitching Award — Shotaro Urushidate

A big thank you to everyone who assisted throughout the season, particularly:

Assistant Coaches — Ensee Guo, Aaron Grieger

Team Manager — Matt Kenny

Scorers — Matt Kenny, Eric Lacroix, Sun Kwak

Pitch Counter — Vishnu Nair

Photographer — Matt Smith

Congratulations to all players and families on an unforgettable premiership season!



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UNDER 12 - Division 1

The under 12 had a great season, finishing minor premiers.

We finished the season with 12 wins, 1 loss and 1 draw from a total of 14 games played. A total of 9 players finished the season with a batting average of 400 or more. Our pitching, catching and defence was also strong all season. We finished the season with a total of 158 runs for and only 45 runs against for the season.

Thank you to those parents who helped out throughout the season during games and training sessions - Christian (assistant coach), Nick, Armando, Ensee, Rick (3rd base/training), Jess (team manager), Mitch (scorer), Matt (pitch counting/scoring) our cheer squad and any I have missed.

Awards went to:

MVP - Mandel Guo

Batting Award - Will Miles

Coach's Award - Jonte Nottage

Also congratulations to our players who were selected in State Charter teams this season - Hamish, Mandel, Will (Marlins Little League) and Armando, Alessandro, Harvey, Jonte & Jacob (Marlins Little League Development).

Karen Mentha

UNDER 12 - Division 2

Stepping in as a baseball coach for the first time, I welcomed all players to the Under 12 Division 2 team. The squad was made up mostly of new players joining East Torrens, with only three players having played baseball before the season started.

The team had eight core players, although the line-up changed throughout the season. Harvey moved up to Under 12 Division 1, Jiating returned overseas after the Christmas break, while Hudson joined midway through the season and Andrew joined the team from the Yardball program. We were also fortunate to have several Under 10 players help us field full teams throughout the season, so a big thank you to Stewy, Spencer, Jacob, Henry and Blake for stepping up when needed.

Pitching duties were mainly handled by Jiating, Kai, Hudson and Stewy, who all continued to improve throughout the year. During a pitching practice, we also discovered a hidden talent in Jade, a natural catcher who quickly became "The Jade Wall" behind home plate.

Ryan batted his way to a record season, while newcomer King and Jiating developed quickly and were regularly getting on base. Andrew joined Under 12s from the Yardball program and enjoyed every moment with the team. One of the highlights of the season was seeing first-year player Jackson make solid contact late in the season.

The team finished 5th on the ladder with 7 wins, 1 draw and 6 losses. We faced the Adelaide Angels in the playoffs, and the game was straight out of Hollywood. Both teams had strong starting pitchers, and our team fought back in the 6th innings to keep the game alive. Our relief pitcher was hit by a pitch but bravely stayed on to finish the game on the mound. James kept our hopes alive with a clutch hit late in the game. Adelaide eventually won 8-7, but it was a fantastic game and a fitting way to finish the season.

As always at a community club, parents played an enormous role supporting the team in so many ways, canteen duties, setting up diamonds, helping during training and scoring games. Special thanks to Brett for stepping up as assistant coach, Corey for always helping with drills, and Nathan and Sun for taking on scoring duties throughout the season.

It has been a pleasure coaching this group and watching the players grow through the highs and lows of the season while continually stepping up for one another. I look forward to seeing everyone back on the diamond at ETBC next season.

Eric



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UNDER 10 - Division 1

After taking over this talented group midway through the season, I was proud to watch their development, not just as baseball players, but as young men, teammates and great kids.

At times training could feel a little like herding cats, but the boys always turned up with plenty of energy (sometimes too much energy), enthusiasm and a willingness to have a go. Whether it was chasing foul balls, wrestling your buddies in centre field, celebrating a great play or occasionally being distracted by absolutely anything happening outside the diamond, they certainly kept their coaches on their toes and made every training and game enjoyable.

The second half of the season brought some tough lessons in baseball, but often those are the most important ones. It was pleasing to see the group continue to improve, support each other and grow in confidence as the season progressed.

A huge thank you to all of our families for your support, encouragement and assistance throughout the year. Thank you to my amazing assistant coach Drew, as well as stand-in coaches Gav Patman and Kyle Renshaw, who helped make both trainings and game days much easier to navigate. Thank you also to our parents who assisted with scoring, player management and all the little jobs that need doing each week, and a special thank you to Katherine Waites for her organisation and support as Team Manager.

Congratulations to Stewy, Charlie Mentha, Spencer Patman (Rooster), Alessandro Vasagnini, Henry Renshaw, Jacob Martin, Cooper Denotter, Seb Maltby, Atlas Nobes (AJ), Lachlan Carey and Jacob Lee (Mr Squiggle). It was a privilege to coach this group and I look forward to watching their continued development over the coming years.

Tony Probert



UNDER 10 - Division 2

The 25/26 season was incredible fun for the U10 Div 2 "Deuce Crew". There was a great mix of kids graduating from Peewee, returning U10 players and kids brand new to the game.

Throughout the season I emphasised the acronym H.E.A.T. which stands for Hustle, Effort, Attitude, Toughness, and it's these values that I gauged our progress by rather than wins and losses. All the players got opportunities at every position and were rotated evenly through the batting order to give them all the same amount of exposure to the games, and the progress shown in game sense and understanding through the season was wonderful to witness. Skills-wise the improvement was obvious as well. Balls that would be mis-fielded at the start of the season were being kept in front and plays were being made at the end of the season, and the kids began to understand the work we were putting in was showing good results on game days.

A big thank you to my parent group for all their help throughout the season, and special thanks to Tim Oung and John Singapore for scoring, and Paul Bielby, Heath and my trio of Steves for assisting with base coaching and at training.

I'm excited to follow this group as they (hopefully) all continue their baseball journeys in the future!



MIGHTEE-BALL

This season saw an exciting new direction for our Mightee-ball program, with our youngest Yard Ball participants joining the group. We quickly realised that the care, nurturing, flexibility and fun required by all of these young players created a fantastic opportunity for a truly inclusive program.

While we unfortunately lost a few Friday nights to the weather and extreme heat, the program was once again a great success. It was particularly rewarding to watch the improvement shown by all players over the course of the season, not only in their baseball skills, but also in their confidence, friendships and willingness to give baseball a go.

Thank you to all of our players for bringing their enthusiasm and energy each week, and a special thank you to their parents and families for their ongoing support.

Thank you also to our hardworking junior Mightee-ball coaches and mentors. Your patience, encouragement and willingness to jump in wherever needed made the program successful. Thank you also to our senior players who assisted throughout the season, along with our keen Under 8 and Under 10 players who often joined in for some extra work and helped create a fantastic club environment.

Mightee-ball has great potential as an entry program into baseball at East Torrens and will continue to play an important role in introducing new families to our club. To continue growing and improving the program, we would welcome additional volunteers and support. I understand that we will also be seeking a new Mightee-ball Coordinator next season, and I would like to thank Karen Mentha for her work in this space in recent years.

If you are interested in assisting, coaching, or perhaps taking on the challenge of coordinating and growing the Mightee-ball program, please speak to Tony or Damien.

Tony



PREMIERSHIPS

Under 14 - Division 1



Under 14 - Division 2



SENIOR GAMES MILESTONES

50 Games

Archie Carman

Gab Hornhardt

Izzy King

Owen Couzner

100 Games

Aiden Lucas

Damon Ashworth

Jake Biggins

Kason King

Matt Williams

150 Games

Anton Couch

200 Games - Player Mug

Braeden Ashworth

Carter Powell

Zac Stroud

250 Games

Stuart Millar

350 Games

Charlie Ashcroft

400 Games

Ben Copping

Mark Stewart

450 Games

Damien Norsworthy

500 Games

Jared King

850 Games

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