

## GLENELG BASEBALL CLUB INC. ANNUAL REPORT

2016-2017

#### 86th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2017

#### **Order of Business**

- 1) Notice of Meeting
- 2) Adoption of Minutes from the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting and Extraordinary General Meeting
- 3) Presentation of and Adoption of Annual Reports
  - a. President' Report
  - b. Secretary's Report
  - c. Treasurer's Report & Financial Statements & Balance Sheet
  - d. Other Board Member's Reports
- 4) Election of Offices:
  - President (1)
  - Secretary (1)
  - Treasurer (1)
  - Fundraising & Sponsorship Manager (1)
  - Playing Operations Manager (1)
  - Junior Development Manager (1)
  - Facilities Manager (1)
  - Special Projects Manager (1)
  - Patrons (maximum of 5)
  - Trustees (0) none due
  - Auditor (1)
  - Solicitor (1)
- 5) Election of Life Members & or Player Life Members (if any nominations)
- 6) General Business
- 7) Close of Meeting

#### Office Bearers 2016 / 2017

Patrons: Mr Stephen Patterson, Mayor of Holdfast Bay

Hon. Mr Duncan McFetridge, MP – Member for Morphett Hon. Mr Steve Georganas, MP – Member for Hindmarsh Ms Jane Jeffreys, Chairperson – West Beach Trust Mr Matthew Cowdrey – Liberal nominee for Colton

**Board of Management:** 

**President:** Mr Marty Leaker **Secretary:** Mr Gary Mullighan

Treasurer: Mr Rian Hill
Fundraising & Sponsorship Mr Tony Mezzini

Manager:

Playing Operations Manager: Mr Andrew Gluyas
Facilities Manager: Mr Peter McGearey
Special Projects Manager: Mr Stephen Deeble
Junior Development: Mr Leon Wurfel

**Other Positions:** 

**Equipment Manager:** Mr Chris Shaw / Shelley Clavell

Bar Manager: Mr Mike Green

**Shop Controller:** Mrs Jodie Huttunen

**Ground Staff:** Mr Tony Creeper (Manager), Mr John Fisher

Mr Paul Begg

Tee-Ball & Pee Wee

**Coordinator:** 

Mrs Beverley McGearey

**Division 1 Coach:** *Mr Chris Lawson* 

**Trustees:** Mr Greg Bradshaw (6 year term) exp 2022

Mr Bob Bradley (4 year term) exp 2020 Mr Peter Dixon (2 year term) exp 2018

Public Officer: Mr Greg Bradshaw

Auditor: Mr Ian T. Thomas, FCA

Solicitor: Mr Terry Groom

**Life Membership** Mr Greg Bradshaw (Chair), Mr Bob Bradley, Mr Peter **Committee:** Dixon, Mr Tony Mezzini, Mr Marty Leaker, Mr Chris Day

Fundraising Committee: Mr Tony Mezzini (Chair)
Sponsorship Committee: Mr Tony Mezzini (Chair)

#### Life Members

Pre 1938	S. Spencer† W. Fisk†	1983	Lloyd T. McMillan † Garry C. Ryan
1939	W.A.G. (Bill) Swann †	1984	David R. Mosel †
1946	Tom J. Rice †		A.J. (Tony) Donaldson †
1948	Jeff Noblet †	1985	Eddie R. Owen
1953	Wally Harman †		Bruce D. Rhodes †
1957	A.S. (Alby) Jones† David E. James†		David J. Williams David J. Doonan † John K Doonan †
1958	S. Max Stone †		John K Doonah
	R.G.M. (Bob) Rice †	1986	Greg S. Bradshaw
	Don E. Franklin	1989	Chris R. Abbott
	R.O. (Rocky) Cooper†	1990	John S. Fisher
1963	W.O. (Bill) Jeanes	1991	Paul D. Green
	Brian F. Hill	1993	Mrs Joyce Doonan
	C. Stan South †		Roy Page †
	Stan J. Stone †	1994	Michael B. Green
	A. Martin Chappell †	1995	Jim F. Yeo
1968	Don A. Rice †	1998	Dennis J. Telfer
1970	Mrs Mel Rice †	1999	A. John Tuckwell
	Mrs Marg South †	2000	Greg M. Elkson
1974	Norm W. Yeo †	2001	Colin B. Penney
1978	Lyn M. Bradshaw	2010	R.W. (Bob) Bradley
1982	Peter W. Dixon		Tony P. Mezzini
	Phil C. Alexander	2011	Chris M. Day
			Matt Jones
		2014	Tony Creeper
		2015	Peter Power

† Deceased

#### **Player Life Members**

1998	Peter S. Fenwick	2010	Danny Page Dale Ziersch
2000	Gary W. Mullighan Gavin C. Kilpatrick	2011	Ben Hilterbrand Dan Wilson Jay Ziersch
	Brook M. Kilpatrick		Bradley Ayles
2001	Gary Carman		Adam Thompson
2003	Andrew Gluyas	2012	Tristan Stevens
2005	Nathan Davison	2014	Justin Millar
2007	Ben P. Dixon	2015	Leon Eldridge
	Sam W. Dixon	2016	Adam Shaw
	Jamie L. Kloeden		Peter Pick
	Tony P. Mezzini		
	Chris M. Day		
	Ben P. Alexander		
	Luke A. Thompson		
	Justin S. Oliver		
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### GBC Members (current & past) who are Life Members of the South Australian Baseball League Inc.

1969	Roy Page †	1998	Hugh Franke †
1972	S. Max Stone	1999	Ron Chandler
1982	Tom J. Rice †	2001	Paul Begg
1991	Don A. Rice †	2004	Greg Bradshaw
1992	Ron Wright	2011	Kevin Greatrex
1996	Peter W. Dixon	2013	Phil Alexander

#### GBC Members (current & past) who are Australian Baseball Federation Hall of Fame Members

2005	Neil Page
2005	Kevin Greatrex
2013	Don Rice
2014	Phil Alexander

#### Capps Medal Winners

#### Most votes in SABL Major A / Division 1 competition

1938	Jeff Noblet	1975	Colin Alexander
1953	Colin Watts	1979	Greg Elkson
1955	Phil Brideoake	1982	Phil Alexander
1961	Don Rice	1983	Greg Elkson
1962	Don Rice	1984	Greg Elkson
1963	Don Rice	1996	lan Reval
1967	Don Rice	2010	Dan Wilson
1968	Don Rice	2016	Wes Roemer

#### Major A / Division 1 Premierships

1962 1976-1977 1978-1979 1979-1980 1982-1983 2000-2001 2004-2005 2015-2016

#### Minutes of the 85th Annual General Meeting

Held at the Clubrooms, Anderson Ave, Glenelg North on Thursday 16th June 2016

#### Meeting opened at 8:00pm

#### Present

As per attendance list

#### **Apologies**

Mike Green, Adam Shaw

#### **Minutes**

The President welcomed members to the meeting and the minutes of the 84<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting were then addressed.

It was moved by Hayden McGearey and seconded by Leo Huttunen that the minutes be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting. The motion was carried.

#### **Adoption of Reports**

It was moved by Leon Eldridge and seconded by Bob Bradley that all non financial reports be accepted.

Discussion on Financial Report:

Tony Mezzini questioned whether 10k in depreciation was in line with standard accounting practices.

John Sandercock identified Bruce Rhodes fund is included in general revenue and should be separated.

Greg Bradshaw identified gross profit % on sales hadn't been identified, financials still to be audited.

Tony Mezzini identified 20k in playing expenses including import costs.

John Fisher identified 1k loss on presentation night, this represents guests and dignitaries.

Greg Bradshaw on Country Championship, no matching separated expenses have been identified.

Bob Bradley looking for split up of income for Bar / Shop / BBQ, RH, this is available in another more detailed report.

Peter Dixon moved the report be accepted subject to them being audited.

It was moved by Peter Dixon and seconded by Bob Bradley that the financial reports be accepted.

#### **Election of Offices**

The President then declared all positions vacant and thanked all previous members for their contributions. Matt Jones remained as Chairperson and read the nominations and Gary Mullighan remained as minute taker.

**President** Vacant

Secretary Gary Mullighan

Treasurer Rian Hill

Facilities Manager
Playing Operations Manager
Junior Development Manager
Fundraising & Sponsorship Manager
Special Projects Manager
Peter McGearey
Andrew Gluyas
Marty Leaker
Tony Mezzini
Stephen Deeble

#### **Patrons**

Subject to their willingness to continue, it was moved by Bob Bradley and seconded by John Tuckwell that our current Patrons Stephen Patterson (Mayor of Holdfast Bay), Dr Duncan McFetridge (Member for Morphett), Matt Williams (Member for Hindmarsh) and Jane Jeffreys (Chairman Adelaide Shores) remain as Patrons subject to elections. The motion was carried.

#### **Trustee**

Greg Bradshaw was elected unopposed and appointed as a club trustee for a 6 year period. Moved by David Williams, seconded by John Fisher.

#### **Auditor**

Subject to his willingness to continue, it was moved by Hayden McGearey and seconded by Leo Huttunen that Ian Thomas remains as auditor. The motion was carried.

#### **Solicitor**

It was moved by John Tuckwell and seconded by Bob Bradley that Terry Groom remains as the club's solicitor.

#### **Life Members**

The Life Membership Committee have made the recommendation that the following players be awarded Player Life Membership.

It was moved by Rodney Nottage Ben and seconded by Bob Bradley that Adam Shaw and Peter Pick be awarded Player Life Membership under the conditions of Clause 7 (c) (1) of the club constitution. The motion was carried.

#### **General Business**

Peter Dixon thanked Matt Jones for his time as President and his extended loyalty and effort to the club.

Tony Mezzini advised that former club member Brian Medhurst had passed away.

Matt Jones thanked all members for their attendance and there being no further business declared the meeting closed at 8:30pm

Signed by the Chairperson at the 85<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held 16/06/2016.

#### President's Report

It is with much pleasure that I present my Annual Report to the 2017 Annual General Meeting.

This time last year Matt Jones stood down from a three year stint as President of the club leaving tough shoes to fill. After discussions with the board I stood in to this vacant position. It was a steep learning curve for me and the other new members to the board. We became responsible for a club whose finances were stable but revenue streams were declining and expenses increasing. The playing side of the club was strong and our facilities were second to none. Our facilities continue to be the envy of most baseball clubs in the country. Last year's AGM was held at the club while the clubrooms were in the middle of a much needed facelift. I am sure all members agree what a great job was done by all involved. The new look clubrooms have attracted functions that we would not normally have hosted and generated much need funds. This is an area the Board will continue to push.

We launched our season on a Friday night in September. After winning the 2015/16 Division 1 Premiership, Chris Lawson hung his hat on the Tiger over the bar a tradition that goes back to Paul Green and Nathan Davidson's Division 1 premierships. It was the first of many great nights at the club this year. Special thanks to Stephen Deeble for putting together a tribute video that grabbed everyone's attention.

Stephen Deeble was also instrumental in some new ideas for the SA Country Championships held over the October long weekend. This is an event that has been held at our club since the 70's with great success. Unfortunately over the years the event has shrunk in the size of the participation and interest and therefore the revenue. The challenge we set ourselves was to re-energise the off-field engagement of the event to encourage the participants and families to stay at our club longer. Despite the weather turning against us on the Sunday we received good financial returns and feedback that we are hoping will continue to grow this year's Championships. Please keep some time available on this weekend to help out with the various jobs around the club. Small amounts of help go a long way. I personally would like to thank Greg Bradshaw of the SA Country Baseball Association (SACBA) for his support of our club.

The season began with a record number of 18 teams representing the GBC. We had nine senior teams, all division's 1 – 7 had GBC teams with two teams in both Division's 6 and 7. This growth is pleasing to see. It comes from a variety of reasons including our involvement with SACBA, Winter Baseball and just players wanting to come and try our great game. All members of the club need to be mindful of the importance of welcoming new members and ensuring their experience results in them returning.

I would like to congratulate Chris Lawson the division 1 coach and his team on their success in making it back to the finals in one of the most competitive competitions we have ever seen here in SA. The ending was abrupt and hard to accept but your conduct was a credit to you all.

Our other senior teams finished high in their competitions with some great finals games including a division 2 15 inning semi-final victory & division 6 all Glenelg grand-final. Congratulations to Matt Foletti's division 6 team on their premiership win.

We also fielded two teams in the Women's Baseball League that was run on Friday nights at Diamond Sports. We were approached at first by a few courageous club mums that turned into twenty or so women who became the first to wear the Glenelg Baseball Club uniform in

this very new women's baseball competition. For the first time, senior playing diversity comes to our great club. I personally was very proud to have some involvement in this initiative and Baseball SA were thankful to us for leading the way and being the first club to field teams in this competition.

Our junior program continues to be healthy with both the numbers of participants and the level of success. We fielded teams in U9, U11, U13 (two teams), U15, U17 & U19. Our U11's coached by Troy Davis and our U19 team coached by Jeff Downs, won their premierships and all other's finished high in their competitions. The premiership pennants will be on display in the club for a long time to come. Well done all in the success of this junior program.

Beverley McGearey ran our Tee-Ball program for the 20th year. This school based program is well respected by other clubs and continues to provide the starting point for our youngest members. This is an area Beverley could do with better assistance from the playing groups of our club in the future.

Tony Creeper, John Fisher, Mike Green and the rest of our dedicated ground and clubroom maintenance team you continue to be the unsung heroes of the club having our grounds always ready to play and the clubrooms clean and ready for each weekend. This year we also completed the roofing of the dug-outs on diamonds two and three. I am sure all playing members are very thankful for you efforts throughout the year.

Off field we conducted some very successful club events including The Hundred Club, Ladies Day & Karaoke Night. Thanks to all members for getting behind these events. The revenue from these can be a focus at times but more importantly is the fun and sense of community that comes from the shared experiences that results in members returning to the club.

I am sure we will all go away from this season with fond memories but here are mine:

- "One club standing together" at the U13 Grand Finals at Henley & Grange
- Three premierships U11, U19 & Division 6
- The junior club of the year & the senior club of the year. This was truly a great achievement for a great club
- The introduction of Women's baseball teams to the GBC

I would also like to thank the Board for their support and efforts throughout the year. Stephen Deeble I have mentioned, Rian Hill our treasurer who was a worthy winner of The Cooper Trophy (Volunteer of the Year), Peter McGearey, Andrew Gluyas, Leon Wurfel, Tony Mezzini and Gary Mullighan. All played their part in making this another successful year at the GBC. Special thanks to Natalie Ziersch who assisted us in receiving a State Government grant for playing equipment. This is an area we need to always focus our efforts in to ensure we can maximise the potential returns.

Thanks to all our other dedicated volunteers who work tirelessly in our Shop, BBQ, Bar and Equipment Room our club cannot survive without your continued service and dedication. Many hours are spent by these loyal members to assist the club with vital fundraising and organisation.

Our primary focus for the upcoming season will be to ensure the experience and pathway the club offers its members is enjoyable and fulfilling. We hope to do this by building our community on and off field through the spirit of volunteering and better communication. I personally look forward to engaging with you all in the upcoming season and beyond. GO TIGERS 2017/18 Marty Leaker

#### Secretary's Report

This season was another busy year, it was a far smother year with the ABF / Baseball SA self registration and payments process.

It was great to see all the new faces at the club this season with more and more little league players and coming on board. It was also great to see juniors and recent seniors gaining valuable experience at the top level of club baseball.

Congratulations to Division 6 and U19s on their Premierships and all the sides that made it to the finals this season. Hopefully even more Premierships next season. I would like to thank the GBC Board Members for what has been a busy and enjoyable season.

Regards Gary Mullighan – Secretary

#### Fundraising and Sponsorship Manager's Report

#### Tony Mezzini – Fundraising and Sponsorship Manager

Many thanks go out to all GBC sponsors, looking around the ground and seeing all the signage on the home run fence just looks fantastic, I am sure you all agree!

It takes a lot of money to run a club like ours and with all your help either money or contra, it seems to pull together, the sponsorships make a huge difference, so again thanks

This next season we will need to generate more sponsors, cost are rising and we at the GBC really try to keep the Members cost down, I believe our junior baseball fees are more than reasonable as compared to other sports, we have done this on purpose to encourage families to come along and enjoy the GBC.

Please if you would like to help, contact me (Tony Mezzini) on 0418832353, we can offer your Business a sense of community and I am sure our members will support your business. I believe signage and committee values are very powerful in a successful business. The GBC and I are open to your thoughts.

Kind Regards Tony Mezzini

#### Playing Operations Manager's Report

This season the GBC filled nine senior men's teams, two senior women's teams and seven junior sides. This representation highlights that we are a significant sporting club in our local community and we are an important contributor to BaseballSA. Our number of registered active players across all grades is healthy and with the introduction of our women's teams we are a leader of change and a major contributor to the success of baseball growing in South Australia.

For this club to operate we rely on volunteers. I'm happy to report that the spirit of the game is valued and well represented at the GBC. Our volunteers are central to our success and participate at various levels, including coaching, managing lists and ensuring match days run smoothly for players and spectators. Our high standard of approaching our on and off field performance is a credit to the members and players.

Each week we provide umpires to officiate club games. Thank you to all members who have contributed in this area, in particular the junior members who are prepared to take on the responsibility and develop their knowledge of the game.

Coaching is an important part of our club and the development of future players. We would not be able to field the teams we do without coaches. I won't mention all the coaches in this report but your time is invaluable to the success I spoke of earlier. However, I would like to make special mention of Tony Mezzini (u17) and Jeff Downs (u19) who have had the role of preparing our juniors to make the transition into the senior ranks. We have a bright future and I would encourage you all to embrace this and support the development of our young players into senior baseball.

From a senior perspective, well done to all. All divisions were very competitive and upheld the proud GBC tradition. It would be remiss not to mention Div 6 who were our senior premiership winners.

Looking forward to season 2017/18 in which we will continue to grow in strength both on and off the field.

**Andrew Gluyas** 

#### Junior Development Manager's Report

#### JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT MANAGER REPORT

All junior teams performed at a high level across the season which resulted in the club winning the league Junior Club of the Year trophy, awarded to the club with the most premiership points across all junior first division teams. This is a just reward for the efforts of not only the players but also the coaches who put in considerable time to teach the skills and tactics of the game.

Other key highlights of the season include:

- Winning the league Under 19 competition, with solid contribution from a number of under 17 players.
- Both Under 13 teams making it to the Grand Final.
- A total of 11 players selected in the Under 13, 15 and 17 Charter teams.
- Mason Clavell, Joe Gluyas and Rion Sato playing a major part in the successful Armada U17 Charter team win at the Australian Senior League championships. They now will represent Australia at the World Senior League World Series in South Carolina in late July – the first South Australian junior team to represent Australia in the US.
- Introduction of the first Under 9 team. The boys a lot of fun and demonstrated some excellent fielding and batting skills.
- Georgia Davis winning her second Under 11 league medal.
- Joe Gluyas being named MVP for South Australia at the State Under 16 championships

Whilst individual recognition is nice, I have been pleased to see solid improvement across all teams and would like to thank all our players for representing the Glenelg Baseball Club in a sportsmanlike way.

Finally I would like to acknowledge all coaches, team managers, scorers, umpires and groundsmen for their contributions to the on-field components. Off field, a big thanks go to all members of the junior committee for co-ordinating many unseen and thankless tasks, and to all parents who assisted in the kitchen, canteen, bar and BBQ throughout the year.

Leon Wurfel – Junior Development Manager

#### Facilities Manager's Report

This year saw the club room refurbished by our senior players. A special thanks to all concerned – as there are so many to thank I feel that I would miss someone who helped if I named particular people. The club now looks refreshed and modern and there have been numerous comments to this effect from "outside" visitors to our club.

This year we had ten bookings for private functions.

The SA Winter Baseball Association had twelve teams using our facilities during 2016 which helped the club with extra income over the winter months. Thanks to Rodney Nottage for his help in running the canteen during winter.

On September 22<sup>nd</sup> 2016 Ron Christie's family laid Ron's ashes to rest on the main diamond as per Ron's request.

To Tony Creeper and John Fisher – thanks for your work on the grounds and to Mike Green and David Williams thanks for your work in attending to the general maintenance around the club.

Peter McGearey Facilities Manager

#### Special Projects Manager's Report

#### **Country Championships**

This year I took on the role of trying to boost the declining Country Championships. After braining storming lots of Ideas me and Marty Presented a long term structure to the SACBA board this was well received and we seen a massive improvement to our bottom line on previous year.

#### Country Championships 2016 - Sales \$20,139

#### **Opening Launch Night**

A group of us banned together in the off season to help bring our clubrooms into this century. I thought what better way to show off our new clubroom then to have a Season Launch. The idea behind this night was to not only show off all the hard work that we had done in the off season, but to try and remind people about the history of our great club and what it takes to keep the doors open.

As a results of everybody's hard work to get this night off the ground we turned over **\$2516** in the bar. So a HUGE thank you for everyone's help.

#### 100 Club

After the success of last year I thought it would be a good Idea to run the 100 club again. And I was right. Well..... It was a little shaky numbers wise leading into the event but thanks to Marty and few others we managed to pull it off. Again thanks to everyone for attending we managed to raise the follow:

Sales \$10,165 - Expenses/Prizes \$6,193 = \$3972

#### **Ladies Day / Karaoke Night**

This day was one of those risks we took holding two events in one day. It worked!!! It was hard work but a select few chipped in and help pull off a fantastic day/night.. (Minus the weather) Its days and nights like this where it goes to show if we all just put a little bit of effort in we will see results.

Ladies Day/ Karaoke Sales \$6,734 - Less Expenses \$2,107 = \$4,627

As you can see from these numbers helping be a part of club events means more to the club then you think. We as a club DO NOT hold these events to just to keep topping up the bank we NEED these events to keep the doors open. So please help support all club events.

It's been a busy 4 or 5 years helping out The Glenelg Baseball Club.

It's time for me to let someone new with fresh ideas and passion take over. I hope I have contributed to making the club a better experience for all its members and supporters. Being a volunteer is hard sometimes, but it doesn't need to be. Year after year my biggest problem at this club is far too many people have opinions on how things should be done. If everyone used their opinions and helped out a bit more we would all be much better off. So next time you want to see some change around the club or feel there is a better way of doing things. Stand up, roll up your sleeves and help out. Your apart of this club like everyone else.

Cheers Stephen Deeble

#### Division 1 – Report

	Coach	n – Chris	s Lawson		As	sistant Coach	_	Lachlan Eldridge Jason Scott Luke Thompson achlan McGearey
						Pitching Coac	h	Matt Williams
						Trainer	_	Peter Power
						Manager Scorers Batboy	– B	Stephen Deeble everley McGearey Noah Scott
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA

46

14

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64%

Won

Lost

Abandoned

Trophy Winners:	Most Valuable Player	Terrell Joyce
	Coaches Award	Dale Ziersch

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Coming off the premiership in 2015/16 we knew we were going to have targets on our backs entering the season and the challenge to the group was win it all again. A lot needs to go your way to win a flag, and unfortunately for us we couldn't catch that break this year.

After finishing the regular season in 6th spot (23 wins / 13 losses)- 2 wins out of first place, we headed up the hill to take on minor premiers Kensington. We took game 1 in convincing fashion before they evened the series at 1 game apiece in game 2. This set the stage for an epic game 3......that unfortunately ended in a 1-1 draw in the 6th inning as the game was called as the ground was not up to scratch after a rain delay.

It was an unfortunate/unlikely way to end the season. To end a season without winning it all or getting beaten leaves quite an empty feeling, and this was the case with our playing group. I have no doubt the group will feed of this and bring an even hungrier attitude into next season.

Jason Scott

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Kensington

Kensington

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**Elimination Final G1** 

**Elimination Final G2** 

**Elimination Final G3** 

23

Terell Joyce took home our MVP award and was outstanding for us this season. Terrell led the way with his bat hitting .321 with a league leading 14home runs and 33 rbi. With Wes Roemer being stuck in the US for most of the season, Terrell showed his versatility by pitching as well, picking up 5 wins with a 2.53 era in 46 innings.

The coaches award went to Dale Ziersch this season. Dale had another fantastic season which culminated in him being named as the SS of the allstar team. Dale led the way with his patient approach in the box batting .352 on the season whilst showing great leadership in the field.

A big thank you to all who helped out this season. To my coaching panel of Lachy, Jason, Luke Thompson & Lachlan McGearey, you made life easier for me and the group through your tireless dedication to training sessions and games.

A Big thank you to Peter Power (Trainer), Beverly McGearey (Scorer) and Stephen Deeble (Team Manager), your constant dedication and love to the club is noticed by all and very much appreciated and to Noah Scott for being the #1 bat boy in the league, your energy is infectious.

With the retirements of Craig Handy & Andrew Qualmann (whom both should be commended for their fantastic careers with the GBC), the opportunity is presenting itself to the next crop of GBC superstars to step up into full time Agrade roles. With a U19 premiership and a runner-up finish in B-grade the foundation is set for the club to continue this sustained success and bring home another flag next season.

Chris Lawson - Division 1 Coach

#### **Division 1 Games played for Season 2016 / 2017**

Players	2016/17
ARNOLD, Tyson	11
BENTLEY, Dylan	6
BISHOP, Beau	38
BROWN, Max	38
CLAVELL, Mason	13
DAY, Tim	32
HANDY, Craig	38
HILL, Connor	13
JOYCE, Terrell	39
LAWSON, Chris	38
LOY, Aled	23
McGEAREY, Hayden	20
McGEAREY, Lachlan	1
MOSEL, Greg	16
MUNROE, Zac	23
QUALMANN, Andrew	35
ROEMER, Wes	14
ROSS, Elliott	25
STEFF, Alec	2
WILLIAMS, Matt	7
ZIERSCH, Dale	32

Glenelg Baseball Club

Div. 1 - PLAYER STATISTICS ...... 2016 - 2017

39	2	_	32	7	25	14	35	23	16	20	23	38	39	13	38	32	13	38	38	6	11	Played	Games
TOTALS:	21 STEFF	20 MCGEAREY	19 ZIERSCH	18 WILLIAMS	17 ROSS	16 ROEMER	15 QUALMANN	14 MUNROE	13 MOSEL	12 MCGEAREY	11 LOY	10 LAWSON	9 JOYCE	8 HILL	7 HANDY	6 DAY	5 CLAVELL	4 BROWN	3 BISHOP	2 BENTLEY	1 ARNOLD		Player:
	Alec	Lachlan	Dale	Matt	Elliott	Wes	Andrew	Zac	Greg	Hayden	Aled	Chris	Terrell	Connor	Craig	Tim	Mason	Max	Beau	Dylan	Tyson		
883	0	0	45	_	19	1	33	10	2	5	24	221	53	_	88	20	41	58	208	39	4	PO	313
342	0	0	59	_	35	8	_7	0	1	29	40	9	34	6	6	50	10	2	37	ယ	_	Α	FIELDING:
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1309	1	_	121	2	70	56	117	38	0	_	59	119	153	ω	139	73	27	155	141	15	18	PA	
1140	_	_	95		60	47	129	32	0	_	42	112	123	ω	121	57	26	137	125	1	16	AB	BATTING:
197	0	0	17	_	6	6	13	7	0	0	9	13	28	0	12	13	4	52	12	_	ω	R	ING:
288	0	0	31	_	13	8	25	2	0	0	7	28	40	0	31	15	з	50	27	ယ	4	I	
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Glenelg Baseball Club

# Div. 1 - PLAYER PITCHING STATISTICS ...... 2016 - 2017

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#### Division 2 - Report

Coach -	- Lachlan	McGear	rey		Assi	Assistant Coach – Luke Th Trainer – Pete Scorer – Bev M			
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	
4	19	11	4	4	26	68.4%	138	72	
Prelimi	nary Final		Gle	nelg	2	Won	Ad	elaide	1
Semi Fi	nal		Gle	nelg	3	Won	Goo	odwood	2
<b>Grand F</b>	Final		Gle	nelg	5 Lost West Torre			Torrens	7
Trophy Winners: Most Valuable Pla			ayer	Connor Hill					
Coaches Award					rd <b>Dylan Bentley</b>				

As first time coaches Thommo and I were excited to take on the role as we knew the new additions to A grade were going to leave us with a strong team to compete with. We had guys with a number of A grade games under their belt and guys that were senior B graders. However, we were keen to ensure we gave opportunities to those juniors ready for the next phase in their development, while remaining competitive.

After three draws in the first three games we weren't sure just how competitive we would end up. To the credit of the boys we eventually managed to turn things around, winning eight of our next nine, putting us in good position at the Christmas break. The second half of the season started strong, beating those that we expected but we struggled to come away with W's to those at the top of the ladder.

We finished the regular season 11-4-4, leaving us in fourth. Not as high as we hoped but in a good position to make our push for a spot in the GF.

Our post season in where we shined and forever proved just how competitive we could be when we played as a team. We had the Angels first, who we beat by a run thanks to a 2 RBI single to Arnold in the eighth. Burns threw his best game of the year giving us seven solid innings, holding them to just the one run, giving our bats the chances needed.

Next up we had Goodwood who we again beat by just the one run....this time over 15 innings. Burns once again threw his best game of the year but we couldn't give him the run support needed to take the lead through the first 7 innings. Hill took to the mound in what we were planning to be a closer role. Eight innings later he was still going and still putting up donuts (his longest outing of the season by far). We made our own luck in the last, getting a runner on, putting the ball in play and putting the pressure back on them to make the plays...which after several exhausting hours they finally didn't, giving us the error we needed to take the lead and the win.

The GF saw us take on West Torrens, who finished on top during the regular season and who we had two of our losses against. We were keen to make sure there wasn't a third. We rolled out the same lineup as the last two weeks and managed to get some early runs on the board.

This was quickly answered as the Eagles took a one run lead. We managed to hold on through the next three innings, but they piled on four runs in the sixth giving them a decent lead. Although down our guys were far from giving up. We scraped together three runs in the last before finally going down by two.

I hate losing and it's taken some time for the hurt of that GF loss to subside, but the fact that we managed to make it that far considering the average age during plenty of our games started with a 1 is something Thommo and I are immensely proud of.

Special thanks to; Lachie for keeping the fungo away from Thommo Bev for scoring week in week out Noah for picking up most of the bats And all the U17 guys for helping out.

Lachlan McGearey - Division 2 Coach

#### Division 3 - Report

Coach -	- Justin M	illar			Assi		lie Russo am Shaw		
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	%
1	18	17	0	1	35	97.2%	171	50	77.4%
Semi fir	nal		Gle	nelg	5	Lost	Ade	9	
Prelim I	Final		Gle	nelg	3	Lost	So	4	
Trophy	Winners:		Outstandir	MVP ng Perforr	nance		_	Clavell Teakle	

With the addition of some extra young blood into the 3s we were able to bring the average age down by a good few years. The past couple of seasons have ended up seeing us on the wrong side of the GF.

A former coach once told me that all the games you win before Christmas are worth their weight in gold, get your bonus W's then and get serious in the new year. Well this was a pretty special regular season campaign, finishing the season minor premiers and undefeated with 1 draw in a near perfect season.

Jayden Eldridge had some stellar outings for us throughout the season and was a great addition to our regular rotation. Jayden continues to trend upwards each year I watch him and having the pleasure of catching him this year seeing his work first hand was awesome. Tristan Stevens and Lachy Eldridge made up the rest of our staff and both put great seasons together. My awards went to a Ben Clavell and Craig Teakle. Ben had a phenomenal year with the bat, leading the team in average and extra base hits, unfortunately for Ben and the team in general he was hurt in our first final and unable to have an impact at the pointy end of the season. It's pretty rare you get the chance to reward a guy who to some degree was a role player, Steak did everything I asked of him this year and more, coming up with huge base hits to drive in runs and probably won us a couple of games through clutch AB's.

Jordan Bails had great games for us, but missing 2 months of the season didn't get him in the greatest spot for us heading into the playoffs. Alex Marsh was his usual self and his defence at 3B was second to none as it is every year.

Massive thank you to Milly Russo who scored for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row and I can't say enough about her giving up her Saturday afternoons for us, thanks again.

In the end we didn't play our best when it mattered, and after an amazing season we found a new way to end it, but this time a week short of our aim.

Thanks to all the guys who played, massive props to Kymbo Bartlett who stepped up and threw a couple of big W's for us and all the guys who make up the Div 3/4 squad. This year ended up being an unusual one, full of so many highs, but then ended with a feeling of shock and disbelief after having a grand final berth snatched from our grip in the prelim final.

Justin Millar - Division 3 Coach

#### Division 4 - Report

Coach -	- Brook Ki	ilpatrick				Score	r <b>–</b>	Renae Jones		
Pos'n	Played <b>17</b>	Win <b>13</b>	Loss 3	Draw 1	Points 27	Win/Loss <b>79.4%</b>	RF <b>165</b>	RA <b>58</b>	% <b>74.0%</b>	
Semi fii	nal		Gle	nelg	2	2 Lost		Torrens	10	

The 2016-17 season started well for us with the addition of a gun recruit, with ex-Tiger Ben Zoontjens returning home from an extended stay at West Torrens. Ben is not just a very good

Most Valuable Player

Outstanding Performance

ballplayer; he is a wonderful bloke who fits in perfectly with our crew.

We played some pretty good ball during the season to finish in second spot at the end of the minor round, though we did struggle for consistency during the last month of the season. I would have to say that the top six in Division 4 was extremely tight all season, with any team capable of upsetting another on its day. As it turned out this very fact conspired against us as we went down in week one of the finals to a very solid West Torrens – unfortunately the same fate was handed to top team Goodwood, meaning they went through and despite finishing 2<sup>nd</sup>, our season was over after one final in excruciating fashion.

As usual we had some excellent performers throughout the season; Ben Zoontjens was outstanding in taking out our MVP – voted on by his peers – confirming not only how he performed but also how he has been embraced by all of us on his return to the GBC. Joe Krajina played almost every position during the year, never complained and hit the pill with authority from start to finish.

Aaron Vanderwyst continues to improve and is always willing to learn, a true professional on and off the field. Andrew Fensom and Adam Freer were outstanding in the field and at the plate as always, while Ben Alexander made a welcome return to "team outfield", and a less welcome return on occasion at second base, where he did make some nifty plays. Gavin Kilpatrick continues to perform at a high level, defying father time and still ensuring the youth of today knows how to play the game right – especially if they play for the opposition. Kym Bartlett did a bit of everything around the field and on the mound, continuing to be a pleasure to coach and providing plenty of highlights. Patty Gluyas once again had some niggles to contend with but played his heart out with excellent results when on the diamond. Craig Teakle is a guy that was starved of some opportunity, but remains an outstanding team mate who performed extremely well – particularly in the 3's where he was called on for catching duties on

**Ben Zoontjens** 

Joe Krajina

**Trophy Winners:** 

numerous occasions. Our youth injection came from young Jaikob Matthew, a very talented kid who performed well for us until he had to pull out with other commitments.

Massive thanks to our scorer Renae Jones who continues to amaze with her commitment to us all, she is an absolute treasure.

Thanks also to Justin Millar for his assistance with coaching and great baseball relationship, to Lenny Eldridge, Luke Thompson, Alex Marsh, Benny Clavell and everyone else who sat on our bench during the season, and of course to all of the partners for lending me your husbands/boyfriends to allow us to do what we do every Saturday in summer.

To my team once again it's always a pleasure to coach a bunch of guys that care so much about the club, the game and of course each other. You make my Saturday afternoons a stack of fun, and keep the competitive fire burning so that we can all get better at what we do.

Finally, a huge "thanks" to each and every one who pulled on the GBC jersey this season and help to make this place the best in club land, and to all of the volunteers that helped us through another season of Tiger baseball. As for 2017/18, it's time to win. Everything.

Brook Kilpatrick - Division 4 Coach

#### Division 5 – Report

Coach -	- CJ Shaw	I			Assi	istant Coacl Score	Darren Bromley Marilyn Shaw		
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	%
3	18	11	6	1	23	63.9%	137	108	55.9%
Semi Final		Glenelg		7	Lost	Ad	elaide	10	

Trophy Winners: MVP Matt Holmes
Batting Award Jono Kingston

We started the season slow dropping a few games to easy sides, after the Christmas / New Year break we started playing consistent baseball and we managed to finish the season 3rd on the ladder, behind South's and Henley's both of which we beat in the month leading into the finals. We finish the minor rounds with 11 wins 6 losses and a draw.

In the elimination final we found ourselves up against Adelaide, Matt Holmes had a good start on the mound but our offence just couldn't convert the runs, we failed to take the opportunity to score leaving several runners in scoring position. Unfortunately we went down 7-10 after in true GBC fashion fighting our way back in to contention in the 6th but were just unable to get over the line.

#### **MVP Award - Matt Holmes**

Well this goes without saying. Matt Holmes what a year he had 6 wins 1 loss and 4 saves, he also managed to hold a batting average of .447 and lead the teams RBI's count with 17. What a great season Matt had, it goes without saying that no doubt as our team MVP also won Baseball SA's Division 5 medal, congratulations Matt, well deserved.

#### **Batting Award – Jono Kingston**

Jono is Mr reliable, a great team man, makes it look way to easy, even has a hit named after him. Jono held a .474 batting average with 23 runs and 9 stolen bases.

This season was Jono's last season with the GBC as he has now moved to NSW, we will miss you and thank you for the many years of reliability you have given us.

We wish Jono all the best in NSW, it will be hard to find a replacement for such a reliable player and someone who is such a great team man.

A big Thank you to Marilyn Shaw and assistant coach Darren Bromley

#### CJ Shaw - Division 5 Coach

#### Division 6 - Report

Coach -	- Matt Fole	etti			Assi	stant Coacl Score	tt Bradey /IcGearey			
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	%	
2	18	14	3	1	29	80.6%	214	106	66.9%	
Semi final			Glenelg		10	Won	East Torrens		5	
Preliminary Final			Glenelg		8	Won	Souths		6	
Grand final			Glenelg		3	Won	Tigers		2	
Trophy Winners:			_	g Champio						
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After being part of the GBC for the previous two seasons, the opportunity to coach couldn't be passed despite having to fill the large shoes to fill left by the legendary Supercoach Steve Horrocks. With a number of players returning from last year along with 5 new recruits we had a solid foundation laid for a successful year with everyone on board to go all the way and finish which we came so close to completing the previous season.

With the introduction of the second division 7 team, numbers were scarce throughout the season for both divisions but the clubmanship shined through with the division 7 Tigers providing much needed support throughout the year. On every occasion they were able to assist us ensuring we were able to play with a full side and even the odd man on the bench from the start of the season right through to the grand final.

Completing the regular season second place on the ladder, the finals presented an opportunity for any of the six finalists to take the shield with quality baseball being played by all sides in the prelim and semi-finals.

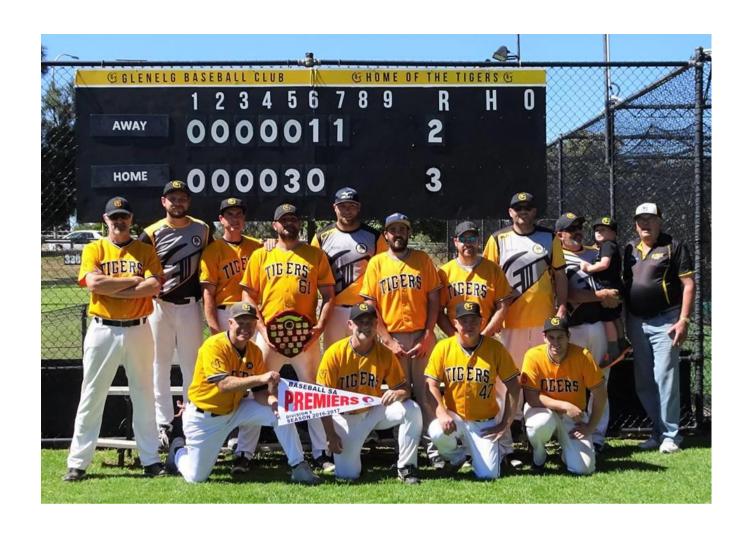
For the Grand Final, the two top teams faced each other for a Glenelg Vs Glenelg showdown. It was a solid matchup full of scoreless innings which went down to the wire. We were able to hold off our opposition full of experience and young talent to win the shield 3-2.

Thank you to the volunteers and board members that work tirelessly to ensure all who visit and play with the GBC have wonderful experience, the right equipment and a number of functions

to enjoy. A special thank you to Pete McGeary who continued to offer his time to our team as our scorer and dispenser of wisdom.

Matt Foletti - Division 6 Premiers Coach





#### Division 6 Tigers - Report

Coach -	– Tony Me	zzini			Manager – J			lim Nelson	
						Score	r –	Barbara Eldridge	
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Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	%
6	18	13	5	0	26	72.2%	156	91	63.2%
Semi final			Tigers		9	Won	Souths		5
Preliminary Final			Tigers		10	Won	Golden Grove		3
Grand final			Tigers		2	Lost	Glenelg		3
Trophy Winners:			Best Player			Leon Eldridge			
			Outstanding Season			Julian Day			

What a fantastic season we had, a great ride played off against the Glenelg Division 6 side in the Grand Final. Unfortunately went down but the day was just so much fun.

At the end of last year having just missing out on the play offs, we all sat around thinking next season we going to get there and we did!

We won a lot of games by one run and battled all the way, we played in some high standard games and held our nerve many times. This team is only in its second season and I feel we are getting it together.

Having the juniors in the side was excellent, their out fielding was brilliant (Flynn and Tom.) Mouse pitched very well all year he was one of the reason we won games, Leon Elbridge was outstanding all year, I felt Julian Day had a good season, thanks go to Jim Nelson as manager and Barb Eldridge as scorer.

Tony Mezzini - Division 6 Tigers Coach

#### Division 7 Glenelg - Report

#### Coach - John Sandercock

Scorer –	Rachael Sandercock
Manager -	John Tuckwell

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	%
1	18	16	2	0	32	88.9%	255	77	76.8%
Semi final			Glenelg		2	Lost	Adelaide		19
Preliminary Final			Glenelg		2	Lost	Adelaide		3

Trophy Winners:Batting TrophyMarty BeyerPitching TrophyDavid Mitchell

Glenelg's Division 7 team utilised 31 different players over the season, enough to field three completely different line ups!

10 of these players were from U/15 or U/17 teams, so there is an expectation that the Club benefits in the seasons to come from the experience these young players gained from playing senior baseball. Corban Ceglar, Darcy Gluyas & Adam Wurfel were the main beneficiaries, each playing more than 5 games each, and trust each learnt from some very experienced players they had as teammates.

We also welcomed a new senior player to the Club, Neil Northam. Neil played his first season of baseball for Glenelg (after playing a few games of winter ball). It was great to see Neil's improvement over the season, having multiple safe hits in some games as the season progressed - much to the enjoyment of his teammates.

Our record for the season was 16 wins & 4 losses (including finals) which on paper is considered acceptable.

We finished the minor round on top of the premiership ladder, but couldn't produce or execute the standard of baseball when it countered the most. This resulted in the loss of both finals we participated in. Whilst we all play because of our love for the game it was disappointing not to reach a third successive grand final.

Despite the earlier end to the season (than expected) all players were always supportive of each other and their effort could not be questioned.

As a coach I couldn't have asked for any more and really enjoyed the time we spent together on Saturdays, including the after game drinks supporting our other senior teams.

Thank you must go to David Mitchell (Assistant Coach), John Tuckwell (one of Baseball SA's oldest bat boys!) and Rachael Sandercock (Scorer) and all the other wonderful people who filled in and supported our team when asked during the season.

Congratulations also to our two award winners, David Mitchell (Pitching Trophy) and Marty Beyer (Hitting Trophy). Whilst it is always difficult to single out individuals in a team game both David and Marty has wonderful seasons and their performances worthy of recognition.

John Sandercock - Division 7 Coach

#### **Division 7 Tigers - Report**

Coach -	- Darren B	Bails			Assistant Coach – Scorer –			Steve Horrocks Cathy Hill		
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	%	
8	17	9	8	0	18	52.9%	205	153	57.3%	

Trophy Winners: MVP Tom Burton

Most Consistent Player Andrew Potter

We lost our coach Steve Horrocks to sunny Queensland after Round 5 and I volunteered to continue the season as Coach. Unfortunately, we were the only senior team to not make the finals but we were a new team and the aim was to develop players and have fun with hopefully a few wins along the way. It's just that things started getting serious when we were in contention for a top 6 spot.

We finished a narrow one game out of the top 6 with a Runs Percentage equal to the 4<sup>th</sup> side and we did beat a number of top sides during the season. We had nine 7-run innings' over the season, hit 3 Home Runs, and had a team batting average of 0.430.

#### **HIGHLIGHTS & AWARDS**

Seeing the improvement over the season was great, especially in the batting which kept us competitive all season. Our fielding improved but we were definitely a Div 7 side with only glimpses of champagne baseball throughout the season. The inclusion of Ally Hall from Round 6 onward was great for us but only short-lived as she broke down soon after being named in the State team. But having her son Blake on board was a bonus and I'm sure he benefitted from the experience of playing senior baseball as well.

Paul "The Target" Takos took out the Hit By Pitch Award, Luke Bramley both the Errors and Steals Awards, Rian Hill was our Strike Out King, and our twins Harry and Adsy had great seasons with some strong contributions and improvement all season with the bat and in the field.

Our main awards were very tight but with an On Base Percentage of 52.05% and batting 0.485 with a home run in both 7's and 6's, an ERA of 28.33 and catching all season. MVP was Tom Burton

Andrew "Pottsy" Potter was a latecomer to the team after we were left without a main pitcher. He was loaned to us by 6's after Round 8 but stayed around all season and saved our bacon numerous times by hanging in there on the mound when we were lacking pitching depth all year. He played 10 games – batting 0.556 with an On Base Percentage of 62.50% and 10 RBI's. He pitched 9 games for an ERA of 7.73 and was our Most Consistent Award recipient. Pretty good for the second slowest guy at the club

A special mention must go to the big unit Sean "HP" Halfpenny. He narrowly missed out on the awards and had a great season, batting 0.521, with an On Base Percentage of 57.41%, an in-the-park home run, and ERA of 15.85. Well done, mate.

#### THANKYOU's

To the whole team, you were a fantastic and dedicated group. It was a pleasure to coach a great bunch of guys, girls and kids, and a shame we couldn't have been in finals contention.

Thanks to our scorer Cathy Hill for scoring all year and getting as excited as we did on the occasions Rian made contact with the ball in between strike outs.

Thanks to Matt Foletti and the Div 6 Glenelg team for helping us out all season and thanks to all the other players we had help us out through the season – seniors and juniors.

And thanks to all the people behind the scenes that make the season possible - the Board, grounds people and everyone at the club.

Darren "Stix" Bails - Division 7 Coach

# Women's Division Glenelg Cubs - Report

Coach – Craig Handy

Assistant Coach – Aled Loy

Scorer – Beverley McGearey

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
5	10	2	8	0	4	20.0%	60	117

Trophy Winners: Most Memorable Performance Victory

Most Consistent Player Gemma Cassidy

Women's Baseball – The 'Cubs'

Glenelg Baseball Club's inaugural women's baseball season saw the club place two teams into the league becoming the first traditional club to join the league and adding an exciting new dynamic to our clubs ranks.

After separating our players into two teams Week 1 of the season rolled around to the first instalment of the battle of the bay between our two GBC teams and a healthy and friendly rival began. Whilst our clubmates were much too strong for us on the day some healthy flashes were seen by Coach Loy and I that had us looking positively to the rest of the season. With our team consisting of just a handful of women who had played softball previously and a healthy amount of new recruits joining from Flinders Flames Soccer and other friends and family we had a squad just large enough to cover the difficulties of playing baseball on a Friday night during the festive season.

With the challenges of both of their "official" coaches playing and training during the week we had less of a chance to develop technical competencies so a strong focus for the season was on providing an environment for fun and enjoyment. A special thank you to Tony Mezzini for all his work pre season and during the season in running training and development sessions for the women who could attend on Thursday nights. Outside of the introduction of baseball basics and fundamentals covered there the majority of development occurred via the weekly exposure to competition the season offered. As such we expected to start slowly and build throughout the season.

Players new to the sport often don't appreciate the difficulty that is pitching and the simple concept of throwing strikes can be extremely challenging. When healthy we had some real good talent on the mound in Jojo Papadothomakos and Jenna Handy – building on their previous softball experience however it was the unearthed talent and ability of Emily Pyke in a true utility role that helped give us the depth necessary to start challenging opposition teams with full competitive games.

The highlight of the season remains the fantastic walk off victory leading into Christmas against the Blue Cyclones (who were top of the table at the time). Playing short handed due to the game being a last minute rescheduling of a washed out round earlier in the year we had a great team game after a rough first inning mercy. A complete game victory by Emily was well supported with our first double play of the season along with greatly improved hitting throughout the order. Squaring the ledger in the second battle of the bay later in the season was also a great moment for the team.

In all we had a great year and we hope to see the whole squad back out next season in what is likely to be a revamped club based league model as other traditional clubs look to jump on board with what we are doing. Unfortunately as we were unable to officially score all of our games I am unable to provide accurate season long stats for the team (thank you to Bev and Peter McGeary for stepping in mid season to assist with this) – however it was clear we saw consistent progression within the whole team as the year developed. A special thanks to Hall, Van Camp and Meldrum for your help when we were in need throughout the season. And thank you to our whole team for your efforts and enjoyment – see you next year!

Squad – Natalie Ziersch, Jordy Heidt, April Grava, Gemma Cassidy, Emily Pyke, Samantha Ferguson, Kelly Qualmann, Jasmine Williamson, Jane Ryan, Jojo Papadothomakos, Jenna Handy, Erica Colmer

Craig Handy - Glenelg "Cubs" Coach

# Women's Division Tigers - Report

Coach – Tony Mezzini					Те	am Manager Scorer		Jim Nel Les Pic	
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	
6	10	1	9	0	2	10.0%	62	110	

Trophy Winners: MVP Alex Meldrum
Best Team Player Cheryl Burke

This was our first year so thanks have to go directly to Jodie Huttunen and Marty Leaker for getting it started. We trained the girls as a group, this was a bit of a challenge because having so many players it became difficult to give individual attention, so I used group drills, this format wasn't working because the level of baseball knowledge wasn't there as yet, so after rethinking training, I stripped it back to the basics and then I felt we started to progress quicker. I take full responsivity for this oversight, I originally didn't put enough thought into how we were going to start up.

I felt all the Girls got a lot out of it not only the fun of learning something new and our great game of baseball but being part of a team and a club. Girls especially tend to put their lives on hold for many reasons following their partners around marriage and sometime having children. So this was an opportunity to go back in time and just hang out with your mates for the hell of it!. Something us men do constantly, (any way enough of my pearls of wisdom)

Most games where played in good fun, I especially liked the show downs. It is really difficult to talk about individual players in this report because words would go on for ever, and it was covered at presentation night, the Girls all improved and played hard couldn't ask for any more endeavour. Look out next year having got all the simple stuff out of the way we will win more games. The league will evolve and the rules will improve and it will all get easier and be even more fun!

Thanks firstly to all the girls, to our scorer Les Pickett and Jim Nelson, as team manager. I look forward to see all your smiling faces next season.

### Tony Mezzini - Tigers Women's Coach

# Under 19 / Don Rice League – Report

Premier	ship Coad	ch – Jeff	Downs			stant Coach stant Coach Score	ı –		Gluyas r Arnold Eldridge
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	%
2	8	7	1	0	14	87.5%	82	27	75.2%
Grand F	inal		Gle	nelg	9	Won	Port A	∖delaide	3
Trophy Winners: Coaches Award for ex Golden Arm					xecution			Gluyas Eldridge	

### PLAYERS;

Alec STEFF, Alex WITTY, Ben CLAVELL, Dylan BENTLEY, Errol BURNS, Flynn LUDERS, Jayden ELDRIDGE, Joe GLUYAS, Mason CLAVELL, Max FORSTER, Jacob ELDRIDGE, Rion SATO, Tom HUTTUNEN, Tyson ARNOLD, Will DAY, Zac MUNROE

Jeff Downs - Under 19 Premiership Coach

## Under 17/1 - Report

Coach -	- Tony Me	zzini			Assis	stant Coach Manager Score	-	Leo I	ff Downs Huttunen Eldridge
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	%
1	16	14	1	1	29	90.6%	164	41	80.0%
Trophy	Winners:			st Player ding Seas	son			Gluyas n Luders	

I felt the year overall was successful because of the boys attitude towards playing a higher level, they all seemed to unbrace the opportunity, this was good to see on a personal level. We nearly won all our games during the regular season and most of our training were at a good standard. I am comfortable with the boys now advancing to the senior league, they know what to expect and there will be no surprises, it will be an easy transition, which was always the plan.

We only played one bad game all year unfortunately it was the preliminary final, this was hard to swallow, hopefully we all learnt something from this and move on in a positive manner.

Well done to the trophy winners Joe Gluyas and Flynn Luders and thanks to all the boys for their efforts, well done again.

Thanks to Jeff Downs, David Mundy, Jim Nelson, Leo Huttunen, Leon and Barb Eldridge for their help with the team and to all the parents in supporting the boys.

Tony Mezzini - Under 17/1 Coach

# Under 15 (1) - Report

Coach -	- Justin M	illar			Assistant Coach – Corey Wil Manager – Lisa V Scorers –				Williams sa Wurfel
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	%
7	14	7	7	0	14	50.0%	117	97	54.7%
Trophy	Winners:	(	Outstandir	MVP ng Perforr	nance		-	Gluyas Wurfel	

The under 15s competition was very evenly matched this year, we ended up missing the finals on run percentage, dropping a few games by 1 run during the season sealed our fate in some ways. We ended up with a 7-7 record, which probably reflected about the level we played at during the year.

With new skills such as getting leads and picking off to bases needing to be learnt by the first year guys, it is a juggling act to keep everyone focused on things some of them have already been through a year earlier. Thanks to the second year guys for their patience and help within these drills.

Darcy Gluyas and Adam Wurfel ended up taking out the team awards, but these could have gone to any of the guys in the squad. Darcy was solid behind the dish and handled the bat well throughout the season. Adam lead the team in extra base hits and his bat made a huge difference in the middle of the line-up.

Harry Leaker threw a bulk of our innings, he might not have the best stuff in the league he is a fierce competitor, that passion and competitive nature will serve him very well into his future baseball career. Blake Hall and Henry McAuliffe provided good leadership by example and both had great seasons with the bat and stole a ton of bags.

Josh Ayles was a big improver over the course of the year, as was new comer Cooper Beecken in only his first year of baseball looked like he had been playing outfield for years. The first year guys consisted of Max Stagg, Cooper Giles, Matt Laverty, Jordan Bennetta-Williams and Owen Williams. Each of these guys had some great moments throughout the year and will all be better as 2<sup>nd</sup> year guys next season.

Massive thanks to Corey Williams who worked as my assistant coach and to Lisa Wurfel as team manager and all around organizer.

This group has a lot of potential in it and I am sure if they apply themselves, listen, learn and get their work in the sky is the limit. Thanks for a great year to all the guys, this kind of season is one that should make you all a bit hungrier for the next.

Justin Millar - Under 15 (1) Coach

## **U13/1 – Report**

Coach -	- Andrew	Gluyas			Assis	tant Coach Manage Score	Paul Green Scott Beckham Scott Beckham		
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	%
2	16	14	2	0	28	87.5%	202	80	71.6%

Trophy Winners: Most Consistent Player Josh Beckham
Batting Trophy Mason Clavell

Our 13/1 side was very competitive this year. The boys were easy to coach and they were rewarded for their good work on the training track by playing in three finals.

Our years work consisted of fundamental skill building drills from pre season up to the Christmas break, game situation learning in game simulations after the break and then boys got to settle into specific roles when things ramped up for the finals series.

The squad thanks Paul Green for his time and input this year, mostly at the practice sessions but also for the last couple of games. Greeny engaged with the squad and created a great environment for the rookies to learn Baseball. We would also like to thank Jeff Downs for helping in the pitching department.

Thanks also to Scott Beckham for taking on the admin/manager/scorer role.

The support for the team on the GF day from the GBC members and families was outstanding. We set attendance records at Ram Park and the team got a huge lift from everyone and the collective Tiger spirit nearly got us over the line.

Well done to the boys who represented our club in the Rays Charter Team. Archie Lovelock, Ryan Wurfel, Josh Beckham, Conor Gluyas, Kai Reid and Noah Scott.

Thanks also to the parents for encouraging the boys to play 'Ball', thank you for your end of season gifts and a wonderful photo album and see you all next season.

Andrew Gluyas - Little League - Major Coach

# U13/2 – Report

Coach -	- Ally Hall				Assi	stant Coach	ı <b>–</b>	Ве	n Clavell
						Score	r –	Le	s Pickett
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA	%
3	16	11	5	0	22	68.8%	186	145	56.2%

Trophy Winners: All Players received Medallions

Ally Hall - U13/2 Coach

## U11 Glenelg -Report

Premier	ship Coad	th – Troy	/ Davis		Assis	Manager Scorer stant Coache	_	Br	uyssen rie Davis ad Ayles n Mundy
Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF 138	RA 30	% 82 1%

**Trophy Winners:** 

**All Players received Medallions** 

With the start of the new season we struggled for early numbers, which forced us to nominate only one team. As we got into the season numbers went from 9 to 15. With this we had a lot of new faces to the club. Which was awesome, and needing a lot of skills training. To the teams credit they all work well together, to reach their goal, that was to learn the game, respect the game and to have fun. This lead us to go through the season undefeated and win the shield for U/11 South. The only defeat was to East Torrens in a one off game, (nothing on the end of it) where we just couldn't get any hits. We again won the Ron Chandler medal for the second time in a row with another outstanding season from Georgia. As well others who had grown as players and looking to give the u/13 a red hot go where Charlie, Nicolas, Riley, Oliver and Sam. There was strong improvement in Sebastian, Cyrus and Max

For their first season Angus, Zack, Callum, Gus and Rehn and all show lots of potential. It was a pleasure to coach the kids and with the help of Brad Alyes and Matt Van Kruyssen made my job easier to do. The future looks good for GBC.
Go Tigers
Troy Davis

Troy Davis - U11 Glenelg

Under 9s was Coached by Ben Alexander

### <u>TEE-BALL REPORT – TERM 4, 2016 & TERM 1 2017</u>

For the past two terms numbers of teams has continued to drop. We now have only 25 teams playing. Silver, Gold and Black divisions had to combine again as there were only 6 teams registered across the three year levels.

It was disappointing that none of the junior players offered to umpire this year. I know some of them are involved in Charter teams and congratulations on their achievements, but it is good experience for the boys if they are able to take on umpiring as this level. It is also a major advantage to the various teams as many of the parents who coach know very little about baseball.

A big thankyou to those that helped out in the canteen. Your time was certainly appreciated.

Thanks also to the ground crew who mark and set out the diamonds each week and to John Fisher who picks up the bases each week.

**Beverley McGearey** 

Tee Ball Coordinator

## Club Trophy Winners – 2016 /2017

**Cooper Trophy** Outstanding Clubperson Rian Hill Division 1 player who received **Tom & Mel Rice Memorial Trophy** Terrell Joyce the most Capps Medal votes Most Valuable Player of the Paul Green Medal Max Brown Division 1 Final Series Outfielder of the Year Max Brown **David Doonan Memorial Trophy Bob Elkson Memorial Trophy** Mason Clavell Most Improved Player Junior player who received the **Patrons Trophy** Georgia Davis most umpires votes **West Beach Trust Trophy Outstanding Junior Player** Joe Gluyas **Mayor of Holdfast Bay Trophy** Outstanding Junior Clubperson Noah Scott Under 15 player who received the **Mark Fenwick Memorial Trophy** Harry Leaker most umpires votes **Blake Horrocks Memorial** Awarded to a junior player with Lucas Kelly / **Scholarship** potential Georgia Davis

# Division 1 games milestones - 2016 /2017

Dale Ziersch 500 Games
Chris Lawson 300 Games
Craig Handy 200 Games
Tim Day 100 Games
Hayden McGearey 100 Games
Andrew Qualmann 100 Games

# State Representatives & SABL Awards – 2016 /2017

### Adelaide Bite representatives:

Division 5 - Matt Holmes

**SABL Medal Winner:** U11 Georgia Davis

Dale Ziersch

**SABL All Star Team:** Max Brown

Terrell Joyce

**Under 18 State Team:** Mason Clavell

Tyson Arnold

Rion Sato **Under 16 State Team:** 

Joe Gluyas

Mason Clavell **Under 17 Amarda:** 

Joe Gluyas

Rion Sato

Adam Wurfel

**Under 15 Waves:** Archie Lovelock

Kai Reed

Josh Beckham Ryan Wurfel Noah Scott

**Archie Lovelock Under 13 Rays:** 

**Conor Gluyas** 

**Womens Team:** Ally Hall

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