

ANNUAL REPORT 2024/25

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94TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 24th June 2025

Order of Business

- 1) Notice of Meeting.
- 2) Adoption of Minutes from the 93rd Annual General Meeting
- 3) Presentation of and Adoption of Annual Reports
 - a. President's Report
 - b. Secretary's Report
 - c. Treasurer's Report & Financial Statements & Balance Sheet
 - d. Other Board Member's Report
- 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)
 - Trustee (1)
 - 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 2024 /2026

Patrons	Mr. Peter Dixon - OAM Mr. Stephen Patterson - Member for Morphet Mr. Mark Butler - Member for Hindmarsh
BOARD OF MANAGEMENT	
President	Mr. Leon Eldridge
Secretary	Mr. Tristan Harding (resigned 20 th February 2025) Mr. Gary Mullighan (appointed 4 th March 2025)
Treasurer	Mr. Scott Maclean
Fundraising & Sponsorship Manager	Mr. Dan Melia
Playing Operations Manager	Mr. Justin Millar
Junior Development Manager	Mr. Ben Alexander
Special Projects Manager	Mrs. Simone Bradey
Facilities Manager	- Vacant -
OTHER POSITIONS	
Equipment Manager	Mr. Scott Bradey
Bar Manager	Mrs. Kate Alexander
Shop Controller	Mrs. Kelly Harding, Mrs. Shelley Maclean
Ground Staff	Mr. Peter Dixon - OAM
Social media	Mrs. Kelly Harding, Mr. Tristan Harding, Mr. Justin Millar, Ms. Shania Cummins, Mr. Leon Eldridge
Tee-Ball Coordinator	Mr. Tristan Harding, Mrs. Kelly Harding, Mr. Gary Brinkworth
Division 1 Coach	Mr. Tony Mezzini
Division 1 Women's Coach	Mr. Craig Handy
Women's Development Manager	Mrs. Natalie Ziersch
Trustees	Mr. Greg Bradshaw (6-year term) exp 2028 Mr. Scott Bradey (5-year term) exp 2026 Mr. Peter Dixon OAM (6-year term) exp 2030
Public Officer	Mr. Greg Bradshaw
Auditor	Belinda Schutz (Accru Harris Orchard)
Solicitor	Mr. Terry Evans

Life Membership Committee

Mr. Greg Bradshaw (*chair*), Mr. Leon Eldridge, Mr. Peter Dixon **OAM**, Mr. Scott Bradey, Mr. Ben Alexander & Mr. Luke Thompson

HONOUR ROLL

Life Members

Pre	S. Spencer †	1985	Eddie R Owen
1938	W Fisk †		Bruce D Rhodes †
1939	W.A.G (Bill) Swann †		David J Williams
1946	Tom J Rice †		David J Doonan †
1948	Jeff Noblet †		John K Doonan †
1953	Wally Harman †	1986	Greg S Bradshaw
1957	A S (Alby) Jones †	1989	Chris R Abbott
	David E James †	1990	John S Fisher †
1958	S Max Stone †	1991	Paul D Green
	R.G.M (Bob) Rice †	1993	Mrs Joyce Doonan †
	Don E Franklin †		Roy Page †
	R O (Rocky) Cooper †	1994	Michael B Green
1963	W O (Bill) Jeanes †	1995	Jim F Yeo
	Brian F Hill †	1998	Dennis J Telfer
	C Stan South †	1999	A John Tuckwell †
	Stan J South †	2000	Greg M Elkson
	A Martin Chappell †	2001	Colin B Penney †
1968	Don A Rice †	2010	R W (Bob) Bradley
1970	Mrs Mel Rice †		Tony P Mezzini
	Mrs Marg South †	2011	Chris M Day
1974	Norm W Yeo †		Matt Jones
1978	Lyn M Bradshaw	2014	Tony Creeper
1982	Peter W Dixon OAM	2015	Peter Power
	Phil C Alexander †	2019	Peter McGearey
1983	Lloyd T McMillan †		Mrs Beverley McGearey
	Garry C Ryan	2023	Justin Millar
1984	David R Mosel †		Leon Eldridge
	A J (Tony) Donaldson †	2024	Nathan Davison

† Deceased

Player Life Members

1998	Peter S Fenwick	2011	Dan Wilson
2000	Gary W Mullighan		Jay Ziersch
	Gavin C Kilpatrick		Bradley Ayles
	Brook M Kilpatrick		Adam Thompson
2001	Gary Carman	2012	Tristan Stevens
2003	Andrew Gluyas	2014	Justin Millar
2005	Nathan Davison	2015	Leon Eldridge
2007	Ben P Dixon	2016	Adam Shaw
	Sam W Dixon		Peter Pick
	Jamie L Kloeden	2017	Chris Lawson
	Tony P Mezzini		Patrick Gluyas
	Chris M Day	2019	John Sandercock
	Ben P Alexander		Marten Beyer
	Luke A Thompson		Joe Krajina
	Justin S Oliver	2020	Tim Day
2010	Danny Page	2021	Dave Jucha
	Dale Ziersch		Craig Teakle
	Ben Hilterbrand	2023	Corey Williams

GBC Members (current & past) who are Life Members of Baseball SA

1969	Roy Page †	1999	Ron Chandler
1972	S Max Stone †	2001	Paul Begg
1982	Tom J Rice †	2004	Greg Bradshaw
1985	Warren Charles †	2010	Ken Kobayashi
1991	Don A Rice †	2011	Kevin Greatrex
1992	Ron Wright †	2013	Phil Alexander †
1996	Peter W Dixon OAM	2017	John Ryan †
1998	Hugh Franke †	2021	Tony Harris

† Deceased

GBC Members (current & past) who are Baseball SA – Hall of Fame Members

2022	Neil Page	2023	Kym Bament
	Kevin Greatrex		Phil Brideoake †
	Tom J Rice †		Warren Charles †
	Don A Rice †		Ken Kobayashi
	Peter W Dixon OAM	2024	Nathan Davison
	Ron Chandler	2025	Paul Green
	Greg Elkson		
	Tony Harris		
	Greg Bradshaw		
	Ian Reval		
	Phil Alexander †		
	Paul Begg		

GBC Members (current & past) who are Baseball Australia – Hall of Fame Members

2005	Neil Page	2014	Phil Alexander †
	Kevin Greatrex	2016	Phil Brideoake †
2013	Don A Rice †	2018	Greg Elkson

Capps Medal Winners

Most Votes in Baseball SA 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	Ian Reval
1967	Don Rice †	2010	Dan Wilson
1968	Don Rice †	2016	Wes Roemer

Women's MVP Winners

Most Votes in Baseball SA Women's / Division 1 competition

2019	Alice Prokopec	2021	Jessica Maslin
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Major A / Division 1 Premierships

1962

1976-1977

1978-1979

1979-1980

1982-1983

2000-2001

2004-2005

2015-2016

Women's League - Division 1 Premierships

2020-2021

2021-2022

MINUTES OF THE 93RD ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held at the Clubrooms, Anderson Ave, Glenelg North on Thursday 13th June 2024

Meeting opened at 7:00pm

Present

As per attendance list

Apologies

Brook Kilpatrick, Patrick Gluyas, David Williams, Matt Jones, Troy Harrison & Elliott Ross

Minutes

The President, Scott Bradey, welcomed members to the meeting and the minutes of the 92nd Annual General Meeting was then addressed.

It was moved by Natalie Ziersch and seconded by Tristan Harding that the minutes be confirmed as a true and correct record of the meeting. The motion was carried.

President Report

Submitted prior to AGM and available for review via website.

Secretary Report

Submitted prior to AGM and available for review via website.

Leon Eldridge highlighted the change from Fullhammer to Blackchrome as uniform and merchandise supplier for the upcoming season.

Financials Report

Financials presented and discussed at AGM by Emily Martinella.

Adoption of Reports

It was moved by Connor Hill and seconded by Michael Green that all non-financial reports be accepted.

It was moved by Greg Bradshaw and seconded by Natalie Ziersch that the financial reports be accepted with changes.

Election of Offices

The President then declared all positions vacant and thanked all previous members for their contributions. Scott Bradey remained as Chairperson and read the nominations and Tristan Harding replaced Leon Eldridge as the minute taker.

The following nominations were heard.

President	- <i>No nomination received</i> -
Secretary	Tristan Harding
Treasurer	Scott Maclean
Facilities Manager	- <i>No nomination received</i> -
Playing Operations Manager	Justin Millar
Junior Development Manager	Ben Alexander
Fundraising & Sponsorship Manager	Dan Melia
Special Projects Manager	- <i>No nomination received</i> -

Patrons

Subject to willingness to accept role, it was moved by Scott Bradey and seconded by Greg Bradshaw that our current Patrons (as listed below), remain as Patrons:

- * Peter Dixon OAM
- * Stephen Patterson (Member for Morphett)
- * Mark Butler (Member for Hindmarsh)

The motion was carried.

Trustee

It was moved by Scott Bradey and seconded by Emily Martinella that **Peter Dixon OAM** be appointed trustee for a further 6-year term. The motion was carried - unanimously.

Auditor

Subject to her willingness to continue, it was moved by Emily Martinella and seconded by Scott Bradey that **Belinda Schutz of Accru Harris** remains as auditor. The motion was carried - unanimously.

Solicitor

It was moved by Scott Bradey and seconded by Natalie Ziersch that **Terry Evans** be appointed as the club's solicitor. The motion was carried - unanimously.

Life Members

Greg Bradshaw on behalf of the Life Membership Committee has recommended that the following members be awarded Life membership.

It was moved by Greg Bradshaw and seconded by Peter Dixon that **Nathan Davison** be awarded Honorary Life Membership under the conditions of Clause 7 (b) (2) of the club constitution. The motion was carried - unanimously.

General Business

Scott Bradey - provided an update to the membership on the Indoor Training Facility. Meetings have been held with the Office for Recreation and Sport. Local Council grants are difficult as GBC sits as a part of the West Beach Trust, and outside of the local council and government catchment for funding opportunities. The incoming board will have this project at the top of its agenda for further planning and communication to the members.

Scott Bradey - spoke of the upcoming GBC Working Bee on Sunday 16th June, 1000-1200. All members are encouraged to attend and participate.

Michael Green - questioned when the broken fans will be replaced. Tristan Harding spoke of the need to remove them as insurance has been paid. Scott Bradey spoke of the planning to add additional lighting to the area instead.

Michael Green - asked about the recognition for members who have been at GBC for fifty or more years. The incoming board committed to looking at ways to recognise this in the clubrooms.

Scott Bradey - discussed the ongoing additions and need for rearrangement of the GBC clubroom awards room. Greg Bradshaw was thanked for his ongoing contribution to the history of the GBC.

Peter Dixon - provided a thank you and acknowledged the service of the outgoing GBC Board members and the President, Scott Bradey who was stepping down.

The 93rd Annual General Meeting was closed at 7.41pm

Post the AGM, the incoming board met and appointed the following board positions:

- *Leon Eldridge - President*
- *Simone Bradey - Special Projects Manager*

The Facilities Manager role remained unfilled.

Signed by the Chairperson at the 93rd Annual General Meeting held 13/06/2024.

PRESIDENTS REPORT

The 2024/25 season was another busy one for the club, with progress made across several areas.

Off the field, we held two well-attended working bees that helped maintain and improve the club's facilities. The batting cage was upgraded, and the hot water system was replaced. We commenced a new apparel partnership with Blackchrome, which has some ongoing challenges. The "Team of the Week" remained a popular and consistent part of the club's internal recognition efforts.

On the field, we made key appointments to support development, including a Club Pitching Coach and a Women's Development Manager. T-ball was relaunched in partnership with Glenelg Softball Club, providing a strong entry point for younger players. Junior numbers increased, and results improved across several age groups. Three of our teams reached Grand Finals, reflecting the continued development of players and coaches.

The club hosted and supported several successful events during the season, including the Season Launch, Country Championships, Quiz Night, Ladies Day, 100 Club, Habs Day, Past Players and Premiership Reunion, and the end-of-season Presentation Nights.

We acknowledge and congratulate our Junior Charter representatives, State Women's players, Australian representative, BSA Hall of Fame inductee, and those who achieved playing milestones during the year.

The club continues to face several challenges. These include ongoing issues with communications, low volunteer numbers, aging facilities, and the need to broaden sponsorship and income sources. These remain key focus areas going forward.

I am reluctant to acknowledge individuals, due to the risk of missing anyone, so I would sincerely like to thank the Board for their support, and all volunteers for their contribution throughout the season.

I have made the decision not to nominate again as President. I've tried my best and hope I've added value during my time on the Board. I'd also like to thank my wife Barbara and sons Jayden and Jacob for their ongoing support over the past few years

Leon Eldridge - President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

2024/25 proved yet again a busy year with further updates and changes in the system that is used for registrations and competition management, this proved to be a time-consuming exercise. Thank you to Leon and GBC members for your patience and understanding as I learnt the system.

We continued the implementation of the 'Stack Team Sport' app with continued traction and success. The board for 2025/26 will look to try and amp up moving forward with the most user friendly and efficient communication system for our members to stay informed.

The importance of whole club communication and social media engagement continues to grow in its importance and continues to be an area of the club all members will need to provide focus on moving forward to ensure we are getting the best return on effort to manage the system(s) and to engage with membership and the public. Thank you to Kelly Harding and Leon Eldridge for your mountain of support and effort to keep these platforms updated and useful for our membership.

As the Glenelg Baseball Club continues to grow, the week-to-week tasks load becomes greater and more complex. As we say every year, now more than ever, it is imperative to see more members put their hand up to help in any aspect that they think they might be able to contribute.

Thank you to Leon Eldridge in serving Glenelg Baseball Club tirelessly in the lead up to, and then throughout the 2024/25 season as the baseball club president - an enormous role in any year, but you certainly had your fair share of workload and internal club tasks this season. Your unwavering dedication to the baseball club and the wellbeing and enjoyment of its members cannot be understated - well done and thank you for your huge support of me throughout the season.

Finally, congratulations to Simone Bradey on winning this year's Cooper Trophy, a fitting winner - your contributions to the club behind the scenes, week to week is extraordinary.

Tristan Harding - Secretary

TREASURER / FINANCE MANAGER REPORT

On behalf of GBC as treasurer, I wish to formally close the 2024/25 GBC financial season with the following overview report.

Firstly, I'd like to thank the Board for their support in my first year with the guidance and suggestions around the club operations and especially their endless volunteering hours that's required during the season, on top of the Board duties. Sincerely the Club would not operate without this small group. I also want to acknowledge those playing members and parents that also put their hands up to help which enabled GBC to run as smoothly as it did each week. Also, thanks to Pete, Dave and Greeny for their hours each week keeping the Club in the best shape possible and reducing some of our maintenance costs. And our previous Treasurer, Emily Martinella, for the calls of help and questions... Thank you all so much!

This year while the headline numbers of the Profit & Loss balance sheet look a little disappointing, we did have a strong discussion early on capital expenditure spending after some steady financial years to invest in some significant development growth facility upgrades, equipment purchases and clubhouse repairs, which was well overdue. Our new Pitching Machine and significant replacement of the D1 RF batting cage mesh, helping many of our current playing groups and beyond, just to name a few projects.

My focus of the year was the understanding of our relatively small membership/ registration income (vs other local sports and very large governing bodies fees BA, BSA), the income growth improvement of only a few possible areas - Bar/ Social function Income, Sponsorship and Grant applications against our significantly large operation costs (both playing and Club operating). Some of these improvements' ideas will take some time and planning but confident on some positive revenue change next season.

Another key focus is to also implement revenue and profit targets for all of GBC's areas that contribute to our balance sheet. These targets will help identify early on if that area, especially those critical to delivering a strong financial performance, get the required attention and help to achieve those goals. Without these targets we will be just swinging at any pitch.

Thanks again

Scott Maclean - Treasurer

FUNDRAISING & SPONSORSHIP MANAGER'S REPORT

The past year presented challenges both on and off the field for GBC. However, as the old saying goes, what doesn't challenge you only makes you stronger. Despite these hurdles, GBC has continued to foster strong relationships with our major sponsors, promoting their products and services far and wide.

Looking ahead, we are eager to see increased engagement with both our existing sponsors and new ones on the horizon. Supporting these businesses not only benefits them but also strengthens our club as a whole. We are proud to collaborate with such fantastic sponsors, each offering incredible products and services.

If you know of any businesses that would be a great fit as GBC sponsors, please reach out to us. Together, we can continue moving forward—always upward, always striving, and forever pitching for success.

Dan Melia - Fundraising & Sponsorship Manager

PLAYING OPERATIONS MANAGER'S REPORT

In season 2024-25 the GBC had a total of 9 senior teams. Of the 9 senior teams we had 2 make finals and a bunch of teams narrowly missed out. The Division 5 and the WD3 team both going down in tough fought grand finals.

Division	Ladder Position	Regular Season
1	9	10-16
2	7	10-1-8
3	8	7-10
4	7	2-2-15
5	2	14-3
6	12	5-13
7B	8	6-11
WD1	5	8-10
WD3	4	10-1-4

Umpiring was again at the front of regular issues. And once again, people just stood up. Sam Dixon, Paul Begg and Kristian Mundy were huge in the Saturday senior's front. Gav Kilpatrick was unreal in the WD3 space, just basically putting his hand up for the entire season from week 1. Joe Krajina was also the man in the junior's space and meant a ton of guys from the Div 1-2-3 squad got off light this season. Thanks to those above, and all the rest of the people who stepped up this year again.

A big thank you to the coaches again this season, some new faces included in this lot. It is harder than people think, but myself and the collective board sincerely thank you. That extends out to include scorers, team managers and anyone who stepped up to try and help players get better.

Our division 1 team was again coach by Tony with the support of Paul Green, Randal Birt and myself. The team competed well, but some close losses, untimely injuries and unavailability meant getting our best team on the park each week was difficult. Carson Angeroth wore the #17 this season as our US import and was great on the mound. His numbers were outstanding and even earned him a look in with the Giants in the ABL. We also welcomed the son of a former SABL gun in Deiken Burnside, his dad Adrian having played in Adelaide many moons ago. The guys were huge for the club, both coaching junior teams and fitting in a treat. The division 2 guys missed the finals by half a game but provided great support for the 1s as they always need to. Flynn Luders got his 1st A grade hit, Bailey Edgar caught a bunch of games and Alec Steff got a ton of extra AB's between both grades.

The 3s and 4s were a balance of old and new. Both grades doing their part for the betterment of the clubs future, bleeding a ton of still juniors into senior baseball.

The 5s played in the grand final, albeit a heat reduced 5 innings, unfortunately going down 3-1 to a high quality opponent. The 6s and 7s had up and down seasons, we welcomed a few new faces down there and they fit in perfectly, great guys.

The Women's Division 1 team just missed the playoffs, but put up some great performances in the back half of the season. Craig Handy and his girls doing the club proud, Peyton Daniels and Sydney Horton played particularly well down the stretch. Both these two would go on to make the State Women's team and play representative ball at the Women's National Championships in April.

Glenelg had 3 players make the WD1 All-Star team in Peyton, Jenna Handy and Kylie Lok - a great reward for outstanding seasons.

The Women's D3 team finished the year strong and made the finals in 4th place, they made their way through to the GF and ran into a strong opponent, but certainly did the club proud with their play during the year.

The board approved a big spend at the start of the season buying a pitching machine which was utilised club wide and helped a lot of our hitters get better.

We added a new club wide pitching coach group which consisted of Lachy Eldridge, Jayden Eldridge, Flynn Luders and Tim Day. These guys did a stellar job across all levels of the club and their commitment was greatly appreciated. Thank you all.

A thanks goes to Peter Dixon, Scotty Bradey, Tristan Harding and BA who all helped with the maintenance and preparation of the playing fields.

Well done to Simone Bradey taking home the Coopers Trophy at awards night, a very well deserved winner with countless hours dedicated to the club.

The Team of the Week was again a big part of the socials this season and gives the chance to celebrate outstanding performances on a weekly basis. Well done to all those who made it, and to those who didn't there is always next year.

Notable Awards:

- Division 2 State League MVP: Flynn Luders
- Division 5 State League MVP: Hayden McGearey
- Women's League All-Star Team:
 - Peyton Daniels
 - Kylie Lok
 - Jenna Handy

State Representatives

- Peyton Daniels
- Sydney Horton

Justin Millar - Senior Playing Operations Manager

JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT MANAGER'S REPORT

I couldn't be prouder of all the teams this year with the way they handled themselves both on and off the field. There were some amazing achievements this season from having 2 teams in finals, a swag of Seahawks and a Seahorse, to a kid playing for Australia. We had 7 kids from the junior realm regularly playing seniors including a 14-year-old in Div 2 and kids helping out in Div 3, 4 and 5.

Our pitching across the board was strong and consistent with vast improvement shown through all grades. I'd like to thank Lachie and the team of club pitching coaches for their hard work this season.

I'd like to thank all coaches for the countless hours they put in for the one goal for making our kids better baseballers.

The squad mentality in the 13/14 world led by Qualls and backed up by our import Carson and Div 1 players, Tommy and Stef was outstanding and brilliant to watch.

Nick and Kristan did a brilliant job with the U17s.

Thanks to all the U10 coaching staff, you guys did a great job mentoring the little ones, which can be quite challenging.

The GBC should be very excited about the future of our club as there is some serious talent coming through.

I'd like to personally thank all the people that coached, scored, worked in the canteen, managed, and all the parents as none of this would be possible without you all.

Ben Alexander - Junior Development Manager

FACILITIES MANAGER'S REPORT

The 2024/25 season has again seen great strides in maintaining and refurbishing the facilities at Glenelg Baseball Club. Much of this progress is thanks to the dedication of our members and sponsors, who have worked tirelessly behind the scenes to ensure that both our members and visitors have access to top-notch facilities and grounds.

Key projects included:

*The external roof and walls were cleaned and painted, completing a full refresh of the Glenelg Baseball Club external paintwork.

Thank you to the large number of volunteers who gave up their weekends to complete this task - most importantly, a huge thanks to Leo Huttunen and Priority Painting for your commitment, supply of trade materials and in coordinating the team.

*Continued Diamond 1 & 2 base paths and pitching mound refurbishment.

Thank you to the large workgroup that arranged for new turf to be delivered and installed on the two main fields. Special thanks to the whole team that worked across the several sessions to cut, install and level the grounds ready for matches.

*Installation of chilled water fountain in Dixon Dugout.

*Replacement of Diamond 1 benches.

*Diamond 1 & 2 infield & outfield refurbishment.

*Rear storage shed empty and tidy - scrap metal recycle.

*Batting cage mesh replacements.

*AED relocation to Dixon Dugout for greater public access - a decision that helped saved a player's life during the 2024/25 season due to a cardiac arrest.

The ongoing list grows as the club approaches its one hundredth year of existence, meaning that more hands will continue to be required to help ensure that all members continue to enjoy the best facility in baseball in South Australia - please support when and where you can.

Winterball was again hosted at GBC and thank you to the team that managed the bar each weekend and managed the equipment and diamonds during the offseason.

The South Australian Country Carnival was again hosted at GBC over the October Long Weekend and the event never ceases to draw a crowd - some fantastic baseball was played and a huge volunteer team, the GBC Board and plenty of extended family of GBC ensure that the event ran smoothly, the facilities were maintained, and amazing time was had by all that attended - kudos to Simone Bradey as lead organiser for the GBC volunteer brigade.

Throughout the season, the grounds were used by all junior and senior clubs with respect, care and consideration for the club. Thank you to coaches, managers, and players for making sure that the grounds were passed on to the next match, and into the next week in fantastic condition. These efforts play a huge role in ensuring that the midweek tasks of grounds work are much simpler and easier for our club membership, primarily by Peter Dixon OAM.

Huge thanks to Nick George and Coochie Grass for the ongoing treatment applied to Diamond 1 across the season - the infield has once again been maintained its excellence as one of the best in SA - many thanks.

It was exciting to see so many GBC players represent the Seahawks Charter team, meaning Baseball SA state and charter teams used the grounds for training throughout the summer. The club also continues to support the broader Baseball SA club structure through additional non-club matches being hosts at our grounds.

Thanks again are needed for Peter Dixon OAM and David Williams, for their year-on-year, week-to-week time spent in keeping the club rooms and bathrooms clean, repairs made to the diamonds, the playing lines being marked and the hundreds of other tasks you complete each week - the club appreciates your time, effort and commitment and carrying out any maintenance work that needs to be done.

To Peter Dixon OAM with the support of Scott Bradey and Ben Alexander, thank you for your unquestioned dedication with the weekend match day setups, and for your advice and support in keeping the facilities plan moving forward.

To Michael Green, thanks for your work in keeping our electrical problems under control and for your work in helping keep the bar stocked and taps/fridges working.

To Kelly Harding, thank you for running the canteen so efficiently and a huge thank you to Kate Alexander for your bar management this season - amazing work ladies.

Please, if you have a little bit of time or a lot of time on your hands, reach out to help. We have a passion and love for our club and many hands make lighter work for all.

If you have any suggestions for club facility enhancements and updates, know a fantastic potential supplier or sponsor or just want to lend a hand, please reach out - we are all looking to make Glenelg Baseball Club the club of choice in SA, and a wonderful place for our members to enjoy.

Tristan Harding - Secretary

(Facilities Manager role unfilled in 2024/25 season)

SPECIAL PROJECTS MANAGER'S REPORT

I have been involved with the Glenelg Baseball Club for many years as a supporter, player, and parent. However, it wasn't until I joined the Board as the Special Projects Coordinator that I truly understood the immense time and effort required to run a local sporting club.

Our club thrives thanks to a dedicated group of members and supporters who volunteer countless hours simply for the love of baseball and Glenelg. To each of you, I extend my deepest gratitude—our club could not exist without your generosity and commitment.

The first event of the season was the Country Championships over the October long weekend. Although fewer teams were able to make the trip to Adelaide, this allowed for more games on Diamond 1 and shorter shifts for our volunteers in the Canteen, Bar, and BBQ Hut. I want to thank everyone involved in planning and running the event—it was a fantastic weekend, and we received many compliments from visiting players on both our facilities and hospitality.

Next, we launched the 2024/2025 season with a bang! On the final Thursday before games commenced, we hosted the official GBC Season Launch. The event featured a Division 1 men's showcase training session, the BSA pitching inflatable, junior games and prizes, and, BBQ Hut burgers made and served by club volunteers. A dedicated committee of parents, players, and board members worked together to bring this event to life.

The Mental Health Breakthrough Community Round was held Round 3, 25th - 27th October. This was a Baseball SA initiative that gave our club the opportunity to raise awareness and funds for the Breakthrough Mental Health Research Foundation. I was proud that GBC through the sale of Purple socks and donations raised money for such an important cause.

In November, we hosted a GBC Quiz Night, which was well attended—only one table remained unsold! While it's difficult to pinpoint exactly how much money was raised, the always-entertaining coin slide was a highlight of the evening.

Unfortunately, the planned Christmas Break-Up had to be cancelled due to extreme heat, which also led to the cancellation of all junior games that day.

February was a particularly busy month, featuring Past Premiership & Players Day and Sponsors Day on 8 February, followed by Ladies Day and the 100 Club event on 22 February. Both days were a huge success—Past Premiership & Players Day was a wonderful reunion of old friends, while Ladies Day and the 100 Club provided plenty of laughs and good times. A huge thank you to the dedicated volunteers who helped to make these events so enjoyable.

The final events of the season were marked by the Junior and Senior Presentation Days, celebrating the achievements and spirit of our players and community.

The Junior Presentation Day was held on the afternoon of Sunday, 23 March. The event was well-attended and featured a family-friendly atmosphere with schnitzel burgers and a "build-your-own" burger station generously catered by junior parents. Highlights of the day included spirited parents-versus-kids wiffle ball games and the ever-popular Tiger Diamond Dash, which brought the afternoon to a lively close.

Senior presentations took place on the evening of Saturday, 29 March, in the clubrooms. Attendees enjoyed a festive evening with catering from local food trucks, The Perfect Slice and Orexi. It was especially rewarding to host the senior celebrations back at the club, reinforcing our commitment to building a strong and connected club community.

The Special Projects Board role also manages private functions at the clubrooms. This includes handling public inquiries, setting up the venue for booked events, and ensuring staff coverage for functions requiring bar service. We have had several events booked this season with more bookings in the future. The fact that we continually receive enquiries to use our facilities is a testament to the work of people who previously held this role in building up the clubs profile in this domain.

This season, I also took on the informal role of Volunteer Coordinator for the Bar, Canteen, and BBQ Hut. As a former player and volunteer, I understand the importance of giving teams ample notice for their volunteer shifts. To help with this, I created a full-season roster spreadsheet, making it easier for teams to plan ahead.

Volunteers are the lifeblood of our club. They ensure we have food and drinks after a game, keep our grounds beautifully maintained, ensure we have clean and well-stocked facilities, and handle countless behind-the-scenes tasks that keep Glenelg Baseball Club running smoothly. Their efforts make our club a fantastic place to play and support.

I echo the sentiment shared by countless past and present board members: Many hands make light work. The more people who step into supporting roles, the less the burden falls on just a few. Our club's success depends on collective effort, not just the dedication of a small group. Please consider stepping up and playing a part in not only keeping the club running but helping it thrive.

Once again, my sincere thanks to everyone who contributes to our club's success. Your hard work and passion do not go unnoticed, and I look forward to many more successful seasons.

Simone Bradey - Special Projects Manager

WOMEN'S DEVELOPMENT MANAGER REPORT

1. Executive Summary

The 2024/2025 season saw strong progress in the continued development of our women's baseball program, with two teams competing in Division One and Division Three. The Division One team displayed steady commitment and growth throughout the season, particularly to the women who engaged in the optional additional training sessions on Monday nights but fell short of making the finals by half a game this year. Division One team led by Craig Handy was once again supported by assistance in Josh Ward and with a regular and committed assistance around training and game day sessions from Jason Zecchin. There were also periodic coaches attending for pitching assistance throughout the year.

The Division Three team delivered an impressive campaign, culminating in a grand final appearance, but after an emotional week were unable to showcase the resilience and energy needed to win the flag. This was a strong season for the Threes with a new women's structure indicating a new team dynamic, new coaching and players with strong games and skill knowledge. It was positive to see both original Division Three players welcome those coming down from Division Two space and in turn those players from Division Two lend their experience and leadership in skill and knowledge building. This season has reflected both the successes of our program and highlighted key areas for targeted improvement. Early in the season this team was supported by Leon, Mouse and Craig but as the season went on there were less often appearances in supporting staff, the ones split away from the threes (believe this was Steve Harris' request) and the pitching coaching was not really utilized. Erin as an assistant coach whilst it was exceptional when available, she did not train or offer assistance at training and only was able to offer support on game days due to her own playing commitments in Division One.

2. Team Performance Overview

Division One - Season Summary

- **Final Position:** Outside Finals Contention
- **Wins / Losses:** [8:10]
- **Key Strengths:**

Defensive consistency and output (pitching assistance from pitching coaches saw noticed improvements, particularly regarding situational play) experienced role models working with new to division players growing skills, consistent batting and offensive performances with an improved-on base percentages

- **Challenges:**

Depth in pitching, particularly earlier in the season, key positional players only available for half a season and then the changes caused some disruption when players entered the team and positional changes were made (observation and feedback received), emotional resilience (particularly with converting runners left on base and with first strike percentages)

- **Player Development:**

Several players demonstrated significant improvement in technical skills and game awareness at a higher level.

Division Three - Season Summary

- **Final Position:** Grand Finalists - Runners-Up
- **Wins / Losses:** [10:1:4]
- **Key Strengths:**

Strong offensive production, leadership within the squad, pitching depth

- **Challenges:**

Managing numbers and interest in infield roles, experience under high pressure situations, assistance and support coaching staff, family relationships in coaching/leadership roles

- **Player Development:**

High engagement across the roster; noticeable improvements in team strategy and execution

3. Player Development & Progression

- **Training Attendance & Engagement:**

Consistent attendance across both teams, however from the same core group of individuals. Both teams reported a lack of regular or full attendance from some players within the group on Wednesday nights. Positive feedback on skill-based drills and game simulations. Verbal and survey feedback requesting further pitching and catching development, particularly in Division Three space where there was very little pitching coaching provided. Craig

Handy in the Division One space dictated use of pitching coaches around his sessions and when offered time for the Division Three participants, the narrow window did not always work for Stephen Harris's sessions was the response when I queried the reasoning why coaches were out and available to run pitching sessions.

- **Skill Development:**

Focus areas such as batting mechanics, and situational defense saw measurable improvements. Additional sessions on Monday nights offered to the Division One team noted all layers who were regularly involved in these sessions outperform their teammates in the season statistics.

- **Pathways:**

Four Division Three players made appearances in Division One games this year, only two of these players remained regular benchers due to limited game opportunities and the time commitments required ongoing for a full season. This area is identified as a shortfall and an area where development and recruitment should be considered. Currently, the players available to bench for Division One are likely below the skill level required to regularly participate or compete for regular game time.

- **Mentorship:**

Peer mentoring between divisions would be valuable, however at this stage it is not utilized within the women's program. Both divisions are very separate. It is my observation that the Divisions run very separately and there is minimal engagement between the two groups, even in a social space outside of friendships that may already have pre-existed.

4. Coaching and Support Staff

- **Staffing Overview:**

o Division One: Head Coach- Craig Handy, Assistant Coach- Josh Ward

o Division Three: Head Coach- Stephen Harris, Volunteer Assistant- Erin Harris

- **Coaching Development:**

I am unsure what, if any, credentials have been obtained by the coaching group. My recommendation is that any coach committing to more than a single season should invest in some coach training courses. These could be supported by the Glenelg Baseball Club and in effect potentially run on evenings at the club in a group classroom setting where participants across the club could complete content together, or coaches could do the online courses at their own pace.

- **Feedback:**

Mixed feedback from players particularly regarding approachability and knowledge, decision making for player selections (Division One with regards to those who attended training and those who did not and Division Three with positional and substitutional or situational player decisions), a need for further specialization in pitching and catching in the Division Three space reported verbally

and in survey results throughout the year, and Division One had some verbal feedback provided surrounding the culture and attitude of some players that impacted the team dynamic on a regular basis.

5. Community Engagement & Visibility

• Outreach Events:

None. A strong shortfall from our club in our Women's Program. No Come and Try days, no recruitment and no community or marketing performed to grow or open our doors to the public to grow our Women's Program. The Winter pre-season sessions did pick up a few players, however due to these sessions being run at a very high level to cater for Division One player pre-season, these players felt overwhelmed and intimidated and sourced places at other clubs, not signing on with Glenelg.

• Growth in Participation:

Reduction in player registrations from 2023/2024 with loss of the Division Two team.

• Volunteer Engagement:

Increased shared involvement showcased this year within team volunteer rosters but still room for growth in this space. Positive feedback received with a roster that set dates in advance, however, still stress within teams identified for some individuals not doing their part and still some individuals that carried the additional load.

6. Key Areas of Focus for 2025/2026

1. Recruitment and Retention:

a. Expand outreach with a strong recruitment strategy, consider engagement into local schools/social competitions with women player representatives with a drive to grow the game from a junior through to experienced Division One players. I would suggest opening this up to the playing group to invest in interested parties to form a subcommittee to assist the board- however board backing is pivotal to this being successful. Too many years have gone by now with this being requested, but no action has occurred. We started as one of the strongest clubs but for multiple reasons have lost players and now as the game grows around us, we are not able to keep up competitively and are exhausting the options, community relationships and offers to grow the program within our club.

b. Formalize a preseason plan that caters for ALL abilities and communicate this early, offer welcome packs that identify individuals other than coaches for points of contact and communication. Plan this in advance and advertise it with a strong social media and Basball SA presence.

c. Consider offering something to put Glenelg Baseball Club above competing clubs. Examples include, supported elite pathways (showcase our Australian players or advise what subsidies of support or monetary contributions we could offer), Reduced fee packages that make it extremely worthwhile, free fee packages with volunteer hours attached making it 'free' to play but payment is made within club volunteering spaces, free uniform to name a few ideas.

NOTE: It is my strong opinion within this role that if we do not recruit both in the Division One and Division Two space- we will likely struggle to field a Division One team ongoing (as close as the coming season) and we risk losing players within that squad. I know there are interested parties to push higher into Division Two space next year, but I feel this has less of a focus with most Division Two players who played Division Three last year providing positive feedback. Also, with the introduction of a full-sized diamond in Division Two for the 25/26 Season, this may impact decisions around progression into this division. It is my recommendation that work to grow players in the lower squad over next season with plan to grow into Division Two again should be considered. This could also be piggybacked to increase skill and player ability for bench space for the Division One team in future as options are currently lacking.

2. Pitching & Catching Development:

a. Host specialist clinics during preseason and organize a roster of planned training sessions directly with coaches. This should not be arranged by the Division One coach but the Player Operations Manager or Women's Development Manager instead individually with each coach, so available times work in with training plans and numbers attending and can be locked in and shared- avoiding specialist coaches arriving with minimal participants to work with due to training numbers being up and down at points throughout the year.

3. Player Pathways & Progression:

- a. Develop clearer progression plans between divisions
- b. Develop clearer selection process for divisions
- c. Identify baseline testing targets for all divisions, including positional specific baselines that may aid and support Coaches in selection process within their squads

4. Coaching & Leadership:

- a. Ensure we advertise and campaign for the right staff to be considered in our program rather than relying on the same people to do it. It is my recommendation that we should actively be seen attempting to recruit the right people for the program and that all positions should be advertised every year. This does not mean we do not appoint interested parties but instead show that we are passionate about the right people in our roles and ensuring that the perception matches the reality of trying our best to explore all options for leadership roles.
- b. Consider existing relationships in our leadership appointments. The 24/25 season had considerable moments of strain with coaching relationships. Division One and Division Three Coaches have family ties which at times meant their engagement and communication was noticeably strained or just nonexistent because it was not worth 'rocking the boat' with a family member, or the boat was already rocked, and so avoidance occurred. Instead of being able to navigate in the best interest of the women, at times these relationships hindered advocacy. The same occurred throughout the season with a husband-and-wife team. Unless they can successfully work together, this combination at times causes tension that overflows into the games or training sessions. The same can be said for the Women's Development Manager. The person appointed should be someone able to be approached by members within, however if there is an existing friendship there, this may impact full disclosure at times.

7. Recommendations

- Invest in Recruitment and Development Programs: Introduce offseason training squads or summer development camps for junior and senior players.
- Leadership Development: Offer leadership workshops for emerging leaders across both teams. Ensure the right people are appointed in roles. Consider and question personal relationships when making coaching and leadership decisions.
- Build a Women's Program Identity: Strengthen our program's branding and culture to create greater pride, retention, and visibility within the club and broader baseball community. Could we consider 'social ball' in Winter or pre-season?
- Strive for Finals in both Divisions: Set a clear goal of qualifying for finals next season, with structured planning around recruitment, game preparation, and injury management, player movement and a cohesive program, not just cohesive teams

8. Acknowledgements

A heartfelt thank you to our coaches and the board. Your dedication is the backbone of our women's baseball program. The pitching coaches and all additional coaching players that spent time in and around the women's training sessions and supported on game days. Special recognition goes to the Division Three team for their exceptional run to the grand final and for setting a high standard of

sportsmanship and competitiveness and their ability to do so from the incredible advocacy of Leon. This was spoken highly of by the women and coaching staff alike and is not something that has been taken lightly.

9. Conclusion

The 2024/2025 season marks another year of progress for women's baseball within our club, especially under a differing structure of two teams. While there is room for growth, the passion, commitment, and development demonstrated by both teams offer a strong foundation for future success. With renewed focus on development, inclusion, and performance, the 2025/2026 season holds great promise. The backing and effort in hearing the women's thoughts and involving them in early decisions was well received and appreciated with such a change and the retention we obtained from these actions speaks volumes. I highly commend the efforts of Leon and Justin in this space during pre-season.

Natalie Ziersch - Women's Development Manager

DIVISION 1 – REPORT

Coach: Tony Mezzini

Scorer/s: Leon Eldridge
Asst Coach: Paul Green, Randall Birt & Justin Millar
Trainer: Peter Power
Manager: Paul Luders

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
9	26	10	16	0	20	56%	146	121
Trophy Winners			Jamie Kloeden / Ben Dixon			Jayden Eldridge		
			Most Valuable Player					
			Encouragement Award			Jaikob Mathews		

The 24/25 season was not the result we were all expecting. The previous improved season and the positive momentum should have taken us forward and into the playoffs.

As coach, I completely backed our home-grown juniors, giving them every opportunity to play division 1 and get more games under their belts. I never aggressively chased players from other clubs because I always wanted our boys to play. This mentality was always in the back of my mind. Having coached most of them as juniors, I wanted them to have success. Unfortunately, I fell on my sword with my decision making which is now a tough pill to swallow.

As a positive, we blooded Glenelg junior players that are on the way up and the current team which was mentioned above. This will only help us in the future, I won't mention names in this area as this was done on presentation night, but I will be watching with high hopes.

Pitching was very good this season as it has been for the past few seasons, but it needs support, and for this group to make the playoffs, other facets of the game need to be improved.

Many thanks go to:

- My coaching staff: Paul Green, Randall Birt, Justin Millar, Luke Thompson and Patrick Gluyas.
- Lachlan Eldridge as Pitching Coach
- Peter Dixon for his continual work on the grounds.
- Leon Eldridge and Kathy Hill as scorers.
- Paul Luders as Team Manager
- Peter Power trainer.
- Peter Arnold - extra arm at training.

All the supporters who came out to watch

Special thanks to my family for the support that was given to me, and for their help with the imports.

Tony Mezzini - Division 1 Coach

Division 1 – Games Played

#	Players	Previous	Season 2020/21	Season 2021/22	Season 2022/23	Season 2023/24	Season 2024/25	Total Games Played
17	ANGEROTH, CARSON						22	22
3	ARNOLD, TYSON	98	16				24	138
10	BENTLEY, DYLAN	76	23	27	28	26	18	198
12	BURNSIDE, DEIKEN						23	23
75	DAY, TIM	196	25	26	25	13	14	299
40	EDGAR, BAILEY					1	11	12
56	ELDRIDGE, JACOB	18	23	10	5	14	24	94
6	ELDRIDGE, JAYDEN	47	18	19	15	16	17	132
19	HARRISON, TROY	3	16	8	3	6	3	39
22	HILL, CONNOR	81	29	29	26	22	10	197
31	HUTTUNEN, CHARLIE						1	1
33	HUTTUNEN, TOM	4	16	29	19	26	24	118
16	JUDD, ZANE				25	25	19	69
49	LUDERS, FLYNN	20	20	18	18	10	15	101
70	MARTINELLA, HENRY					3	7	10
44	MATHEWS, JAIKOB				18	24	23	65
91	NANKEVILL, KRIS			1	6	11	2	20
60	REID, KAI		3	4	16	21	2	46
27	ROSS, ELLIOTT	207	27	26	21	11	24	316
24	SATO, RION	25		11	13	20	18	87
20	STEFF, ALEC	22	1	17	18	22	22	102
79	WARD, JOSH				1			1

Division 1 – Batting & Fielding Stats

Player:		FIELDING				BATTING:																					
		PO	A	E	Average	PA	AB	R	H	Bat Average	1B	2B	3B	HR	Slug Average	OB Average	RBI	SAB	SAF	BB	HPB	CI	K(so)	GDP	SB	CS	LOB
ALEXANDER	KYLE					0		0																			
ARNOLD	TYSON	25	2	3	0.900	85	75	11	21	0.280	19	1		1	0.333	0.357	11	1		8	1		19	1	4	1	34
BENTLEY	DYLAN	172	6	7	0.962	77	68	6	22	0.324	18	3		1	0.412	0.364	15		3	4	2		10	3			27
ELDRIDGE	JAYDEN	5	12	1	0.944		0		0																		
BURNSIDE	DEIKEN	26	4	1	0.968	73	57	3	10	0.175	5	5			0.263	0.299	2	6		10			25		1		38
JUDD	ZANE	22	33	1	0.982	72	62	7	11	0.177	10	1			0.194	0.268	3	1	1	7	1		14	1			33
ANGEROTH	CARSON	2	7		1.000		0	1	0																		
HARRISON	TROY					4	3		0	0.000					0.000	0.250				1			2				3
STEFF	ALEC	23	1	3	0.889	58	52	4	13	0.250	9	1		3	0.442	0.328	7			3	3		23	1	1	1	24
HILL	CONNOR	17			1.000	39	36	6	8	0.222	7			1	0.306	0.282	4			2	1		7	1		1	26
SATO	RION	96	8	4	0.963	70	59	10	15	0.254	14	1			0.271	0.371	10			7	4		11	2	1	1	37
ROSS	ELLIOTT	43	12	3	0.948	90	75	14	24	0.320	19	5			0.387	0.411	8		2	12	1		10	6	5	1	40
HUTTUNEN	CHARLIE	1			1.000	1	1		0	0.000					0.000	0.000											1
HUTTUNEN	TOM	46	2	1	0.980	91	71	10	19	0.268	16	2		1	0.338	0.404	10	2	1	11	6		25		3	2	41
EDGAR	BAILEY	69	5	2	0.974	29	27		3	0.111	3				0.111	0.172				2			11				9
MATHEWS	JAIKOB	31	39	5	0.933	101	87	13	22	0.253	18	4			0.299	0.350	6	1		12	1		10	3	4	2	31
LUDERS	FLYNN	4	1		0.000	5	5		2	0.400	2				0.400	0.400	2										6
ELDRIDGE	JACOB	24	38	12	0.838	82	66	7	12	0.182	10	1		1	0.242	0.321	6	1	1	13	1		27		2	1	38
REID	KAI					7	7	2	3	0.429	1	1		1	1.000	0.429	1										
MARTINELLA	HENRY					9	9	6	4	0.444	4				0.444	0.444							2				4
DAY	TIM	4	17	4	0.840	17	17	3	3	0.176	3				0.176	0.176	1						6		1	1	7
NANKIVELL	KRIS	5	2		1.000	6	6		1	0.167	1				0.167	0.167							2				3
		615	189	47	0.945	916	783	103	193	0.246	159	25	0	9	0.313	0.338	86	12	8	92	21	0	204	18	21	10	402

Division 1 – Pitching Stats

Games Pitched			PITCHING:																			
			Start	Inn	H	K(so)	BB	HPB	RS	ER	WP	Bk	PCS	BFP	Ball	Strikes	Total	ERA	Strike%	W	L	S
17	ELDRIDGE	JAYDEN	17	97.0	114	94	16	2	63	39	2		3	433	448	1087	1535	3.62	70.81	4	9	
21	ANGEROTH	CARSON	8	63.2	43	105	26	3	29	22	13	1	2	266	370	726	1096	3.11	66.24	4	4	3
9	LUDERS	FLYNN		16.2	30	10	9	4	22	20	2			91	125	199	324	10.80	61.42	1	1	
8	DAY	TIM		13.0	14	12	5	3	8	7	2			58	89	129	218	4.85	59.17			
6	STEFF	ALEC		11.1	14	14	14		9	5	2			58	105	145	250	3.97	58.00	1	1	
1	BURNSIDE	DEIKEN		3.0	5	4	1	2	6	6	2			18	26	41	67	18.00	61.19			
1	HARRISON	TROY	1	0.2	2	1			1	1				4	5	12	17	13.50	70.59			
TOTALS:			26	205.1	222	240	71	14	138	100	23	1	5	928	1168	2339	3507	4.52	66.70	10	15	3

DIVISION 2 – REPORT

Coach: Justin Millar

Scorer/s: Cathy Hill & Barbara Eldridge

Asst Coach: Randall Birt

Manager: Paul Luders

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
7	19	10	8	1	21	55%	111	68
Trophy Winners			Outstanding Performance			Flynn Luders		
			Outstanding Performance			Kris Nankivell		

The new season was met with excitement and much anticipation. Again we had a couple of fresh new faces and also a few who had moved on. We started the season with a win, but stared down the barrel of a 1-3 record after the first month.

With a few chops and changes to the line-up we managed to find our feet and went 4-1-1 over the next 6 games heading into the New Year's break.

As is the case each season the 2s are ever changing while guys get opportunities to play in the A grade and guys come up from the 3s. We ended up using 23 players and got some great exposure into some young up and coming talent.

Our post-Christmas 5-4 record included three 1 run loses. The coach missed two of those games, these super tight loses would prove to be the difference as we missed the finals by half a game.

The award winners this season both carry something more than just their play, they are both leaders on the field and great battlers.

Circumstances meant that Flynn was thrown into becoming a 2-way guy this year and excelled. On the bump he threw the bulk of our innings and put up a 1.87 ERA, but the bat was the big thing for him. He hit .361 and led the team in XBH. On top of this he played outstanding defence in the field, playing all the OF spots and stepped into 1B when called upon. A great guy to have on any team, he always gives his all and loves to compete. Last season's team report included the following quote about Flynn "a 2 way guy in the making perhaps?" - That certainly would ring true.

Kris is just a guy who puts his head down and goes about his business. Nank lead the team in RBIs for the second straight season, with almost half of them coming with 2 outs. The guy just clutched up for us time after time, and all this with extremely limited training as well due to family commitments. A pleasure to coach and talk baseball with.

There was a bunch of other guys who easily could have received an award, Kyle Alexander set the table for us in the lead-off spot all season long. Alec Steff shared time between the 1s and 2s and also provided great leadership for the younger guys. Henry Martinella probably had a quieter year by his lofty standard, and later in the season he would go 3-for in his first career A grade start. Bailey Edgar caught a bunch of games in the A grade and had his best year with the stick in the 2s, taking home the seniors Most Improved award a great reward. Cal Wilson showed a lot of promise and will play a big part in the future success of the GBC, his best outing of the year was a stellar 5 innings, 1 hit, 10 Ks no decision against one of the finals bound teams - the ceiling on this guy is huge. Charlie Huttunen returned to the club and played his way into the Div 2 team, another guy with a bright future. This season we welcomed an Australian/Import of such in Deiken Burnside. Deik came over from San Diego and is the son of a gun, a former SABL and Australian pitcher Adrian. He put up big numbers

with the stick in the 10 games he played in the 2s, and had 13 Ks per 9 in his time on the hill. We wish him all the best in his future baseball endeavours.

One of the shining lights of the 2s season was Ollie Alexander, who at age 14 got his shot in the 2s and hardly took a step wrong. He defence was sound at 2B and found his feet in the batter's box as the season went on. Ollie has a bright future in baseball and has the work ethic needed to keep improving. We managed to get some game time into a bunch of younger players again this season with an eye to their progression and future development.

The other end of the scale was Tim Day, as a vet he did exactly what was asked of him. He played all positions except catcher and provided enough intensity for everyone to remain amped up during games. He threw his final pitch in the 1s this season, well done on an outstanding A grade career.

A huge thanks to Cathy Hill and Barb Eldridge for scoring a majority of season, it is a large commitment, so thanks again.

A big thanks to Peter Dixon and his team for his tireless work getting the fields ready to play week in, week out.

Thanks to the rest of the senior coaching staff in Mutta, Randy, Greeny, Thommo and Paddy G. Paul stepped in a couple of times when I was unable to be there, so was a huge help for me. Thanks to Luke who basically become my offside as the season went on, a huge time commitment on his behalf every Saturday, so thanks mate. Thank you to the players, it has been a pleasure - ideally you have learnt something about the game and how to become the kind of leader you want to be. A thank you to the family and partners of all who let the guys get away for a few hours a week.

Lastly a quick shout out to Harro, in the final weeks of the season he suffered a horrific leg injury on the mound pitching in the 1's. Our thoughts are with you and are wishing you all the best on a speedy recovery.

Justin Millar - Division 2 Coach

DIVISION 3 – REPORT

Coach: Luke Thompson

Scorer/s: Michelle Eades
Asst Coach: Patrick Gluyas
Manager: N/A

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
8	17	7	10	0	14	41%	83	159
Trophy Winners			Most Valuable Player				Beau Vercoe	
			Most Improved				Blake Osborn	

We went with a different approach this year within the division 3 space.

Although we still had the help of senior players in Jamie Kloeden, Andrew Qualman, Nathan Green and Josh Ward, we predominantly went with youth to fill out the rest of the line up.

With the help of Patrick Gluyas in the coach's box and in the field when needed we went about teaching these young men to play baseball.

Although we didn't make finals, I still think the year on a whole was a success. There were lots of ups and downs and frustrating moments but the improvement within the group shows we are on the right path.

The young guys we fielded throughout the year ranged from 14-year-olds in Ari, Owen and Ollie to the slightly older in Blake, Cam and Lucas. It was awesome getting them game time and an understanding of what it takes to play senior baseball. They played some great games and some not so good games, but the goal of the year was learning from mistakes and moving forward. There were a few times it got frustrating when we took opposition lightly and had the result you would expect from thinking like that. In the main the group stuck at it, and we couldn't be prouder of the way they went about it.

The biggest highlight of the year was beating Woodville with a starting lineup consisting of 3, 14-year-olds 2, 15-year-olds 1, 17 year and the rest of the team over 40. Cyrus started and handed the ball over to his younger brother Ari to finish the job. Watching the two siblings work together was a proud moment for all who witnessed it

Beau Vercoe won the MVP for his work on the mound. He really stood up and showed he has a real future within this space. His partner in crime, Blake Osborn collected the coaches award for not just the way he took the advice given to him but also for his clutch hitting through the year and his steady progress behind the plate

Big thanks to PG for your help through the season and Michelle Eades for giving up her time to score every week

A little more concentration and an understanding hey things go wrong, be upset move on and try and accept what comes your way work hard at minimising those mistakes and we have no doubt that what has started to be created will give us good baseball players. Now over to them to show that they want it

Luke Thompson - Division 3 - Coach

DIVISION 4 – REPORT

Coach: Ben Alexander

Scorer/s: Michael Monaghan

Asst Coach: Kristian Mundy

Manager: N/A

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
7	19	2	15	2	6	16%	48	191
Trophy Winners			Most Valuable Player			Connor Major		
			Coaches Award			Dan Melia		

This season we used this division as an entry level for juniors for senior baseball as well as giving some lower grade players an opportunity at higher grade baseball. Fortunately for us, this grade was seen as a developmental one rather than one where we were trying to win a premiership. As the scoreboard was not our friend.

A special thank you to Georgia and Kylie from our women's teams for filing in and playing a role. It was brilliant to see Georgia and Jason playing together.

As the season progressed so did the team, with so much improvement for all.

Award winners -

Coaches Award - Jason Zecchin

Hollywood had a fantastic season with some outstanding defensive games in centre field and his batting was much improved as the season went on. I believe with a little bit of work in the off season he should aspire to play at least in Div 3 or beyond.

MVP - Connor Major

When Connor plays well the team has a great chance of winning. He had some dominant performances on the hill as well as some solid days with the bat. Another great season thank you Connor.

I'd like to thank all the parents for getting the kids to the game at such an early time slot each Saturday as well as Kristian, Michael, Heidi and Georgia and anyone else who picked up a pencil, umpired a game etc just to help me out.

Ben Alexander - Division 4 Coach

DIVISION 5 – REPORT

Coach: Brook Kilpatrick

Scorer/s: Beverley & Peter McGearey

Asst Coach: John Sandercock

Manager: John 'Fred' Radley

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
2	17	14	3	0	28	82%	194	57
Semi Final		Glenelg	1	Lost		Southern Districts		2
Prelim Final		Glenelg	4	Def		Adelaide		3
Grand Final		Glenelg	1	Lost		Southern Districts		3
Trophy Winners				Players MVP		Hayden McGearey		
				Outstanding Performance		Lachlan McGearey		
				Go Hard or Go Home		Gavin Kilpatrick		

Season:

In a season where the standard of Division 5 was arguably the highest it has ever been, our boys played in a number of extremely competitive games which made for a lot of fun baseball played in good spirits. We battled our way into second place after a solid minor round which unfortunately ended in a 1-0 loss under bizarre circumstances, sending us to an away final in week one.

There were plenty of highlights throughout the season as we celebrated Aled Loy's 400th game - a game in which he hit two home runs and knocked in a ton of RBI's, all wrapped up nicely with a bus trip home from Golden Grove to celebrate club legend Ben Alexander's 50th birthday, We also celebrated Lachy Eldridge's 300th game, had three sets of brothers share the field (four if you include cameos from the Hillers - Casey, Zane and Dashel) and managed to almost play a game with no gear as our manager decided to take a road trip to Golden Grove when we were playing at Southern Districts.

Probably the sole highlight of the season came from a lowlight when an opposition player suffered a medical episode on the field early in a game on Diamond two. The highlight came in the way our GBC club personnel came together to assist the opposition player and basically save his life. Ironically this same player would end up on the team that defeated us in the Grand Final just a few months later. There are simply amazing people we have at our club; this moment put the game in the background and the people who love it in the foreground - all GBC people should be super proud of how those involved responded on that day.

In regards to playing personnel we lost Patty Gluyas to Division three but gained Dave Jucha who had an excellent season both behind the dish and in the outfield. Craig Handy and Dale Ziersch boosted the lineup when available while the brothers Loy - Aled and John, covered the left side of the diamond in solid fashion. Florian Breut, the best French import Australia has seen since the macaron, played spectacular defense all season and provided an excellent bat throughout the season.

We always gave ourselves a chance to go back-to-back but a final round hiccup in a 65-minute heat shortened game saw us fall 1-0 to West Torrens, leaving us two runs adrift of a home final. Week one of the finals saw us travel to Southern Districts where we managed to strand more runners than there were castaways on Gilligan's Island as we went down in a heartbreaker 2-1. The Preliminary Final saw us back on our home deck but once again we struggled to get the scoreboard ticking over but ground out a 2-1 win on the back of a sensational pitching performance from Hayden McGearey. T

The Grand Final was once again a bizarre affair with the heat rule limiting the game to a five inning "sprint". Unfortunately we did perform at the level required despite another epic start from Hayds. We didn't take care of the ball on defense and exacerbated the pain with some mental mistakes that combined to see us go down 3-1 in the blink of an eye.

On to the Awards:

Players MVP - Hayden McGearey

Our Players MVP is voted on by all players each week on a 3-2-1 basis, meaning the winner of this award is truly considered the most valuable player to our team. "Hayds" was simply outstanding all season with his finals performance on the mound absolutely top shelf. He went to a new level in all of the finals games and it seems like the rest of us wasted his bullets by not taking the flag.

Outstanding Performance - Lachlan McGearey

"Mags" performed incredibly well defensively, saving numerous runs by running down balls he had no right to get to and even gunning down a tying run at the plate as the last out of a crucial game. Offensively he performed at a high level during the season working valuable at-bats at crucial times when we needed him most.

Go Hard or Go Home - Gavin Kilpatrick

These virtues for this award created by club legend Leon Eldridge include hard work, will to win, going above and beyond what is asked and always carrying yourself with humility and putting team before yourself. Gav moved around the diamond this season from his customary spot behind the dish, playing mainly in the outfield and at first base at a pinch. He took the role change in stride, playing his old carcass off while maintaining all of the qualities this award values.

A big thanks to Division six coach Dan Melia for helping out when playing personnel was needed, and to all of those who helped out at a pinch this season, in particular Craig Teakle and Rhys Argent who helped not only throughout the season but also through the finals campaign.

Thanks to our tireless scorer Bev McGearey and Pete McGearey for filling in. Thanks to my assistant coach John Sandercock and manager Fred Radley for all of your help throughout the year, and to Lachy Eldridge for taking the reins when I was either at a wedding or driving Go-Karts through the streets of Tokyo.

Finally, thanks to every board member and volunteer who gave up their time to this great club, and every single family member and friend who turned up to support us during another season of GBC baseball.

Brook Kilpatrick - Division 5 - Coach

DIVISION 6 – REPORT

Coach: Dan Melia

Scorer/s: Sara McKay

Asst Coach: N/A

Manager: N/A

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
12	18	5	13	0	10	28%	106	196
Trophy Winners			Most Valuable Player			David Munday		
			Most Consistent			Ben Williams		

In a year that began with a rookie coach, a mix of youth and experience, no clear direction, injuries, imports, and Steaks, chaos was always on the cards—and chaos is exactly what unfolded.

With the ever-vocal Brutal Sanga and Tuesday Sara providing their unique brand of encouragement from the sidelines, we stepped onto the diamond week after week to prove what a team of misfits could achieve. Early in the season, our form left something to be desired as it took us a while to find our rhythm. But once we hit our stride, we delivered some standout performances—albeit a limited number!

Despite the challenges, the season was an absolute joy, with everyone contributing, week in and week out. We secured a half-dozen wins and came agonizingly close in several games, often missing victory by a single run. If the season had kicked off on January 1, there's little doubt we would have been in the finals race.

A massive shout-out goes to the newcomers who braved the deep end, and to the versatile players who stepped into multiple roles whenever needed. A heartfelt thank you to the 'Blues' who lent us a hand, and our scorer, Sara, whose dedication was unmatched—despite her less-than-perfect attempts at “creative” scoring. Lastly, it was a pleasure to exchange pleasantries at first base with Greeny once we got there.

Here's to another round with the Willy's/Dick's Dozen—what a crew!

Dan Melia - Division 6 - Coach

DIVISION 7 – REPORT

Coach: Scott Bradey

Scorer/s: Rose Ziersch
Asst Coach:

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
8	17	6	11	0	12	35%	138	201
Trophy Winners			Most Valuable Player			Paul Luders		
			Most Consistent			Eben Lok		

With Steve Harris stepping down as illustrious Div 7 coach, I was honoured to take the reins for the season.

We started off with a flourish of runs scored. Unfortunately, they were for the opposition.

We won most of the games we should have given the level of experience and ability in the group. As is sometimes the case with the lowest grade in the club, playing numbers can fluctuate a fair bit, but this season we had a stable core group.

Div 7 was split into two sections this year without either of them being a weaker league, so we found ourselves coming up against some seasoned players. Our mix of old and older players worked well together but unfortunately couldn't get it done against ex A graders that are a usually floating around our grade.

There were a lot of standout performances from individuals throughout the season but I'm not one to highlight individuals in a team environment. You all know when you played well. The chemistry was great and if it wasn't for some critical injuries, I'm sure our season would have panned out a bit different.

A huge thank you to Rose for stepping in as scorer, especially since I asked her 2 days before the first game. Thanks to Sanga for a couple of stints scoring while Rose was away.

Again, a huge thank you to those that umpired, and those that stepped up into the bar and shop duties without me twisting their arms.

As a coach, I'm a massive shit stirrer and roast all the players for any mishap. And the boys gave me plenty of opportunity to do that. But in saying that, it's all in good faith and the effort given by all was second to none. I know every one of you would take a bullet for the team.

Since essentially only the people involved in this team are reading this, let me please personally thank you all for suiting up and giving me your best. I look forward to seeing you all back there next year to continue some great relationships and to create a few more memories. ❤️🏏

Scott Bradey - Division 7 - Coach

DIVISION 1 WOMEN'S – REPORT

Coach: Craig Handy

Scorer/s: Natalie Lilburn
Asst Coach: Josh Ward, Jason Zecchin

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
5	18	8	10	0	16	44%	120	135
Trophy Winners			Most Valuable Player			Peyton Daniels		
			Players Player			Georgia Kaluza		

Couple of thank you's to begin - firstly thank you to Natalie Lilburn (Team Manager and Scorer), Josh Ward (Assistant Coach) and Jason Zecchin (Assistant Coach). To Lachy Eldridge and his pitching coaches - thank you for your support and development this year, our guys valued the time and insight and it was incredibly beneficial to our skill development - thanks Gamer, Tim, Flynn and Jayden. Year on year we saw gave up 37 less hits in a season that was extended by 2 games whilst also reducing our BB+HBP per game avg by 1. Strong progression with a developing staff.

Tommy Huttenon also provided great assistance throughout the season especially whenever an assistant or two was unavailable to ensure we could still provide productive sessions. Also thank you to the Board and also Natalie Ziersch (Women's Development Manager) for your support and leadership. Congratulations also to Erin and Stephen Harris on your season leading the Division 3 team all the way to a grand final appearance - well done.

We had an improved season, however with the ongoing development of the league and the close nature of many of the teams we finished just a game out of finals with an 8-10 record. It was a disappointing outcome but the growth collectively and individually for our group was pleasing. We set some targets to improve our defensive output to improve our competitiveness and this was a significant achievement year on year.

We reduced our runs against average per game by almost 4 from last season to highlight this growth but fell just short of a net positive for and against which paints the story of our 8-10 win loss outcome. Offensively we made slight progress year on year (some of this is explained by injury and other absences and the development of new and emerging players to match last years output should be recognised and celebrated), next seasons goals will include a focus on continued defensive improvements alongside significant offensive development focus.

We had individual achievements to celebrate - with two players representing SA at Nationals in April, congratulations Sydney Horton and Peyton Daniels. We had 3 players selected to the SABL Team of the Year - Peyton Daniels (Closing Pitcher), Kylie Lok (Shortstop) and Jenna Handy (Outfield). These were well deserved selections in both teams and a fine reward for your efforts. We look forward to taking advantage of the growth and development opportunities from these players to build next year and continue encouraging our experienced players to challenge themselves with representative opportunities alongside helping develop our current and future Div 1 players.

Izzy Lilburn celebrated her 50 game milestone in the yellow and black this year returning strong offensive numbers late in the year as her post Giants availability increased. Izzy has indicated this may be her final year on the diamond and if so we are very proud of

your contributions to our club and hope if opportunities permit we see you back on the diamond in the future.

For the most part we were able to develop players in consistent positions so as to assist them in developing physically and mentally in a couple of spots designed to increase their chances to

succeed. I'd like to thank everyone for embracing the roles assigned and committing to this development.

We engaged some external assistance this year to help work on our mental and emotional development to assist in developing approaches and techniques so that we can let our skills and abilities shine in competition. I'd like to thank Terri from West Torren's Softball Club for her time and facilitated sessions - we have just scratched the surface in this space but it was both confronting and positive to take time to acknowledge the impact this work has on our game and other aspects of our lives and work towards developing our strength and resilience levels accordingly.

Our award winners this year had wonderful seasons - in the second year of our players player award Georgia Kaluza was recognised by her teammates for the wonderful effort and commitment she showed both on and off the field this year. Developing and feeding a culture in which players want to spend time with each other and care for each other is essential to our success and Georgia led our efforts in this space.

Peyton Daniels had another very strong year and was a deserving winner of our MVP award. Equal second in the league with 8 wins whilst leading the league in strikeouts, P threw the bulk of our innings, whilst also hitting .323 with a high OPS. Well recognised selection in the league team of the year.

Kylie and Jenna formed a potent 1, 2 punch at the top of our lineup - Kylie solidified our infield with a fantastic season at short and evolved into the second coming of Adele M-C with her ability to get on base by hit, walk or even increase HBP as the season progressed. It was pleasing to see them both recognised as representatives in team of the year.

Sydney Horton returned as an import this year and was fantastic over half a season, hitting .500, displaying elite catching skills and adding depth to our pitching staff. It was fantastic seeing both Syd and P represent us at nationals and whilst we are unsure what the future holds for Syd we hope to see her in the black and yellow again in the future.

Erin Harris had a strong season at first base showing an increased understanding of the intricacies of playing the position after a distinguished career in the outfield - it was wonderful seeing Erin evolve as a leader and impart her knowledge to our division 3 team this year.

Sophie Wells continued to show her development at the plate was no flash in the pan hitting .379 before a training mishap resulted in a dislocated finger and she missed the

last two months of games - her presence in our lineup was sorely missed and it took time for us to replace her production, we hope for a full recovery and another strong season from Soph.

Izzy finished the year hitting .346 and was really heating up once her availability allowed her to play a string of games in a row and build into the year.

Georgia kept embracing every role asked of her, catching the lions share of innings prior to the mid season break she was able to stretch her legs in the outfield late in the season and performed wonderfully showing her versatility and depth.

3 new additions to the division 1 environment this year played significant roles for us and showed their ability to compete at this level is there, Jacqui Dunn played a solid third base for much of the season, whilst also developing offensively as the season progressed. Bec Saville had a strong offensive season hitting .302 in her first full season of division 1 and driving in 10 runs. Bec played a mix of OF, 2B and some 3B when needed late in the year and competed strongly. Bec Williams (new Bec) split time with us and the Div 6 crew and provided some OF and 2B depth.

Our wonderful 3s made a GF and a number of these guys provided support and bench depth for us all season. Millie was a constant presence all year and was able to play a role in 12 of 18 games this season continuing her development which was particularly evident in her hitting as the season progressed. Tracey, Sally, Nat and Kate thank you for your support this year - its no small task being available across multiple days but we appreciate your efforts and value the contribution and your presence throughout the year.

A positive move on our development dial this year - even if we ultimately missed out on the carrot of finals, improvement doesn't always look linear but we are a stronger program and look to continue building next year.

Thanks again for everyone's support and for trusting the team and program to us again this season. Go tigers.

Craig Handy - Women's Division 1 - Coach

Division 1 – Games Played

Name	Previous	Season 2020/21	Season 2021/22	Season 2022/23	Season 2023/24	Season 2024/25	Total Games Played
DANIELS, PEYTON					16	16	32
DUNN, JACQUI						11	11
FORREST, Sally	0	0	3	11	11	4	29
HANDY, Jenna	38	17	14	20	11	16	116
HARRIS, Amelia				2	5	12	19
HARRIS, Erin	10	17	19	13	15	18	92
HORTON, Sydney					15	9	24
KALUZA, Georgia	0	3	17	17	16	18	71
KIM, KATE						2	2
LILBURN, Isabelle	0	14	15		12	11	52
LOK, Kylie					16	18	34
SAVILLE, Rebecca					4	17	21
TUTING, Tracey						1	1
WELLS, Sophie	0	0	1	8	13	13	35
WILLIAMS, Rebecca						13	13
ZIERSCH, Natalie	14	0	0	1		1	16

Division 1 Women's – Batting & Fielding Stats

Player:		FIELDING				BATTING:																							
		PO	A	E	Average	PA	AB	R	H	Bat Average	1B	2B	3B	HR	Slug Average	OB Average	RBI	SAB	SAF	BB	HPB	CI	K(so)	GDP	SB	CS	LOB		
LILBURN	ISABELLE	12	7	2	0.905	31	26	7	9	0.346	8	1			0.385	0.452	9	1		5			10			2	1	19	
LOK	KYLIE	18	13	3	0.912	58	35	23	11	0.314	11				0.314	0.586	5					11	12		10		1	1	21
ZIERSCH	NAT					0	1	0																					
HANDY	JENNA	9	1	1	0.909	51	35	18	16	0.457	14	2			0.514	0.620	7					13	2		6		8		22
HARRIS	AMELIA	3	1	1	0.800	16	14	3	0	0.000					0.000	0.125	2					1	1		5				15
HARRIS	ERIN	58	4	1	0.984	54	45	7	9	0.200	9				0.200	0.333	15					6	3		4		3		47
DANIELS	PEYTON	5	18	10	0.697	50	31	17	10	0.323	6	3	1		0.484	0.580	15					12	7		6	1	5		27
KALUZA	GEORGIA	63	4	3	0.957	50	35	4	8	0.229	8				0.229	0.460	11					14	1		11	1	2		29
FORREST	SALLY					5	3	1	1	0.333	1				0.333	0.600	1					2							3
WELLS	SOPHIE	2	1	1	0.750	33	29	12	11	0.379	11				0.379	0.455	10					3	1		7		5		19
HORTON	SYDNEY	35	5	5	0.889	30	18	10	9	0.500	6	3			0.667	0.700	8			12			2		1	1	16		
DUNN	JACQUI	1	8	3	0.750	29	22	3	4	0.182	4				0.182	0.379	3			7			9				23		
KIM	KATE					1	0		0							1.000				1									
WILLIAMS	REBECCA	8	4	2	0.857	28	22	7	5	0.227	5				0.227	0.393	4			6			8		2		22		
SAVILLE	REBECCA	10	3	5	0.722	48	43	7	13	0.302	11	2			0.349	0.375	10			4	1		17		3		44		
TUTING	TRACEY					1	1		0	0.000					0.000	0.000							1				2		
		224	69	37	0.888	485	359	120	106	0.295	94	11	1	0	0.331	0.477	100	1	0	97	28	0	96	2	32	3	309		

Division 1 Women's – Pitching Stats

Games Pitched			PITCHING:																	W		
			Start	Inn	H	K(so)	BB	HPB	RS	ER	WP	BIK	PCS	BFP	Ball	Strikes	Total	ERA	Strike%			
4	LOK	KYLIE		4.0	10	2	9		11	9					53	69	122	15.75	56.56		1	
1	HANDY	JENNA		1.2	2		4	1	3	3					16	20	36	12.60	55.56			
16	DANIELS	PEYTON	14	49.0	52	67	49	26	65	44	16	1	1		693	439	1132	6.29	38.78	8	6	
5	HORTON	SYDNEY	2	12.2	13	11	11	6	16	14	6				165	122	287	7.74	42.51			
6	DUNN	JACQUI	1	3.1	4		24	8	26	25	4		1		125	60	185	52.50	32.43		2	
4	SAVILLE	REBECCA	1	4.0	5	6	16	6	14	9	1				107	53	160	15.75	33.13		1	
	TOTALS:		26	74.2	86	86	113	47	135	104	27	1	2	0	1159	763	1922	9.75	39.70	8	10	0

DIVISION 3 WOMEN'S – REPORT

Coach: Stephen Harris

Scorer/s: Rose Ziersch

Asst Coach: Erin Harris

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
4	15	10	4	1	21	70%	177	124
Semi Final		Glenelg	6	Lost	Henley & Grange			11
Prelim Final		Glenelg	11	Drew	Golden Grove			11
Grand Final		Glenelg	9	Lost	Henley & Grange			20
Trophy Winners			Players Choice MVP			Kate Kim		
			Coaches Award			Natalie Ziersch		

Season 2024/25 began with much apprehension with the decision of dropping a Div 2 team due to low numbers and choosing Div 1 and Div 3. For Steve, this marked his first year as head coach, while I took on the role of assistant coach for the women's division. This shift in structure brought a lot of new challenges, and we were both feeling a bit overwhelmed by the changes and the need to adjust our plans moving forward.

Despite these hurdles, our primary goal never wavered: we aimed to get the team into the finals. This remained the focus throughout the season, even as we spent considerable time developing newer players and helping them adjust to new positions. While it was a season of growth and learning for everyone involved, it was also incredibly rewarding.

Div 3 Women's had an exceptional year, ending with the opportunity to fight for glory in the grand final. Although we didn't come home with the flag, we couldn't be prouder of everything the team accomplished. Their effort, determination, and resilience throughout the season and in the finals, campaign were nothing short of inspiring.

One of the highlights of the season was the great mix of Division 2 women in the Div 3 space. This allowed experienced players to step into leadership roles, bringing with them developed skills and a deeper understanding of the game. Their presence provided invaluable support to the Div 3 players, both on and off the field. This also played a significant role in my own development as an assistant coach.

Trophy Award Presentation

Congratulations to our two outstanding trophy recipients!

First, our MVP Award goes to Kate Kim. Voted by the players throughout the season, Kate truly earned this recognition. She dedicated herself to honing her skills as a pitcher, becoming a reliable closer, and showing immense confidence and composure. Her performance at shortstop demonstrated her great ability to read the game and make crucial plays. Kate is deeply loved and appreciated by her teammates and coaches alike, which is reflected in the high number of votes she received. Her excellence didn't go unnoticed by the league either, as she earned 11 points overall in the Women's League Division 3, just 8 points behind the leader. Congratulations, Kate! Well done!

Next, our Coaches Award goes to Nat. Nat truly embodies the ultimate player and leader. Any team would be fortunate to have her. Even without the official title, she stepped up as an adviser and team manager, always looking out for the best interests of the team. She's been a diplomat, advocate, and support system, ensuring that everything behind the scenes ran smoothly. Whether it was

volunteering, supporting the club, or constantly striving to improve, Nat's commitment has been unwavering. Her work at first base has been exceptional, continuing to grow and develop in the role and she's shown a great focus on refining her batting, always making those small adjustments to ensure a solid connection. Nat may not realize just how incredible she is, but we certainly do. Congratulations, Nat, and well done!

We are incredibly proud of both of you!

A Huge Thank You to Our Support Crew!

A special thank you to our incredible support crew this year. We were fortunate to have Jacqui Dunn, Bec Saville, Izzy Lilburn, and Georgia Kaluza step in and fill the team when needed—your flexibility and commitment made all the difference.

To Gamer and pitching staff, Mouse, Dale Zeirsch & Brett, thank you for all your support, both on and off the field. Your contributions helped keep the team running smoothly, and we appreciate everything you did. Thank you Gavin for support and umpiring for us this season.

A big shout-out to Bender for his continuous support, especially in Division 1 space. Whether it was on the bench, on the field, or during training, Bender was always there. His coaching support to Stephen and myself has been invaluable, and personally, I've carried out many of the lessons I've learned from him. I've passed along his proverbs to the girls—“athletic position,” “don't listen with your eyes,” “see the ball through.”

A big thank you to Peter Dixon for getting us on Diamond 1 and for making sure everything was set up and ready to go for game day. Your effort and dedication are truly appreciated!

Now, to our most important team member, the beautiful Rose—thank you for your unwavering dedication as our scorer. A team simply cannot play without a scorer, and Rose's commitment has been nothing short of extraordinary. We are so grateful for everything she does for us.

Lastly, a heartfelt thank you to the board and all the dedicated volunteers whose hard work and support kept the club running smoothly throughout the season. Thank you to Lenny for his tireless support both on and off the field. We truly wouldn't have made it to the Grand Final without him. His advocacy for the team, especially within the women's space, has made us feel heard, supported, and valued. We appreciate all of Lenny's hard work and efforts throughout the season.

This year has been an exciting, challenging and rewarding journey. Reaching the grand finals exceeded our initial goals and was a testament to the team's dedication and cohesion. The players demonstrated excellent teamwork and unwavering support for one another throughout the season. With continued focus on stretching the fundamentals, we are confident that the current roster has the potential to go all the way in Division 3 next year.

Stephen Harris - Women's Division 3 - Coach

SENIOR LEAGUE (17'S) – REPORT

Coach: Nick George

Manager: Shelley Maclean

Asst Coach: Kristian Mundy, David Mundy

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
11	11	3	8	0	6	27%	61	101
Trophy Winners			Most Valuable Player			Oliver Alexander		
			Batting Award			Blake Osborn		

The 2024/25 season was a strong year of growth and development for our Under 17 Senior League team. Stepping up to compete in Division 1 of the Senior League provided a valuable opportunity for our players to challenge themselves against top-level competition. Many of our players also had the chance to experience regular senior baseball, which significantly contributed to their development and confidence on the field. Thank you to the senior coaching staff for the training and playing opportunities.

A special thank you goes to Lachy Eldridge and the pitching staff, whose consistent efforts with our pitchers were evident in the improvements seen throughout the season. Their dedication played a crucial role in the progress of our young athletes. We also extend our gratitude to David Mundy for his regular support during coaching sessions - his guidance made a noticeable difference across the team.

While results were mixed over the course of the season, the team showed resilience and competitiveness, regularly matching up well with some of the top sides in the division. Their determination and teamwork were a credit to the club.

Thank you to Shelley Maclean for doing a fantastic job as Team Manager, and to everyone who consistently scored and stepped up to assist when needed - your behind-the-scenes support was invaluable.

We'd also like to thank Preston, Brock, Mason, and Ethan, who regularly helped us with numbers throughout the season. Your involvement ensured the team remained competitive and well-supported week in and week out.

Overall, it's been a successful season of learning, growth, and teamwork. We look forward to building on this progress in the seasons ahead.

Kristian Mundy on behalf of Nick George - Senior League - Coach

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE (14'S) – REPORT

Coach: Carson Angeroth

Scorer/s: Tim Swansson

Manager: Tristan Harding

Asst Coach: Tom Huttunen

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
4	12	8	4	0	16	67%	104	124
Semi Final	Glenelg	3	Lost		Port Adelaide			18
Trophy Winners				Most Valuable Player			Brock Harding	
				Most Improved			Tilly Hammick	

The Under 14 team had a phenomenal season and embodied the characteristics of a winning team every chance they had. Each member displayed a willingness to learn, improve, and succeed both in practice and game settings.

In conjunction with the slightly younger Under 13 squad, player and team development focused primarily on the following:

- Throwing and catching with a relay and cutoff
- Consistent contact at the plate
- Throwing strikes and being competitive in the zone
- Fielding groundballs with confidence
- Precision throws in the infield to first base
- Base running knowledge and game awareness

All players showed improvement in these categories as well as others such as being part of a team, rule knowledge, and fighting through adversity.

It was an honor to be part of such a great group of players, coaches, parents, and fans who allowed and encouraged me and the team throughout the season.

A special thank you to those players who were willing to step up this season either by playing up multiple age groups or first year players willing to give baseball a try. Also thank you to Andrew Qualmann, the Under 13 Head Coach, for an endless willingness to help on and off the field.

Carson Angeroth - Junior League - Coach

LITTLE LEAGUE (13'S) – REPORT

Coach: Andrew Qualmann

Scorer/s: Dan Carter

Asst Coach: Alec Steff

Manager: Tristan Harding

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
2	11	8	1	2	18	82%	168	91
Semi Final	Glenelg		10	Def		Port Adelaide		4
Prelim Final	Glenelg		13	Def		East Torrens		2
Grand Final	Glenelg		1	Lost		Golden Grove		11
Trophy Winners			Coaches Award			Jack Jericho		
			Most Improved			Dylan Carter		

What a Season! What Growth! What an Incredible Journey!

This season has been nothing short of outstanding. Our group of young superstars embraced every challenge thrown their way and grew tremendously as players – and as people. With 12 returning players and a successful “Come and Try” recruiting campaign bringing in five new faces, we had the perfect numbers to split into two squads: Under 13s and Under 14s.

With a mix of raw talent and emerging skills, we set out to mould these players into cohesive teams with one clear goal – to WIN and have fun whilst doing so! To support their development, we welcomed some incredible coaching talent this year: Alec Steff (Division 1 First Base) as my right-hand man with the U13s, along with Carson Angeroth (Division 1 Pitching Import) and Tom Huttunen (Division 1 Starting Centre Fielder). Their expertise, particularly Carson’s consistent presence at training, gave the kids fresh perspectives and aspirations for their own futures in baseball.

Interestingly, coaching these players also sharpened our own games – field positioning, game awareness, hitting technique – all the little details that make a big difference. It’s a great reminder: when you teach, you also learn.

Our philosophy this year was simple: maximise every moment. Limited time meant every training session was an opportunity to make small, meaningful improvements. We drilled fundamentals hard – perfecting cuts and relay throws early on – and by the season’s end, our players were executing these under pressure during games, with runners advancing and defensive backups becoming second nature. These were the small things that saved runs and stopped opponents in their tracks.

We also pushed for an aggressive, confident mindset on the bases – trusting instincts, supporting the team, and understanding that baseball, while played individually, is truly a team sport. Without everyone doing their part, success doesn’t happen.

Of course, this season wouldn’t have been possible without our amazing band of volunteers. A huge thank you to Craig, Alan, Dan, Erin, Nat, Dale, and Kraj – not just coaches, but mentors, organisers, motivators, and the glue that held us together. From hitting ground balls to collecting equipment, moving screens mid-training, and everything in between, you created a little GBC family within our club. We couldn’t have done it without you!

A special shoutout to our Team Manager for both squads, Tristan Harding. This man is an absolute dynamo – organising lawn bowls event to kickstart the season, rallying players and families, running rosters, communicating on STACK, helping with training setups, and somehow still finding time to be

involved across every part of the club. Tristan, your energy and commitment made this journey even more special. Thank you!

The season itself was a story of perseverance and joy. After almost two seasons without a win, we secured a thrilling first victory at Golden Grove – a moment of pure elation for players and parents alike. Strategic player repositioning, ongoing skill development, and a fierce sense of belief had us riding a six-game winning streak to sit on top of the ladder.

A minor setback reminded us that nothing comes easy – but the resilience and determination the kids showed in bouncing back were remarkable. We introduced base-running signs, made sliding mandatory, and watched our little TEAM grow closer with every challenge.

Come Grand Final Day, we stuck to our game plan. A strong start saw us take an early lead, and the team fought hard – supporting each other, making plays, and never giving up. Although the final result didn't fall our way, what mattered most was already won: the spirit, growth, and experience these kids gained. Finals baseball – a dream many wait years for – and they earned every moment.

I couldn't be prouder of this group and what we've achieved together. I can't wait to do it all again in the 2025-26 season.

A heartfelt thank you to my wife, Kel, for her endless support behind the scenes – allowing me to invest my time and passion into helping develop these incredible young players. Like any great team, success at home makes success on the field possible.

Thank you all for an unforgettable season.

See you in 2025!

Andrew Qualmann - Little League - Coach

LITTLE LEAGUE – BLACK (10'S) – REPORT

Coach: Deiken Burnside

Scorer/s:
Asst Coach: Oliver Alexander, Justin Roesler
Manager:

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
6	6	1	4	1	3	25%	30	47

Trophy Winners

All Players received medallions

This was overall a great season for development. We had so many new kids that we had to split it into 2 teams, which is a great problem for the club.

The team was coached by Deiken and Justin with help from Ollie when he could, they competed strongly, and the players really developed their skills through the season.

Thank you to all the parents for their support.

Ben Alexander on behalf of Deiken Burnside - Little League Black- Coach

LITTLE LEAGUE – YELLOW (10'S) – REPORT

Coach: Kylie Lok

Scorer/s: Simone Bradey & Kylie Munday

Asst Coach: David Munday

Manager: Kylie Munday

Pos'n	Played	Win	Loss	Draw	Points	Win/Loss	RF	RA
3	9	4	5	0	8	44%	48	40

Trophy Winners

All Players received medallions

The season started with one Under 10 team, but we soon split into two, to give the players more time on the diamond and in the batter's box. David Munday and I were asked to look after game day coaching for Under 10 Yellow, so we focussed on creating a positive environment for the kids to play their best and have fun. Sometimes we fielded the minimum 7 but we made it work. It meant the kids always played a full game and were able to rotate through different positions.

The coach of Under 10 Black, Deiken Burnside, continued to train both teams as a squad during the week, assisted by Oliver Alexander and Beau Vercoe. This provided the players with the knowledge and skills to bring into game day, and a chance to connect with their friends in Under 10 Black. The Yellow team had varying levels of experience, some already with 4 or so years, and others completely new to the game. Each player grew in confidence and ability as the weeks went by. Some settled into positions to suit their strengths, while they all worked on the fundamental skills that will hold them in good stead wherever they play.

Under 10's offers the kids a chance to pitch, with a tee brought out after 4 balls. There was no shortage of enthusiasm to give pitching (and catching) a go, and some serious ability was shown. This was fostered by the pitching coaching team, led by Lachlan Eldridge (Gamer), who knew how to connect with the kids and guide them to develop their technique. What a great privilege, to have instruction at such a young age from some of the greats of the club. I know it was a highlight for the kids to be called over to get some work in with Gamer.

The team enjoyed mixed success, but there were some memorable wins and some plays that had to be seen to be believed. The growth in baseball IQ the kids demonstrated throughout the season was exceptional. The future looks bright for this young group of players.

Every junior sports team needs a village, and we truly had that with our wonderful parents and supporters. Thank you for your generosity of time, effort, and spirit, the team and GBC couldn't run without it. Thank you, David Munday, for being my team mate on game day, working with you is always fun. Thank you to Kylie Munday for managing the team and organising the volunteer roster, this really is a huge job to take on and Kylie looked after it beautifully. Thanks to Kylie Munday and Simone Bradey for scoring, Scott Bradey and Justin Millar for jumping in and umpiring when we were in desperate need. Even coach David Munday umpired a game on the fly which really sums up the 'can do' attitude of this team. GBC's Junior Development Manager Ben Alexander (B.A) worked tirelessly to steer the ship through the team division, heatwaves, rescheduled games, bringing in new players and adding a couple of additional games in lieu of finals, thank you.

It has been a privilege to be a part of this team. We've had a lot of fun, learnt a lot, and hopefully finished the season as better baseballers, teammates and friends. I look forward to following these young players in their baseball journeys for many years to come.

Kylie Lok - Mini League - Coach

CLUB TROPHY WINNERS - 2024 /2025

Cooper Trophy	<i>Outstanding club person</i>	Simone Bradey
Tom & Mel Rice Memorial Award	<i>Division 1 player who received the most Capps medal votes</i>	Jayden Eldridge
Women's Division 1 - Most Votes	<i>Division 1W player who received the most umpire votes</i>	Peyton Daniels
David Doonan Memorial Trophy	<i>Outfielder of the Year</i>	Tom Huttunen
Best Defensive Female Player	<i>Female Defensive Player of the Year</i>	Kylie Lok
Bob Elksen Memorial Trophy	<i>Most Improved Player</i>	Bailey Edgar
Most Improved Female Player	<i>Most Improved Female Player</i>	Rebecca Saville
West Beach Trust Trophy	<i>Outstanding Junior Player</i>	Oliver Alexander
Mayor of Holdfast Bay Trophy	<i>Outstanding Junior Club Person</i>	Lincoln Harris
Blake Horrocks Memorial Scholarship	<i>Awarded to a junior player with potential</i>	Dylan Carter

MILESTONES - 2024 /2025

Division 1 – 100 Game Cap

Tom Huttunen



Division 1 – 100 Game Cap

Alec Steff



Division 1 – 100 Game Cap

Flynn Luders



Division 1W – 50 Game Cap

Isabelle Lilburn



Senior Milestones

800 Games - Jamie Kloeden
 400 Games - Aled Loy
 300 Division 1 Games - Elliott Ross
 300 Games - Lachlan Eldridge



REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS - 2024 /2025

Team Australia - U12 World Cup Team	Brock Harding
Adelaide Giants Representatives:	Carson Angeroth
State Women's Team (Open)	Sydney Horton Peyton Daniels
Baseball SA - Medal Winner	Flynn Luders - Division 2 Hayden McGearey - Division 5
Baseball SA - Women's All-Star Team	Peyton Daniels, Jenna Handy, Kylie Lok
Baseball SA - Emerging Pathway Program	Andrew Qualmann (Coach) Brock Harding Mason Osborn Preston Green
Baseball SA - State Pathways Program	Oliver Alexander Beau Vercoe
Junior League - Seahawks	Preston Green Zac Maclean Mason Osborn
Little League - Seahawks	Brock Harding Lincoln Harris
State Schoolboys Open Team	Callum Wilson

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Liz Davison



It is with deep sadness that we acknowledge the passing of Liz Davison. Liz was a dedicated and much-loved member of our club community. Always willing to lend a hand, she served as Assistant Secretary and was a valued scorer for many teams over the years.

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