# THE WOODVILLE DISTRICT BASEBALL CLUB

# ANNUAL REPORT 2019 - 2020



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1992/93	Mr D Freak		Mr Shane Lodge
1994/95	Mr T Fitzgerald		Mr Shane Brown
1995/96	Mr G Lodge		Mrs Marie Reval

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# From the Chairman

Dear Players, Members & Supporters,

The 2019/20 season saw great change, a renewed passion and some great successes within our much-loved club.

Firstly, I would like to thank all of our players, coaches and supporters for their efforts and support to the club on and off the field. Also, a big thanks to our wonderful board for their efforts in successfully running the club and the support they provide to me. Big thanks also to Shane Nicholson for his tireless work in maintaining our grounds to the high standard we have been renowned for, and to Noel Watson for his assistance with this also.

2019/20 was a fantastic year for the club, with 4 teams making finals; Women's Div 1, Under 11, Under 17 and Div 6. Also, to Darna Veen for winning the Most Valuable player in the league for Women's Div 1; what a great achievement, the club is very proud of your achievements Darna. Harrison Kiss also won the U17 (2) league medal in a runaway win; well done Harrison, your ongoing progress in the game is really shining through.

The club spirit really started to shine through this year and I am immensely proud of the culture and community spirit that is developing within our club with new people becoming involved in volunteering and many of our junior families being actively involved. This culture and sense of community will ensure our club is successful and will allow us to attract new players and members into the future.

#### Coaches

A big thank you to all of our coaches. Richard Olson, our newly appointed Div 1 coach had an outstanding year in his first year with our club. Going from 5 wins in the previous season, our team became more competitive with 13 wins this season, sending a strong message to other clubs. Richard's coaching efforts were acknowledged by winning the BSA Coach of the year award. Congratulations Richard and thank you for what you are bringing to our club, your work with the team and board has been outstanding. A big thank you to Troy Nicholson, Lawrie Moore and Shane Nicholson in assisting Richard.

Thank you also to our other coaches; Division 2 - Troy Nicholson, Division 4 - Shane Brown, Division 6 - Tim Fawcett, Division 7 - Shane Lodge, and to our junior coaches and their assistants Pee Wee - David Lodge, Under 11 - Shane Brown, Under 13 - Carly Moore, and Under 17-Gary Owens.

#### Awards

Although we didn't get to formally acknowledge our award winners at any presentation evenings, I thought I should acknowledge our club award winners and coaches will individually recognise the team awards.

The Geoff Rogers Memorial award for the most outstanding club person was won by life member and all around good guy of the club Lawrie Moore. Congratulations Lawrie, your commitment and effort you provide our club is very much appreciated and it is nice that our members have formally recognised this by you winning Geoff's award.

The Mark Biggins Award is for the senior player who demonstrates great attitude and team spirit. For Mark's award, each coach nominates a player and then all coaches meet and vote on the winner. The Nominations were Division 1 & 2 - Brayden Marchioro, Division 4 - Carly Moore, Division 6 - Garry Marsland, Division 7 - Casey Moore and Women's Division 1 - Louise Bartle. The winner, and first female to win the Mark Biggins award went to Carly Moore. Well done Carly, your great playing attitude and team spirit always shines through and it's nice to see you win this award after your long association with the club.

We had several of our Women's Division 1 team selected for the Women's state teams, to Tammy McMillan, Darna Veen, Ashleigh George and Carly Moore for selection in the SA Open team, and Alyssa Lasscock in the SA Youth team, well done. Although the tournament was postponed due to the dreaded COVID 19 your efforts are acknowledged. Also to Harrison Kiss & Toby Kortekaas on your selections in charter baseball, well done to you both.

Big thanks also to the Senators 5023 board for organising events that support our club. A big highlight was the Mental Health breakthrough round, which was widely recognised throughout the league. A big thank you to the Senators 5023 board and to Grant Behrendt and John Mannion from the Mental Health Breakthrough Foundation in bringing Mental Health to the forefront of everyone's mind.

Again, thank you to all of our players, supporters, club board, members and volunteers on what you give to our club and we look forward to a successful 2020/21 season with renewed passion and spirit.

Regards,

#### **Tim Fawcett**

Chairperson WDBC 2018/19



# **Baseball Report**

Season 2019/20 began with new players across all grades and a new coach for Division 1 - welcoming Richard Olson to our club from Goodwood. Division 1 finished the season with 13 wins and after Christmas proved to be one of the firm teams of the competition, helping shape the top 6 going into finals. Thank you to Richard and his assistants Lawrie Moore and Shane Nicholson for the time and effort they gave to the club week in and week out. The future for Division 1 & 2 looks bright with a group of young guys starting to believe in themselves as a Div 1/2 squad.

Troy Nicholson made a big commitment each week to coach Division 2 whilst playing Division 1 alongside working shift work. Troy has decided to concentrate on playing next season and we thank him for the passion and commitment he has shown to the club.

Our Division 4 side was led by Shane Brown and David Lodge, and though they faced a tough season, the club appreciates the team who put their hands up to play and represent Woodville each week in a strong competition.

Division 6 was led once again by Tim Fawcett and his group of players showed that the old guys can still play some good baseball, making the finals once again.

Division 7 was led once again by Shane Lodge and they had a good season, enjoying getting to play together.

Our Women's Division 1 team had a great season under Todd Dunstall and his team of coaches, welcoming in some new players, and making it into the finals for the first time. We look forward to the ladies going one step further next season and making the grand final. Congratulations also to Carly, Darna, Ashleigh, Tammy & Alyssa on their State Team selection during the season.

Our junior numbers are on the rise, with further growth expected next season, and in the many seasons to come. Our Pee Wee team was coached by David Lodge and the kids had a great time each week with lots of new faces learning how to play baseball.

A highlight was the Under 11 team making the finals under coach Shane Brown and his many helpers. To see this group of girls and boys improve each week and enjoy playing with each other was a credit to Shane.

Carly and Jack once again took control of the Under 15 team. It was a hard season for the guys, but they represented Woodville well and we saw some big steps forward for the players. A big congratulations to Toby Kortekaas on making the Rays Charter side.

Gary Owens coached the Under 17 team, making finals this season but unfortunately losing out in the prelim final. Harrison Kiss must be congratulated on winning the association medal for U17-2 as well as being selected in the Charter team. Well done Harry.

Thanks to all the coaches and scorers who put their hand up to coach and score each week, the committee appreciates all the effort you put in during the season.

With the end of season celebrations unable to go ahead because of the Covid-19 restrictions, it was unfortunate that we were unable to come together to acknowledge our trophy winners for the season. But nonetheless, congratulations to each of the winners for a successful season.

Special mention to Richard Olson who was selected as Division 1 Coach of the Year, an acknowledgement of the big strides forward our Division 1 side has made.

I would like to mention our player milestones for the 2019/20 season, and congratulate them all;

700 Games - Craig Mortimore
500 Games - Craig Reval
400 Games - Andrew Sullivan
200 Games - Vic Bentvelzen, Jarrod Marsland & Gary Owens

I would like to thank everyone that either volunteered during the season or came along to our functions, it is greatly appreciated. We hope to continue to see you down at the club next season.

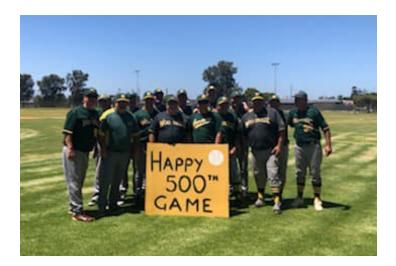
Season 2020/21 will be a big year for the club as we head into our 70<sup>th</sup> year. The committee has some exciting things planned for the season. We would love to see some past players consider making a return to the club and either play, coach or help out in some capacity to make out 70<sup>th</sup> year one to remember.

Hopefully Baseball won't be affected too much by the Covid-19 restrictions and our season can start as normal.

My personal thanks all my fellow board members and my particular thanks to Jo Owen for her ongoing encouragement and support.

Regards,

Jane Nicholson Baseball Director





# **Facilities Report**

This year was fairly routine in relation to our grounds. There were no significant projects that needed to be carried out. Probably the most significant piece of work we had done this season was the repair of the nets in the batting tunnels - something that was overdue.

The fences were erected and dismantled in good time. Thanks to all of you who assisted. Putting them up is a bit more labour intensive than pulling them down, so any extra help when we put them up again later this year would be most welcome, particularly if we have a shorter window due to Lacrosse's season going a bit later due to the Covid -19 pandemic.

Both our reel mower and ride on are nearing the end of their working lives. They've been worked hard over many years and we'll need to replace them when we can afford it. In fact our reel mower (which produces our best infield surface) is at the mechanics now and may not be repairable.

We were pretty lucky with the weather this year, but there were a few occasions when we had to work hard to make sure the ground was playable in wet weather. Again, when we can afford it, we would really benefit from tarps that completely cover our cut-outs.

A few thankyous:

- To Noel Watson who took over the line marking this year.
- To Shane Kiss who assisted with setting up on game days.
- To Lawrie Moore who regularly whipper snipped around the fences as well as doing repairs on things like the pitching machines.

It would be great to expand our team of helpers this next season. If you're interested in helping please make it known to me or anyone on the board. What do we need help with:

- Erecting and dismantling the fences. If we have enough people, these are really half day jobs.
- Mowing the main and second diamonds usually done Saturday mornings.
- Game day set up. You can come out a little before the first game if you are playing Saturdays, and on Sunday mornings we often have to set up both diamonds and put out sponsor signs etc.

Please don't be shy. Any offer of help will be accepted and maintaining a ground which is appreciated by players across the league is very satisfying.

Perhaps you could be the next author of the ground report. We need a new Facilities Director.

Regards,

#### **Shane Nicholson**

# **Club Report**

The Council has finished the process of upgrading the wet areas with the ladies and men's toilets and all change rooms now completed. The disabled toilets will be started in this financial year. The roof and gutters have been replaced and the council will also be painting the exterior of the clubrooms in the next couple of months. We would like to thank Charles Sturt Council for their continued support.

Both Baseball and Lacrosse are working together to explore ways to fund further upgrades to the club to continue to improve amenities for our members. With the COVID-19 outbreak the Lacrosse club unfortunately were unable to start their season in April. Good news for them is they resumed games on 27<sup>th</sup> June.

To the Ladies in the canteen, in particular Jo, Jane, Renae, Alyssa, Lucy, Pattie, Kerryn, Lisa & Susan who all contributed on many Sunday's our thanks. Thanks to Alyssa for cooking the Thursday night meals. Also, a big thank you to John Russell, for running the Bar.

To all of our of volunteers, whether Junior or Senior members/parents, we appreciate your time and commitment in helping out the club so thank you.

Regards,

WDBC Board

# Junior Report

The Year began with the clubs Junior Senator Program that ran for eight weeks before the season starting. We had all our junior grades come out for specialised training to cover technical knowledge and development of past skills with Shane Brown, Carly Moore, Nathan Nicholson, Troy Nicholson and a host Div 1 and 2 players. We look forward to continuing this program in seasons to come.

Thank you to 5023 Club for their ongoing support of our Junior development this season. It's due to their fundraising efforts that we were able to put our coaches through a level 2 coaches course and various other things during the season.

The T-ball and U9's competition this season was coached by David Lodge, David Ding and Shane Lodge, with many parents helping out on game day. Nicole Lodge did a great job keeping the club, parents and players up to date with everything going on. The children looked like they had a great time starting to learn more about the game of baseball.

Shane Brown coached the under 11's this year with the assistance of David Ding and Scott. The children had a great season making the finals, narrowly missing out on the grand final by one game. Megan Oliver did a great job keeping the club, parents and players up to date with everything going on, on the u9's Facebook page. The children looked like they had a great time starting to learn more about the game of baseball.

Under 13's were taken under the wing of coach Carly Moore and assistant Jack Gauvin, who were great with the kids. After their 8-week pre-season training, the Under 13s moved to training two nights a week - on Wednesday nights with Carly & Jack, and on Friday nights with our import Division 1 player Rhett Feser. They all had fun and enjoyed themselves. Carly and Jack did a good job in developing the skills of this group this year.

Gary Owens took on the role of Under 17' coach this season. They had a great year only missing out on the grand final by one game. There were a lot of stand outs this year and lots of improvement all around. They all have a bright future at the club.

I would like to thank all coaches, scorers, parents, umpires and everyone else who helped to facilitate trainings and game days. Without you there is no competition and club, there is so much work and collaboration that goes into the running of the club through the season. So many people give up countless hours for the betterment of the club, and without these people the club wouldn't run. Remember many hands make light work so don't be shy. As the Junior Director I would like to take this opportunity to thank the junior subcommittee for their tireless work and behind the scenes efforts to help me run the juniors on a Friday night. Also thanks to Jo Owen for being at the club every Friday to cook meals and run the canteen and the parents who help out on the on weekends. Lastly I would like to thank Shane Nicholson for getting the ground ready every weekend for the kids to play on.

Regards,

**Shane Lodge** Junior Director

# **Marketing Report**

This year we continued to acknowledge the below businesses and families for their valued support over the 2019/20 season. We also gained two new sponsors – the Glenelg BBQ Inn, who supplied the delicious meat for our Steak & Band Night, and Tech Garage.

We continue to support and thank our Gold sponsor, The Lakes Hotel. A special thank you to the Fahey family and their staff, for their continued support of our club, and for providing us such a great venue for our senior presentation nights, although we had to opt for a virtual version for this year's awards!

Sponsorships, both corporate and club, provide vital financial support to our club. This assists us in maintaining and upgrading our facilities and equipment, without the need to continually increase your fees. I encourage all of our members to support our sponsors whenever they can.

#### **Gold Sponsor**

The Lakes Hotel | The Fawcett Family

#### **Silver Sponsors**

Glenelg BBQ Inn | Goodlife Health Clubs Royal Park | My Pool Guru | Tonkin Accounting

#### Bronze & Community Sponsors

Craig & Marie Reval | Garth & Shane Lodge | Keith Mortimore | Kidman Park Pizza House Seaton Park Meat Store | Moore Electrical & Maintenance Services | Rob's Fuels | Tech Garage

We also managed to secure a Bunnings BBQ during the season These events would not be successful without the help of volunteers, so a big thankyou to all who assisted on the day.

This year we held another "Band Night" event, with Gary Owens' band, the H<sub>2</sub>Owens Project, proving some great entertainment. A big thankyou to Gary for rallying up the band, to all the performers who made guest appearances this season, and to all the helpers who cooked the meals and manned the bar! We also ran another successful "IPod Shuffle Night" as a major fundraiser this season. The turnout was great, but of course we encourage all members to continue to support the club at such functions. Like sponsorship, the fundraising we do at these events helps to keep fees down.

Thank you to all the volunteers who assisted in the running of our social events this year, especially to Jo Owen, Jane Nicholson, Renae Kortekaas, Kerryn Fry, Lisa Brumfield, Lucy Owen and Pattie Tucker, who were around in the canteen for many of our Thursday night, Friday night, Saturday & Sunday events, and to Johnny Russell for making sure the Bar was always full of stock.

Regards,

Alyssa Owen Marketing Director



















# Senators 5023 Report

Season 2019/20 has been a challenging year financially due to only holding 1 event and committing to many projects. We raised \$4154.93 with expenses of \$7392.61 a loss of \$3237.68 leaving a balance of \$6388.51.

We had 1 successful event, being held in November. At this event the members enjoyed a lovely 'Roast on the D' lunch with John Mannion, Executive Director of Break Through Mental Health Research Foundation, and Zane Kirkwood, dual Sturt Premiership captain and Magarey medallist as our guest speakers. The Break Through round was an inaugural event for Baseball SA and Baseball Australia and we look forward to supporting this initiative in the future.

I would like to thank the committee; Andrew Sullivan, Pattie Tucker, Garry Marsland, Grant Behrendt, Cameron Britcher and Marie Reval for all their hard work and making the year enjoyable.

We would like to thank Caprice Promotional for their ongoing support.

This committee was and has always promised its members our mantra is "It's All About the Kids". This year our funds raised paid for Gary Owen to coach and oversee the Junior Program. We paid for 12 parents to attend a Junior Coach accreditation course, supported coaches to attend school baseball clinics and made donations to the Break Through Mental Health Research Foundation.

The committee has worked tirelessly to raise awareness of this new initiative, and it was greatly appreciated.

Regards,

#### **Craig Reval**

Board Member & 5023 Club Committee Chairperson



"It's All About the Kids "



# **Financial Report**

The MYOB Accounting system has been used to record the finances of the Woodville District Baseball Club Inc. as at 30<sup>th</sup> April, 2020.

The following Balance Sheet and Income Statement have been prepared by Tonkin Accounting using the resources and information contained in the accounting system. To my knowledge they are a true representation of the accounts of the Club as audited by Steve Tonkin and Jack Yang of Tonkin Accounting.

The Profit and Loss statement shows us as running at a loss of \$7511 but if you take into account the depreciation we actually ran at a small profit of \$1783.

The Senators 5023 Club has helped the club once again, so thanks go to Craig & Marie, and the 5023 Committee.

We were lucky enough to get a Bunnings BBQ which also helps with fundraising. The canteen continues to run at a profit which helps the club considerably and I am pleased to announce we had a much better profit margin this season because of extra Home Games and having all the Junior Teams play at home when Division 1/2 had home games. I would also like to thank outgoing Board Members for their work and effort.

Regards,

Jo Owen Finance Director

# **Division 1 Report**

After a long offseason and both changes not only to the squad and the coaching staff we headed into our pre-season. We welcomed the additions of Ethan, Brayden, Rhett and Callum to our young squad and welcomed back SA baseball stalwart Gary Owens.

The squad was excited to get onto the field and improve on the 2018/2019 season. We competed every week almost doubling our win total from the previous year and knocked off a few of the top teams along the way. Rhett did an outstanding job on the mound for us this year and we owe much of our success to him. We finished the season on a high with a win over East Torrens again proving to ourselves that we could compete with the top teams of the competition.

I thank both Lawrie and Shane for all their help this year - without them trainings and game days would not have been so smooth. Thank you to Timmy Russell for being our Bat Boy and our scorers Marie Mortimore and Jo Owen for scoring this season. Thank you to all the volunteers in the canteen, ground staff and supporters

To the playing group, thank you for your hard work and commitment both at trainings and on game days. There was a lot of doubling and tripling up on games this year and it did not go unnoticed. You all grasped the opportunities thrown at you this year and showed yourselves (and the league) the potential we have to look forward to in the next few years.

Lastly thankyou to the Board for giving me the opportunity to lead the Division 1 team. It was great experience and hope to continue and build on the success in the 2020/2021 season.

Congratulations to all Division 1 Award Winners:

Keith Mortimore Perpetual MVP	Troy Nicholson
Batting Champion	Gary Owens
Pitching Award	Rhett Feser
Coaches Award	Ethan Marchioro

Regards,

**Richard Olson** Division 1 / Club Coach

# **Division 2 Report**

Season 2019-2020 was always going to be a challenging year in relation to filling a consistent team each week. I would like to start by thanking Shane Nicholson my assistant for his help all season. I would also like to thank Lawrie Moore and Richard Olson who assisted me as well throughout the season, with Richard playing a number of games himself. The year itself was very fulfilling to be involved with both from a coaching and playing aspect. I would like to thank the team for their patience as I attempted to learn as a coach and find a balance between being competitive and developing the next generation of division 1 players. With a record of 7 wins, 5 draws and 9 loses the team put up a number of games. The awards for the 2019/20 Season:

#### Best team man - Jackson Sowton

Jackson moved over to Woodville in the 2018/19 season and has become a valued member of the club and division 1 and 2 squad. In a season where the number of players we had for division 1 and 2 selection varied greatly each week Jackson doubled up on games most weeks and played under a permit, sometimes catching 2 games in a day. Jackson's passion for the game and expectation on himself are easily observed and it was a pleasure to watch Jackson mature as a player throughout.

#### Batting Trophy - Brayden Marchioro

Brayden was a welcome recruit for the 2019/20 Season and he and his brother Ethan both assimilated well into the division 1 and 2 squad. Brayden's season was cut short by injury, however he continued to be involved at all trainings and games in a coaching capacity which is a testament to his team ethic. Of the eligible players Brayden had the highest batting average with an average of .359. Brayden also collected 14 hits and 4 RBIs. Brayden's early hitting form also saw him have the opportunity to play at a division 1 level. It will be great to see Brayden back out next year when he is again fit and healthy.

#### Most Valuable Player - Rhys Owen

There is likely little surprise that Rhys is our MVP having thrown 58 innings for an ERA of .259. Rhys was a workhorse for the team on the mound and often threw injured to help the side out. Rhys also excelled with the bat this season hitting .297 with 11 hits and 14 RBIs. Rhys is a deserving winner and we hope to see him back out and firing again next season.

I would like to thank all players this season for their patience. Particular congratulations to Ash Miller and Harrison Kiss who both performed well in their debut season. Thanks also to Jo Owen and Jane Nicholson for scoring. I found it challenging to juggle playing both grades and coaching at the same time and without the other coaches would have found it extremely difficult. I hope that we can keep the core of the team together and with a few extra pieces I believe this team could be very competitive into the future. I hope to continue to be involved with the development of this team going into the future, however I hope the club is able to find a head coach who will be able to commit their full baseball attention to this team for the coming seasons. Thanks again for the function season.

#### Regards,

**Troy Nicholson** Division 2 Coach

# **Division 4 Report**

Well that was interesting. We started the year scrapping for players just to get 9 on the diamond. It was a sign of things to come. Our season never grew to any great heights! By the end of the season we had a consistent team and we had a bit fun with it. There were guys keen to go around again next season so that's a positive sign.

Regards,

**Shane Brown** Division 4 Coach

# **Division 6 Report**

It was a pleasure again to coach this group for the 3<sup>rd</sup> year in a row. After a premiership winning 2018/19 we swapped with Div 7 and promoted up to Div 6. Div 6 didn't prove to be easy, however through a few strokes of luck right at the end we landed in 4<sup>th</sup> place and were again playing finals. The finals were tough after getting a touch up in week 1 against Henley and Grange, we had the top side in East Torrens away in week 2 and were super competitive against them eventually going down 8-2, they went on to win the premiership.

The Div 6 team really demonstrate the spirit and passion our club has had for many years. Many of our team are 200 club members, life members and the main makeup of the Senators 5023 club, which raises funds to support junior baseball at our club. We all have a good laugh, although the opposition usually shake their heads when someone gets a roasting. Who needs enemies with team mates like ours.

#### Awards:

#### **Batting Champion**

It was tight at the top with 7 players batting above the .400 average, honourable mentions to Cam Britcher .423, Tim Fawcett .424, Steve Couzner .436, Garry Marsland .481, Brett Teakle .485 and Scott Geyer .571. The winner though with an outstanding .600 was club stalwart Grant (Behr) Behrendt.

#### **Best Team Man**

Went to a guy who is very well liked and highly respected (well most of the time) in our team. He is always happy to play wherever and gets on well with all in the team and typifies what a great team player is, the winner was James (Roger Dorn) Stradling.

#### **Most Valuable Player**

Went to a very experienced and ultra-consistent player, he plays all spots and always gives his all, and excellent and experienced guy to have in our team. The winner of MVP is Grant (Behr) Behrendt.

I've put my hand up for another year of this lot for 2020/21 so we will see what we can achieve.

Regards,

Tim Fawcett Division 6 Coach

# **Division 7 Report**

This was a great season, played with good friends. We finished near the bottom of the table this year. We were missing a few players from last year - Jesse Whinnen, Ryan Boers and Aaron Petros for half the season. These 3 key players were the speed in the side apart from Casey, so it was a bit of a loss.

We welcomed back Mike Chemny this season, we also got a new player Tony Brownbill. With a slow start to the season, we lost the first three games, then Div Seven's new pitcher Casey Moore found his grove in the fourth game pitching a complete game and getting the win 7-6. There would be more wins to come.

Thank you to the Div Six boys who helped fill in, week in week out - Nick McCormack, James Stradling and Tim Fawcett. Nick McCormack played a lot of double headers this season, playing for Division Six as well. Nick did a great job for us on the mound helping Casey and Keith out.

Craig Mortimore also made his 700th appearance as a Senator and he had a hell of a day, he did it all. Two hits, one error, one K2, one sprained ankle and one tumble at home plate. Congrats. It was a great day to be a part of well-done Craig.

Coaches Award: Derek Milne

Batting Award: Casey Moore

MVP: Casey Moore

A big thank you goes out to Judy Currie for scoring, I don't know how you put up with us week after week, hope to see you next season. Thanks to the lovely ladies who work in the canteen for us during our home games and scoring when Judy is away. It was a very enjoyable season and I am looking forward to seeing everybody come back next season and go again.

Regards,

**Shane Lodge** Division 7 Coach



# Women's Division 1 Report

The Women's team had a fantastic season, finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in the minor round and reaching the semi-finals in which they drew to Glenelg, meaning unfortunately they would not be going through to the grand final. As a team, the girls achieved an outstanding overall batting average of over .400.

The most valuable player award went to Darna Veen, throwing 80 pitches every game, a batting average of .440 and hitting 4 home runs. Louise Bartle received the batting trophy boasting a batting average of .615. The most improved this season was Alyssa Lasscock, who had a batting average of .548, leading the team in hits, RBI's and triples. She also showed improvement in all other aspects of the game in only her first year playing baseball. She has huge potential and it will be exciting to see her talent on display in the future.

Ash, Tammy, Million, Alyssa and Carol all joined the team this season adding wisdom and depth to the lineup. They all worked hard and were imperative to our teams' positive result.

A big thank you to Vic, Tom and Wade for coaching the girls to a successful season. Thank you also to Shane for having the ground ready every Friday, and to Jo and Kerryn for coming out to score every game.

The girls had a very successful second season, reaching finals and playing exceptional baseball week in week out. Their work ethic and determination is something to be proud of and they should be congratulated for their efforts. They have come along way together and learned a lot throughout the season, and I can't wait to see what they can continue to achieve in the future.

Regards,

#### Todd Dunstall

Women's Division 1 Coach

# **Under 17 Report**

What a group! It's always fun to be a part of a good culture. The guys created it and embraced it. Win, lose or draw (we had our fair share of draws) they came out and enjoyed the game and more importantly each other's company. That is what this game is all about!

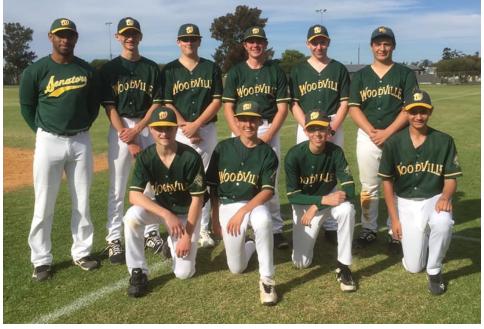
We ran over some of the easier opponents early on in the season. The reality check came soon thereafter. We ran into the likes of Sturt and Henley & Grange, and the guys soon realised they were going to have to put in a bit of work to become a contender. Rather than raising the white flag and doing nothing, they embraced the challenge. There's always a struggle from a coaching standpoint of getting younger players to forget about making mistakes and just go for it. This subject would often come up in our post game talks - be aggressive, get after your opponent, control what you can control, failure is and will always be present in this game, so get used to it. My biggest hope for these guys, if they don't take anything else away from this season, is that they can better handle adversity no matter where it comes from. Let this game teach you to think, plan and react to whatever comes your way. This game, this baseball journey, has taught me to roll with the punches... make the best of every situation... help others when you have the ability to... be the best you that you can be.

As I stated earlier, good group of guys. We had a shot at the flag, but came up short in the end. Covid-19 unfortunately was declared the overall winner. I'm proud of what these guys accomplished this season, it was rewarding to watch them grow as players and young men. Big thanks to the parents that got them there and supported them all season, good culture includes you too! Thanks to our scorer Kerryn, some games were like the wild west, never knowing what to expect and were hard to follow at times. Thanks to the club for bringing me out for a 6th season!

And as always,

We are the boys from the ol' Senators!

Gary Owens Under 17's Coach



# **Under 13 Report**

The focus for the U13 group this year was on developing the basic skills of baseball and learning the level of effort and focus required to compete. The team was a mix of new players and some players returning to their appropriate grade after playing U15s in 2018/19. The players with U15 experience were able to further develop their game more confidently against age appropriate opposition. Several new players such as Ben Bynoe, Indy O'Hazy-Zschorn, and Zach Stanmeyre were also key contributors to the team, and all players showed improvement.

The team MVP was Toby Kortekaas, who had an outstanding season pitching, catching and in the box. The work that Toby put in with attending extra training sessions was evident in his performances. The batting trophy went to Ben Bynoe, a first-year player and natural athlete who was able to lead the team in stolen bases with 27. Our coaches award went to Indy O'Hazy-Zschorn for demonstrating a great team first attitude all year at training and during games.

The highlight of the season was a final game win at Sturt who had beaten us earlier in the year at home. It was a great reward for the group and the culmination of a lot of hard work.

Special thanks to Renae Kortekaas for her scoring and support, Rhett Feser the clubs import for taking training once a week, Shane Nicholson for setting up the field and all other board members for the opportunity to coach again.

Regards,

#### Carly Moore

Under 13's Coach



# **Under 11 Report**

This is a brief look at the season 2019/20 for U11s. We started the season with a bunch of new kids and few that have been around for while now. In saying that there was one thing they all had in common and that was they were all going to face opposition pitchers for the first time. This made the kids nervous and unsure, so we concentrated on working together as a team. We supported each other and stuck together. It seemed to be working as you could see the kids slowly growing in confidence. I played the kids in a position that they wanted to play in to begin with but as the season progressed I learnt which positions suited each player whilst adhering to the league rules. We were always changing players positions to follow the league rules due to pitch counts and catcher rules.

Our first half of the season was great as we started to find ourselves and learn the game. But after the Christmas break it all seemed to click. We went on a winning streak of 6 games in a row with the only loss coming in the semi-final. Even the semi-final was a great effort as we stuck together and fought to the end but fell short. Our semi-final was against West Torrens we lost 10-6. Our season finished with 8 wins, 6 losses and a draw.

I would like to thank all the parents that helped and made this such a wonderful experience for everyone involved. We had such a great season on and off the field and I'm pretty sure everyone else feels the same. A special thanks to assistant coach Sean, team manager Megan and scorers Molly, Marie and Tanya.

Regards,

Shane Brown Under 11's Coach



# Pee Wee's & T-Ball Report

What a fun and exciting time we had in T-Ball & Pee Wee's this season. Right from the start, one of my main goals for the season was to have each child excited to come back the following week for training or games. It may sound simple but with children at this age level, to keep them interested in a sport and wanting to keep coming back can be challenging. I believe this was achieved and all kids had a great time while also learning about the game.

Friday night trainings were always fun and interesting. By the end of the season our group on Friday nights grew to 16 players. Their ages ranged from 5 to 9 years old and a lot were first time players. Trying to keep each training enjoyable and suited to their age bracket and skills could sometimes prove difficult. But credit to the children as they would stay focused the majority of the time to the activity at hand. We focused on all the fundamentals of baseball at each training - hitting, throwing, catching and running. As the season went on you could see the skill development in every child and that's all I could ask for.

On Sunday mornings, we had 9 kids from the Friday night group that would take the field for a friendly game against other clubs. This year the league expanded the season to 13 rounds. We ended up playing 11 games and had one bye and one heat out. All our kids played with great spirit and attitude, which showed other clubs what Woodville represents. We focused on things we could control and supported teammates when needed. For me as the coach it was very pleasing to see the children making routine baseball plays. This is why we train and at this age level is was great to see. We hit balls hard (a couple doubles past the cones and a couple that just about killed Dinga), made ground ball outs, tagged runners on the base paths and even turned a double play. Great job to the nine children that came out on Sunday mornings – Kylah, Royce, Poppy, Tucker, Sienna, Ella, Lily, James & Luke.

I would like to say thank you to the following people: - Jo Owen and Jane Nicholson for all the help and information they provided throughout the season. Shane Nicholson for getting the field ready on game day. Nicole Lodge for scoring the majority of the games. David Ding for throwing to the kids each Sunday so I was able to help the hitters in the batters box. Shane Lodge for assisting me coach on game days and lastly thank you to the club and all of its volunteers.

To finish, it was very encouraging to see so many new kids and families to the club this year. I hope that everyone had an enjoyable season and will be back for season 20/21.

Regards,

David Lodge PeeWee Coach



# **TROPHY WINNERS**

#### Senior Awards

Mark Biggins Award

#### **Division** 1

Keith Mortimore Perpetual MVP Batting Champion Pitching Award Coaches Award

# **Division 2** Les Behrendt Perpetual MVP

Batting Champion Best Team Man

## Division 4

Most Valuable Player Batting Champion Encouragement Award

## Division 6

Most Valuable Player Batting Champion Best Team Man

## **Division 7**

Most Valuable Player Batting Champion Best Team Man

## Women's Division 1

Most Valuable Player Batting Champion Most Improved

#### Carly Moore

# Troy Nicholson Gary Owens Rhett Feser Ethan Marchioro

Rhys Owen Brayden Marchioro Jackson Sowton

## David Lodge David Lodge Josh Mignone

Grant Behrendt Grant Behrendt James Stradling

## Casey Moore Casey Moore Derek Milne

Darna Veen Louise Bartel Alyssa Lasscock

# **TROPHY WINNERS**

#### **Junior Awards**

Max Behrendt Encouragement Award Tony Harris Most Promising Junior

**Under 17's** Grant Behrendt Perpetual MVP Batting Trophy Pitching Award

**Under 13's** Lawrie Moore Perpetual MVP Batting Trophy Coaches Award

**Under 11's** Most Valuable Player Batting Trophy Best Team Player

#### **Club Awards**

Geoff Rogers Award

Klaebe Club Inductees

Dakota Ding Harrison Kiss

Harrison Kiss Harrison Kiss Owen Williams

Toby Kortekaas Ben Bynoe Indie O'Hazy-Zschorn

Oliver Van Dommele Matthew Nanasi Remy Brooks

Lawrie Moore

Grant Behrendt Gary Owens

#### **Club Milestones**

700 Games

500 Games

400 Games

200 Games

Craig Mortimore

Craig Reval

Andrew Sullivan

Vic Bentvelzen Jarrod Marsland Gary Owens

# **STATE REPRESENTATIVES**

SA Open Women's State Team	Ashleigh George Carly Moore Darna Veen Tammy McMillan Lawrie Moore (coach)
SA Youth Women's State Team	Alyssa Lasscock
Little League 'Rays' Charter Team	Toby Kortekaas
Senior League Adelaide Armada Charter Team	Harrison Kiss

# **BASEBALL SA AWARDS**

Baseball SA 'All Star' Team	
Coach of the Year	<b>Richard Olson</b>
Centerfielder of the Year	Gary Owens
Women's League Division 1 Medal	Darna Veen
Under 17/2 Greg Elkson League Medal	Harrison Kiss

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TEAM	WIN	DRAW	LOSSES	MINOR PLACING	FINALS
Div 1	13	0	17	9 <sup>TH</sup>	Did not qualify
Div 2	7	5	9	<b>9</b> <sup>TH</sup>	Did not qualify
Div 4	0	0	18	8 <sup>tH</sup>	Did not qualify
Div 6	12	0	4	<b>4</b> ™	Qualified, Lost Prelim Final
Div 7	5	0	12	16 <sup>TH</sup>	Did not qualify
Women's League Div 1	8	1	4	3rd	Qualified, Lost Prelim Final
Under 17	7	2	6	3 <sup>RD</sup>	Qualified, Lost Prelim Final
Under 13	3	0	12	13 <sup>тн</sup>	Did not qualify
Under 11	8	1	6	7 <sup>TH</sup>	Qualified, Lost Semi-Final

# FINAL STANDINGS