

ST JOHN BOSCO
BASEBALL & SOFTBALL
CLUB



-YEAR END REPORT-
SEASON 2014/2015



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

What a fantastic season once again for our club with a number of teams making the finals and 12 I's and 14's making the Grand Final which is an achievement in itself.

Firstly, I need to acknowledge the work of the Executive Committee and the general Committee members for an outstanding job they have done this year. In particular, Mike Parker for his unwavering dedication to the role of Secretary which I assure everyone takes up an immense amount of his personal time. To Rod Hart for his support and work again with the Clubs end of Year Christmas party. To Liz Quigley for the works she continues to do for the club in the role of Treasurer and the amount of time she commits to the role.

Additionally we should all appreciate the efforts of the committee in particular Jason Chabi, Michelle Dowling, Paul & Linda Duffy, Sharon Tripi, Perrin Catt, David Kennedy, Dave Weekes, Belinda Parker & Colin Bowmaker and Janelle Piggott. All of you have done a wonderful job in all aspects of the running of the club and we certainly could not have achieved the success we have had without your continued support.

To our Grounds keeper Scott Ingwersen and to all that have assisted him, thank you once again for your efforts to provide us with a fantastic playing field through this season.

To Linda and Paul Duffy for their management this season of the Canteen, one of the best seasons we have ever had in the canteen with regards to organisation and profits back into the club. It is much appreciated.

To Michelle Dowling, thank you for your work with the club website and Facebook page this year. The site looks fantastic and the information provided to our members has never been better.

Thanks to all of the volunteers, in particular the coaches of our teams. Our teams have been coached well again and noticeably performed well across the board.

To Dave Kennedy who again has worked extremely well with the team of new young umpires this year. They looked fantastic and performed admirably throughout the season & we are all very proud of them.

Thank you to our major sponsor Club Engadine for their generous sponsorship again this season. Your donations are well received and have assisted us again to provide the equipment we need to the teams again this year to ensure they have what they need to compete. Thanks also to Speedy Keys and McDonalds for the weekly awards for the junior teams.

Lastly to you the parents, kids, teenagers and senior members of the club, I trust that you have thoroughly enjoyed your season. We love having you at the club and we hope to welcome you all back to the Braves next year.

For those that may wish to get involved in the management of the club, please contact the Executive and attend the AGM. We encourage you all to get involved and to bring new ideas and passion to the committee as we head into the 2015/16 season.

Thank you,

Darren Hart

President – St John Bosco Baseball & Softball Club

SECRETARY'S REPORT

Well it's certainly been another busy and interesting past 12 months as Secretary of the St John Bosco Baseball and Softball Club. Congratulations to all our committee on another good season and as always it would be great to be able to get further support from other members of our club, as there's always plenty to do and sometimes it seems to just get left to the same people every time. Also, it must be pointed out that our Executive Committee have held their current position for over 5 years now and it's certainly time for others to step up and take over these roles.

I would really like to thank all our coaches, assistant coaches, managers, scorers and pitch counters that took on these roles and without your input we wouldn't have any teams on the diamond. Your time and effort is certainly appreciated by the club and hopefully you had an enjoyable and rewarding season with your team. Also, thanks to all the parents and players that helped out with ground set up, canteen, BBQ and packing up each week and it was great to get this support again this season. Special thanks must go to Scott Ingwersen for doing such a fantastic job of looking after our field and it was consistently one of the best grounds to play on all season, thanks Scott for working so hard on this each week.

Congratulations to our U12/1's and U14/2 Sky teams on making the Grand Final this season, as it was a great effort to get so far and a credit to the coaches and the teams on such a good season. Also, congratulations to our Softball teams for doing so well this season as well. Well done also to our representative players who did us proud representing our club at a higher level this season and it was pleasing to see this group of players grow in numbers this year. Must also mention our umpires, as they were outstanding this season and a big thank you to Dave Kennedy for taking on this role and for training and supervising our umpires so well again. You did a really great job Dave, as they didn't just look good, they all acted very confidently and professionally and they handled each of their games in an excellent manner. Our umpires were also noticed by other clubs and the Association and we received many compliments regarding how professional they were and how well they umpired

I would really also like to make a special mention to Paul & Linda Duffy for the fantastic work they did with our canteen this season. They both worked very hard each week making sure that everything was in order and the canteen was a huge success for us this season mainly because of the great work from Paul and Linda. We have to also thank Deb Hobden for doing such a great job with softball again this season with the help of Liz. Without their efforts I'm not sure where softball would be and your efforts are certainly greatly appreciated by all.

Also, I especially need to thank the rest of the general committee that helped out so much with many of the required tasks and it was certainly great to have their support. Big thank you to Dave Weekes who helps with just about everything relating to seniors and a special thank you to Janelle Piggott, who took over our uniforms this season and she did a fantastic job getting this so well organized and under control. Also, huge thank you to Jason & Michelle Chabi, as they've been a massive help to me and the rest of the committee, as they do so much work behind the scenes on all sorts of roles for our club, especially as our registrar and our web site officer.

Lastly, I would just like to thank the excellent committee we had this season and it was great to have such a friendly and easy to work with group of like minded people involved who are always willing to help out. It was also good to see everyone at our meetings each month with such a positive attitude towards moving the club forward. Special thanks to our Executive committee as follows:

- Liz Quigley, for doing such a great job as our treasurer, she does a terrific job with the books and all our finances are looked after in a very thorough and professional manner each season and she also helped organize all our softball teams as well.
- Rod Hart, for helping out with everything as our Vice President for Baseball and especially for doing such a great job organizing our Christmas party at Engadine Pool again.
- Darren Hart, for taking on the role as President again and for doing such a great job to keep our club going so well this season.

Thanks to everyone involved and hope to see you all back again in a few months for another fun season.

Mike Parker

President – St John Bosco Baseball & Softball Club

TREASURER'S REPORT

Another year! Two more Baseball seasons! Time flies when you are having fun.!

There are several people who as always helped to make my job so much easier and I could not have done without them. Deb Hobden for all things Softball, Jason Chabi for chasing those seniors down for their fees, Paul and Linda Duffy for all things canteen. Mike Parker for keeping us all up to date with all the correspondence . Darren and Rod Hart just being an email away.

A very welcome addition to the team, Janelle Piggott, as uniform officer. With no training and no handover straight into the job organising uniforms.

Providing some much needed new eyes and new ideas.

We had a mixed year this year. The canteen under Paul and Linda Duffy's guidance made a huge contribution to the clubs bank account. All the money that is made from the canteen goes back into better resources and lower fees. So please where possible support our canteen. There was no fundraising undertaken last year and no sponsorships.

This year will see us for the first time acknowledge service awards for our loyal players. It will also see the introduction of Life Memberships to some players.

Thanks again. Hope to see you all back next year.

Liz Quigley

Treasurer- Bosco Baseball Softball Club



REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS

2014/2015 SEASON

-BASEBALL-

ROOKIE REPS

Jake Dover
Clayton Forrest
Caleb Lawson
Mikah Targett
Jonathon Wackwitz



2014 Warriors Shield Cronulla South

Back Row: Ryan Kelly (Coach), Clayton Forrest, Luke Janbroers, Noah Kelly, Hamish Spedding, Ben Targett (Coach), Mitchell Connors, Jonathon Wackwitz

Front Row: Nathan White, Caleb Lawson, Jayden George, Mikah Targett, Jake Dover



Little League - Future All Star team

Nathan Jordan
James Napier



Little League - All Star team

Myles Chabi
Haydn Parker





2014/2015 SEASON

-JUNIOR SOFTBALLER OF THE YEAR-

EMI ADAIR

Emi has played for Bosco since joining tee-ball in 2010.

Emi played in the U/15 Division 3 competition this year and played a significant role in helping Bosco make the grand final. She had an awesome season playing first base and also contributed with an outstanding batting effort.

Emi was one of our senior players who displayed exemplary leadership, attitude and sportsmanship making her a worthy role model for the younger players in this team.

Emi was rewarded for her efforts by being selected in the 2014/15 Sutherland Shire Representative Team.

Congratulations Emi!!



REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS
2014/2015 SEASON

Under 15's Sutherland Representative Squad

Emi Adair

Sarah Tripi

Caitlin Vella

Callum Vella

Josh Upham

Under 13's Sutherland Representative Squad

Jessica Tripi

Tiarne Crimmins

Under 11 – Sutherland Tee Ball Representative Team

Chad Hatzl

Blake Fisher

Jeremy Fisher

Kai Garland

2014/2015

-CLUB AWARD WINNERS -

Senior Baseballer: Adam Lemke (1st Grade)

Junior Softballer: Emi Adair (Under 15's Div 3)

Junior Baseballer: Daniel Gaut (Under 17's)

Coach of the Year: Andrew Tillet (Under 9's)

(Steve Quigley Memorial Award)

Club Person of the Year: Paul & Linda Duffy

2014/2015

-CLUB PERSONS OF THE YEAR -

PAUL & LINDA DUFFY

Running a club of any kind for a committee is not easy. Having people stand up and volunteer their time and resources to assist anywhere they can no matter how small, takes pressure away from everyone involved. Let's not forget that most if not all of us have multiple kids and full time jobs to manage while we do our best to ensure our kids are involved in a club that supports them, the members and most importantly is something we can all be proud of.

For the last two seasons both Paul and Linda have worked extremely hard for our club to ensure that the canteen was not only stocked with products that everyone wanted, opened each weekend prior to the arrival of the kids to the games, clean & tidy and for all our sakes profitable. They have also worked hard at our Bunnings BBQ Days and previously at Cops & Rodders to make sure everything was in order for our stands to run smoothly.

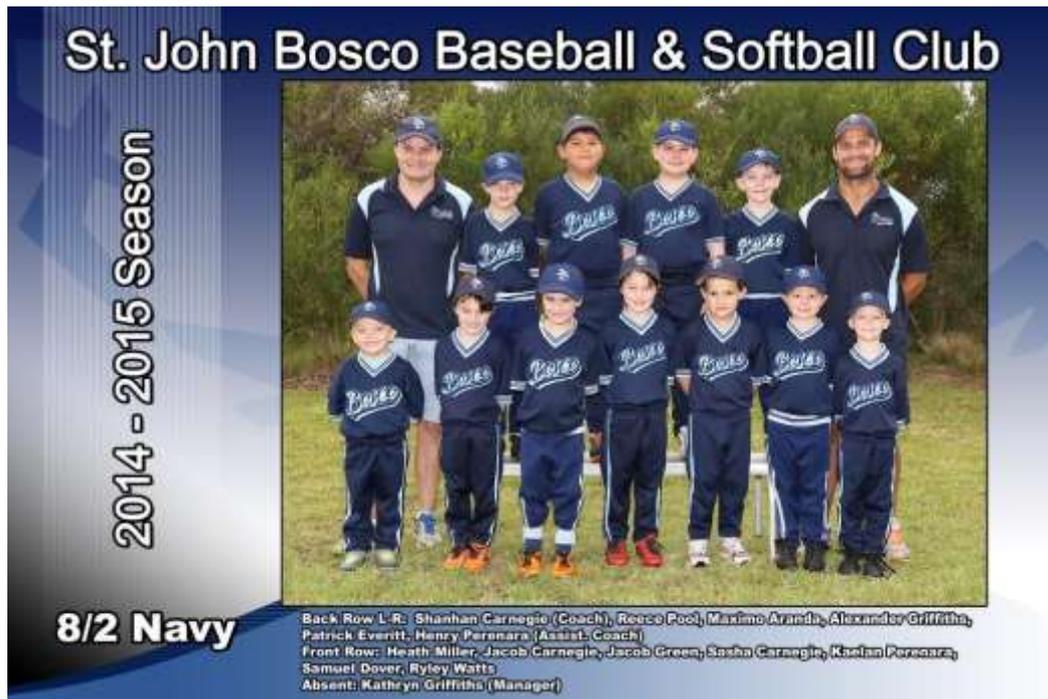
As I am sure our Treasurer Liz would confirm we have had two very successful years thanks to the efforts of Paul & Linda. A tireless role that is very much needed and appreciated I cannot thank them enough for the hours and hours they have spent each week during the season to ensure we were always ready to go !

Unfortunately due to work commitments Paul & Linda reluctantly have had to step down from the role going forward, however with Paul also assisting around the grounds as a helper to our grounds keeper I know that they will not be out of site.

From all of the committee, members, kids and parents THANK YOU Paul and Linda for all of your support and hard work with our Canteen and congratulations on being awarded our CLUB PERSON OF THE YEAR.

Darren Hart - President

UNDER 8 -2'S NAVY TEE BALL



What an amazing season for our little team with such a huge improvement over the season. We started the season with a range of ability with all but one having never played Tball before. Our little team also included a huge age bracket with both 4 year olds and 8 year olds in the team. It was great to see the boys playing well together with our older boys supporting and mentoring our younger kids. The kids developed many skills over the season but for most the basics of Tball was the most important. I think that we would all agree that the boys came so far this season and will continue to do so over the coming seasons.

A huge thank you to our Super Manager Kath Griffiths who made sure we were always on track and had the mammoth job of organising us all. With an overall majority of games played at home this included a multitude of rosters to ensure we all got a chance to cook a BBQ, hang out in the canteen and set up or pack away the diamond. Without Kath this season wouldn't have been so successful and we really wouldn't have been able to do it without her. Thanks Kath for volunteering (kind of) for the role.

Another thank you must to go out to all the parents in the team. Being that both Henry and I are in professions that involve weekend work we relied heavily on the parents to help out with coaching and training. A huge thank you to all the parents who helped out on a regular basis especially PJ Dover & Kevin Green along with each and every parent that stepped up to make the season so much fun for the kids.

As for our boys:

Maximo Arunda - Maximo was a consistent big hitter throughout the season. When he put his power behind the ball you didn't want to step in the way of the ball. As one of our older team members it was great to watch Maximo help the younger team members and we are sure he will do great things as he moves into the next age group!

Jacob Carnegie - Being one of our 4 year olds once Jacob decided that the glove was better on his hand than over his face while fielding he showed a real passion for the game. Jacob developed a love of batting and a great improvement in his concentration over the season.

Sasha Carnegie - Sasha was one of our left handers and developed his skills through the season. He showed a flare for fielding and loved his introduction to Tball enjoying both games and training each and every week.

Sam Dover - Sam was one of our most consistent players this year hitting the ball around the field with accuracy and always giving his all. Sam has a strong arm and throws with speed and accuracy. Sam showed determination in attacking every aspect of the game and showed a huge improvement over the season.

Patrick Everett - One of our more mature players, Patrick showed skills with both the ball and the bat. He lead by example and made sure that he had a positive impact on each and every game. Well done Patrick we are sure that you will make just as big of an impression as you move up next year!

Jacob Green - If there was an award for enthusiasm then Jacob would take it out. He loved every second of both games and training. Jacob never stops running and giving his all. Jacob showed an overall improvement in his first season of Tball but developed his batting skills hugely ending the season with great strength and accuracy in his batting.

Alexander Griffiths - Alexander showed a great improvement in all aspects of the game. He showed great enthusiasm in both fielding and batting and when he put that power behind a ball there was no stopping him. Alexander as always showed great sportsmanship and as always was an absolute pleasure to coach!

Heath Miller - A huge improvement throughout the season for this little guy. As one of our youngest team members he showed a great improvement in all areas especially in his enthusiasm for the game. We can't wait to watch you next season to really fine tune those skills.

Kaelan Perenara - Kaelan was our youngest team member but showed great development throughout the season. He consistently wore a smile and by the end of the season was hitting the ball with great strength. Kaelan enjoyed making new friends and was always up for a chat in the outfield. Well done Kaelan on a great start to Tball.

Reece Pool - Reece was always such an enthusiastic member of the team. He developed his batting skills and improved accuracy throughout the season. Reece showed real strength in all aspects of the game and never lost that smile as he ran the bases with speed.

Riley Watts - Riely looked the part from the very start of season and it was great to watch him develop his skills throughout the season. Riley showed promise in his both his batting and fielding and was such an easy going member of our team.

A great season boys!!

Henry Perenara & Shanhan Carnegie

UNDER 8 -2'S SKY TEE BALL

St. John Bosco Baseball & Softball Club

2014 - 2015 Season

8/2 Sky



Back Row L-R: Michael Mabon (Coach), Paige Helm, Teigan Mabon, Skye Wackwitz, Tyra Crowther, Tash Cuddy (Assist. Coach)
Front Row: Jack Lawson, Lexi Dickenson-Panas, Jai Brown, Alice Targutti, Lily Mabon, Jarvis Longworth, Cruz Brown
Absent: Karen Mabon (Manager)

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UNDER 8 -1'S TEE BALL



What a fantastic year for the boys in the 8 1's this season. We had everything from double plays, home runs and diving catches. The team performed well against all of the teams we played during the season and heavy held the mighty Cronulla team to some final scores that showed we had some real promise. This years team was:

Kyan Morrissey – Strong, fast and a real thinker, Kyan broke his arm during the season and was supposed to be rested for about 6 weeks, but just couldn't stay away playing the remainder of the year with his arm in a cast. A great effort Kyan. Can't wait for next year buddy.

Zinzan Delaney-Fielding – What a player Zinzan evolved into this season. Some magical catches particularly when fielding in the infield had the team and parents cheering in many a game for what were some fantastic plays. Excellent year Zinzan.

Thomas Johnson – One of our bigger lads, Thomas always the joker brought a personality that at times had us laughing and almost crying ! A terrific hitter of the ball towards the end of the season, Thomas was one of our biggest improvers and has the ability to really do well in the sport if he keeps practicing in the coming seasons.

Scott Sweeny – becoming one of our most consistent performers this year Scott really worked hard and improved in all areas of the game this year. His batting in particular improved 400% and had him batting higher up the ladder as the season came to a close. Keep it up Scotty !!!

Bobby Hart – Our left handed "home Run" specialist Bobby had a terrific season with bat and the ball. Not easy to be the Coaches son and one of the older more experienced players but he always gave his best and was rewarded with a game in the 10 Zooka team for a game. Well done Bobby, I am very proud of you.

Will Hart – Guaranteed to end up an Umpire at some stage in the future! Will's hitting was a highlight this year with consistent hits to the outfield and a determination to be the best he could be at all times. Experienced after a few seasons now, Will was our leadoff batter for most of the season and rarely got out. He was a big reason for our terrific starts in every game and our success each week. Well done Will !

Campbell Tillett – The quietest boy in the side by a mile, Campbell has the raw talent to do well in anything he sets his mind on I am sure. A pocket rocket with a dynamite arm Campbell has an awesome season and was one of our best. A terrific season Cambell, well played.

Dash Delaney-Fielding – One of the youngest in the team Dash seemed to have the same look on his face when he did something amazing (which he did often) as he did when he got caught hitting in the air. I wish I had a picture to show you. A terrific kid with a lot of promise Dash will continue to mature into an awesome base baller.

Campbell Robertson – What a season from Cam ! consistent from the start Cam’s running around the bases was great to see. A good listener and always concentrating Cam is a pleasure to coach and I look forward to seeing him continue to improve in the coming seasons. Good job Cam.

Cooper Bowden – Always smiling and happy I could always rely on Coop to be the first to ask at every change of innings “can I play First base?” Able to play any position Cooper has a reel love for the game and I can see him developing into a really good base baller in the coming years as he gains more experience. I can’t wait to see it Coop.

Patrick Donkin – The quiet achiever of the team, Pat is a terrific kid always ready and willing. Pat improved out of site throughout the season and was a big asset to the team. “Speedy Gonzalez” - His speed around the bases is a highlight ensuring he got us out of many a jam throughout the year. Well played Pat.

Samuel Benhiam – At the start of the season Sam was shy and a little apprehensive, but that changed as the season went on as Sam developed into a fantastic base baller that delivered in so many ways. His catching and batting were highlights and I look forward to coaching Sam again in the future.

A big thankyou to the entire squad of parents, who all chipped in and assisted with the coaching and managing of the kids at each game this season. Thanks to Kirsten benhiam for scoring for the majority of the season as well.

Thank you to Kelly for doing a great job managing the team and also to Rod for co-coaching the team with me. Having you coaching with me makes the pleasure of coaching these kids twice as a good.

See you all next year.

Darren Hart - Coach

UNDER 9 -1'S TEE BALL



WOW! what a team. Out of 11 players 5 had never played baseball before and after a few straight losses it wasn't looking good.

But hard work at training and some extra practise at home! Thanks parents. We turned it all around and missed out on making 1st or 2nd by .005 of a percent!. or something like that.

We were the only team to keep the undefeated Yarrawarra side to a draw. (we should of won that one!!!!!!). I am so proud of the commitment and the improvement by every player.

Hope to see all of you next year. A big thanks to all the help from the parents, Scoring, Bat duties, Canteen etc...

And a massive thankyou to Kate our manager for organizing the team and me!. We couldn't have done it without you. Thank You to Ash Laybutt, for your time and patience in helping to coach the under 9s.

Our team was:

Micah Allenby - His batting this year was a big improvement from last year and he saved his best game to last well done.

Thomas Benhiam - One of the most improved. His fielding towards the end of the year was amazing and his batting improved as well.

Jai Haylock - Jai missed half the season due to injury, but when he came back... BAM!. A great team player and some fantastic hitting!

Indiana Hill - I can't say enough about this girl. Her fielding at second and catcher was perfect. Her batting was always strong. An amazing first season!

Harrison Jones - He turned his batting around when he went from left hand to right hand!. He always put his body on the line in the field. Diving and catching. A Great first season!

Quinn Longworth - The boy with the force field. It didn't matter where he hit it he would always make first base!. By the end of the year he was having a go at pitcher!. A fine first season!

Cameron Laybutt - His batting was solid always smashing balls straight passed third base and made big improvements in the field.

Jack Mayo - By the end of the year he never missed a ball always hitting exactly where i told him to. His biggest improvement was his running of the bases. A great effort for your first season.

Cooper Stibberd - One of the most improved in the team. Some big hits and some nice catches at first base. He worked really hard at home practising. Awesome first season mate.

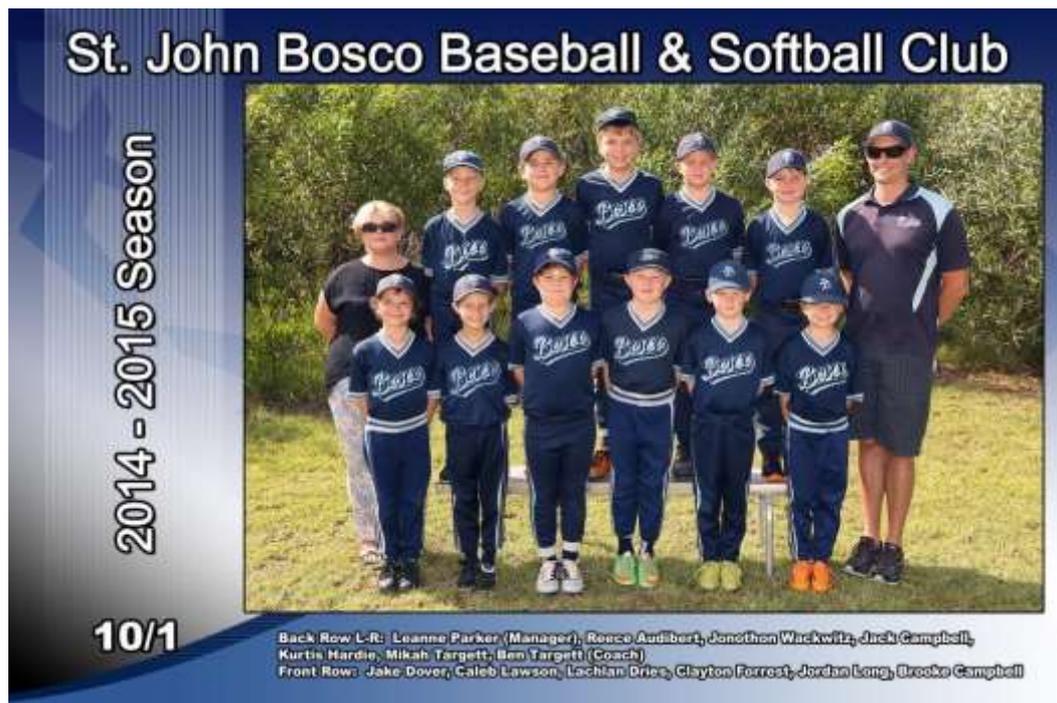
Hayley Sweetland - One of our most consistent players her work at first base was perfect. And some great big hitting. She has an incredible arm. A great asset to the team.

Fletcher Tillett - Always gives you 100%. He made pitcher his own and hit the ball hard every time. A player you need in your side.

Thanks for the most memorable season,

Andrew Tillett - Coach

UNDER 10 -1'S ZOOKA BALL



Well what a year we had. We started the year with 11 players on the roster with a lot of players returning to make the step up to Zooka ball. Initially the team was graded into the 10 2's but after 5 rounds we were 4 – 1 with a For/Against of 32 & 13. With results going our way it meant Cronulla White and ourselves were moved into the 1's, this decision was a bit surprising and viewed with trepidation as all but two players had no experience with the ball being fired from the machine.

Our first game in the 1's saw us pitted against our cross shire rivals Cronulla White from the 2's who were also feeling the pressure of mixing it with the older more experienced Zooka teams. Although, the result didn't go our way we were more than competitive with Bosco up 2 nil for all but the last inning when Cronulla put 4 on us to take the win.

The next 4 games saw the team go undefeated capped off with a dominant performance against Eastern Suburbs (14-3) which saw us showing off how far we had come especially with the bat and on the base paths. This result along with the previous saw Bosco sitting in 2nd position of 8 after 11 rounds of baseball.

We had 2 games to go before the Christmas break and they were tough ones against Cronulla Blk in 1st and St. George in 3rd both of which we had not played. Both these games showed the difference an extra year and top age players make to a side with both teams defeating a strong and spirited Bosco side. After going down to St. George it was one bad inning (again) that saw us go down to the undefeated Cronulla Blk 12 – 6 after being 6 all with 1 to play.

The team recharged the batteries and were pumped up for more baseball to start the New Year in 3rd place. The first game of the new year saw us once again up against our nemesis from div 2 Cronulla White, although this time it was the Braves juggernaut which rolled over them 9-5 in a high class game which showed that the Bosco team had in fact improved more than their rival. Once again this win saw Bosco take on all challengers for the next 4 weeks. The last 2 games of the season were must wins if the team wanted to secure 2nd place and in two of the most exciting games all year Bosco JUST scrapped over the line with one run wins in both. Overall, the team performed well above their expected level and played every game with a great attitude and a determination to be the best player they can be. Well done boys and girl I'm very proud of you all. I look forward to seeing lots of familiar faces return and wish those too old for Zooka Clayton, Jack and Kurtis all the best with their future endeavours in life particularly on the diamond if you decide to continue down this path. Now let's find out a little about each player that made up this super/awesome/fun/fanstastic team. Ladies first.

Brooke Campbell – Brooke had a great year on the diamond and is a pivotal member of the infield defence with her excellent hand skills and baseball brain which saw her at home on 2nd base. She often pulled off amazing catches and was involved in everything including a number of fantastic double plays.

Jonathon Wackwitz – A.K.A the ICE MAN, Jono has the physique of a big league player and used it well. John worked hard all year at training to refine his swing and it paid off in the penultimate game of the season when he hit a line drive up right centre to bring in the winning run. Even with the game on the line Jono came to the plate with an air of confidence about him and funnily enough I knew he was going to do something special. The kid just gives it a go every time, LOVE THAT!!!

Clayton Forrest – Clayton was one of my 2 experienced Zooka players and proved to be a major asset to the team with his versatility in being able to play in all positions although 1st, Catcher and outfield were his standouts. Clayton has plenty of power in the box but just needs work on his swing to create more contact because once he gets on base no one can stop him even me as 3rd base coach, keep practicing mate and good luck.

Jake Dover – Jake is probably one of the most competitive players in the team and wears his heart on his sleeve. Jake is a bundle of energy and handles short and 2nd with ease. Jake worked well with his partner in crime Brooke and also was able to pull off some unbelievable catches with total disregard to his body, Jakes hitting and speed on the bases saw him become a valuable run machine.

Jack Campbell – Jack was my other experienced Zooka player and enjoyed fielding at 1st where he took some great outs during the season, Jack had mixed fortunes with the bat this year but with practice the results will come. The similarities between Jack and Clayton running the base paths were uncanny and I still think they had some sort of competition going as to see who could get the furthest around with the littlest hit! I have to give a big wrap to Jack as when things were a bit lean in the box he kept turning up and having a crack. Well done mate.

Reece Audibert – Reece really settled into the season well and made improvements in all areas of his game. Reece can smash the ball as well as any when he focuses and is also very quick around the bases. Reece is eager to learn and showed some glimpses of a possible pitching career (think about it). Well done Reece hope to see you again.

Kurtis Hardie – This was Kurtis's first year and what a year he had. Kurtis started the year as a very quiet kid who was just trying to get his bearings to this new game. Kurtis adapted well and displayed a strong throwing arm but Kurtis's biggest strength was his power hitting. Kurtis has a good eye and can crush the ball to the outfield. I am not sure if Kurtis was part of the pact to give the coach a heart attack when running the bases but he certainly played his part☺, I think he was of the theory that once he got going why stop? Hope you enjoyed the season mate and thanks for bringing the lizard. I know Nicole Hart appreciated it ☺☺

Mikah Targett – Mikah had a solid year and enjoyed himself immensely. He started the year behind the plate and did a great job even framing the ball when he could. Mikah also performed well at first base and competed for everything that came his way. With his now illegal bat in hand (thanks for that Cronulla, see my invoice) Mikah did a good job of getting on base and was consistent at the plate all year.

Jordan Long – Jordan put in a very good performance throughout the year and came through for the team when we needed it with the bat. Jordan is pretty quiet on the field and would rather let his play do the talking. Jordan did a fantastic job at pitcher and enjoyed the opportunity at catcher when he had the chance. I look forward to seeing Jordan develop his throwing as I think he has the temperament to be a good pitcher in the future.

Lachlan Dries – Jekyll or Hyde? That was often the question with Lachy, not sure whether it was something he ate or drank prior to the game but when he was 'on' Lachy was able to drive the ball as well if not better than anyone on the team with a swing people would pay money for. With a little more focus and practice I think there is real potential under that big cheeky grin of his.

Caleb Lawson – Mister Enthusiasm would sum up Caleb I think. He had a fantastic year making big improvements in all areas, although I think his biggest improvement was his understanding of the game which is a great asset.

Caleb was able to get on base with high regularity and often turned it into runs for the team. Caleb worked hard and is an important part of this team.

Aside: This year also saw Jonothon, Mikah, Jake and Caleb make their representative debut and Clayton his 2nd for the C.S.J.B.A Rookie's South team. Congratulations on this achievement and on winning the '2014 Warriors Shield Baseball Classic' in the Zooka division.

I would like to extend a big thank you to all the people involved in putting in huge amounts of effort in order for the team/club being able to run in the C.S.J.B.A. Particular mention must go to the Dries family for their managerial and ground set-up roles which were done with an attitude that should be admired thanks Leanne and Scott. Also I must mention a huge thank you to James Wackwitz who took on the role of assistant coach and committed himself to not only the club team but as my manager of the Rep. team (no I didn't pick that side) as well. You were awesome JW hope to see you back for more!

Ben Targett – Coach

UNDER 12 -1'S BASEBALL



From the first grading session I knew that this was going to be an amazing year and that we had plenty of talent to burn...I certainly wasn't disappointed. We pretty much had 4 teams come into one which was going to be a challenge to begin with but one that I knew we could sort out.

As the season unfolded, we were able to hold our own and ended up sitting in the top 4 at Christmas. Giants were full of super stars, St Pats very comfortable in 2nd then Arncliffe, Cronulla and us vying for the last 2 spots... we had to come home strong. We put the boys on a strict and regimented diet and training schedule over Christmas so we could peek at the right time and it appeared to pay dividends. We were able to beat Scots to make the finals, beat them again in the first week of the finals and then knock over St Pats to make the GF. This was a very memorable win as they had beaten us all 3 times this year but we didn't give them a chance in the final. This brought us to Giants in the Grand Final, no team had scored more than 1 run against them all year (except for us when we lost 11-5) Giants threw everything at us and even though we went down 8-1 after 4 innings each we were by no means disgraced. We made zero fielding errors and made them work for everything. For those who were there I'm sure were as proud as I was. As it turned out we were able to defeat every side in the competition apart from the eventual premiers Giants who were unbeaten all season.

Our Team:

Nathan Jordan: Our leadoff batter for a reason. Very consistent getting on base, facing the quickest pitchers first. Unenviable at times but never took a back step. Also, a most reliable first baseman who kept us in plenty of games with his reliable catching.

Jaxon Aroney: One of our off season signings and I'm glad we pursued him! Jax was played as a utility and covered anywhere for us. He took some sensational outfield catches and was able to hit the Giants' super pitcher safely twice!

Lachlan Forrest: Lachy = courage personified! He got hit in the ribs by an exceptionally fast pitch early in the season. He dusted himself off, finished the game and even though there were times fast pitching worried him; he still faced up to the challenge every week! Reliable both infield and outfield as well.

Myles Chabi: Had an outstanding year. Was our start off pitcher for a reason and just got quicker and smarter as the season progressed. Myles was awarded most improved for a couple of reasons: 1/ He really began to think his pitching through and settled himself when he needed to and 2/ He became one of our most consistent hitters up the top of the order.

Luke Arendse: One of our premium infielders. Luke consistently pulled off remarkable saves at second base, one of which was in the final against Scots where he fielded to set up an amazing double play at a critical moment in the game. Confidence with the bat also improved and when on base was able to steal comfortably with his pace.

Joel Wymer: Became a revelation at Centre Field. He was always cool and calm under a high ball and took them with relative ease. He was also able to field at third base as he has a very strong arm. Another who has a great swing at bat and never took a backward step.

James Napier: James was the other of our off field signings and a welcome addition to our club. He had the unenviable task of catching and he did a stellar job. It's not easy catching thunderbolts but he did every week. James has one of the smoothest swings when at bat. He was an absolute rock as fourth hitter and never let us down. James is a most worthy recipient of the Coaches Award this year and a worthy recipient of the MVP in the Grand Final.

Aden Kennedy: Was a big step up for Aden this year and he didn't let me down. Aden owned third base with his fielding and trade mark bullet throws to first base, often throwing out runners with ease. I believe Aden grew as a base baller this year and I look forward to watching his progression continue.

Cooper Duffy: Where to start with Coops! Absolute stand out in the outfield. He took many fly balls at critical times but the two that stand out were the one against St Pats in the final which pretty much sealed the game and then a couple in the Grand Final. Has a very aggressive swing and when he hits them, they stay hit.

Sam Campbell: From memory Sam hit our first out field hit of the year. Has a great swing when batting and his confidence also continued to grow. Sam fielded predominantly out field and was very reliable backing up the infielders and thinking the plays through. When given the chance in the infield he was also very reliable.

Alec Kennedy: Big Al provided one of the high lights of the year for me when he got his first big out field hit. I knew he has it in him as he has a fantastic swing, but the smile on his face that morning when he reached second was priceless. I could also count on Al at second or third as he also has a very strong arm on him.

Haydn Parker: And then there's Haydn! He can pitch, he can catch, he absolutely owned short stop (especially during the finals series) I asked a lot of Haydn as a leader with his skill and experience and he certainly didn't let me down. My favourite memories are the way he would torment the fielding team when he was running between bases...however this torment usually flowed to me as well!!! He is a deserving MVP for our team this year!

I have to acknowledge both **Stuart Wymer** and **Peter Kennedy** for the time and effort they also put into the team. They were at every training session which is a major reason for the huge improvement in the boys' skill, ran first base for us and kept me calm when needed. It's always important to run ideas by others and both Stu and Pete were there for me to do that.

To **Belinda Parker** thank you. Thank you for scoring most weeks and for a bit of batting order advice you gave me, that's when our season took off and I credit you for that! Also huge thanks to **Meredith Campbell** for managing our team this year. Emails, text messages and phone calls kept us all up to date of the happenings around the club and rosters for home games.

Finally, huge thanks to all the parents. At different times I know I sounded some of you out for your thoughts and ideas, one of which I believe helped seal the win against St Pats (Matt Napier, take a bow) Also for being there to transport your boys but more importantly cheer them on every week.

It's been an absolute pleasure!
Marcel - Coach

UNDER 12 -2'S BASEBALL



Invited by my grandson to coach I was reluctant to accept, however, I'm very pleased I did. With only 1 training night under our belt we played St. George and we were walloped. It was from this I observed the players lacked in basic skill knowledge, where to stand, how to place your feet, pick up and throw, head to target even how to hold the ball let alone bat.

So the plan was to basically take this team apart and start again. Not an easy job when many boys were ingrained with faults. The good point was that they were all happy to listen, observe and put into play. Some were insistent that they be given further opportunities to improve their game.

To start we had only one boy that could pitch the ball over the plate and we ended with 3 that were more than capable. We were very lucky to have a very experienced catcher enabling us to slowly develop another. All players were given opportunity to play infield, some, had never before played infield.

Because of this we had mixed fortunes in game results. As a Coach I could have manufactured several more wins over the season but that would have meant giving the same boys opportunities every week. The team became stronger in most areas and I believe, given many of them a renewed love for the game. We played St George in the last round; we lost by 1 and yes I believe we could have won this game if I just played the same boys in key positions. In essence we finished the season a far better team than we started and each and every player improved their game and gained confidence. I have opted not to give a synopsis on each player as it would be much the same for each."Lacked confidence and improved over the season"

I would sincerely like to thank the many dads that helped out over the season on training nights and game days, especially Paul and Tony. Meg you were a fantastic Manager. No one could say they weren't told, well done. To the Mums that scored and Pitch counted I also extend my thanks we couldn't play without any of you.

As Club Head Coach I would like to comment on some observations that I made over the season. Our T-Ball Coaches have a great responsibility to develop our future players. In some instances I am disappointed that U8 players after 5 rounds weren't encouraged to take an extra base under supervision of their onfield coaches. It's not a matter of winning it's a matter of preparation. Onfield Coaches know which boys (Generally Top Age) that can take another base, obviously there are boys that don't cope with taking extra bases but after observing it done in games will warm to trying it. On a positive note the improvement in fielding and throwing was fantastic. Positional hitting was also a great improvement. I also observed many players in U14's with actions in throwing and batting that may cause, in time, injuries to elbows and shoulders. As a club we must insist on Coaches gaining accreditation. The courses provided by BNSW not only enable better coaching ability but teach patience and better ways to cope with the many different personalities of our children especially when we have children of 4,5,6 & 7 playing in one team. Courses are run every few months for all the varying levels and can be located on the BNSW Website so as to give you an idea of what is expected. For lower levels it is usually just 2 evenings. Cost is minimal and I believe if you pass, that the club will refund the cost.

Wayne Watts - Coach

UNDER 14 -2'S SKY BASEBALL



With the majority of our team now playing together for a number of years, we had another fantastic season. After playing in the I4/3's Grand Final in 2014 we moved up to the I4/2's and once again gave it a real shot. We were very consistent during the season and sat in second place for most weeks. With a draw and a loss to the competition leader the Giants during the season, we went into the first semi-final as the underdogs. Playing our best game of the season, the kids were outstanding which resulted in a convincing win and a ticket straight into the GF. All money was put on the minor premiers (Giants) to beat the Comets in the second semi. The Comets came through with an upset which saw them head into the GF after finishing 4th on the ladder. For the third year in a row we headed off to Bonnet Bay desperate to bring home the trophy. This year there was no blue hair or face paint in a bid to break the hoodoo of the past two seasons. Unfortunately once again the baseball Gods did not smile on us. The Comets saved their best game till last and although our guys gave it their all, they were just too good on the day. They had the perfect start and got away to a six run lead. I was so proud of our guys who did not quit but fought back to make a real game of it. We only lost by a few runs but everyone in the team was

fantastic in defeat which is a true testament to these wonderful kids and their families. Once again, I would like to thank the team's manager Belinda Senior for all her assistance throughout the year as well as all the parents who helped with scoring, canteen, BBQ and turned up every week to support the kids. Big thanks also to Stuart Wymer who help me out with training the guys during the year. Can't wait to do it all again next season in the U/17's and lest hope 4th time lucky.

Our Team:

Brittany Barr – It took a few years but we were finally able to talk Brittany into coming to Bosco. What a fantastic result that was. Brittany was outstanding at first base with some of the safest hands in the business. She was also very impressive with the bat and her lightning speed (*hee hee*) even saw her get to second base on a bunt. Her bubbly personality was a big hit with the rest of the team and I would like to thank her for keeping everyone entertained during the car trips to and from training. Well done Britt on a great first season at the mighty Braves.

Zac Brookes – What can't this kid do?? Zac had an outstanding season which saw him play most games as lead off pitcher and cleanup batter. So composed under pressure, Zac was able to get us back into a number of games with his speed and pin point pitchers to take the win. He was very strong with the bat also and belted a number of home runs. Zac was a pleasure to have in the team and was no doubt a major factor in the team's success. Zac has been awarded as the 'Most Valuable Player'.

Christian Calabria – This was Christian's second year of baseball and he picked up right where he left off. Playing most of the season at short stop, he continued to improve and took some spectacular catches. He was also very solid with the bat finishing with a number of home runs. A natural sportsman, Christian played a big part in the team's successes and was the Bosco player of the match in the Grand Final. Great Job Christian and I think we can do it next season.

Ben Campbell – It was great to be back coaching Ben after a few years of him in the higher grades. I had big plans for Ben as one of our first string pitchers but unfortunately a broken arm early in season saw him out for a large portion of the year. When he did return he went from strength to strength. As one of our safest batters, Ben was able to get on base more times than not and also made some fantastic plays at first base. Ben did pitch towards the end of the season and was very impressive for having such a long time off. Thanks for standing up Ben.

Emilio Carrick - This was Emilio's first year at Baseball and fit right in. It didn't take him long to understand the fundamentals of the game and he improved each and every time he took to the diamond. Not being available to play each week, Emilio took every opportunity he was given and saved his biggest play for the Grand Final when he took a screaming catch at right field. Well done Emilio for your first season in this great sport.

Jai Cork - Another great season for Jai who was a regular at third base and left field. Having played for the last four years Jai continued to improve and was very strong again with the bat bringing in a number of runs throughout the year. He would have had even greater success if he had informed the coach that he wears glasses. Can't wait to see what he does next season with the glasses as a regular part of his uniform. Jai is a pleasure to coach and I'm looking forward to seeing him again in the coming season.

Alex Hayston – Unfortunately for the team this year saw Alex move down the coast which prevented him from being able to train or play every week. Alex was still very strong in the field and had some great hits. It was fantastic that he was able to still be a part of the team and spend time with his mates.

Chloe Hart – Once again Chloe played a major role as the teams Catcher. Playing every game of the season she did it in the heat, rain and often mud. With very little getting past her and at least one tag at home each round she definitely secured her spot as the competitions most valuable catcher. She also had some terrific hits during the season with a three bagger in an early round against St Pats. Great job Chloe.

Joel Key – Awarded as our most improved player last season, this year Joel was a real contender for all of the awards. This kid is a coach's dream and is constantly watching, listening and learning. Confidence was the Key for

Joel this year as he turned into one of our most consistent hitters. It was fantastic to see him get hits during our crucial games at the back end of the competition which was a major factor in us getting into the grand final. Well done mate.

Ryan Senior – A very solid season for Ryan saw him once again called upon to play a number of fielding positions. Some great fielding plays at third base and catches in the outfield where a highlight of a number of games. Batting high in the order he was always reliable to get on base and steal home plate. Each year that Ryan plays he goes from strength to strength and I know our elusive grand final win is close.

Lachlan Wells – Well ‘Mr Nice guy’ turned out to not only have the coolest hair style in the team, but is officially our most improved player in 2014/2015. Gone are the days of timid little Lochie standing in the batter’s box. This kid can now hit, and hit he did. One of the most consistent sluggers, Lochie was able to put the ball into the outfield more times than he has in the last 3 years combined. Lochie is so well liked by everyone in the team and I’m really looking forward to watching him hit more ‘dingers’ next season. Go Loch.

Blake Wymer – This year Blake was presented with ‘The Coach’s award’. An all rounder, Blake was instrumental in the team remaining in the top four positions throughout the season. Leadoff batter for most of the games, Blake rarely didn’t get a hit and ended the year as our most successful slugger. Blake was also called upon to pitch throughout the year and did an outstanding job. With a great brain for baseball and a tremendous attitude towards training, this kid continues to impress and is an absolute pleasure to coach.

Rod Hart - Coach

UNDER 14 -2'S NAVY BASEBALL



It was a great season for our team and very successful, as we ended up coming fourth after a very close loss to the eventual winners. I really think we could have challenged for the title with this team, as it was a very close competition and we showed we could match it with anyone on our day.

From my point of view, it was great fun coaching this team with Andrew and it was really good to see them all improve so much as the season went on. It was also very pleasing to see how well all the boys and girls got along together and it really was an enjoyable and rewarding experience to be involved with this team. Hopefully everyone else enjoyed it as much Andrew and I did and a big thankyou to all the parents for the terrific support

given to the team and to the coaches as well. Must also thank our manager Bridget, as she did such a great job organising everything each week for our team and we never had a drama all season. Thanks also to Janelle for scoring each week and its always pleasing to have someone keen to score and she did such a great job and it was very much appreciated. Lastly, just wanted to thank all the parents again, as it was a great atmosphere each week and it was really nice to see how all the new and old parents got along. This was also the same for the team as well, as we had a mixture of players this season of varying ability and age and they all got along so well and it would be great to see everyone back again next season..

Below is a list of our very talented players in our I4/2's team this season.

Mitchell Long - Mitchell had a great season and it was a real pleasure to have him in the team. He took on the pitching role for us and he did an excellent job and ended up being our main pitcher. His fielding and batting was also excellent and he was one of our top line performers this season. Well done Mitchell and congratulations on being our MVP.

Steven Green - Little Steven was our sensational lefty leadoff batter and he was terrific in this spot. He hit well each week and was super aggressive running around the bases. Steven could also play anywhere on the field and no matter where it was he was outstanding. Once again it was great having Steven in our team with his happy and enthusiastic approach to the game and it was especially good to see how encouraging and positive he was with the other players. Well done Steven and congratulations on receiving our Coaches award this season.

Nathan Horvath - Nathan was one of the players I hadn't seen before and it was great to see how well he progressed over the season. He started off a little slowly, but as the season went on he improved so much and by the end of the season he was playing so well. Congratulations Nathan on being our Most Improved player this season.

Stephen Barnard - Stephen was another of our players that really stood out this season. He pitched quite a few games for us and did a great job and he was always improving on the mound. His fielding was excellent all season and he was certainly one of our leading batters and we could put him anywhere and know that he would do the job. Stephen was certainly another of our top players and it was great to have him in the team again this year.

Patrick Cartwright - Patrick was one of our two catchers this season and both he did an outstanding job in this key position for the team. Patrick was also an excellent hitter and he made the no:2 batting spot his own with some great batting and he consistently produced quality hits for the team. He was also very fast around the bases and Patrick is another one of the players that we could use anywhere and he was a real asset to the team and a pleasure to coach.

Brenan Piggott - Brenan was our other catcher this season and really made this spot his own with some great glove work and excellent throws. He really improved again this season and he's another of our players that we could put anywhere without any hesitation and it was a pleasure coaching him again. His batting has also improved and if he hits in the game like he does at training and in the warm ups, watch out.

Ethan Street - Ethan was a great team player for us and was lightning quick around the bases, which was a great bonus as he got on base quite a lot. He was always smiling and it was a great pleasure to have him around at training and at the games. But Ethan's batting this season went to another level, as he took on the no:4 role for the team and he never let us down with some great batting in every game. He was also very good in the field and he was certainly a great asset to the team again this season.

Jacob Sweetland - Jacob was new to the club this season and he came across with some others from Bonnet Bay. It was great to have Jacob in our team, as he certainly had a lot to offer. He was one of our very handy pitchers and he was always keen and willing to throw for us. He was also a big hitter and I still remember one ball disappearing out of the ground for a well deserved home run. Jacob was also very good at 1st base for us and he made many crucial outs in this position. Jacob was terrific to have in the team as he was always very helpful and willing to get involved with everything.

Tom Clearkin - Tom was another of our new players from Bonnet Bay and it was certainly good to have him play with us this season. Tom is a big strong lad and he really has some power in his arms with both bat and ball. He could throw harder than anyone and his pitching was much to quick for them when he was in the groove and he did an excellent job for us this season. His batting was outstanding as he smashed quite a big hits for us this season and his plays at first base were great. We did miss Tom for a few weeks while he was pretty sick, but it was great to get him back on the diamond as we really needed him and it helped boost the team when he returned.

Sophie Clearkin - Well, Sophie was certainly our prettiest player this season, as she was our only girl. But she definitely fitted right in with all the boys and she played the game as good as any of the boys. Sophie has a strong arm like her brother and she can pitch and catch as good as anyone. Her fielding and batting were good all season and it was just a real pleasure to have her around, as she was always happy and positive to everyone.

Mike Parker - Coach

UNDER 17 -2'S BASEBALL



What a difference training and teamwork make! I thought it was going to be a very long long season after the first 6 games. We were down 5 losses to 1 and then all seemed to change. There was belief that we could do it. Culminating in a few convincing wins coming after the Xmas break. As you know it was my entry into coaching and thank you to all for taking it easy on me. I learned quite a lot throughout the season and I hope you all did to. You all new what your job was and you got on with it. But overall I hope you had fun and enjoyed time with your mates.

Fran – Thanks for organising us all. Thanks for giving up your time to send countless emails at different times of the day and night for many different things and rostering all the duties.

Parents – For your support and for getting your sons to the game on time, helping out with all club duties and helping to build the team environment. Above all else helping to make the season enjoyable all round

Steve - Wealth of knowledge with the game of baseball and help base coaching and me in your ear with certain tactics.

Kyle - Thanks for giving up your time for training and game day. Thanks for making coaching with you such an easy experience and helping out either taking the pitchers, base coaching or organising the team in the dugout

Daniel Gaunt - Pitcher - Hadn't pitched a ball until the start of the season and became our main pitcher regular starting the game so strong and giving us the advantage for the start of the game. Daniel become one of

the leaders in the team and would encourage all players Daniel worked on his batting and that showed towards end of the season

James Wislang - Catcher / Outfield - Was restricted to 2 innings a game and would make those a strong two innings as he would regular pick potential base runners off from behind the plate. James was one of the quiet achievers of the team and went out each week and played his role in the team.

Anthony Magilic - First base - Anthony rock solid on first base didn't let much get past him and would always be encouraging to the players around him. Anthony always asking question to improve the little things in baseball. Anthony worked on his batting throughout the year and that showed towards the back end of the season.

Lachlan Cook - Second base / Pitcher - Lachlan is laid back and nothing seems to faze him. Mainly played second base but on the odd occasion when needed he would pitch, Lachlan was a strong batter and would consistently hit extra base hits to all parts of the field.

Liam Harbich - Third Base / Catcher - Liam was very energetic and very talkative. Liam claimed the lead off batting spot with the consistency he showed with getting on base. Liam came up time after time making the right decision in the field to make outs, not many balls got past Liam.

Simon Parker - Short stop / Pitcher - Simon was full of encouragement for everyone on and off the field. Simon was restricted to 34 pitchers each week and batters were often left wondering what pitch he threw to strike them out. Simon often came up with the right play or at bat in the pressure situations in all games

Jake Pattinson - Left field - Jake was always doing his bit to get the win for the team, Jake worked on his batting throughout the season and that showed on the back end of the season regularly helping the team out in the back end of the game. Jake also took some great catches even for the other team at times.

Dylan Duplesis - Centre Field / Pitcher / Everywhere else - Dylan was one of the quickest runners around the base paths often stealing base, even when there where people ahead of him. Dylan was often called on pitching and did his job well. Dylan was always wanting to learn more and improve his skills in the game.

Tom Wilson - Right field - One of the younger ones in the team that was quiet although Tom played his position well in the team whether it was under the high ball in the outfield or getting a much need hit in when we were batting. Also worked hard at all training sessions to improve his game.

Jessie Donkin - Catcher / Outfield - Jessie was always one of the first ones warming up and itching to play each week. Jessie was rock solid behind the plate and grew with confidence overtime he put the gear on. Jessie was also a strong batter and always encouraging to other members of the team with a smile on his face.

Oliver Street - Shortstop / Pitcher - Oliver was always looking to improve his game and help the team out whenever he could. Oliver was one of the quicker base runners often getting to first base before the ball. Oliver was also restricted to pitch 39 but with those he would scare the opposition with everyone.

Zac Taylor - Outfielder - Zac was a new player to baseball he is an all-round sportsman. Zac gave each game is all and had a great throw on him. Zac was often seen launching the ball in from the outfield. Zac would listen and try and manipulate what was taught to him in training into the game.

UNDER 11 – SOFTBALL

“Good Sportsmanship will be remembered for a lifetime”

We have had the opportunity to play this great game again this season. We have worked together as a team, learning and developing and having fun along the way. To end the season as the 2014/15 winners was such a bonus and this result is a credit to you all.

I believe we have a team of young players who appreciate the value of sportsmanship and whether we won a game or lost a game you all came off the field with smiles having had the opportunity to play the game you all love.

You each hold some incredible values which combined together make a fantastic team.

Thank you for another great year and for allowing Brian and myself to teach and coach you. It's been our pleasure!

Damon and Brian.

MONTANA HATZL - Dedicated

This young lady turned into our catcher. Like lightning she would retrieve the ball and place it on the tee ready for the next batter. Ever reliable hitter and her speed between bases needed to be seen to be believed. Well done Montana.

KAI GARLAND – Determined

Our Rookie of the year. First year in the game and improved out of sight every week. Becoming our pitch hitter which was highlighted in our final game. His hit into the outfield left everyone speechless. Fantastic season Kai.

CHLOE MAYNARD – Positive

Once again our teams catching competition champion two years running. Another of our 1st base players who was ever reliable as was her batting. This young players has the most positive attitude week in and week out. Very proud of you Chloe.

JEREMY STAPLETON - Energetic

Mr Tee Ball, if he wasn't catching balls, or hitting the ball out of the diamond he was anticipating his next move. A dynamic little player. Keep up that energy young Jeremy.

ABBIE WILLIAMS - Joyful

"Do I hit left or right handed" she would ask us every time she approached the tee, always with a joyful smile on her face. Whichever way she hit, the ball came off the tee like a rocket. Abbie's fielding improved out of sight. We love your team spirit Abbie.

CHAD HATZL - Dependable

It does not matter what position this young man plays, he always gives 100%. Another pitch hitter who would send the ball into out of space. Can read the game extremely well and has started to give directions to his team mates showing some fine leadership skills. You're a fine sportsman Chad.

AMY ROLFE - Confident

Another new player to the game. Amy approaches the ball with the eye of the tiger. Her confidence was refreshing in her batting and fielding. Capable of playing any position on the field. Well Done Amy.

KAI WALKER - Enthusiastic

Mr Enthusiasm – Kai couldn't wait to hit the cover off the ball. By the end of the season, his knowledge of the game excelled his coaches. Keep up the great attitude Kai.

BLAKE FISHER - Passionate

Our first base specialist. No matter how hard the ball was thrown at him, his ever reliable mitt would always stick. Blake's love of this game is infectious. Hold onto that passion Blake.

CHARLI YEATS - Considerate

Saved her best game until last with a great one handed catch at pitcher and a great run out. Charli is a most considerate player who looks out for her team. Keep on enjoying the game Charli.

MOSES EKUTU - Attentive

Our youngest and most improved player. His hitting in the last game kept the opposition running for cover. Moses always gives his undivided concentration and always trys his best. Well Done Moses.

SAMANTHA STEER - Alert

Sam joined us this season and became a great all-rounder. Happy to play any position, but found her home on 3rd base. Retrieving the ball with gusto and getting many runners out on her base. A great attitude Sam.

DIVISION 3 – SOFTBALL



Our Div 3 team this year has absolutely blown us away as coaches. The improvement that this team has shown from the beginning to end of the season was unbelievable. We started the season with 6 age eligible div 3 players and 5 mod ball age players. It was going to be a challenge for them but they all worked together and bonded as a team and ended up making the Grand Final. This was a very proud moment for us. Each week at training and in the games the kids worked as a team and their confidence grew with every win. Before we knew it we were heading towards the semi finals. Coming in third we always knew that this team was capable of playing in the Grand Final and maybe even winning it. After winning our first semi we went into a nail biter of a final and due to hard work and commitment from the kids they came away with a win and earnt their spot in the Grand Final. Unfortunately the kids were not rewarded with the win as we would have liked but they all should be very proud of the way they played. They showed that they had learnt how to play the true game of softball. They batted, fielded and made some awesome team plays but most of all they enjoyed what they were doing. We could not

have asked for a better bunch of kids to share this moment with. They have been a lot of fun to coach and in our eyes they were the true winners that day!

Also thank you to the parents for your support and to Deb for helping us out with our scoring. It is greatly appreciated.

Emi - Emi started out the season with an injury to her foot but was still an important part of the team playing first base. Even with her injury she batted well making it to first then getting a runner to run for her. This year we would say that Emi has led by example and encouraged all the younger players. With her selection in the Under 15's representative side, this enabled Emi to further improve on her skills. One area of her game which showed a marked improvement was her batting. Each week she batted well and contributed to every win we had which helped us make it to the grand final. Emi is a very talented player. Congratulations Emi!

Jas - Jas is a very enthusiastic player and can play anywhere she is told to play with a smile on her face. She has the skills to be able to slot into any position and do her job. Jas is one of the most encouraging players in the team. She always helped her team mates and directed play when she was fielding. Each week Jas batted and fielded well. She has the ability to do very well in this sport but I think we may have lost her to her new passion Acro. We are sure Jas will do great in whatever sport she chooses. Great effort Jas!

Kristie - Kristie has improved out of sight this year. She is one of our senior players and has stood up to all of the challenges put in front of her. She is a strong batter and has proven to be a very solid 2nd base player. Each week she tries hard to put what she has learnt at training into the game. Kristie is another player who is constantly smiling and is great to have in the team. Kristie came up with the catch of the year in our final training session. Very impressive Kristie!

Hayley - Hayley is one of the babies of the team who stood up to the challenge of playing in the Div 3 comp. She started out very shy but week by week she came out of her shell. Her batting improved week by week. It was good to see that she listened at training and was standing strong whilst batting and came up with some great hits. Hayley also did some pitching for the team and performed really well. Keep working hard Hayley, the practice and hard work is showing great results.

Caitlin - One thing about Caitlin is that she knows how to chat! Each week she started our training with a good story. Then she got into it and trained hard. She has a lot of ability in this game. She pitched and played 2nd base for us and came up with some great plays. Caitlin is great to have around and she really boosts the team spirit. She improved in her batting and fielding week by week which was great to see. Caitlin has natural ability with her pitching and with a little more confidence she could do very well in this position. Keep up the good work Caitlin!

Sarah - Sarah is another one of our senior players who has mainly played catcher for our team. She leads by example and is a very keen softball player. She was involved in some fantastic run downs and plays when fielding. Sarah has encouraged all the younger players and has always offered support and advice if needed. Sarah was called upon to play in the State Championships for the U15's Sutherland Team which we are very proud of her for. She has a great deal of talent in this game.

Callum - Callum has impressed us this season. For his first year of softball he has shown so much natural ability. His ability to learn at training and take into game situations is something to be very proud of. Callum has improved in his batting but his fielding is where he has shone this season. He loves the run downs and made some great outs due to his teamwork. Also has shown his skill with some outstanding catches. Great season Callum!

Josh - Another one of our impressive rookies. Josh would have to be the most enthusiastic player in our team. He always asks questions and works hard to improve his game. He has batted well throughout the whole season and is our quickest base runner. He has also played a fair bit of catcher where he also excelled. He is very encouraging to all his team mates and for his first year has shown that he has a lot of talent. Well done Josh!

Tiarne - Tiarne is one of our youngest and quietest players but has come out of her shell as the season has progressed. She has a lovely throw on her from the outfield and has also played 3rd base throughout the season.

Tiarne has also batted well this season and had some good hits. It was unfortunate that Tiarne missed the Grand Final due to being sick. With a little more confidence Tiarne will show her ability and will improve even more on the diamond. Good work Tiarne!

Jessica - Another one of our young ones in the team. Jess has a passion for this game. She was one of our main pitchers towards the end of the season and stepped up to the task. She worked hard and wanted to do her best. Unfortunately she missed some games in the beginning of the season due to a broken finger but when she returned she became another valuable member of the team. Jess has also played 3rd base where she helped her infield by calling the plays. Great season Jess!

Charlotte - Yet another young one in the team but Charlotte has shown a huge improvement this season. She became our very solid 3rd base player where she backed up home plate whenever needed. Charlotte listened to what was told to her at training and implemented it into her weekly game. Charlotte's batting also improved out of sight this season. All round Charlotte played an important role in this year's team. Fantastic effort Charlotte!