

ST JOHN BOSCO  
BASEBALL & SOFTBALL  
CLUB



-YEAR END REPORT-  
SEASON 2015/2016



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# PRESIDENT'S REPORT

They say time flies when you are having fun and that has certainly been the case this season with the Braves.

To begin I'd like to thank and acknowledge the terrific job those that are on the Executive and general committee do for the club. We have a fantastic bunch of Mums and Dads, all of which give up countless hours of their personal time to ensure that the club is represented in the best way possible.

Our Secretary Mike Parker, excels with everything he does for the club and its members. Somehow he finds the time to arrange and manage much of the day to day as well as the pre-season requirements in both Summer and Winter Competitions. We simply couldn't manage without him.

Thanks to Liz for her role as Treasurer. Liz works hard to ensure we remain financial throughout the year putting in countless hours in particular at registration time calculating registration & uniform payments as well as covering our obligation with the various associations.

To Rod, thanks for arranging a fantastic Disco/Christmas Party this year. Your passion and love for the club and the kids is infectious.

Thank you this season to Rebecca Wells for taking on the role of Managing the canteen, with assistance from Meredith Campbell and Vicki Forrest. We had an excellent result financially from the Canteen this season. Thank you for the evenings and early starts to ensure we were ready on game day.

To Janelle Piggott, thanks for a wonderful job with the Uniforms again this season as well as everything else that you assist or get involved in. We certainly value your participation in the club and look forward to having you with us again next year.

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. Even with an accident that had you sidelined for somewhat, we still struggled to get a strangle hold on the Lawn Mower keys! Thanks for your countless hours Scott and for the consummate preparation of the Diamonds. If it was a paying position I am sure we would be fighting of many of the other clubs to employ your services. Whilst on the ground thank you to all those familiar faces and a few new ones that assisted with the ground work bees this season. To Craig Bowron from Sportszone, thank you for the kind donation of your time and machinery to assist us with getting our ground ready for the season.

Everyone would again agree I am sure that the level of Umpiring from the Bosco Umpires this season was again of the highest level and made us all extremely proud. Thanks to Dave Kennedy for his management & coaching of the Umpires. You have done a fine job again Dave. Well done to Ben C, Ben P, Patrick, Myles, Dan, Chet, Mitchell, Andrew, Haydn, Simon and Jacob for an outstanding season.

Thank you to Michelle Dowling, for her work with the club website and Facebook page this year. We look fantastic with the information and detail better than ever before.

Additionally I would like to make mention and thanks to Dave Weeks who manages the Senior Teams as well as putting his hand up for anything that's needed throughout the year. Dave is always present whenever needed. Thank Dave.

To Belinda Parker thank you for coordinating and managing the scoring and recording this season. Your expertise in this area of the game is a comfort for most of the team managers and scorers.

To Colin Bowmaker and Peter Kennedy – Thank you Colin for your advice and knowledge that you pass on regularly to us all. For your efforts with Council on the numerous projects we have underway and for remaining passionate and involved in a club that you helped to build. Thanks to Peter for the fresh ideas and involvement

you have brought this season, not only as a coach but with your opinions and assistance in managing the issues that arise at each monthly meeting. Thank you.

I would like to thank and acknowledge the efforts of Jason Chabi. For those that know Jason, he is articulate, organised & sincere and someone that freely puts his hand up each and every week to take on more and more of the tasks the club needs to run and grow. As our Minutes Secretary and Registrar Jason has done so much more for us this season than most will know. Thank you Jason for your involvement.

To all of the volunteers, in particular our coaches, managers, scorers and parents. Thank you for all of your efforts during the season and for the way you conducted yourself each week. To our players I hope you all had an enjoyable and memorable season and that we will see you all back next season for another year of Teeball and Baseball.

Whilst all of our teams performed well this year I'd like to mention briefly the efforts of a number of the teams and players:-

- Firstly to our newly created U7's team coached by Adam and Managed by Kate, who played with a smile every week learning the basic elements of a game that will hopefully stay with them for the next 10 or so years.
- To our mighty U9 1's that went through the season undefeated and played each week with some amazing skill that left many of us bewildered based on the age of the players. Well done
- To the players and the coach Ben Targett, that represented the CSJBA as the Rookies South team in the Rookies Cup Tournament and went through undefeated. Well done to Micah, Jonothon, Caleb, Jake, Hayley and Brooke !
- To Myles Chabi and Haydn Parker, who representing Cronulla in the Little League program went on to win the local, State and National Title culminating in them representing Australia in the World Little League Tournament in Williamsport, PA. Both Haydn & Myles made us all very proud with not only their efforts on the field but also with the way they represented all of us off the field during this breathtaking period of baseball Well done boys.

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. In particular the purchase and instalment of the new fences located behind the plate on Diamond 2 and 3, making set up easier for our parent volunteers and improving the safety of our players and spectators. Thanks you to Craig from McLaren Engineering for his gracious donation yet again this season. Craig it is very much appreciated! Thanks also to Speedy Keys and McDonalds for the weekly encouragement awards for the junior teams each week which they all enjoy and strive to receive.

For those that may wish to get involved in the management of the club, see changes made or generally offer ideas and opinions we would welcome your involvement. Please contact the Executive and attend the AGM.

Yours in Baseball,

*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 6 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 also to all those that assisted in Scott's absence this season when he was off with his hand injury. One big positive we had this season was the installation of the new netting on our diamonds two and three and this was a great addition to these fields and it certainly helped a lot with the set up and pack up requirements each week.

Congratulations to our U17/2's and U17/3's 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.

I would also like to congratulate our 9/1's team, as they went through the season undefeated which is a fantastic effort and well done to the coaches and players on this achievement.

Congratulations to our U9/3's team as well as they came in 2<sup>nd</sup> in their division.

I must also mention our umpires, as they were outstanding again 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 by 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 thank you to Rebecca Wells and her husband for taking on the role of the canteen manager this season. This is a difficult role at times and they did a great job keeping our canteen running so smoothly and the committee certainly appreciated their involvement.

Also, thanks to Meredith Campbell, Vicki Forrest and Janelle Piggott for also assisting Rebecca with the canteen duties.

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 did a great job with our uniforms again this season.

Also, a 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 group to work with 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.
- 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 again this year.
- 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, especially when I was away when the teams had to be put together.

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

*Mike Parker*

Secretary - St John Bosco Baseball Club

# TREASURER'S REPORT

It only seems like a couple of months ago that I wrote last year's report but another successful year has sped by.

My job as Treasurer was restructured this year to lighten the load. Rebecca Wells took up the challenge of running the canteen and doing all the associated banking and floats each week. Rebecca you did a wonderful job and I cannot thank you enough for all your help. You made my job so much easier.

This year saw the introduction of MYOB by the Youth Centre. Getting our records up to date was a challenge but this has now made our reconciliations and reporting a lot easier.

As always there are several people I need to thank as I could not do my role without them, Mike Parker, Darren Hart, Rod Hart, Janelle Piggott, Jason Chabi, Dave Kennedy, Dave Weekes and Scott Ingwersen. Andrew Tillett and Paul Sweetland have been a great addition to the team this year both taking on roles like arranging the Disco and Trophies. They have both helped considerably. Many hands make light work.

Club Engadine continues to be our major sponsor giving us again \$3000.00. Also a big thank you to McLaren Traffic again for their sponsorship.

As a club, we stand in a strong financial position. However, as the wish list grows for ground improvements and equipment, so does the money that we need to raise. We are forever trying to juggle fee rises and fundraising to enable the club to provide all that is required. Any new ideas would be greatly appreciated.

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

*Liz Quigley*

Secretary - St John Bosco Baseball Club



# REPRESENTATIVE PLAYERS

## 2015/2016 SEASON

**Under 10 Rookies Cup - Cronulla South**



Brooke Campbell, Jake Dover, Caleb Lawson, Hayley Sweetland, Mikah Targett, Jonathon Wackwitz

### **Senior League Team**

Simon Parker

### **Little League Minors Team**

Noah Dover

## Cronulla Little League Team



Myles Chabi & Haydn Parker



## Junior League Squad

Myles Chabi

## Senior League Team

Simon Parker

2015/2016

**-CLUB AWARD WINNERS -**

***Senior Baseballer:*** Adam Quigley

***Junior Baseballer:*** Simon Parker

***Coach of the Year:*** Adam Quigley

***Club Person of the Year:*** Jason Chabi

***Life Member:*** Scott Ingwersen

Please congratulate Scott Ingwersen on his nomination and induction to the Club as a Life Member. Scott has been involved in the Club now as a Coach, Manager, Grounds Keeper and Committee Member for the past 10 years. Thank you Scott for your contribution to our Club. Congratulations!

What is required for Life Member Nomination?

To be nominated for Life Membership a member of the Club must have completed at least ten (10) years continuous membership and have in the opinion of the Executive Committee rendered outstanding service to the Sub-Club; and to be eligible for nomination as life members, a nominee must have served at least seven (7) years as a committee member or as a Coach or Manager, or seven (7) years combined service in two of more of these capacities

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# CLUB PERSONS OF THE YEAR

## JASON CHABI

Each year the nominations for Club Person of the Year are tabled and each year there is normally an individual that stands above all others.

The award recognises a person who has strived above and beyond the normal call of duty for the club in a voluntary capacity for the overall benefit of the club and its members. The Club Person of the Year is an individual who has made a real and lasting difference to the club during the past 12 months.

Like those that have previously won the award this year's winner of the Club Person of the Year, Jason Chabi, has featured prominently within the club for a number of years.

In particular, this season Jason has not only held the position of Registrar and Minutes Taker but has volunteered for, or taken on, a multitude of tasks that have and are advancing & boosting our club towards greater success.

Jason's involvement in all aspects of the management of the club, his professionalism, advice and guidance to the Executive, as well as his passion to triumph on everything he takes on has ensured that all of us on the committee and executive, have aspired to improve in our roles with the club where ever we can. Jason's energetic yet forbearing approach, head strong attitude and seemingly unwavering energy when taking on, at times, an insurmountable amount of work is admired by all.

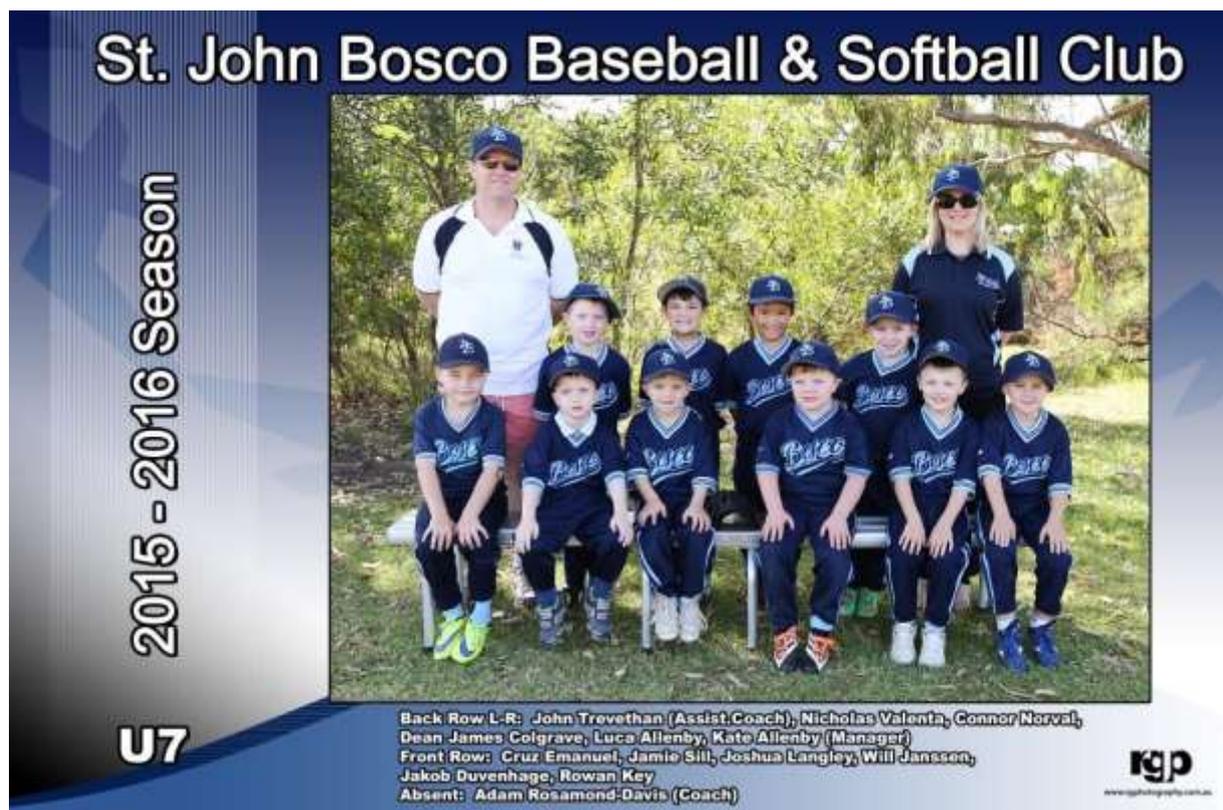
Please join me in congratulating Jason and thanking him for the work he continues to do for our club.

Thank you Jason and congratulations on being award this year's Club Person of the Year

*Darren Hart*

President

# UNDER 7 - TEE BALL



What a great season our little guys have had.

Our team consisted of 4,5 and 6 year olds so it was an interesting mix, with some kids having had exposure (with older siblings playing) and some having their very first taste this season. Thinking back to our first week the boys have come such a long way with confidence levels sky high compared to our very first game, where there were a handful of terrified kids (and some tears) sitting on the bench and literally being guided step by step through the game.

Now we have a bunch of great kids, equipped with their first full season behind them; confident, experienced with a few clear baseball superstars in the making! Can't wait to see who we have next season and can't wait to watch them progress through the many seasons ahead.

A special thanks to our ever patient, coach Adam and our back up coaches Kim, Gavin and John.

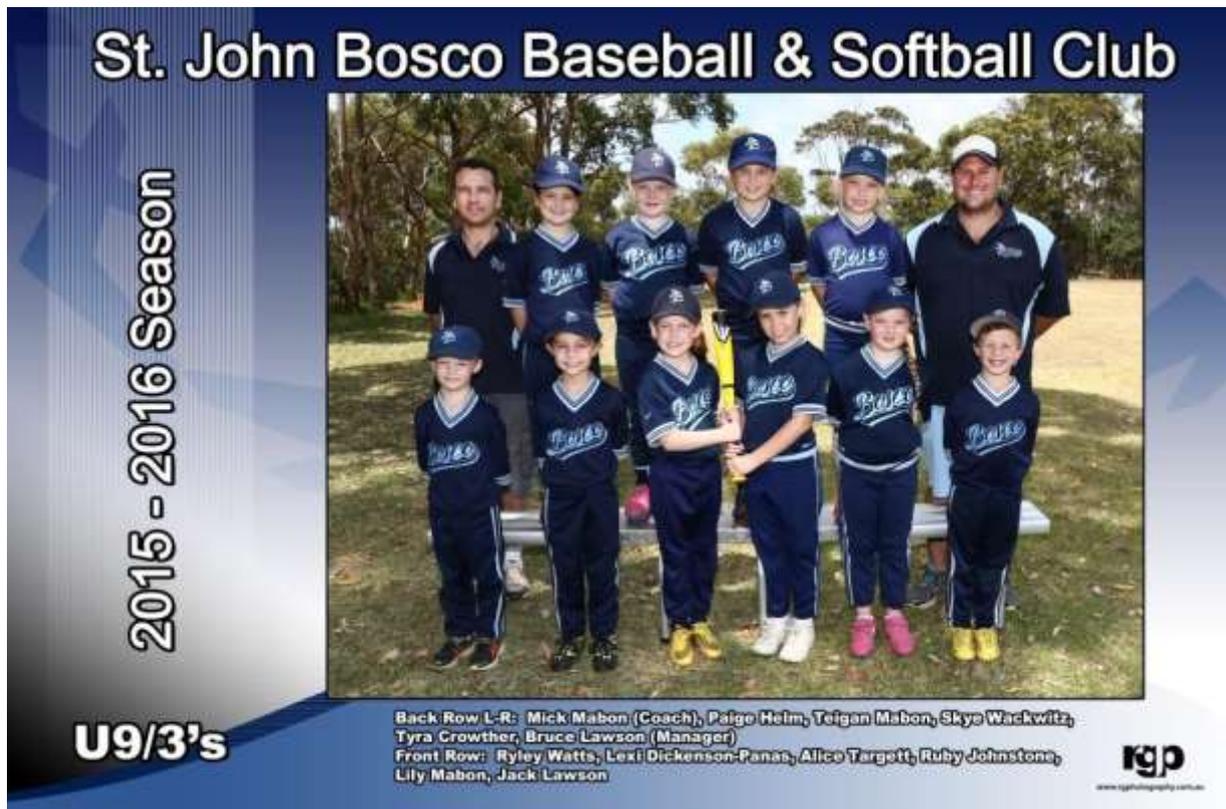
Thanks also to our fabulous parents who were crucial in the success of our team each and every week.

I was very proud to be the manager of this team and watch our kids grow and develop their skills and personalities.

Congratulations to our little guys, see you next season.

Kate Allenby

## UNDER 9 -3'S TEE BALL



2015/2016 proved to be an exciting year for our team, with a lot of improvement from everyone.

Throughout the season we had a few close games and ended the season in a nail biting final game with 1<sup>st</sup> playing 2<sup>nd</sup>.

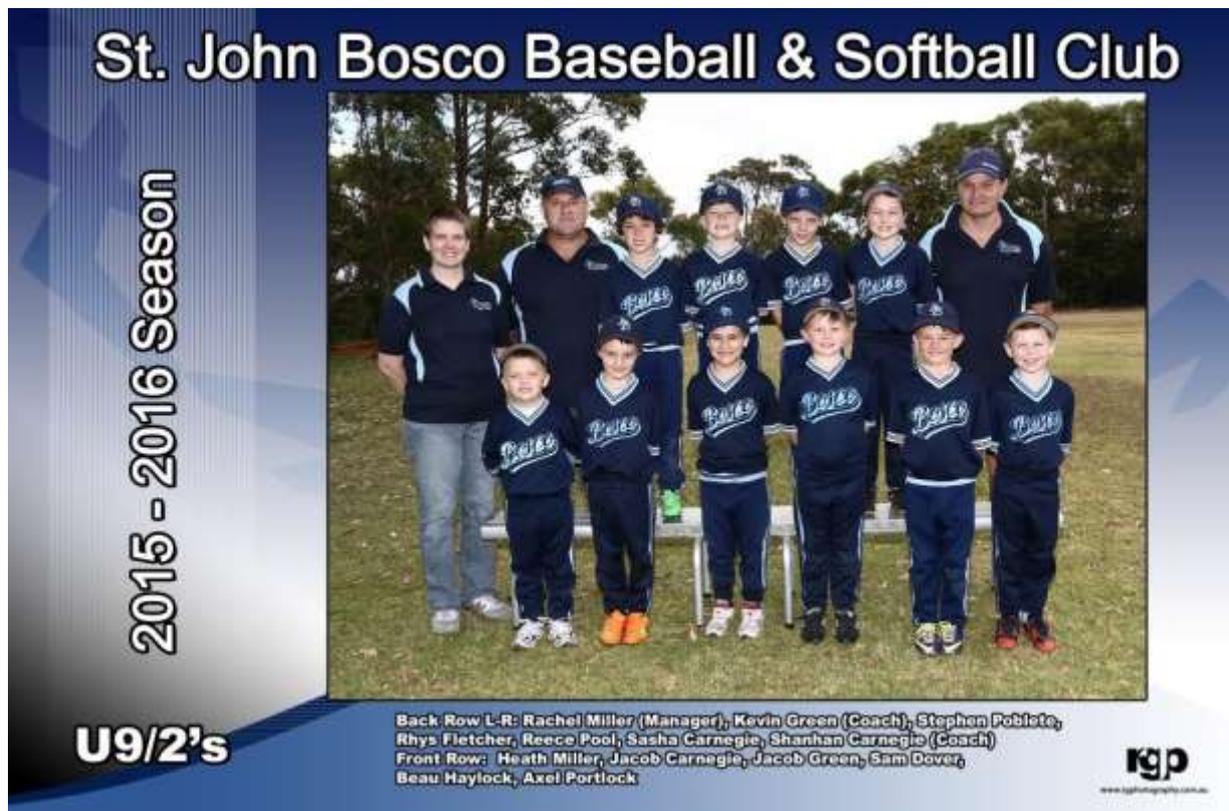
Although we weren't victorious in this game everyone played their best and we received a medal for a very impressive 2<sup>nd</sup> place in our comp.

Skye and Teigan proved to be a force when playing pitcher and 1<sup>st</sup> base, backed up by Jack who was always on his game at shortstop. Lexi, Paige, Lily and Alice all proved their place on the field when on bases and a great improvement over the season from Riley (who played his first season). Tyra in her new boots was like a cheetah running from base to base. Ruby had a very impressive first season with improvement each week both on the field and batting.

We are all looking forward to our next exciting season.

Mick Mabon - Coach

# UNDER 9 -2'S TEE BALL



What a great season our boys had, the improvement the boys made from their first game to our final game was amazing. From the huge improvements in their batting to the fielding which included numerous double plays, it was a great year in which the boys played with a great attitude and sportsmanship.

As with last year a big thank you goes out to Kevin who was always willing to coach whenever I was working, and Rachel our manager who organised the boys and the duties.

Thank you to all the parents who constantly put their hands up to score, base coach or organise the boys on game day whenever it was needed it was much appreciated.

And now to the boys

**Rhys Fletcher** - Another new addition to the team, Rhys was always more than enthusiastic and always ready to play. He loved to be involved in the action and showed a great talent in reading the plays while fielding. A great season Rhys we hope you loved your introduction to Tball.

**Reece Pool** - Reece as always was a pleasure to coach again this year. Reece showed a new found confidence with his game and his batting and fielding improved tenfold. Well done Reece on another great season.

**Sasha Carnegie** - One of our left handed hitters he showed more confidence with his fielding showing improved game awareness. Sasha made some good plays at first base and took some great catches throughout the season.

**Jacob Carnegie** - One of our younger players Jacob stepped up to help the team. Not much of an endurance athlete but loved being in the thick of the action. Jacob puts all he has into each and every throw!

**Sam Dover** - Big Hitting Sam Dover was once again on fire this season. Sam is fast and strong and showed that he has a great awareness of the game as well. Sam shows such promise with his Tee ball and is always a keen and

enthusiastic member of the team.

**Jacob Green** - Jacobs batting improved out of sight this season. He took some great catches throughout the season. Jacob was a pleasure to coach again and is always enthusiastic and ready to play.

**Heath Miller** - Our little Sonic. Heath is also one of our younger team members, he stepped up to help us field a team. Heath loved to bat and is slowly developing a love of fielding! Heath is making great progress for his second year in Tee ball.

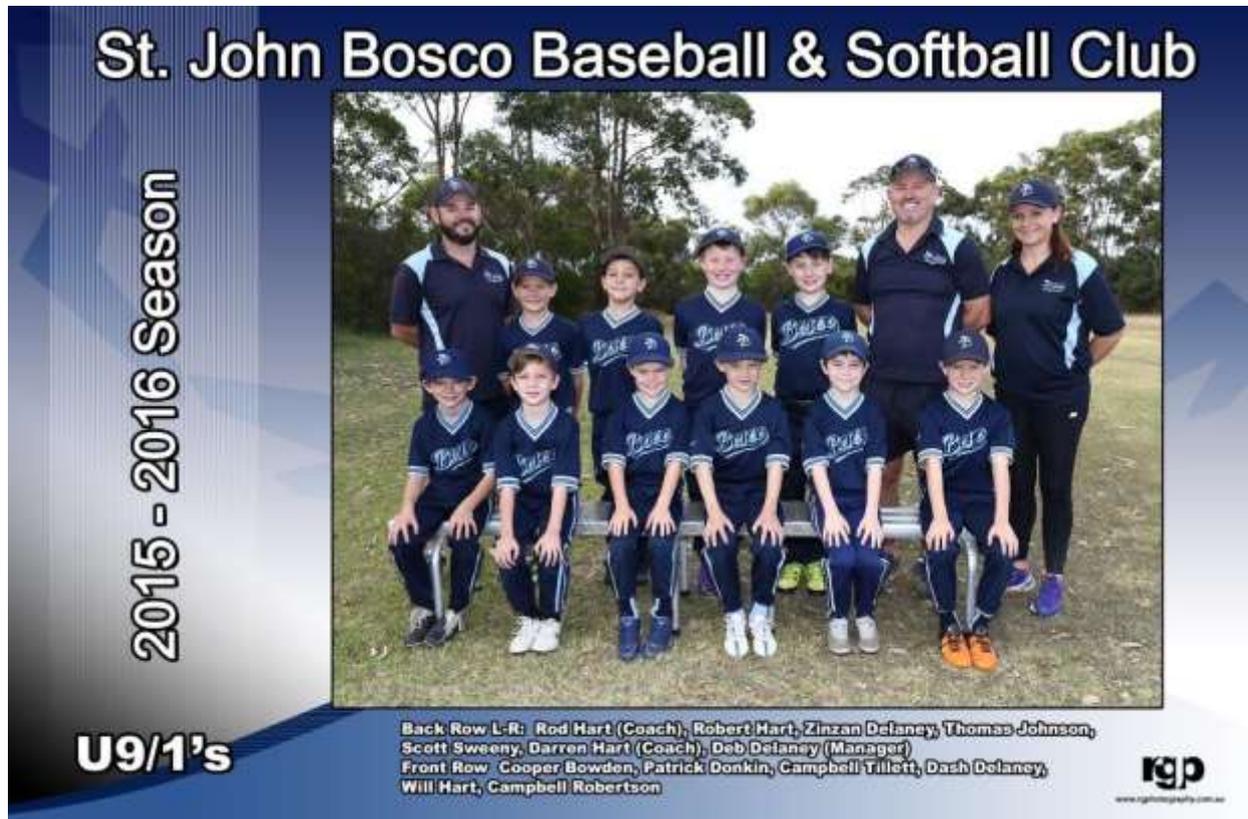
**Beau Haylock** - What a season from Beau! Beau was one of our most consistent players from the start, hitting with accuracy and aim. Beau excelled in all positions and is such an easy child to coach as he was always listening to instructions and applied what he was taught to a game situation. I look forward to seeing Beau continue to develop over the coming seasons. Good job Beau.

**Axel Portlock** - Axel put 100% into all things Tee ball. He was enthusiastic and keen to learn on every level. Axel was a ball of energy who quickly grew into a talented Tee ball player. Well done Axel I look forward to you watching you develop over the coming seasons.

**Stephen Poblete** - New to the team Stephen became one of our most consistent performers this year Stephen worked hard throughout this season and improved in all areas of the game his year. He was a delight to coach and was always listening and following instructions to help improve his game. Keep it up the great work Stephen !!!

Shanhan Carnegie - Coach

## UNDER 9 - 1'S TEE BALL



It was an amazing year for these boys from beginning to the end, and an absolute pleasure to be involved in.

Whilst finals baseball as yet isn't in the mix, going undefeated for the season in the U9-1's was well deserved for the team, who lived up to their ability and won 12 from 12 with a runs differential of 401 for and 210 against.

Along the way we had a lot of fun together as a group with plenty of laughs and at times just as much frustration. Training 8 and 7 year olds isn't the easiest job on earth but with the help of a fantastic group of parents and an experienced co-coach in Rod Hart, the boys managed to learn quite a lot and improved in every aspect of the game along the journey.

Whilst every team has a number of standout players, the 9-1's this season excelled at Team Work with each player contributing in various positions of defence as well as attack with the bat. Regular "Double Plays" and two "Triple Plays" this season had all of us excited for the boys as they built some strong bonds and friendships that will continue for years to come.

Thank you to Deb our Manager for her communication and management of the team this season as well as all of the parents of the boys. You all contributed every week to the management, training, warm up and readiness of the team on game day. Rod and I certainly are blessed to be involved with your boys as well as having you all their supporting us and the team as they learn the values of team work, discipline, training and most importantly how to have fun as a group. The team this season was:

**Cooper Bowden** - One of the happiest and quieter boys in the team, Cooper was happy to play anywhere but loved playing First Base whenever he got the opportunity. At the business end of the season and when we needed

a safe hit Coopers batting was a highlight. A pleasure to coach, Cooper continues to improve each season and is an imperative part of the team. A terrific year Cooper. Good job!

**Dash Delaney-Fielding** – Starting the season at the age of 6, Dash was the youngest player in the team but remarkably Dash played to a level well beyond his years. Passionate and attentive there isn't a position that Dash can't play well and generally he tried to do that in every innings often making throws for the outfield when fielding at Pitcher or taking a diving catch at shortstop when fielding at Centre Field. At times I contemplated a rope and stake to keep him in one spot 😊. Truly blessed with natural talent, Dash made many catches or plays throughout the season that had most of us at the game cheering with amazement. For a player of his age his ability to concentrate, listen and learn is a pleasure to be a part of. An amazing Season Dash. Congratulations.

**Zinzan Delaney-Fielding** - One of our older team members Zinzan's strength and stature was his mainstay this season, regularly out hitting, out running and out thinking the opposition. With an awesome arm, Zinzan was dependable & unbeatable at 3<sup>rd</sup> or short-stop each week, persistently throwing runners out at 1<sup>st</sup> or facilitating a double play. I am excited at the opportunity of continuing to work with Zinzan in the next few seasons as he continues to grow and mature. Your best season yet Zinny !

**Patrick Donkin** – Our regular lead-off this season Patrick had a strong season contributing to every win whether at first, Pitcher or with the bat. One of our quickest, he rarely got out and was steadfast at Pitcher when combining with Will at 1<sup>st</sup>, with one of the most consistent and dependable throws in the team. Our second youngest member of the team, Patrick is polite, respectful and an important member of the squad going forward. Well played this season Patrick.

**Bobby Hart** – With only a few lapses during the season, Bobby was our most prolific home-run hitter and batted for the majority of the season in the number 4 position. Our only left handed batsman, Bobby's steady approach at the plate ensured that he had his most consistent season yet. Reliable also in the field Bobby had a very good season and whilst coaching your son can prove challenging, his competitive nature, drive to perform well and joyful nature made the job a real pleasure this season. Well done mate.

**Will Hart** – With his best season thus far, Will proved to be one of our most dependable and consistent batters this season. With practice and improved confidence Will regularly pierced the infield which ensured he stayed at the top of the batting order for the entire season. One part of a lethal combination with Patrick, Will's catching at 1<sup>st</sup> base was exceptional and proved crucial in some of our most competitive games during the season. Not shy and one of the voices of the team, Will brought plenty of laughter and joy to his Dad and I during the season and it's truly a pleasure to be involved with his coaching and mentoring as he continues to grow into a fine young boy.

**Thomas Johnson** – Our most senior member of the team Thomas was one of our biggest improvers this season. In particular Thomas's hitting became more consistent as he focussed and trained hard on his swing. Hitting his first home run of the season in round 9 Thomas didn't look back and consistently hit doubles as he swung for the fence. As Thomas trains and practices in the coming seasons on his fielding and throwing he will continue to improve and grow into a strong more consistent player. Well played Thomas !

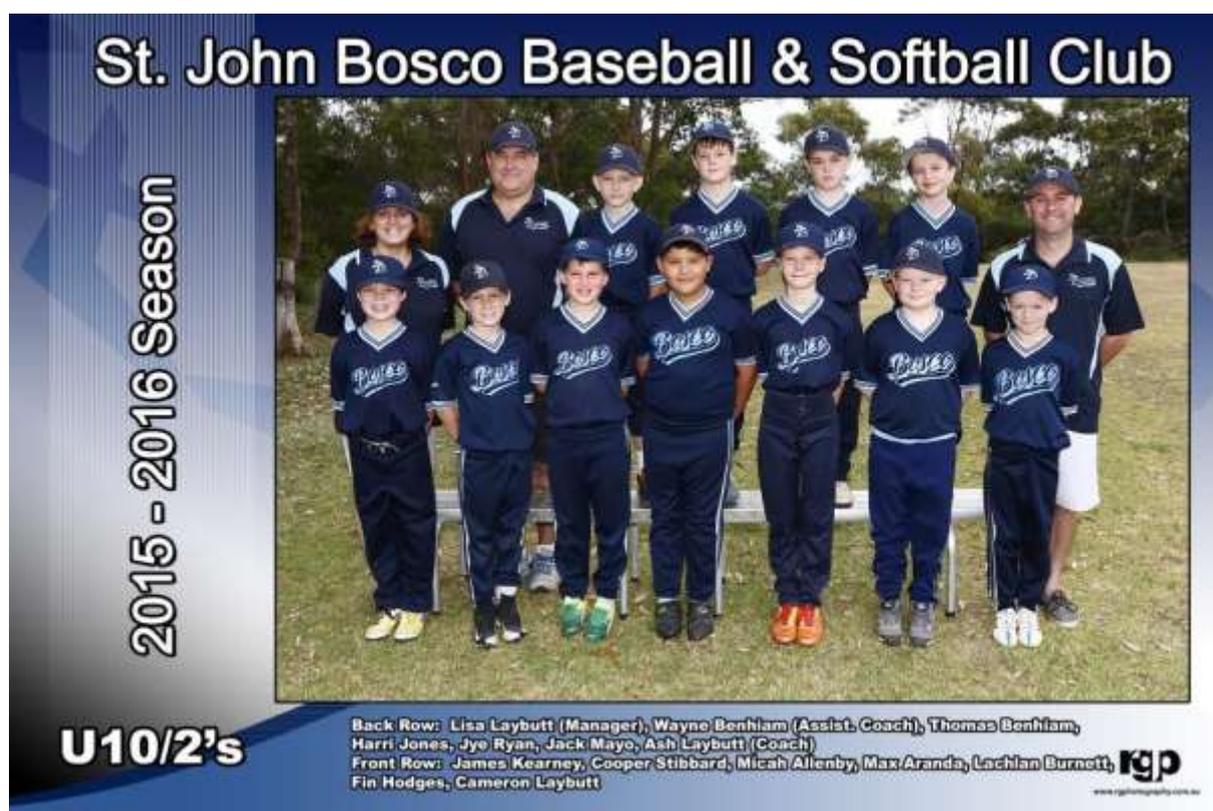
**Campbell Robertson** – coming into his own during the last half of the season, Campbell proved to be an integral part of our winning formula and at the same time one of the kids that was one of the easiest to coach. Listening intently and willing to learn, Cam quickly improved both with the bat and in the field making some fantastic catches and plays along the way. A much improved season Campbell. Well done and look forward to next season which will be an even better one I'm sure.

**Scott Sweeny** – After a stela season last year, Scott continued to improve this season and went from strength to strength. Not one of our fastest runners Scott needed to improve his batting in an effort to drive the ball into the outfield and avoid a possible out at 1<sup>st</sup>, and boy did he improve. Consistency became his biggest asset as Scott made big hitting the norm ensuring an out at 1<sup>st</sup> was few and far between. A great year Scott! It was very rewarding to see your smile as you continued to progress each and every week. Well done Scott.

**Campbell Tillett** – One of the mainstays of the team, Cam's natural ability and willingness to play in every position (although Right Field could bring a frown) made coaching him an absolute thrill each week. Whether with

the bat, in the field or running the bases Cam provided for an element of calm when needed and when praised or congratulated would simply nod and go straight back to a steely eyed focus that if I could bottle would make me a rich man. A terrific kid with talent to burn, Cam was always one of the first names to mind when choosing an award for listening. You had a very good season Cam. Well done bud.

## UNDER 10 -2'S ZOOKA & BALL



Well what a year! Our first foray into Zooka...which caused plenty of highs and lows for us!

Initially we were ungraded then after round 5 we were graded to 10 2's...and it got tougher for us. As if Zooka wasn't hard enough we had 4 players who had never even played tee-ball! But, by the end of the season, the U10 2's were a well-oiled machine! We had gotten our groove on!

Thank you to our fantastic coaches, Ash & Wayne, they did a great job with the boys

**Micah Allenby** – well this was Micah's year, he really matured over the season and by the end was hitting the ball out of the park and throwing really well

**Maximo Aranda** – Max joined the team a little later but we were glad to have him join us! He was our youngest player and gave his all in every game

**Thomas Benhiam** – Tom had a solid season, he was very consistent every game and continued to grow throughout the season

**Lachlan Burnett** – Lachy was new to the game, and although it took him a little while to warm up by the end of the season he was hitting the ball!

**Finlay Hodges** - Fin was also new to the game and did not have a good experience in his previous sport so it was with some trepidation that he joined us! Well what can I say except he was born to play baseball! Fin had a fantastic season...a true all-rounder!

**Harrison Jones** - Harry the hitter!! Harry had a great year and by the end of it was our catcher!! He did a terrific job in this role...he made it his own

**James Kearney** – another newbie! And what a blinder he had! Some great batting and catching! We hope to see him again next year!

**Cameron Laybutt** – Cam had a good season, his throwing improved dramatically throughout the season!

Jack Mayo – Jack was our little social butterfly and loved to have a chat to the team during the games...but he was always dedicated to the game! His batting improved throughout the season with some really big hits!

**Jye Ryan** – our final newbie, and Jye also had a great season...batting was his strength and his running between the bases was exceptional

**Cooper Stibberd** – Cooper is a batsman, he loves to strike the ball out of the park, and what a runner!! He was very quick and scored a number of runs home!

We would also like to thank all our parents for their support this season...not only just cheering the boys on but with all the jobs that come with the sport....everyone pitched in which made my job as the manager so easy!!  
Bring on the next season!

Lisa Laybutt - Manager

## UNDER 10 -1'S BASEBALL

**St. John Bosco Baseball & Softball Club**

**2015 - 2016 Season**



**U10/1's**

Back Row L-R: James Wackwitz (Manager), Jordan Long, Hayley Sweetland, Jonathon Wackwitz, Mikah Targett, Lachlan Dries, Ben Targett (Coach), Andrew Tillet (Assist. Coach)  
Front Row: Jake Dover, Indiana Hill, Caleb Lawson, Fletcher Tillet, Jai Haylock, Brooke Campbell  
Absent: Reece Audibert

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With the core of the team playing their second year of Zooka the 10 1's were hopeful of mixing it with the best at the pointy end of the table and this is exactly what they did!

My players really committed themselves to working hard at training and on game day to become better players and this attitude paid off with a series of great games and fantastic results throughout the season.

The quality of baseball I witnessed this season was extremely high and the kids just kept blowing me away with their skills and being able to pull off 1 amazing play after another culminating in a 6-4-3 triple play against Dolphins in the last game of the season.

As far as the season went we were highly competitive and went 1 and 1 against the leaders and 3<sup>rd</sup> unfortunately Yarrowarra had our number & with their small roster were 2 – 0 against us. In the end we crossed the line in fourth and had thereof been finals I know for a fact the opposition didn't want to play Bosco!

A moment I won't forget came during an amazing game against the leaders Cronulla Sharks. After the 1<sup>st</sup> dig it was Bosco 4 Sharks 1, we had come to play and the Sharks looked worried. The 2<sup>nd</sup> dig saw some solid defence with neither team adding to the runs column. The 3<sup>rd</sup> saw their top order add 2 runs whilst they kept us to nil. The 4<sup>th</sup> saw both teams add a couple of runs with Bosco slightly ahead 6-5.

With 4 in the book the coaching staff & parents started to get a little nervous with watch gazing starting to come in to affect☺ and that's when it happened.

Cronulla had the bit between their teeth and got some early hits with a triple to left, fly out to left then a couple of singles leaving runners at 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> with the runner at 3 plating to make the score 6 – 6. We needed 2 outs badly and after Mr Zooka fired in a pitch at the bottom of zone our infield ate up the ground ball and turned a magnificent double play to end the 5<sup>th</sup>, or so we thought! With both teams retired to the dug out there seemed to be a little bit of a discussion from the Sharks coach and the umpires regarding a possible catcher's interference 😊. After some debate it was decided that there was in fact some interference and all players returned to their previous positions and bases.

This resulted in the Sharks being able to score 2 more runs and go ahead 8-6 before we finally took the final 2 outs. I thought about what I would say to the kids I could go down the path of 'we were robbed', 'that's not fair' etc etc. Instead I challenged them. I told them that 'what has happened has happened and we can't change that but what I want you to do now is go and put this game beyond doubt and put six runs on this team'. The best thing about this team ... they NEVER give up and guess what they did? They went out and blew 'em away scoring 6. Sharks only scored 1 more and we came away with a very, very satisfying 12 -9 win. Well done guys you were awesome!

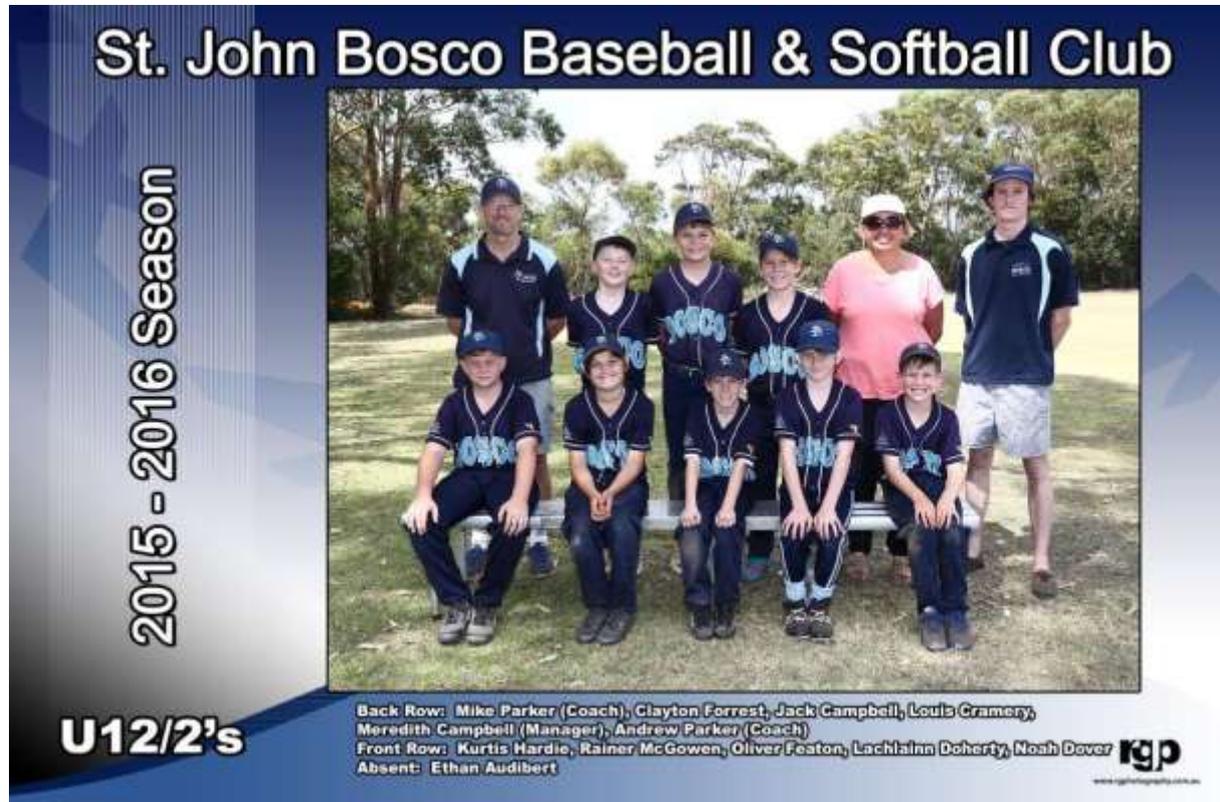
On a side note congratulations to Brooke, Hayley, Mikah, Jonothan, Jake & Caleb on making the CSJBA Rookies South team that had a undefeated rep season winning 17 games. During their last tournament they scored 43 runs and gave up only 1 run!

Thank you to all those involved in supporting our team and club throughout the year I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did.

Congratulations on a fantastic year guys and girls, bring on live pitch.

Ben Targett - Coach

## UNDER 12 -2'S BASEBALL



While we weren't the most competitive team on the field, it was still a really enjoyable experience for both Andrew and I to coach and get to know these kids. Everyone was great at training and all the boys got along with each so well and this helped make it to be such a good team to be involved with. Although you did need to keep your wits about you and not turn your back on them for too long.

Hopefully all the boys got something out of the season, as we had some new players that hadn't played before mixed in with some players that have been around for a while now. It was really pleasing to see the improvement in the team and the break over Christmas must have been good, as we came back a different team for the last part of the season.

The boys really got it together as the season came to an end and the last game against Yarrawarra was a great way to finish the season and it was a much deserved result for the team. Thanks also to Brooke and Jake from the 10/1's team for helping us out when we were short and it was great having such talented players join our team when needed. Hopefully they all enjoyed the season as much as Andrew and I did and we're looking forward to seeing them all back next year for another fun season.

It was also really great dealing with all the parents of this team each week and your help and assistance with all the roles involved was greatly appreciated by Andrew & me. Special thanks to Meredith for doing such a great job as our manager and also our scorer and you made the coach's job really easy, as we didn't have to ever worry about anything except getting the team to play. So, thanks to all the parents that helped each week with the early set up, as I think we played at home just about every week and thanks to ones that jumped in and helped with the coaching, pitch counting, BBQ and generally managing the kids.

Below is a list of our special players in our 12/2's team this season.

**Ethan Audibert** - Ethan was a terrific kid to coach and he was always keeping you busy. On his day he was one of our best players and he was very good at batting and he could get on base quite regularly and he was a great asset to the team.

**Jack Campbell** - Jack was one of our big hitters and he often sent some pitches back out deep into the outfield and he was capable of hitting some nice home runs. Jack was also an excellent pitcher and 1<sup>st</sup> baseman and he ended up being a great closing pitcher for us at the end of the season.

**Louis Cramery** - Louis was one of our new players and it was great to see him take to the game so well and he ended the season looking more like one of our more experienced players. His batting was great and by the end of the season he was getting good hits each week and his fielding was excellent as well.

**Lachlann Doherty** - Lachlann was another of our new players that hadn't played before and it was great to watch him develop and learn the game. By the end of the season he was regularly getting good outs at second base and he even finished the season with a 2 base hit in the last game.

**Noah Dover** - Noah was pretty much our team leader and he was great to have on the diamond, as he was always talking and giving out positive and encouraging comments to his team mates. Noah was also our lead off batter and first pitcher each week and he excelled at both these roles and it was great to have him help us coach this team this season.

**Oliver Featon** - Oliver was another one of our stronger players and he was a great asset to the team whether at short stop, 1<sup>st</sup> base or the outfield. He was a terrific fielder and his batting and base running was a real bonus for the team and he was a great kid to have in the dugout and especially on the diamond.

**Clayton Forrest** - Clayton was a real livewire and a hive of activity and he had plenty of energy and enthusiasm, which was great for our team. Clayton ended up being our main catcher and he did a terrific job for our pitchers in this role and he was definitely one of our stronger batters and by the end of the season he was regularly getting goods hits each game.

**Kurtis Hardie** - Kurtis was another of our big hitters in the team and he could hit the ball a long way and it was great to watch his at bats. Unfortunately Kurtis was hampered with injury at the back end of the season and we missed him on the field, but before that he was doing a great job as our catcher each week.

**Rainer McGowen** - Rainer was another one of our new players and it was great watching him learn and understand the game. He was always asking plenty of questions and keeping everyone informed and he did a great job for us either at second base or in the outfield. I think Rainer played just about every position, as he was always asking to play somewhere and he was pretty handy with the bat as well.

Mike Parker - Coach

## UNDER 14 -2'S JV BASEBALL



Initially we were graded in Division 3, however after 5 straight convincing wins we were promoted to Division 2. We copped a fairly hard draw upon our promotion playing the top 2 teams in our first games in our new division. We were given a hard lesson against Giants but I mostly put it down to nerves. Our next game was against St George who hadn't lost a game. We led all game except at the finishing line we played 6 innings and in reality we ran out of Pitchers and were overrun losing 11-10.

We continued to be inconsistent in our games but continued to improve our defence which enabled us to start picking up wins against higher placed teams. We were always able to score runs so our defence needed to be the skill that would get us over the line. We finished our season in 5<sup>th</sup> place only a few percentage points off playing finals.

I believe if we had of played all our games in Division 2 that we would have played finals as we would have had a better spread in the draw. Most importantly our team gelled with players from both clubs enjoying and improving their game.

I would like to thank both the Bosco and Illawong committees that supported the joint venture. The team loved having a joint identity in their playing shirt and hat with a logo that incorporated both clubs plus we had some fun giving ourselves the team name of Marbo's.

My sincere thanks to Paul Sweetland for assisting me with the Coaching. I'm sure Paul got a lot of experience out of it. Megan Evans for Managing the Team, not an easy job co-ordinating children from 2 clubs. She did the job with flying colours. Erwin Ng for assisting us in many instances, scoring, pitch counting and Coaching. To the mums that assisted with scoring and to all the parents collectively for ensuring that their children were at training

and the games on time. To Julie Southwell for quickly organising our playing strip, just 2 weeks to organise hats and printed shirts was amazing.

**AIDEN BAGSHAW** initially lacking confidence Aiden played many games for the Marbo,s at 3<sup>rd</sup> Base a very difficult position to master and not a position to lack confidence. Aiden eventually mastered it and got many good throws across to 1<sup>st</sup> Base. Well done Aiden

**SOPHIE CLEARLIN** Sophie had a wonderful season Pitching the Marbo,s to many wins. Sophie was strong in the field and managed to get some crucial hits when needed. Confidence was strong, always happy to play wherever she was needed. Great season Sophie.

**TOM CLEARLIN** It would have been great if Tom could have played more games for the Marbo's as his experience at 1<sup>st</sup> Base and his very strong batting would have put us across the line in a few more games. Tom has lots of ability but has to battle his severe asthma. Even if not able to play Tom supported his team from the side line. Get well Tom as you have heaps of ability.

**LIAM EVANS** Lacking in confidence especially at bat Liam improved his game very strongly. His fielding was always of a high standard. Against Bosco his last at bat helped win the game. More work is required on your game however I believe you can become a very strong player. A good season Liam.

**NATHAN HORVATH** Always entertaining Nathan never left me wondering what he wanted to do in any given game. No lack of confidence here. Nathan contributed strongly throughout the season popping up when needed. Playing infield and outfield. Nathan has a good arm and at times bats well but needs to get consistency. A good season Nathan.

**MATTIAS JAKOBSEN** One of the talented Viking Twins. Mattias played in whatever position needed strengthening. Great confidence, strong Arm and Solid Batter. As a coach it's great to have players that play like they train. Mattias also pitched many games and often put us in position to win games. Hopefully will continue to pursue his baseball passion as he has plenty of ability with room for improvement. Great season Mattias

**OLIVER JAKOBSEN** The other talented Viking Twin. Oliver also played in whatever position needed strengthening and often played left side with his brother. Also possessing great confidence and skills his batting was always strong and his throws across the diamond were a joy to watch. Fantastic season Oliver.

**MIA KAROOZ-LIPSCOMB** What a delight to have this young lady in the team. Squealing and giggling her way through games she was confident and brave standing tall but weighing about 30Kg. Playing games between Infield and Outfield she never let the team down. Mia had a strong on base average as she would never let herself be struck out without a fight. Great season Mia.

**IRIS NG** The last but not least of the female players in the Marbo's, like Mia, Iris was always confident and brave on the field also playing infield and outfield and Pitching as closer in many games. A great Arm and a great feel for the game. Needs to get stronger with her batting but when on - dynamic. Great season Iris.

**RAY SHARMA** I wish Ray had played more games for the Marbo's as he had a lot to contribute. You have the ability to become a pitcher. You are strong in the batting box and you have good glove sense. Confidence is lacking but I think that will come with more games. Please try and play more often. Good season Ray.

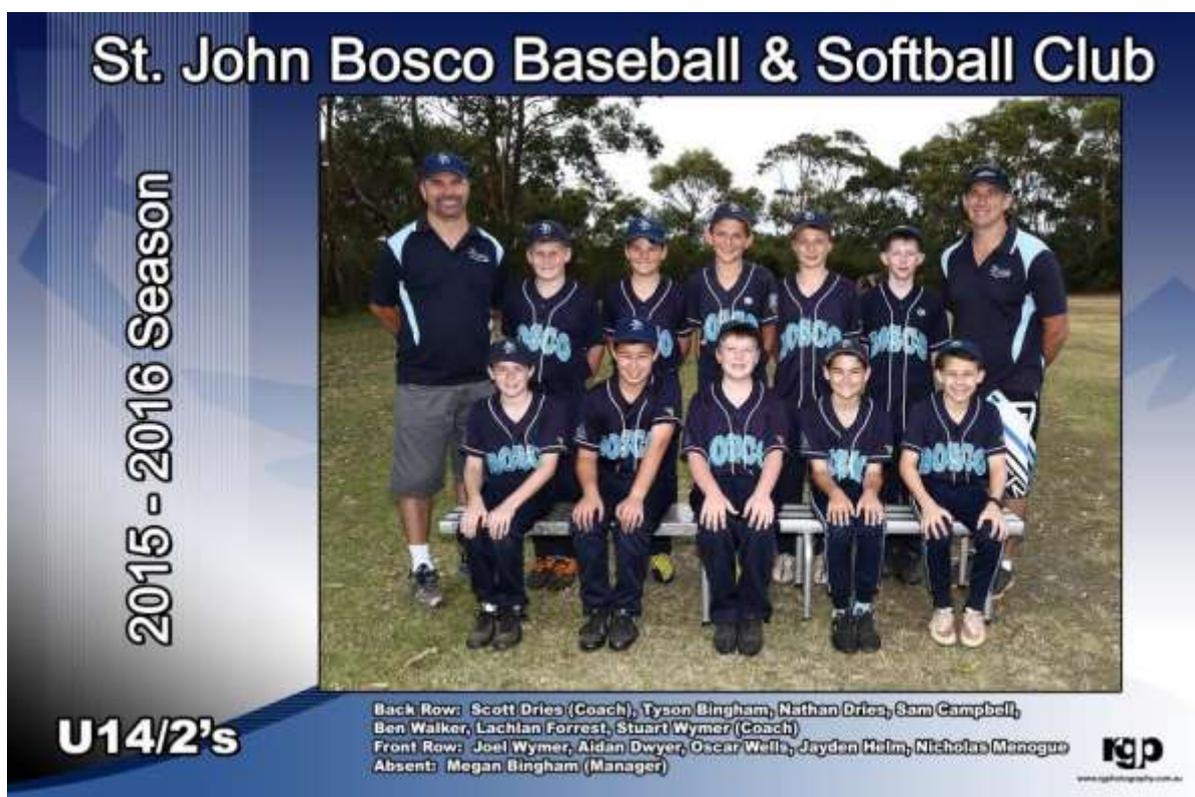
**COREY SWEETLAND** Probably the most improved player in the team. By season's end you had played nearly every position except catcher. Great glove skills strong arm and a dogged determination when batting. I will never forget the great catches you took in the outfield against St George. Great season Corey.

**JACOB SWEETLAND** Without a recognised catcher in the team Jacob put his hand up and caught 95% of the time. You did a terrific job at catcher and your skills in that area improved greatly over the season. Catcher is probably the most difficult spot on the team and you owned it. Your batting most of the time was very strong but

you need to know when to let it go, which you will. Once you grow into your frame you will become a very good player. Fantastic season Jacob.

WAYNE WATTS - COACH MARBO'S U14 JV

## UNDER 14 -2'S BASEBALL



Well what a great year and a fantastic group of boys.

Our season started very well with two wins from two games but then we lost five games by just one run. If we had won half of these close games we would of finished in the top four but this didn't seem to concern the boys as they were happy to be out playing with their mates.

Played 13 games won 3 drew 1.

Scott and I took great pleasure in watching the boys improve over the season and they were a pleasure for us to coach.

Thank you to all of the parents for their support and help at training and game day. It was really appreciated it.

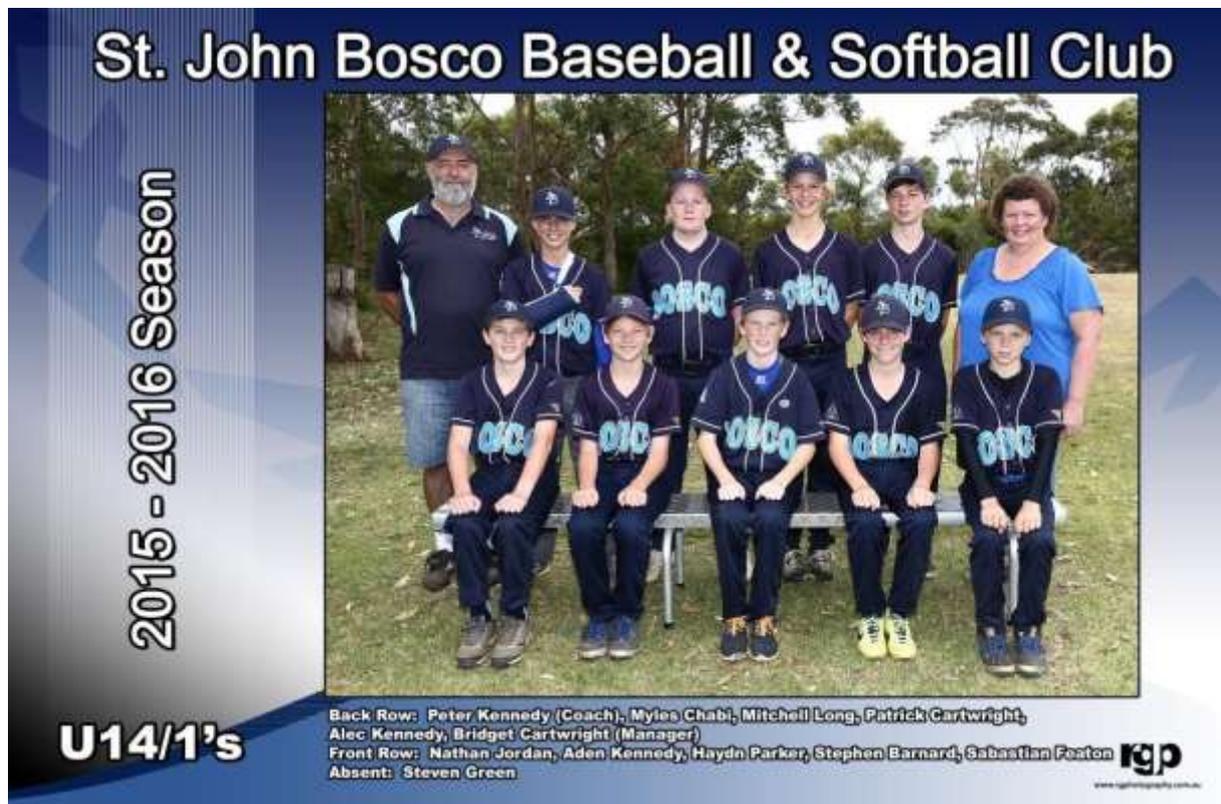
A big thank you to Megan, who was a wonderful manager and made our life so much easy with all of her help.

Thankyou also to Meredith for scoring each and every week for us.

Thanks again!

Stuart & Scott - Coaches

## UNDER 14 -1'S BASEBALL



Reflections: This grade was expected to be and proved to be very challenging.

The high standard of competition included some of the best baseballers in Australia.

We competed well but were ultimately overwhelmed by power pitching.

We scored 66 runs on 54 hits in twelve (12) games.

Our defense was solid. We committed 13 errors per 100 chances. Total of 31.

Our competitors put 112 runs on us conceding 77 hits.

In these twelve (12) games 37 runs on 27 hits were given up in the first innings for only 30 outs achieved. This is clearly an aspect that needs attention.

Equally, these same first innings produced for us 8 runs on 10 hits.

A loss to the eventual premiers (Giants) in our eighth game (7 – 1) was a most creditable performance.

Finished in 5<sup>th</sup> place behind Arncliffe Scots, with whom we shared the home games honours. We beat them twice at Heathcote and they did likewise to us at AP Austin Field.

Thanks:

To our Managerial Team of Bridgett and Glenn Cartwright, to whom much is owed. The countless large and small things that needed attention was handled by you two lovely people with great humour and a knowing shrug of the shoulders.

Belinda Parker for the very high standard of scoring and statistical analysis.

Michael Ibbotson (Ibby) for making time in a hectic schedule to add a real element of expertise and advice to us all, especially on game day.

Shannon Pender (Cronulla 1<sup>st</sup> Grade player) whom, when available, passed on some invaluable skills on the more detailed aspects of the game. His mentoring enabled us to compete defensively with our opponents, particularly with our 2<sup>nd</sup> Base pickoff. Our 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> defense was organised and had some success.

Matt Featon & Mike Parker for stepping up when required to assist (with expertise) on the 1st Base Coaching gig.

Jacob Sweetland, Lachlan Forrest, Jayden Helm and Ben Walker for grasping the opportunity to play in a fairly intimidating environment and doing yourselves and this Club proud.

Players:

**Stephen Barnard:** Pitched for us in some games with some success. Capable fielder. A most determined competitor evidenced by being our most injured player. A great honour. Always smiling throughout.

**Patrick Cartwright:** Shared the catching duties throughout the season and very sound out in the field. Batted above the team average and once on base very tough to stop from advancing.

**Myles Chabi:** Has had better years with the bat statistically but came up with base hits at crucial moments. Fielding good – pitching outstanding.

**Sabastian Featon:** Unorthodox but effective pitcher who also played 1<sup>st</sup> Base competently. Sab is a tough out as is reflected by his high onbase percentage.

**Steven Green:** Very sound batting at No.2. Blessed with good speed. Tough to stop getting on and advancing. Solid in the field. Pitched in final game for good effect.

**Nathan Jordan:** Very versatile and capable fielder. Reflected in his statistics. Very few errors for many chances. Batted above the team average.

**Aden Kennedy:** Batted above the team average (needs to relax and enjoy). Fielded just about everywhere and could be relied upon.

**Alec Kennedy:** Caught in most games and was very solid behind the dish. A good combination with Patrick when they swapped between 3<sup>rd</sup> base and catcher. Good arm. Valuable experience this season. Hit one of the four doubles (two base hit).

**Mitchell Long:** One of the better arms in the team who made some great outs and committed the least errors. His on base percentage was above the team average

**Haydn Parker:** Played most positions on the field with much competency and awareness. Bats well with good speed. Crossed the plate more times than his teammates

Award Recipients:

Leader in Defense – Myles Chabi

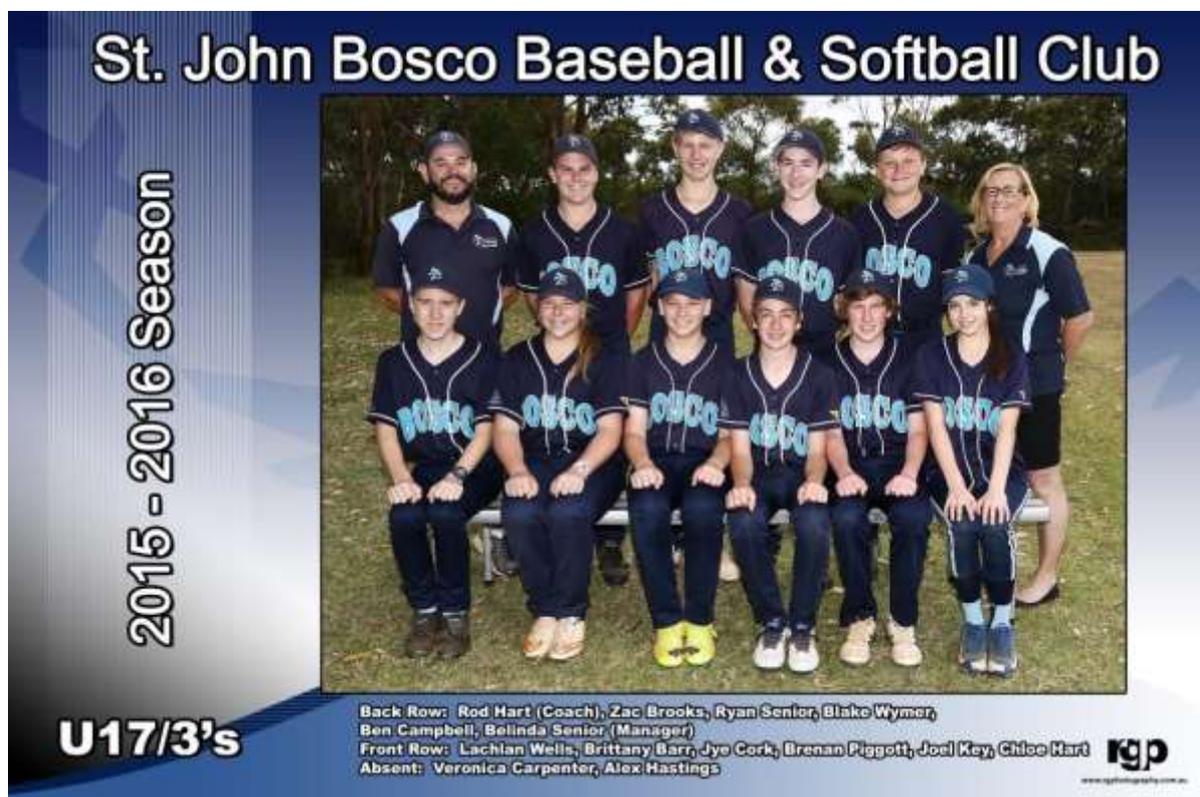
Leader in Offense – Steven Green

Leader in Attitude – Patrick Cartwright

Team Leadership – Haydn Parker

Peter Kennedy - Coach

## UNDER 17 -3'S BASEBALL



Well we did it again!!!

We got to our fourth grand final in as many years. True to our form we were again very unlucky to not take home the gold medal. I was so proud of the entire team who had a fantastic season getting to the GF from third place. They are such wonderful young men and women and I have loved coaching them for so many years. 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 team during the year. Looks like all the guys and girls are keen to do it all again so they have talked me into giving it one last try!!! Can't wait. Let's hope 5<sup>th</sup> time lucky.

Our Team:

**Brittany Barr** – This was Brittany's second year with the team and had a great season. She continued to be very safe at both first and second bases and even secured the final out in the semi-final that got us through to the big one. Britty also got some great hits which allowed her to show off her speed between the bases. Training was

never boring when Britt was inform and once again I would like to think her for keeping everyone entertained during the car trips to and from training. Well done Britt.

**Zac Brookes** – Our MVP from last year continued his great form and went from strength to strength with each game. Securing a new bat from Santa saw Zac hit three or four absolute monster homeruns in the second half of the season. The most amazing thing I have ever seen was the home run Zac hit at the brand new Eastern Suburbs diamond. Zac is the first player in both the junior and senior divisions to hit the ball over the left field fence which is 330 feet from home plate and an amazing accomplishment. Sharing the pitching duties with Blake, Zac was once again a major factor with the team success this season. Great job mate.

**Ben Campbell** – Ben had an all-round great season and did not break any bones this year which was fantastic. I believe that this was Bens most successful season with countless great plays at first base and solid batting which saw him on base more times than not. Ben really committed this year and believed in his abilities. I just love how Ben thinks he is as fast as ‘Usain Bolt’ between the bases but as we all know this is not the case!! Thanks for all the heart attacks this year Ben, great work.

**Jai Cork**- This was Jai’s fifth season with Bosco and by far his best. Jai’s attitude toward training and each game was outstanding which saw him become a major factor in our team’s success. I relied heavily on Jai this season in the outfield and he did not let me down with some great catches which potentially stopped a number of home runs. Jai was also one of our most consistent big hitters and saved his best hit for the Grand Final. Unfortunately the centre fielder took the catch which stopped a definite home run. Great effort Jai.

**Chloe Hart** – One of the veterans of the team Chloe once again put in 100% and did not disappoint the coach. Back to her usual position behind the plate she finally got some help with the introduction of another catcher in Brennan. Chloe definitely took every opportunity in the field and with the bat and was one of our strongest players in this year’s grand final with a couple of safe hits and an awesome tag at home plate. I honestly believe she was unlucky to miss out on the player of the match. Well done Chloe.

**Joel Key** – Joel continued on from his great form last season to once again improve, improve and improve. As the teams ‘quiet’ achiever, Joel went about his business with minimal of fuss. I was very pleased was all aspects of Joel’s game this year. As one of our more consistent batters, it really showed in his confidence which I feel was at all time high. As I said last season, Joel is a coach’s dream who watches, listens, concentrates and then does his upmost to impress. Good stuff Joelly!!!

**Brennan Piggott** – The new addition to the team this year saw Brennan fit in like he had been with us for years. Brennan is a very experienced young baseballer and it was fantastic to have him in the team and an absolute pleasure to coach. As a catcher, Brennan was able to assist Chloe who for many years had to do the job all by herself. Brennan had a very solid season in the field and with the bat. A ‘throw over’ in the major semi which got the stealing runner out will go down as one of our seasons biggest plays. It was great to have you on board this year Brennan and can’t wait to coach you again next year.

**Ryan Senior** – This year was another great season from Ryan who found a home in his new favour position in the outfield. With renewed confidence, Ryan took the catch of the year with a screamer to centre field during our early round against St Pats. After charging in and then realising the ball was now over his head, Ryan leapt into the air, spun a complete 360 and took the most amazing catch. Ryan also picked up some decent hits throughout the season and was also very safe when called upon to play at third base and shortstop. Good job Ryan!!

**Lachlan Wells** – Well ‘Mr Nice guy’ continued with the coolest hair in the team and can now boast as one of our better batters. In all the seasons that I have coached Lochie, I can honestly say that I have never seen his confidence higher. He did it all from taking catches, making tag plays, stealing home and hitting ‘two baggers’. It was such a pleasure to see all the years of putting in the effort and enjoying being around his friends has paid off for Lochie during the game. He is one of the most popular team members and an absolute pleasure to coach. Proud of you Lochie!!

**Blake Wymer** – Blake is definitely one of the most reliable players that I have had the pleasure to coach. With the assistance of our other pitcher Zac, Blake continued to led the team each week and due to his commitment and efforts saw us once again finish near the top. Blake continued as our 'lead off' batter and was very consistent getting a number outfield hits. When not pitching, Blake was very safe a shortstop and made some outstanding plays. It was terrific to have Blake again in the team and I am sure he will have an even bigger season in 2016. Well done mate.

Rod Hart - Coach

## UNDER 17 -2'S BASEBALL

**St. John Bosco Baseball & Softball Club**

**2015 - 2016 Season**



**U17/2's**

Back Row: Adam Quigley (Coach), Kyle Pickering, Blake Crowther, Jesso Donkin, Liam Harbich, Steve Pattinson (Assist. Coach)  
Front Row: Chet Lister, Dylan Duplessis, Jake Pattinson, Lachlan Cook, Daniel Gaut, Simon Parker  
Absent: Fran Gaut (Manager)

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This season started out as a very positive season and the feeling around the team was that everyone was hoping to turn around the previous season and that was evident from the first game. This year we kept the same core of the team from the year before with a few different faces. This season we were the team to beat all year we had the top of the table to ourselves, which was a credit to the boys as they gelled as a team from the get go. Although we had a few close games the team seem to find a way to win the games even when they were pushed to the wire and continue to show how baseball should be played.

This season ended on a bit of a sour note but the boys should hold their heads high as they were the team to beat all year round and we got to play in the last week of the season and the GRAND FINAL. All the boys gave it their best and that's what a grand final can do to you on the day. Let's all can get back in new teams and do it all again. Good luck to all the boys next season.

Fran – Thanks for everything you do, the messages you send out and receive on behalf of the team, all the time you give up making the canteen roosters or making sure we have enough players to field a team each week.

Parents – Thanks for all your support and for making my job easy as you are always willing to have the kids there on time.

Steve – Thanks for giving up your time and helping me run the team and the hours you put in at training, warm up and game Time

Craig – Thanks for helping out whenever I needed it with running the team come semis time and the week I wasn't there

**Daniel Gaunt** - Pitcher – Daniel made the mound his own this year, Being the starting pitcher in most games he gave us the upper hand by blowing most teams off the park and allowing Bosco to get the early lead in most games. Daniel works on different pitchers and honed in his skills on the mound.

**Jessie Donkin** - Catcher / Outfield – Jessie was our catcher throughout the season every time Jessie goes out to catch for the team you can see the confidence that the pitchers have in Jessie. Once Jessie is shown a different Technique about catching or hitting, you could instantly see Jessie practice it to improve his game.

**Kyle Pickering** - First base/All other positions - Kyle was one of the new kids around the team, Kyle was one of the most consistent hitters throughout the season always scoring runners or getting a hit away when the team need it. Kyle was always saving many throws to first base that were in the dirt or left and right of him

**Lachlan Cook** – Utility/Second base- Lachlan reliable in every way, it looked like Lachlan played each game with as little effort as possible. Although Lachlan looks like he puts no effort in the ball rockets off his bat and through or over the infield Lachlan put his body on the line in the semi-final to Fracture his arm and inevitable missed the grand final. Lachlan showed great spirit and came down and cheered on the boys with a smile on his face

**Liam Harbich** -. 3<sup>rd</sup> Base – Liam had really made the lead off hitting spot his own this year, He excelled at this and got the team on the go forward from the first inning with often a double or single on the first pitch of the game. Liam 3<sup>rd</sup> base was solid with a ball rarely get past him

**Simon Parker** - Short stop / Pitcher – Simon parker is the leader of the team and would often put it on show making great plays from shortstop and backing that up with the bat. Simon was also safe all year to throw the ball to in the last innings of a game and he would do his job on the mound to ensure Bosco is in the game to win

**Jake Pattinson** - Left field/ Second base - Jake this year batting improved out of sight and so did his confidence on the baseball field, Jake started to read the game better and know exactly what the play was each play throughout the game. Jake took some great catches in the outfield all year

**Dylan Duplesis** - Centre Field / Pitcher – Dylan excelled at centerfield this year as he can cover ground real fast and get the ball in to make the play, When Dylan was called upon to pitch he did that. Once Dylan was on 1<sup>st</sup> base you could always ensure in 2 pitches time he would have those stolen bases and ready to run home.

**Chet Lister** – Shortstop/Pitcher – Chet was also one of the new boys round the team but fitted in from the get go and was good to have him around the team. Chet was solid all year round in the outfield, infield or pitching. Chet knew what to do when the game was on the line he could jag a hit or just throw strikes.

**Blake Crowther** – Catcher/Outfield – Blake was also one of the new faces to have around the team. Blake called a good game behind the plate often making runners think twice about stealing. Blake made a few great catches in the outfield throughout the season. Blake was a good team player doing his best for the team

It was great to see a bunch of mates having fun and always with a smile on their faces.

Thanks boys for the great season and I hope I taught you a few things on the way.

Adam Quigley - Coach