



~ SANDRINGHAM ROYALS BASEBALL CLUB ~

Annual Report 2014/2015

(Detailed to members at the Club AGM held Tuesday 24th of November 2015)



SANDRINGHAM BASEBALL CLUB INC.

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ANNUAL REPORT 2014/2015

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LIFE MEMBERS

1934	D.Lovie	1980	Ken Costelloe
1942	Norm McArthur	1980	Don Pentreath
1950	Alec Slade	1981	Peter McFarlane
1951	Phil Bock	1983	Bruce Lines
1952	Geoff Bainbridge	1985	David Corney
1953	Alec Anderson	1989	Trevor Marks
1954	Les Fraser	1989	Andrew Holten
1957	Wal Anderson	1990	Michael Douth
1960	Med Fraillon	1991	Peter Giles
1961	Jack Guiliano	1993	John Peebles
1962	Don Smyth	1994	Anthony Stephens
1963	William Hill	1996	Barry Fisher
1967	John Shugg	1999	Graeme Barrow
1970	Dave Midolo	2001	Geoff Francis
1971	Barry Wonnacott	2002	Brian Wonnacott
1973	Harry wonnacott	2005	Mark Souter
1974	Ian McLeish	2006	Mrs Helen Blair
1974	Brian Gibbons	2008	Paul Housden
1975	Graeme Kitney	2009	Stephen Blackmore
1976	Phil Stephens	2011	John Holmes
1978	Mrs. Marie Wilson	2014	Michael Herman
		2015	Gregory Street

OFFICE BEARERS 2014/2015

President	Greg Street
Vice President	Tony Beaumont
Secretary	Graham Trad
Treasurer	Julie Lane
Committee	Mark Ferguson; Rick Wills; Michael Socic; Andrew Flynn; Gary Seignor; Grant Budge
Club Coach	Matthew Sheldon Collins
Assistant Coaches	David May; Tim Ballard
Seconds Coach	Grant Budge
Thirds Coach	Simon Helyer
Fourths Coach	Tony Beaumont
Ground Manager	Paul Housden
Royals Club	Peter MacFarlane; Jan Street

President's Report

It gives me great pleasure to present this report after reflecting on my fourth year as President of this great club. A year in which our plans over the last 3 years are starting to show the right outcomes.

It is our ongoing goal to not only provide a happy, safe and healthy environment for all members, their families and friends but also to head towards their own potential and of course winning our first division premiership which has eluded us for 87 years.

This was our best year for many years as far as winning at all levels goes and seeing the continued growth within our strong group of junior players.

Our 1st were 7th, 2's just beaten in the Preliminary Final finishing 3rd, 3rd's were mid table and the 4th's rolled in the Grand Final after finishing top. Final ladders are included in this report but it would be remiss of me not to congratulate Les Pimm and Rick Wills and the boys for winning the State under 16 Premiership in a fantastic season.

This year we were fortunate enough to secure the services of Matt Sheldon Collins to join us as club coach. Matt's incredible resume' makes him one of the highest regarded baseball people in the country, himself being in the National Baseball Hall of Fame.

Along with his assistants David May and Tim Ballard we have one of the most credentialed coaching staff in Victoria, I had hoped all would take advantage of this opportunity, most did, some didn't as the change to a more winning way was too tough for some, but year's results would indicate we are on the right path. Thank you to all the coaching staff for their time and effort given to the players of all grades, it was a good year.

I would also thank Tony Beaumont and Rick Wills for their tireless work to keep our junior program in such a healthy state. It is a very difficult job to satisfy all the needs and aspirations of such a big group of kids and their parents and I stress that we always try to make positive decision for all concerned. It was a great year for not only a growth in numbers but also the quality of play I congratulate all the players, coaches, scorers and assistants in canteen etc. for doing such a great job in results and carrying the club in a positive light.

Once again we had great representation in our state teams and we congratulate all the players who were selected to represent.

Again it would remiss not to mention Nathan Picchioni who had the outstanding honour of being named MVP of the National Championships. Well done Nathan. Also a special mention of Mitch Wilcox who also had an outstanding championship and was the starting pitcher in the winning final.

All the guys that went away did themselves and the club proud we watch their progress closely.

It was a tough year for our women's team and I congratulate Steve Smith and his team for the efforts they go to every week to get our team up and firing. The committee is committed to encouraging the growth in the girl's game as it is very important for our club in many ways.

As a club we were thrilled to see our first ever "Sandringham Tee baller" take it all the way to professional ranks of baseball in USA. Sam Street was selected in the 16th round of the MLB draft for the Pittsburgh Pirates and went on to make the All Star team in his first year. Congratulations Sam.

We hope that this is first of many of our junior players getting the most out of the opportunities presented from this great game.

The Masters, under the stewardship of Andy Holten, Darren Wilcox, Steve Smith and Paul Housden continues to go from strength to strength. Thanks guys for keeping the dream alive for many!

Andrew Gluth is one of the clubs hidden gems and we thank him so much for his contribution in umpiring juniors every Sunday and Masters and sometimes seniors as well .

The canteen is vital to the finances and services to the club and I would like to thank Andrew Flynn for his outstanding efforts throughout the year. This is now a huge thankless job and demands are pretty much every day. Andrews dedication to making everyone happy was outstanding. For all those who did help thank you, it is greatly appreciated and the need continues to grow so more help is required and gratefully accepted.

The ground once again continues to be outstanding and the envy amongst the league. Fuzzy continues to work tirelessly weaving his magic on the grass, the facilities and the equipment. It is a credit to his skill and effort and we should be most grateful for what we have. Thanks Fuzz and all his able assistants in Graeme Barrow, Andy Holten, Peter Lane, John Sinclair and everyone I've missed.

Peter MacFarlane and Jan Street have made it another fantastic year for the Royals Club. Once again they were a sell out and source of great support for the club both financially and in keeping the spirit and feeling around the club. Thank you to Nicole Livingston for her support in getting speakers and conducting great interviews at the lunches. If you're not a Royals Club member get on board, support the club and have a good time doing it.

The scorers are most important to our game and to the master scorer Geoff Francis and Graham Trad, Julie Lane, Linda Wilcox and many others I have missed, please accept the continued thank you from the club, you have done a wonderful job.

We continued our "Amanda's day" charity this year and incredibly raised approx \$5000 again to donate the Breast Cancer Network of Australia. This brings our total donations on behalf of Amanda Huckstadt and the Royals to a whopping \$16500 over the three years we have been running it. Thanks to all those who have donated prizes, service and money to this worthy cause.

To the committee I must pass on my sincere thanks not only from the club but also from me personally. The club continues to grow not only in size but also expectations. I am glad these expectations are high and they need to be to ensure our continued grow both on and off the field.

The demands on the committee this year were sometimes a bit overwhelming but to their credit we managed to fulfil most of the tasks assigned or requested.

Graham Trad and Julie Lane being the first year in their executive roles were absolutely outstanding, in a time of mass confusion with Baseball Victoria changing IT systems just before the season it was a very difficult time with much blood, sweat and tears shed, but they have come through with flying colours.

The Secretariat and the Treasury are in great shape and under great control I cannot thank them both for long hours and diligent work.

As a committee we had a lot to do this year and I thank, Rick Wills for his Junior program management, Andrew Flynn for his canteen control, Michael Socic for his Social media management, Gary Seignor for his work with sponsorship and Mark Ferguson and Grant Budge for the counsel and work on the committee.

Tony Beaumont as VP continues to be in everything and was a super support throughout the year on top of his coaching.

To all the partners of these volunteers I would like to say thank for the time they are required to give up, you are equally congratulated for being part of a community organisation that you can be proud of, thanks.

Our sponsors for the year continue to be incredibly generous and without them we could not do what we do. Please support them.

- Charmaine and Graham at Connexions Business Systems
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- Gary Seignor at Hampton Travel and Cruise
- Picasso's Pizza
- Chris Connolly at Connelly Wealth Management
- Mark Ferguson at Energydeal

Thank you so much for your support it all goes to making a difference to our community and the encouragement for young and old to get out and do something.

We have had a good year and the club continues to grow in all areas, this means we are always after volunteers to fill the gaps. I would ask all members and players to see where they can help, it makes things happen a lot quicker and takes the pressure off a lot of people who are always stretched.

We will continue to look for continuous improvement in the season ahead and our finances and our administration are in good shape so we will continue to look at infrastructure to support our players and supporters in any other ways we can improve our club.

Finally, thank you to all the volunteers, players and supporters for making Sandringham Baseball Club what it is today. I am proud to be the President of this club and thank you for giving me your confidence, the support and assistance throughout the year gone by.

Greg Street
President - Sandringham Baseball Club

Club Secretary's Report

The Baseball Victoria / IMG registration procedure this year continued to provide us some grief; it's far from an ideal system and through Julie Lane, we are still trying to work with BV and IMG to try and iron out a few things that just do not work at club level. We hope that some of the issues are sorted over the coming months so that the registration process next year is trouble free.

Compared with last season we have seen increases in our Junior and Masters playing groups. A special mention to Rick Wills for his tireless efforts as Junior Co-ordinator at the Club - Our junior program is a testament to his ongoing efforts.

Our senior playing group numbers including our Women's team have not changed a great deal from the past couple of years, although our older Juniors are shaping as a strong playing group which should bolster our senior ranks for future seasons. Our Women's team still struggles for regular numbers, but the club is pushing hard to attract new female playing members as well as promote the Women's division to a number of our Junior girls playing within the club which we hope will hold them in good stead for the future.

Whilst it is very pleasing to have continued growth at the club, there are consequences to this success that are often overlooked or dare I say discounted by members;

* Pressure on ground maintenance and availability, with playing groups at the club every day of the week; A task that continues to be performed tirelessly by Fuzzy, The only way we can thank Fuzzy is to give him some much needed help.

* A general lack of volunteers and helpers around the Club. It's the familiar faces that run the canteen, help out at training and on game days, offer to score and turn up to working bees.

For the long term success of the club and to ensure we retain a large percentage of our Junior players right through to senior age groups, it is imperative to bolster our volunteer ranks at all levels in the club.

I would like to thank Greg, Julie, all of our committee members and our relatively small number of volunteers. Your ongoing efforts for the Sandringham Baseball Club make it a safe and pleasant place for families and individuals to belong.

Graham Trad
Secretary - Sandringham Baseball Club

Treasurer's Report

I am pleased to present the Club's financial report for the year ending June 20, 2015. For this year the club ended with a small surplus of \$1,427.

This year we spent considerable time working with members to ensure all registrations current and prior were brought up to date, and we were successful for the current members. The Accounts Receivable has balances for players that are no longer playing at Sandringham and will be kept as a record if a transfer is requested from any of these players.

Income from the canteen was slightly down on 2014, however this is impacted by the number of home games we are allocated. Income from sponsors was up from last year, and seems set to continue for the 2016 year.

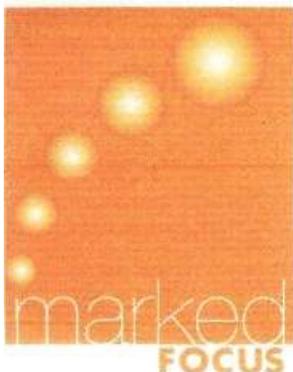
Membership income was similar to last year and expenses were similar to last year. The club has \$30,000 in the bank to start the next year off and is in a very strong position to ensure long term financial stability.

I would like to thank the Committee for their hard work in obtaining sponsors, managing the canteen and social and fundraising events, and assisting with banking.

Julie Lane
Treasurer - Sandringham Baseball Club

Financials

Club Members should make written contact via the Club President, Treasurer or Secretary, if a copy of the 2014/2015 financial report is required. Email details for each of these office bearers can be found at www.royalsbaseball.com.au



INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF SANDRINGHAM BASEBALL CLUB INCORPORATED.

SCOPE

We have audited the attached Profit & Loss Statement and Balance Sheet of the Sandringham Baseball Club Inc. for the period ended 30 June 2015. The Club's Committee is responsible for the preparation and presentation of the Financial Statements and the information they contain. We have conducted an independent audit of the financial report in order to express an opinion on them to the members of the Club. No opinion is expressed as to whether the basis of accounting used is appropriate to the needs of the members.

Our audit has been conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. Our procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting the amounts and other disclosures in the financial statements, and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion whether, in all material respects, the financial report is presented fairly so as to present a view of the Club, which is consistent with our understanding of its financial position and the result of its operations.

The audit opinion expressed in this report has been formed on the above basis.

INDEPENDENCE

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian Professional Ethical Pronouncements.

QUALIFICATION

As an audit procedure, it is not practical to examine the receipting of monies received from the club's activities beyond the banking of those monies.

AUDIT OPINION

Subject to the above reservation, in my opinion, the financial statements of the Sandringham Baseball Club Incorporated present fairly the financial position of the Club as at 30 June 2015 and the results of its operations for the year ended in accordance with the Constitution of the Club.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Mark Peterson', is written over a faint, illegible printed name.

MARK PETERSON CPA
Dated – 17 November 2015

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Coach's Report

After a slow start to the 2014 – 15 season, the Royals finished off the season in a flurry picking up multiple wins post Christmas and hopefully setting the tone for the coming season.

An early preseason assisted the development of our younger players and the return of some senior players saw a significant change to the starting line up for the 2015 – 16 season.

With a 3rd of the season now complete, the win column is still in deficit but overall we have been very competitive in every game and playing the style of baseball that should take us to the next level.

Matthew Sheldon–Collins
Club Coach – Sandringham Baseball Club

Junior Award Winners – 2014/15

U/12 Friday Night Kings awards

Most Improved – Ethan Williams

Most Consistent – James Delia

MVP – Balin O’Callaghan

U/12 Friday Night Sandringham Cardinals

MVP - Lloyd Macmillan

Best Defensive player - Lucy Page

Most Improved - Samuel McCann

Sunday LL Major U12 State Team

MVP - Tom Connolly

Batting - Jack Caughey

Best Utility - Andrew Penca

U14 Friday Blue team

Coach’s award - Max McLaughlin

Most Improved - Jack Curtis

Utility award - Josh Smith

U14 Friday Gold

MVP - Jack Bell

Coach’s award - Ethan Alston

Most improved - Luke Fairley

U14 State

MVP - Riley Trad

Gold Glove - Will Connolly

Best Team Player - Jack Bell

U16 Metro

Batting award - Kyle Clarke

Fielding award - Shannon Sanntura

M.V.P. - Shae Wilson

U16 State

MVP – Mitchell Wilcox

Batting – Tim Lane

Coach’s Award - Edward Newman

Senior & Club Award Winners - 2014/15

First's

Best Team Man – Tony Cevic

Most Improved – Brayden McConkey

Second's

Most Valuable Player - Ryan Campbell

Batting Award - Nathan Huysmans

Gold Glove - Callum Barnett

Third's

Players Player - Chris Ward

Coach's Award - Jake Pocock

Coach's Award - Mitchell Wilcox

Fourth's

Joint Most Valuable Player – Kei Kato

Joint Most Valuable Player – David Beaumont

Coach's Award – Bruce Everett

Women

Most Valuable Player – Miffanwy Smith

“Amanda Huckstadt Award” - Sarah Cimino

Pitchers Award – Georgia Smith

Masters A

Most Valuable Player - Brian Stent

Masters B

Most Valuable Player – Mitch Grant

U18 Metro

Most Valuable Player - Kynan Wilcox

Golden Glove Award -Nick “Raul” Mindum

Offensive Player of the Year - Zach Raghdo

Club Champion “Wonnacott Medal”

Mitch Glasser

Junior Club Champion “Paul (Fuzzy) Housden Award”

Nathan Picchioni

Clubman of the Year

Andrew Holten

Life Membership

Greg Street

Senior Final Ladders 2014 /15

DIVISION 1 FIRSTS							DIVISION 1 FOURTHS					
	W	L	D	F	A	WP		W	L	D	F	A
Essendon	21	6	0	173	85	77.8	Sandringham	14	2	1	159	96
Blackburn	18	7	2	187	111	70.4	Cheltenham	13	3	1	152	52
Melbourne	18	8	1	159	79	68.5	Waverley	12	4	1	133	79
Geelong	17	9	1	131	128	64.8	Melbourne	12	5	0	168	77
Cheltenham	15	10	2	165	131	59.6	Essendon	10	6	1	139	102
Sandringham	11	15	1	117	160	42.6	Doncaster	10	7	0	165	107
Doncaster	11	15	1	84	109	42.6	Williamstown	9	7	1	124	126
Preston	11	15	1	131	128	42.6	Upwey Ferntree Gully	7	9	1	131	152
Newport	11	15	1	81	171	42.6	Blackburn	4	12	0	70	142
Waverley	9	16	2	96	134	37.0	Geelong	3	13	0	84	171
Williamstown	9	17	1	116	169	35.2	Preston	3	14	0	90	184
Upwey Ferntree Gully	4	22	1	106	183	16.7	Newport	1	16	0	58	185

DIVISION 1 SECONDS							WOMENS DIVISION 3					
	W	L	D	F	A	WP		W	L	D	F	A
Cheltenham	15	1	0	137	40	93.8	Doncaster	15	2	0	214	114
Essendon	12	5	0	113	62	70.6	Werribee	10	7	0	201	159
Sandringham	11	5	1	111	78	67.8	Springvale	10	7	1	176	154
Geelong	10	5	2	127	71	64.7	Essendon	8	9	0	159	171
Doncaster	9	7	1	102	95	55.9	Melbourne	8	10	0	160	166
Melbourne	8	8	1	98	94	50.0	Sunshine	7	11	0	162	237
Blackburn	8	9	0	77	91	47.1	Sandringham	6	11	1	102	180
Upwey Ferntree Gully	7	8	1	110	122	46.9	Malvern	6	12	0	151	189
Waverley	6	9	2	112	110	41.2	Waverley	0	1	0	0	9
Williamstown	6	9	1	87	95	40.6						
Newport	2	14	0	37	154	12.5						
Preston	1	15	1	68	167	8.8						

DIVISION 1 THIRDS							MASTERS 38+ SOUTH					
	W	L	D	F	A	WP		W	L	D	F	A
Melbourne	11	3	3	161	57	73.5	Springvale Tomatoes	13	1	0	171	51
Doncaster	12	4	1	167	96	73.5	Bonbeach	11	3	0	134	41
Williamstown	12	4	1	130	74	73.5	Cheltenham	10	4	0	124	90
Geelong	10	3	3	135	68	71.9	Sandringham A	10	4	0	99	70
Waverley	12	5	0	150	81	70.6	Sandringham B	7	7	0	103	117
Blackburn	10	6	0	105	112	62.5	Berwick City Cougars	7	7	0	96	82
Essendon	8	9	0	104	113	47.1	Berwick City Bradburys	5	9	0	92	82
Sandringham	5	11	1	98	152	32.4	Carrun Downs	4	10	1	67	113
Newport	5	12	0	67	118	29.4	Mornington A	2	12	0	70	147
Upwey Ferntree Gully	3	12	2	82	175	23.4	Springvale Big Cats	1	13	0	81	171
Cheltenham	3	12	2	79	162	23.5						
Preston	3	13	1	77	147	20.6						

Junior Final Ladders 2014 /15

U18 METRO	W	L	D	F	A	WP
Springvale	8	1	1	79	26	85.0
Cheltenham	9	2	1	96	51	79.2
Upwey Ferntree Gully	8	3	0	73	57	72.7
Essendon	9	4	0	89	71	69.2
Newport	7	5	0	90	74	58.8
Sandringham	6	6	0	84	73	50.0
Sunshine	2	10	0	58	139	16.7
Malvern	2	10	0	52	108	16.7
Williamstn/Werribee	1	9	0	11	75	10.0
Werribee	0	2	0	0	18	0.0

U14 STATE	W	L	D	F	A	WP
Waverley Black	10	0	0	136	19	100.0
Waverley Red	8	2	0	79	46	80.0
Newport	8	2	0	93	65	77.3
Preston	5	4	2	90	90	54.6
Sandringham	6	5	0	84	100	54.6
Geelong	6	5	1	90	79	54.2
Cheltenham Blue	6	5	2	82	73	53.9
Cheltenham White	4	7	1	78	82	37.5
Melbourne	2	7	1	59	77	25.0
Berwick City	1	9	1	74	127	13.6
Essendon Jets	1	11	1	43	150	11.5

U14 METRO EAST	W	L	D	F	A	WP
Blackburn	11	1	0	174	65	91.7
Bonbeach	9	3	0	142	78	75.0
Upwey Ftg A	8	3	1	131	92	70.8
Malvern	7	4	1	143	121	62.5
Waverley	5	7	0	115	111	41.7
Sandringham	4	9	0	99	191	30.8
Ormond G'huntley	4	10	0	93	153	28.6
Berwick City	2	11	0	65	163	15.4
Upwey Ftg B	1	0	1	0	9	0.0
Springvale	1	0	1	0	9	0.0

U16 STATE

SANDRINGHAM - STATE PREMIERS

U16 METRO	W	L	D	F	A	WP
Waverley Black	9	9	0	138	37	100.0
Sand'ham(Withdrwn)	1	0	0	9	7	100.0
Waverley Red	11	1	0	221	85	91.7
Doncaster	8	5	0	133	111	61.5
Malvern	6	5	0	111	85	54.6
Sandringham	6	6	0	119	141	50.0
Berwick City	3	9	0	107	185	26.9
Upwey Ferntree Gully	3	10	0	107	210	25.0
Mulgrave	1	11	0	69	168	8.3
Melbourne	1	0	1	0	9	0.0

U12 STATE	W	L	D	F	A	WP
Cheltenham	9	1	1	105	40	86.4
Waverley Black	8	3	0	116	67	72.7
Waverley Red	7	3	0	77	58	70.0
Preston	8	4	0	113	75	66.7
Malvern	6	4	1	96	47	59.9
Melbourne	5	6	0	75	95	45.5
Newport	4	7	0	57	107	36.7
Sandringham	2	8	0	70	115	20.0
Berwick City	0	12	0	50	146	0.0
Geelong	0	1	0	1	15	0.0

U12 METRO EAST	W	L	D	F	A	WP
Bonbeach	10	0	0	128	58	100.0
Blackburn	7	2	0	88	45	77.8
Waverley	8	3	0	111	81	72.7
Cheltenham	8	3	0	140	68	72.7
Springvale	6	4	1	132	106	59.1
Doncaster	6	5	1	125	122	54.2
Berwick City	4	6	0	78	119	40.0
Upwey Ftg Gold	4	7	0	115	119	36.4
Melbourne	2	7	0	73	126	22.2
Sandringham	2	9	0	84	144	18.2
Upwey Ftg Grey	0	11	0	74	172	0.0

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