

The Smoke Signal

Welcome to all our New and Returning Families for the Summer Season. A very big Thank You to all our Coaches, Scorers and Managers who have volunteered their time to help with Teams, without these people we would not be able get the Teams on the Diamond to have fun and enjoy Baseball. All Game Day Diamond Allocations will be up on the White Board in the hall way of the Gear Rooms/Toilets Building along with the Position Tables for each age group. Any Club Notifications will also be place on this White Board. So please take the time to check this board on a regular basis to keep up to date on what is happening with your club.

Presidents Report

Firstly welcome to all to the Colyton St Clair Baseball Club and please accept my thanks as without supporters, parents and players the club would not exist.

The club has been in existence since 1984 and we have been playing from Samuel Marsden reserve since 1989. Our new building was built and opened in December 2006.

We have been very fortunate that during the decline in numbers at other clubs we remain a strong force in the local association. We are implementing a few changes as far as the clubs approach to coaches and scorers this year which I hope see's more members put their hands up to learn and assist with the development of both the players and officials for our sport.

This summer the association unfortunately left us in a lurch in that they decided at the last minute not to run a senior competition which was unfortunate as we were not in a position to offer anything to our existing player base of summer seniors. This will not occur next year. From a junior perspective the club has 9 and one half teams this summer as we have a combined a team in the under 16 competition with half a team from the Mackillop club. We again had 7 senior teams last winter in which 5 teams made the finals with 2 teams being successful in the Grand Finals.

We recently were asked to host almost one half of the world master games baseball tournament in which a number of volunteers (approximately 20) arranged time off work and provided some outstanding service of food , drinks & facilities which all the competitors from around the world appreciated. This effort by these volunteers has also assisted in putting the club in a position to replace some aging equipment for both Junior and Senior teams.

Please remember that the sport is just that, a sport in which there are winners and losers and we need to be good at both to become better sports people.

The game is for the children to play and we should encourage at all times.

Leigh Carroll



Results Sheets

Please ensure all Results sheets are completed in **PEN** not Pencil. Please use the ABF numbers for the Registration Numbers, these are on your Brag Book Cards many sheet are being handed in using the Club Numbers. Coaches please make sure you hand all results sheets in at the Canteen on a Home Game and Phone or SMS your Away Game Result to 0418 733 306



Treasurer's Report

All Outstanding Summer Registration Fees must be paid in full by Round 9 14/11/09. All unfinancial Players as at round 10 will not be allowed to take the field until Fees are paid in full. Please do not disappoint your fellow Team Members as this may restrict your Team from playing and result in a forfeit. If you wish to discuss your account please contact Lyndley on 0418 733 306.



Rep Team Trials

Greater Western Junior Baseball Association will be holding trials very shortly for Representative Teams for 10's Rookie Cup and 12's Little League (2nd Year 12's & 1st Year 14's) and 11-14 yrs All Girls Team. As soon as I have confirmed dates I will advise the Age Groups eligible to Trial. We encourage all eligible Players to Trial for Representative Teams. Congratulations to Earl Rylewski, Ben Nicholson & Lachlan Westrip for being selected for this Year's U12's Sydney Junior Championship Greater Western Representative Team.



Pitching & Catching Coaching Clinic



A Specialised Training Clinic will be held for Pitching and Catching to any players U10's – 16's interested on Sunday 29th November 9.30 – 11.30am. Please call Lyndley on 0418 733 306 to put your name down.

Level O Coaches Course

A Level O Coaches Course is being conducted by Gary Everson. If you are interested please advise Lyndley on 0418 733 306 so we can finalise numbers that we will have attending.

When : 21st November 2009

Where : Chapman Gardens, Kingswood (McKillop's Home Ground)

Time : 1pm Sharp till 7pm

What to Bring: Glove, Bat, Water, Sunscreen and wear appropriate Clothing

Level 1 Coaches Course

If you have completed your Level O course and would like to do a Level 1 Coaches Course there is one coming up. The Physical side will be conducted over 3 nights plus 1 night of Theory, you must attend all sessions.

When:

Where: BOP (Blacktown Olympic Parks Baseball Facility) Rooty Hill

Time:

What to Bring: Glove, Bat, Water, Sunscreen and wear appropriate Clothing





Ideas and Suggestions

If you have any ideas or suggestions that you think will benefit the Club in any way please email them to www.secretary@chiefs.net.au



FOR SALE
MOUNT FRANKLIN WATER
CARTON OF 24 x 600ml
\$10.00

Canteen News

Thank you to all the Teams who have done Canteen Duty for us so far this Season it has been running very smoothly. If your Team is Rostered on for Canteen Duty we ask that 3 people volunteer to cover either 8am-10am or 10am-12pm on the opposite time slot to your game. It is a big help to the Executive Committee to have volunteers so the Club is able to provide a full Canteen Service each Saturday Morning.



Under 7's Gala Day Sunday 7th December
Plumpton Braves Ground
Alroy Reserve
Bottle Road
Plumpton
A Great Day of Fun and Excitement



Watch out for our NEW Website about to be released

www.chiefs.net.au

Be the first person to SMS your full name to 0418 733 306 once it is released and win a FREE HOT DOG & SLUSHIE



Coaches Corner

Under 7's Arapaho

The under 7's are doing quite well so far this season. They've come together as a team and are improving more each week. So far they have had a lot of fun learning everything involved from batting to fielding and I'm sure they will continue to do so.

Debbie – Coach

Under 8's Apache

For the majority of the kids and me coaching, this is our first season. The Team's skills and determination since the start of the Season is commendable. We have won games drawn a couple and lost by the smallest of margins to very competitive Teams. Everyone when fielding are now watching the play more and some players in the outfield Jackson, Ryan, Reece and Rhonan to name some are now reading the batter as to where the ball is going to be hit to. Well done boys. The batting has improved dramatically since the start of the season with more players getting base hits and our bigger hitters helping bring players home thanks to Rocky, Nathan and Ryan, keep it up. Our running to bases and catching still needs a bit more work but as a whole the Team can give themselves a big pat on the back and 3 cheers. Good Job Guys.

Scott – Coach

Under 9's Shawnee

Our Team has come together very nicely with 5 new players who have not played T.Ball before this season. I can see Improvement each week from the whole Team. The players are taking in the plays we learn at training each week and putting them in to play on game day. Our batting has come along very strongly from game 1, but kids remember don't watch the ball run !! As a Team the players are very encouraging to each other and our Parents turn up each game day and support the Team as a whole very loud and proud. Most of all we are having fun and that is the aim of the Season. Good work kids keep it up.

Lyndley – Coach

Under 10's Mohawks

The team that has come from playing off a tee to watching the ball being shot out of a machine has been a great achievement for all our players. We have had some great plays and some excellent hitting by all players and this has seen us currently coming 4th on the ladder. We have seen the kids grow from our little under sevens to now under tens and still continuing to improve on a week to week basis. We would like to thank all the kids for all their hard effort and hopefully make the finals this year and really give the other teams a run for their money.

Rhys and Jo - Coaches

