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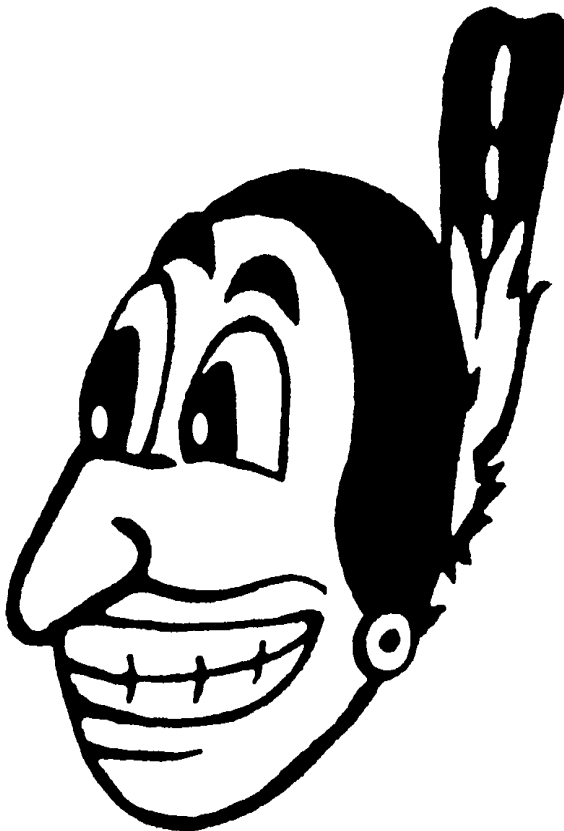
## THE FAMILY BALL CLUB

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**SMOKE SIGNALS**  
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## From the President

Finally after what seemed to be months of preparation, the season is well and truly up and running. The first game at home for the Div. 1 side saw the game started, with a less than impressive too high, too wide and too slow pitch from our Div. 1 games record holder; Scott Pratt. The rest of the game went our way with Goodwood defeating Glenelg in front of many past players who had attended the Players and Members day.

Pre-game, there was a minute silence for Hugh Franke, a recently departed life member of both Goodwood and Glenelg Baseball Clubs. After the game we presented awards in recognition of some senior game milestones to Darren Fidge & Craig Doyle (400 Senior Club games), Matt Dunn (500 Div. 1 games), Scott Pratt (Div. 1 games record holder at 542); and, "Little Gentleman" Con Guerriero (Senior Club games record holder at 737).

All these efforts are visible on our new games played honour board which recognises all players whom have played over 100 senior games for our great club. Thanks to my old mate Trevor Pratt for the huge effort put in collating all the stats over many years.

I am the first to admit that we probably should have done more in the past in our junior area, but we are pulling out all the stops to rectify the situation. The Junior Sub-Committee is doing a great job, as is the Junior Director, Scott Pratt, who has instigated new Junior Coaching Programs for every grade level and has created "Friday Night Little League", which is currently underway.

As the President this type of assistance from the junior Sub-Committee is greatly appreciated because I am aware that the Juniors are our future and we need to help them develop as players and future members of society.

There have been mixed results through the divisions, thus far, although our Div 1 side is looking good, as is our newly created Div 7 team, (first time in 10 years). Congratulations go to Mark Haylock (Field Manager), Darren Fidge, Brendan Pett, Stefan Welch and Ben Wigmore for representing S.A. in the Claxton Shield currently underway and also Stefan Welch for his Australian and Overseas efforts during the winter. I encourage all members and families to get out to the old *Home* of baseball, Norwood Oval to support our Indians in the Claxton Shield series this summer.

Thanks must go to all major sponsors - Avoca Hotel, Brecknock Insurance Brokers, Interfresh Produce, Oakford Homes, and Sage Automation. Running a club is a very expensive operation and companies like our sponsors help ease the burden.

I encourage all members to support these companies where ever possible. Capital expenditure is often an unknown factor until the season starts and having to purchase new shade structures for Diamond 2 is one such surprise. Please support your club where possible to ease the load.

Thanks to Selena Bushell for the new *Kids Corner* set up in the Clubrooms to keep our ever growing number of younger Indians amused.

Please be aware that there are meals served at the club every Thursday night, *Super Saturdays* (when 3 or more games are played) and after every Div 1 home game.

On a final note I ask all members to recognise that we share the playing fields at Mortlock Park with local residents and it is imperative for our future tenure that we maintain the good relationship with the locals and show them respect at all times.

See you at the ball game!



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## **Letter from the Editor**

Well, by now, baseball, is well and truly back underway at The Reservation for another year.

The plan, this year, will be to print to copies of The Smoke Signal, this side of Christmas, November and December and two additional copies after the Christmas and New Year break, January and February. With an edition covering the finals action to follow at the completion of the last round.

I would like to thank all of the players, coaches and officials who have submitted reports for this edition and I thank them for the punctuality of the reports. I hope this can continue throughout the year. A great improved thus far on last year.

I wish all teams the very best for the year, with all of our teams already showcasing some exceptional talent.

Until next time, I hope you enjoy this edition of The Smoke Signals

Smoke Signals  
Editor in Chief

*Drew Brougham*

# Division 1 Report

Round one saw an eager start to the season against rival Glenelg with a 8-2 victory. After a 2 run home run in the first Glenelg got away to an early lead but Fidge was dominate and this would be the only safe hit he would give up for the game.

Ben Wigmore was the best of the hitters with contributing and executing. The win was a good reward for a strong effort in the pre season.

Round 2 took us to Lockleys for a clash with, and victory over the Eagles 8-7. Galpin and Josh Wigmore lead the way, Galpin with hitting, 3 hits including HR and Josh with great defence and a couple of hits including a HR.

We executed brilliantly early to pick 8 runs in the first 5 innings to lead 8-3 but fell away offensively after that. Fidge was strong for 7 and gave way to reliever Dale Evans.

After 3 up and 3 down in the 8<sup>th</sup>, Eagles rallied in the 9<sup>th</sup> to score 4 and the winning run at 1<sup>st</sup> but Evans held his nerve and shut it out.

Round 3 was a weird day against South, going down 9-12. We certainly scored enough to win but a hand full of mental errors cost us the game. Evans gave us a solid start and came at 4-4 after 5.

We couldn't hold South and they shot out to a 12-4 lead but we came back gallantly but not enough over the last 3 innings. Pett was best player with 3 hits.

Round 4 was the Grand Final replay against Port, at Port. This was always going to be a tough contest.

In a great Pitchers' duel, Fidge and Murphy went head to head, both dominating and the difference early a solo bomb to Port import, Small and 5 no hit innings to Port import Murphy.

Murphy made it 2-0 with a solo HR but Indians rallied in the 7<sup>th</sup> to score 1 but leave 3 on. Another pop up bomb to Port saw the score 4 -1 and another rally in the 9<sup>th</sup> by Goodies was stifled by bad luck and we went down 2-4. Dunn, Josh Wigmore and Baldock hit safely



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The membership fee also includes a copy of every edition of the Club's newsletter, *The Smoke Signal*, which contains all the latest information, scores and team reports.

Membership Tickets are available from Ian Braddock  
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## **Junior Development - Scott Pratt**

The junior program started back before the AGM with a lot of planning and organizing to inject a new feel towards our juniors.

The first step was to reform the successful Junior Sub Committee with Ken Doran leading as Junior Convenor, Tracey Marsh as Secretary and myself as Baseball Manager. Tracey was successful in recruiting Di Smith as Treasurer and Esther Rosen and Sheena Ryan as Social. After our first meeting you could see everyone had a high level of enthusiasm and drive to improve our junior area.

For the benefit of our club Ken Doran took on the President role and I would like to personally thank Ken for putting his "hand up" and taking on this role. I then took over Ken's role. Also thank you to Sue Schunke for coming on board as Assistant Secretary.

The next step was our Off Season Training program run by Ian Braddock, who is great with the kids and has a wealth of knowledge to pass on. Thank you Ian and the many assistants, it was great to have so many help out.

Following up from this we had a pitchers and catchers training program run by Darren Fidge and Ben Wigmore teaching not only a physical, but also a mental approach, and mentoring the players – to have these two players who are two of the best players in this state teaching our players, is a huge bonus for our club. Thank you Darren and Ben.

During this time we appointed our coaches unfortunately we had to withdraw our U14 side due to lack of numbers – a concern – yes - and it just shows how important it is to maintain a program to bring new players into our club.

I would like to thank the players that had to change out of their age groups, who made a huge sacrifice for the benefit of our club.

The coaches appointed this year are;

U12 Major – Coach Chris Marsh Assistant Coach Steve Schunke Manager Neil Bennett

U12 Minor – Coach Grant Clark Assistant Coaches Andrew Bicanin and Brenton Coxon

U16 – Coach Paul Fairnington Assistant Coaches Steve Baker and Justin Hancock

Thank you to all the coaches, to have these coaches helping our juniors is fantastic. Congratulations to Chris and Tracey Marsh for completing their Level 1 coaching accreditation and their Asthma Course as well.

Tracey also organized for all coaches and assistants to complete the Asthma course as well, so thanks to Tracey for organising this and to the coaches for attending. A great initiative and to date, we are the only club that has completed this course!!

During the preseason our social committee organised a BBQ at Woolworths Cumberland Park which was a huge success – Thank you to Tracey and Esther and all helpers, this day was a great success and thank you for backing it up the next day at training.

We launched the season with Bingo Night which was a huge success



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## Junior Development - Scott Pratt

I personally would like to thank the coaches for their support they have given me – I have introduced a training program working with the coaches in planning trainings and identifying areas to work on.

Their willingness to learn and adapt to change is a huge credit to them and a big positive for the future of our club. They are also spending time with Mark Haylock at trainings and game days learning from the best – Thanks Angus. We also will have some specialist coaches that will also spend time with our coaches – passing on their knowledge.

As you can see there has been a lot of time, work and effort put in to the juniors during the “off season” and I would like to thank Tracey Marsh for all the work she has done and also to our junior committee. There is a great group of people involved in our juniors all with a common goal of making our junior program the best in the state.

Regards,  
Scott Pratt  
Junior Development Director



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# **Around the Diamond**

## **The Families of the Goodwood Baseball Club**

### Clements

Parents: Late, Lionel and Late Dot.

3 Sons, Mal, Glen, and Dean.

The whole family is always involved in the operation of the club. Dot billeted interstate players for the Goodwood Division 1 side, from time to time, and was actively involved in the ladies committee . Dot often hosted BBQ's for the club Division 1 games, at her home, during the clubs' relocation from the parklands to its current standing, at Mortlock Park (The Reservation).

Mal, a great catcher, batter and clubman, enjoyed success during his Night Baseball Career, Mal caught, Neil Page's amazing feat of 19 innings against Port Adelaide, under lights at Norwood Oval. Mal ties Ron Sharpe for the games played at Claxton Shield level.

Glen is a valued life member, has been awarded the Jill Baker Memorial Trophy, and he was, Div 1 assistant coach to Tom Gadd, in 1977. His team had amounted 3,820 games between them, and included 7 life members.

Glen's huge scrapbook is a huge credit to him, and his efforts to keep the clubs honour roll up to date, is a magnificent achievement and was an energetic Social Club member for along time.

Glen has retrieved hundreds of baseballs from the top of the clubrooms, over many of the past seasons. A top clubman.

Dean is a also a life member, Dean has played Division 1, but his tragic speedway accident, which almost took his life, put that Division 1 career on hold. Dean is nowadays a Masters fanatic, and enjoys playing in the social levels of Division 6 and 7.

For a long time Dean has been taking care of the grounds of the Reservation.

Something worth noting, Mal, Glen and Dean, were all catchers, there must be a record for the number of games played as catchers, from all coming from the one family.

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# **Around the Diamond**

## **The Families of the Goodwood Baseball Club**

### Bushell

Parents: John and Helen

Son James and wife Selena

John is a patron of our club, Barman, and a great toiler for the club. From time to time, Helen shared club finance duties with James and also the Secretarial duties. Both, Helen and John, are one of the longest serving parents of the club.

James is a life member, and has amassed 600 senior club games, including 500 in Division 1. Included in those 600 games, are 3 Division 1 premier-ships. Others roles around the club in the past and currently, filled by James include Secretary, Smoke Signal Editor, various management duties including overseeing the construction of the main diamond in 1999.

Pitching for the Giants in the National Competition, held at Norwood Oval, is an other highlight of a decorated career. James' outstanding efforts in gathering all tapes, memorabilia, such as framed photos, scorebooks, and trophies has been greatly appreciated by all.

James, for his contributions, to the Goodwood Baseball Club, on and off the field, is considered one of the great and is held in high regard by many.

Lets not forget Selena, for the support, she has shown James, and the club. Not to mention achieving a Bronze Medal, at the 2000 Sydney Olympics, in Softball.

This has been *Around the Diamond with Bert Haynes...*

## Division 2

Sunday 11th October.

Glenelg 10 def Goodwood 5

Not the ideal start to kick off the season though there were some promising signs.

Welcome back to the bigger league's J. Clark pitching 3 and 3/4 innings giving up just 3 runs.

With both teams collecting just 6 safe hits it was our defence which let us down. Physical and mental errors told the story and is certainly an area for rapid improvement if we wish to be contenders later in the season.

Some powerful hitting from "Macho" Muggleton and some timely work on the mound from Toby and "Micko" has laid some foundations to build on in the coming weeks.

Congratulations to all other teams who had a win over the weekend.

Hits: Muggleton 2, Lavis, Brown, C. Scott and A. Scott 1 each.

Sunday 18th October

West Torrens 10 def Goodwood 0.

I'd like to write more but I think I can sum it up in one word.....ERRORS

We were never in this game as the Eagles jumped out of the blocks scoring 5 runs in the first frame.

Simply smashed off the park today. One hell of a wake up call for this team.

Harder work certainly required if we want to even think about March.

8 errors to 0 tell a pretty sad story.

Simply one to forget.

Hits: Brown and Evans. 1 each

Sunday 25th October.

Goodwood 8 def South 6

Well, that looks a bit better doesn't it.

Following a spray from coach Fox after last week's drubbing the boys responded this week with a hard fought win over the Hawks.

6 runs scored in the first frame set up the win with our best hitting perform-

## **Division 2**

November 1 2009

Goodwood 6 def Port 5

Sitting with just one win on the board from 3 starts this was a must win game for the young divvy 2 outfit.

Port were unbeaten going into this game so we knew it was going to be a cracker of an outing.

With the first 2 frames failing to trouble the scorers it wasn't until the 3rd frame where our bats came alight.

Brown, Evans and Fielder led the 3rd dig off loading the bases early on with Bushy and Larry to knock some runs in. 5 runs were scored in a matter of seconds and suddenly this game had been broken open.

But, to Port's credit they fought back and with a couple of errors by our fielder's we let the door open only to see them level it up at 5 a piece.

This would be the case for the 5th and 6th frames and as we headed into the 7th with a tied ball game it was game on.

Coach Fox led off with a crucial BB which was followed by a Sac bunt from Bushy to move the old fella over to second.

Muggsie found his way to first with a BB as well leaving us with runners at 1st and 2nd with just the 1 out.

"Hot bat Lavis" whom at this stage had collected 3 safe hits for the day strolled to the plate and belted one into centre right. Coach Fox rounded third expecting to score but was held up at the last minute by 3B coach O'Connor.

Muggsie found himself in a trap play between 2nd and 3rd while Fox hopped on his A-frame and headed for home.

The trap switched from Muggsie to Fox and with some heads up base running, Fox found himself sliding head first into home plate to score the go ahead run.

Let's say stumbling, not sliding. Quite funny really. Wounds to show if anyone interested.

## Division 2 (cont..)

Saturday 7th November  
Goodwood 24 def Henley &  
Grange 0

Game 1 of the first of the double headers for the year and what a way to kick the weekend off. Playing the bottom ranked team thus far the boys were keen for a solid outing and that is what we achieved.

Saturday 7th November  
Goodwood 24 def Henley &  
Grange 0

Game 1 of the first of the double headers for the year, and what a *Jake the Snake Charmer* was rock solid on the hill, striking out 6 batters and gave up just 2 hits for the entire game. Great to see him back playing, following his footy season.

Our bats and some disciplined hitting told the story really with the team collecting 16 hits for the day along with 11 BB's. When you get this many runners on base, you're going to score a plethora of runs.

Our first and fifth frames were where the damage was done, we piled on 6, and 9 runs respectively. All in all a solid performance both defensively and offensively to secure us with another 2 points.

Special mentions to Muggsie and Fox who collected 6 RBI's each for the day.

Also, Braddo collecting 2 hits and 3 walks in his first outing in the 2's for the year.

Hits: Bushell 3, Evans, Fielder, Braddock, Muggleton, Brice 2 each, Brown, Lavis and Muchan 1 each.

I would also just like to congratulate Selena and her social committee for putting on a fantastic Hawaiian night at the club on Saturday night (Nov. 7).

Many hours of behind the scenes preparation made the night possible and a big thank you to all of you for a great evening.

Geez those Div. 3 boys can drink. Row, row, row your boats.

Division 2 Coach  
Matt "Fox" Fielder

## Division 3

Goodwood v South Saturday  
10th October  
Goodwood 13 South 3

With 9 players missing from our Grand Final side due to various commitments our team was a melting pot of Come Back Kids (Mike Fidge & Matt Sinclair) Country Recruits from Mildura (Kale & Brodie McBain) Promoted from lower grades (Grant Clark) Guest Appearance (Cam Wood) with Rusty Lescai, Brian Blanton and myself making up the starting 9.

3 all going into the bottom 3rd and the game looked tight we then scored 1 run from a couple of walks and good base running. Brodie McBain threw well and showed he will be a valuable asset on the mound.

Drew Brougham came in to pitch and kept them scoreless.

Cameron Wood then got things moving in the 4th with a 2 run double with Grant Clark following suit with another 2 run double to give us 4 runs and the score 8-3.

Drew held them again and then Cam Wood showed that all that time in the Lexus Centre has paid off - "going deep" for a 2 run BOMB.

Drew Brougham picked up a 2 run single followed up by Skipper Blanton's 1 run single and 13 - 3 game over.

Special mention to Sam Brice coming off the bench going 3 for 3 in his first Division 3 game.

Welcome back Danny Dunn my trusty assistant and thanks to Callum Brown, Gus Marr and Craig Taylor for sitting on the bench and all coming in to get some valuable game time.

Good to get that first win on the board.

Hits; Brice 3, Wood 2 (1HR), Blanton 2, Fidge, Clark, Lescai, Brougham.

Goodwood vs. Sturt  
Saturday 17th October  
Goodwood 14 Sturt 1

3 changes to our line up with Cam Wood off to China for holidays Kale and Brodie McBain moving up to the 2's in came Steven Dew back from holidays (our 4th player from last years Grand Final) and Adam Baker down from 2's and Callum Brown also in to get some innings pitching and we took on a very young and inexperienced opposition.

# Friday Night Little League

Friday Night was the start of our "Little League" program. This is a skills based clinic program where children aged 4-9 participate in a fun program to develop the skills of baseball.

With a turn out of approx 100 children for our first night and the sun shining fun was had by all. To see so many children running around and playing on our main field was certainly an enjoyable sight.

There has been many hours spent in getting to this stage and i would like thank the following people - Tracey Marsh - Trevor Pratt and Jim Maynard for all their work behind the scenes helping me put this program together and also their help on Friday Night.

To our other support staff - Trevor Rech on the BBQ - Soulman and Jade Marsh in the Canteen - Di Smith registration and Esther Rosen helping in the Canteen. John Fairnington for helping set up.

Our coaches James Bushell - Simon Croxton (welcome to our club) - Ray Binns - Sam Brice - Dylan Brice - Jake Wild - Callum Brown - Adam Baker - Mike Mullins - Craig Taylor - Bob Wood - Gus Marr - Burt Haynes - Matt Sinclair - Jim Maynard - Con Guerrero - Cooper Marsh - Daniel & Jesse Whitaker.

The success of this program relies on the help of volunteers and coaches so thanks to those who helped kick the year off.

We welcome any help or even if you just want to come and check out what's happening on a Friday Night 5.15 till 6.30pm.

We have been fortunate to secure sponsors for this program and I would also like to thank them for their support.

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Scott Pratt  
Junior Development Director

## **Division 3**

Going into the 4th 11-1 the boys kept swinging with hits to Lescai, Brown, Brougham and Pratt and another 3 runs making it 14-1.

Drew Brougham came in and closed the game with 3 up 3 down for 5 pitches - Game over - Awesome work Drewskie.

Hits: Clark, Pratt 3, Blanton, Lescai 2, Fidge, Brice, Brown and Brougham 1 each.

Saturday 25 October  
Goodwood vs. GGCD  
Goodwood 8 GGCD 3

This week we saw the return of Anthony Coxon and Scott Crutchley after 2 weeks in the world masters it was a timely return as Mike Fidge took his leave off to Japan. The door kept revolving as Brodie McBain also joined us this week.

Playing the Grovers who last year were our nemesis we knew that this week we would need to play out the whole game. They drew first blood in the second scoring 1 run.

The bottom 3rd and the top of our line up and Skipper Blanton lead the way to get on followed by hits to Clark, Pratt, Crutchley, Dew a sacrifice fly to McBain and a hit to Lescai, 9 batters later and 4 runs side away.

Coxon holds them in the fourth and we put one on the board 5-1 and Brodie McBain comes on and the Grovers come out firing and put 2 on the board but keeping his composure Brodie shut them down. Another run for us in the 5th making it 6-3.

Time for Drew Brougham to come in and keeping his cool as the Grovers kept swinging and with some very solid defence by Grant Clark in the hot corner we held them scoreless and then put another 2 on the board making it 8-3.

After being here twice last year and getting beaten the boys we fired up for a win as their number 9 comes out and gets a hit keeping his cool on the mound Drew gets the next hitter to pop up and then gets the Tonsley Boys Coxon and Pratt to roll a double to end the game.

## Division 3

Saturday November 1  
Glenelg vs. Goodwood  
Goodwood 2 Glenelg 1

Heading down to Glenelg we knew we were in for a tight game against a club rich in pitchers flowing through their top 4 divisions. Batting first we jumped them with Skipper Blanton leading off with a hit and then moved into a scoring position from Coxon and Pratt and then scoring from some heads up running from Coxon and himself saw us get 1 on the board.

Anthony Coxon came out taking on his masters mates, *G Force* and was in fine form from the start telling the lad at the scoreboard to sit back and enjoy the sunshine. He was right the next 6 innings scoreless for both teams.

Going into the 8th we knew we needed to score to give us some insurance runs and it was Skipper Blanton again leading off with a single then a shot to left field by Scott Crutchley gives us another run.

2-0, and the bays showed their fighting spirit and with a couple of bleeders to pick up their first run for the day. With 2 runners on 1 out in the bottom of the 8th *Cocko* dug deep and showed why he has been a quality pitcher for so long shutting them down and collecting the win.

Well played Brian Blanton 2 hits and 2 runs. Scott Crutchley swinging a hot bat all day. Steven Dew some nice catches in right field and heads up base running.



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## **Division 3**

Saturday 7 November  
Goodwood vs. East Torrens  
Goodwood 12 East Torrens 5

Missing our starting pitcher Anthony (Rev Head) Coxon enjoying some laps around Mallala in came Brodie McBain to start with and big 0 spot in the 1st. Not content with that he came up and hit a double followed up by a hit Supedog to drive him in and get the first run on the board.

East Torrens quickly bounced back with 1 in the second and then held us scoreless.

Brodie came out shut them back down with 3 up 3 down and with a quick chat and call for runs the boys jumped straight to it - Skipper Blanton leading off with a single then hits from B. McBain, Scotty Crutchley, Steve Dew, Russ Lescai, Cam Scott and with Supedog wearing one AGAIN. 5 runs scored the boys did respond.

Drew Brougham came in and kept the Red Sox quiet for the next 2 innings and we continued to score with 2 in the 4th and 5th and 1 in the 7th then a late reply by the Sox in the last scoring 2 runs with 5 on the board and 12 for us game was called.

Well done to our pitchers Brodie McBain and Drew Brougham. Russ Lescai continues to get better each week both in the field and collecting 3 hits.

A special mention to Craig Doyle for umpiring our game Thanks Royalty!!

Hits; McBain, Crutchley and Lescai 3 Blanton, Pratt 2 , Dew, Scott and Brougham, 1 each

Division 3 Coach  
Scott Pratt



## **U/12 Minors**

Goodwood vs. Kensington  
Goodwood 9 Kensington 10

The season started with a bang. Three hits in the 1st for the maximum 5 runs; many stolen bases. An injury to our starting pitcher slowed the momentum and we were outscored each successive inning.

Great performance from many new starters and solid from 2nd year players. Brayden caught well all day, Brandon put 1 deep left field and B with 3 strike outs and a double were the more memorable moments.

### **Stats:**

Team K's against Walks for:  
Gwd 11 7  
Kens 8 10

Much to work on, but a lot to work with.

Goodwood vs. Souths  
Win.

Game 2 gave the lads their 1st win, for many of them their 1st win ever in competition baseball. Liam H. threw solid with many strikes and although South's got 2 good hits off of him they scored no runs.

Brandon's enthusiastic pitching performance was well received by all and Josh followed with his normal solid performance.

Again we hit early to score 5 in the 1st with hits to 5 of our 1st 6 hitters. Most pleasing was the fact the team only swung at strikes forcing the pitchers to throw many pitches.

Braydon G took a great catch at centre field.

Grant Clark  
For the U/12 LL Minors.

## Division 5

October 10 2009

Goodwood vs. Adelaide

Adelaide 12 Goodwood 6

Welcome back to another year of Indians Baseball.

Well the Div. 5 boys, after a few weeks of pre-season, and a resignation of our coach, Dave Swigart, (bloody yanks) faced a side who likes hitting the ball. Braddo took the challenge up as coach (he needs more of a challenge than looking after the chiefs).

We started with Dave McCloud on the mound, who pitched well for 3 inns, J.K. followed in relief and our closer, was Bedposts (tugger). Otherwise known as, Barry Cuming.

We started a bit rusty in the field and with the bats.

Not much more to say about this game, as we were out hit 16-10 except we have a few leading for the toilet seat. (Most Ks in a season)

After that we can only hope we are like a good red, we get better with age.

Hits: C. Guerriero, R. Marini, M. Cunningham, D. McCloud, B. Tavener, M. Brougham, B. Cuming, C. Marsh, J.K, M. Rosenzweig 1 each.

Also thanks to the Div. 6 boys for staying around and sitting on the bench.

October 17 2009

Goodwood vs. GGCD

GGCD 12 Goodwood 4

The score doesn't show really how close it was. Until the sixth innings, we were 1 run down and looking like taking the game away and that's when our luck ran out and they scored 7 runs. Thanks to the new ruling in div 5, we can only score 7 runs in a innings now, so our favourite umpire (cough, cough) called GAME.

We started with Macca (the last before he leaves for America for 3 weeks, Good luck Macca). He threw well for three innings, 3 K2's and for only 3 runs. After that, a couple of bleeders and a few errors and lack of our bats firing didn't help the situation.

We also welcomed our *import* to Goodwood by putting him behind the dish, and leading him off, really throwing him in the deep end. Welcome Pommy! (Brian Sanderson, Formerly East Torrens).

## Division 5

October 24 2009

East Torrens vs. Goodwood

E.T 4 - Goodwood 7

Finally the boys are on the board.

A minor hiccup at selection saw our coach heading to Div 7 for a pitch, so our Assistant Coach took the reigns and sensing some urgency in getting a win, a few of the old boys went back to their normal spots in the batting line up.

The first innings went the same for both teams, very quick. E.T scored 1 in the 2nd.

we started the 3<sup>rd</sup> innings well with doubles to J.K and Con, to tie the game up, but failed to continue it, as E.T turned over a good double play. We took the lead in the 4th by one, via an error, and then a stolen base for Gus, a single hit for Brrmm and then a Sac fly for Rosy to score Gus.

In the 5<sup>th</sup>, we scored 4 runs starting with singles to Con, Dazz and our Captain, Bazza, Bobby had a sac fly and then singles to Brrmm and Rosy, to score a few runs. A 5 run lead is never enough against E.T as they proved to us in the bottom 5th scoring, 2.

We scored one run in the top of the 7th from a single by Gus and with another stolen base, followed by yet, another single to bring Gus home, by Brrmm, now giving us a healthy 3 run lead.

To finish off E.T 3 up and 3 down was very satisfying for J.K as he threw the whole game for 9 hits, 4K2's and 3 BB's a job well done.

A job well done by all for the WIN.

Hits: Con, Brrmm (welcome back) 3, Bazza 2, Dazz, Gus, Rosy and J.K 1 each.

Play of the day was Bobby's diving catch and throw to 2nd for the double (POETRY in MOTION)

Goodwood vs. Flinders

Flinders 11 - Goodwood 8

Playing Flinders up there you don't know what to expect, the following runs through your head before arriving at the ground. 1. What the mound is like? 2. If they have filled the bases with dirt. 3. How much sand is in the

## Division 5

About the game, if we forget the first innings, it wasn't a bad game. However, giving them 7 runs in the 1st doesn't help. Bleeders and errors didn't make for a good start.

But to our credit, we came back in the 6<sup>th</sup> and out scored them. In the 3rd we scored 5 runs with hits to Con, Darryl Rankine (HR), Plugger, Brrmm (HR), Rosy and Bobby. But, the lead we gave them was too great to over take their enthusiasm.

Play of the Day: Little Gentleman's (Con) great batting going 4 for 5.  
HITS: Con 4, Rosy, Dazz (HR), Bobby 2, Brrmm (HR), Plugger 1 each

Division 5 Coach  
Mark Brougham

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## **Division 6**

10th October

Goodwood v Adelaide

Adelaide 10 - Goodwood 3.

Our first game back and almost a full team on the bench made the coaches life hard. Mark Cunningham showed the boys how to bat and knocked one out of the park.

Unfortunately some bad errors saw Adelaide score 7 unearned runs, which saw us go down 10- 3.

Hits: M. Cunningham 3, B. Tavener 1, C. Marsh 1, D. Clements, 1

17th October

Goodwood v GGCD

Goodwood 3 GGCD 12

Game 2 saw us against GGCD and with Division 7 now entered not so many to move around.

The top of the 3rd innings saw us 3 - 2 up, playing a fairly solid game.

Top of the 4th and the wheels started to come off, a few errors made and no more hitting from the boys saw us go down 12-3

Hits: S. Andrews (Wolfy) 2, R. Pett, A. Russell and Craig Taylor, 1 each.

24th October 2009

Goodwood v East Torrens

Goodwood 7 East Torrens 9

This week the boys had a better time at bat and really started looking like a team.

Top of the 3rd we were 7-3 up unfortunately at the bottom of 3rd innings saw a few errors and some unearned runs and we were 7 -7.

## **Division 7**

### ***First Game of The Goodwood Indians new Division 7 side.***

October 17 2009

Goodwood vs. Rams

Goodwood 8 - Rams 3

Goodwood's brand new team took to diamond number 2, on Saturday, against the Rams, for their first hit out, and we came home with the chocolates, 8-3.

Old man Braddo threw the first 4 innings, and sent a number of Rams back to the paddock having never seen a ball move that far.

Catching Braddo is never easy and we were lucky to have Doodle behind the dish, he did a great job.

Braddo broke their backs and Doodle needed some time on the hill so the swap was made with Plugger taking over behind the dish.

We were lucky to have these players, and they all did a job for the team. Others to do well were, Sam Cann, Steve Cann, Peter Wright, Ian Evans and Mike Goldspink.

These players will be the guts of the team this season with others floating in and out. Steve Morris and Gordon Penhall managed the team to their first win, well done all.

October 24 2009

Port Adelaide vs. Goodwood

Port 10 - Goodwood 9.

I thought we would play the Port Adelaide of old, when we drifted down the end of Port Rd. However, they all must have been on a seniors bus ride, as a very different team showed up to play.

We started well with Braddo keeping the Port boys to 0 runs while we managed to plate 6.

The DR rule in 7s is GOLD and we used it a lot, thanks Henry great job on bags. After 5 maybe 6 and the game was in the bag, so Henry took to the hill.

Having no bench, after latest recruit Jim Sinclair tore a hamstring and some of our

## U/16s

Goodwood vs. Gawler

Loss

With the absence of an U/14's side this year we have promoted 4 players up to U/16's this year, bigger diamond, bigger bats and bigger opposition.

Also a big welcome to the Club to Nick Sinnett who has come out for his first season of baseball and to John MacDonald who is returning to baseball after a few years absence but his first season with the Indians.

After a solid preseason we got off to a shaky start with a big defeat to Gawler. With a few green catchers and pitchers who are getting used to throwing the full distance we gave up too many runs with pass balls and walks.

All are eager to learn and improve so it won't be long until we start to show signs of the work they have put in.

Hits: T. Hancock 2, J. Baker, Jones, Kostoglau, Rech.

A big thank you to the Junior Committee for their hard work already this year.

The Bingo night was an excellent way to kick the season off and the training programs that have been put into place to help the kids improve are already shown signs of working.

Henley & Grange vs. Goodwood

Loss

Our program lasted a whole week with South dropping out meant our trip to Flaxmill Rd was cancelled and instead we headed down to Henley & Grange. On a windy day we started positively posting 2 runs in the first innings then they responded with 3.

A quick 3 up 3 down after 5 pitches put us back in the field where they put on another 2. We then pulled 1 back to see them put on 5. We responded with 3 runs of our own but again failed to keep them to a goose egg and they extended their lead with an 8 run innings.

We went into, what ended up being the last, too many runs down to win but we showed the Indians spirit piling on 5 well earned runs. One you had to be there to see.

## U/16s

Hits: L. Hancock 3(2 DBLS), MacDonald, Kostoglou (2 DBLS) 2, J. Baker, Jones, A. Baker, T. Hancock (DBL)

Goodwood vs. Gawler

Loss

We also welcomed another new player to the team in Brandon Pedersen new to the game but keen to learn and has a good eye.

Well, summer showed its self for the first time this season and coming up against Gawler again it could have been a good opportunity to show ourselves how much we have improved.

Unfortunately this was not the case, with too many errors. Hopefully it was just the heat which affected us and we can bounce back in the next game.

The highlight of the game and the season so far was a TRIPLE PLAY turned by the team.

A great return catch to Luke Hancock having his first outing on the mound it then turned into a bit of a scorers nightmare but I believe it read like this 1-3, 3-7, 7-6 to get the second out and then 6-1, 1-3 to get the final out.

Confusion reigned for a minute but we all worked it out in the end.

Hits: T. Hancock, L. Hancock, J. Kostoglou (DBL)

Goodwood vs. ET/GGCD

Win.

Victory is ours!

Our first win for the year against a composite East Torrens / GGCD side in very contrasting conditions to last week.

With missing 2 training sessions and last weeks game because of the heat I thought we may have been a bit rusty at the start. They did jump us early with 2 runs in their first innings, but the signs were positive with Josh Bywater looking solid on the mound.

We then responded with 3 runs in the next innings thanks to Justin Hancock moving runners around with signals (which put us into scoring position), some solid hitting and a bit of luck. They pulled 1 back to tie it up. Both teams followed up with a 4 up 3 out innings with Josh having his best outing for the year.

We broke it open in the 4th to put 2 more on the board with our confidence lifting and some aggressive base running were in a strong position to get our first win. They however piled on 6 runs with some errors in the field and a few hits in a row to them to put the pressure on us to score 5 to go into their last at bat.

## **Under 12s Major**

Game 1.

Goodwood drew 6 all with Adelaide

Hello all, On Sunday we played Adelaide at home, with 4 of the 10 players playing there first ever games the whole team pulled together and managed to draw 6-6, nice work guys.

Young Alex Smith had a great start to the year with a nice 3 innings pitched with Blake Schunke showing some great courage to lift his head and come back to throw a awesome last dig.

Elliot Bennett held his nerve to take a nice fly catch in his first game and the most enthusiastic play of the day goes to Daniel Scott with the most pumped up crossing of home plate I've ever seen, got to love the fire in the belly.

Hits: Blake, Alex, Kane and Jay all with 1

Goodwood 9 West Torrens 12

Last years premiers, we knew it was going to be a very tough game as West Torrens fielding is a pleasure to watch.

The boys did a fantastic job staying pretty much run for run, then we made a few little errors and a big hit over the home run cones from their big guy and 2 of the best catches I've seen in U/12's from their left fielder (nice hits Alex) gave them the lead in the 3rd. To the team's credit they didn't let it get them down and fought hard till the end.

All in all there were some very good signs for the future and its only going to get better from here.

Play of the day: In my eyes Blake Schunke's keen eye watching the ball while on base, stole from 2nd to home on a simple throw back to the pitcher who dropped it, then under pressure did bad throw to 3rd, Great job

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