



CARLINGFORD BASEBALL CLUB INC.

ANNUAL REPORT

2009-2010

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**MINUTES OF 2009 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
CARLINGFORD BASEBALL CLUB INC**

Murray Farm Reserve
Sunday 5th April 2009

In attendance:

Robyn Gosper, Andrew Borg, Jane Carpenter, Bill Hedi, David Aiston, Margo Buckingham, Mark Buckingham, Garry Butler, Ross O'Shannassy, Carol Barton, Mark Power, Neil Roach, Brad Clark, David Perger, Graeme Hall, Nicole Lawson, Lyn Martinson, James Hunt, Tamara Yee, Stuart Yee, Sharon Fowler, Suzanne Glanville, Simon Glanville, Stewart Lawson, Patrick Fazzino, Hope Hedi, Maureen Borg, Donna Bysouth, Robyn Morgan, Karen Aiston, Matt Topfer, Katrina Topfer, Donna Wearne, Craig Wearne, Justin Federer, Michelle Federer, Dave Morgan, Janice Chapman, Stu Bysouth, John Butt.

The meeting opened at 2.30pm. The President welcomed members, life members and all attending.

The minutes of AGM 2008 were read as published.

Motion that the minutes be accepted as published and amended.

Moved: Stu Bysouth. Seconded: John Butt....carried.

President's Report was read by Andrew Borg as published.

Andrew Borg was very pleased with the work the committee did throughout the season. He was very happy with the outcome from the All stars and Legends game that was held at the conclusion of the season.

He congratulated the Junior umpires and said it was a wonderful success.

Andrew thanked Carol Barton for a wonderful effort being our Junior Co-Ordinator.

He thanked Brad Clark for holding the position of Senior Co-Ordinator and doing a great job.

Andrew thanked Robyn Gosper for her support in the season which made his job a lot easier.

Andrew thanked Ross O'Shannassy for his role in being Vice president over the last couple of years as he is standing down this year.

Motion that the President's Report be accepted.

Moved: John Butt. Seconded: Steve Gosper....carried.

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ecretary's Report as published.

Motion that the Secretary's Report be accepted.

Moved: Ross O'Shannassy. Seconded: Dave Morgan....carried.

Treasurer's report as published.

Motion that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.

Moved: Stu Bysouth. Seconded: Bill Pollock....carried.

Registrar's Report as published.

Motion that the Registrar's Report be accepted.

Moved: Ross O'Shannassy. Seconded: Steve Gosper....carried.

Junior Teams Co-Ordinator's report as published.

Motion that the Junior teams Co-Ordinator's Report be accepted.

Moved: Stu Bysouth. Seconded: John Butt....carried.

Junior Tee-ball Co-Ordinator's report as published.

Motion that the Junior Tee-ball Co-Ordinator's Report be accepted.

Moved: Mark Buckingham. Seconded: Steve Gosper....carried.

Groundsman's Report as published.

Motion hat the Groundsman's Report be accepted.

Moved: Stu Bysouth. Seconded: John Butt....carried.

Other committee members who did not publish reports were invited to make a brief comment on their roles.

The President declared all committee positions vacant for 2009 and asked Ross O'Shannassy to be the returning officer.

Ross assumed the chair and thanked the outgoing committee for their efforts and a job well done.

Election of the new committee followed (see the following page). There were still a few unfilled positions.

Motion that the unfilled positions be considered at the first meeting.

Moved: Bill Fowler. Seconded John Butt.

After the election, the president Andrew Borg resumed the chair. Andrew thanked Ross for acting as returning officer.

Motion that the President and Treasurer be given authority to sign annual return on behalf of the club.

Moved: Mark Buckingham. Seconded: Ross O'Shannassy.

Meeting Closed 2.50pm.

2009/2010 COMMITTEE ELECTION
ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS for Year 2009/2010

POSITION	NOMINEE	PROPOSER	SECONDER	ACCEPT/ DECLINE	ELECTED
President	Andrew Borg	R O'Shannassy	John Butt	Yes	Yes
Vice President	Patrick Fazzone	Andrew Borg	Dave Aiston	Yes	Yes
Secretary	Robyn Gosper	Carol Barton	Bill Fowler	Yes	Yes
Treasurer	John Butt	Stuart Bysouth	Steve Gosper	Yes	Yes
Junior Teams' Coordinator	Carol Barton	Dave Aiston	John Butt	Yes	Yes
Tee Ball Teams' Coordinator	Stuart Bysouth	Carol Barton	Andrew Borg	Yes	Yes
Senior Teams' Coordinator	Brad Clark	Mark Power	Dave Aiston	Yes	Yes
Grounds Officer	Dave Aiston	Carol Barton	Steve Gosper	Yes	Yes
Assist Grounds Officer					
Equipment Officer	Brad Mountford	Brad Clark	Neil Roach	Yes	Yes
Canteen Manager					
Uniform Manager	Steve Gosper	David Perger	Carol Barton	Yes	Yes
Social Committee					
Fund Raising					
Umpire Dev Officer	Alex Borg	Stuart Bysouth	Steve Gosper	Yes	Yes
Coaching Dev Officer	Neil Roach	John Butt	Mark Power	Yes	Yes
Registrar	David Perger	R O'Shannassy	Robyn Gosper	Yes	Yes
Publications Officer					
Junior Teams' Recorder					
Hills Delegate – Senior	Mark Power	John Butt	Brad Clark	Yes	Yes
Hills Delegate – Senior (Alternate)					
Hills Delegate – Junior					
Hills Delegate – Junior (Alternate)					
Public Officer	Patrick Fazzone	Andrew Borg	John Butt	Yes	Yes
Auditor	Bill Hedi	Steve Gosper	Dave Aiston	Yes	Yes

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I am pleased to present the 2009-10 Annual report on behalf of our Management Committee.

This past year has been extremely rewarding and successful for the club at a number of levels.

Our Junior Live Ball teams had a wonderful summer season, bringing home no less than three (3) championships. All three teams finished either 1st or 2nd in the home and away series, confirming not only their talent and ability to win big games, but their consistency to perform week in and week out. *Congratulations to the u17 Braves, the u12 Braves and the u11 Cardinals.*

Our Seniors Teams competed well throughout both Winter and Summer seasons, making a number of playoffs. Unfortunately, we could not win the big one.

Special mention goes to Mark Trau, a former Carlingford Junior who has recently left our shores to try his hand in the US after being signed by the Minnesota Twins organisation. Mark's talent, strong work ethic and humility should serve him well in what will be a massive challenge for him. The only thing greater than our pride in Mark, is that of his parents Gai and Mike who have supported him well and kept his head clear and grounded. *Good Luck Mark!!!*

Additional work was completed at Muirfield High School's diamond during the year. We use this diamond for both the summer and winter seasons, and we normally need to restrict any work to the Christmas/New Year period. Nevertheless, with each year, the ground is improving and will soon be up to scratch. *A big thank you goes to Tony Turner (Teacher at Muirfield and keen baseballer himself) and Muirfield High School generally, whose support and assistance in maintaining and improving the ground is appreciated.*

We have this year chosen to seek a couple of changes to our constitution. The first involves the recognition of the important roles played by our Junior and Senior Co-ordinators in the Club, elevating these both to Vice President positions. Secondly, we are seeking to be more engaging with our committee by allowing informal General Committee members to participate without the requirement to hold a formal position. The long term success of the club is dependant on stability, continuity and, most importantly, the energy of our committee. This change will go some way towards achieving this. *Thank you to Patrick Fazzone for his guidance and support in managing this process.*

During the year we have embarked on a complete overhaul of our website. The previously restrictive framework meant that it was a passive, uninteresting and difficult to manage website. We will instead be building a dynamic, and vibrant tool for the management of the club and use of its' members. The on-line registration and payment system is up and running for the Winter 2010 season, and is the first step towards a larger development. *Thanks to Richard Roose, Brad Clark, David Perger and Stu Bysouth for their ongoing efforts on this project.*

Our Umpiring Development programme continues to grow with 2 more Level 1 Umpires gained during the year. The unfortunately timing of the most recent Level 1 Umpiring course saw it clash with the first games of the Junior season - otherwise, we may have had a further 3-4 Level 1's. Hopefully the numbers will continue to grow by 3-4 new junior umpires each year to help with the club and teams get on with the business of playing the game in a positive manner. *Thank you to Alex Borg for helping me with the allocation and mentoring of these umpires on a week to week basis.*

Of course, the heart and soul of our club are our coaches and managers who continue to put in many, many hours of personal time to help other people's children. You are Saints and Heroes for what you do and what we have to sometimes put up with. *Thank you to all.*

I would like to thank the members of our Club's Management Committee for their hard work and complete commitment to the cause throughout this year. We are fortunate to have such a cohesive and constructive committee and the success of the club is quite simply a reflection of these people. *These include, but are not limited to, Robyn Gosper, John Butt, Steve Gosper, Brad Mountford and Mark Power. Thank you to all!!!*

Unfortunately, Carol Barton has chosen to stand down as Juniors Co-ordinator after several years in this position. With her son playing his last season in the Juniors competition, she felt it was time for the next generation to step in. Her insight, determination and no-nonsense approach has left the junior teams in their strongest position since the "glory days". Carol recognised early on that the essence of player retention and team success is the notion that friends should be able to play together and to this end she has worked hard to develop and deliver balanced teams. The success is irrefutable. *I would like to thank Carol for her efforts and her strength during her time as Juniors Co-ordinator, she certainly left the club in a better place than she found it.*

This season also sees the standing down of our legendary and long time Groundsman, Dave Aiston. Dave's commitment to the club is without peer. From the Carlo Baseball Tattoo on his arm to the hundreds of hours he has given to the club over the past few years, Dave encapsulates the Spirit of Carlingford Baseball. *Thank you for everything you have done Dave, the rest of us will try to maintain your high standards.*

Externally, we would like to thank the organising committees for Hills Junior Baseball Association and Sydney Metro Baseball League. Managing these organisations is a supremely thankless task, and *I would like to acknowledge our appreciation to John Yard, Cheryl Barnier, and Peter Schmidt.* Without these people putting in hundreds of volunteer hours per season, we would not have competitions for our children and ourselves to play in.

In conclusion, I would like to thank those people who, even though they were not on the committee, still contributed throughout the year. These were the people who kept score, did their canteen duty, base coached or just helped out at training. *Thank you - you are the heart and soul of the club.*



Andrew Borg
President

SECRETARY'S REPORT

The season was a very rewarding one with an excellent finish with 3 teams winning through to the Grand Finals and all 3 teams coming out as winners. Well done 17 Braves, 12 Braves and 11 Cardinals.

It was good to see other Carlingford teams stay around on grand final day and lend their support and cheer the teams on.

All other teams showed good sportsmanship and ability to have a good time and enjoy playing and being part of a team.

The games I was fortunate to watch this year were all played in the Carlo spirit of playing to have fun and to learn valuable assets each week.

I would like to thank all the coaches and managers for their time and effort they put into their teams this year. Without this help the teams would not have achieved as well throughout the season.

We had another year that was disrupted by the wet weather conditions and saw a couple of weeks in a row washed out twice throughout the season. This puts pressure on the managers to try and organise mid week games to be rescheduled at a later date. Most teams achieved in doing this.

This season has gone quickly and I had an enjoyable time being Secretary. I would like to thank my fellow committee members for their help and support throughout the season especially Andrew Borg who does a great job as President of the club even though he has no junior playing for Carlingford.

I am looking forward to being on the committee next season and hope we are as successful in winning premierships next year.

Robyn Gosper
Secretary

TREASURER'S REPORT

I am pleased to present the Treasurer's report for the 2009/10 baseball season. We have again finished the year in a sound financial position while accomplishing the goals set by the committee at the start of the year.

Despite the ongoing increase in costs, the committee, mindful of providing affordable membership, was able to maintain membership fees for both junior & senior members at close to last years rates.

Income and Expenditure

The club finished the year with an operating profit of \$666.66 (\$448.82 Deficit in 2008/09). The majority of the income was received from registration fees, canteen sales and the sale of uniforms, jackets, socks and caps. The variance in registration fees is due mainly to the timing of the receipt of fees for the respective seniors winter seasons.

Whilst interest rates have been low throughout the year, our term deposit has returned an average rate of 3.7% which is very competitive in today's markets. Although there have been improvement in the economy, this rate is expected to remain around this level throughout the 2010/11 year.

The canteen has continued to operate profitably generating a net surplus of \$2,990 for the year which was similar to last year's results. Uniform sales were slightly down on last year however the players/supporters jacket and other branded merchandise are still popular. During the year, we replace the canteen BBQ which has been welcomed by those on duty.

Overall expenses are in line with last year with major expenditure occurring in the area of affiliation fees, clothing & uniforms, equipment and grounds. We have made a significant investment in equipment during the year with most team kits now containing new equipment. This equipment will last a number of years and future expenditure is expected to return to more moderate levels in the coming year.

As experienced in previous years, whilst not as significant, affiliation fees have continued to rise. With the implementation of the online registration and payment website for the 2009/10 summer season, there has been an increase in bank fees and charges over prior years. Following on, for the up coming 2010 winter season registration, we have introduced PayPal for online payments.

As we have come to expect, our hard-working ground crew has continued to work miracles ensuring all diamonds were presented in top class condition throughout the season. Overall, expenditure on grounds is on par with last year.

Sundry expenses include items such as hire of our PO Box, statutory incorporation costs and support of our representative players.

Assets and Liabilities

The club has no material liabilities. Assets include ground marking and maintenance equipment, 3 pitching machines, uniforms and club clothing, baseball equipment such as bases, balls, bats, helmets, catching and umpiring protective gear as well as canteen hardware such as fridges, BBQ and utensils. As many of these items have a life expectancy of less than 3 years, it is of little benefit to try and accurately calculate the net asset position of the club.

John Butt
Treasurer

**CARLINGFORD BASEBALL CLUB INC.
INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2010**

	2010	2009
Income		
Registrations - Junior	14,025.00	17,420.00
- Senior	14,004.50	11,910.00
Canteen Takings	7,182.18	7,605.54
Uniform Sales	2,120.00	3,114.00
Photo Commission	204.60	259.60
Donations	1,200.00	220.00
Interest Received	877.63	1,554.14
Sundry	200.00	0.00
	<u>39,813.91</u>	<u>42,083.28</u>
Expenditure		
Affiliation Fees	10,135.90	11,091.00
Bank Charges	1,402.97	503.00
Christmas Party	2,384.62	2,441.21
Clothing & Uniforms	1,974.94	9,574.36
Canteen Goods	4,191.58	4,600.78
Equipment Purchases	9,299.49	4,870.54
Ground Expenses & Equipment	2,814.97	3,019.73
Printing, Postage & Phone	153.12	218.95
Trophies/Badges	1,861.00	1,753.30
Electricity	632.17	775.46
Mobile Phone	48.55	34.83
BBQ	1,469.00	0.00
Umpiring Fees	2,060.00	1,980.00
Sundry Expenses	273.48	362.19
Try Baseball Program	225.46	563.75
Umpiring / Coaching Training	0.00	743.00
Sponsorship	220.00	0.00
	<u>39,147.25</u>	<u>42,532.10</u>
Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year	<u>666.66</u>	<u>(448.82)</u>

CARLINGFORD BASEBALL CLUB INC.

**BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 MARCH 2010**

	2010	2009
Accumulated Funds		
Opening Balance	33,349.71	33,798.53
Add: Surplus/ (Deficiency) for the year	666.66	(448.82)
Closing Balance	34,016.37 =====	33,349.71 =====

Represented by:

Current Assets

Cash at Bank	9,207.29	9,425.85
Term Deposits	24,809.08	23,923.86
	34,016.37 =====	33,349.71 =====

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Junior registrations for the 2009-2010 Season, again, were significantly less than those of last year. As a result, Carlingford fielded one less Junior team. Senior registration, however, were fairly static with one extra Senior team being fielded. Comparative numbers for Carlingford for this season and last were:

	Current Season	Previous Season	Movement
Junior registrations	117	136	19 ▼
Junior teams	11	12	1 ▼
Senior registrations (Summer)	56	49	7 ▲
Senior teams (Summer)	5	4	1 ▲
Senior registrations (Winter)	36	42	6 ▼
Senior teams (Winter)	3	3	

The breakdown by age group (previous year in brackets) was:

Age Group	Players				Females		Teams	
	Count	Move	Old	New	Count	Move	Count	Move
Under 7	16 (26)	10 ▼	10	5	6 (11)	5 ▼		
Under 8	20 (9)	11 ▲	24	7	6 (4)	2 ▲	3 (3)	
Under 10	24 (46)	18 ▼	13	7	8 (10)	2 ▼	3 (4)	1 ▼
Under 12	26 (13)	13 ▲	12		3 (1)	2 ▲	2 (1)	1 ▲
Under 14	12 (30)	18 ▼	18	1	0 (3)	3 ▼	1 (3)	2 ▼
Under 17 (16)	19 (13)	6 ▲	5		0 (0)	0	2 (1)	1 ▲
Total Juniors	117 (136)	19 ▼			23 (29)	6 ▼	11 (12)	1 ▼
Seniors (combined)	74 (80)	6 ▼			0 (1)	1 ▼	8 (8)	
Total	173 (216)	43 ▼			23 (30)	7 ▼	20 (20)	

In summary:

- U7 and U8 age groups – numbers up by 1, 12 new players
- U10 age group – numbers down by 18, 7 new players, 1 less team fielded
- U12 age group – numbers up by 13, 0 new players, 1 more team fielded
- U14 age group – numbers down by 18, 1 new player, 2 less teams fielded
- U17 age group – numbers up by 6, 0 new players, 1 more team fielded
- All juniors – 82 players were retained (61%), 35 players were new (39%)

Despite the decrease in number across the U7, U8, and U10 age groups I believe the Try Baseball days were a success.

In the Seniors competition, total numbers were up very slightly on last year. In the Winter competition, Carlingford, again, fielded a father's and son's team (in H Grade), while in the Summer competition, Carlingford fielded teams in the A, E and G grades – offering U17 players a great opportunity to continue improving their baseball skills in the senior ranks.

Across the Hills Association, the total number of teams increased by 27, compared to last year. The number of teams in each junior age group in Hills, compared to the previous two seasons, were as follows:

Age Group	2009-2010	2008-2009	2007-2008
Under 8	35	21	25
Under 10	33	26	23
Under 12	21	24	25
Under 14	22	17	19
Under 17	18	14	16
Total	129	102	108

By Club, the number of teams making up the competition breaks down as follows (last season's totals in brackets). The clubs are ranked in order of size. NOTE: Carlingford has now moved into seventh place (from third place last year).

Club	U/8	U/10	U/12	U/14	U/17	Total	Move
Castle Hill	9	5	4	3	2	23 (18)	5 ▲
Quakers Hill	8	4	2	3	2	19 (5)	14 ▲
Kellyville	4	3	2	3	2	14 (11)	3 ▲
Winston Hills	4	4	2	1	3	14 (11)	3 ▲
Baulkham Hills	1	3	2	3	3	12 (13)	1 ▼
Rouse Hill	4	2	2	2	1	11 (10)	1 ▲
Carlingford	3	3	1	1	2	10 (12)	2 ▼
Kings Langley	1	2	2	1	1	7 (4)	3 ▲
Schofields	2	1	1	1		5 (7)	2 ▼
Hawkesbury	1	1	1		1	4 (5)	1 ▼
Blacktown	1		1	1	1	4 (1)	3 ▲
Oakville		1	1	1		3 (5)	2 ▼
Eagles	1			1		2	
Total	39 (21)	29 (26)	21 (24)	21 (17)	18 (14)	128 (102)	

This year, Quakers Hill, Castle Hill, Kellyville, Winston Hills and Kings Langley had significant increases in team numbers, while Carlingford, Schofields, and Oakville had significant decreases in team numbers.

As has been the case for many years, it is fair to say that Carlingford's recruitment process, utilizing the Try Baseball days and targeting newsletters in the local schools, has been quite successful – recruiting 39% of juniors. However, there is still the ongoing challenge of retaining existing players, especially as they move into high school, as well as out of the Junior age groups.

David Perger
Registrar

JUNIOR TEAMS COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Carlingford Baseball Club had eleven teams in the Junior Competition this season. There were three U8 teams, two U10, one U11, two U12, one U14 and two U17 teams.

We had an extremely successful season with three of our teams winning their competitions.

These were:

U17 Braves

U12 Braves

U11 Cardinals

However all teams were very competitive and all should be proud of their efforts.

During the season I managed to see most teams play and it was pleasing to see both the players and their parents enjoying themselves.

Mika Zammit was selected in the NSW U14 Baseball team which is a great honour for Mika and he has worked hard to achieve this. Hills are working with several of our U11 players who have shown the potential to become representative players.

As usual we had problems with Rules (all Clubs have the same problems each year). Unfortunately each year there are Rule breaches made throughout the Association due to the amount of rules, however it is important for Coaches, Managers and parents to try to learn certainly the most basic ones.

I would like to thank all Coaches and Managers for their support and help during the season. Once again I would like to thank Stuart Bysouth in his role Mini Co-ordinator this year. He has done his usual amazing job with the U8's and U10's and by all reports everyone had an extremely happy season.

This is my last season as Junior Co-ordinator and I would like to thank all the Coaches and Managers for their help during the last five years and I would especially like to thank Andrew Borg and the Committee for their support and wish Carlingford Baseball continued success in the years to come.

U10 Redsox

This team did extremely well in their first year in U10's, with most players either moving up from U8's or never having played before. With the team remaining in U10's next season they will be a force to be reckoned with. Thank you to Stuart Bysouth for Coaching and to Sarah Priestly for Managing

U10 Braves

This team performed very well this year with most being in their second season in U10's. Half of the team will be moving to U12's next season and should make the transition with ease. Thank you to Blake Woodbury for Coaching (Blake does not have a child in the team and gave his time to ensure the team had a good season). Also thank you to Margaret Bodinnar for taking over the Managing role after Xmas when Janine Girvan moved to Queensland.

U11 Cardinals

This team did amazingly well in their first year in Live Ball in a tough 1st Division competition. They won their competition and there are some very talented players in this team. Thank you to Mike Martinson for taking on the Coaching role this season. Mike has been a very successful

Coach for Softball and being a Level 3 Coach made the transition to Baseball with ease. Also thank you once again to Nicole Lawson for Managing.

U12 Cubs

Almost all of this team were first year U12's and managed to adjust to live ball very well. They all will have benefitted from this season and will be much stronger next season. Thank you to Garry Butler for Coaching again and also thank you to Julie Painter for Managing (another new parent to the Club who gave up her time to ensure a successful season).

U12 Braves

Another success story this season with the team taking out the premiership. The majority of this team has been together for several seasons now and have developed into a very good side. Thank you to Brad Mountford for Coaching again and also Kerrie Tremaine for Managing (another partnership that works well ensuring the team's success).

U14 Braves

This team only just missed out on making this finals this season and considering that at one stage they were in 1st Division before being moved back to 2nd Division they did extremely well to make up points and it was sad to see that they only just missed out. We had only one U14 side this season and as a result there were varying levels of ability and all players should be proud of their efforts. Thank you to Andrew Borg (another coach with no child in the side) for coaching again this season and also to Jane Carpenter for once again managing.

U17 Cubs

This was a team made up of mostly first year U17's and they took some time to adjust to the faster pace of U17's. Also the team suffered a great loss when their Manager, Ross O'Shannassy passed away earlier this year. But these players will be much stronger and wiser next season. Thank you to Jim Hunt for Coaching and to Kerry O'Shannassy for managing along with Ross.

U17 Braves

Our most successful team this season winning both the minor premiership and the premiership. They only lost one game all season and credit to the boys for their focus. With four players in their last season in Juniors it was a great way to finish. This team should continue to be successful with the players still there along with others moving up. Thank you to Dave Morgan for coaching (Dave was another coach who did not have a child in the side) and I guess I also thank myself for managing.

Carol Barton
Junior Co-ordinator

TEEBALL CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

In the U8s we fielded 3 teams this season, the same number as in 2008/09. In U10s we fielded 1 team in the Jeff Catt Teeball conference and 1 team in the Col Daisley Modball conference.

It was very pleasing to see that we had a retention rate of around 63%, from U8s from the prior season, meaning that 2 out of every 3 players from 2008/09 came back. This is very positive and suggests that parents and players are recognising the value offering that Carlingford represents.

High retention rates are key measures within any Junior Sporting Body as it means Coaches and Player have an enhanced opportunity to further develop foundation skills, over a number of seasons. This leads to a greater chance for more highly skilled players and the development of stronger relationships between players, parents and coaches.

Across both age groups we had the benefit of a number of experienced returning Coaches and Managers. We also had 10 new Coaches, Asst Coaches and Managers step up and take on these valuable roles.

This is a fantastic number as it shows the preparedness of parents to get involved, a factor which can be lacking in many sports. This will no doubt contribute to the building of a stronger Club and bodes well for the coming seasons.

Stuart Bysouth
Tee-ball Co-ordinator

SENIOR TEAMS COORDINATOR'S REPORT

Carlingford Baseball Club fielded 3 teams in the Winter 2009 competition and 5 teams in the Summer 2009-2010 competition.

Winter: A good fun season, Borgy's G grade team again made the grand final only to see it slip thru their hands yet again. E grade made the semi's but went down by one run to miss out. The H grade team was made up mostly of fathers and sons.

Summer: It was a great season for Carlingford this summer. Firstly the Cougars, having won the F grade grand final in the previous season, pooled a few resources and put together an A grade team. Again they made the grand final but went down 4-3 in a very closely matched game. We also put together a team in G grade made up primarily of ex-Juniors and although they didn't win too many games this season, they had fun and the foundations are there to form a solid team in the next few seasons.

We closed out the season with the 2nd Annual Coaches vs Committee and All-Stars vs Legends game. A spectacular day with both results going the other way to last year and now both games are 1 win to each team. A big thank you to all who helped out – Dave Aiston, Robyn and Steve Gosper, Andrew Borg, Matt Cashmore and everyone else that lent a hand to get these games up and running.\

I would like to make a special mention to Ivan Turnbull, Dave Essentram, Nick Flynn and Sean Aiston for taking that extra step and trying out for the Sydney Winter Major League competition with Dave, Sean and Nick making the West Sydney Boomers 3rd grade team and Ivan making the Sydney Uni 3rd grade team and also the Auburn 3rd grade team in the Summer Major League competition. They have been drawn to play against each other on Sunday 18/4/10. Good luck guys!!!

Unfortunately we had one of our long time members and friend, Ross O'Shannassy pass away earlier this year. Our hearts and best wishes go out to Kerri, Blake and Dean during this difficult time. Our 2 H grade teams played a memorial match for Ross and it was one of the best games to watch this season. Thanks to Jason Ettridge and Dave Aiston for helping set this game up.

Lastly I would like to thank the committee again for helping me work thru ideas and provide a forum to discuss future options for Carlingford. It is always encouraging to see the enthusiasm and passion displayed by committee members year after year.

Brad Clark
Senior Teams Co-ordinator

2009-10 HONOUR ROLL

Championship Teams

U17 Braves – Coach, David Morgan

U12 Braves – Coach, Brad Mountford

U11 Cardinals – Coach, Mike Martinson

Representative Players

Mika Zammit – Hills u14 SJC, NSW u14
Victor Woo – Bankstown u16 SJC (on loan from Hills)
Rudy Haruta – Hills South Little League
Yuki Suzuki – Hills South Little League

Playing Service Awards Juniors - 5 years

Harry Fowler
Jaeger Yee
Maria Michalos
Matthew Martinson
Matthew Mooney

New Level 1 Umpires

Thomas Butt
Victor Woo

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