



# THE PITCH

Carlingford Baseball Club Newsletter

## Important Dates

**19<sup>th</sup> Dec.** – Last round before Xmas but check your draws because some comps finish a week earlier.

**30<sup>th</sup> Jan.** – First round back

**Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> March 2021**

– End of Season Gala Day,  
Coaches vs Committee game  
followed by  
Legends vs All-Stars game

## Committee Opportunity

We always have opportunities for parents who may be interested in learning how we prepare our grounds and to help out our Grounds Crew.



## President's Welcome

As we head off to our Xmas break, several teams have already played their last game of the year with the rest finishing up this week. Juniors return on 30th January and Seniors return earlier.

At this time of year when we consider the Xmas spirit of doing onto others as we would like to have done to us, I ask all club members to consider the Club's Code of Conduct that is part of our registration process and the underlying principles of Fair Play within the Code.

There have been incidents this year where player/coach/ parent performance has been not up to the high standards that I hope you would all expect from everyone in our club. If you see poor behaviour, we, the often-silent majority should speak up as a group and "nip it in the bud". Remember that you can also speak privately to me or either of our Vice Presidents, Steve and Peter.

**Merry Christmas and best wishes for the festive season.**

**Cheers  
Mark Highfield**

## CANTEEN DUTY

This week's teams are:

**7.45am – 10.30am: 12/1**

**10.30am – 12.45pm: 12/3**

**Please note the extended times because the late game is now 11am so there is 1 hour between games to reduce people mingling.**



**Two people are required from each team, 1 for BBQ and 1 for Canteen**

**Due to COVID please discourage multiple people sharing a shift.**

## Results 12/12/2020

16U/1	Barry Shipley Youth League	Baulko/Carlo JV	10	Castle Hill Cavaliers	6	Win
16U/3	Brian Cashmore South	Carlingford	4	Quakers Hill Red	8	Loss
14U	Peter Street League	Carlingford	6	Blacktown	7	Loss
13U	Jeff Catt Intermediate	Baulko/Carlo JV	12	CH/QH	11	Win
12U	Ken Douglas League	Baulko/Carlo JV		Castle Hill Crusaders		
12U	Phil Leonard League South	Carlingford	13	Schofields	0	Win
10U	Jim Bergan League North	Carlingford Braves	2	Quakers Hill	18	Loss
10U	Jim Bergan League North	Carlingford Cubs	8	Castle Hill Jesters	5	Win
9U	Col Daisley League TBall	Carlingford	12	Castle Hill Archers	7	Win
8U	Wendy Vigenser League North TBall	Carlingford	14	Castle Hill Crusaders	40	Loss
7U	Akers League North TBall	Carlingford	24	Castle Hill Lakers	32	Loss



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## WHO IS PLAYING THIS WEEK- Sat 19/12/20

### Juniors

16U/1	Baulko/Carlo Div 1 JV vs Rouse Hill	Caddies Creek	<b>Friday Night</b> 7.15pm
16U/3	Carlingford vs WH Norse	Muirfield	10.30am
14U	Carlingford vs	No game	
13U	Baulko/Carlo Div 1 JV vs Blacktown	Northmead 4	11.00am
12U	Baulko/Carlo Div 1 JV vs CH Cavaliers	Murray Farm 2	8.30am
12U	Carlingford vs Winston Hills	Murray Farm 2	11.00am
10U	Carlingford Braves vs	No game	
10U	Carlingford Cubs vs	No game	
9U	Carlingford vs QH Scurry D	Corbin	8.30am
8U	Carlingford vs	No game	
7U	Carlingford vs	No game	

### Seniors

G1	Carlingford vs QH SeaWolves	Corbin	3.45pm
G2	Carlingford Redsox vs Rouse Hill	Caddies Creek	1.30pm
	Carlingford Cubs vs CH Dukes	Castle Glen	1.30pm
G3	Carlingford Coils vs CH Archers	Murray Farm	3.45pm
	Carlingford Black vs RH Bobcats	Murray Farm	1.30pm



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# GET TO KNOW YOUR CARLO COMMITTEE



introducing

## LYNDAL ROBERTS

**Nickname?**

I seem to get called Mum a lot.....by more people than just my own offspring

**Current role on the committee?**

Social Media stuff

**How long have you been in that position?**

A few months

**Any other committee roles you've carried out?**

Junior Results Recorder, General Committee and I've managed a few teams

**How did you get involved in Carlingford Baseball Club?**

We have a dear friend who's son was playing here and told us what a great club it was. She was right!. Thank you Janice!!

**How many games have you played for Carlo?**

None

**How many games in total?**

None

**What do you love about baseball?**

The strategy, smarts, traditions and community....it's a great team sport

**If you could change one rule in baseball, what would it be?**

No idea.... For such a simple game, I know there are some random rules

**Favourite MLB team?**

Atlanta Braves but the Montgomery Biscuits have the best name

**Favourite baseball movie?**

A League of their Own, Field of Dreams, The Rookie.....can't pick just one

**Favourite Carlo baseball memory?**

A kiddo from an opposing team hit a beautiful ball well into the outfield which should have been an easy home run.....unfortunately for him he was skylarking around the bases and my son's team pulled off an (unexpectedly) amazing relay into the catcher and the kid got tagged out jogging into home

**If you could have a walk-up song, what would it be?**

Lights Come On - Jason Aldean

**One word to describe our club?**

Family

**What would you tell a club member who is considering joining the committee/getting involved?**

Whatever you give up in helping, you certainly get back in the way of friendship and memories



Hours Mon-Fri 7-6:30pm & Sat 7-2pm

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## Uniform & Merchandise prices

**Velcro Club Cap** - \$20

**Premium Flexifit Club Cap** - \$25

**Club Socks** - \$12

**Junior Playing Shirts** (*Loaned to players as part of registration. Must be returned at end of season*)

**Seniors Sublimated Playing Shirts** - \$70 (\$5 premium for late orders)

**Key Rings** - \$12

**Drink Coolers** - \$8 each or two for \$12

**Training T-Shirts (Kids)** - \$15 sizes 8-14

**Training T-Shirts (Senior)** - \$20 sizes S-5XL

**Supporters Shirt** - \$30

**Club Supporters Jacket** - \$70

**Junior Uniform Combo Packs** (*suited for ages up to 12*) - \$50

(Uniform Manager to submit orders – these packs are NOT available in store)

- Pants (white, grey or black)
- Socks (black, red)
- Belt (to match socks)
- Pant Product basics:
  - Youth Baseball Pant
  - 100% Double Knit 12 Oz. Polyester
  - Double Knee Construction
  - Five Pro-Style Belt Loops
  - Zipper Fly, Town Snap Closure

- Two Double Weltd Set-In Back Pockets

- 2 ½" Elastic Waistband

- Youth Inseams: XS (18"), S (20"), M (22"), L (23")

- Available in sizes XS (4), S (6), M (8), L (10), XL (12)

These items are generally available at the Murray Farm Canteen on Saturday mornings during the summer season. Otherwise, simply email our Treasurer at

[treasurer@carlingfordbaseball.com.au](mailto:treasurer@carlingfordbaseball.com.au)

advising which item you would like to purchase. You will receive an email with a link to pay the invoice shortly thereafter.

Uniform pick-ups can be arranged with our uniform officer at

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## MATCH REPORTS

**7U Akers League North  
Carlingford vs Castle Hill Lakers  
Result: Loss 24-32**

**Player of the Match: Hayley**



It was an enthusiastic start to the day with all team members excited about the match ahead.

There were some really big hits in the first innings by Ashton, Flynn and Eric.

Great fielding and batting by all members today in all innings. A great catch by Eric in the last innings.

Carlingford worked really well as a team and showed great team spirit especially with their name chanting. The team was energized and excited.

Well done to Hayley getting player of the day.



**9U Col Daisley League TBall  
Carlingford vs Schofields (5/12/20)  
Result: Win 40-18**

**Player of the Match: Calan**

The Redsox arrived for their last game of T-Ball (before changing over to Modball next week) ready to show the progress they have made over the course of the season so far.

The Redsox took to the field in the first with good fielding from Justin at shortstop and Dan at pitcher helping keep Schofields to 1 run.

Our team was quick to respond with lead-off hits to Olivia and Calan followed by a 3-base hit for Leo and the Redsox compiled 3 runs for the innings.

The second innings in the field felt like a repeat of the first as it seemed both Dan



and Justin had magnets in their gloves and kept attracting the ball.

From the second innings onwards our batting line-up came to the fore with the team batting through the line-up every innings and scoring between 5 and 7 runs each inning. From the 5<sup>th</sup> innings onwards only 1 out was recorded against the side. Every player had multiple hits. It was a terrific display of all players putting bat to ball and running hard to beat out any plays to first.

In the field as the players had their turn in various positions, they all showed effort and skill in making plays and restricting Schofields from mounting any sort of comeback.

It has been wonderful to see the advancement the Redsox have made each week in their baseball skills culminating in their final game of T-Ball with their highest score!

We all look forward to next week and their changeover to Modball.

## 9U Col Daisley League TBall Carlingford vs Castle Hill Result: Win 12-7

**Player of the Match: Shelby**



We were all excited for the first Mod ball game for 9U Carlingford Red Sox - we started warm-up at 10:15 ready for our 11:00 start.

In the first innings, Castle Hill got one batter to first base, before Justin took a great catch at Short Stop, and would have got a double play if there weren't already two out! Carlingford attacked with hits from Calan, Daniel and Jackson, but no players home: 0:0

In the second innings great defence from Thomas at Pitcher and Jackson at Second Base, both with good throws to Leo at First to finish the 2nd innings with Castle Hill runners on first and third bases. Our turn to bat and Justin and Olivia bot got hits. Calan got another hit and the bases loaded with



two out. Dan hit a floating ball and unfortunately out! 0:0

Borgy, our pitcher for the game took a few deep breaths. The third innings started still at 0:0. Castle Hill started attacking. We have Shelby at Catcher. Daniel caught the opponent's floating ball at Pitcher making an out. The opposing team's consecutive hits got one runner home before Leo caught a floating ball at Short Stop making the score 1:0

At the bottom of the 3rd innings, Leo hit, Jackson hit, Thomas hit. Pitcher Borgy faces another top-down crisis. Justin was waiting for the ball from the Pitcher. Justin triples!! Carlingford got three runs. Reversal!!! 3:1

Castle Hill made 3:3 tie again in the 4th innings. At the bottom of the 4th innings, Carlingford players scored six more runs with fantastic attack. 9:3

In the 5th innings, Justin appeared as Catcher. Castle Hill added two more runs and Carlingford did not score, but remained in front at 9:5

In the 6<sup>th</sup> innings two more runs for Castle Hill 9:7

Can they score more points for Carlingford's last attack at the end of the sixth? "Borgy please give me a good ball"



Leo hit, Jackson hit, Thomas hit. Addam unfortunately out. Justin hits a double and gets Leo and Jackson home! Add two runs 11:7 Olivia hit and Thomas is home 12:7

Can Castle Hill pursue an attack in the 7th innings? Justin and Leo combine between Short Stop and First Base seeing the last two batters out and the game is over. 12:7

**10U Jim Bergan League**  
**Carlingford Braves vs Quakers Hill**  
**Result: Loss 2-18**

**Player of the match: James**



The Carlo Braves gave it their all yesterday. There was some spectacular fielding in the early innings with Eugene making two amazing catches when playing short stop. The Teams fielding was consistent through the game with great plays from the outfield to the bases to stop the batter running all the way home.



There was good hitting from the boys but we just couldn't get home, until late in the innings, the boys were able to steal some bases using their superior speed to get home.

James was courageous enough to try something new and gave pitching a go. What a great job considering it was his first time pitching in a real game. As a result, James was awarded Player of the week.

Overall, the boys continue to improve with each game. Their support for each other makes them one Fantastic Baseball Team.

Well done boys.



**10U Jim Bergan League  
Carlingford Cubs vs CH Jesters  
Result: Win 8-5**

**Player of the week: Connor Hodges**



On a nice cool morning the Cubs took on the Castle Hill Jesters at Castle Glen. And what an awesome game our boys played going out with a BIG BANG to finish for the Christmas break.

In the first dig Carlingford Cubs got off to a great start with Jaden getting on base, Aaron had a great hit off the Tee but was



thrown out at 1<sup>st</sup> but batted in Jaden for the Cubs first run.

Our 2<sup>nd</sup> run came from Dan after another hit saw him have the supporters on a knives edge as he rounded 3<sup>rd</sup> base to get home, close call as the catcher attempted to tag Dan out but was out maneuvered by Dan.

Carlingford Cubs were well and truly pumped up and awake, we had Jackson at 3<sup>rd</sup> base and Tama on 2<sup>nd</sup>, Mitch's great eye gave him a go at the Tee and he Jackson at 3<sup>rd</sup> base, while Tama at 2<sup>nd</sup>, Mitch's hit off the Tee battered in Jackson and after a miss from the catcher Tamatime showing his skills stole home giving the cubs a 4-0 lead.

Connor and Benji in action, Connor hit a 2 bagger and and while Benji was at bat Connor stole 3<sup>rd</sup>. Benji's good eye gave him an opportunity with the Tee and batted in Connor leaving the cubs followed by Benji crossing the plate leaving the cubs with a 6-0 lead.

In the 2<sup>nd</sup> Mitch took one for the team with a hit by pitch ball advancing him a walk to 1<sup>st</sup> base. Connor had a great hit batting in Mitch and then Benji having another great hit batted in Connor giving the cubs an 8-0.

Castle Hill got 2 runners across the plate but the cubs showed their skills with Jaden taking a great catch at short stop, Dan

acing sensational catches at left field. Awesome fielding from Benji, Mitch and Tama as well as a great pitching effort from Jaden and Connor.

The final score was 8-5 giving our boys their first win of the season.

Congratulations to Carlingford Cubs for winning and trying their best. You did a SENSATIONAL job we are very proud of you all. Wish everyone a wonderful Christmas and have a safe & happy new year~^^

The boys were then surprised by their coaches with a Christmas Lolly bag from Ian and from Jake every player was gifted their own training shirts with their name and number on it. You guys are truly amazing and we're lucky to have you both coaching our boys.

Bring on the new year.





who made a nice hit for a 2 run RBI single to bring home Ishan and Jason. He then made his way around to third base. Next at bat was Kieran, who got Josh home with a single himself. Unfortunately, that's where it stopped with Kieran stranded on 3rd base with our next two batters getting out. Still a good start.



Our turn to field with Dom pitching. We started well despite the first batter making it to first base. 2nd batter made it to base as well, while the 3rd batter was caught out and a run got home. A second home run made it home with the 2 more on base. The innings was hanging in the balance when up stepped Gabriel with a nice double play of a catch and tag out. We led 3-2 after 1.



Our second innings batting started well with Samuel and Rex getting onto base, stealing around, and then both made nice stealing home complete with very well practised slides. Matthew was next on base and made his way around to 3rd. Next at bat was Victoria, who calmly (she is always the calm one) hit to right field to get Matthew home. She didn't make to first but an important RBI all the same. There our runs stopped.

### 14U Peter Street League Carlingford vs Blacktown Result: Loss 6-7

This week we were up against first place in Blacktown Workers and following on form from last week, this game went down to the wire as well.

We opened the batting with Ishan and Jason walking to base. Up stepped Josh T

Their second innings at bat was a quick affair, with the first batter out at first. Second batter was run out at first after a third strike and Kieran making the throw. Jason then came onto pitch and struck out the third batter. Side away and 6-2 after 2.



Our third innings was almost as quick as the intensity of the game lifted. Dom got ran out at first. Jason and Josh T got onto base. But that's where it ended at Kieran and Josh B swung with no luck.

Jason continued his fine form pitching by striking out their first batter. He walked the second batter. For the third batter Matthew nearly made the play of the year with a missed catch and throw to first but we couldn't just make the play. Who says baseball isn't a game of inches! He made up for it with catching in in-field flyball. Next batter got on base with a runner home, and then a second batter got home. Before we got the final out. 6-4 after 3.

Our fourth innings was very quick with only Rex making to base. Gabriel was caught at 3rd base again, Samuel struck out, and James got a hit but short of first base.

Their 4th innings was a quick affair as well. Jason caught a flyball off his own pitching. A second batter got onto first but was tagged trying to steal 2nd base. The third batter had 3 strikes and Josh T quickly tagged the batter out. No change in score, still 6-4.

Our rare 5th innings commenced with 12 minutes of game time left and was a case of so near yet so far. Matthew, Victoria and Ishan successfully walked to base with bases loaded. However, Ishan in a new understanding of the game, tried to steal second base when Victoria was already on

it. He was short of his ground going back to first. And so continues the education for Ishan and baseball. Dom struck out before Jason walked to first. Loaded bases again. Josh B then swung proudly before being struck and Matthew stealing home. Alas though we didn't add to our total.

In an intense last innings, we started well with a strike out. Second batter go onto base. Third batter was caught out by Jason. 4th batter got an RBI single. 6-5. 5th batter got onto base. With 2 out, runners on 2nd and third, 2 strikes, their 6th batter smashed one past the outstretched arms of second base to centrefield and their 2 runners got home. We quickly got the next batter out to end the match, but we went down by 1 run. We were deflated but when you sit back and analysed the game we improved in so many aspects. We batted with a lot more confidence. Our batting strike outs were mostly due to swinging the bat rather than watching the ball past. Our fielding has improved no end, game sense and awareness looks better, plus we almost beat 1st place.

So, while we are sad, we showed we can mix it with the best. We now break for Christmas and will return in the new year full of confidence.

Merry Christmas to all and have a safe new year.

