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The Official Newsletter of the MCC Baseball Section



Dear Member,

The 2015/16 Summer Season started well for the Men's teams with 4 wins from 6 games played. The 1sts, 3rds, 4ths and Div 4 East all recorded wins. The 1sts were solid against Cheltenham with many highlights including Andy Mann's pitching, Nathan Aron's 3 hits and Scott Moore's defensive game. Evan Brisentine relieved in his first game for Melbourne.

The Women's, Juniors and Masters teams start their season this weekend. The junior charter games start Friday, the Women's Division 2 side are at home Saturday, while Division 3 are away at Sunshine, while the 1sts and seconds are at Surry Park Sunday with the first of the Whitehorse cup games vs Blackburn. Masters will begin Monday night.

An important message to all players taking the field for the first time this weekend is that Registration & Payment is due, every player must register this season and pay the Baseball Victoria fee prior to playing.

Due to pavilion renovations our usual opening day luncheon will be delayed until a later date so look out for that at one of our upcoming home games.

Match Reports

Division 1

As discussed above the 1st nine had an excellent start with Andy Mann on the mound holding the Cheltenham line-up to a few scattered hits with some great defensive work from Scott Moore while Nathan Aron collected three hits of his own. Evan Brisentine was solid in relief in his first outing for Melbourne and also held Cheltenham scoreless over 4 innings. Great all round team effort.

Division 1 Reserves

The season didn't get off to the start we'd like with a 3-0 loss to last season's premiers Cheltenham. The boys played well through the first 4 innings pressing for runs and executing well. Unfortunately struggling to drive in the runners we got to 3rd base. Cal Jackson threw a solid 4 innings with Justin Limburg relieving well. Overall we played well showing good pitching and defence. A few more patient AB's and we will mix it with the best. Congratulations to Xander on getting his first Division 1 Reserves hit!

Events

11/10/2015 Mens 1sts
Opening home game

20/10/2015 Scorers clinic
for beginners

Results

1st Nine		
Round 1 - Sun 4th October		
Men's Division 1	Melbourne	3
	Cheltenham	0
Senior Grades - Round 1		
Men's Division 1	Melbourne	0
Reserves	Cheltenham	3
Men's Division 1	Cheltenham	2
Thirds	Melbourne	4
Men's Division 1	Cheltenham	1
Fourth's	Melbourne	10
Men's Division 4 East	Monash Uni	7
	Melbourne	22
Men's Division 4 South	Cheltenham	15
	Melbourne	8

Upcoming Games

09/10/2015 Junior Charter
games start

10/10/2015 Women Div 2
@ Surrey Park 2:00PM,
Women Div 3 @ Sunshine
1:00PM

11/10/2015 1sts and 2nds
@ Surrey Park

11/10/2015 3rds and 4ths @
Blackburn

11/10/2015 Junior Sunday
games start

12/10.2015 Masters games
start

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Division 1 Thirds

Another great start to the season with a win for the 3s. Potts started on the hill with what only can be described as an 'ugly yet effective' performance, giving up 2 hits and an un-earned run on an error for the 5 innings outing. Adam relieved looking solid giving up the other run.

Some highlights - Adam Pahos saved Potts on a wild throw peg attempt and hosed the the cheeky runner trying to get to 3 - simply outstanding. Charlie made a couple of great catches as well as an awesome 7-5 play to get another runner. Prom attempted to argue a clear 5-2 forced out play by saying "he didn't slide" - Prom your argument is moot if the dudes already out! From behind the dish Bretty hosed 3 runners by easily a couple of meters each time, you would think they would learn after the first out.

Hitting was not great by Melb only getting 3 hits of a pretty average pitcher. Don't worry folks the 3s will surely shake it off and start crushing like they usually do.

A good by not a great win - 4/2

Division 1 Fourths

It was a great start to the opening game of the 15/16 season for the 4s taking down the reigning champions Cheltenham. Enoch was exceptional on the hill pitching 5 innings with a no hitter and only stepping off because of his pitch count. Enoch's outing reads like this - 9 ground outs / 4 Ks and 2 pop ups. This was backed up by 0 errors in the field. Infield was awesome to say the least - Pat and Hicky made some really great plays from 6 / 5 pos. Hicky relieved for the last innings to take 3 quick Ks...woot woot.

Hitting was pretty good with everyone getting at least 1 hit - standouts were the young guys Tieran and Jacob with 2 safe hits each.

Overall a great 10/1 win over Cheltenham.

Division 4 East

We were a bit rusty early and Monash jumped us at the start plating 7 runs, but good at bats and a heap of extra base hits from Robbie Materia, Willo with 3 hits inc.2 extras, Julo with a couple of hits and Lachlan with a couple and solid defence from Barks, Chao and Willo at first after the first dig meant that Monash could not get back into the contest and we ran away 22-7 winners.

Division 4 South

The Div 4 South side lost after playing well up until late in the game, they will get better with many of the team playing their first summer season. Ryan, Vince and Daniel all got time on the mound and gained from the experience.

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[Eastern Athletics Baseball Charter](#)

Eastern Athletics Baseball Charter manage the pathway for baseball development of our children. Attached is an introductory letter to provide some information on the charter, what its plans are, where we are heading and why.

[Eastern Athletics ACADEMY - Saturday 10th of October](#)

For those keen to see their children develop into the charter system, we have trials for the charter development academy this Saturday 10th of October

[SCORERS Clinic for Beginners](#)

Ever wondered about the mysteries of the Baseball Score book? There is a scorers Clinic for Beginners on Tuesday 20th October from 5:30-7:00pm (during Little League Training).

[Registration and Payment](#)

If you haven't registered already for the 2015/16 season then get online now to do so before your first game. EVERY player must re-register this season and in future seasons so please follow the links below to complete your registration and fee payments.

To re-register and pay the BV fees please go to the following link:

<https://memberdesq.imgstg.com/index.cfm?fuseaction=main&OrgID=19617>

To view a PDF for the Melbourne Baseball Club Fees and instructions go to the following link:

<https://sitedesq.imgstg.com/assets/siteDesq/19617/documents/Fee%20Schedule%202015-16.pdf>

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