



**CARLINGFORD BASEBALL CLUB INC.**

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**2010-2011**



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**MINUTES OF 2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**  
**CARLINGFORD BASEBALL CLUB INC**  
Murray Farm Reserve  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> April 2010

**In Attendance:**

Andrew Borg, John Butt, David Aiston, Steve Gosper, Robyn Gosper, Carol Barton, Bill Pollock, Brad Mountford, Garry Butler, David Perger, Stuart Bysouth, Mathew Cashmore, Debra Cashmore, Alison Mountford, Glenn Wright, Bill Fowler, David Pallier, Nicole Lawson, Mark Power, Mike Tremaine, Mark Highfield.

**Apologies:**

Colin Handel, Brian Cashmore, Gail Cashmore.

**The Special Meeting opened at 2.15pm.**

This year we have chosen to seek a couple of changes to our constitution. The first involves recognition of the important roles played by our Junior and Senior Co-ordinators in the club, elevating these both to Vice President positions.

**Motion to change these positions.**

Moved: John Butt. Seconded: Bill Fowler.....carried.

The second change we are seeking is to be more engaging with our committee by allowing informal General Committee members to participate without the requirement to hold a formal position.

**Motion for informal General Committee members to be included.**

Moved. Brad Clark. Seconded. John Butt.....carried.

**Special Meeting closed 2.20pm.**

**AGM opened at 2.25pm.**

The president welcomed members, life members and all attending.

The minutes of AGM 2009 were read as published.

**Motion that the minutes be accepted as published.**

Moved. Brad Clark. Seconded: Mark Power.....carried.

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

Andrew thanked all the committee for their hard work and commitment to the cause throughout the year. A special mention to Carol Barton and Dave Aiston who are standing down from the committee this year. Both of them have worked tirelessly for the club over the past few years.

Andrew congratulated the teams that won their Grand Finals this season, 17 Braves, 12 Braves and 11 Cardinals. All three teams either finished 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in their competitions. A special mention was made to mark Trau a former player of Carlingford who has just moved to America to play with the Minnesota Twins.

Andrew thanked Muirfield High School for their help in maintaining the grounds last season. A special mention to Tony Turner a teacher at Muirfield for his personal contribution to the grounds.

Also he thanked the organising committees for Hills Junior Baseball Association and Sydney Metro League.

Andrew thanked all those people who contributed in some way either by coaching, managing, base coaching, scoring or just helped out at raining. You are the heart and soul of the club.

**Motion that the President's Report be accepted.**

Moved. Steve Gosper. Seconded. Mark Power.....carried.

Secretary's Report as published.

Moved. Carol Barton. Seconded. Bill Pollock.....carried.

Treasurer's Report as published.

**Motion that the Treasurer's Report be accepted.**

Moved. Stuart Bysouth. Seconded. Mark Highfield.....carried.

Registrar's Report as published.

**Motion that the Registrar's Report be accepted.**

Moved. David Aiston. Seconded. Bill Fowler.....carried.

Junior Teams Co-ordinator's Report as published.

**Motion that the Junior Teams Co-ordinators Report be accepted.**

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

Senior Teams Co-ordinator's Report as published.

**Motion that the Senior Teams Co-ordinator's Report be accepted.**

Moved. Carol. Seconded. Mark Power.....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 2010 and asked David Aiston to be returning officer.

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

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

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

Moved. Steve Gosper. Seconded. Bill Fowler.

After the election, the president Andrew Borg thanked David for acting as returning officer.

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

Moved. Mathew Cashmore. Seconded. Steve Gosper.

**Meeting Closed 2.45pm.**

**ELECTION OF COMMITTEE MEMBERS for Year 2010**

| <b>POSITION</b>                     | <b>NOMINEE</b> | <b>PROPOSER</b> | <b>SECONDER</b> | <b>ACCEPT/<br/>DECLINE</b> | <b>ELECTED</b> |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------------|----------------|
| President                           | Andrew Borg    | Steve Gosper    | Brad Clark      | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Vice President - Juniors            | Stuart Bysouth | Bill Fowler     | Brad Mountford  | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Vice President - Seniors            | Brad Clark     | Carol Barton    | David Perger    | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Secretary                           | Robyn Gosper   | John Butt       | Stuart Bysouth  | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Treasurer                           | John Butt      | Andrew Borg     | Brad Clark      | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Registrar                           | David Perger   | John Butt       | Bill Pollock    | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Grounds Officer                     | Steve Gosper   | Bill Fowler     | Brad Mountford  | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Assistant Grounds Officer(s)        | Graeme Hall    | Steve Gosper    | Bill Pollock    | Accept                     | Yes            |
|                                     | Mike Tremaine  | Andrew Borg     | Brad Clark      | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Equipment Officer                   | Brad Mountford | Steve Gosper    | Bill Fowler     | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Canteen Manager                     |                |                 |                 |                            |                |
| Uniform Manager                     | Sarah Priestly | Stuart Bysouth  | Steve Gosper    | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Umpire Dev Officer                  | Alex Borg      | David Perger    | John Butt       | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Coaching Dev Officer                |                |                 |                 |                            |                |
| Communications Officer              |                |                 |                 |                            |                |
| Junior Teams' Recorder              | Robyn Gosper   | Carol Barton    | Stuart Bysouth  | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Hills Delegate – Senior             | Brad Clark     | Mark Power      | Brad Mounrford  | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Hills Delegate – Senior (Alternate) | Andrew Borg    | John Butt       | David Perger    | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Hills Delegate – Junior             | Mark Power     | Andrew Borg     | Stuart Bysouth  | Accept                     | Yes            |
| Hills Delegate – Junior (Alternate) | Andrew Borg    | Mark Power      | Brad Clark      | Accept                     | Yes            |

|                   |                 |                |              |        |     |
|-------------------|-----------------|----------------|--------------|--------|-----|
| Public Officer    | Patrick Fazzone | Andrew Borg    | John Butt    | Accept | Yes |
| Auditor           | Bill Hedi       | Andrew Borg    | David Perger | Accept | Yes |
| Fund Raising      |                 |                |              |        |     |
| Social Committee  |                 |                |              |        |     |
| General Committee | Janice Chapman  | Stuart Bysouth | Steve Gosper | Accept | Yes |
| General Committee | Nicole Lawson   | Stuart Bysouth | Bill Fowler  | Accept | Yes |
| General Committee | Richard Roose   | Stuart Bysouth | David Perger | Accept | Yes |
| General Committee | Tim Farrell     | Stuart Bysouth | John Butt    | Accept | Yes |
| General Committee | Debra Cashmore  | Stuart Bysouth | Bill Fowler  | Accept | Yes |

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

I am pleased to present the 2010 Annual report on behalf of our Management Committee.

This past year has thrown our club a number of significant challenges – both on and off the diamonds.

Our first challenge was a wonderful one. As a result of some tremendously hard work by our committee and members, we found ourselves with 13 junior and 5 senior teams over the summer of 2010-11, including 5 u8's tee ball teams!!!

This placed considerable strain on our club officials and resources, with everyone pitching in big time. Additional kits, uniforms, registrations and grounds supplies were all required within and very short period of time at the beginning of the season. We even had to bring Diamond 4 back into service for the first time in more than 10 years. Special thanks goes to Stu Bysouth and Brad Clarke as Vice Presidents of Juniors and Seniors, respectively. Also, a special mention goes to Jo Conroy, who single handedly recruited more than a full u8 team. Thanks Jo.

Our Junior Live Ball teams had a rewarding summer season, with 3 of our 5 liveball teams making the playoffs. Unfortunately, we were unable to bring home any trophies this season, but this takes nothing away from their abilities, commitment and the level of enjoyment experienced by the players. The strong showing in our younger age groups augers very well for the future.

Thank you to our coaches and managers for bringing it all together on the baseball diamond. A number of you took on the task with some trepidation, but you all delivered with enthusiasm, patience and with the interests of your players as your primary goal. Thank you to all.

Our Seniors Teams competed well throughout both Winter and Summer seasons, making a number of playoffs. 2 of our 3 winter teams made the playoffs, with the mighty E grade team winning a triller to bring home the trophy. With 3 of our 5 Summer winter teams making it to the playoffs, it was unfortunate, that we could not win the big one.

This year saw Baulkham Hills Shire Council commit to, commence and complete work on the refurbishment and expansion of our amenities building. With additional year round storage, a unisex disabled access toilet and 2 new change rooms, the amenities building is at last something we can all be proud of. Thank you to Baulkham Hills Shire Council and its' project team for a job well done.

Our Umpiring Development programme continues to grow with 2 more Level 1 Umpires and 2 more Level 0 Umpires gained during the year. 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, Sarah Priestly, John Butt, Steve Wilson, Brad Mountford and Mark Power. Thank you to all!!!*



I would like to make special mention of Brad Clark, Vice President Seniors, and David Perger – Registrar, both of whom will be standing down this year after several years on our Committee. During their time on the Club's Management Committee both Brad and David have overseen tremendous positive change in their respective areas of responsibilities. Simply put, the Club is a much better place as a result of your efforts – you certainly left it a much better place than you found it. *Thank you Brad and David, you will both be missed.*

Our Grounds team of Steve Gosper, David Aiston, Gary Butler, and Graeme Hall have once again been able to perform miracles. In a season swinging from pouring rain to searing heat and back to pouring rain, it was a tremendous effort by the guys to keep the grounds so well prepared each week. When you consider that the last 6 weeks of the season saw the guys working out of a small freight container, their truly did a remarkable job.

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.

During the year we lost a great friend and mentor at our club with the passing away of Brian Cashmore. As a Life Member and former President of both Carlingford Baseball Club and the Hills Junior Baseball Association, Brian's contribution to the Club and the Sport is without peer. He will certainly be missed.

A major challenge facing us next year will be the cost and administration associated with the new ABF/Baseball NSW requirement for the re-registration and re-qualification of all coaches and managers in all levels of the game BEFORE upcoming the season starts. An additional \$3,000-4,000 will need to be budgeted for this for next season, and some portion of this will need to be passed onto members.

In conclusion, I would like to thank those people who, even though they were not on the committee, still contributed significantly 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 2010 -2011 season saw us field 5 under 8 teams which shows some growth for the club in the upcoming seasons. Overall I think all teams had a positive and rewarding year. The end of the season saw our 17's, 14's and 12'1s reach the final series. Unfortunately our U14's bowed in the minor semi but played with the true Carlo spirit. Well done boys. The 12'1's went on to the final but met a stronger opposition on the day. A good effort considering they were in a 1<sup>st</sup> division competition and had some strong opposition throughout the season.. Our 17's went through to the grand final by defeating the minor premiers in the final. Unfortunately on the day we went down by 1 run. A great effort by the boys, they played well on the day but luck went with the opposition in extra time.

Our other teams played with good sportsmanship and ability and showed they enjoyed playing and being part of a team. The games I watched throughout the season were all played in the Carlo spirit, by having fun and supporting other team members. I hope all players had fun learning new skills along the way and hope all players had an enjoyable time and will return next season.

I would like to thank all the coaches and managers for their time and effort they put in at training and the games. Without your help the club could not run as efficiently. I would like to especially thank managers that had to deal with the organising of mid week games etc, due to the wet weather and heat affected rounds.

This season has gone quickly and I have enjoyed being able to meet new parents each week at the grounds. I would like to thank all committee members for their help and support throughout the season. It was nice to see some new faces joining our committee this year, which saw our meetings attendance double in size. I would especially like to thank Andrew Borg for his continued time and effort he puts in towards our club.

**Robyn Gosper**  
**Secretary**

## TREASURER'S REPORT

I am pleased to present the Treasurer's report for the 2010/11 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 loss of (\$4,186.74) (\$666.66 2009/10). 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 increase in the junior ranks offset by the timing of the receipt of fees for the respective seniors winter seasons. **That is, the earlier than normal AGM date forced us to close our books a week earlier than normally, missing out of ALL of the registration income from the forthcoming Winter season (approx \$6000 in registration and uniform sales)**

Interest rates have improved slightly throughout the year. Our term deposit has returned an average rate of 4.2% (3.7% 2009/10) which is very competitive in today's markets. Although there have been signs of an improvement in the economy, this rate is expected to remain around this level throughout the 2011/12 year.

The canteen has continued to operate profitably, generating a net surplus of \$4,161.61 (\$2,990 2009/10) for the year which was a significant increase to last year. The improved performance is partially due to having a permanent canteen manager on duty on game days. The sale of uniforms, players/ supporters jacket and other branded merchandise are in line with last year.

Overall expenses are in line with last year, with major expenditure occurring in the area of affiliation fees, clothing & uniforms, equipment and grounds. With the influx in the number of mini players, we have made a significant investment in smaller sized uniforms. Uniform expenditure is expected to return to more moderate levels in the coming year. Likewise, the increase in the cost of the Try Baseball programme reflects the loss of assistance previously provided by Baseball NSW in covering the cost of the printing of flyers and other advertising material.

As experienced in previous years, affiliation fees have continued to rise. The ongoing expansion in the use of the online registration and payment website has seen an increase in bank fees and charges over prior years. However, the increased cost have been more than offset by the significant reduction in the time it previously took to process registrations manually.

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 was on par with last year with the variance to last year expenditure reflecting a delay in the payment of the 2009/10 fee for the use of the Muirfield High School diamond resulting in two years of costs reflected in this year's result.

Sundry expenses include items such as hire of our PO Box, statutory incorporation costs and the insurance excess for damaged property.

### 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 2011**

|  | 2011              | 2010             |
|--|-------------------|------------------|
| <b>Income</b>  |                   |                  |
| Registrations – Junior (incl Students and u18's playing Seniors) | 19,760.00         | 14,025.00        |
| - Senior   | 12,880.00         | 14,004.50        |
| Canteen Takings  | 7,783.01          | 7,182.18         |
| Uniform Sales  | 2,150.00          | 2,120.00         |
| Photo Commission   | -                 | 204.60           |
| Donations  | -                 | 1,200.00         |
| Interest Received  | 1,031.44          | 877.63           |
| Sundry   | 201.00            | 200.00           |
|  | <b>43,785.45</b>  | <b>39,813.91</b> |
| <b>Expenditure</b>   |                   |                  |
| Affiliation Fees   | 11,716.00         | 10,135.90        |
| Bank Charges   | 1,679.62          | 1,402.97         |
| Christmas Party  | 2,837.15          | 2,384.62         |
| Clothing & Uniforms  | 3,867.52          | 1,974.94         |
| Canteen Goods  | 3,621.40          | 4,191.58         |
| Equipment Purchases  | 9,253.66          | 9,299.49         |
| Ground Expenses & Equipment                                      | 6,384.34          | 2,814.97         |
| Printing, Postage & Phone  | 212.95            | 153.12           |
| Trophies/Badges  | 2,396.32          | 1,861.00         |
| Electricity  | 1,034.68          | 632.17           |
| Mobile Phone   | 81.19             | 48.55            |
| BBQ  | -                 | 1,469.00         |
| Umpiring Fees  | 2,775.00          | 2,060.00         |
| Sundry Expenses  | 457.35            | 273.48           |
| Try Baseball Program   | 1,255.01          | 225.46           |
| Umpiring / Coaching Training                                     | 435.00            | 0.00             |
| Sponsorship  | 435.00            | 220.00           |
|  | <b>47,972.19</b>  | <b>39,147.25</b> |
| <b>Surplus/ (Deficit) for the year</b>                           | <b>(4,186.74)</b> | <b>666.66</b>    |

**CARLINGFORD BASEBALL CLUB INC.**

**BALANCE SHEET  
AS AT 31 MARCH 2011**

|   | <b>2011</b>      | <b>2010</b>      |
|---|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Accumulated Funds</b>                |                  |                  |
| Opening Balance                         | 32,983.37        | 32,316.71        |
| Add: Surplus/ (Deficiency) for the year | (4,186.74)       | 666.66           |
| <b>Closing Balance</b>                  | <b>28,796.63</b> | <b>32,983.37</b> |
|   | =====            | =====            |

**Represented by:**

**Current Assets**

|               |                  |                  |
|---------------|------------------|------------------|
| Cash at Bank  | 2,956.55         | 8,174.29         |
| Term Deposits | 25,840.08        | 24,809.08        |
|               | <b>28,796.63</b> | <b>32,983.37</b> |
|               | =====            | =====            |

## REGISTRAR'S REPORT

Junior registrations for the 2010-2011 Season, were significantly increased compared to last year. As a result, Carlingford fielded 2 more Junior teams. Senior registrations rose slightly with one extra Senior team being fielded. Comparative numbers for Carlingford for this season and last were:

|                               | Current Season | Previous Season | Movement |
|-------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|----------|
| Junior registrations          | 139            | 117             | 22 ▲     |
| Junior teams                  | 13             | 11              | 2 ▲      |
| Senior registrations (Summer) | 61             | 56              | 5 ▲      |
| Senior teams (Summer)         | 6              | 5               | 1 ▲      |
| Senior registrations (Winter) | 29             | 36              | 7 ▲      |
| Senior teams (Winter)         | 3              | 3               | 0        |

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            | 39 (16)          | 23 ▲        | 2   | 37  | 8 (6)          | 2 ▲        |                |            |
| Under 8            | 19 (20)          | 1 ▼         | 5   | 14  | 1 (6)          | 5 ▼        | 5 (3)          | 2 ▲        |
| Under 10           | 31 (24)          | 7 ▲         | 13  | 18  | 6 (8)          | 2 ▼        | 3 (3)          | 0          |
| Under 12           | 28 (26)          | 2 ▲         | 19  | 9   | 5 (3)          | 2 ▲        | 3 (2)          | 1 ▲        |
| Under 14           | 10 (12)          | 2 ▼         | 8   | 2   | 0 (0)          | 0          | 1 (1)          | 0          |
| Under 17 (16)      | 12 (19)          | 7 ▼         | 10  | 2   | 0 (0)          | 0          | 1 (2)          | 1 ▼        |
| Total Juniors      | 139 (117)        | 22 ▲        | 57  | 82  | 20 (23)        | 3 ▼        | 13 (11)        | 2 ▲        |
| Seniors (combined) | 74 (74)          | 0           |     |     | 0 (0)          | 0          | 9 (8)          | 1 ▲        |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>213 (191)</b> | <b>22 ▲</b> |     |     | <b>20 (23)</b> | <b>3 ▼</b> | <b>22 (19)</b> | <b>3 ▲</b> |

In summary:

- U7 and U8 age groups – numbers up by 22, 51 new players, 2 more teams fielded
- U10 age group – numbers up by 7, 18 new players, no change in teams fielded
- U12 age group – numbers up by 2, 9 new players, 1 more team fielded
- U14 age group – numbers down by 2, 2 new players, no change in teams fielded
- U17 age group – numbers down by 7, 2 new players, 1 less team fielded
- All juniors – 57 players were retained (41%), 82 players were new (59%)

The huge increase in new players in the U7, U8, U10 and U12 age groups (78 players) proves the success of the Try Baseball days. Although, in those same age groups we were unable to retain a large number of players from the previous year.

**We do need to acknowledge that most of the players “lost” to the u17’s from the previous year infact moved into the senior ranks and formed one of our additional senior teams.**

In the Seniors competition, total player numbers were the same as last year. However, across the Winter and Summer competitions, Carlingford fielded one extra team. In the Summer competition, Carlingford were able to field two A grade teams and an additional H grade team.

Across the Hills Association, the total number of teams decreased by 4, compared to last year. The number of teams in each junior age group in Hills, compared to the previous two seasons, are as follows:

| Age Group    | 2010-2011  | 2009-2010  | 2008-2009  |
|--------------|------------|------------|------------|
| Under 8      | 26         | 35         | 21         |
| Under 10     | 32         | 33         | 26         |
| Under 12     | 29         | 21         | 24         |
| Under 14     | 21         | 22         | 17         |
| Under 17     | 17         | 18         | 14         |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>125</b> | <b>129</b> | <b>102</b> |

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 fourth place (from seventh place last year).

| Club               | U/8            | U/10           | U/12           | U/14           | U/17           | Total            | Move       |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|------------|
| Castle Hill        | 7              | 5              | 5              | 3              | 2              | 22 (23)          | 1 ▼        |
| Quakers Hill       | 3              | 6              | 4              | 2              | 1              | 16 (19)          | 3 ▼        |
| Winston Hills      | 4              | 3              | 3              | 2              | 2              | 14 (14)          | 0          |
| <b>Carlingford</b> | <b>5</b>       | <b>3</b>       | <b>3</b>       | <b>1</b>       | <b>1</b>       | <b>13 (10)</b>   | <b>3 ▲</b> |
| Kellyville         | 2              | 3              | 2              | 3              | 2              | 12 (14)          | 2 ▼        |
| Rouse Hill         | 3              | 3              | 2              | 2              | 2              | 12 (11)          | 1 ▲        |
| Baulkham Hills     |                | 3              | 3              | 2              | 3              | 11 (12)          | 1 ▼        |
| Kings Langley      |                | 2              | 3              | 2              | 1              | 8 (7)            | 1 ▲        |
| Blacktown          |                | 2              | 1              | 1              | 1              | 5 (4)            | 1 ▲        |
| Hawkesbury         | 1              | 1              | 1              | 1              | 1              | 5 (4)            | 1 ▲        |
| Schofields         | 1              | 1              | 1              | 1              | 1              | 5 (5)            | 0          |
| Oakville           |                |                | 1              | 1              |                | 2 (3)            | 1 ▼        |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>26 (35)</b> | <b>32 (33)</b> | <b>29 (21)</b> | <b>21 (22)</b> | <b>17 (18)</b> | <b>125 (129)</b> |            |

Based on teams fielded this year, Carlingford had the largest increase in numbers. On the other hand, Quakers Hill and Kellyville had the largest decrease in 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 59% of juniors. As ever, 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



## VICE PRESIDENT – JUNIORS’ REPORT

Wow, what a fantastic year it’s been in the Junior Divisions. This 2010/11 summer season we fielded 5 Liveball, 1 Modball and 7 Teeball teams in the Hills Junior Baseball Association summer conferences.

| Team         | Div | Coach              | Manager           |
|--------------|-----|--------------------|-------------------|
| 17 Braves    | 2   | Dave Morgan        | Kerri O’Shannassy |
| 14 Redsox    | 3   | Brad Mountford     | Kerry Tremaine    |
| 12 Cardinals | 1   | Mike Martinson     | Nicole Lawson     |
| 12 Braves    | 2   | Blake Woodbury     | Glenn Wright      |
| 12 Redsox    | 3   | Steve & Tom Gosper | Cheryl Gabb       |
| 10 Cardinals | Mod | Steve Wilson       | Sarah Priestly    |
| 10 Cubs      | Tee | Andrew Borg        | Bianca Highfield  |
| 10 Redsox    | Tee | Vanessa Calvert    | Lisa Curtis       |
| 8 Scouts     | Tee | Tamara Claxton     | Rob Crawford      |
| 8 Braves     | Tee | Jackie Griffiths   | Marnee McKay      |
| 8 Chiefs     | Tee | Richard Ruth       | Rosie McLean      |
| 8 Cubs       | Tee | Tim Farrell        | Johanna Conroy    |
| 8 Redsox     | Tee | Stu Bysouth        | Amy Buttner       |

3 of the 5 Liveball teams made it into the play-offs, with our courageous 17 Braves making the Grand Final and only going down by 1 run in extra innings.

During the pre-season, the Committee placed particular emphasis on recruitment and growth strategies. These efforts certainly paid off with a tremendous influx of new players and their families to the club, especially in the 8 and 10 year age groups. Overall our numbers grew 16% on prior year.

| Year on Year Age Growth |            |            |            |
|-------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
|                         | 09/10      | 10/11      | %          |
| <b>8s</b>               | 35         | 58         | 66%        |
| <b>10s</b>              | 21         | 30         | 43%        |
| <b>12s</b>              | 32         | 28         | -13%       |
| <b>14s</b>              | 12         | 10         | -17%       |
| <b>17s</b>              | 19         | 12         | -37%       |
| <b>Total</b>            | <b>119</b> | <b>138</b> | <b>16%</b> |

Our junior members come to us from 31 Primary and Secondary schools in the Carlingford area. This year, 45% of our members come from Murray Farm PS and North Rocks PS – this is up considerably, from only 20% in 2009/10.

Of the 27 Coaches and Managers this season, we had 5 new Coaches and 7 new Managers come on board. 5 of these also achieved O Level Coaching accreditation earlier in the year.

A number of our members were selected in HJBA Representative Teams. Congratulations Victor Woo and Mika Zammit in the u16’s, Matthew Martinson and Angus Feng in the U12s and Abigail Power in the U13 Girls.

This year also saw the introduction of our [www.carlingfordbaseball.com.au](http://www.carlingfordbaseball.com.au) website. This has already been shown to be a powerful communication tool and was an integral part of our highly successful Try Baseball/Registration Days in August 2010.

I would like to sincerely thank all of our hard-working Committee, our dedicated Coaches, Managers, Umpires and all of the parents, grandparents, friends and loved ones who come along and support our playing members. Whether it's an hour on the BBQ, or umpiring a Teeball game when you've never done it, every little bit helps build the thriving little Community that is the Carlingford Baseball Club.

Our Club has a long and successful history and I am very proud of our shared values and that we are not a "win at all costs" club, but rather, we strive to provide a program that teaches life skills in a positive, supportive and safe environment.

**Stuart Bysouth**  
**Vice President - Juniors**

## VICE PRESIDENT – SENIORS' REPORT

Carlingford Baseball Club fielded 3 teams in the Winter 2010 competition and 6 teams in the Summer 2009-2010 competition.

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**Winter:** D grade went one step better than last season and won their grand final vs. Quakers Hill after 2 extra innings. It was a very close game throughout with Carlo coming out on top by 1 run.

**Summer:** Another good season with us being able to field 2 A grade teams and last year's ex-juniors team picking up a few more and unfortunately losing their grand final. An excellent effort by the young guys and they should continue to grow in the years to come.

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Unfortunately, this year's All-Star vs. Legends and Coaches vs. Committee games were washed out and was unable to be replayed in time.

This will be my last year in the Vice-President – Seniors role. I would like to thank the committee, and Andrew Borg in particular, for all their help over the last 4 years. They have been instrumental in helping me progress ideas and see them to fruition. I am a firm believer in getting new people into these roles as it helps the club bring in fresh ideas and enthusiasm.

All the best to the club and good luck to next year's new Vice-President for Seniors.

**Brad Clark**  
**Vice President – Senior's**

### **GROUNDS MANAGER'S REPORT**

Firstly a big thanks to Dave Aiston and Graeme Hall for being a part of the grounds committee as it is a great concept and has worked well . Also thanks to the sub committee Jarod Hall and Sean Aiston who were always willing to help, and not forgetting Gary Butler whose great work at Muirfield is always appreciated . To all the parents that set up and pack away, Thanks!!!!

Looking forward to the new grounds storage rooms at Murray Farm next season and any new helpers are always welcome.

**Steve Gosper**  
**Grounds Manager**

### **CANTEEN MANAGER'S REPORT**

I would like to thank Jackie for her help in the canteen this season ,it was greatly appreciated. It helps to have someone in the canteen at all times and makes lighter work for the teams rostered on.

Overall we had good year and only saw 3 weeks cancelled due to wet weather and extreme heat. This does not help with the overall profit.

The canteen provides a service to the club and fulfils hungry stomachs on a early Saturday morning. We strive to keep our prices down compared with other clubs.

A big thank you to the managers and parents who were rostered on each week with canteen and BBQ duties. Without this support we would not be able to provide this service.

**Robyn Gosper**  
**Canteen Manager**

## **2010-11 HONOUR ROLL**

### **Representative Players**

Victor Woo – Hills u16 SJC  
Mika Zammit – Hills u16 SJC,  
Matthew Martinson – Hills u12 Little League  
Angus Feng – Hills u12 Little League  
Abigail Power – Hills u13 Girls

### **Playing Service Awards**

#### **Juniors - 5 years**

Olivia Bysouth  
William Cashmore  
Jameson Hinwood  
Dane Lawson  
Scott Pallier  
Matthew Wright  
Mika Zammit

#### **Juniors - 10 years**

Dean O'Shannassy  
Alex Pollock  
Ben Cardelli  
Campbell Major

### **New Level 1 Umpires**

Tom Gosper  
Dean O'Shannassy

## LIFE MEMBERS

David Aiston  
Bob Bruce  
Gary Butler  
Brian Cashmore\*  
Gail Cashmore  
Matthew Cashmore  
Duncan Coles  
Ian Cummerford  
Craig Cusbert  
Tom Cusbert  
David Downey  
Gary Essenstam  
John Gibbins  
Wendy Gold

Robyn Gosper  
Steve Gosper  
Elaine Hadden  
Col Handel  
Carol Harris  
John Harris  
Jack Henry  
Mark Highfield  
Alan Hunt  
Greg Klein  
Ed McCue  
Dianne Starling  
Bill Webster

\* Deceased

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Barclay Road  
North Rocks

Upjohn Park  
Kirby St  
Dundas