



# THE PITCH

Carlingford Baseball Club Newsletter

## Important Dates

**6<sup>th</sup> Dec.** – Xmas Party

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

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

## Committee Opportunity

There is always room for general committee members for anyone who wants to see how we do things.



## President's Welcome

What a glorious weekend to have 6 Carlo teams playing at Murray Farm and 1 at Muirfield High School. This is a record in recent years.

Some of our newer parents may not understand why we had two teams in white pants and black and yellow shirts playing on diamond 2 & 4 last weekend.

These are Carlo/Baulko Cardinals joint venture teams playing in division 1 for U12s and U13s. Simon Scott and I joined with the Vice President of Baulkham Hills in 2017 to give kids an opportunity to play division 1 when both clubs did not have enough players to form their own team. We added a second team in U13s last year and a 3rd team in U12s this year. The uniform contains colours from both clubs, both club logos on the sleeves and the team name Cardinals across the front.

**Housekeeping time:** Could all teams please ensure they rake their diamonds after training sessions and games, even if someone is playing after you. Please fill all holes on the mound, home plate and at the bases.

Thanks to Mr Dependable Denis Piccolo who is always available to umpire whenever asked and also fills in when others are not available at the last minute.

PS. On p4 Borgy humbly forgets to mention that he joined the committee about 20 years ago, was Club President for 11 years and was rewarded for his service by life membership in 2012. Thanks Borgy!

**Cheers  
Mark Highfield**

## CANTEEN DUTY

This week's teams are:

**7.45am – 10.30am: 12U**

**10.30am – 12.45pm: 14U**

**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 24/10/2020

16U/1	Barry Shipley Youth League	Baulko/Carlo JV	19	Castle Hill Crusaders	1	Win
16U/3	Brian Cashmore South	Carlingford	8	Winston Hills Norse	9	Loss
14U	Peter Street League	Carlingford	6	Blacktown	12	Loss
13U	Jeff Catt Intermediate	Baulko/Carlo JV	16	Winston Hills	6	Win
12U	Ken Douglas League	Baulko/Carlo JV	11	Quakers Hill	3	Win
12U	Phil Leonard League South	Carlingford	15	Oakville	5	Win
10U	Jim Bergan League North	Carlingford Braves	1	Quakers Hill	16	Loss
10U	Jim Bergan League North	Carlingford Cubs	0	Castle Hill Jesters	11	Loss
9U	Col Daisley League TBall	Carlingford	12	Baulkham Hills	18	Loss
8U	Wendy Vigenser League North TBall	Carlingford	45	Castle Hill Gems	38	Win
7U	Akers League North TBall	Carlingford	21	Castle Hill Lakers	34	Loss
Make Up 7U	Akers League North TBall	Carlingford	14	Castle Hill Squires	27	Loss



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## WHO IS PLAYING THIS WEEK- Sat 31/10/20

### Juniors

16U/1	Baulko/Carlo Div 1 JV vs CH Cavalier	Knights	<b>Friday Night</b> 7.15pm
16U/3	Carlingford vs Rouse Hill	Muirfield	11.00am
14U	Carlingford vs Castle Hill	Murray Farm 1	11.00am
13U	Baulko/Carlo Div 1 JV vs CH/QH	Northmead 4	8.30am
12U	Baulko/Carlo Div 1 JV vs CH Crusaders	Murray Farm 2	8.30am
12U	Carlingford vs Schofields	Peel Res 2	8.30am
10U	Carlingford Braves vs CH Crusaders	Murray Farm 4	8.30am
10U	Carlingford Cubs vs Winston Hills	Col Sutton 3	8.30am
9U	Carlingford vs Kings Langley	Murray Farm 3	8.30am
8U	Carlingford vs Winston Hills	Col Sutton 2	8.30am
7U	Carlingford vs QH Jolly R	Corbin 5	8.30am

### Seniors

G1	Carlingford vs QH Seawolves	Murray Farm	3.45pm
G2	Carlingford Coils vs QH BlackPearls	Ash Brown	1.30pm
	Carlingford Cubs vs CH Dukes	Castle Glen	1.30pm
	Carlingford Redsox vs Rouse Hill	Murray Farm	1.30pm
G3	Carlingford Black vs RH Bobcats	Caddies Res	1.30pm



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# GET TO KNOW YOUR CARLO COMMITTEE

*introducing*

## ANDREW BORG



**Nickname?**

Borgy

**Current role on the committee?**

Aussie T Ball Coordinator

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

5 years or so

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

A few

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

I had played Baseball in school and for a few years afterwards. When my son's friends joined the club to play T Ball, I encouraged him to join up as well. That was 20 years ago.

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

20 seasons of Summer Baseball, 20 seasons of Winter Baseball, About 10 seasons of Masters. You do the math. You'd think I'd be a better player after all that.

**How many games in total?**

Add another 10 seasons with Birrong and 1 with the Wenty Eagles.

**What do you love about baseball?**

I love that there is a place of different people with different skills. My skill was talking. A lot.....

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

You should not be able to catch people out in left field.

**Favourite MLB team?**

Boston Redsox

**Favourite baseball movie?**

Major League

**Favourite Carlo baseball memory?**

Too many to list, but, coaching my own kids. Watching kids that I've known since they were 4/5 grow up to be terrific baseballers (despite my coaching). Making a triple play on my own. To this day all anyone in that team remembers are the 4 drop catches I made that day. And, beating the Carlo Coils in successive Grand Finals....

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

The Imperial March from Star Wars (Darth Vader's Theme)

**One word to describe our club?**

Family

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

Just dive in. You don't notice the work when you are having fun.

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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** (*suites 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
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  - Two Double Welted Set-In Back Pockets

- 2 ½" Elastic Wasteband
- 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.

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# MATCH REPORTS

## 7U Akers League North Carlingford vs Castle Hill Squires

### Make Up Game

#### Player of the Match: Isabella

Gorgeous Spring evening at a mild 23°C with all the kids highly excited to be playing mid-week.

Our competition were the Squires from upon Castle Hill and they were Royally good!

Our batting was strong over the first two innings with almost all the kids getting back to home. Third innings saw three early outs almost in succession, which I believe is unusual at this age, due to particularly strong fielding from a very professional looking Castle Hill.

Special call out for some big hitters on the day – Isabella and Flynn and also a special mention to brave Hayley for some awesome fielding and putting her body on the line to save the ball!

Much deserved player of the match was awarded to Isabella. Well done!

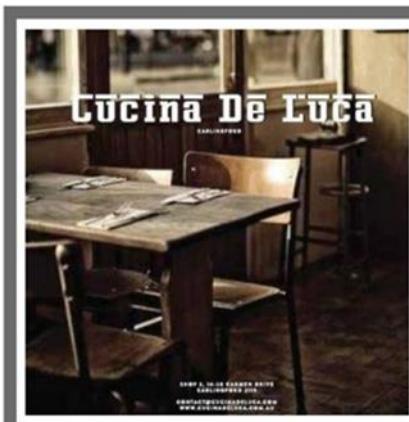
Matched called to an end at 6:40pm.



## 7U Akers League North Carlingford vs Castle Hill Lakers

### Player of the week – Toby

We had a great game today against the Lakers. The first innings the team pulled together with some great fielding work and they fell into a pattern of getting a number of the Lakers players out, with some great throwing and catching to Marcus on second base.



Welcome back to the team at  
Cucina De Luca, a local cafe in Carlingford!  
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Carlingford stepped up with some great batting and saw Eric, Joel and Toby all safe on loaded bases and then it was Hayley's turn to bat and with a great hit, she brought a team mate home.

As the game continued, we saw some big hits to the outfield by the Lakers and Carlingford's great effort with their fielding continued - they were able to get even more of the Lakers players out on second base. Carlingford's turn to bat saw Ashton make it safely to first base, Isabella and Flynn both followed on with great batting and we had players safely on all 3 bases. Toby took a huge swing and hit the ball to the outfield and was able to bring 2 players safely home!

Carlingford's great effort in fielding continued with some great team work between our pitcher and first base keeper, this combination were able to get some of the Lakers players out at first base. Our good batting streak continued into the last innings seeing Nathan have a great hit and he made it to first base safely. Marcus and Ashton both followed suit and we had all 3 bases loaded with players. Oliver stepped up to the plate with an enormous hit, he was able to bring two players home and make it second base!

It was a great game, enjoyed by players and spectators alike!



**U8 Wendy Vigenser League  
Carlingford vs Castle hill Gems  
Result : Win 45-38**

**Player of the match - Patrick**

Third game of the season and the kids were excited to be on the home field to play.

The team borrowed Matthew from the aussie tee ball group to lend a hand.

He had a great first game and was a good batter and rounded the bases a few times.



Even though Castle hill was in the lead for the first innings our team never gave up and quickly evened up the score and took lead

Kobey as Pitcher was taking some catches and with some excellent fielding from Juno and Patrick on the bases we managed a few outs. Lana and Jacob managed a few outs at 2nd base.

The whole team did a fantastic job and are improving every week. Looking forward to the next game"

**9U Col Daisley League TBall  
Carlinford vs Baulkham Hills  
Result: Loss 12-18**

**Player of the week - Daniel!**

I still can't believe we were able to play a full (uninterrupted) game on Saturday. Despite the bad weather looming at Northmead Reserve, our boys and girls definitely turned up with their game faces on. (Unlike the umpire, who turned up late all kitted with his full padded uniform. He looked ready to take on the ABL. ☺)

We started well, when Leo brought Addam home off a cracker of a hit. After a small delay before the bottom of the 1<sup>st</sup> (Ump ran off to get changed into something a bit more comfortable), Justin got the arm rolling and 2 quick plays

meant we were back in the dug-out ready for our another bat.

During the 2<sup>nd</sup>, Justin showed everyone how handy he is (also) with the stick, when he hit a monster home run. Only to be sent back by the ump to 3<sup>rd</sup>. (Ground rule.) Didn't matter though, Jackson ripped one along the ground next ball to bring him home safely.

Top of the 3<sup>rd</sup>, Leo smashed one to centre field. Great shot mate. Whilst during the bottom, Justin took a great catch and also ran a runner out at first with a rocket of a throw.

In the 4<sup>th</sup>, Daniel smashed one into the outfield. Easy double. Whilst in the field, Olivia at 2<sup>nd</sup> base took a great catch. Then ran out the next two at 1<sup>st</sup>. She was on fire, well done.

We had loaded bases in the 5<sup>th</sup>....Terrific base running Calan, brings him home 1<sup>st</sup>. Only thing stopping Daniel's rocket hit to shortstop, was an awesome catch by the fielder. Otherwise, we would have many more home that dig.

The 6<sup>th</sup> saw some incredible fielding by Daniel. Whilst in the 7<sup>th</sup>, a couple of great hits by Lexi, Thomas and Shelby kept the scoreboard ticking over nicely.

Great performance overall by our troopers. Makes me very proud to see



how far the kids have come in such a short time. It's going to be a great season.

**10U Jim Bergan League**  
**Carlingford Braves vs Quakers Hill**  
**Result: Loss 1-16**

**Player of the Week, Ethan.**

A grey and wet morning for the third game of this season. This week, the Carlingford Braves team played against Quakers Hill Pirates at their home venue.

At the end of the first two innings, the scores were close between the two teams, our team being only 1 run behind our opponent.

Our team had a great start at third inning with Ethan's pitching which immediately struck out the first two batters of Quakers Hill.

Unfortunately, the last two innings were not going as well as the team had hoped. However, our new player, James, had successfully swung his bat and hit the ball in his first game. In the last inning, Solo had a beautiful swing, his ball reached far into the outfields. He then passed two bases and finally reached home plate with a grin on his face.

Although we lost this game, each team member has put in a persistent effort into their plays this week and it was evident

the teamwork between the catching and throwing amongst our fielders. As a team, by improving on our batting, we are sure to achieve our goals and accomplish a wonderful job in our next game.

Finally, congrats to the Player of the Week, Ethan.

**10U Jim Bergan League North**  
**Carlingford Cubs v Castle Hill Jesters**  
**Result: Loss 0-11**

**Congratulation to Jackson, our player of the week and our impressive catcher throughout the match.**



All the boys were excited to be on home ground this week but otherwise a tough match against the more experienced Castle Hill Jesters. Nevertheless, the boys held their heads high, performed well in the field which consistently kept the Jesters at 2-3 runs in each of the five innings.



Jaden and Tamati did a great job pitching and also combined well with quick throws and safe hands on 1<sup>st</sup> base. Mitchell chased well in the outfield, including a big throw putting pressure on the Jesters in the 3<sup>rd</sup> innings. Beautiful catch by Tamati in the 4<sup>th</sup> innings.

Our best opportunity for runs came in the 2<sup>nd</sup> innings with strong hits advancing Connor and Tamati to 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> bases but just short of home unfortunately.

Fun had by all the boys and a very warm welcome to our new team mate Dan, great job in his very first game. Big thanks to our dedicated coaches.



**Jayden – Player of the Week (17/10/20)**



### **14U Peter Street League Carlingford vs Blacktown Result: Loss 6-12**

For this match we were up against the ladder leaders, Blacktown Workers, at our second home ground at Muirfield. Whilst we may have been daunted, our confidence from the previous outing was good.

They batted first and up stepped Josh T to the pitcher's mound. He had a mix of good pitches with some not so good ones and was ably supported by Kieran catching. They got a couple of good hits before Josh recovered to strike out 2. With a couple of walks they scored 7 in the first innings.

Our turn to bat with Kieran and James advancing all the way round the bases to have 2 home in short time. Unfortunately our next 3 at bats got out to good fielding. Although Gabriel had contributed with an RBI for James in that time.

Gabriel came onto pitch in their second innings and the fireworks began. He struck out the first batter, then Matthew caught a big hit in the outfield and Kieran completed the quick 3 up and out by a smart pop up catch at the plate. Footnote -the writer (manager Dale) walked to his car for this innings, so maybe I should do that again when we need a quick turnaround.

Our second innings got off the slow start with Josh B and Victoria not troubling the scorers. However Jason and Samuel righted the ship by getting around the bases and home to make the score 7-4 after 2.

Top of the third innings was another tight affair. Gabriel continued pitching. He walked one with a low blow on the ankle. They managed to get this batter and another one home. Then we got an in-field catch to Gabriel. Before the secured one more run. The game was moving at a handy pace.

Our third innings saw Rex give 3 good swings and struck out. Kieran and James got on base. Gabriel stepped up and got another RBI with Kieran home but unfortunately James got tagged out at third base. Dom then stepped up with a huge hit that got an RBI double with Gabriel coming home. Up stepped Josh T and slammed one, but great fielding by Blacktown ran him out at first. We ended the inning down 10-6 and pressing.

In the 4th innings, change of pitcher to Jason and Samuel stepped up with catching duties. They were working hard by getting their first batter struck out. The next 2 batters got on base and made it around home. Things were looking a bit grim as we were tiring. However Dominic took a great catch at centre field, then threw to James at second for a tag out

and a fantastic double play. We were down 12- 6 and our last at bat with a chance to sneak a win.

Unfortunately we went down in a blaze of glory. Ishan just got run out at 1st. Josh B and Victoria struck out swinging.

We went down 12-6 but this was a very close game. We pitched, batted and caught well. Just a couple of simple errors with composure in the field and at bases could have seen a different result.

Confidence should still be high for the next game as we continue improving

