



SUNSHINE vs GEELONG / TOP OF THE 20th INNING

EAGLES NEWS

Greetings everyone and welcome to Volume 12 of the Eagles Newsletter for season 2017-2018.

The last round of baseball before the break was a truly unbelievable one to say the least. Our Firsts team played for over 4 hours in a gruelling battle with Geelong, only to succumb to a pass ball in the end. For those who witnessed the game first hand, you have all been witness to endurance and commitment at it's best, unfortunately we didn't win the game, but the team sure won the hearts of their supporters.

Apart from the fine on-field efforts, the off-field activities were in full swing with the juniors Christmas family day fun. This was a great way to close off before the break for the kids and parents. A huge thanks goes to all of those involved in making it a great day, you all have deserved a well earned break too. There will be updates on the 2018 activities very soon, so apart from that, we wish you all the best for the festive season :-)

SENIORS NEWS

The Firsts went down in the mid week game unfortunately and then contended with Geelong in the marathon game as documented, only to lose by a single run. New beginnings, mean new opportunities and that goes for all teams in 2018. Apart from the 1sts, the 2nds started well, then played the catch up game, but as we all know, it is always a difficult one to turn around. The 3rds were once again outplayed and will be looking to finish off the season better than they started. The 4ths with their solid line up, continue to dominate this season, well done fellas, it is a credit to you all. The Women's were unable to field a team unfortunately for the last game due to some outs. The Masters team finished off with a nice win once again, top stuff guys, you have set the height of the bar for all other teams.

JUNIORS NEWS

Our Juniors are our future and what a bright future we can look forward to. At the moment we have a great group of kids, from eager Tee ballers and Rookie ball kids who will consider baseball next season and at the same time, our top age U18s players will be finishing their junior careers for the Eagles and hopefully fulfilling the senior roles next year and beyond. To date, all of our teams are travelling along nicely and playing some competitive baseball. We have some teams that have won quite a few games and some that have won just a couple, but as we know, the most important factor of all is that they enjoy themselves, develop their skills and their love for the game and to come back next season to do it all again. To us, "that is what winning is all about" G O E A G L E S !!

EAGLES NOTICEBOARD TWINS TRIALS PLAYERS

It won't be long before we hear if any of our juniors have been selected for the Twins Academy Squad, good luck kids, we are sure proud of you.



U16s VICTORIAN TEAM REPRESENTATIVE

JOSHUA BYRNE

Joshua Byrne was duly presented with his Victorian cap at the stadium on Sunday. Good luck to you Josh, as you proudly represent Sunshine playing for the U16 state white team in Sydney. Have a great tournament and all the best from all of us back here who will be cheering for you.



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EAGLES RESULTS

SUNSHINE	RUNS	OPPONENT	RUNS
1STs MW	1	WAVERLEY	3
1STs	3	GEELONG	4
2NDs	2	GEELONG	10
3RDs	0	GEELONG	20
4THs	7	GEELONG	4
WOMENS	0	BONBEACH	0
MASTERS	13	FOOTSCRAY	3
U18s SUN	0	ESSENDON	9
U16s SUN	9	WERRIBEE	6
U12s SUN	0	BYE	0
U14s BLUE	17	NEWPORT	8
U12s RED	5	WERRIBEE	0
U12s BLUE	5	NEWPORT	12
U12s BLACK	10	NEWPORT	3

DIVISION ONE ALL STAR GAME REPRESENTATIVES

Jared Van Hoon: Western Division One Head Coach.

Shout out to Sunshine's very own Jordan Young, Adam Irons, Jamie Young, Jeremy Young, Tayler Rowe, and Allister Lovelock on being chosen to represent the Shiners in this years Division One All-star game. Well deserved! **First pitch will be at 4pm, January 6th** at the Melbourne Ball park Laverton.

Come and support the hard work that has been rewarded. Not done yet.



Jared Van Hoon Jordan Young Adam Irons Jamie Young Jeremy Young Tayler Rowe Allister Lovelock

EAGLES GALLERY Photos from: Sally Hand



Good old fashioned fun! What a great day for the kids and families it was at our Juniors Christmas family day



Rookie Ball Kids: These are just a few of our future Eagles who will be ready before long to step up to baseball



Photos from: Lee Dare



S.B.C. U18s *U18s: Our U18s players who have combined with Newport this season are enjoying the successes and challenges that have come their way, keep up the good work guys, we are so proud of your efforts to date and wish you all the best upon your return.*