



Eagles NEWS



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HERE'S LOOKING AT YOU KIDS!

Dear Members, families and friends, welcome to volume 17 of the Eagles News. As many of our senior teams are either winding up their seasons, or have already played their last game, we can't help but look towards our juniors, as they edge towards the end of their season as well. We have a great bunch of kids and the support that the club receives from their parents and carers is just exceptional. Thank you all for your fine support!

In the senior ranks, our First Nine are keeping up that intensity as the head into the final games of the home and away season. They had an outstanding come from behind win over Essendon on the weekend, but were unable to follow it up in the midweek game against Newport, going down in a close contest 1-2. Our Seconds played their second last game of the season and once again, they can be proud of their efforts and only went down by a single run against Essendon. All the best guys for your last game this weekend against Sandringham, no doubt you will give it your best shot. The Thirds and Fourths played their last game of the season and even though the wins were far and few between, both Glenn Josen and Nick Bottrill did well to manage and to field the teams each week. They made the most of their opportunities when they arose and considering that there were quite a mix of new and seasoned players, it is always going to be a challenge, well done to you all and thanks for proudly representing the Eagles week in and week out. The Women's team have just come of a bye, so they should be rested and rearing to go for their first finals game, whoo hoo! Go get em ladies! The Masters team have one more game to go for the season and it is against Pivot City at home, so if you are free, it would be good to come down to support them.

The Juniors are closing in on seasons end and the way it is looking, our SL90 team will be playing finals baseball before long. Of course finals is not the be all and end all, but it sure is nice for kids to have the opportunity to participate when the time comes around. The SL90 team had a great game getting over the line by a run in a 10-9 result against Essendon, well done kids. The SL80 team only managed 2 runs in their tussle with Fitzroy/Preston, but none the less, they gave it their best shot on the day. The Little League Major had a resounding win against the NW Titans, amassing 14 runs for a solid win. The Little League Minor had an mini arm wrestle of a game with a 1 all result in the end, good work kids, great to see you all develop so well over the course of the season. Good luck to all teams for this weeks games and we look forward to reporting again next week.

A huge thank you to all of our wonderful & loyal sponsors for their kind support.

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THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR OUTSTANDING SUPPORT

SENIOR GAMES

DATE	SENIORS	ROUND	OPPONENT	@	TIME
22/2	1sts - Saturday	30	Doncaster	Home	4.00pm
22/2	2nds	18	Doncaster	Home	1.30pm
22/2	Women's	FINAL			
24/2	Masters	16	Pivot City	Home	6.15pm

You can click on the links provided in this email to view the results and ladder positions, or to check the games details and locations, alternatively you can visit our website or more updates.

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HOME RUN CLUB HONORS ONCE AGAIN FOR ADRIAN FITTOCK



Adrian Fittcok is known for his hitting prowess, but it was certainly a clutch hit when he belted one over the fence to score 2 runs late in the game against Essendon on the weekend.

Well done AJ, we just lover your work mate!



JUNIOR GAMES

DATE	JUNIORS	ROUND	OPPONENT	@	TIME
23/2	Senior 90 West	14	Port Melbourne	Home	8.45am
23/2	Senior 80 West	12	Newport Merinos	Home	8.45am
23/2	LL Major West	14	Fitzroy	Away	11.05am
21/2	LL Minor West	13	Newport Dodgers	P'Cook	6.00pm

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DEER PARK CLUB JUNIOR PLAYER OF THE WEEK

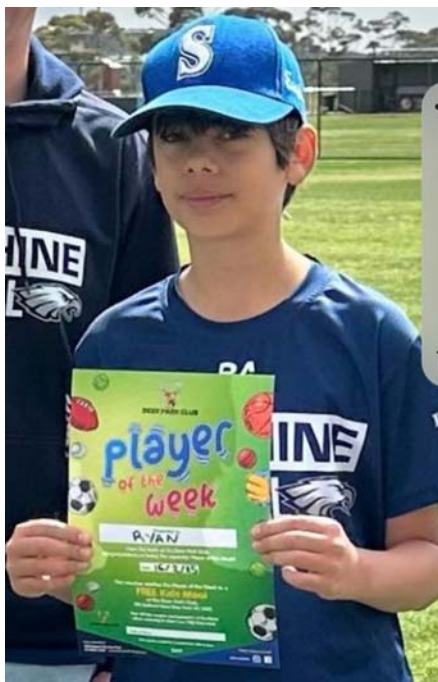
JUNIORS	ROUND	PLAYER
Senior 90 Metro	13	Harley Chamberlain
Senior 80 West	11	Isabella McKenner
LL Major West	13	Ryan Merceica
LL Minor West	12	



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LL MAJOR

RYAN MERCEICA



SL80

ISABELLA MCKENNER



SL90

HARLEY CHAMBERLAIN







Little League Minor team Walk out with Australian team

The Melbourne Aces recently hosted the Hanwha Eagles of the Korean Baseball Organization and Team Australia in a three-game series, showcasing a truly "International" Baseball Showdown. Our own Little league Minor eagles were fortunate to be able to have a walkout with the Australian team and judging by the smiles on their faces, they all loved the experience.





EAGLES EVENTS - SNR BAREFOOT BOWLS

Even though we were unable to get our game of bare-foot bowls in due to the inclement weather, the senior playing group and members enjoyed a wonderful evening at Deer Park Club with some fine food and good company! That also means that Glenn Letts still retains the title of back to back champion of the "corner to corner" closest to the kitty end game :-)
Thanks to everyone who attended and to DPC for the use of their fine facilities.

Photos: Deb Clayton



EAGLES 500 CLUB EVENT / SATURDAY 22ND FEB

500 CLUB EAGLES SUPPORTERS A DAY IN THE MARQUEE

Dear Members,

Included in the package for our 500 Supporter Club members, was a round of baseball where they would be acknowledged for their fine support!

For the final round of the home and away season (Round 30), the Eagles Firsts take on Doncaster and there will be a marquee set up for the 500 Club members, where they will be provided with some fine club hospitality, and we look forward celebrating the game with them.

Regards SBC



SPECIAL EVENT DAY

Saturday February 22nd

The Club extends its sincere appreciation to our 500 Supporter Club members. You're invited to a special hospitality event in our marquee for the Round 30 clash against Doncaster. We look forward to celebrating the final round of the home and away season with you.

1	Robert Browne	6	Griffin Weir
2	Phil & Cheryl Beckwith	7	Leigh Davis
3	Vic Rand	8	Stuart Clayton
4	Michael De Gabriel	9	Gavin Fischer
5	Graham May	10	Doug Brown
		11	Matthew Wilkie



For more information regarding events, please contact our Social Coordinator Danielle Harris.
Social Coordinator / Danielle Harris – Phone: 0402 464 306 / Email: dharris@hotmail.com.au



JUNIOR PRESENTATION FRIDAY 21ST MARCH

JUNIOR PRESENTATION NIGHT ~ Friday March 21st.

It won't be long before get the chance to celebrate our Juniors summer season of baseball. On the evening of March 21st, we will acknowledge all juniors for their fine efforts, our coaches for taking them under their wings and to our amazing volunteers that have helped out on game days and behind the scenes. There will be medal and trophy presentations to baseball players in designated categories.

We look forward to seeing you all in attendance and to celebrate the evening with us.

BBQ supplied by the club.

PARENTS: please see the note below in regards to deserts & salads.

- ♦ LL Minor & LL Major to bring a dessert
- ♦ SL 80 & SL 90 to bring a Salad

Regards SBC

SENIOR PRESENTATION SATURDAY 5TH APRIL

SENIOR PRESENTATION NIGHT ~ Saturday April 5th.

Everyone is welcome to join us in on the celebrations of our Eagles 2024-2025 Summer Season and what a season it has been to date!

The event is proudly sponsored by our Major Sponsor Deer Park Club, and they will once again let us use their wonderful facilities to showcase and to celebrate our Eagles season.

Our senior teams in all sections, will be acknowledged on the evening, as well as awards presented to players in various categories.

Please lock in the date so that you don't miss out on the celebration of this wonderful occasion.

Scan this code to secure your ticket now.

Regards SBC



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PRESENTS
**JUNIOR
PRESENTATION NIGHT**
2024/25

BBQ **FREE ENTRY**

**5:30PM FRIDAY MARCH 21
@BARCLAY RESERVE**

Parents please bring a salad or dessert

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SENIOR
**PRESENTATION
NIGHT**

\$65 PER PERSON - 2 COURSE MEAL
DRINKS AT BAR PRICES - BAR OPEN TO 11:30PM

SENIOR AWARDS
FIRST 9 VOTE COUNT

DEER PARK CLUB

DJ MUSIC
DRESS SMART
CASUAL

**24
25**

PURCHASE TICKETS HERE

FOR DIETARY REQUIREMENTS AND RSVP, PLEASE CONTACT DANIELLE AT
DHARRIS@HOTMAIL.COM.AU OR 0402 464 306

5 APRIL 7PM SEATING-RSVP 14/3
DEER PARK CLUB - 780 BALLARAT ROAD
DEER PARK



2024/25 EVENTS

- ◆ Saturday 22nd February: Eagles 500 Club Supporter Event
- ◆ Friday 21st March: Junior Presentation Night
- ◆ Saturday 5th April: Senior Presentation Night

WINTER BASEBALL

- ◆ Sunday March 23rd: Winter Juniors come and try day
- ◆ Sunday March 30th: Senior Players come and try day



WINTER BASEBALL 2025 SEASON INFORMATION

Dear Parents and Players,

We are looking to recruit senior and junior players for this coming winter 2025 baseball season.

Winter baseball is a great way to stay fit, to develop your baseball skills, to meet new friends and to enjoy the fun of playing baseball.

AGE ELIGIBILITY / Please see below for the teams as follows.

TEE BALL: Ages 4 to 8 years old

U13s: Must be under the age of 13 on August 31st, 2025 (Minimum age is 9)

U15s: Must be under the age of 15 on August 31st, 2025.

U17s: Must be under the age of 17 on August 31st, 2025.

Seniors: Minimum age is 14 years old / **Women's:** Minimum age is 13 years old

BASEBALL GAMES AND TIMES / Seniors, Women's and Junior teams play on Saturdays.

U13s: 9.00am to 10.30am / Season starts Saturday April 26th

U15s: 8.45am to 10.30am / Season starts Saturday April 26th

U17s: 8.45am to 10.30am / Season starts Saturday April 26th

Seniors: 12.15pm or 2.40pm / **Women's:** 12.00pm or 2.30pm

Season starts Saturday April 26th

TRAINING

Baseball Training days and times will be confirmed but is currently scheduled to start early April.

Tee Ball sessions to commence in early May (minimum of 6 participants required for the program)

Training will be the following, unless the coaches choose another day or time that suits their availability.

Tee Ball: Tuesdays: sessions: 4.30pm to 5.30pm

U13s: Tuesday or Wednesdays: 5.00pm to 6.30pm

U15s: Tuesday or Wednesdays: 5.00pm to 6.30pm

Seniors / Women's: Will be determined by coaches

JUNIOR WINTER PLAYERS INFORMATION

Sunshine Baseball Club juniors play in the City West Junior Baseball League, which is a local league, so there is not a lot of travel involved. This league is a part of the Melbourne Winter Baseball League. There will be an opportunity for players to try out for the City West Winter Championship teams, usually held halfway through the season.

COACHES, ASSISTANTS, SCORERS & UMPIRES

We are always looking for help with the winter program regarding coaches, assistants, scorers and umpires, so please let us know if you are willing to offer some help, it would certainly be appreciated.

WINTER COME AND TRY DAYS

Juniors: Sunday March 23rd at 2pm / **Seniors & Women:** Sunday March 30th at 2pm



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INDOOR TRAINING FACILITY UPDATE

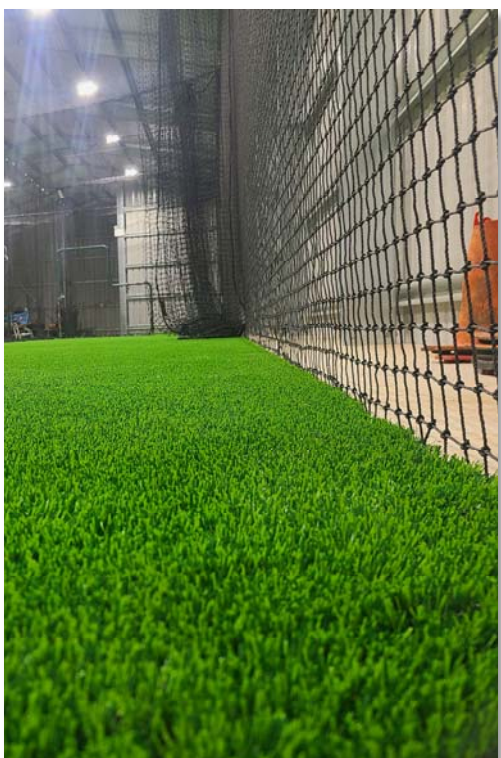
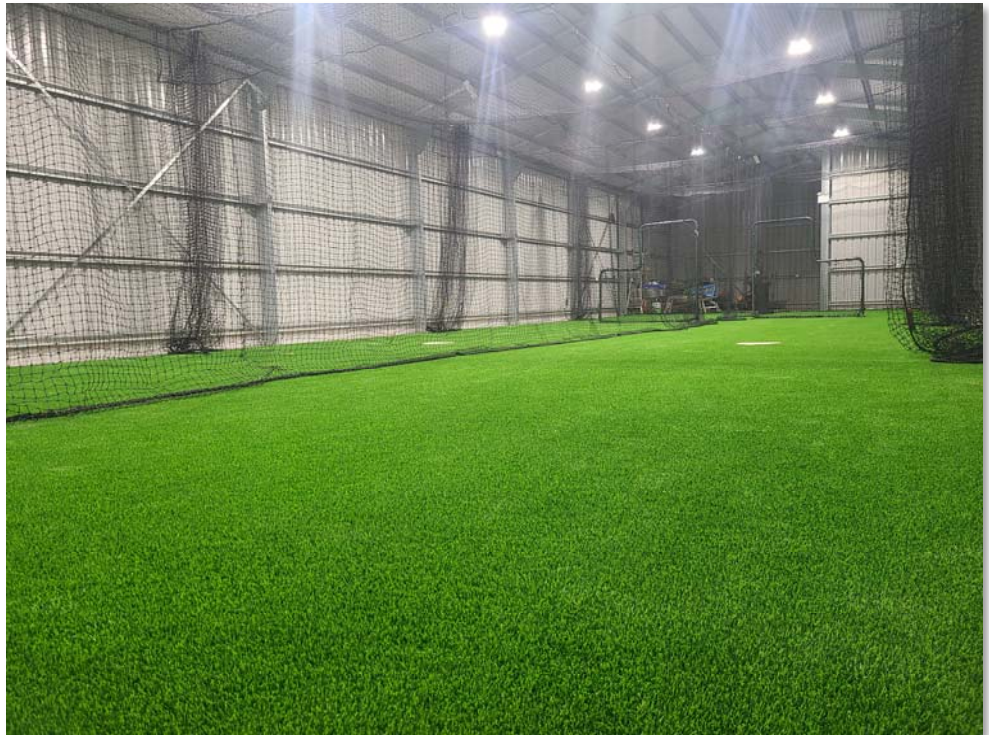
Dear members, we are pleased to advise that we have reached yet another milestone in regards to the works on the new indoor training facility with the installation of the synthetic turf.

The installation of the synthetic turf is the last of the big ticket items to be done, so we are very pleased to be at this point in time in regards to the build. There are 2 generous size lanes for batting practice, as well as a section that can be cordoned off for tee work, or other drills. The centre net can be retracted, to then have a fully open space for other types of practice, or group skills and drills.

Before completion of the works, there are still quite a few smaller jobs to do, such as works on the drainage outside, the electronics, security, purchasing of equipment, storage areas and other incidentals that may pop up along the way, but rest assured, we are getting closer to our end goal.

Special thanks to the ITF committee and to the volunteers who have contributed so many hours of time and labour to date on this project, it is very much appreciated by everyone.

Regards SBC



ITF FUNDRAISER

Hi Sunshine Baseball Club members,
 Back around September 2022 we started the journey of getting our new Indoor Training Facility (ITF) and Bullpen built.
 We have achieved significant progress over this time and now with the latest milestone of have the soft netting and synthetic turf installed, we are closing in on our completion date of around April.

As with everything material and labour prices have gone up and this has added to the ITF cost. We are seeking to raise some additional funds to help to get our new ITF over the line and your support is very much appreciated on any level.



Our most recent contributor to this project is **Michael Ashburn**. Mike has been involved with our club on many levels over many years. He is a Life Member and is our longest serving Club secretary. Thanks for the donation Mike, it is very much appreciated.

Regards, Sunshine Baseball Club ITF Sub-Committee.



TOTAL FUNDS RAISED TO DATE INDOOR TRAINING FACILITY FUNDRAISER

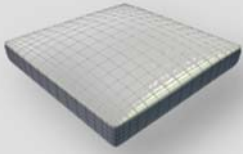
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CONTRIBUTOR	LEVEL	DONATION
Sun Foundation	Grand Slam	\$40,000
Deer Park Club	Grand Slam	\$20,000
Sunshine Cricket Club	Home Run	\$5,000
Lions Club of Sunshine	Double	\$2,000
Hart Recycling	Double	\$1,000
Nathan Wallis	Double	\$1,000
Aaron Wallis Taylor	Double	\$1,000
Adams Family	Double	\$1,000
Anonymous Donor	Double	\$1,000
Letts Family	Double	\$1,000
Lane Koski	Single	\$500
Anonymous SBC Family	Single	\$500
Rowlands Family	Single	\$500
May Family	Single	\$500
Everett Family	Walk	\$250
Michael Ashburn	Walk	\$200
Sophia De Gabriel	At Bat	\$125
Griffin Weir	At Bat	\$100
Total funds raised to date		\$75,675

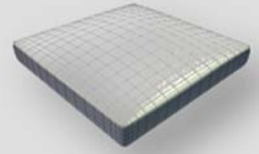
For contributions, please see over the page for various options to donate. Thank You.



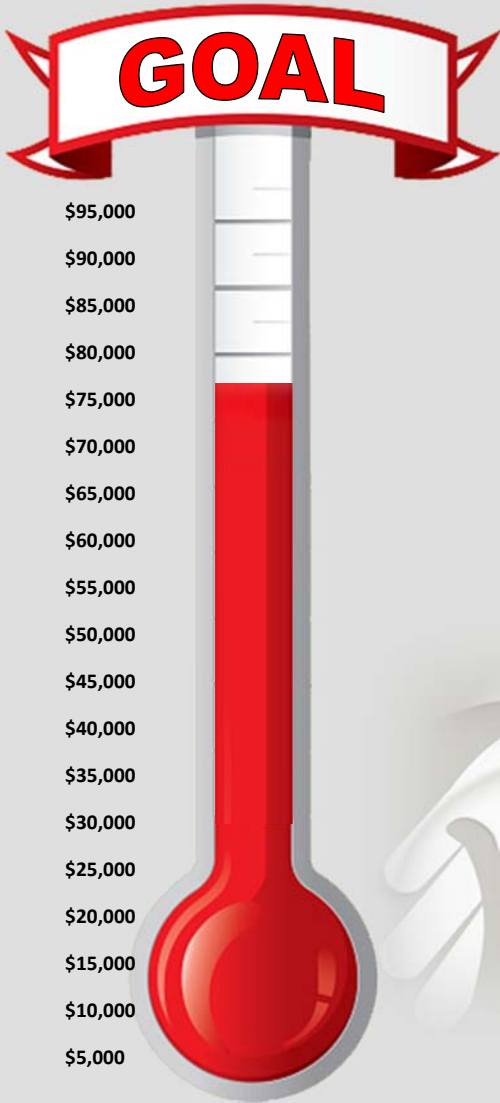
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GET ON BASE



WITH OUR NEW INDOOR TRAINING FACILITY FUNDRAISER
VARIOUS CONTRIBUTOR LEVELS FOR INDIVIDUALS, SPONSORS & FAMILIES



GRAND SLAM - \$10,000+
THE ULTIMATE AT BAT

HOME RUN - \$5,000
OVER THE FENCE IT GOES

TRIPLE - \$2,500
NOTHING LIKE HITTING IT DEEP

DOUBLE - \$1,000
NOW THAT'S A GREAT HIT

SINGLE - \$500
SOLID HIT TO GET ON BASE

WALK - \$250
THAT'S GOOD LOOKING

AT BAT - \$100
STEPPING UP TO THE PLATE

We need your help to achieve our goal!

Get on base and become a contributor today to this major project for Sunshine Baseball Club.

Any contribution, on any level, is very much appreciated.

THERE ARE 4 EASY WAYS TO MAKE A DONATION

ASF
SCAN QR CODE
Australian Sporting Foundation.
Tax deductible donation

DIRECT Debit
BANK: Sunshine Baseball Club
Community Fee Saver
BSB: 083 419
ACC: 85 378 9445

BANK
1234 1234
Donate by card
in the club rooms.

Donate with cash
in the club rooms.

Please use reference **ITF**, followed by your name when making a payment, thank you for your support.



THANK YOU to all of the members that have signed up for the Eagles Supporter Club program for the 2024-2025 season. There is still time to sign up and to receive all of the entitlements that come with each package. The draws for each club take place on the last Thursday of each month, up until the end of March 2025. **The January draw will take place on Thursday Jan 30th.**

Thanks again for supporting Sunshine Baseball Club.

Regards SBC.



EAGLES SUPPORTER CLUB - 100 CLUB

For your contribution of \$100, please see below the below details of what is on offer.

Eagles Supporter Cap, or a Free Thursday Night meal, or \$15 in Eagles Money

Complimentary 6 drink card

Complimentary \$20 Canteen Voucher

Bonus \$5 Eagles Money

100 Club Honour Board Recognition

Free Associate Membership

Monthly draw to win prizes (3 drinks, or \$15 Eagles money)

EAGLES SUPPORTER CLUB - 200 CLUB

For your contribution of \$200, please see below the below details of what is on offer.

Choice of a Flex Fit Player Cap, or 2 Free Thursday Night meals, or an Eagles Polo

Complimentary 20 drink card

Complimentary \$40 Canteen Voucher

Bonus \$5 Eagles Money

200 Club Honour Board Recognition

Free Associate Membership

Monthly draw to win prizes (6 drinks, or \$30 Eagles money)

EAGLES SUPPORTER CLUB - 500 CLUB

For your contribution of \$500, please see below the below details of what is on offer.

Flex Fit Player Cap and a Club Polo, or a Flex Fit Cap and 4 Free Thursday meals

Complimentary 40 drink card

Complimentary \$40 Canteen Voucher

Complimentary Ticket to senior presentation night

Bonus \$5 Eagles Money

500 Club Honour Board Recognition

Free Associate Membership

500 Club Special Game Day Event, SaturdaFeb 22nd.

Monthly draw to win prizes (12 drinks, or \$60 Eagles money)

100 CLUB MEMBERS
Margaret Mahoney
Jasmine Amaya
Gerry O'Conner
David Richardson
Norm Phillips
Allan Chinn
Kevin Dare
Michelle Rowlands
Greg Murdon
Sarah Hando
Adam Bird
Sally Hand
Phil Allen
Eric Nicholls
Kerry Lovelock
Danny Lovelock
200 CLUB MEMBERS
Duran Maguire
Glenn Letts
John Mahoney
June Fischer
Geoff Fischer
Daniel Letts
Daniell Harris
Dylan Sloman
Malcom D'Souza
Lee Dare
Mark Adams
David Rowlands
Jacob Holley
Cassidy Clayton
Jack Letts
Josh Justin
Gavin Young
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Phil & Cheryl Beckwith
Vic Rand
Michael De Gabriel
Graham May
Griffin Weir
Leigh Davis
Stuart Clayton
Gavin Fischer
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Dear members, thank you to everyone who is involved with our various member programs, it is great to see the support. Member draws are held on the last Thursday of each month, up until the end of march. The new addition to the member programs, is the Junior membership. Kerry Leigh and the junior committee have been very active, and the implementation of the Junior Membership program is a great idea. All junior players have been given a free membership card and each month, two prizes will be drawn out with some great giveaways for the juniors.



NEXT DRAWS ARE ON THURSDAY FEB 27TH

SUNSHINE BASEBALL CLUB
ASSOCIATE MEMBER KEY RINGS

Membership badges were first introduced to Sunshine Baseball Club in 1959 up until 1986.

As a part of Sunshine Baseball Club and join up as an Associate Member, cost \$25.
 All Associate Members will receive their own individually numbered key ring.
 There will be an Associate Member draw each month in the summer season, where 3 members can win Eagles Money that can be spent on anything at the club. In addition, there will be other privileges and opportunities for key ring holders that will be announced throughout the season.

FREE KEY RINGS
 • Active Life Members
 • Club Sponsors
 • Committee Members
 • Senior Team Head Coaches
 • Junior Team Head Coaches
 • 100 Club Supporters
 • Registered Senior Players
 (Limit 1 Key ring per person)

KEY RING SALES
 Associate Member key rings cost \$20
 The membership is for a period of one year from 1/25/2024 to 30/9/2025.
 The reward for each season is \$20 and if a new year insert will be provided.
 Free postage to anywhere in Australia.

KEY RING MEMBER NUMBERS
 Key ring member numbers are allocated in order of distribution and a list will be published each month.
 Please note that member numbers cannot be requested.
 Thank you.

Each Member key ring is individually numbered and comes with a year insert that can be updated each season upon renewal.

Thank you for being involved with our club and for your support.

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200 CLUB
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500 CLUB
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JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP CARD

Name

2024-2025 Season