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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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Message from the President

The season is underway!!! What a month its been!!!

experience for all 85 families throughout 2021 both on and off the field.

A lot has happened this month and the Redsox is in a great place. We have secured a great number of junior and seniors with approximately 40 senior members, 2 tee-ball teams, and good numbers in our under 13 & 16 age groups. Id like to welcome back all our previous players, and the many new families to the club. We aim to provide a great

Thankyou to Brooke Donaghue for taking on the Merchandise/uniform coordinators role on the committee, and the new coaches that have accepted the roles for the season. Our Senior B grade coach was filled by the experienced Brett Sharp, our C grade senior team will be a joint effort this season by Ken Neilson, Danny Smith, and Brad Greenough. We also recently accepted Dennis Smith to be our Under 16 coach along with Brian Dillon to assist him. I am extremely happy with all our coach and committee appointments this year and believe we are set up well for success.

Our senior sides have already played in the month of April starting with the Gippsland Championships weekend where all players were able to test out their skills over 6 games. Redsox were very impressive over the weekend falling just short from playing in the grand finale. Some 30 players played over the Sat/Sun with no injuries and plenty of game practice.



Our Veteran Masters played a weekend away in Geelong for 3 days playing some of the best 35+ players in the state. Probably good enough to play in the finale after winning a few games they decided to drop the qualifying game to save their sore bodies. A few players had to return home on the last day of the tournament which left the team probably unable to compete well in the final. Hopefully, next year we have a couple more older guys to join the fight at the Victorian Masters.

Following that weekend our seniors have now completed 3 games pulling off some great close wins and suffering some losses also. Some good signs though with some of our youth getting some good exposure in higher grades while we settle teams over the month. Good depth in the club has allowed us to cover players not available early in the season. Our coaches have been extremely happy with training attendance and intensity, with many staying for a meal and our famous kangaroo court fines hearings. All in good fun everyone seems to be enjoying themselves.

A Grade 1W - 2L - 0D B Grade 1W - 1L - 0D C Grade 2W - 0L - 0D



Our Anzac game at home went well hosting Sale. Thankyou to Brian Dillon for his speeches and organising of the last post prior to the main game. All games were hard matches and played in the spirits of the Anzacs. The club then completed a great day by attending our

Major League sponsor Traralgon Bowls Club for dinner, and some barefoot bowls. Approximately 50 attended to make for a great night. Just a reminder to make sure you are a member of the bowls club and using your card as much as possible when your there. If you are not a member yet talk to your coach, its free to join.

Over the month our committee and club members have been busy recruiting sponsors for the club. The club committee has been discussing a few off-field projects and the purchasing of equipment to better the experience for all. We have had a successful start as you will read later in the newsletter and are looking to close the sponsorship drive this month to ensure all our signage is completed and up for most of the season. Id like to thank all those members bringing new sponsors to the club and thank those sponsors for joining the Redsox for 2021. I ask all our families to visit our website or read the sponsors section in this newsletter with the aim to support them as much as you can. Our sponsorship drives this season has tried to tailor many different businesses that may be attractive to your family. We aim to provide sponsors regular feedback on what new things the club is doing for our members this season. If you have been thinking of a player sponsor, we are trying to have as many on the sign as possible. Information is on our website and our Facebook groups.

www.traralgonresox.com/copy-of-sponsorship

Merchandise is on the way for those wanting new Hoodies, Hats etc. We appreciate the patience from players and parents as we have been under the hammer getting the club back up and running. Our priority was to get as many players as possible into uniforms and work out what areas we are short in. We can comfort you that orders are in place and not far away. With Brooke on board finding her way I am confident things will be smooth moving forward.

Thank you for supporting the Redsox Baseball Club in 2021, good luck to all our juniors starting their game days, we aim to be the most successful baseball club in our region.

John Kus.

Message from the Secretary

We still have a couple spots available on the general committee and would welcome new members if you are interested in joining, come to the meetings and help where you can. You're welcome to join in and listen without having to take on anything huge. If we could have some interest in scoring I can tailor some beginner sessions to suit our needs, so please text me your interest and ill get a session ready.

I just wanted to thank everyone for your efforts in getting either yourself or your child registered and game ready. Registrations are a huge task, made so much easier by our Redsox Members getting in and getting the job done, Thank you all.

Nicki Townsend

Message from Treasurer

Fees – Most of the senior players have now been invoiced for club fees. The remaining invoice will be sent out this Sunday. Senior fees are payable by the end of round 1, which will be after game 5 of the season.

Merchandise

As mentioned earlier merchandise has been ordered and will not be too far away. All merchandise is required to be paid for prior to it being given out.

Items that can be purchased are as follows:

Hoodies \$50.00 – Available in grey or maroon

Polo Shirts \$35.00

Shorts \$30.00 - Available in grey or maroon

Stubbie holders \$ 5.00

Beanies \$20.00 - Two styles are available - Maroon 'redsox' or our new style with a pom pom

Grey Playing Pants \$35.00 - \$55.00 prices vary depending on style - X plate brand.

Scarves \$15.00

Belts \$15.00 Jnr / \$20.00 Snr

Socks \$12.50 Jnr / \$25 Snr - maroon, maroon/white hoops, maroon/white hoops with stirrups

Backpacks \$50.00 with glove \$35.00 without glove

Bank account details

Account Name: Traralgon Redsox Baseball club BSB:633-108 Account No: 101159176

Reward & Recognitions.

Each month we like to recognise those members that do things over and above what would usually be expected in their role. This month the following will receive a Rebel Sports voucher for their effort. There is probably lots of other little things getting done but not recognised here, we thank you and keep up the good work.

Josh Graham – Josh spent his time helping the club close out a grant from 2018 that required some hours in administration. This was a huge benefit for our baseball club.

Dennis Smith – Volunteered his time without being asked to finish off the right field lights install by mounting the starters on the pole and finalising. He also arranged a new light switch to replace inside the cage facility. **Luke Hornstra** – Manufacturing a light tower extension and installing. This has a huge benefit to improving the training lights in the right field black spot.

Ken Neilson – Taking away the ride on mower when it was found damaged to have repaired and returned back into service.

Redsox Indoor Facility



The Indoor facility is now available free of cost to all financial Redsox members. Bookings can be made by visiting the below link and booking a time. If you'd like to make a booking and arrange to meet a coach I'm sure one of our great coaches could provide some 1 on 1 value. https://traralgonredsox.skedda.com/booking

Once a booking is confirmed you will be messaged a code to open the door.

To keep the club safe from COVID-19, we ask all patrons to check-in to the batting cage by using the QR codes displayed on the entry wall. Please respect the facility and treat it like your own. No cleats, food or drink policy applies whilst inside.

Player Profile of the Month



Brandan Wass, AKA Wassy.

Starting in 2015, age 12, I was pulled into baseball when James Lynch invited me onto our school T-ball team. Here is where I met with Will Brooker who was our coach for the tournament and soon to be my under 16's coach in the following years.

After finding my way onto the under 13's Traralgon Redsox
Baseball team I moved my way up, taking part in baseball carnivals
and joining the Berwick City Cougars for the summer seasons.
Today I play as a catcher for the senior grades for our club.

Traralgon Redsox has many role models within its community. Personally, I was influenced by Steven Cox's attitude towards the game, sharing a balance of commitment and work ethic alongside friendship and enjoyment of the sport.

Today I am proud to be part of Traralgon Redsox due to its engaging and growing community behind it with love for the sport and the players within it.

Redsox Sponsors

Major League Sponsors

The baseball club welcomes all our sponsors this month. <u>To support our sponsors please visit out</u> website and click on the sponsors logo to be directed straight to them.

We continue great relationships with the Traralgon bowls club and TRFM who are our Major league sponsors and thank them for there continued support into 2021.

Traralgon Bowls Club

We encourage all our members to check their membership card for the 2021 season by simply attending the venue, scanning your card to see if it needs renewing. If any new members to the club need to know how to gain a membership, forms are in the club rooms, just fill one out and take it into the venue when you go. We organise dinners, functions, and general outings at the bowls club, but also encourage everyone to use the venue and use their card when purchasing.



TRFM 99.5 have also been with our club for many years. We encourage all our members to turn your radio on their channel for some great tunes, and programs. If anyone in the club owns a business or needs to do any advertising, please contact the crew at TRFM and mention your with the Redsox. Over the years TRFM have helped our club become what it is today, and we thank them.



All-Star Sponsors To support our sponsors please visit out website and click on the sponsors logo to be directed straight to them.

All our all-star packages are now sold out! Thankyou



Henry & Hyland Street Cellars Traralgon

Wine, beer and spirits shop in Traralgon, Victoria have supported the baseball club for many years now and provided great specials and discounts for all our members. Please take the time to drop in have a look at their specials and buy yourself some goodies. The home of the \$10 SIX PACK



Port Albert Fishing Charters

Lets go redsox families book your family into a great day out with our Brian. A well-known senior player for our club now running his own charter business. His 2 sons Jordan & Kye are playing at the redsox if anyone has any question. They promise to expose you to the best fishing in our local water, the spots they go and the gear they use and the time we share... You'll soon learn there's no other way to fish. Port Albert Fishin' Charters operate charters in Port Albert and Bass Strait to target the likes of King fish, Whiting and Snapper. If you wish to make a booking with us please complete the booking form to register your interest. Or, if you prefer drop us a line...or give us a call.

OFFICE HOURS: 0830 - 2000 PHONE: <u>0409 793 714</u>

EMAIL: portalbertfishincharters@gmail.com





The Butter Factory/Mantra

The Butter Factory Bowling. 4 lane bowling, bar & bistro. Open for lunch and dinner 7 days. Dine inside or outside in the Atrium. Cinema to open in the future. Suggest your friends and family to stay at the Mantra when visiting Traralgon.



Gippsland Locksmiths

With our domestic range of products, we can supply and service all your needs. With proven industry knowledge, backed with a range of commercial products, to suit your needs.

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Variety Solar

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Vast Automotive

Redsox players needing a service? Call Travis and book in. Mention you're a redsox player!

As a Repco Authorised Service centre in Traralgon, Vast Automotive are committed to high quality workmanship, ensuring the very best in automotive care. Our membership with the Repco Auto Tech education program ensures regular training of mechanics, so our technicians are fully updated with modern vehicle repair methods. We are locally owned and operated and have years of experience under the bonnet. Trust us with anything from repairs to general advice. We are your local reliable motor engineers and know vehicles inside out, so whatever it is that's slowing your car or truck down, we are the ones to book a service with. So next time your vehicle is not running as well as it should, you know who to call.51749855



One Shot Double Shot

NEEDING A COFFEE IN TRARALGON???

We would like to encourage all our club members needing a coffee to call in mention your with the baseball club and enjoy a coffee.

Funky boutique coffee shop. Serving speciality roasted blends on a one-of-a-kind slayer in a trendy industrial rustic space. Come and see for yourself:)

55 Seymour Street, Traralgon, VIC, Australia

Glen Maintenance

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For any general maintenance be sure to give Stuart a call. $03\,5192\,4921$



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You can call 0401 900 909 to book, or book online via their

website <u>www.goodlifephysiotherapy.net.au</u> which also has an online shop for any products you may need.

We wish you all the best for the 2021 season.



Davco Pest Control

Dave Combridge is now a senior player for the redsox. He can come and spray your house to prevent the nasty bugs getting settled in.

If you are worried about chemicals hurting your family, you do not need to be. Some of the products we use are Exterra, Termatrac and Home Guard. These products are all family-friendly, and we place them strategically throughout the house to minimise contact with people and pets.

It is difficult to feel comfortable when you know there may be a bug or mouse lurking around every corner. If you hire DavCo Pest Control, the owner, David, will personally ensure that your home is free from pests. We are in Traralgon and serve Morwell, Moe, Warragul, Gippsland, and Drouin. Call to get rid of pests today. tel:0402 022 321.



Hi Tek Kitchens,

At **Hi Tek Kitchens** our product is high quality joinery and cabinet making resulting in modern, effective kitchens, bathrooms, and laundries. Our standards combine exceptional, collaborative service and professional workmanship, all carried out to our clients' complete satisfaction. Our service includes design, production, and installation to our clients' standards. Since 2004, Hi Tek Kitchens has proved that hard work, exceptional client service and professional workmanship has been the answer that Gippsland clients have been looking for. We believe that the kitchen needs to be absolutely individual to each family & home.



Panthers Menswear

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Drop and Leave

Redsox members be sure to contact Leon Robinson a past well respected player of our club for any of these services. Drop & Leave is a tree services company that provides qualified arboriculture services for the pruning and removal of trees in Gippsland. Established in 2008 the team have built a great reputation for highly skilled work, excellent customer service and a complete adherence to health and safety standards.

Offering tree services across the Gippsland region, our tree climbers are qualified arborists with the expertise to maintain healthy trees through proper pruning and care. Our services include tree removals, tree pruning (crown & weight reductions, dead wooding etc), tree trimming, stump grinding, hedging services, mulch sales, firewood sales, wind and storm damage recovery, and vegetation reduction.

Ph 0437 547654 (Leon)



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With over 35 years of experience in the security industry, we've got the skills and expertise to provide and install the latest technology in CCTV, security alarms, alarm monitoring systems, access control, visual audio, intercoms and wireless systems. For domestic, industrial and commercial, clients trust us to provide the best advice every time, and that's what we do.

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Owner / Manager

Phone: 03 41026110 or 0409760554

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