



SOFTBALL SA INC.

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CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

On behalf of the Board and Staff of Softball SA, I am again, pleased to present, the Annual report for the 2012/2013 financial year. I'm sure that in years to come, this year, 2013, will be recognised as a turning point in the history of Softball in South Australia, as we begin our journey of growth and development, more closely than ever, in cooperation with the sport of Baseball.

Over the last 12 months, we have continued to work closely with Baseball in South Australia, and have begun the process of creating a new entity, focused on developing both of our diamond-based sports. As a result of this work, we now have the support of the State Government, through the Office of Recreation and Sport, to make a significant, long-term investment in our infrastructure for both of our futures.

This year, we received a \$2m grant from the State Government, to develop our state Softball headquarters at West Beach, into a state centre for Diamond Sports. The project which is now underway, will involve the creation of a brand new fully lit and skinned diamond and an indoor training facility, which will allow both softball and baseball to train and play at the site. In addition, Diamond 2 will be skinned for exclusive use as a softball diamond, and Diamond 1 will be extended to accommodate baseball.

This project would not have been possible without the full support of Adelaide Shores, and their contribution to the project since its conception is fully acknowledged and appreciated. In addition, Softball Australia has been highly supportive of this project, and their support is also acknowledged. But most importantly, I acknowledge our key partner in the project, Baseball SA, led by Shayne Bennett, who continue to work cooperatively to ensure that we achieve the best possible outcome for both of our sports from this land-mark development.

At the completion of the 2012 AGM, all 9 possible positions on the Board were filled, which is a great sign of community support and faith in our sport. Unfortunately, during the course of the year, Brenton Montgomery and Jodie Rugless had to resign due to work commitments, and I would like to thank both Jodie and Brenton for their contribution whilst on the Board. The remaining volunteer Directors, have worked tirelessly throughout the year on a range of issues, and on behalf of the Softball community, I thank all our Directors for their selfless work to support our sport in SA.

At this year's AGM, Bob Nicholson, Simone Thompson, and Rick Kluge will retire in accordance with the Constitution, and each have accepted nominations for re-election to the Board at the AGM.

This year marks the end of the current Strategic plan, and without launching into a detailed Strategic review, I am pleased to say, that a substantial proportion of the aims and objectives of the plan have been achieved or addressed. At the Member briefing in August, we presented a draft Strategic Plan for 2014-2015 to the attendees, for discussion and feed-back. The Board have determined that the next Strategic Plan will cover a 2 year period, which will allow subsequent Strategic Plans to cover a 3-year period, which is aligned with the timing of the Softball Australia strategic plan plus a 1 year offset. This will allow us to better align our Strategic Plan with the SAL strategic plan, which is recommended by government bodies such as the Office for Recreation and Sport. A final Strategic Plan was approved by the Board at the August 2013 meeting, and it will be presented as part of the presentations on the day of the AGM, as well as being presented in this Annual Report.

Whilst our high-performance athletes and officials who have achieved in international arenas in the past year are recognised in various reports within this report, I would also like to acknowledge their performances, and congratulate them for attaining such a high level of achievement. It's important to recognise that only a limited number of individuals succeed in representing their country, however, it's a tremendous indication of the success of Softball in SA, that we have such a large and growing number of athletes and officials, who have achieved at this level. This is a great testament to the work of the volunteers, coaches and parents who support these individuals, and I would like to acknowledge the work of those who have supported our high achievers this year.



South Australian individuals who participated at the international level this year were:

Vanessa Stokes	Wess Frances	Mary Magarey
Belinda White	Lindy Rattigan	Sue Tomlinson
Stephanie Trzcinski	Chelsea Robinson	Andrew Preiss
Maddie Cameron	Emma Burrige	
Ada Brincat-Tree	Sarah Tonkin	

One of the great success stories for this year was undoubtedly hosting Round 2 of Gilley's Shield / Edebone-Weber Shield. The volunteers and staff who put in countless hours in preparation for this event are to be congratulated, particularly as the feed-back from Softball Australia and many of the visitors was highly complementary and positive. This was a great opportunity to showcase elite-level Fastpitch Softball to both our own softball community, as well as the broader South Australian softball community.

Also, I'd like to acknowledge the continuing success of our Open Women's team the Starz. This year, we continued to improve on the diamond with a total of 10 wins for the season, for a win-loss ratio of 43%. This is a significant improvement from our performance a number of years ago, when we struggled for a win at all. The development and growth that has been achieved in recent years is a testimony to both the players and staff, and as a community, we look forward to seeing a winning Starz team playing National competition at our upgraded, Diamond sports facility in the coming years.

In terms of our membership profile, this year saw the number of registered junior players in South Australia increase by over 20%, compared to the 2011/12 season, which helped to offset a significant reduction in registered Tee-ball and Masters/Slowpitch players. The increase in junior registrations, is an encouraging sign for the future, and thanks goes to the individuals within the clubs and associations who work tirelessly to attract new players into our sport. Unfortunately, this increase in junior registrations was not enough to offset the reductions in the other categories of our membership, with a resulting 9% fall in overall registrations. In response to this, we have identified a number of key opportunities to engage with existing organisations, with the aim of gaining their affiliation, and this will be a priority for the coming year.

As noted in last year's report, total income in 2011/12 was significantly boosted from hosting the Softball program for the XIII Australian Master's Games and unfortunately, the lack of this event and the overall reduction in member registrations, particularly in the "Seniors" category, has resulted in a significant reduction in revenues compared to 2011/12. This reduction was partially offset by a significant increase in revenues from "Player payments" which was mainly driven by the activities of the Junior Academy, particularly the trips to Canberra (Australia Day tournament) and Waverley (Easter tournament). Also, recoveries from State teams trips were increased this year.

Despite our best efforts to recover ever-increasing expenses, the overall result for the year was a loss of \$40,936, which represents 6.9% of revenues from normal operating activities, and compares with an operating surplus of \$30,178 in the previous year. The areas of the business which have been identified as driving this shortfall were fundamentally, the operations of the canteen at West Beach, and the activities of the Junior Softball Academies. These activities have been closely analysed by the staff and members of the Board, and changes are being put in place for the 2013/14 season to ensure that these operations are conducted on a break-even basis going forward.

The coming 2013-14 season, marks the 70th season of Softball to be played in South Australia, and it is certainly set to become a land-mark season for the sport in our state. I am excited about the possibilities and opportunities that are awaiting us for the up-coming season, and on behalf of the Board, I wish all of our stakeholders, our players, administrators, officials, parents, and friends, every success for the coming season.

Steve Trzcinski
Chairman



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EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

The 2012-13 year was marked with some significant achievements, changes and progress and although we had our challenges, I would say, that overall we had a pretty good year – both on and off the field.

This year, Softball SA can boast a number of successes from players and teams to events and strategic accomplishments but first and foremost, I would like to acknowledge the performance and dedication of the SSA Board of Directors, the Staff and the amazing volunteers that keep the sport across the state ticking along. The countless hours of work provided by these three groups have given this organisation a contribution that solidifies our brand and securing our immediate future.

The Softball SA staff is not only putting in long hours but also volunteering their time to a number of causes, programs, teams and committees with in the Softball SA organisation. Often a thankless job, the staff continues to provide support to our members, sponsors and various providers, going a long way to build a strengthening resolve and a positive reputation amongst our peers in other states and in other sports, this is made to be even more impressive considering the recourses that we, as a not-for-profit organisation, have and the countless 'curve balls' thrown our way on a daily basis.

The Board, led by the Chairman Steve Trzcinski, have taken on a workload this year like no other, ensuring the governance of this organisation is very well balanced and organised. This extremely hard working group of volunteers continues to improve the stability of the organisation. Their guidance and leadership they show is instrumental in the direction we are headed. Again an often thankless job, this Board have shown they are prepared to take things to the enth degree to ensure our integrity and future is secure.

Finally the volunteers (and that is a large percentage of our membership) that continually give back to this sport selflessly. Without you all, this sport would struggle to stay afloat; I will take this opportunity to plead to you all to continue with this support whether as an umpire, scorer, coach or official, as a groundsman, fundraiser, supporter or committee member. We can't do it without you – not only the backbone of our organisation but the true heart and soul of Softball SA. It is your contributions throughout the year that allows Softball SA to forge ahead and provide the growing list (similar to the one below) of outstanding achievements each year. Thank you

The significant events, achievements, milestones and accomplishments at a State, National and International level:

- 17th October (Labour Day) Junior Carnival (report to follow), South Australian ISP Launch, Hosting Round 2 of the Gilley's Shield and SAL activities (including the AGM), 57th Senior State Championships and 15th Junior State Championships (hosted by CDSA).
- We also had a number of Australian Representations (that will be recognised throughout the Annual Report) at World Championships (where Australia won a Bronze medal at each of the 4 WCs held in the last 12 months), U19 Womens WC preparation events, AIS Womens/Spirit camps, U17Girls Development team and the Gilley's Shield All-Star Game.
- South Australian representatives also featured at a number of awards nights, including:
- SAL Award Winners – Taylah Tsitsikronis (Starz) Rookie of the year, Vanessa Stokes (Starz) Indigenous Athlete of the Year and Spirit Award, Maddie Cameron; U19 Womens Best Batter and Steph Trzcinski; U19 Womens Best Pitcher
- SAL Award Finalists – Hills Softball Association; Association of the Year and Bob Nicholson; Administrator of the Year
- SA Young Achievers Awards Finalist – Vanessa Stokes; Sports star of the Year

All 6 State teams were represented this year for the first time in a decade and only 4th time in our History

Starz continued to improve finishing 4th in the Edabone/Weber and 5th in the Gilley's.

Open Men returned to competition in Canberra finishing 6th

U19W were our best performing team making the final in Canberra, unfortunately they lost and were runners-up.

U19M had a roller coaster tournament and finished 5th place in Perth

U17G battled out a very close tournament in Sydney finishing 5th

U17B displayed some promising performances but finished 7th in Launceston



I have deliberately separated this from our list of achievements because it deserves a separate mention; Rick Mead and his team that brought us the Junior Softball Academy (JSA) put together a terrific program last winter that developed in to touring teams. As this program evolves, it will come under the guidelines that govern representative teams as per the regulations. It is fair to say that this program had some teething issues but Softball SA acknowledges the Herculean efforts that brought it all together and reiterates its support to this program. The long term development of the program is essential to the success of future South Australian teams and also to the progression of our hard working and dedicated young players. Thank you to Rick and his team.

State Coordinator Positions were all re-opened. Lindy Rattigan and Neville Lawrance both accepted extensions to their current positions: SSA is truly blessed to have such high profile and qualified people in these positions. Janell Behrendt has moved in to the new position as High Performance Manager her position as State Coordinator of Coaching has been succeeded by Wess Frances – I would like to acknowledge the tremendous work Janell has done over the last few years and welcome Wess in to this role; I have seen a draft plan that he has and we should see a different approach to this role. One other appointment we were able to make was that of our Member Protection Information Officer, Deb Kennedy. She brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to this position as well as a lifelong dedication to this sport.

At the completion of our first Strategic Plan, we were able to come good on a number of objectives including signing a new 10 year lease with Adelaide Shores which will extend our tenure here at West Beach from 58 to 68 years. As previously mentioned, Janell was appointed as the High Performance Manager. We have also got behind the formation of a Junior Mens Softball Program to foster this in to a competition and/or events, the first clinics were held in the July school holidays with excellent feedback and numbers of participants and a Junior Mens Forum was held (co-hosted by NAMSA and CDSA). And the big one, Softball SA was successful in securing State Government funding to upgrade the facilities at the State HQ at West Beach. In partnership with Baseball SA and further support from the Lessor, Adelaide Shores, the State Government through the ORS has provided \$2m worth of funding to upgrade our main diamonds and build an indoor training facility – with hope that it will be completed by the Start of the 2014/15 season. Further to that, the FFSA's development of the Barratt East reserve will expand our playing fields providing more outside diamonds – construction for that should be starting in the coming months and finally the 'creek' along the driveway will be filled in by the end of this year and a double sided car park will replace that (after the installation of the water pipe through to the West Torrens Council Water detention Basin).

I look forward to working to our new Strategic Plan, which had input from many of Softball SA's stakeholders, over the next couple of years.

James Harris
Executive Officer



STRATEGIC PLAN 2013 - 2015

PURPOSE/MISSION

“To develop, promote and manage the sport of Softball in South Australia providing maximum participation for all ages and levels through access to quality competitions and opportunities for players, coaches, officials and volunteers in a safe and inclusive environment”.

VISION

Softball; the sport of choice in South Australia.

VALUES

- **Safety:** we encourage and demonstrate safe and healthy practices
- **Accountability:** we will operate in an open and transparent manner and act responsibly in administering our sport
- **Inclusivity:** we will encourage participation and involvement by all individuals and groups within the community.
- **Integrity:** we will behave ethically and honestly in all our actions.
- **Professionalism:** we will represent our programmes, partners and members to the highest level.
- **Leadership:** we value and promote leadership at all levels and lead by our example, initiative and responsiveness

STRATEGIC THEMES

Softball South Australia will achieve its purpose and vision by focusing on the following strategic themes that are supported by Softball Australia (SAL) and will underpin our objectives and initiatives:

- Build a vibrant, diverse, satisfied and growing softball community in South Australia
- Adopt an integrated “whole of sport” approach to Softball
- Demonstrate governance and sports administration leadership, excellence, accountability and good stewardship
- Deliver marketing and business development initiatives to increase awareness of Softball in South Australia
- Develop and support quality people, facilities, equipment, technology and other non-financial resources
- Establish a robust and sustainable financial base that enables us to invest in the future of Softball in South Australia



SOFTBALL PEOPLE

SOFTBALL SA DIRECTORS



Steve Trzcinski (Chair)



Andy Collett



Martin Frayne



Rick Kluge



**Brenton Montgomery
(Resigned Sept '12)**



Brenton Moyle



Bob Nicholson



**Jodie Rugless
(Resigned May '13)**



Simone Thompson



SOFTBALL SA MANAGEMENT TEAM

Executive Officer – James Harris

Finance/Operations Officer – Sam Small

Events and Elite Teams – Jacqui Dunn

T-Ball Coordinator – Stuart Millar (until January 2013)

ISP and Volunteers – Annali Dolman (until January 2013)

Catering – Tracey Borovnik

Business Development Officer – Sharon Magro (until Sept 2012)

MEMBERS PROFILE

Our membership represents a diverse range of people across a large demographic area. They make valuable contributions to Softball as players, coaches, officials, administrators and supporters.

Currently we have 2712 playing and officials which was a slight reduction from the previous year.

Registered playing members:

TOTAL SOFTBALL SA	Male	Female	
<u>Players</u>			
Seniors 17 & over	195	948	1143
Juniors 11 - 17	142	580	722
Juniors Under 11	36	90	126
T-ballers	64	116	180
Slowpitch	0	26	26
<u>Officials</u>			
Coaches	57	48	105
Scorers	18	88	106
Umpires	18	12	30
Statistician	0	0	0
Administrators	5	23	28
	535	1931	2466

Registered non playing members:

Officials Male 81 Female 165

ADELAIDE CLUBS

Glenelg Rebels
Legends (Minor Club)
Onkaparinga Saints
Port Adelaide Magpies
Seacombe Tigers
Sturt Falcons
Walkerville Cats
West Torrens Eagles

AFFILIATES

Broken Hill
Central Districts
Gawler & Districts
Hills
MFSA
Mt Gambier
NAMSA
Port Pirie
Riverland
Sunraysia



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MEMBERSHIP RECOGNITION

Patrons:

Mrs. Kathleen Correll - Life Member
 Ms. Kirsten Alexander - Mayor of Charles Sturt
 Mr. Ken Rollond - Mayor of Holdfast Bay

Life Members:

1950 Miss E Summers*	1975 Miss J Cahill	2002 Mr Alan McAuliffe
1951 Miss J Irwin	1975 Miss Margaret Laing	2003 Mrs Lorraine Birks
1958 Mrs Kath Correll	1976 Miss Rosemary Adey OAM	2005 Mrs Jill Williams
1961 Miss K Sims*	1977 Miss Nancy Whittingham	2008 Mr Keith Sampson
1962 Mrs O Radloff*	1982 Mr Lyle Tyler OAM	2009 Mrs Raelene Robinson
1963 Miss M Parslow*	1987 Mrs Lorraine Brown	2009 Mrs Helen Baker
1969 Mrs Lorraine Mildren	1989 Miss V Scarman*	2012 Mr Neville Lawrance
1972 Mrs M Pollard*	1993 Mr Richard Coombe	2012 Ms Lindy Rattigan

(*deceased)

Hall of Fame:

Ms Rosemary Adey OAM	Mrs B Bawden	Mrs Lorraine Brown
Ms J Cheesman	Ms Toulia Connolly	Mrs Julie Dale
Ms M Laing	Mr Alan McAuliffe	Mr John McAuliffe
Ms K Maloney	Mrs D Mason	Ms Linda Martin
Ms B Phillips	Mrs M Pollard*	Mrs K Sims*
Ms J Stevens	Ms Rebecca Strapps	Ms Sue Tomlinson
Ms L White	Ms Nancy Whittingham	

(*deceased)



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EVENTS & ELITE TEAMS

INDIGINOUS SOFTBALL PROGRAM (ISP) INCLUDING APY LANDS/FAR NORTH WEST SPORTING LEAGUE (FNWSL)

Softball SA (SSA) continues to work in partnership with the South Australian National Football League in supporting the ongoing development of softball in the Anangu Pitjantjatjara Yankunytjatjara (APY) Lands. SSA assists the Far North West Softball League, by providing administrative support to the sports council which organises the softball competition. Mr Kevin Tannebring, SSA APY Liaison and Umpiring Coordinator is inspirational in the leadership he provides; he is widely respected, and is largely responsible for the advances made in the areas of umpiring and match organisation. SSA was well represented at the FNWSL Presentation night and at the finals in September. The playing standards continue to rise, as younger and more mobile players are required to cope with the increased pressures generated by faster pitching and the subsequent more aggressive batting.

In October, the FNWSL was represented by an U17 team in the October Long-Weekend Tournament, and despite be unable to cope with the cold weather, performed creditably and were one win away from being involved in a finals game. Some of the players (and officials) made good use of the opportunity to gain experience and improve their skills. This team, a first for the APY Lands in a more senior tournament, was made possible by the financial support of the Commonwealth and State Governments through the work of the SANFL and the AFL in partnership with SSA.

It is worth noting that an APY junior was selected and played in the State SAPSASA team in the National tournament in Canberra in November, and another junior has been selected in the current team. Both of these players continue the tradition started by Anangu softballers, and Australia's leading pitcher, Vanessa Stokes.

SSA, in conjunction with the SANFL Junior Sports Program, conducted clinics, in May, at Amata, Ernabella, Fregon and Indulkana. SSA was fortunate to have Jo Paez (SAL SBU Coordinator), ably assisted by PASC Junior and Softball Community Coach Hannah Shelton, and Bob Nicholson (Director, ISP Coordinator & VCCCSA), conducting Softball Batter Up sessions to enthusiastic groups of junior softballers in the distant communities. Softball skills were passed on to about 180 young softballers, in a program which is designed to encourage greater participation in softball. Due to wet weather and impassable roads, clinics at Pipalyatjara and Murputja were postponed and completed by Kevin Tannebring early in June.

Early in April, Kevin attended the FNWSL Lightning Carnival at Amata in the APY Lands, performing the role of Tournament Convenor, and supervising the 2 - day 7 team competition won by Amata, and also performing the job of UIC and plate umpire for the weekend.

The following weekend SSA attended a similar Lightning Carnival in Yalata, which is the main administrative centre of the Maralinga Tjaruta Lands. Five teams played in the carnival, one from Western Australia, the eventual winner Amata, Oak Valley and two from Yalata. The Tournament was exceedingly well organised and ran smoothly, and was completely organised and officiated by indigenous officials (some from Port Lincoln). The quiet background influence of the Office of Recreation & Sport, and their field officers, and particularly Mr Jack Johncock, who was impressive, and a calming influence on all... SSA was reduced to an observer role! Planning has begun in expanding the role of SSA and negotiating with the indigenous community in order to ascertain their needs with regard to a competition model. Further trips to this region are being planned.

Bob Nicholson
Director/Development



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SOFTBALL SA JUNIOR SOFTBALL ACADEMY (JSA)

In May 2012, the JSA was launched, meeting on Monday nights. Approx. 140 softballers from Kadina, Centrals, Gawler and Hills, as well from the Adelaide area braved fog, rain, cold, but predominately great conditions to improve their softball skills. We perhaps caused ourselves great problems by too many in the group, and our resources were stretched too thinly. We survived and Monday night junior softball matches were played in June at West Beach.

As a result of the JSA, teams were selected and prepared for the Canberra Australia Day Long Weekend Tournament. Under 12, Under 13, 2 Under 15, and an Under 17 team participated in the tournament, with the Under 15 Pink team finishing in 3rd spot being the most successful performer. The Under 12 team took out the Plate competition, after having a narrow loss to the eventual Cup winner. The tournament had some administrative problems; a record deluge late on the first day took out some matches and flooded the clubrooms. Problems with flights, including a last minute cancellation of a service out of Canberra, exposed some administrative deficiencies, the ramifications of which are still being dealt with. The startling pink uniforms of the JSA teams were very conspicuous, and created an impression in Canberra.

A different style of trip went to Waverley for the Easter Tournament. Players travelled with parents and were delivered to the grounds in time for the first matches each day. The JSA entered 3 U13 teams, 1 U15 team, 2 U17 teams and an U19 team. In the absence of any report, we can say that the JSA entered 20% of the teams in the tournament, and once again stood out at Waverley. Congratulations must go to the U13 Black team for winning the Cup, and the Under 17 Pink team for salvaging some success after a slow start by taking out the Plate competition.

Softball SA wishes to thank all the coaches and team officials who were responsible for these teams and their performances.

Bob Nicholson
Director/Development



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AUSTRALIAN UNIVERSITY GAMES

Softball SA held the Softball component of the 2012 Australian University games at West Beach from the 23rd – 28th September 2012.

There were five teams that participated in the games, being Monash University, Melbourne University, University of New South Wales, University of Technology Sydney & University of Western Sydney. There were four games played each day, with the finals on the last day.

Melbourne University were the Gold Medalists with Monash the Silver in a tightly contested final game 14 – 12.

Overall placing's:

1. Melbourne University
2. Monash
3. University of NSW
4. University of Technology, Sydney
5. University of Western Sydney

It was a great five days with sufficient personal and volunteer's to run the event effectively. Each of the teams were great and completed the tasks assigned to them.

We had great support from the University games officials and help from the softball community in preparing and maintaining the fields before and assigning umpires to each of the games throughout the week. As many of these groups, eg: Softball SA, grounds and umpires committee work together throughout the season, it worked very well. So thankyou to each of these groups for their time and assistance throughout the games and to help Softball SA run a successful event.

15TH JUNIOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS (HOSTED BY CDSA)

UNDER 17 GIRLS DIV 1

PREMIERS: Sturt (6)

RUNNER UP: West Torrens (5)

UNDER 17 GIRLS DIV 2

PREMIERS: Mt Gambier (13)

RUNNERS UP: CDSA (3)

UNDER 17 BOYS:

PREMIERS: NAMSA (3)

RUNNERS UP: Hills (2)

UNDER 15 GIRLS

PREMIERS: Sunraysia (10)

RUNNER UP: CDSA (1)

UNDER 15 BOYS

PREMIERS: Hills 1 (11)

RUNNERS UP: Sunraysia (1)

UNDER 13 GIRLS

PREMIERS: Mt Gambier (3)

RUNNER UP: Sturt (0)



57TH SENIOR STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**A GRADE WOMEN**

PREMIERS: Mt Gambier (4)
 RUNNERS UP: CDSA (0)
 MVP: Tanya Hood (Mt Gambier)

WOMEN'S 2012 TEAM OF THE YEAR

Coach - Tanya Hood (Mt Gambier)
 Pitcher - Tanya Hood (Mt Gambier)
 Pitcher - Meg Chaplin (Hills)
 Catcher - Cara Venning (Riverland)
 1st Base - Eleanor McClintock (Mt Gambier)
 2nd Base - Anne-Marie Wilkinson (CDSA)
 3rd Base - Leyna Bruggemann (Mt Gambier)
 Shortstop - Kerry Wilkinson (Hills)
 Leftfield - Olivia Fry (CDSA)
 Centrefield - Melissa Nettle (CDSA)
 Rightfield - Rita Meijer (CDSA)
 Utility - Amber Hood (Mt Gambier)
 Utility - Dani Nixon (CDSA)

B GRADE WOMEN

PREMIERS: Hills (12)
 RUNNERS UP: Riverland (0)
 MVP: Meg Chaplin (Hills)

C GRADE DIV 1 WOMEN

PREMIERS: Adelaide (9)
 RUNNERS UP: Sunraysia (7)

D GRADE WOMEN

PREMIERS: Gawler (4)
 RUNNERS UP: Sunraysia (1)

A GRADE MEN

PREMIERS: Sunraysia/MFSA (9)
 RUNNERS UP: Hills A (0)
 MVP: Jason Gregory (Sunraysia/MFSA)

MEN'S 2012 TEAM OF THE YEAR

Coach - James Harris (Sunraysia/MFSA)
 Pitcher - Joel Cooley (Sunraysia/MFSA)
 Pitcher - Scott Fairly (Hills)
 Catcher - Bodie Williams (Sunraysia/MFSA)
 1st Base - Jason Gregory (Sunraysia/MFSA)
 2nd Base - Ryan Volk (Sunraysia/MFSA)
 3rd Base - Nick Green (Hills)
 Shortstop - Ben Lucas (Hills)
 Leftfield - Angus Wuttke (Hills)
 Centrefield - Geoff May (Hills)
 Rightfield - Damien Boxer (NAMSA)
 Utility - Alex McKim (Hills)
 Utility - Dan Waters (Hills)

B GRADE MEN

PREMIERS: Port Pirie (4)
 RUNNERS UP: NAMSA B (1)
 MVP: Rob Anderson (Port Pirie)

C GRADE DIV 2 WOMEN

PREMIERS: Port Pirie (5)
 RUNNERS UP: Broken Hill (1)



Starz v All-Stars Participants



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17TH LABOUR DAY JUNIOR TOURNAMENT

U17 GIRLS CHAMPIONS - WEST TORRENS EAGLES

CUP GRAND FINAL
 PREMIERS: West Torrens Eagles 9
 RUNNERS UP: Sturt Falcons 2
 PLATE FINAL:
 WINNERS: Westfield Sydney Sports High School

U15 GIRLS CHAMPIONS - TVR

CUP GRAND FINAL
 PREMIERS: Torrens Valley Redsox 3
 RUNNERS UP: VSA White 0

U13 GIRLS CHAMPIONS - STURT NAVY

CUP GRAND FINAL
 PREMIERS: Sturt Navy 5
 RUNNERS UP: Glenelg 4
 PLATE FINAL
 WINNERS: VSA Development

U15 BOYS CHAMPIONS - HAHNDORF

PREMIERS: Hahndorf 13
 RUNNERS UP: Central Districts 5

U17 BOYS CHAMPIONS - WESTFIELD SYDNEY SHS

PREMIERS: Westfield Sydney Sports HS 13
 RUNNERS UP: Springvale 0



3RD MENS CHAMPIONS LEAGUE

CHAMPIONS: Glenelg Rebels (MFSA) 2
 RUNNERS UP: Mt Barker (Hills) 1
 MVP (Wess Frances Award): Bodie Williams (Rebels)
 Best Pitcher: Donnelly Archibald (Rebels)
 Best Batter: Daniel Waters (Hahndorf)



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ADELAIDE COMPETITION

The A Grade grand final saw the culmination of a season's hard work and passion by the Seacombe Tigers to take out the A grade Premiership after a long 38 years.

The last A Grade premiership by Seacombe was in the Season of 1974/75 and this was something playing on this team's mind throughout the finals and they went into the game with a lot of pressure from the hoodoo that has been over the team with many Grand Final experiences in the past and no wins. This team set out to change this.

Seacombe were the minor Premiers, with an impressive 18 wins and 7 losses throughout the season. This team was unbeatable pre-Christmas break, which set them up for the second half of the season. They were always the team to beat.

Going into the finals they won their first game against last year's Premiers Glenelg that sent them straight through to the grand Final. The last spot was to be taken up by either Glenelg or Sturt, with Sturt the eventual successors in this game to take on the minor premiers Seacombe.

The tiger's team comprises of many State Team Players, Jade Peterson, Jenny Dunn, Jessica Edwards, Elle Mowle, Jess Maslin and juniors Courtney Munroe and Kira O'Brien. With many other past State players making up this team. This was one strong, experienced team.

The Grand Final was electric with the crowd full of supporters of both teams but included many of the past tigers players that could never quite get that final win and were hoping this would change on that evening.

The game was close with great plays that stopped any advantage for one team to get too in front of the other. It was a few great hits that brought Seacombe in front of Sturt, which they kept and tried to keep Sturt at a distance. The Final score was, Seacombe 3 – Sturt 1. Seacombe had won the premiership, something they were all dreaming of. The player of the Grand Final went to Seacombe's Jenny Dunn who throughout the night took 5 great catches and scored 2 runs.

If any team could have won this year's premiership, it was the Seacombe Tigers that were the favourite.



A GRADE WOMEN

PREMIERS: Seacombe 3
 RUNNERS UP: Sturt 1
 B&F: Caroline Gardner (Sturt)

C GRADE WOMEN

PREMIERS: Walkerville 4
 RUNNERS UP: Sturt 3
 B&F: Naoko Waugh (Port Adelaide)

UNDER 17 DIVISION 1

PREMIERS: Glenelg 6
 RUNNERS UP: Sturt 0

UNDER 15 DIVISION 1

PREMIERS: Sturt Navy 6
 RUNNERS UP: Port Adelaide Black 4

UNDER 13 DIVISION 1

PREMIERS: Sturt 14
 RUNNERS UP: Glenelg White

B GRADE WOMAN

PREMIERS: Walkerville 11
 RUNNERS UP: Seacombe 4
 B&F: Karyn Dale (Walkerville)

D GRADE WOMEN

PREMIERS: Legends 8
 RUNNERS UP: Walkerville 0
 B&F: Marianne Floyd (Walkerville)

UNDER 17 DIVISION 2

PREMIERS: Walkerville 10
 RUNNERS UP: Sturt 9

UNDER 15 DIVISION 2

PREMIERS Glenelg White 10
 RUNNERS UP: West Torrens Blue 6

UNDER 13 DIVISION 2

PREMIERS: Walkerville 15
 RUNNERS UP: Sturt Blue 10

TEAM OF THE YEAR

POSITION	NAME	CLUB
Pitcher	Jade Peterson	Seacombe
Reserve Pitcher	Vanessa Stokes	Glenelg
Catcher	Belinda White	Sturt
1st Base	Jasmine Lee	Sturt
2nd Base	Madeline Cameron	Sturt
3rd Base	Lana Kaesler	West Torrens
Short Stop	Sophie King	Walkerville
Outfield	Ada Brincat-Tree	Sturt
Outfield	Jenny Dunn	Seacombe
Outfield	Marni Nicholls	West Torrens
Outfield	Jess Edwards	Seacombe
Utility Player	Mandy Braddock	Seacombe
Utility player	Stephanie Trzcinski	Glenelg
Coach	Ray Strapps	Seacombe



AFFILIATE ASSOCIATIONS**CDSA****DIVISION 1**

PREMIERS – USC
 PLAYER OF THE GF – Mandy Rossack (Tigers)
 B&F – Rita Meijer (USC)
 R/UP B&F – Jennifer Quinlan (Tigers)

DIVISION 3

PREMIERS – Falcons
 PLAYER OF THE GF – Julie Gambold (Falcons)
 B&F – Tracey Gauci/Isadora Roberts (Phantoms)
 R/UP B&F – Jenny Wildman (USC)

UI6

PREMIERS – Tigers
 PLAYER OF THE GF – Nadia Rees (Road Runners)
 B&F – Caitlyn Sampson (Tigers)
 R/UP B&F – Geoffrey Barraclough (Tigers)

RIVERLAND**A GRADE**

PREMIERS - Cobdogla 7
 RUNNERS UP - Loxton 2
 Best on Ground: Bronwyn Smith (Cobby)
 B&F - Haylee Symens (Loxton)
 R/UP B&F - Cara Venning (Loxton)

C GRADE

PREMIERS - Renmark 12
 RUNNERS UP - Berri 2
 Best on Ground: Leanne Le (Renmark)
 B&F - Austin Karpanty (Berri)
 R/U B&F - Amy Selfe (Renmark)

Male Rookie A Grade: Kenny Karpanty (Berri)
 Female Rookie A Grade: Chloe Passmore (Cobdogla)

Primary Grade Base Running
 Fastest Male: James Smith (Waikerie)
 Fastest Female: Gemma Letton (Renmark)
 Senior Base Running
 Fastest Male: Kris Taylor (Berri)
 Fastest Female: Leanne Le (Renmark)
 Fastest Team: Renmark (Leanne Le, Amy Selfe, Kayla Wyatt)

TEAM OF THE YEAR

P: Cara Venning (Loxton)	C: Haylee Symens (Loxton)	1st: Tam Benham (Berri)
2nd: Tracy Liddell (Cobby)	3rd: Kenny Karpanty (Berri)	SS: Kris Taylor (Berri)
LF: Taylee Healy (Berri)	CF: Chrissy Eleftheriadis (Berri)	RF: Amy Lidgerwood (Loxton)
Utility: Jo Gregory (Cobby)	Utility: Tammy Dowdy (Berri)	Utility: Kelly Westley (Loxton)
Utility: Bronwyn Smith (Cobby)		

DIVISION 2

PREMIERS – USC
 PLAYER OF THE GF – Jade Nettle (USC)
 B&F – Ashlee Corner (Phantoms)
 R/UP B&F – Helen Russell (Phantoms)

DIVISION 4

PREMIERS – Tigers
 PLAYER OF THE GF – Cathy Wood (RoadRun's)
 B&F – Amanda Gallagher (Road Runners)
 R/UP B&F – Annette Sizer (Road Runners)

UI3

PREMIERS – Tigers
 PLAYER OF THE GF – Ebony Iacovinono
 (Road Runners)

B GRADE

PREMIERS - Loxton 16
 RUNNERS UP - Lyrup 4
 Best on Ground - Jessica Voigt (Loxton)
 B&F - Julie Cook (Cobdogla)
 R/U B&F - Cheri Healy (Lyrup)

Rising Star: Mikayla Hammerstein (Loxton)
 President's Award: Caren Hammerstein (Loxton)



HILLS**A GRADE WOMEN**

PREMIERS – Hahndorf
 RUNNER UP – United
 B&F – Tahlia Larosa (Hahndorf)
 R/UP B&F – Meg Chaplin (Torrens Valley)

C GRADE WOMEN

PREMIERS – Redsox
 RUNNER UP – Hahndorf
 Best & Fairest – Lee Baker (Redsox)
 R/UP B&F – Lisa Firth (Hahndorf)

DIVISION 1 MEN

PREMIERS – Hahndorf
 RUNNER UP – Redsox
 B&F – Dan Waters (Hahndorf)
 R/UP B&F – Jarryd Farrell (Redsox)

U17 GIRLS

PREMIERS – Torrens Valley
 RUNNER UP – Strathalbyn
 B&F – Jess Pilkington (Strathalbyn)
 R/UP B&F – Alex Mackay (Torrens Valley)

U13 MIXED DIVISION 1

PREMIERS – Hahndorf White
 RUNNER UP – Hahndorf Black
 B & F – Ben Marsh (Torrens Valley)
 R/UP B&F – Jack Hopkins (Torrens Valley)

B GRADE WOMEN

PREMIERS – Hahndorf
 RUNNER UP – Redsox
 B&F – Bec Morgan (Redsox)
 R/UP B&F – Wendy Pope (Bridgewater)

DIVISION 2 MEN

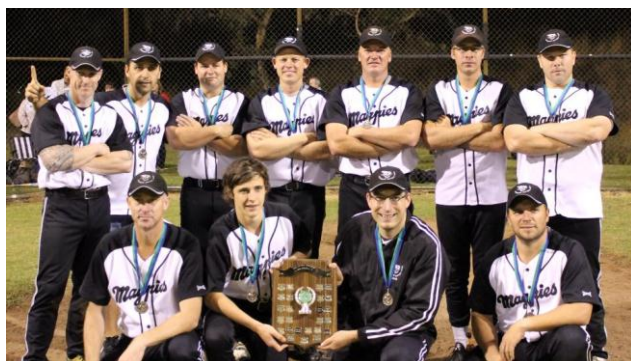
PREMIERS – Hahndorf
 RUNNER UP – Echunga
 B&F – Angas Wuttke (Hahndorf)
 R/UP B&F – Alex McKim (Redsox)

U15 MIXED

PREMIERS – Hahndorf Boys
 RUNNER UP – Torrens Valley
 B&F – Emily Hopkins (Torrens Valley)
 R/UP B&F – Sam Willoughby (Hahndorf)

U13 MIXED DIVISION 2

PREMIERS – Strathalbyn
 RUNNER UP – Echunga / United



Hills 'A' Grade Mens and Womens Premiers – Hahndorf Magpies

MFSa

PREMIERS: Glenelg 7
 RUNNERS UP: NAMSa 2
 Player of the Final: Dan Waters (Glenelg Rebels)

NAMSa

PREMIERS: Roadrunners 5
 RUNNERS UP: Hillbillies 4
 Player of the Final: James Harris (Road Runners)
 B&F: Jarryd Farrell (USC)



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MOUNT GAMBIER SOFTBALL LEAGUE**A GRADE**

PREMIERS - Warriors 1
 RUNNERS UP - Demons 0
 MVP - Michelle Hosking (Warriors)
 B&F – Maggie Breen (Demons)
 R/UP B&F – Michelle Hosking (Warriors)

C GRADE

PREMIERS - Concorde 24
 RUNNERS UP - Wanderers 21
 MVP: Sam Brown (Concorde)
 B&F – Sam Brown (Concorde)
 R/UP B&F – Amanda Winkley (Concorde)

MARJ COOKE MEMORIAL TROPHY

Awarded for the most valuable contribution
 To Softball for Season 2012/13
 Tanya Hood & Felicity Walker (Warriors)

PORT PIRIE SOFTBALL ASSOCIATION**A1**

PREMIERS - Solly Cats
 B&F – Justina Adams
 R/UP B&F – Krista Young

A2

PREMIERS – Tigers
 B&F – Paula Peterson
 R/UP B&F – Samantha Youngman

U17 GIRLS

PREMIERS – Tigers
 B&F – Madison Baldock
 R/UP B&F – Michayla Cox

U13 GIRLS

PREMIERS – Cougars
 B&F – Ashlee Fuchs, Mary-Elise Fuss
 & Felicity Sterling (Joint Winners)
 R/UP B&F - Zali Adams

B GRADE

PREMIERS - Warriors 11
 RUNNERS UP - Concorde 10
 MVP: Yasmin King (Warriors)
 B&F – Em Hart (Concorde)
 R/UP B&F – Jo Hart (Concorde),
 Jenna Burston (Warriors)

U17

PREMIERS - Warriors 10
 RUNNERS UP - Demons 1
 MVP - Georgia Hood (Warriors)
 B&F – Grace Millard (Demons)
 R/UP B&F – Eleanor McClintock
 Amber Hood (Warriors)

KATH SIMS PERPETUAL TROPHY

Best Player in SA Championships
 Tanya Hood (Warriors)

MEN

PREMIERS - Checkmates
 B&F – Kieran Clayton &
 Jabin Clayton (Joint Winners)
 R/UP B&F – Mark Stephens

A3

PREMIERS - Tigers
 B&F – Danielle Wilson
 R/UP B&F – Donna Smith

U17 BOYS

PREMIERS - Tigers
 B&F – Jayden Gonsalves
 R/UP B&F – Jake Brooks

U13 BOYS

PREMIERS - Checkmates Black
 B&F – Connor Stephens &
 Lachlan Stephens (Joint Winners)
 R/UP B&F - Dale Hayward



HIGH PERFORMANCE PROGRAMS

OPEN WOMEN'S NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

(Gilley's Shield)

SA State Teams – Report from Head Coach, Open Women (Starz)

Round 1 October (Mirrabooka, WA)

Round 2 November (West Beach, SA)

Round 3 January (Blacktown, NSW)

Round 4 February (Waverley, VIC)

Head Coach: Annette Fidge

All four rounds run smoothly, with high level of involvement from Softball Australia. Main challenges involve weather (both rain and heat) and having to reschedule games at short notice. This was the first time for a round to be held at home in Adelaide.

Pre-selection training began week beginning 7th May, at West beach and Seaton High School Indoor facilities by open invitation and word of mouth. It was attended regularly by previous year's squad members and those involved in international teams, two open age reps (Bel White, Vanessa Stokes) preparing for US Cup and Canada Cup, four Under 19 squad members (Steph Trzcinski, Maddie Cameron, Annali Dolman, Jordan Lambert) were all regular attendees due to IYC commitments and were included in 2012/2013 Starz squad. The focus was on base fitness, core skills and strength, identified as a priority based on prior season performance.

Practice games v Aussie Spirit in the middle of the year were invaluable for the teams preparation and especially the younger players, and we would welcome the opportunity again. This was an additional opportunity to get additional game time that had been previously unavailable and was an opportunity to blood younger Adelaide based players into the squad. Open access to equipment to all Starz players outside of training sessions during the season enables them to get additional training.

Team won 11/24 games, 3 more than the previous year, compared to 8/24 games in 2012, 2/21 in 2011, and 0/14 in 2010. A target of over 50% wins continues to be the benchmark that we are working towards that will give us a top 4 spot. There were a number of games that the Starz should have won, but a lack of big game experience was a costly factor. If we can keep the current playing group together and strengthen our skills, particularly in long ball hitting, we should see success in the next few years. The Starz beat every team in the competition, with the exception of QLD this year, including WA, ACT and NSW that ultimately finished above us in the ladder. Increased competitiveness across all levels of offence and defence with wins across all 4 rounds. Round 1 was the most successful with the team winning 5 out of 6 games. The local round in Adelaide was the least successful for us with form dropping off dramatically. For the second year running, and first time in over 12 years, SA finished higher than 6th. ☺



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OPEN MENS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**(John Reid Shield)**

**SA State Teams – Report from Head Coach
Open Men, 4 – 8 December 2012, Hawker, ACT**

Co-Coach: James Harris

Persistence is one word that can be described for the overall effort to get this team back to the Australian National Championships. We didn't have many players trial although many emails, messages, phones calls, and face to face conversations were had. And we had less time to organise it as the World Championships held in NZ in March forced a change to the regular timing.

So through our connections across Australia and Canada we got the necessary number to fill a side and to help officiate. Canada, Philippines, Queensland, NSW, Victoria all were represented in our team (along with the South Australians). The timing of the event meant that for most players, we had back to back tournaments including the lead up event, the Canberra Skins (20 games in 10 days).

So we actually got it all together and made it to Canberra. It was great to be involved again and well done to Softball ACT, they did a great job (considering the effort required for the back to back tournaments).

As a team, we came together for the first time the day before the tournament started, we gelled ok but it took some time to get a feel for the right fit for the team and who was best suited to which positions. Results wise, we were never expected to challenge any of the 5 strong states but final scores aside; overall we were quite competitive. The unflattering record was 0 Wins, 10 Losses, 30 runs for, 100 against in 50 innings however... there was only a couple of games that we weren't competitive in, we had a lot of positives and some great individual efforts but the overwhelming obvious shortfall in **ALL** SA Mens teams is the lack of pitching depth

I am proud of our performance, and with a little luck I truly believe that we could have some success (winning the odd game or two) soon but nothing significant until we develop a strong U17/U19 program (which has some momentum from the last couple of years). Thanks to Ian our Manager, Rob Co-Coach and Nikki our scorer.



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U19 WOMENS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**(Elinor McKenzie Shield)**

**SA State Teams – Report from Head Coach
Under 19 Women, 13 - 19 January, Hawker ACT**

Head Coach: Andrew Preiss

Our general impressions of the Championship week was that outside of NSW dominating the competition as per normal, it pretty even between the other states. We started the week the same way we did the year previously with 3 wins from our first 4 games. These wins were quite convincing wins as well. Trying to string some consistent and consecutive performances together was the one thing that we improved one from the last tournament in Perth.

Trials were held at West Beach over 2 Sundays and a minimum of 17 players attended these trials. We had a total of 15 players attend the trials, (2) from Sunraysia and thirteen (13) from the Adelaide competition. Team trainings were held on Sunday mornings for 3.5 to 4 hours with team hitting trainings allocated to Thursday night for 2 hour to make full use of the pitching machines.

Some statistics from the tournament:

Prior to Finals:

Team Batting Avg. – .385 (compared to .322 in 2012)

Team Fielding Avg. – .953 (.937 in 2012)

Team On Base Avg. – .571 (.467 in 2012)

After the Finals:

Team Batting Avg. – .294

Team Fielding Avg. – .956

Team On Base Avg. – .451

We started our campaign very well with 3 wins from our first 4 games over 2 days and saw us sitting nicely in second position out of 6 teams. I then decided to have the team shift its goals for the tournament from making finals to securing the second spot (double chance) for the finals. We had some good team and player performances.

The U19 Women made it to the grand final game, losing in a very close game 1-0 to NSW, so came in 2nd in the tournament. We also had Maddie Cameron named as the Best Batter for the tournament with a batting average of .565 and Steph Trzcinski as Best Pitcher of the tournament 73.9 strike out percentage and an ERA of 0.47 before finals.



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U19 MENS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**(Nox Bailey Shield)**

SA State Teams – Report from Head Coach
Under 19 Men, 13 - 19 January, Mirrabooka, WA

Head Coach: James Harris

In what was a pretty hot week of Softball, we had a very enjoyable time in Perth. Queensland and New South Wales were once again the dominant sides although the tournament was quite close throughout the whole week.

Softball WA Staff and volunteers were terrific, led by their CEO, Trevor Howard, they were able cater for each of the teams at a magnificent facility (4 enclosed diamonds, 2 skinned). Over all it was a well-run tournament.

Our campaign started with winter programs including the Elite Player Academy and we entered a team for the first time at the International Youth Cup (Friendship Series) held at Blacktown. We even had a few guys playing for the Aussie U17 Squad. The dedication and commitment shown by the guys in the off season gave us a little more belief for the summer ahead.

We trained every second Sunday in the preseason, mostly at West Beach, moving to each Sunday once the team was selected and the regular season commenced. We had players from Sunraysia, Pt Pirie, NAMSA, MFSA and the Hills. Most players were also playing in more than one association, so we found the work load was adequate. Those travelling were only required fortnightly but had their individual programs to follow.

Trail/practice games included a trip to Clare (organised by U17 Girls Head Coach, Wess Frances) to play against Port Pirie rep sides and the U17 Boys. We also played the formidable Hahndorf Mens team in a 3 game tournament against us and the U17 Boys in the Hills and finally an internal (modified) match

The tournament got off to a rough start losing by a massive margin to QLD but to the team's credit we bounced back that afternoon (unfortunately) losing by one run against Vic. Overall we lost 4 games by 1 run which would keep us out of reach of the top 4 but ended up winning our playoff game against WA to finish 5th.

The guys played better than the results showed, this young team should continue to develop over the next 12 months and show improvement (and perhaps take another step) at the National level in Canberra next year. Finally, massive thank you to Tania, Mark, Liam and Riley Lucas that did an amazing job as officials.



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U17 GIRLS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**(Esther Deason Shield)**

**SA State Teams – Report from Head Coach
Under 17 Girls, 6 – 12 January, Blacktown, NSW**

Head Coach: Wess Frances

It was once again a very memorable and enjoyable week. The group of players acquitted themselves in a positive manner and were worthy representatives of Softball SA and their families. Whilst the result of fifth place was not what the girls were after it does not indicate how well the girls played throughout the week. The girls were competitive every match and had certain things gone their way in a number of matches then the end result would have been vastly different. However, that is sport and I was happy with how the girls stuck to our game plans and executed the skills we had learnt throughout the program.

We held two trials on the 20th and 27th of May, 2012, a total of 29 girl's trialed for this team. At the conclusion of the second trial a squad of 20 players was selected to continue further training. Final selections occurred at the conclusion of the second camp in October, which followed the October Labour Day Carnival where all girls looking to be selected were expected to play. They held a development clinic for regional junior softball players on two occasions, they played matches against interested and keen locals, they were selfless in paying for small gifts to give to the teams we played and to the junior players attending the clinic and they did so with enthusiasm and passion that rubbed off on the parents and children present. There were many positive comments from those present at Gawler and the Hills that this is the first time many of them can remember anything like this occurring in their long or short involvement in that Association.

The SA Under 17 Girls Team placed 5th at the end of the Championship. The girls played exceptionally well all week with some fantastic results. The team were great ambassadors for softball and SA, but most importantly they did themselves proud by never giving up and always showing true grit to be competitive whilst displaying a love of the game during matches and afterwards as well. The management team of Krissy, Carol, Sue and Geoff did a good job all week and are to be congratulated on their efforts. All officials did their part to contribute to the effective and safe management of the team both before and whilst at the Championship.

I cannot express how enjoyable and rewarding the experience was. I love being involved at this level of the sport. I am immensely proud of the girls for always believing in themselves and giving their best every time they trained and played. They kept their faith in me and in what I was teaching them. SA could not have hoped for better ambassadors when the girls were in Gawler, Hills, Clare and Sydney. An excellent week.



U17 BOYS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP**(Arthur Allsopp Shield)****SA State Teams – Report****Under 17 Boys, 6 – 12 January, Launceston, TAS****Head Coach: Ryan Volk**

This was a mixed team of players from all over South Australia (including Riverland, Port Pirie, NAMSA, CDSA, MFSA and the Hills Associations) and draft players from Victoria and Queensland. Unfortunately the full team only came together for the first time once in Launceston. SA based athletes trained together and had opportunities to play a game with the Hills Mens Team. One draft player joined the team in Adelaide prior to departure to train and get to know the team.

Thanks to Wess Frances, U17 Girls coach who invited us to play in a small tournament in Clare against his team, the U19 Mens and 2 teams from Port Pirie, it was a fantastic opportunity for the team to get to know one another and play together. Also a very special thank you to James Harris, U19 Mens Head Coach for allowing the guys to train with him and his squad and to the Softball SA office that did all the off field work for us.

With limited time together as a group the team gelled well together over the week. They were hard working, embraced the team dynamic and adapted the new ideas, skills and challenges. All players showed improvements throughout the week and pushed each other.

The team of officials prepared the team both mentally and physically and monitored the team throughout the week. Big thanks to Jo, Belinda, Helen and Darren.

Although the team were unable to win a game, this was a challenging and enriching experience with a great coaching staff. There is a lot of skill and potential in many of the players. This team has plenty to look forward to as all but two will be eligible next year.



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2012 – 2013 STATE PLAYERS**U17 Girls****6-12 January 2013– Softball NSW, Blacktown**

Ebony McLean (TL)	Courtney May
Chelsea Robinson (TL)	Carly Moore
Sarah Tonkin (TL)	Courtney Munroe
Elly Beal	Kira O'Brien
Jacqui Beal	Sasha Panglase
Emma Burrridge	Bianca Ross (VIC)
Caitlin Carroll	Megan Wheatley
Lauren Fleming	Courtney May

Officials:

Wess Francis	(Head Coach)
Geoff May	(Asst. Coach)
Sue Norris	(Asst. Coach)
Krissy Moore	(Statistician)
Carol Tonkin	(Manager)

MVP: Emma Burrridge, Chelsea Robinson**U17 Boys****6-12 January 2013– Softball Tas, Launceston**

Ben Lucas (Capt)	Jamie Johnston (QLD)
Sam Willoughby (V.Capt)	Leighton Mells
Dale Altus	Jakob Passmore
Taylor Cronin (QLD)	Mason Pollack (QLD)
Bradley Davis (BJ) (QLD)	Jake Rodda
Marcellus Enalanga	Jarrold Russell
Kendall Evans (VIC)	Kris Taylor
James Hailstone	

Officials:

Ryan Volk	(Head Coach)
Darren Russell	(Asst. Coach)
Jo Altus	(Statistician)
Helen Russell	(Manager)
Belinda Rodda	(Manager)

MVP: Bradley Davis, Jake Rodda**U19 Women****13-19 January 2013 Softball ACT, Hawker**

Jordan Lambert (Capt.)	Alicia Martschink
Maddie Cameron	Jessica Maslin
(V.Capt)	
Ellen Burch	Elle Mowle
Annali Dolman	Sarah Porter (QLD)
Marlee Hards	Chelsea Robinson
Beth Hobden (NSW)	Kayla Rocco
Kelsey Knuckey	Stephanie Trzcinski
Nicole Knudsen	Natasha Venning

Officials:

Andrew Priess	(Head Coach)
Sue Tomlinson	(Asst. Coach)
Julie Rocco	(Asst. Coach)
Derek Roberts	(Statistician)
Jill Williams	(Manager)

MVP: Stephanie Trzcinski**U19 Men****13-19 January 2013– Softball WA, Mirrabooka**

Matt Dean (Capt)	Ben Lucas
Nathan Humphrys	Alex McKim
(V.Capt)	
Coen McLeod (V.Capt)	Luke Moyle
Ashley Brook	Ben Passmore
Braydon Dodd (TAS)	Lachlan Webb
Jason Gregory	
Dean Halsey (QLD)	
Dylan Kerrin (NT)	

Officials:

James Harris	(Head Coach)
Mark Lucas	(Asst. Coach)
Tania Lucas	(Manager)

MVP: Dean Halsey, Ben Lucas

Open Women Various Locations

Jenny Dunn	Sophie King
Jessica Muller	Vanessa Stokes
Belinda White	Sophie Hoyle
Carly Allen	Lana Kaesler
Courtney Auger	Jordan Lambert
Katie Bartlett	Jasmine Lee
Georgia Bevan	Hayley Norris
Ada Brincat-Tree	Jade Peterson
Maddie Cameron	Emily Rocco
Annali Dolman	Taylah Tsitsikronis (NSW)
Jess Edwards	Stephanie Trzcinski

Officials:

Annie Fidge	(Head Coach)
Shelley Neller	(Asst. Coach)
Karyn Dale	(Asst. Coach)
Lesley Claxton	(Asst. Coach)
Mel McGie	(Manager)
Katie Wiese	
Leyna Bruggemann	

MVP: Belinda White

Open Men

4-8 December 2012– Softball ACT, Hawker

Jarryd Farrell	
James Harris	(Playing Coach)
Lachlan Hay (NSW)	
Pat Humphries (CAN)	
Jeremy Jemmott (QLD)	
William Mendoza (PHP)	
Ryan Merriman (QLD)	
Jesse Miles (QLD)	
Ryan Volk (CAN)	
Jonathan Wall (QLD)	
Bodie Williams	

Officials:

Rob Cook	(Coach)
Ian Sluiter	(Manager)

MVP: Lachlan Hay

AUSTRALIAN SQUAD MEMBERS 2012-13

U17 Girls

Emma Burrige
Chelsea Robinson
Sarah Tonkin

U19 Women

Maddie Cameron
Annali Dolman
Jordan Lambert
Stephanie Trzcinski

Open Women

Ada Brincat- Tree
Vanessa Stokes
Belinda White

AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVES 2012-13

U19 Women

Maddie Cameron
Stephanie Trzcinski
Annie Fidge
Mary Magarey

U19 Men

Wess Frances
Lindy Rattigan

Open Women

Belinda White
Vanessa Stokes



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TECHNICAL

STATE COACHING COORDINATOR REPORT

ACCREDITATION

The levels 1 and 2 are still very popular and this year we had XX new coaches obtain their accreditation. Currently there are only xx accredited softball coaches in South Australia, there has been a large decline in the number of accredited coaches this year with many coaches deciding against renewing their accreditation as they are no longer actively coaching. All coaches whose accreditation has expired in the past 2 years were contacted by mail and offered the chance to pay the \$20 admin fee to have their accreditation continued but this did not result in any further renewals.

A significant amount of education and promotion of the benefits to clubs to have their coaches accredited needs to occur if we are to maintain the high standard of coaching that is required to continue to see Softball grow in this state.

On a more positive note, 27 coaches obtained the Community Coaching Program in the past 12 months, this includes seven people who completed the training at Marla in July 2012. These coaches will be encouraged to continue to develop their knowledge through gaining Level 1 Accreditation.

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CUP

This year South Australia was fortunate to have three coaches attend the International Youth Cup (IYC).

- Lesley Claxton – Assistant Coach, Women's Under 17 Team Gold team
- Wess Frances – Under 19 Men's coach and Australian School girls coach
- James Harris – Assistant Coach, Men's Under 19 Gold Team

The experience and skills that these coaches gained from the IYC will be great for the future development of elite coaches within the South Australian coaching community.

AUSTRALIAN TEAM AND SQUAD COACHES

- Annette Fidge – Assistant Coach, Australian Under 19 Women's Team
- Sue Tomlinson – Assistant Coach, Australian Under 17 development squad
- Andrew Preiss – Assistant Coach, Australian Under 17 development squad

AUSTRALIAN COACHES VISIT SA

Australian Open Women's Coach Kere Johanson held a combined AIS and Under 19 National Squad Camp in Adelaide in November (25th – 27th), on the back of the Gilley's Shield to train the SA based Australian Open Women's team members. This camp was well received by the Adelaide based coaches who were again able to come and observe the Australian Coaches training programs as well as observe them coaches some scrimmage matches.

Mike Harrow and Melanie Roche held a battery camp in Adelaide on the 25th and 26th May. This was another opportunity for our coaches to listen and observe the catching training methods and plans that the Australian players are running through but it was the first time a pitching session was held at the same time. Many coaches came to observe the sessions held over the weekend and the feedback was very positive from all that attended.

These opportunities are very valuable for players and coaches as they allow us to see what we need to be working on in order to represent our country. I strongly encourage coaches to attend these sessions and observe and learn from the Australian Coaches when given the opportunity.

Janell Behrendt

State Coaching Co-ordinator



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STATE SCORING COORDINATOR REPORT

The scoring program continues to show some momentum with new scorers with take-up for accreditation programs at Level 1 and Level 2 gaining good attendance. This does not provide immediate relief for Nationals resourcing, however in time will build South Australia's Level 4 competency to support future nationals without the financial impost of bringing in the required skill sets from other states.

Insufficient interest was shown to enable the scheduled Level 3 and Level 4 courses to be conducted. In addition to this, failure to update (under the required ASC 4 year updating policy) has resulted in an overall reduction of 26 scorers from last years' figures. This is a high risk to Softball SA, as a lack of high level competency jeopardises our ability to be self-sufficient at Softball Australia National events.

As identified last year, the Gilley's Shield Round 2 awarded to South Australia for November 2012 required support from Level 4 Statisticians from interstate to meet the high level staffing obligations with NSC quality assurance at Nationals. South Australia hosted Round 2 of the Edebone Weber/Gilley's Shield in November 2012, and met all of our requirements in providing the scoring (including technical and media) for the tournament with the assistance of our "imports" - Technology Chief Chris Trengove; Liz & Mike Hannelly; Allison Pendlebury, and from SA - Alan McAuliffe and Lindy Rattigan. The requirements of the senior tournaments are extensive – with the every game being live streamed through the i-Score technology in addition to the media updating, and the more familiar "paper scoring". An outstanding effort – however SA needs to work hard to be able to staff these tournaments with our own competent personnel as soon as possible.

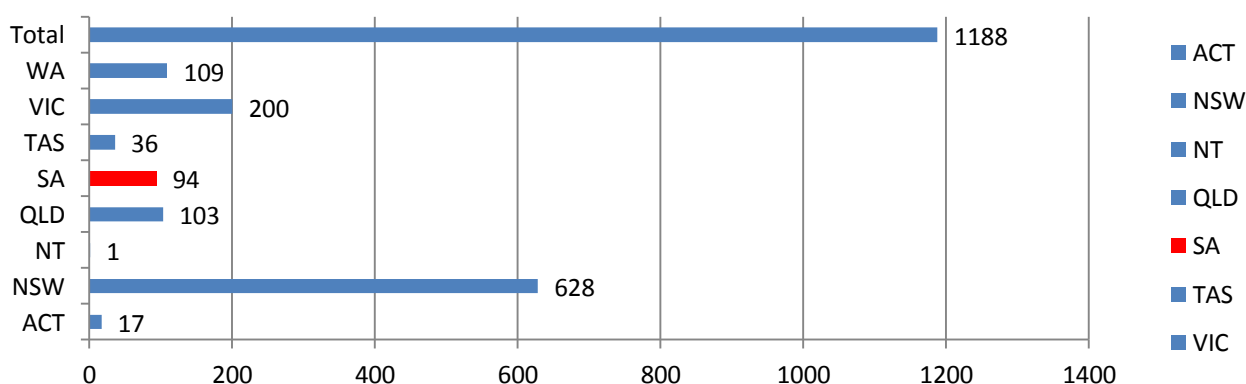
ACCREDITATION UPDATING

47 scorers lapsed their scoring accreditation within the ASC NOAS program in 2012/2013. Those wishing to regain validity to their last held level need to work through the Scoring Co-ordinator to progress their updating requirements. All scorers are required to demonstrate ongoing competency of their level, in addition to undertaking a rules examination. For Level 4, where competency has not been gained at National tournaments, submission of scored games will be sought for assessment by the NSA Quality Assurance officer to ensure current and continued competency. This is part of the quality assurance of the entire NOAS program. Note that this updating process is facilitated through the SAO online website so scorers are urged (if they haven't done so) to ensure their contact details and email contact addresses are accurate. (Statisticians who have not updated are recorded as expired at their last level held and do not appear in the statistics provided. There is a 12 month amnesty period from expiry date for updating to be undertaken prior to losing their accreditation level.)

Current¹ Accredited Scorers in SA are as follows:

Level 1 Scorer	Level 2 Scorer	Level 3 Scorer	Level 4 Statistician	Level 4 International Statistician	Total Accreditations
63	24	5		2	94 ²

Scorers/Statisticians comparison by State



¹ 19 accreditations will expiry in season 2013-2014

² 81 Female / 13 Male – as at 1 July 2013



ACCREDITATION COURSES

SSA conducted 2 NOAS Level 1 and 2 NOAS Level 2 courses, with CDSA being the only affiliate to conduct regional courses. Congratulations to Central District who facilitated a northern areas “trial” i-Score technology program as part of their extensive development program. Stay tuned for more of these sessions which are under re-development following feedback from CDSA participants.

Congratulations to the following new and upgraded scorers. With specially tailored programs, we provided the opportunity this season for a number of learned scorers who were not in the NOAS program, to work through Level 1 and 2 in the one year:

Level 1	Level 2	
Simon Brennan (Sturt)	Carly-Jayne Coates (CDSA)	Marcie Trzcinski (Glenelg)
Tyrone Doyle-Tarrant (Sturt)	Karen Fleming (Sturt)	Simone Thompson (Glenelg)
Joanne Altus (Gawler & District)	Libby Clift (Gawler & District)	Kylie Buckney (Glenelg)
Debbie Taylor (Hills)	Penny Adkins (Sturt)	Amy Buckney (Glenelg)
Simone Thompson (Glenelg)	Danielle Ridgway (Sturt)	Josh Buckney (Glenelg)
Carly-Jayne Coates (CDSA)	Debbie Taylor (Hills)	Tamyka Penglase (Glenelg)
Marcie Trzcinski (Glenelg)	Yvette Clark (Walkerville)	Liz McGee (Glenelg)
Penny Adkins (Sturt)	Meredith Goodman (Seacombe)	Cheryl Mead (Glenelg)
Danielle Ridgway (Sturt)	Julie Dale (Walkerville)	Sandra Franke (Glenelg)
Yvette Clark (Walkerville)	Amy Parker (CDSA/USC)	Tracey Borovnik
Mark Tusolini (Sturt)		
Julie Dale (Walkerville)		
Amy Parker (CDSA/USC)		
Libby Clift (Gawler & District)		
Tracey Borovnik		

To enable the accreditation program to gain momentum – we need to not only recruit new scorers, but also retain those who are already accredited. It is important that, in particular, regional affiliates endeavour to identify a “scoring” champion - someone who knows about scoring; is accredited themselves; and is interested in promoting and facilitating the scoring program within their own regions. Where a suitable candidate is located in regions, it may be possible to accredit them to lecture the Level 1 scoring programs. In encourage affiliates to work with SSA to ensure that your scoring resources remain current.

And finally, recognition and congratulations to the State Team scorers for 2013 – again, this is an area where we must support the appointment of accredited Statisticians to each State Team, if we are to see the positions respected. It is an important that State Team scorers are seen as ambassadors working actively in the development of the scoring fraternity and the strategic direction of SA, to increase our numbers.

APPOINTMENTS

- Lindy Rattigan – Statistician - 2012 ISF World Series Under 19 Men's Championships, Argentina
- Lindy Rattigan – Venue Chief Statistician - Edebone Weber/ Gilley's Shield 2012/2013 - Round 2
- Derek Roberts – Statistician - SA Under 19 Women
- Joanne Altus – SA Under 17 Boys Scorer
- Krissy Moore – Scorer - SA Under 17 Girls [non-accredited]

Open Women/Open Men: No scorer appointed

PROMOTION AND RESOURCES

With the Softball Australia populated websites, a great number of scoring resources are available on all your club and affiliate websites, under the groupings: Accreditation; Resources; and Scoring Directory (from the main menu). These are a great free resource to assist the scoring fraternity – from grassroots to experienced.

Scorers seeking to find pathway directions should contact the State Scoring Co-ordinator, Lindy Rattigan (scoring@softballsa.com.au) to assist in determining a local development plan.

Lindy Rattigan
State Scoring Co-ordinator



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STATE UMPIRE-IN-CHIEF REPORT**SSAU EXECUTIVE 2012- 13:**

Umpire in Chief:	Neville Lawrance
Deputy Director:	David Datson
Secretary:	Jacqui Crafter
Treasurer:	Karen Wood
Chairman of Examiners:	Alan McAuliffe/Kevin Tannebring
Training Officer:	David Datson
Rostering Officer:	Haydyn Wood
Adelaide Comp:	Haydyn Wood

2013 AUSTRALIAN PAPER

Some 41 level 0-3 and 4 Level 4-8 umpires sat the National Umpires Exam with 16 sitting the Basic Exam. This is a small decline when looking at just the Australian Paper, when the 16 people sitting the Basic Paper rather than the Australian Paper is added the total shows a considerable increase over last year. While the number of umpires sitting the exam each May has been good over the last two years, it would be great to have some of our senior coaches and or players attempt the exam.

The 4 Level 4-8 umpires sitting the exam are all umpiring within the Adelaide Competition while this is good for the standard of umpiring within the Adelaide Competition there is a real need to develop the standard within the affiliate centers. A pleasing aspect is the fact that all of our National Level 4-8 umpires were able to obtain a mark to maintain their current level of accreditation.

2012 BASIC PAPER

The Basic exam paper is available to all Associations, Clubs and State Teams anytime that they would like to arrange for members to sit the paper. It is an ideal means of assessing general rule knowledge for players and coaches. It is required for Green Shirt Umpires and is also available for anyone interested in gaining Level 1 accreditation or Level 1 umpires to obtain a theory pass mark to allow them to be assessed for level 2 accreditation. While the paper is generally sat in November arrangements can be made for associations or groups to sit at any time.

2011 saw a large reduction in the number of Basic Exam papers sat with just 18 papers being used with many of these by participants within the Green Shirt program. It is however pleasing to note that everyone that sat the paper was able to gain the required mark to either maintain their level or qualify to be assessed for their next level of accreditation.

A comparison of the last 4 years:

Aust Theory	2013	Pass	% Pass	2012	Pass	% Pass	2011	Pass	% Pass	2010	Pass	% Pass
L 4-8 umpires	4	3	75.00	7	7	100.00	6	6	100.00	7	7	100.00
L 0-3 umpires	40	38	95.00	40	38	95.00	49	44	89.80	50	44	88.00
Totals	44	41	93.18	47	45	95.74	55	47	85.45	57	51	89.47

Basic Exam	2012	Pass	% Pass	2011	Pass	% Pass	2010	Pass	% Pass	2009	Pass	% Pass
L 0	12	12	100.00	14	14	100.00	50	50	100.00	16	16	100
L 1	4	4	100.00	2	2	100.00	12	12	100.00	8	8	100
L 2+	2	2	100.00	2	2	100.00	4	3	75.00	1	n/a	n/a
Total	18	18	100.00	18	18	100.00	66	65	98.48	24	24	100



ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED

AUSTRALIAN THEORY EXAM PREPARATION NIGHTS

West Beach – Neville Lawrance

CDSA – Kevin Tannebring

Neville presented three study nights at West Beach with 38 umpires attending from Adelaide clubs as well as Gawler, Riverland, CDSA and Hills Associations. These sessions were also made available to the CDSA Association with poor attendance resulting in only 1 session being conducted.

PRESEASON BASIC RULES / UMPIRING CLINIC

The Green Shirt Program is now a long established program that has seen considerable success over the years. David Datson continues to do a great job in presenting a well-developed program to potential Green Shirt Umpires. This program has, over the last 6-7 years produced a number of very good umpires who are working within their clubs providing an invaluable service to those clubs that have supported the program over the last few years. There is a huge opportunity for the wider softball community to benefit from this program and I would encourage all clubs to send their potential or interested people to this series of lectures. The attendees receive a very good grounding in the basics of umpiring and gain the confidence required to start the journey to becoming qualified umpires. There is also an excellent group of very experienced umpires who have made themselves available to provide feedback on Saturday afternoon to those involved in the green shirt program.

An intermediate clinic attended by 10 umpires was conducted at West Beach prior to the start of the season with a focus on DP, Flex and OPO rule as well as Scorecard Management, Game Preparation and very some worthwhile rule discuss resulting from some video clips that David had collected.

A basic umpire clinic was also conducted in the Hills with over 12 very interested attendees. The focus was on basic 3 man rotation with a short session on Plate Work. There was some strong interest shown in the Green Shirt program.

Kevin Tannebring has continued his involvement within the APY Lands working on the indigenous softball program for women in joint cooperation with SANFL and their football program for the men in the APY Lands. This partnership has been very beneficial to the communities within the APY Lands providing an opportunity for some very talented players to display their natural athleticism.

Due to a restructure within AIS which has had a direct impact on the NOAS scheme the whole process of umpire registration is now being taken over by the individual National Sporting Bodies. I am awaiting the release of the revised registration process before proceeding with new and advancement registrations.

ACCREDITATION ADVANCEMENTS

8 umpires were awarded level 1 or advanced their current level of accreditation.

Under the NOAS training and accreditation packages the opportunity for affiliates to assess level 2 umpires may become an option. There will certainly be more emphases on both level 1 training and assessment with the use of the training package and the requirement for umpires to have their work checked and signed off on as they complete each component of their training. The use of a training package for level 2 will have similar requirements and will require umpires to be assessed in various competencies. Affiliate associations will have greater control and responsibility over the development of their umpires than ever before.

Assessments:	2013	2012	2011	2010
Level 1	6	5	13	9
Level 2	1	2	5	5
Level 3		2	0	2
Level 4		1	1	0
Level 5		1	0	0
Level 6	1		0	0
Total candidates	8	11	13	19



UMPIRES APPOINTED TO NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

This list includes all National and International Championship.

UNDER 17 GIRLS	Haydyn Wood	Umpire
UNDER 17 BOYS	Steve Wallace-Yarrow	Umpire
UNDER 19 WOMEN	Neville Lawrance	Umpire
	Steve Wallace-Yarrow	Umpire
	Haydyn Wood	Umpire
GILLEY'S SHIELD RD1	David Datson	Umpire
	Damien McCauley	Umpire
	Steve Wallace-Yarrow	Candidate
GILLEY'S SHIELD RD2	Neville Lawrance	Examiner
	David Datson	Umpire
	Damien McCauley	Umpire
	Steve Wallace Yarrow	Part time
GILLEY'S SHEILD RD3	Neville Lawrance	TCU
	Steve Wallace-Yarrow	Umpire

UMPIRES APPOINTED TO INTERNATIONAL EVENTS

AUST NZ TEST	Neville Lawrance	Umpire
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CONCLUSION

I would like to thank my committee for their work and effort over the past twelve months, especially our two newcomers in Jacqui and Karen who have both slotted into their respective roles. Their efforts, as well as that of the rest of the committee have ensured that the umpire program was able to continue to deliver in all aspects of its role throughout the year.

We have for a number of years relied very heavily on Kevin Tannebring and Alan McAuliffe to fulfill the role of Chairman of Examiners. I would like to thank them both for the work that they have done in this role over the years and hope that they are able to continue as key members of the Examination Panel. At the June SSAU meeting I was able to appoint Steve Wallace-Yarrow as the Chairman of Examiners a role he will take up on his return from an extensive overseas holiday This will include umpiring at the International Masters Games in Italy.

The continuation of the men's competition was very much welcomed providing valuable opportunity for our developing umpires to further developed their skills.

The introduction of the NOAS registration and training package has been difficult with many affiliates and umpires finding the addition requirements a challenge to complete. We will continue to further push the expansion of the training package and NOAS registrations as this will have a huge impact on funding in the future.

Neville Lawrance
SSAU UMPIRE IN CHIEF



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FINANCIAL REPORT

Softball SA Inc
Statement of Comprehensive Income
For the period ended 30 June 2013

	Note	July 12 - Jun 13	July 11 - Jun 12
Revenue from operating activities	1	589,214	627,929
Revenue from non-operating activities	1	614,674	130,530
Expenses from operating activities	2	1,244,824	738,281
Total comprehensive result		<u>-40,936</u>	<u>20,177</u>

The above Statement of Comprehensive Income should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes



Softball SA Inc
Statement of Financial Position
As of 30 June 2013

		Jun 30 2013	Jun 30 2012
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Chequing/Savings	3	623,519	135,170
Accounts Receivable	4	29,638	33,615
Other Current Assets	5	47,817	34,596
Total Current Assets		700,974	203,382
Fixed Assets	6	615,853	612,964
TOTAL ASSETS		1,316,828	816,346
LIABILITIES			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable	7	25,777	49,494
Credit Cards		1,010	26
Other Current Liabilities	8	579,974	15,822
Total Current Liabilities		606,761	65,342
Long Term Liabilities	9	9,000	9,000
TOTAL LIABILITIES		615,761	74,342
NET ASSETS		701,067	742,003
Accumulated Surplus		701,067	742,003
TOTAL EQUITY		701,067	742,003

The above Statement of Financial Position should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes



Notes to and Forming Part of the Financial Statements

1 Revenues	2013	2012
<u>Operating</u>		
<u>Softball SA</u>		
Sale of goods	107,295	145,930
Rendering of services		
Member registration fees	145,042	150,847
Player payments	267,736	196,046
Event registrations	15,122	92,793
Facilities hire	8,703	4,629
Interest	2,963	6,561
Sponsorship	15,300	9,600
Other	5,135	2,764
Total SSA revenue	567,296	609,169
<u>Diamond Sports</u>		
Interest	407	-
Other	-	-
Total Diamond Sports revenue	407	-
<u>Umpires</u>		
Sale of goods	715	1,272
Member registration fees	17,065	15,628
Interest	95	291
Other	3,636	1,568
Total umpires revenue	21,511	18,759
Total operating revenue	589,214	627,929
<u>Non-Operating</u>		
SAL contributions	39,674	49,530
Government Grants		
Softball SA	75,000	81,000
Diamond Sports	500,000	-
	575,000	81,000
Total non-operating revenue	614,674	130,530



Expenses		2013	2012
<u>Softball SA</u>			
Cost of sales		76,864	105,956
Administration		112,130	144,020
Member Support Services		315,214	284,498
Leasehold & Rental Expenses		9,738	12,813
^a Employee Expenses		157,739	138,744
Volunteer Expenses		12,009	8,007
^b Superannuation & Workcover contributions		18,058	16,072
Depreciation - Buildings & Improvements		2,950	4,705
Depreciation - Plant & Equipment		10,178	5,468
Bad & Doubtful Debts Expense		3,638	(536)
Write-offs		2,860	1,037
Total SSA expenses		<u>721,378</u>	<u>720,785</u>
<u>Diamond Sports</u>			
Administration etc	90	-	-
Grounds Development	500,000	-	-
	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total Diamond Sports expenses		500,090	-
<u>Umpires</u>			
Cost of sales	-	850	-
Administration etc	5,074	1,109	-
Member Support Services	453	1,966	-
Fees	15,226	11,262	-
Volunteer Expenses	1,430	1,310	-
Bad & Doubtful Debts Expense	-	-	-
Write-offs	1,174	1,001	-
Total umpires expenses		<u>23,356</u>	<u>17,497</u>
Total operating expenses		<u>1,244,824</u>	<u>738,281</u>
^{a, b} refer Carry/Overs in note 8			
<u>Chequing/Savings</u>		2013	2012
<u>Softball SA</u>			
Cheque Account	24,440	14,662	-
ING Investment Account	<u>29,084</u>	<u>96,394</u>	-
		53,525	111,056
<u>Diamond Sports</u>			
Cheque Account	(99)	-	-
ING Investment Account	<u>550,407</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
		550,308	-
<u>Umpires</u>			
Cheque account	<u>19,686</u>	<u>24,115</u>	-
		19,686	24,115
Total		<u>623,519</u>	<u>135,170</u>



Accounts Receivable	2013	2012
<u>Softball SA</u>		
Accounts Receivable	28,229	32,581
Provision for Doubtful Debts	<u>(3,459)</u>	<u>-</u>
	24,770	32,581
<u>Diamond Sports</u>	-	-
<u>Umpires</u>	4,869	1,034
	<u>29,638</u>	<u>33,615</u>

Other Current Assets	2013	2012
<u>Softball SA</u>		
Cash on Premises	1,516	1,516
Petty Cash on Hand	200	4,500
Undeposited Funds	-	-
Accrued Income	1,997	-
Prepayments	5,273	1,025
Non-Trading Stock	11,261	15,625
Trading Stock	<u>25,273</u>	<u>8,460</u>
	45,521	31,126
<u>Diamond Sports</u>	-	-
<u>Umpires</u>		
Petty Cash on Hand	-	-
Undeposited Funds	-	-
Prepayments	-	-
Non-Trading Stock	150	150
Trading Stock	<u>2,146</u>	<u>3,320</u>
	2,296	3,470
	<u>47,817</u>	<u>34,596</u>



Fixed Assets**Softball SA**

Property, Plant & Equipment

	Gross Value	2013 Accum Depn	WDV	Gross Value	2012 Accum Depn	WDV
At cost						
Computers & Office Equipment	15,229	(8,795)	6,435	9,384	(3,813)	5,571
Furniture & Fittings	22,435	(19,103)	3,332	22,435	(18,915)	3,520
Bar & Canteen Equipment	24,355	(17,800)	6,555	6,014	(5,794)	220
Grounds Maintenance Equipment	15,770	(11,682)	4,087	15,316	(10,368)	4,948
Playing Equipment	8,733	(6,222)	2,511	8,174	(5,855)	2,319
Coaching Equipment	16,946	(16,946)	-	16,946	(16,946)	-
Electronic Communications Equip't	12,112	(7,004)	5,108	10,179	(6,351)	3,829
	<u>115,579</u>	<u>(87,551)</u>	<u>28,028</u>	<u>88,447</u>	<u>(68,042)</u>	<u>20,406</u>

Umpires

Electronic Equipment	2,486	(2,486)	-	2,486	(2,486)	-
Furniture & Fittings	2,362	(2,362)	-	2,362	(2,362)	-
Training Aids	2,597	(2,597)	-	2,597	(2,597)	-
	<u>7,445</u>	<u>(7,445)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>7,445</u>	<u>(7,445)</u>	<u>-</u>

Property At

Cost	450,515			450,515		
Capital Improvements at cost	127,042			127,042		
Leasehold Improvements at cost	<u>76,648</u>			<u>87,762</u>		
	654,205	(66,380)	<u>587,825</u>	665,319	(72,761)	<u>592,559</u>
			<u>615,853</u>			<u>612,964</u>

As advised last year the Association undertook a review of the adopted accounting treatment of the lease agreement on the Association's Club House building. The review incorporated an analysis of the Australian Accounting Standard (AASB) 116 Property, Plant and Equipment to determine the correct accounting treatment for the building asset. As lease terms are still being negotiated, the Association has elected to continue to account for the building asset as has been done in previous years. Should the Association, however, consider it now be appropriate to amortize the buildings, it would create a significant expense as one lump sum or over the period of the lease

Accounts Payable**2013****2012****Softball SA**

25,777

49,494

Diamond Sports

-

-

Umpires

-

-

25,77749,494

Other Current Liabilities		2013	2012
<u>Softball SA</u>			
Accrued Expenses		1,921	-
Accrued Liabilities - Programs			
App'd C/Over - Government Grant		16,201	-
App'd C/Over - National League		-	-
App'd C/Over - Player Dev'ment		2,372	2,372
App'd C/Over - Softball Aust		3,791	-
App'd C/Over - Strategic Plan		1,089	1,089
App'd C/Over - Diamond Sports		500,000	-
App'd C/Over - Other		187	9,381
		<u>523,639</u>	<u>12,842</u>
Payroll Liabilities			
PAYG Withholding Liability		10,440	4,855
Superannuation Liability		(25)	(25)
Workcover Liability		25	-
		<u>10,440</u>	<u>4,830</u>
Revenue Received in Advance		-	200
Tax Payable			
GST		43,973	(2,049)
		<u></u>	<u></u>
Total Current Liabilities		<u>579,974</u>	<u>15,822</u>
Approved Carry/Overs			2013
Government Grant	Balance of 2012-13-Sport and Recreation Development and Inclusion Program (\$25,000)		16,201
Softball Aust	Balance of Softball Aust contribution to NEDP Daily training environment (\$5,864)		4,311
Diamond Sports	2013/14 Community Recreation and Sport Facilities Program and the State Facilities Fund initial funding		500,000
Other	Tfr of unused expenses in 2011-12 Budget for payment in 2012-13		9,194
a	total of transfers from carry/overs included in Employee Expenses - note 2		8,224
b	total of transfers from carry/overs included in Super'n & W'cover - note 2		970
			<u>9,194</u>
Long Term Liabilities		2013	2012
<u>Softball SA</u>			
Asset Maintenance Provision		9,000	9,000
Total		<u>9,000</u>	<u>9,000</u>



STATEMENT AND REPORT BY THE BOARD TO THE MEMBERS OF SOFTBALL SA INC.

The attached financial statements of Softball SA Inc. for the year ended 30 June 2013 are, in our opinion properly drawn up:

- (a) so as to present fairly the financial position of the Association as at 30 June 2013 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, and;
 - (b) in accordance with the provisions of the Association rules,
- and;
- (c) in accordance with applicable Australian Accounting Standards

As at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

During the financial year no;

- (a) officers of the Association,
- (b) firms of which an officer is a member,
- (c) corporation in which an officer has a substantial financial interest,

have received or become entitled to receive a benefit as a result of a contract between the officer, firm or corporation and the Association.

During the financial year the following officers received payments or benefits of pecuniary value as follows;

Honoraria payments to the following

J. Behrendt	\$750	State Coaching Co-ordinator
L. Rattigan	\$750	State Scoring Co-ordinator
N. Lawrance	\$750	State Umpiring Co-ordinator

Signed according to a resolution of the Board


Chairperson


Board Member

DATED at Adelaide

This 27th day of August 2013



Government of South Australia
Office for Recreation and Sport



AUDITORS REPORT

SOFTBALL SA INCORPORATED INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

We have audited the attached financial statements, being a special purpose financial report, of Softball SA Incorporated, for the year ended 30 June 2013.

Board of Management's Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Board of Management is responsible for the preparation of the financial report in accordance with Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985 and regulations and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the schedule is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement in the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the association's preparation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the association's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

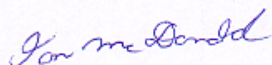
Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements of the Softball SA Incorporated are properly drawn up:

- (a) to present fairly the financial position of the Association as at the 30 June 2013 and the results of its operations for the period then ended, and;
- (b) according to applicable Australian Accounting Standards.

Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report is prepared to assist the Association to meet the requirements of Associations Incorporation Act (SA) 1985 and regulations. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our report is intended solely for the members of Softball SA Incorporated.



IAN G McDONALD FCA
REGISTERED COMPANY AUDITOR

DATED at EASTWOOD this 13 day of September 2013



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**SOFTBALL SA INCORPORATED
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED AT 30 JUNE 2013**

NOTE 1 – STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared for use only by the Association.

The Association has determined that it is not a reporting entity.

The financial report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the following Australian Accounting Standards:

AASB 1031: Materiality

AASB 110: Events Occurring After Reporting Date

No other Australian Accounting Standards, Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views or other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board have been applied.

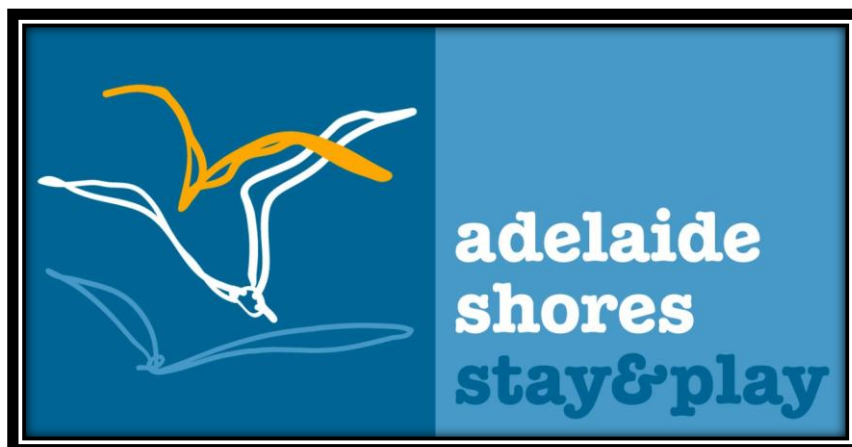
The financial report is prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historic costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where specifically stated, current valuations of non-current assets.



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