

ANNUAL REPORT

1983-84

TO ALL MEMBERS

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE RAMS FEE WEE LEAGUE INC INCORPORATED
WILL BE HELD AT THE GRANGE OVAL CLUBROOMS AT 7.30 P.M. ON MONDAY
JUNE 4TH, 1984 FOR THE PURPOSE OF DEALING WITH THE FOLLOWING AGENDA.

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AGENDA

1. Notice of Meeting
2. Confirmation of Minutes of previous annual meeting held on June 20th 1983.
3. Business arising from minutes
4. Correspondence
5. Ratification of any Management Committee Resolutions or Appointments
6. Presentation of any annual reports, including the audited statement of receipts and payments, for the year ended 30th April 1984
7. Election of the following officers:
President
Vice President
Secretary
Assistant Secretary
Treasurer
Teams Representative
Flyer Agent
5 Committee persons
1 or 2 Auditors
8. Transaction of other business of which at least 14 days' notice has been given to the Secretary.
9. Transaction of any other business for which the required notice has not been given, at the discretion of the meeting.

Mary Duhré

SECRETARY

The major objects of the Rams FeeWee League Inc. are:

1. To promote the game of baseball
2. Through the medium of a supervised competitive baseball programme, seek to implant in the youth of the community ideals of good sportsmanship, honesty, loyalty, courage and reverence, so that they may be finer, stronger and happier youths who will grow to be good clean healthy adults.

Other notes for your calendar:

1. Applicants are called for the positions of coach, assistant coach, manager, trainer and scorer for the Rams Fee Wee League All Star team for the 1984/85 season.
2. The Annual General Meeting of the Henley and Grange Baseball Club is to be held on Sunday 3rd June 1984 at 10.00 a.m. in the Grange Oval Clubrooms.

RAMS PEE WEE LEAGUE INC.

GRANGE OVAL, MILITARY ROAD,
GRANGE



COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

PRESIDENT: PETER KEMP
VICE PRESIDENT: RON IALMER
SECRETARY: LARRY DUNNE
ASSISTANT SECRETARY: SHIRLEY LOHAX
TREASURER: DARRYL JARRETT
TEAMS REPRESENTATIVE: MIKE SOOLYER
PLAYER AGE: JOHN ICYNNICK
COMMITTEEPERSONS: BEV LEHLY
RAY ROYALS
STEWART PRITCHARD
SAM LEAKER

ANNUAL MEETING
1985/84

CHIEF UMPIRE: JOHN FOYNNICK
CHIEF SCORER: KAY MEADE (resigned)
GROUNDKEEPER: IETEN KEMP
FINANCE MANAGER: RAY ROYALS
PUBLICITY & RECRUIT-
MENT OFFICER: VACANT

AUDITOR: J. C. DOIKIN AASA (Sec.), ACIS.

<u>TEAMS</u>	<u>SPONSORED BY</u>	<u>COACHED BY</u>
MALJACS	NOCK'S KITTENS	JIM GOBLE
LEOS	LEOS CLUB OF PILDON	GEORF DUNNE
VIKIJS	DYVI OFFSHORE A.F.S.	RON IALMER
SUI SHOTS	SOLA HART S.A.	STEWART PRITCHARD
PAITHENS	PLAYFOULD MEAT SERVICE	GRAHAM GERR
MALJENS	MAINSTYLE, WEST LAKES HALL	JOHN WILLOUGHBY
TIGERS	L. J. HOOKERS, GRANGE	GAVIN WOOD
MALJENS	MARLECHO DELI	STEVE FORREST
PAGIES	GREATHEX SPORTS	PHIL SPE CER
CHASLENS	GELOVIS HEALTH FCCLIS	PETER KEMP

THE PRESIDENT'S REPORT.

The past twelve months have been a period of growth and consolidation for the Rams Pee Wee League.

Highlights of the season were:

1. The tremendous increase in the number of children playing Pee Wee from seventy in 1982/83 to one hundred and ten in 1983/84 (this included seventy new players) and a consequent increase in the number of teams from six to ten.

2. The success of the All Star team culminating in a second place at the first State Championships. The winning team, Sturt Saints, proved the strength of our side by only narrowly losing the inaugural Australian Championships in the final game, to the team representing Western Australia.

PRE-SEASON TRAINING CAMP:

The Henley and Grange Baseball Club conducted its 3rd annual pre-season camp at the Parnanga Centre at O'Sullivan's Beach on the last weekend of the September school holidays. Twenty-nine children from the Rams Pee Wee League attended this camp which proved valuable, not only in the teaching and reinforcement of the basic skills of baseball, but was also extremely helpful to all star team officials in the selection of the initial squad. There is some doubt as to whether the club will conduct the camp this year, however, the South Australian Baseball League conducts an excellent camp at Immanuel College during the last week of the September school holidays. Coaching is by leading club coaches and senior State and Australian players. For further information regarding this camp, please contact Peter Kemp at home on 'phone No. 297 7259 or at work on 2289308.

TRAINING CLINICS AND TEAM SELECTION:

Two training clinics were held on the first two Saturday mornings following the September school holidays and it was at these our Player Agent, John Polynick and I were able to gain an impression of the skills of intending players - in particular, the new players. This helped immensely when team selection was done and enabled us to ensure team strength was as even as possible.

MATCHES AND PRACTICES:

Owing to work being done on the sprinkler system at Grange Oval, Henley Oval was used as the venue for matches until early December and practices until the Christmas break. This proved successful as the oval surface was superior to Grange although the major drawback was not being able to use the clubrooms.

Once back at Grange many families stayed at the Club rooms after games to socialize an aspect which I believe should be encouraged to enable families to get to know each other better away from the rush of the game.

Although no official premiership table was kept, I think it is a tribute to the concept of Pee Wee baseball that by pre-selection of approximately equal strength teams, the maximum number of games won by any team was ten (out of sixteen played) while the least successful team won five and drew one game.

By having two or three experienced older players in a team, these players developed as team leaders and were of great assistance to team coaches during matches and practices.

The season finished with a round-robin between the ten teams with special rules. Although matches were played on four days, the competition provided a successful climax to the season with all sides having their share of success. However, eventual winners were the Leos, who won the shield for the second successive season.

AUSTRALIAN PEE WEE CHAMPIONSHIPS:

A comprehensive report on the Championships appears elsewhere but I must mention that Mr. Ron Wright, Assistant Secretary of the Australian Baseball Federation's Youth Committee, presented an engraved shield from the Australian Baseball Federation to the baseball club and Pee Wee League - this now hangs in the clubrooms and was presented in appreciation of the job done by us during the Championships.

COACHING AND SCORING COURSES:

Mrs Kay Neade ran a scorer's clinic early in the season at the clubrooms and followed up with a refresher course at her home. Unfortunately, the Meades shifted to Western Australia at Christmas but her efforts proved most worth while.

A level O or beginner level coaches course was conducted during February and the club was lucky enough to obtain the services of David Osinski, Australian Baseball Federation's Coaching Director and author of the course, to conduct it.

A total of twenty-six people from the baseball club, Pee Wee League and T Ball clubs attended and eighteen people qualified for the Level O certificate by attending both sessions.

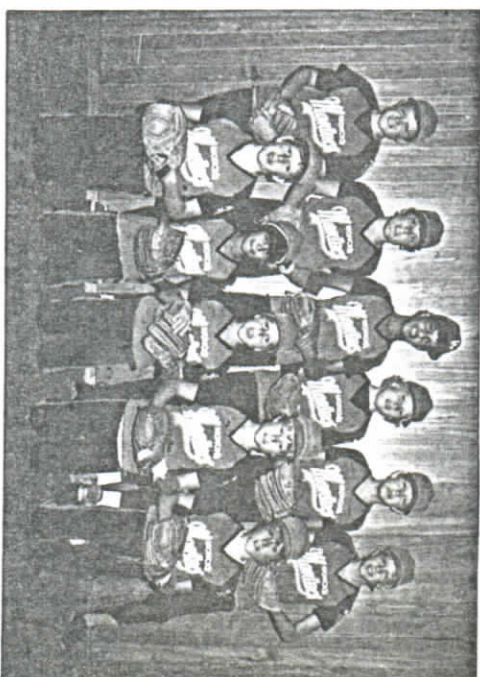
It is planned to conduct this course on a regular basis during coming seasons. The Pee Wee League will also conduct a basic umpire's course either early or pre-season.



"LEOS"

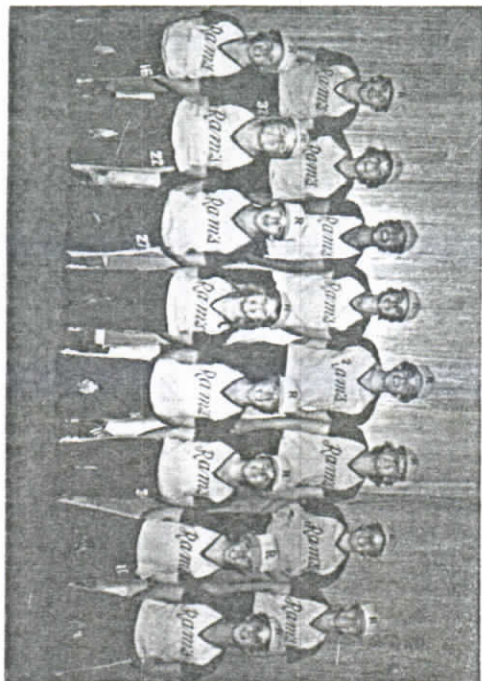


"PANTHERS"



"MANIACS"

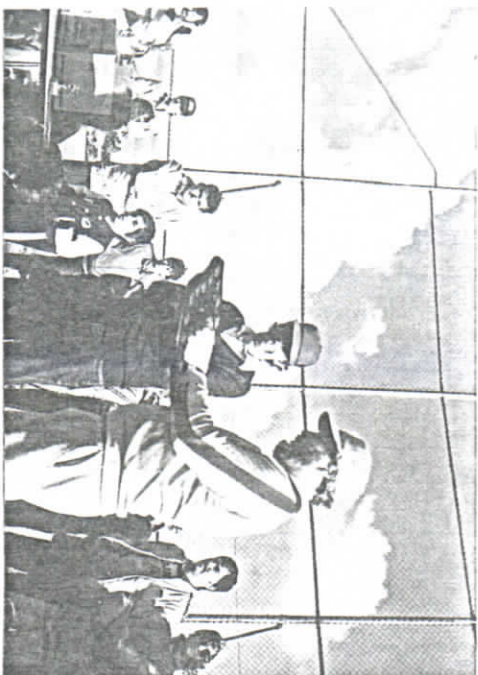
RAMS FEE WEE
LEAGUE * ALL
STARS TEAM *



"CRUSADERS"



PETER KEMP
SHIELD
PRESENTATION



PLAYERS PASSING OUT OF FEE WEE:

To be eligible to play Pee Wee baseball, a child must be under 13 at 31st December during the season in progress. Approximately forty children from the Rams Pee Wee League this season will be over the age limit in 1984/85. If your child falls into this group, he will receive an invitation to attend pre-season training for the Henley and Grange Baseball Club's under 15 teams. These teams participate in the inter-district competition run by the South Australian Baseball League on Saturday afternoons. Three or four boys live outside the area allocated to the club and in their case would require a clearance from the club in whose area they live, if they wish to play with Henley & Grange. I hope as many boys as possible will continue with the game as I think the majority have had a good grounding in the basics of the game and enjoyed playing Pee Wee. Unfortunately, girls cannot play in the South Australian Baseball Club competition, however, their are a number of Softball Clubs handy.

FUTURE DEVELOPMENTS:

At a recent meeting of the South Australian Pee Wee Association it was announced that South Australia would be split into eight areas, four country and four metropolitan for the main purpose of ease of conducting State Championships.

The Rams Pee Wee League is in a western area, together with Port Adelaide, Woodville and West Torrens. It is envisaged that three All Star invitationals will be held early in the season as a lead-up to an area championship on 11th November. The winner of this will represent the area or zone in the State Championships on 24th and 25th November at a venue to be announced. The eight area winners will compete, ensuring an even draw for the competition.

All leagues in our area have agreed in principle to conducting a regular home-and-away competition for the All Star team once the State Championships are over. The team may even play a game or two at the Woodville Baseball Club under lights.

Another possible development is the establishment of a home ground for baseball club juniors and Pee Wee players. Hopefully this will lead to the establishment of a proper baseball diamond with backstops, dugouts etc., similar to the main diamond at Grange. Several possibilities are being considered at the moment.

THANKS TO WORKERS:

In closing this report, I would like to thank all those people who have put so much time in during the past season making the Rams Pee Wee League the success it has been to date.

In particular, I must mention Graham Gepp, Tony Demasi, John Willoughby, Steve Forrest and Gavin Wood, young members of the Henley & Grange Baseball Club who did such a great job coaching teams. Finally, I would like to thank Ron Palmer, Mike Scolyer, Geoff and Mary Duane and Shirley Lomax, foundation members of the Pee Wee League, for the outstanding contributions during the past two seasons. Also sincere thanks to John Fopynick, Stewart Pritchard and Mike Scolyer for their many hours of work with the All Star teams.

I wish them and their families a long, successful and happy relationship with the Henley & Grange Baseball Club.

Peter Kemp,
PRESIDENT.

THE SECRETARY'S REPORT.

Our second season has been a very busy but successful time for us all. We have seen a substantial growth in our membership (from seventy players to one hundred and ten) and a gratifying number of parents and supporters willing to help in many ways.

On the administrative side, our Treasurer, Darryl Jarrett has kept a watchful eye on our finances all year and kept our heads above water (although at times I'm sure he thought we were all going to drown). Assistant Secretary, Shirley Lomax always had us up to date with our Minutes and I would like to thank her for her efforts. President, Peter Kemp, is to be thanked for his untiring effort during the entire season. It was a fitting tribute to him that the perpetual shield presented to the winning team of our lightning carnival, be named the 'Peter Kemp Shield'.

Many thanks to the various organizations and firms who sponsored teams in our League this season. The \$300 fee they pay covers the cost of the uniforms for our players and adds so much to the spectacle of our sport. I would just like to add that we had more potential sponsors offering to finance teams for this season than we had teams available. Isn't that a marvellous reflection not only on the concept of Pee Wee Baseball, but on our business community.

One of the highlights of our season was the conducting of the first Australian Pee Wee Championships by the Henley & Grange Baseball Club. The support given by members of our League to the Baseball Club in this venture was fantastic. Without this support, the Championships would not have been the success that they were. A special thank you to the families who billeted children from Queensland. I know your efforts in caring for these children were much appreciated (remember those white uniforms!)

The future membership of the Rams Pee Wee League appears to be very promising. There are approximately 230 children playing in T-Ball clubs in our area, many of whom will go on to play baseball. With your support, the League will continue to progress and I wish you every success in the coming seasons.

Mary Duane,
SECRETARY.

RAMS PEE WEE LEAGUE INC. - HISTORY.

Our Pee Wee League was the second one formed in South Australia after Salisbury. As this is our second year but our first annual report, a history of the League's first season is set out below.

On 1st June 1982, Peter Kemp organised a meeting of parents interested in forming a Pee Wee League to replace both the primary school competition run by the Henley and Grange Baseball Club and the soon to be defunct Under 13 competition run by the South Australian Baseball League. From this meeting of six people, a steering committee was formed.

The first Annual General Meeting of the Rams Pee Wee League was held on 7th October 1982 when the constitution was adopted and the following persons elected to the first committee:

President:	Peter Kemp
Vice President:	Ron Palmer
Secretary:	Geoff Duane.
Asst. Secretary:	Shirley Lomax
Treasurer:	Darryl Jarrett.
Teams Representative:	Mike Scolyer.
Committee:	Geoff Ferris.
	Bev Berry.
	Erika Burlew.

Our first playing season got under way on 15th October 1982 with six teams, five of them at that stage already sponsored. Our season was officially opened on 19th November 1982 by Mr. Wes Neal, Pee Wee Commissioner for South Australia.

The six teams in our first season were:

Monck's MANIACS sponsored by Monck's Printers and coached by Jim Goble.
LEOS, sponsored by the Leos Club of Flindon and coached by Geoff Duhne.
Dyvi Offshore VIKINGS, sponsored by Dyvi Offshore A.F.S. coached by Ron Palmer.
Sola Hart SUNSPOTS, sponsored by Sola Hart S.A. and coached by Mike Scolyer.
Playford's PANTHERS, sponsored by Playford's Meat Service, coached by Paul Ingham.
Mainstyle MAULERS, sponsored by Mainstyle West Lakes Mall coached by Darryl Jarret.

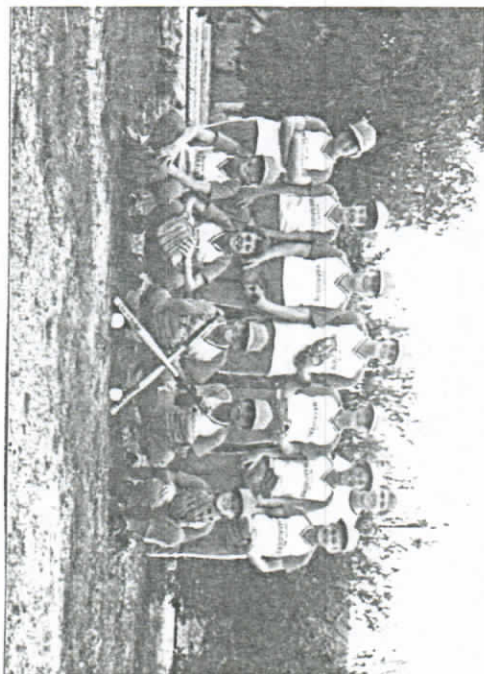
At a very long meeting early on it was resolved that no premiership points would be kept during the greater part of the season. It was felt this would have otherwise increased the pressure on players, coaches and spectators to win and would lead to less children gaining experience in key positions.

However, to create interest, more excitement and a low key introduction to the pressure of competitive sport, a lightning carnival was conducted at the end of the season, with the winning team's name being engraved on a perpetual shield.

The League was incorporated by the Commissioner of Corporate Affairs on 10th March 1983.

At the end of the first season an "All Star" team was selected to represent the League in a promotional match against the Salisbury Fee Wee League at Wallaroo which we won 16-1. The team was: Michael Burlew, Richard Campbell, Vivian Coulthard, Tony Duhne, Justin Godfrey, Mark Hopko, Michael Johnson, Guy Meade, Jason Palmer, Gaetano Rugari, Craig Radcliffe, Simon Scolyer..... Geoff Duhne (coach), Ron Palmer (Aast. Coach), Mike Scolyer (Manager), Peter Radcliffe (Scorer).

The second Annual General Meeting was held on 20th June 1983.



"MANIACS"



"VIKINGS"



"MAULERS"

RAMS FEE WEE LEAGUE INCORPORATED

TREASURERS REPORT

FOR SEASON ENDED 30TH APRIL 1984

"SUNSPONS"



"MAGPIES"



"TIGERS"



<u>Income</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
	\$		\$
Memberships (119)	2047.00	Equipment	2316.66
Sponsorships	1050.00	Uniforms	1276.89
Sale of Equipment	668.50	Player Registration	240.00
Social Functions	523.94	Team Photos	178.77
Government Grant	150.00	Ground Fees	170.00
Sale of Team Photos	120.00	Trophies	133.85
Reflex	17.60	All-Star Team Exps	107.50
Bank Interest	12.04	Administration	34.89
		Presentations	20.00
		Fed. Govt Debit Tax/	
		F.I.D.	6.46
			\$445.02

\$4589.08

\$445.02

Total Income \$4,589.08
Total Expend. \$4,485.02

Net Income over Expenditure 1983/84
Add 1982/83 Surplus

\$ 104.06
89.33
\$ 193.39

Balance as per Bank Statement 30/4/84 193.39

Account Outstanding

- S.A. Fee Wee Association \$ 90.00
(Baseballs purchased)

I have examined the records of the Rams Fee Wee League Incorporated and obtained all required explanations.

In my opinion, the attached Treasurer's report represents a true and fair view of the income and expenditure of the league for the season ended 30 April 1984.

J.C. Donkin
ASA (Senior), ACIS

D. Jarrett
Treasurer
14 May 1984

Donkin

Training for the All Star team got off to an early start with the squad being selected at the Junior training camp held at C'Sullivan Beach. The squad then trained on Thursday nights as a build-up to the State Championships, and normal All Star Invitationals which were held at various clubs around Adelaide.

Invitationals

The team competed in five Invitationals winning three and finishing second in the other two. In each of the Invitationals we had to compete against three other clubs in a round robin situation with the two teams having the highest points or percentage playing in the final. The Rams All Stars reached the finals in every Invitational.

State Championships

These were held at the Southern Districts Baseball Club on the 19th and 20th November 1983. We had to play three games on the Saturday of which we won two and lost one. Unfortunately this put us in a position whereby one more loss would eliminate us from the Championships. We were in this situation due to a poor start against Southern Districts and a run of injuries. On the Sunday we had to win three games to win the Grand Final. This we did only to go down to Start in the Final.

It was said by many baseball followers to be one of the best junior baseball games ever to be seen in this State. It must also be mentioned that Start lost the final of the Australian Pee Wee Championships by one run. This must rate our team as one of the best in Australia.

Broken Hill

We played two games against the best under 13 players in Broken Hill on 14th and 15th April 1984 in Broken Hill. We won both of these games. This was an end of season trip for the All Star players and whilst I believe most had a very good time the games were played with the same spirit as had all games during the actual season.

Thankyous

Full credit for the team's performance must go to the coach, John Popynick.

Thankyou to Peter Radcliffe, Ron Palmer and Stewart Pritchard for their efforts during the year. To Peter Kemp, the Pee Wee Committee and the Henley and Grange Baseball Club, thankyou for your support and help throughout the year. The support of the parents of the team members made all of our work much easier. Not only did they give us vocal support during games but supplied drinks, ice, wet towels and transport.

The Team

Nat Bromley	Justin Cavenett	Tony Duhne
Paul Gander	Justin Godfrey	Matthew Graves
Kieran Hampel	Graham Hodges	Michael Johnson
Daniel Kennedy	Kirilly King	Damien McCarthy
Jason Palmer	Craig Radcliffe	Simon Scolyer
Duncan Spencer		

Never before have I had the pleasure of being involved with such a team of true sportsmen and women as this was. On the weekend of the State Championships, they gave me a new meaning of "giving all for the club". They showed maturity beyond their years in coming from the depths of despair to almost pull off the impossible. On the Sunday they played the four games in hot conditions with only a half hour break between each game, two of which we won by only one run. They gained the admiration and respect of all who had the fortune to be there.

Conclusion

It was pleasing to see a second All Star team formed towards the end of the season. I believe this will give them a great foundation for next year. I hope they get the same support we did from both within the Club and from parents.

To this year's All Star players moving on to under 15s, I wish you all every success and thank you for the pleasure of being associated with you.

Mike Scolyer
TEAM MANAGER

AUSTRALIAN PEE WEE CHAMPIONSHIPS REPORT
GRANGE CIVIL 7TH - 15TH JANUARY 1984

In March 1983 the Club's Executive Committee decided to tender to conduct the inaugural Australian Pee Wee Championships. The tender was submitted with 2 vital points in mind:

- 1) To help promote the concept of Pee Wee baseball by helping to stage a successful inaugural championships.
- 2) If possible to make a financial gain for the Club.

In May the Club was advised that it had won the right to conduct the championships on behalf of the S.A. Pee Wee Association. Shortly afterwards a Championships Committee was formed consisting of Grant McGarron, Ron Palmer, Mike Scolyer and myself. Guidelines for the conduct of the championships were laid down by the S.A. Pee Wee Association's Championships Committee headed by Tournament Director, Peter Thompson.

One of the major requirements in running a championship is tender and response to an initial questionnaire in June was most prolific. A newsletter and questionnaire in November asking members of the Club and Pee Wee League to reaffirm their commitment resulted in an even greater response. The initial groundwork for the championship was done by the Championships Committee in conjunction with subcommittees formed to handle catering and grounds.

(One of the main problems facing the committee was the location. Ideally the infield would have been located directly in front of the clubhouse but slow development of the turf in that area caused by problems with the sewer system and lack of hot weather saw the north-west corner of the oval used as the infield.

About one week before the commencement of the championships work began in earnest in setting up the playing arena. Two spectator stands, home run fence, backstop nets and foul line enclosures were transported to the ground and erected with the assistance of a small band of willing workers.

spectators were to be well catered for with the arrival of beer, pie and party and soft drink vans.

Most of the visiting teams arrived the day before the championships and all coaches and players came to the club on Friday, 6th January for the "morning meeting" which was held in the Grange Hockey Clubrooms.

Saturday, 7th January was the opening day of the championship and we were blessed with the beautiful weather which was to continue throughout the championship. After an official luncheon in the clubrooms the championship was declared open by Mr. Joe Slater, Director of Recreation and Sport and Baseball great Dave Roberts opened proceedings by hitting the first ball prior to the commencement of the game - Victoria game.

Eight days later saw another great day and the last game of the championships between two unbeaten teams, South Australia represented by Sturt Saints, and Western Australia represented by South Perth. A crowd estimated at more than 1500 people witnessed this game and were not disappointed. South Perth won the game and the championship scorers 5 runs to 7 in an extra innings game.

South Perth may have won the game and the David Roberts Trophy but the Henley and Grange Baseball Club and Tams Ice Ice League won the hearts of all local and interstate visitors with the hospitality shown to them.

It is interesting to note that 115 members of the club and Ice Ice League were involved while the championship was on - an effort which you can be proud of and which I think indicates the outstanding future the club has, given the right leadership and direction.

Before closing I would like to thank the following individuals and organizations without whose help the championship would not have been the success it was:

Grange Hockey Club

Grange Cricket Club

West Torrens Ice Hockey Baseball Club

Southern Districts Baseball Club

South Australian Baseball League

Mayor of the City of Henley and Grange

Victoria Westfording

Recreation Officer

Grant and Mrs McGarron

Mike Sculley and family

Ron Fisher and family

Geoff Thorne and family

Ken Smith

Kathy Robinson

John Lawrence

David Greaves

Peter Radcliffe

Plus all other members, wives, girlfriends and juniors who helped make the championship a great success. Special thanks to Peter Thomson for his unerring guidance and hours and hours of dedicated work.

Ashlyn Smoker and family
Steve and Sue Lloyd
Gary Dewley
Kevin Stanton
Gary King
Richard Kemp

F. J. J.

CHRYSTONVILLE

RAMS PEE WEE LEAGUE SPONSORS FOR 1983/84 SEASON.

Mainstyle West Lakes Pty Ltd.
West Lakes Mall,
West Lakes S.A.

Playford Meat Service,
341 Military Road,
Henley Beach S.A.

Marlboro Deli,
333 Military Road,
Henley Beach S.A.

Greatrex Sporting Goods,
422 Torrens Rd.
Kilkenny S.A.

I. J. Hooker Pty. Ltd.
644 Grauge Road,
Henley Beach S.A.

Cenovis Health Food Company,
Arncliffe, N.S.W.
(S.A. Reps: Super Brokers Pty. Ltd.
6 Montrose Ave.,
Norwood S.A.

Solahart,
32 The Parade,
Norwood S.A.

Monck's Printers,
31 Burbridge Road,
Mile End S.A.

Leos Club of Findon,
President: Mrs. Sue Ferenc,
111 Cedar Ave.
Royal Park S.A.

Dyvi Offshore A.F.S., NORWAY
(Contact person: Mr. Wally Jakimeczuk)
This sponsor is a group employed on
a drilling rig in the North Sea.

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provided by them.