

## **CBC Inc.**

December 2008

### **Life Membership Proposal – Lance Blackley**



Lance Blackley is proposed for Life Membership of the Cheltenham Baseball Club in recognition of his services as a player and a coach in both the Summer and Winter sections of the Club and in particular for his outstanding contributions as an administrator over the past 15 years. Details of Lance's service as an administrator, player and coach are attached.

In summary Lance played for 10 years, often over both Summer and Winter seasons and won MVP and his team's batting average awards on several occasions. As a player Lance acquitted himself well as a pitcher and hitter at all levels through to be Reserve team levels including a "cup of coffee" in the Firsts. As a coach and team manager, Lance excelled and he heavily influenced and fostered the development of some outstanding talent that eventually lead to several State Premierships for our under age teams and as well as several professional signings.

Lance's commitment to the CBC has been of the highest order and he has been a major contribution to the Club's overall character, consistency and stability for the past 15 years.

Lance personifies the perfect parent and club person. He and his wife, Beverley have been heavily involved from the time their boys, Travis and Adam, took up the game and right from the beginning were prepared to do what ever was needed to improve the environment for the players in the Club.

As a Chairman and member of the CBC Board and the Kingston Heath Sports Club, Lance has provided visionary leadership and ideas that lead to major improvements around the Club over the past 15 years. Lance was responsible for the development of the first 10 year CBC Business Plan that has become the cornerstone for planning the ongoing management and major upgrades to our playing facilities.

His sense of humour also needs to be noted and his unique way of taking others along with him in perusing and achieving goals to the betterment of the Club .

It has been a pleasure and a privilege to play and work with Lance Blackley in our Club and your endorsement and support of this Life Membership Proposal is strongly recommended.

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John Ferguson

John Carlile

## Baseball Contributions

- 1993
- Asst coach U/12 Winter
  - Assisted coaching Tee Ball side
  - Junior Coordinator - Summer
- 1994
- Coached Winter U12 team to final
  - Assisted with the Winter U12 DBA side
  - Coached the Broncos U12 Fri night side to final.
  - Played E Grade Winter – Batting & MVP
  - Junior Coordinator - Summer
  - Played Summer 5ths
- 1995
- Coached U/14 winter team to finals
  - Coached E Grade Winter
  - Coached Rookie Ball side to Championship at ABL Games
  - Coached the Broncos U12 Fri night side to final.
  - Coached Summer 5ths to memorable Premiership against a highly favoured Upwey
- 1996
- Coached U/16 – winter
  - Played D Grade winter
  - Coached the Broncos U12 Fri night side to final win
  - Coached U/12 Rustlers to finals
  - Level 0 Coaching Course
  - Played Div 4 1sts with Summer
  - Summer President
- 1997
- Played winter 'C' Grade
  - Coached U12 Rustlers ( Runners Up)
  - Played Summer 5ths
- 1998
- Coached u14 Winter
  - Coached 'D' Grade winter
  - Coached U12 Summer All Starts to r/u
  - Played Summer 5ths
  - Assist Coach of VBPL Team at National Championships
- 1999
- Coached D Grade
  - 1<sup>st</sup> nine Manager/Base Coach
  - Made first appearance for the 1<sup>st</sup> nine and got on base
- 2000
- President BOM
  - Coach 3rds Summer + Player
  - Coached U/14 team
- 2001
- President BOM
  - Coach 3rds Summer + Player
- 2002
- President BOM
  - Fill in as 2<sup>nd</sup> nine Player Summer
  - Played in World Master to Silver Medal

- 2003
  - President BOM
  - KSC Chairman
  - U18 Coach
  - Chairman of Selectors
  - Coached D Grade (Premiers)
  - D Grade Batting Award
  - Retired from Playing
- 2004
  - KSC Chairman
  - Hall bookings
- 2005
  - KSC Chairman
  - Hall bookings
- 2006
  - KSC Chairman
  - Hall bookings
- 2007
  - KSC Chairman
  - Hall bookings
- 2008
  - KSC Chairman (Pavilion Lease)

**Administrative Contributions:**

- Managed the approval and construction of the home run fence.
- Instigated the financing & construction of pitching mounds
- Seating around the junior diamonds
- Scoria batting and pitching around the junior diamonds
- Rebuilt pitching mound on D1 &D2
- Built Pitching mound on Junior diamond
- Sourced funding and rectification of batting tunnel
- Wrote the 10 year plan for CBC
- Instigated the Web site and put together much of the information needed to get it up and running.
- Fought with City Hall to keep out the Cricket Club
- Chaired the BOM to resolve many issues between summer and winter and helped to get both committees working together.
- Dealt with thieves and burglars
- Leading the current review of proposed Pavilion leasing arrangement with Council.