

**North Australian**

# **BASEBALL SERIES**

**DARWIN 1977**



**30<sup>th</sup> APRIL  
to  
2<sup>nd</sup> MAY**

**Teams competing:**

**DARWIN, MOUNT ISA, KATHERINE,  
TENNANT CREEK, ALICE SPRINGS.**



WELCOME FROM THE PATRON

**DARWIN  
BASEBALL LEAGUE**

*Max Rider*

"It is with great pleasure that I welcome all baseballers and their supporters to the North Australian Baseball Series hosted by the Darwin Baseball League at the Waratahs Sports Oval, Darwin.

A special welcome must be extended to the Mount Isa team as this is their first trip to Darwin to play Baseball.

As you all know this Series was to have been held in Darwin in 1975, however the type of christmas present we received for 1974 made it necessary to have such fixtures cancelled.

In addition to the normal shield and trophy presentations we have a shield for the most outstanding player in the Series, there is also a trophy for the pitcher and catcher of the Series. It is hoped that future hosts will increase the number of trophies etc.

In conclusion I wish all teams the best of luck and may the best team win.

I am sure you will all enjoy the Series and make many lasting friendships during your stay in Darwin.

**HAPPY BASEBALL**  
C.G. Rider  
Patron  
D.B.L.

# DARWIN BASEBALL LEAGUE

## Presidents Message

It gives me great pleasure to welcome here, to the 1977 North Australian Baseball Series, distinguished guests, Mr R.J. Black, secretary Australian Baseball Council, Mr David Wendt, Australian Baseball Coach and that very versatile gentleman Mr Bob Jones, who has been selected as Australian representative umpire to tour Japan in the near future. Also, special thanks to Roger Prime and Paul Begg, two South Australian umpires who have made themselves available to assist us with the running of a successful Series.

The welcome extends to all other centres which include Alice Springs, Tennant Creek, Katherine and our very good friends across the way, Mt Isa.

Sincere thanks from myself and committee go to the "Organising Committee" for this year's Championships. Tremendous dedication and enthusiasm, to ensure everyone of a great weekend in baseball and social activities, has been carried out by same.

Once again this year the Northern Territory Baseball League will select a Northern Territory "All-Star" side and arrangements will be made for this team to compete interstate. These tours are eagerly sought by all players and the Northern Territory Baseball League, to gain respect from the Australian Baseball Council for recognition and representation in the Australian Claxton Shield Series.

I wish all centres every success, and with you, look forward to a keen and closely fought Series.

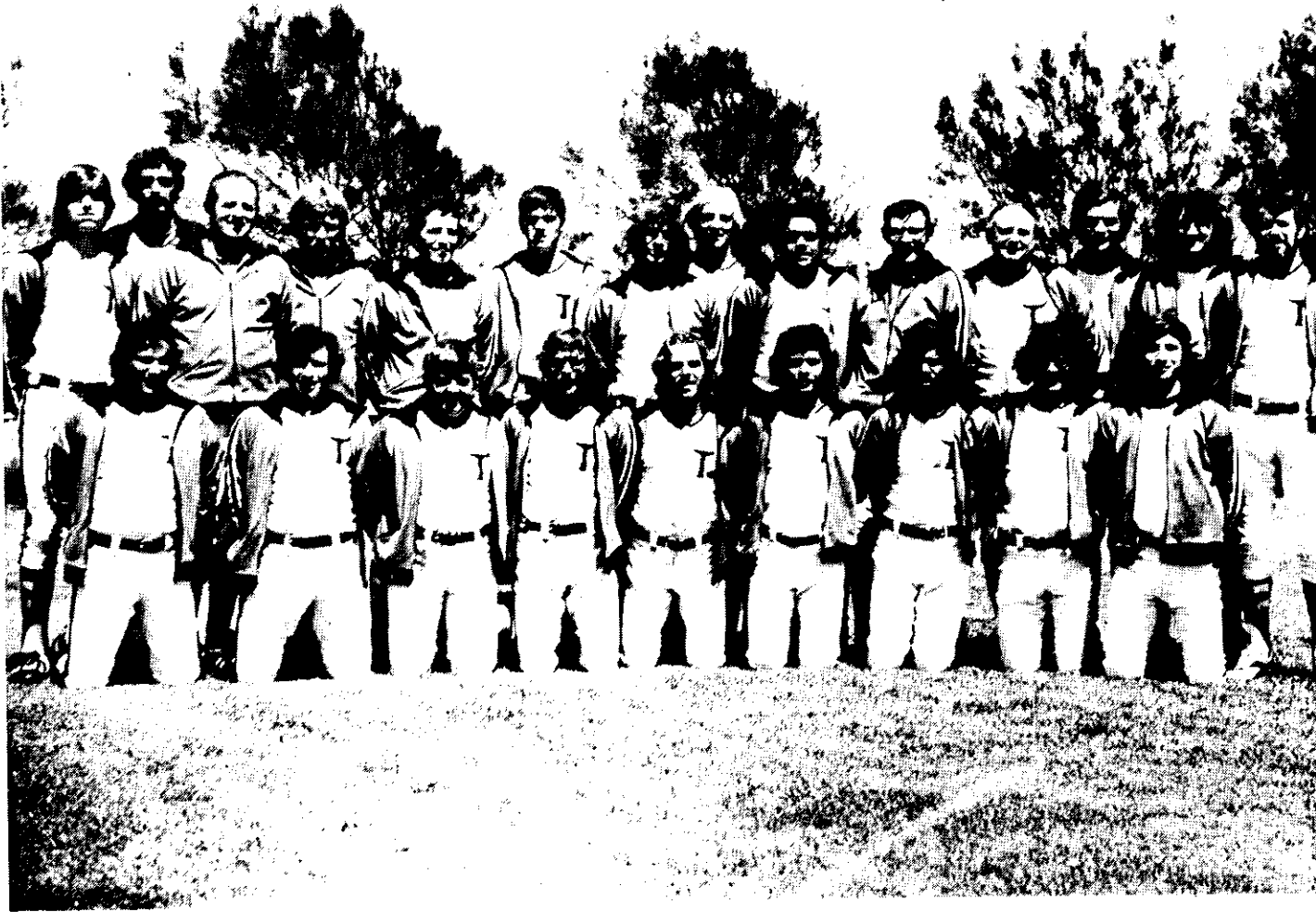
Thank you all for your encouragement and assistance given to me during this year.

Good luck all.

**Ross Lockhart**  
**President**  
**Darwin Baseball League.**

# The First Northern Territory Touring Side

OCTOBER 1976



**TOP ROW L -- R:** M. Burger (AS), \* K. Cassidy (DN), R. Maher (TC), \* W. Longstaff (DN), \* F. Kovaleff (DN), \* P. Florence (AS), \* D. Hoffman (TC), \* D. McKeon (DN), \* F. Bush (DN), K. Conway — Manager (TC), L. Kempster — Ass. Coach (AS), \* I. Lane (Kth), \* M. Fields (Kth), G. Guimelli — Coach (DN).

**BOTTOM ROW L -- R:** R. Beagley (DN), \* J. Tarca (TC), R. Lindberg (AS), M. Turner (AS), B. Davis (DN), \* L. Halprin (DN), \* K. Williams (TC), C Sheppard (DN), \* R. Decet (TC).

\* Denotes playing in N.A.B.S. Darwin 1977

# DARWIN TEAM

**BARRY PHILLIPS****COACH**

All star player last year and Coached Katherine.

**ROSS LOCKHART****ASST COACH & MANAGER**

Plays for Oilers Club in Darwin. Asst Coach Carnival 1975. D.B.L. President.

**WAYNE LONGSTAFF**

76-77 All Star Rep. Best & Fairest D.B.L. 76-77. Fast right hand pitcher, excellent team man, and will cause a lot of damage to any batting side.

**FRED KOVALEFF**

All Star Rep. 76. Right hand pitcher. Excellent S stop and catcher, one of the strongest batters in the side.

**DAVE McKEON**

All Star Rep. 76. Strong left hand pitcher. Excellent first baseman and proves he is a force in any side.

**KIRREN CASSIDY**

All Star Rep 76. Excellent first baseman, a proven out fielder and has probably the strongest arm in side. Hits a long ball.

**FRED BUSH**

Needs no introduction, has represented all stars on many occasions, infact has represented Darwin 7 times. Excellent all rounder including pitching.

**JOHN LEWIS**

Has been selected in all stars in past. One of the safest gloves in the game.

**LEE HALPRIN**

All Stars Rep 1976. Catcher, and can be positioned in most positions with confidence.

**NEIL McCORMACK**

One of Darwin's best outfielders. Very strong bat on his day. Hustling base runner.

**BRIAN PEPPER**

Right fielder with strong arm, reliable batter. Very good hustling team man.

**LANCE SCHMIDT**

Youngest player in side, has a very big potential as a baseballer. A pitcher who will trouble many sides and plays a good outfield.

**GARRY LAMBERT**

Has represented Darwin in past, plays a good third base and is a valuable batter.

**MARK FRY**

Another young team member who has unlimited ability. Can be placed in many positions with confidence will be a damaging batter.

**RAY HILL**

Has played baseball in W.A. With his reliable glove and strong batting, you will see alot of him.

**KEN RIDER**

Utility player aggressive base runner.

# Alice Springs Team

<b>BRIAN PRICE</b>	<b>COACH</b> First year as Alice Springs coach in NT Championships. Alice Springs rep. at Mt Isa 1976. Coach of Federals bats right. Throws right. <b>No. 8.</b>
<b>CHARLES [CHUCK] ENOCH</b>	<b>ASST. COACH</b> Non playing coach of Red Sox in 1970, 76, 77. Very keen and energetic. Secretary of A.S.B.A.
<b>KEN BYERS</b>	First base, four seasons of baseball with Alice Springs. Bats left throws left. <b>No. 18.</b>
<b>PETER FLORENCE</b>	Pitcher, promising junior player with Panthers. Rep in South Aus. Junior State Teams. Bats right throws right. <b>No. 3.</b>
<b>BARRY HILL</b>	Asst. coach of Alice Springs in Mt Isa 1976. Rep in numerous Alice Springs teams, bats right throws right. <b>No. 5.</b>
<b>GERRY KOSTER</b>	Previously played in USA. Reliable fielder strong arm. Bats right throws right. <b>No. 21.</b>
<b>HOWARD PICKEN</b>	Pitcher, bats left throws left. <b>No. 24.</b>
<b>JOHN MEDFORD</b>	3rd base, experienced player. Many season in USA, second season with Redsox, bats right throws right.
<b>TOM MOYER</b>	Short stop, Alice Springs baseball. Second season with Redsox, bats right throws right. <b>No. 7.</b>
<b>JOHN [MORGGO] MORGAN</b>	Third season in Alice Springs. Previously played in West Aust. Bats right throws right. Catcher. <b>No. 10.</b>
<b>MIKE NELSON</b>	Outfield-catcher. Bats right throws right. <b>No. 22.</b>
<b>DENNIS POST</b>	Pitcher, second season with 1976 Premiers, Teachers previously played in USA, bats right throws right. <b>No. 14.</b>
<b>TONY PRESCOTT</b>	Pitcher, Pitches underarm, has plenty of pace. Bats right, throws right. <b>No. 16.</b>
<b>DOUG RANSOM</b>	Outfielder. Plays for Dodgers. Bats left throws left. <b>No. 15.</b>
<b>RICK RODABAUGH</b>	Outfielder. Second season with Redsox. Previous experience in USA. Very safe in the field, strong arm, bats left throws right. <b>No. 27.</b>
<b>MIKE WHITTON</b>	Utility infielder, his first season with Teachers. Previous experience in USA, bats right throws right. <b>No. 6.</b>
<b>AL ZALESKI</b>	First base, second season with Dodgers. Real hustler. Bats right throws left. <b>No. 23.</b>

# MOUNT ISA TEAM

<b>R. WILLIAMS</b>	<b>COACH</b> Knows the game well and is respected by the whole team.
<b>C. CAGNEY</b>	<b>ASSISTANT COACH</b> Good control of the bat and at home on the field.
<b>W. WILSON</b>	Stared as pitcher for Keas. Good speed on bases Hits a long ball.
<b>N. HANSEN</b>	Right hand pitcher with good control, batting well this season.
<b>K. ROBINSON</b>	Right hand pitcher, attacking basebatter good movement on ball. Hits well.
<b>S. BAX</b>	Top Isa catcher. Bats left hand, keeps the outfield alive with his hits.
<b>G. HOWARD</b>	Safe glove for all infield work. Consistent hitter.
<b>G. NATHAN</b>	Good working outfielder. Good speed on bases.
<b>W. ANDERSON</b>	Catches well and has broken up many stealing attempts.
<b>D. TRUSCOTT</b>	Safe glove on 1st base. First appearance in Rep Squad.
<b>B. SEWTER</b>	Up and coming young star. Good glove on infield plays.
<b>G. McLEAN</b>	First season at 2nd base. Hits well under pressure.
<b>W. CREALQUIST</b>	Plays shorts stop and first. Good switch hitter.
<b>M. HESSON</b>	Youngest player in Rep side. Good batter and potentially good outfielder.
<b>B. STACEY</b>	Third base with arm that has to be seen to be believed.
<b>M. CUILSON</b>	Great utility player with consistent hits to outfield.

# KATHERINE TEAM

<b>JOHN McDONALD</b>	<b>CAPT. COACH</b> Ex. S.A. Minor League Player Batting Trophy 1977
<b>GEOFF DAY</b>	<b>ASSISTANT COACH</b> Best & Fairest Katherine Club Player 1977
<b>RAMON McDONALD</b>	Pitcher — 3rd Baseman Man of the Match 1977 Grand Final.
<b>DOUG ALDERSON</b>	Ex N.S.W. League Baseballer — Pitcher — Short Stop. Consistent L.H. Batter
<b>TREVOR EVERETT</b>	Pitcher 3rd Baseman Best & Fairest 1977 Katherine Association.
<b>IAN EVERETT</b>	Catcher 3rd Baseman Best & Fairest 1977 Katherine Association Specialist Outfielder. Excellent Batter.
<b>TREVOR BYWATER</b>	Outfielder — Consistent Batter
<b>PAT ELLIS</b>	Specialist Outfielder — Good with the Bat.
<b>MIKE FIELD</b>	Pitcher N.T. Association Squad 1976
<b>TREVOR TROY</b>	Outfielder — Katherine Association 1976 Player
<b>PETER DERMODY</b>	Specialist 2nd Baseman past Katherine Association Player.
<b>PETER MONKHOUSE</b>	1st Baseman — Rookie of the year 1975 Katherine Association.
<b>GREG PHILLIPS</b>	Catcher — Outfielder Excellent Allrounder.
<b>IAN LANE</b>	1st Baseman — Catcher N.T. Squad Representative 1976.
<b>GLEN ABBOT</b>	1st Baseman — President Katherine Baseball Association Past Assoc. player.
<b>RICHARD DOBIE</b>	Good Allrounder — past Katherine Association Representative
<b>BARRY POLHILL</b>	Specialist Catcher — reliable batter past Katherine Association player.
<b>MARK ROACH</b>	Short Stop Relief Pitcher past Katherine Association player.
<b>MARTIN CHALLENGOR</b>	<b>TEAM MANAGER</b> Social Director — Arden Supporter.



# TENNANT CREEK TEAM

<b>"ERNIE" TARCA</b>	Pirates, 4th Kriewaldt, N.T. Allstar 1976. Pitches and belts the ball.
<b>DALE HUFFMAN</b>	Braves. Usually catches but a N.T. Tour 1976 earned his way a 3rd base.
<b>ROBBIE DECET</b>	Pirates. Utility player who also caught the eye on the southern team.
<b>KEN WILLIAMS</b>	Braves. Pitcher and short stop who completed the Tennant trio on the southern tour.
<b>ROSS WILLIAMS</b>	Braves. Superb short stop who intends to make All Star which he missed last year.
<b>CRAIG HOFFMAN</b>	Braves. Up and coming junior who could leave his mark this year.
<b>PETER VAN DER HELDER</b>	Pirates. Second Kriewaldt for this newcomer from N.S.W.
<b>KEVIN "RING" KEVIN</b>	Tigers. Power player who works for his position in the side.
<b>DENNIS KERRIN</b>	Pirates. 'Rings' brother who's coming to the peak as a pitcher. 4th Kriewaldt.
<b>ROD LANDRY</b>	Dodgers. Powerful hitter of the ball with surprising speed and beautiful arm.
<b>ALEC "BEAT" PARSONS</b>	Pirates. Long team outfielder and useful bat and can he move round the bases.
<b>BRIAN "PEE WEE" PARSONS</b>	Dodgers. Old stager making a comeback. Full effort every time.
<b>RAY MAKES</b>	Pirates. 14th Kriewaldt and NT All Star many time. We believe 14 Kriewaldts is a record.
<b>TONY WALFORD</b>	Dodgers. Steadying influence in any team and never has a bad game.
<b>DENNIS MEYER</b>	Tigers. Big, brilliant at times, and could make the All Stars on his batting.
<b>RAY TANDY</b>	Tigers. Dedicated to junior baseball and his efforts on field are as good.
<b>CEDRIC OLLINGTON</b>	COACHES ASSISTANT First time he's travelled in this capacity.
<b>JOHN TARCA</b>	COACH Pirates. Known and feared by many opponents over many games in the NT and Interstate.
<b>KEVIN CONWAY</b>	MANAGER Pirates. Tennant President who wants to see the NT in the Claxton Shield by 1980. And we'll do it.