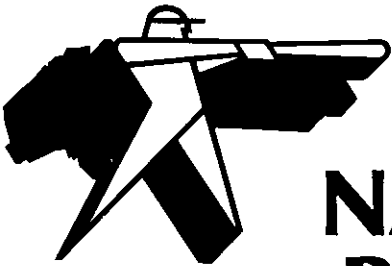


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# 1986 NATIONAL BASEBALL SERIES

## CLAXTON SHIELD

Western Division  
Stage One



# MESSAGE FROM THE AUSTRALIAN BASEBALL FEDERATION

On behalf of the directors and myself it gives us great pleasure to be in attendance and welcome all players, umpiers, administrators and spectators to this first Claxton Shield Series to be hosted by the Northern Territory Baseball League on behalf of the Fedreation.

This current format of the Claxton Shield is an intrim measure to enable the Fedreation to detremine a formulae that will enable a vast majority of our members and supporters in any given year to witness and enjoy the standard of baseball the Claxton Shield provides.

The Claxton Shield like our Youth Series are most important for our overall development for it is through these series that we as a Federation can promote the high standard of baseball that is being achieved throughout the country and it enables our players to compete against their equals or betters and this giving them an added oppurtunity of improving their own standard.

To all the competing teams I wish you well in your endeavours of laying claim for the right to hold this most prestigious trophy for the coming twelve months.

**JOHN ANDERSON**

*President*

*Australian Baseball Federation*

## Australian Baseball Federation OFFICIALS

President ..... John Anderson  
Ex. Director ..... Alan Waldron

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A.C.T. .... Laurel Sayers  
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## MAYOR'S WELCOME

On behalf of the Alice Springs Town Council and residents, I extend a very warm welcome to the visiting Baseball Teams, Officials and Supporters who are in Alice Springs for the Claxton Shield.

This has been a very busy year for Alice Springs as far as baseball is concerned. We have had the pleasure of hosting several Championships, and now the prestigious Claxton Shield - Western Division, is being contested. For those of you who have travelled long distances, I am sure you will be well rewarded by the standard of competition that awaits you, as well as the legendary Centralian hospitality.

We are very fortunate to enjoy the baseball facilities that are available in our town, and these allow Alice Spring to host competitions and series of the calibre of the Claxton Shield. This would not be possible but for the time and efforts of a few enthusiasts working together with the Town Council's Outside Workforce.

Apart from competing teams from Western Australia, South Australia and the Northern Territory, Directors of the Australian Baseball Federation will also be in town for their Annual General Meeting. I hope our visitors will find time during their stay to enjoy some of the many attractions "The Alice" has to offer.

Good Luck to all competing teams, and once again, Welcome to Alice Springs, Australia's First 'Life, Be In It' Town.

*Leslie I Oldfield*  
MAYOR



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# **A WELCOME FROM THE MINISTER for Youth, Sport & Recreation and Ethnic Affairs**

This Claxton Shield series is the first ever held in the Northern Territory and so represents an important occasion for the Northern Territory Baseball League in hosting this prestigious event.

In particular, I would like to acknowledge the president of the NTBL, Mr Dennis Hall and his team who have worked so hard on behalf of their league to ensure that the Territory is represented in National Competition. I know also of the tremendous effort that has been put into presenting the case for the World Youth Series.

I extend a warm welcome to the visiting teams, from South Australia and Western Australia and particularly the ABF Directors who have also made history by meeting for the first time in the Territory yesterday.

The Northern Territory Government sees participation in National events as an important part in the development of sports. I am pleased to say that sporting bodies in the Territory have been in accord to achieve this aim and there is increasing participation in National events by Territorians.

I know the grounds at Traeger Park are considered to be amongst the best in Australia.

First class sporting facilities are necessary for many reasons, they allow sportspeople to reach their optimum performance levels, they provide venues for international and national championships, they allow competitors to prepare themselves adequately prior to competition. They also encourage participation in sporting activities generally and provide a suitable venue for sporting activity at regional and local levels.

The Traeger Park Facility of which the baseball park is a part, fulfills the criteria of a multi purpose sporting facility which can provide sportspeople with the quality required to achieve their optimum performance.

The Northern Territory Government has committed large sums of money to this complex and it is pleasing to see that the NTBL have benefited from this commitment. This Claxton Shield series being the third national series held on this site.

Regardless of the competition, be aware of maintaining the values of your sport such as enjoyment, fulfillment, and good sportsmanship.

I particularly wish the Northern Territory team every success during the series.

*Ray Hanrahan, MLA*

*MINISTER YOUTH, SPORT & RECREATION & ETHNIC AFFAIRS*

# N.T. Baseball League PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Traditionally Claxton Shield Series provide a venue for excellent baseball, renews old and establishes new friendships. For the 1985 Series it is the Northern Territory Baseball Leagues pleasure to add to this tradition of "Territory Hospitality".

It is with great pleasure in conjunction with my fellow baseball members and territorians that we welcome the players, officials and supporters of South & Western Australia's to what we are sure will be a successful Western Division Stage I 1985 Claxton Shield Series.

Additionally, we also welcome the President and Directors of the Australian Baseball Federation who agreed to hold their 1985 Annual General Meeting here in Alice Springs to coincide with this historical baseball event, to which we thank them.

To the Players and Umpires, we say thank you for the excellent baseball and entertainment that we know you will provide. To the behind the scene workers, thank you, and finally to the Supporters, thank you. Enjoy yourselves and a safe trip home and we look forward to your return visit.

*Denis Hall,*

*President - Northern Territory Baseball League.*

## N.T. Baseball League OFFICIALS


President .....	Dennis Hall
Exec. Director .....	Frank Beardsmore
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Alice Springs .....	Lyll Kempster
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Umpires Director .....	John Chin
Coaching Director .....	Graham Shaw
Scorer/Co-ordinator .....	Margaret Chin
Pee Wee Com. ....	Jim McAuley

# 1985 Claxton Shield

## DRAW

3.00pm	Friday	8-11-85	WA	v	SA
	7.30pm	Friday — Official Opening			
8.00pm	Friday	8-11-85	WA	v	NT
3.00pm	Saturday	9-11-85	SA	v	NT
8.00pm	Saturday	9-11-85	SA	v	WA
TBA	Sunday	10-11-85	WA	v	NT
TBA	Sunday	10-11-85	NT	v	SA

*The N.T. Baseball League*

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the Claxton Shield Series*

## SERIES UMPIRES

Peter Fisher .....	South Australia
Maurie Reynolds.....	Western Australia
Even Jenkins.....	Northern Territory Baseball League
John Chin .....	Northern Territory Baseball League
Kevin Conway.....	Northern Territory Baseball League
James McAuley.....	Northern Territory Baseball League
Steve Rogers .....	Northern Territory Baseball League
James Braswell .....	Northern Territory Baseball League
Doug Ransom .....	Northern Territory Baseball League

# W.A. BREWERS TEAM

- DON KNAPP** - Manager. Age 35. In his 3rd season as Head Coach. Represented Australian as a catcher on numerous occasions. Teach.
- BOB GROVE** - Assistant Coach. Age 30. Bob is coach of the highly successful Cockburn Braves. This is his 2nd series. Lecturer.
- MIKE BURGERMEISTER** - Assistant Coach. Age 28. The team's pitching coach, who has been involved with developing the state's junior talent. Player/coach of the Gosnells Club. Teacher. 2nd series.
- PAUL TYE** - Executive Officer. Age 40. 3rd series. Teacher.
- PENG LEE** - Physiotherapist. Age 25. 2nd series.
- TONY ADAMSON** - Pitcher/First base. Aged 22. Club Morley Eagles. Throws R, Bats R, Has gradually progressed from junior to senior national representation. A big hitter. 5th series Representative.
- DOUG MATELJAN** - Catcher. Age 25. Throw R, Bats R. Club Swans. Australian representative. Whose catching & batting are back to his best. 7th series. Representative
- GREG HARVEY** - Infielder. Age 20. Club Wanneroo. Throws R, bats L. Australian Junior. Very quick between the bases. Good hands. 2nd series. Accounting Officer.
- SCOTT STEED** - Outfielder. Age 26. Throws R, Bats R, Club - Victoria Park. Originally from California, a player who can turn the game around with his big hitting and strong arm. Technical assistant. 2nd series.
- TONY STALL** - Pitcher. Age 27. Throws R, bats R. Club - West Stirling. Formerly from U.S.A. An accurate and skilful player. Helms Award winner 1985. Marketing 4th series.
- JOHN HEARNE** - Infielder. Age 21. Throws R Bats R, Club - South Perth. Defensive player who shows good glove work. Carpenter. 2nd series.
- BRAD GRIFFITHS** - Pitcher. Age 23. Throws R, bats R, Club - Swan Districts. Australian senior representative. Showing good club form. Representative 2nd series.
- SCOTT CAMERON** - Outfielder. Age 23. Throws R, Bats R, Club - Victoria Park. Australian representative. Throws hard and is fast between bases. Teacher. 5th series.
- TONY GOADBY** - Outfielder. Age 33. Throws R, Bats R, Club - South Perth. A former Golden Glove winner who is back to his best. Public Servant. 8th series.
- PARRIS MITCHELL** - Outfielder. Age 24. Throws R, Bats R, Club - Cockburn Braves. A hustling type of player with a strong arm. Representative. 3rd series.
- GEOFF DYER** - Infielder. Age 20. Throws R, Bats R, Club - Cockburn Braves. A smooth infielder and good base runner. Clerk 3rd series.
- MARK ETTLES** - Pitcher. Age 19. Throws R, Bats R, Club - South Pwerth. Has worked hard in the off-season and showing good club form on the mound. Student. 2nd Series.
- DAVID BARROW** - Cathcer. Age 20. Throws R, Bats L, Club - West Stirling. An improved player since moving to Perth. Electrician. 2nd series.
- BRADLEY WILLIAMSON** - Infielder. Age 20. Throws L, Bats L, Club - Morley Eagles. Forster Australian Junior with a great future. Clerk. 1st series.
- KIMON ANDERSON** - Infielder. Age 21. Throws R, Bats R, Club - Cockburn Braves. Former Australian Junior showing good defensive work. A speedy player. Teacher. 1st series.
- JAMES WADDELL** - Infielder. Age 19. Throws R, Bats L, Club - Perth. Former Australian Junior. Is a strong hitter. Key Operator. 1st series.
- GLEN MITCHELL** - Utility. Age 23. Throws R, Bats R, Club - Cockburn Braves. Strong player with all round ability. Carpenter. 2nd series.
- STEVE KIRKHAM** - Pitcher. Age 25. Throws R, Bats R, Club - Gosnells. Has worked hard over the last two years after a break from the game. Leading Hand 1st series.
- GEORGE CHRISTIE** - Catcher. Age 23. Throws R, Bats R, Club - Cockburn Braves. Add depth to the catching department with his hitting. Teacher. 5th series.
- TREVOR MALCOLM** - Outfielder. Age 21. Throws R, Bats R, Club - Morley. Former Austalian junior, showing good form. A big hitter. Autographics designer 1st series.
- BILL CURTIS** - Pitcher. Age 19. Throws R, Bats R, Club - Morley Eagles. Australian junior recently arriving from Tasmania. Has been impressive on the mound. Carpenter. 1st series.

# S.A. TEAM

**DAVID MUNDY** (Head Coach) - Clubs: Port Adelaide Magpies, East Torrens Payneham Redsox  
- Representations: Numerous S.A. Claxton Shields (he's lost count) Australian Team 1968-1979  
- Awards: Helms Award, Capps and Todd Medallions (B & Fairest in S.A.)

**PHIL ALEXANDER** (Assistant Coach) - Representations: 12 S.A. Claxton Shield Teams  
Australian Team 1970-71 - Awards: SABL Batting Trophy, Capps Medallion, Shipway Medallion

**WARWICK JOHN MARKS** (Pitching Coach) - Clubs: East Torrens Redsox, Goodwood Indians  
- Representations: 9 S.A. Claxton Shield Teams as player, 2 S.A. Claxton Shield Teams as  
Pitching Coach, Australian Team Pitching Coach 1985

**JOHN KING** (Manager) - Clubs: East Torrens Redsox - Representations: 1st S.A. Claxton Shield  
Team

**DAVE WATKINS** (Trainer) - Clubs: Adelaide Angels - Representations: 2 S.A. Claxton Shield  
Teams

**DAVEY WATKINS** (Bat Boy) - Clubs: Adelaide Angels - Representations: 2 S.A. Claxton Shield  
Teams

**COL ALEXANDER** (1st base, Pitcher, 3rd base) - Clubs: Kensington Cardinals -  
Representations: S.A. Claxton Shield 1974,75,78,80,82,84 W.A. Claxton Shield 1976 - Awards  
Capps Metal 1974 (Best & Fairest in S.A.)

**TONY HARRIS** (Catcher, Outfielder) - Clubs: Woodville Senators - Representations: Numerous  
Junior S.A. Teams, S.A. Claxton Shield 3 times - Awards: Woodville Best & Fairest & Batting

**DARREN ROBERTS** (2nd base) - Clubs: Central District, Kensington Cardinals -  
Representations: S.A. Claxton Shield 4 times, Australian Team 1985 - Awards: S.A.B.L. Batting  
Trophy 1985, S.A.B.L. Infielder of Year 1983,85

**IAN REVAL** (Pitcher, Outfielder) - Club: Woodville Senators - Representations: S.A. Claxton  
Shield 1984/85 - Awards: S.A.B.L. U'17 Best & Fairest, S.A.B.L. Div 3 Best & Fairest

**ORRIE SAWCZAK** (Pitcher, Outfielder) - Club: East Torrens - Representations: S.A. Claxton  
Shield 6 times

**BRIAN CAKEBREAD** (Infield) - Club: Kensington - Representations: Numerous S.A. Claxton  
Shield, Australian Team

**DEREK KEANE** (Shortstop, Utility) - Club: Kensington - Representations: S.A. Junior Teams  
1st S.A. Claxton Shield Series - Awards: Kensington Best & Fairest 1984/85

**BARRIE BAHNERT** (3rd base, Outfield) - Clubs: East Torrens, Payneham Redsox -  
Representations: S.A. Junior Teams 1974 & 79, S.A. Claxton Shield 1984, 85, Australian Team  
1985 - Awards: Various

**GRANT PUCKETT** (Pitcher) - Clubs: West Torrens Eagles - Representations: Junior Australian  
Team 1983, Several S.A. Claxton Teams, Australian Team 1984 & 85 - Awards: Club Best &  
Fiest 1984/85

**GEOFF BAHNERT** (Infield) - Clubs: East Torrens Payneham Redsox - Representations:  
Numerous S.A. Junior Teams, Several S.A. Claxton Shield Teams, Australian U'19 1980/81,  
Australian Senior Team 1983 - Awards: Club Best & Fairest 1984/85, Club Batting 1984/85

**WAYNE BROOKS** (Catcher) - Clubs: East Torrens Redsox - Representations: S.A. Claxton  
Shield 1982/83/84 - Awards: Various



## S.A. TEAM

**JIM GLADSTONE** (Outfield) - Clubs: Kensington Cardinals - Representations: S.A. Country Team 1983/84, Friendship Series 1984/85 - Awards: S.A.B.L. Outfielder of the Year 1982/83 & 84/85, S.A.B.L. R.B.I. Trophy 1984/85, S.A.B.L. Most Home Runs Trophy 1984/85, Club Best & Fairest 1983/83

**DARREN WELCH** (Pitcher, 3rd base) - Clubs: Port Adelaide Magpies, Woodville Senators - Representations: N.T. Junior Teams U'13, U'15, & U'18, Australian U'19 Team

**MARK FEHEVARI** (Right field, 2nd base) - Clubs: East Torrens Redsox - Representations: 1st S.A. Claxton Shield Team

**GAVIN ROBINSON** (Pitcher) - Clubs: Glenelg Tigers - Representations: S.A. Claxton Shield 1983 84 & 85 - Junior State Teams U'15, U'18, Junior Australian Teams 1982 83

**DENNIS TELFER** (Infield Outfield) - Clubs: Glenelg Tigers - Representations: S.A. Claxton Shield Team 1984-85 81-82

**NEVILLE WRIGHT** (Pitcher 1st base) - Clubs: West Torrens Eagles - Representations: 1st S.A. Claxton Shield Team

**MILLIE CAKEBOARD** (Scorer) - Representations: Numerous S.A. Claxton Shield Teams



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# N.T. TEAM

**PAT ANDERSON** - Hails from Katherine. Pitcher. Throws left hand, bats right. On of the most successful pitchers in the Darwin League - Pat travelled 300km every weekend to play regularly with a Darwin Club. His most consistent season ever. This is Pat's third Claxton Shield series.

**JOHN BALDOCK** - From Tennant Creek. Outfielder and strong hitter. Finished in top 10 batters in his first Claxton Shield series. Represented Australia against visiting Japanese Toshiba team 1983. John is a P.E. Teacher at the Tennant Creek High School.

**STEVE BOBOS** - From Alice Springs. Infielder. Throw right, bats right. This is Steve's second Claxton Shield series. Previous experience includes several years District baseball in Adelaide and more recently in Alice Springs and N.T. Teams.

**ROBERT DECET** - From Tennant Creek. Infielder. Throws right, bats right. A veteran of 4 Claxton Shield Series - a steady, reliable and experienced player.

**CYRIL DIXON** - From Darwin (formerly Tennant Creek) Infield Utility. Throws right, bats right. Has played three Claxton Shield series - mainly catching and third base. Good consistent player both defensively and offensively.

**MARK GAYNOR** - From Darwin. Second base. Throws right, bats right. Formerly from Sydney, Mark has now played two seasons in Darwin. A player with a lot of talent - safe glove and strong hitter.

**MAX HARDY** - From Darwin. Pitcher/Utility. Throws left, bats right. Player with outstanding ability. Selected in World Youth All Star team at 1985 World Youth Championships in Canada, where he pitched Australia's only winning game and batted .393 for the series. At 17 years of age, Max is already among Australia's elite players, with further outstanding potential. His second Claxton Shield series.

**ROD HARDY** - From Darwin. Pitcher/Outfielder. Throws right, bats right. Second Claxton Shield series, after creditable first series. Strong arm with also good control of breaking pitch. Aggressive batter.

**BRAD KERR** - From Darwin. Infielder. Throws right, bats left. Plays mainly at shortstop. Strong throw and quick mover. Aggressive left hand batter. First series.

**PETER KOSCH** - From Darwin. Outfielder. Throws right, bats right. First Claxton Shield series. Formerly from Adelaide, Peter has hit straps in the last year. Covers a bit of ground at centre field and an aggressive hitter.

**PETER MOORE** - From Darwin, Pitcher, Throws right, bats right. First Claxton Shield Series. Formerly from Adelaide, Peter has shown excellent form during the Darwin winter season where he pitched two consecutive shutouts in semi-final games. Has plenty of stuff on his fast ball and an excellent change-up. Peter will be the N.T.'s number 1 strike pitcher.

**CHUCK SLOMAN** - From Darwin. Catcher. Throws right, bats right. Chuck hails from USA and has had an excellent winter season in Darwin where he topped the league batting average. Good catching technique, a strong throw and aggressive batting make Chuck a force to be reckoned with.

**KEVIN GREATREX** - From Adelaide. N.T. Coach. Utility player. Throws right, bats left. Has been playing Claxton Shield longer than anyone can remember. Reliable first base glove, strong aggressive hitter. Finished in top four hitters in previous series.

**BILL HUTCHESON** - From Darwin. Utility. Throws right, bats right. Has played in every N.T. Claxton Shield Series. Aggressive batter with reliable on base average. Surprising speed on the base paths.

**DEREK QUONG** - From Darwin, Outfielder

**ROQUE CUCILLO** - From Darwin, Pitcher

**KEN WILLIAMS** - From Tennant Creek, Infielder

# CLAXTON SHIELD HISTORY

**The first Claxton Shield Series was played in 1934, and, with the exception of the war years, has been conducted each year.**

The number of States taking part varied, but the format had always stayed the same, with teams visiting one state and the Shield decided over a period of 12 days.

This system served Baseball well over the years, but it did have some drawbacks, and the Australian Baseball Federation undertook to look at different formats, in an attempt to improve all aspects of the series.

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One of the major criticisms of the original format was, that each of the competing States hosted a series only once in every six years.

So, the Australian Baseball Federation decided that in order to promote and develop the game of Baseball, more top level games, should be played in more cities, more often.

With the Asian Championship Series being played at the traditional time of our Claxton Shield Series, it was obvious that we could not play both series in the same month. (The 1985 Asian Series was held in Perth at Parry Field from January 20-31, 1985).

Therefore 1985 was destined to become the first Claxton Shield series to be played under the new format, as it would be detrimental to the sport, should there be no National Championship for even one year.

The 1984-85 Claxton Shield will be played on a regionalised basis.

## EASTERN ZONE

VIC  
NSW  
QLD

## WESTERN ZONE

SA  
WA  
NT

### STAGE I

A double round robin will be played over a weekend in Alice Springs between S.A., W.A., N.T., November 8/9/10. The team which finishes last, drops out. If two teams are equal after a series, a Final Game is played in that weekend to determine last place.

### STAGE II

The surviving two teams in each zone then play a Best of Three Games Series in another city to determine the zone winner.

### STAGE III

The zone winners play a Best of Three Games Series to determine the winner of the Claxton Shield. This series will be played in one of the competing states.