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2025 President's Report

Dear Members,

I extend my sincere gratitude to all members for a successful 2025 season. Your involvement is crucial to our success, and I am pleased to share the positive developments that have marked this year, allowing us to enhance our capacity. Our primary focus remains on growth, development, and fostering good governance within the association.

I want to express my gratitude to the current board members for your tireless efforts, which significantly contributed to the success of the 2025 season. Your commitment and hard work are truly commendable.

The success of CBS Kiwanis Minor Baseball would not be possible without our dedicated volunteers. A heartfelt thank you to all the coaches, managers, and parents who played a vital role during the season. I eagerly anticipate our continued collaboration for the 2026 season.

Highlights of the 2025 Season:

- Improvements in Field Maintenance: Collaboration with town and CBS staff has yielded positive results.
- Jays Care Foundation Field of Dreams Grant: CBS Kiwanis Minor Baseball was one of 15 recipients of the 2025 Jays Care Foundation Field of Dreams grant. This grant is part of a \$1.5 million investment to improve baseball diamonds across six provinces. The funding will be used to enhance Jim Crosbie Field, making it more accessible and inclusive for all athletes, including those in the Challenger Baseball program. Planned improvements include:
 - Concrete pathways for wheelchair access
 - Wheelchair-accessible bleachers
 - Dugout upgrades
 - o Removal of the old infield and replacement with new dirt
 - Installation of a grass infield
- **For the First Time:** Kiwanis field was lit for our 9U players to play under the lights, lights donated for the weekend from Battlefield.
- Additional Enhancements:

o Trees: \$3,500

Pack Stop Padding: \$10,866.41



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Hotty Potty for Field Washroom: \$4,276.85

Water Pump, Hose, and Nozzle: \$350

Ball Caddies Materials: \$172

Donations Sourced:

As President, I was able to source the following donations:

Turf for Cage and Around Dugout: (Donated)

2 Tandem Loads of Topsoil: Estimated Value: \$900 (Donated)

• Tandem Load of Sand for batting cage: Estimated Value: \$600 (Donated)

40 Tons of Stone for Turf under base: Estimated Value: \$1,500 (Donated)

• Back Stop Fabrication: Estimated Value: \$2,500 (Donated)

2 Commercial Steel Doors and Steel Door Boxes: Estimated Value: \$4,000 (Donated)

• New Aluminum Door and Window Covers: Estimated Value: \$1,200 (Donated)

Garage Door and Materials: Estimated Value: \$1,300 (Donated)

Complete Siding Materials for Clubhouse Upgrades: Estimated Value: \$1,500 (Donated)

Paid Advertisements Sourced by the President:

• **17 Windscreens:** Estimated Value: 439.00 each = \$7,463.00

Total Value of Donations: \$24,263.00

Challenges Faced:

This season, we encountered several challenges related to schedules and weather conditions, including issues caused by wildfires. To address these concerns, we currently have a consultant collecting data to present to the new board, with the goal of making the 2026 season a better success.



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Key Achievements:

- Active Healthy Living Equipment: We invested \$9,565.00 in baseball equipment to promote active and healthy living.
- Registration Growth:
 - o 2023 saw a 26% increase (246 registrations).
 - o 2024 reached 300 registrations, a growth of 21.95%.
 - o 2025 season had 361 registrations a 20.33% growth from 2024
- Tryouts with External Evaluators: Implemented a fair and comprehensive selection process.
- Hosted 18UAA Provincials: A successful event showcasing our abilities.
- **3**rd **Female Day in CBS:** This event was held in partnership with BNL Female Baseball to promote growth and encourage more females to play baseball in CBS.
- Expansion of the Kiwanis Cup: Expanded to include 11U and 13U divisions, as well as a female 12U division.
- 12U/14U Girls Team: Played in LOTO and provincial tournaments.
- **9U Selects Success:** Collaborative efforts with Paradise resulted in a successful season and year-end tournament, featuring 4 teams (2 from CBS and 2 from Paradise).

CBS Raiders had teams participate in Junior (22U) and Senior Provincials, further demonstrating our commitment to competitive play for players aged 18U and older.

Looking ahead, I am confident that with our collective efforts and the momentum gained in 2025, we will achieve even greater success in the 2026 seasons. Thank you all for your commitment to the growth and prosperity of CBS Kiwanis Minor Baseball.

Sincerely,

Todd Powell

President, CBS Kiwanis Minor Baseball