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CLUB HONOUR ROLL

SENIOR BASEBALL

Division 1 'Ross Straw' Premiership Cup

Blackburn

Grand Final Winners

Division 2	Sunshine	d	Cheltenham	10	-	0
Division 1	Blackburn	d	Upwey Ferntree Gully	8	-	2
Division 1-Res	Essendon	d	Waverley	8	-	4
Division 1-3rds	Upwey Ferntree Gully	d	Geelong	3	-	1
Division 1-4ths	Upwey Ferntree Gully	v	Blackburn	13	-	2
Division 2-Res	Springvale	d	Bonbeach	11	-	9
Division 2-3rds	Sunshine	d	Springvale	9	-	4
Division 2-4ths	Cheltenham	d	Fitzroy	3	-	0
Division 3	Williamstown	d	Moorabbin	12	-	1
Division 3-Res	Moorabbin	d	Williamstown	7	-	6
Division 3-3rds	Moorabbin	d	Mulgrave	15	-	5
Division 4 North	Geelong	d	Bundoora	11	-	10
Division 4 South	Blackburn	d	Waverley	9	-	4
Women's Division 1	Malvern	d	Port Melbourne	7	-	1
Women's Div 1-Res	Malvern	d	Doncaster	15	-	5
Women's Division 2	St Kilda	d	Moorabbin	8	-	1
Women's Division 3	Port Melbourne	d	Fitzroy	13	-	7

Club Championship Pennants

Division 1 – Upwey Ferntree Gully Tigers

Division 2 – Springvale Lions

Division 3 – Moorabbin Panthers

JUNIOR BASEBALL

Under 12 Grand Finals

Bill Blanden Memorial Shield	State League	Waverley	9	d	Doncaster	2
	Metro League East	Melbourne	6	d	Waverley	2
	Metro League West	Newport	16	d	Fitzroy	4

Under 14 Grand Finals

Jack Guiliano Perpetual Shield	State League	Waverley	4	d	Geelong (Green)	1
	Metro League East	Waverley	9	d	Bonbeach	6
	Metro League West	Newport	12	d	Williamstown	2

Under 16 Grand Finals

Les Polson Perpetual Shield	State League	Geelong (Green)	6	d	Waverley	2
	Metro League East	Springvale	2	d	Waverley	1
	Metro League West	Newport	5	d	Williamstown	1

Under 18 Grand Finals

Lyn Straw Memorial Shield	State League	Waverley	6	d	Upwey FTG	5
	Metro League	Blackburn	23	d	Malvern	3

JUNIOR PLAYER AWARD WINNERS

Ian Deany Award – Most Valuable Player

Under 12 State League Grand Final

Jamie Papanicalaou (Waverley)

Dick Mason Award – Most Valuable Player

Under 14 State League Grand Final

James Beresford (Waverley)

Angus McPherson Award – Most Valuable Player

Under 16 State League Grand Final

Joel Ricketts (Geelong)

John Viney Award – Most Valuable Player

Under 18 State League Grand Final

Donavon Hendricks (Waverley)

SENIOR PLAYER AWARD WINNERS

Most Valuable Player

Division 1 – Ross McLean (Malvern)

Division 2 – Shawn Miller (Cheltenham)

Division 3 – Chris Cox (Moorabbin) & Jarrod Hough (Mulgrave)

Women's Division 1 – Emma Binks (Malvern)

Harry Wonnacott Medal - MVP for Div 1 Grand Final

Bradley Harman - Upwey FTG

Home Run

Division 1 – Peter Moylan (12 HR's) Blackburn

Division 2 – Chris Nicholas (10 HR's) Doncaster

Division 3 – Paul Caine (6 HR's) Williamstown

Hitting

Division 1 – Jarrod Hodges (.449) Waverley

Division 2 – Robbie Grant (.475) Fitzroy

Division 3 – Andrew Bloomfield (.649) Moorabbin

Women's – Sam Hamilton (.551) Doncaster

Pitching

Division 1 – David Land (3.00) Newport

Also receives the "Harry Douglas" Memorial Trophy

Division 2 – Rikki Johnston (1.69) Bonbeach

Division 3 – Nick Lane (1.87) Mulgrave

Women's

Division 1 – Deanne Lee (1.32) Port Melbourne

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



The last twelve months have been exciting for Baseball in Victoria.

Our State teams performed very well – the U18's proving to be the best team in Australia taking out the National Championship. An U23 interstate competition was introduced for the first time. The World Masters Games and Women's World Friendship Series were successfully hosted at the new, international standard complex at Geelong. We continued to witness positive growth in playing numbers, albeit in small steps, thanks to the success of the Play Ball program and a lot of hard work by our Clubs.

2002/03 began with a new Executive Director in Peter Williams. Peter opened our eyes to a whole new level of administration in sport. We thank Peter and his wife Annie for their support and although he has returned to corporate life, we welcome Peter onto the Baseball Victoria Board in the role of Chairman - Marketing and Activities.

We also welcome Scott Dawes to the role of Executive Director. Scott has been serving Baseball for over eight years and has now reached his first mountain in sports management. Scott has responded very well and professionally to the challenges put to him so far – as would be expected of an elite athlete and Olympian.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge and sincerely thank:

- State Government for their ongoing support of Sport especially in the area of facilities.
- Victorian Institute of Sport for investing in our talented young players who will be our leaders of tomorrow.
- Wilson Sporting Goods as major supporters of Baseball.
- Our community newspapers for their help in delivering our game to every front door.
- Our coaching staff of various State Teams and other volunteers.
- All who have sponsored and supported Baseball in Victoria – and that includes players, officials, supporters and families – thank you for a season well played.

Congratulations to all of our winners - especially the Premiers. It was not that many years ago that Blackburn were playing for a Division 3 Premiership and now they are Division 1 Premiers - shows what a dedicated group can achieve. It also demonstrates the beauty of our structure that clubs can grow and develop to achieve the ultimate success. To play in Division 1 and compete for the Ross Straw Trophy is not a right but a privilege that Clubs have to earn.

Congratulations also to our Claxton Shield team and Women's State team, both runners-up in 2003. No doubt every player and official involved in each of these programs was not satisfied with these results and will be even more determined to succeed in 2004. To all players who made State and National teams, as well as those who signed professionally, well done and you do our state and sport proud.

The priorities for Baseball remain with a continued emphasis on grass roots development and open and direct consultation with all of our stakeholders. This will now take place throughout Victoria under the Baseball Victoria banner following the mid-year introduction of the new brand name and logo which reflects the dynamic nature of our sport.

Furthermore, with the opening of the Geelong Baseball Centre we now have two lit venues in and around Melbourne. This number could soon swell to four as the new complex at Latrobe University comes on-line and the existing infrastructure at Doncaster Baseball Club is upgraded to playing standard. This presents fantastic opportunities for competition programming and for raising the levels of exposure and profile of Baseball in the community.

To our staff at Baseball Victoria, a big thank-you for their efforts. We have a diligent staff who aim to be the best sports administration team in Victoria and who continue to go above and beyond the call of duty. Thanks to Rebecca, who we wish all the best in her future pursuits, Grant, Andrew and Matthew as well as our volunteers and workplace students.

In conclusion I would like to thank my wife and family for their continued support. Without them I would not be able to continue in my role.
Thank you.

Peter Dihm
President

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT



2002/2003 has been another year of success, progress and change for Victorian Baseball. Under the astute guidance of Peter Williams, the Association ramped up its professionalism and scope during Peter's twelve-month tenure. Thank you to Peter for his efforts during the year and Victorian Baseball is fortunate to have maintained Peter's involvement upon his acceptance of a position with the Board.

I must thank the Board for the opportunity to step up to this role and also to all Baseball people that have been supportive of my appointment. It is a challenging role for which the last 8 years with the Association has served as a solid foundation.

The 2002/03 year heralded a significant change to the face of the Victorian Baseball Association Inc., with the Association adopting a new logo and brand name – Baseball Victoria. The Baseball Victoria brand encompasses the mandate held by the Association to promote, develop and lead Baseball across all of Victoria.

In this capacity Baseball Victoria continues to assist all Clubs in Victoria to develop and grow their membership and in the provision of an efficient and effective service to these members.

The Playball program, now in its second year, continues to provide Clubs with development support through the provision of equipment, uniforms and implementation strategies that equate to new members for the sport. Baseball Victoria acknowledges the Australian Baseball Federation and Major League Baseball for their ongoing support of this initiative.

Baseball Victoria is financially well positioned with a sound balance of funds that will be reinvested into the sport moving forward. This remains a challenging area for Baseball Victoria as we constantly investigate alternative sources of income to bolster the future commercial prospects of the sport.

Support from the Victorian State Government through VicHealth and the Department of Sport and Recreation Victoria was received by Baseball Victoria throughout the year. These partnerships are complementary and provide Baseball with additional opportunities to improve and grow the core elements of our sport. We thank these organizations for their ongoing support and look forward to continuing to foster these excellent working partnerships.

In closing I wish to take this opportunity to congratulate all Clubs, teams and players that experienced success in 2002/03 and wish everyone the best for 2003/04.

Scott Dawes
Executive Director

DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT



The Development Department of Baseball Victoria is pleased to present its 19th Annual report.

The second year of the 'Play Ball' program has once more seen remarkable results with some 1,600 new registrations of players U12 years of age. All clubs involved achieved positive results with outstanding numbers coming from Geelong and Waverley in particular who registered 390 U12 players between them.

All clubs should be congratulated on their hard work over this period which will see long term benefits for the game.

The Major League Baseball caps and teeshirts supplied to new registrations assisted greatly in recruitment and the professional look of the game.

Victoria has been highlighted by the Australian Sports Commission as a positive case study highlighted by the Geelong BC model which was nominated for an Australian School – Club links award recognising the outstanding work achieved with the club and schools liaising together.

Baseball Victoria was one of only four sports chosen to participate in the full VicHealth After School Sports Program. This program, an initiative of the Australian Sports Commission, saw four centres receive a 10 week baseball program. A further 4 terms of coaching are planned over the next two years.

Baseball Victoria is indebted to VicHealth for their ongoing support of Baseball and Baseball development in particular. Significant funding is now ongoing for the next three years which means long term planning in development can take place in conjunction with the 'Play Ball' program.

The Baseball Victoria Spring Camp was a highlight of the year with 108 participants taking part in three days of games and instruction. Once more we were able to provide expert coaching for the participants, including the Olympic Team Head Coach, Claxton Shield Head Coach and V.I.S Head Coach amongst others instructing.

A new camp was devised for the July school holidays for 110 participants from the 13-14 year age group. Cheltenham BC hosted the instruction and games over four days which was highly successful.

Funding was received once more for the Baseball Victoria disabled competition which was conducted at the Melbourne Ball Park over 7 weeks. Baseball Victoria work with the Northern Special Schools Sports Association on this project which was recognised and highlighted in a double page story and photo in the VicHealth Annual Report.

The school clinic program, although only being one component of development department work has been the 'backbone' of our work over the last 19 years. Four part time staff were employed and once more around 10,000 school children were exposed to baseball coaching. Both TeeBall and Baseball are very popular in our school system and this creates a positive environment when clubs enter school for the purpose of recruiting.

Teacher and student teacher training was again a focus and 1,100 teachers and potential teachers gained baseball knowledge to pass on to their students. Both quality and quantity improves because of the training given.

Many groups and associations assist the Development Department throughout the year and their assistance greatly benefits baseball. Sport and Recreation Victoria continue to support the Association and once more we were the recipient of a grant through the Sports Development Officer Scheme of which baseball has proudly been the longest active participant. The School Sport Unit has also been fantastic in providing a link between, schools, local government and the community. Baseball has benefited greatly from this partnership.

The Victorian Health Promotion Foundation was again a major sponsor of the Association and the Development Department. The relationship we have with VicHealth is outstanding and we will continue to strive to change behaviour through the various health messages

Once more the department has received guidance and support from the President and board of Baseball Victoria I thank them and assure them that I will continue to strive to fully promote the game.

Finally, thanks should go to my colleagues Scott, Andrew and Kim who assist me greatly and are a pleasure to work with. Special thanks and good wishes go to Rebecca as she embarks on a new career.

In Scott Dawes our new Executive Director baseball has a person who has been highly successful in all aspects of the game and I look forward to working with him to continue the strong growth that has been achieved.

It has been an honour to serve Victorian baseball.

Grant Weir
Development Manager

PENNANT COMMITTEE



MEMBERS:- P. Collins (Chairman), S. Dawes (Secretary), L. Flower, M. Gourlay, N. Pinnell, B. Smith, B. Spicer, K. Welfare.

Unfortunately, we lost one of our members during the season with the sudden death of Bruce Spicer. Bruce had been a member of the Pennant Committee for about eight years and was well known for his acerbic wit and incisive questioning. Baseball was Bruce's life and the sport will be poorer without him.

Against what we believe is a National trend, the number of Men's teams entered increased by four to 108 and the Women's competition increased by three to 30 teams at the start of the season. These facts point to a pretty healthy Sport.

Clearance Appeals were about the same as last year but there is a disturbing trend emerging with the targeting of young players just out of Under 18. Clubs should consider matters carefully before attempting to entice these young, and usually immature, players to change Clubs, thus ensuring that the parent Club does not receive full benefit of the time and effort expended on these young players.

The decline in Umpire numbers continues to be a huge problem which results in some inexperienced Umpires being appointed to games out of necessity rather than on ability. The main cause of the decline is the attitude of players and spectators towards Umpires which is manifested in verbal abuse of the officials. Club officials need to take this matter seriously and take action against their members who engage in this abuse or the Sport will find itself without any experienced Umpires. Recruitment of new Umpires is virtually impossible while the abuse continues.

It should be pointed out, however, that Umpires have part of the solution in their own hands - eject the miscreants if they are players or officials of a Club and report ordinary spectators to this Committee so that action can be taken against the Club.

Les Flower joined the Committee to continue his involvement in this level of the Sport and, with the other members, the Committee makes a very positive contribution to the administration of the playing side of the Sport. My thanks go to each of them.

The Committee is helped by the office staff in providing all sorts of information and the Committee is most grateful for this support.

PAUL F. COLLINS
CHAIRMAN
September 2003

JUNIOR LEAGUE



In 2002-2003 there were 1,156 junior players and 254 juniors playing seniors. A key to baseball's success is the Association's and the Clubs' ability to ensure that an increasingly significant numbers of these junior players become senior players. In turn that success depends upon the continued growth of the number s of players entering junior baseball. It is both anecdotally and statistically correct to acknowledge that a vast majority of junior players enter the competition at tee ball and under 12 levels. A significant priority for the Junior League has been, and for baseball generally must be, to increase the entry level participation rate.

This year we saw a significant increase in the number of juniors playing seniors. The connection between the structures around our junior games, fixturing and rules, and our senior games, was reviewed and various changes introduced to try and accommodate a forward looking and balanced approach to a junior players commitment to junior baseball. The Junior League, for instance, introduced an enforced a rule which required that any State team player at Junior level had to participate in their under age competition. This was designed to overcome State team pitchers and others playing only in the senior coemption and not playing in under age competition. It is short sighted to force an under age player into senior baseball only. These players "are only young once" and are senior age eligible for the rest of their lives. The elite State team players also provide a marvellous example and opportunity to learn for other youngsters playing in their teams.

In the Under 12 State League Waverly 9 defeated Doncaster 2 in the grand final with the Ian Deany award for the grand final MVP being award to Jamie Papanicalaou of Waverley. In the Under 14 State League Waverly 4 defeated Geelong 1 in the grand final with the Dick Mason Award for the grand final MVP being awarded to James Beresford of Waverley. In the Under 16 State League Geelong 6 beat Waverley 2 in the grand final and Joel Ricketts of Geelong was recognised by being award the grand final MVP Angus McPherson award. In the Under 18 State League competition Waverley defeated Upwey Ferntree Gully 5 to 6 in the Grand Final. In what was a tight game it repeated almost precisely the outcome of last year. Donovan Hendricks won the John Viney award for the most valuable player in the grand final. The grand final was a high performance affair with Donovan Hendricks and Grant Karsen from Waverley and Brad Harman from Upwey subsequently signing professional contracts and Michael Sadler from Upwey being award the MVP for Major League Baseball's camp in Australia.

Waverley participated in each of the under age grand finals at State League level. They won three of four. On behalf of the Junior League I would like to pay a special recognition to the Waverley Baseball Club, and their Junior Committee, for an outstanding year.

Following the end of the season a review was undertaken of the operation of the Junior League and Elite Sections of the VBA with a decision ultimately being taken to merge the functions within the Junior League. I am confident that the new structure moving into 2003-2004 will result in a much more effective an efficient Junior League and Elite performance at an administrative level.

I would like to recognize, on behalf of baseball in Victoria, the untiring efforts of the members of the Junior League Committee: Barry Fisher, Peter Collis, John King, Peter Paturzo and Jason Blair

During the year Scott Dawes acted as executive officer to the committee. Upon Scott's elevation to the role as Executive Director to the VBA he will no longer fulfil that role. I am confident that the trials and tribulations of Scott's experiences with the junior league provided a useful oversight to grass roots issues of baseball in Victoria which will be a valuable experience in his role as ED.

Robert Sadler
Chairman

ELITE COMMITTEE



It is my pleasure to submit this report to the VBA detailing the success of the Victorian Elite Development programs for the 2002/03 year along with our plans for the 2003/04 season

Junior State programs

Again Victoria was had successful National Titles in the Under 14, 16 and 18 age groups. The Under 14 finished third after going down in their Semi final game but played strong and consistent baseball throughout the entire tournament. The U16's finished fourth, losing their semi final and then going down in the 3 versus 4 playoff. They played good baseball in a blessed with individual quality and skill. The U18's however powered their way to the National Title with comprehensive victories in both the semi final and championship game. They proved to be the strongest and most multi-skilled team at the tournament and are to be congratulated on their success.

The 2004 National Titles see significant changes:

1. The Under 18 goes wood for the first time and that will, I am sure , bring a different level of skill.
2. The U16 and U18 is now a 10-day tournament with the top four playing off in semi finals and championship rounds.
3. The U14's is now an 8 day tournament with the top four playing off in semi finals and championships.

Victoria again had strong representation at the Australian level for both the Major League Baseball Australian Academy Program along with players chosen to represent their country at the IBAF AA World Titles in Taiwan. These players:

MLBAAP

Mitch Ayres	Daniel Berg	Josh Davies	Tim Dellwo
Kyle Edlich	Brad Harman	Donavon Hendricks	Ross Hipke
Stephen Hood	Matthew Lawman	Shane Lindsay	Anthony Reinke
Joel Ricketts	Andrew Russell	Josh Spence	Brendan Wilson

AA World Championship Team

Tim Dellwo	Matthew Lawman	Joel Ricketts	Josh Spence
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My thanks to all the coaching staff and executive officers associated with the three teams. Victoria is blessed with having quality people volunteer their time for these teams and their efforts certainly do not go unnoticed. My thanks also to all the people who assisted the coaching staff in selection and training.

Claxton Shield

The Claxton returned to Olympic Stadium at Blacktown in Sydney and again the quality was first class. Victoria, the defending champions lost some early games and found themselves behind the eight ball but fought back gamely to play off in a thrilling final against Queensland. Unfortunately they went down in that game and finished the tournament as runners – up. Still an excellent performance, which keeps Victoria at the top of the baseball tree at the elite level.

My congratulations and thanks the coaching staff of the Victorian Aces along with my thanks to the team's sponsors.

Women's

The women's team this year travelled to Perth in defence of their National Title. The competition at the women's level improves every year and this year was no exception with a quality tournament hosted by Baseball WA. Victoria finished the round robin section on top and the championship game was fought out between old rivals, NSW and Victoria. Unfortunately Victoria were beaten in the final and NSW wrestled the National Title away from Victoria for the first time in 4 years.

Victoria saw many players chosen from the Nationals to represent Australia at the World Championships. There were 11 players in total: Samantha Hamilton ; Kathryn Passlow ; Melissa Whitaker ; Simone Wearne ; Shae Lilywhite ; Deanne Lee ; Jade Hough; Emma Binks ; Terina Stokes and new players ; Nicole Cain and Claire Whittham

My congratulations and thanks to the coaching staff and the administrative staff for their continuing success with women's baseball.

Junior Development Programs

Again this year we hosted the Under 12 International Friendship series with teams from NSW, the Gold Coast and Japan competing. It was a huge success and from the two teams were selected to represent Victoria in Japan at the IBA Youth Tournament and another at the Far North Coast Timberjacks tournament. The team to Japan saw them take out the Victoria cup which was an outstanding performance and the team to Far North Coast made the 3 versus 4 playoff. In both cases , excellent performances were made by all players and it augers well for the future of Victorian baseball..

The 2003 CUBS program saw a change in program structure. This year a program camp for 13 and 14 year olds was set up during the July school holidays. In all there were over 70 kids enrolled in the camp with a good representation from the regional areas. They benefited from 4 days of solid baseball, which covered expert tuition from some of the states most recognised coaches along with games each day. Certainly a quality environment for kids to learn the game at the highest level.

2003/04 Season.

Our Under age State programs are well and truly underway and preparations for a Victorian onslaught on the National titles in January are progressing well.

The Under 12 Rubberball Super camp and selection begins in November. Coaches from all clubs are encouraged to apply for the one of 9 positions available within that program - details are available from the VBA office.

The CUBS program will again be organised along the same structure as the 2003 program with the intention to extend a COLTS program, along similar lines, for the 15 and 16 year old age bracket.

I encourage all lovers of baseball and coaching, especially those coaches who have attained official accreditation levels to apply for State based coaching roles or coaching roles in our development programs. The rewards from coaching at the elite are enormous as you are involved in moulding quality players into outstanding players.

I hope this gives an insight into what the Elite Development committee is responsible for and how active it is in working on Junior development programs.

Warwick Marcakis
Chairperson

BUAV President's Report



It is with much pleasure that I present this report, my second as President.

The year started with the VBA offering increased payments in response to our detailed submission for a review of Umpire remuneration. Our submission clearly demonstrated a substantial gap between the costs involved in Umpiring and the remuneration received and sought an increase which would bring payments in line with costs. The increase went some way toward meeting our costs and negotiations are continuing for the coming season.

The World Masters Games Baseball was held at the Geelong Baseball Centre in October where some 28 teams participated and many BUAV members had the opportunity to work with Umpires from overseas and interstate. The tournament was of a very high standard and was extremely well supported by the Geelong and Victorian Baseball communities. My congratulations to all the organizers, volunteers, ground crew, participants, and officials who contributed to make this event the great success it was. I wish Geelong Baseball all the best for the future as this was obviously the first of many major events which will be held at their magnificent venue.

Congratulations to all those members selected to represent the Country and State for the various tournaments held throughout the year. Mark Gooding on his selection to the South Pacific Games in Fiji and the Claxton Shield in Sydney, Greg Howard for the Australian Provincial Tour to Europe, James Shields for the Australian Provincial Championships in Perth, and to all those who represented Victoria at the under-age National Championships. Also, to all those umpires who were selected to participate in the VBA finals series, irrespective of grade, congratulations on a job well done.

I must thank the Committee for their hard work during the year. It has been a year where Baseball has occupied much time and effort both on and off the field, and I can see that many more hours of hard work and effort will be required during the coming season if we are to provide the high level of service to Baseball that is expected of us.

Mark Gooding in his first year as Director of Umpiring has found that an incredible amount of time and effort is required to fulfill this position. I congratulate Mark on the fantastic job he has done this year and offer him our full support for the coming season.

Congratulations to Scott Dawes on his appointment as Executive Director of the VBA. The BUAV looks forward to working closely with Scott with the aim of enhancing our relationship with the VBA and to promote a better understanding of the needs and requirements for the development of umpires.

To Malcolm Chiverton and the Melbourne Baseball Club, my sincere thanks for the use of your truly outstanding facilities for our meeting and training venue.

To all BUAV members, my thanks for your efforts and support during the year. Our numbers have improved slightly but we need many more members if we are to provide the level of coverage that we would like.

I wish all members every success for the coming season.

Ian McKenzie
President

UMPIRE HONOUR ROLL

The Claxton Shield

Mark Gooding represented Victoria.

Grand Final Appointments

Congratulations to all the Umpires who officiated at Grand Finals in all division.

The following were the Umpires in those games:

Men's Competition

Division 1 – G. Howard, M. Gooding, S. Howe, I. McKenzie

Division 2 – D. Milton, J. Shields, G. Hicks, L. Fraim

Division 3 – G. Howard, C. Banks, C. Cumming

Division 4 North – P. Mullins, G. Horsborough

Division 4 South – R. Gerwing, J. Slattery

Division 1 Reserves – P. Eckhardt, L. Ramirez

Division 1 Thirds – C. McCagg, R. McDonell

Division 1 Fourths – D. Thompson, R. Steen

Division 2 Reserves – D. Milton, G. Priestley

Division 2 Thirds – G. Daws, G. Francis

Division 2 Fourths – N. Medlin, R. Magree

Division 3 Reserves – P. Box, L. Abascal

Division 3 Thirds – J. Schroeders, H.J. Quinn

Women's Competition

Division 1 – P. Lonie, C. McCagg, J. Campbell

Division 1 Reserves – B. Exton, J. Slattery

Division 2 – G. Priestley, J. Campbell, C. McCagg

Division 3 – H.J. Quinn, P. Robertson

Australian Championships

The following umpires were appointed by the VBA and the VPBL to officiate at the National Junior Championships and the Commonwealth Cup.

Under 18 Championships - Canberra

Ian McKenzie (VBA), Greg Howard (Vic Provincial)

Under 16 Championships - Sydney

David Milton (Victoria), Andrew Gluth (Vic Provincial)

Under 14 Championships - Alice Springs

Clyde Cumming (Victoria), Ray Schintler (Vic Provincial)

Australian Provincial Championships - Perth

James Shields

VICTORIAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION INC.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP 2002 / 2003

CLUB	GAMES WON				POINTS
	1sts	2nds	3rds	4ths	
<u>DIVISION 1</u>					
Upwey Ferntree Gully	14.5	19	18	18.5	368
Blackburn	17	14	13.5	14.5	337
Waverley	15	16.5	11.5	8.5	312
Malvern	14	12	15	12	296
Essendon	13.5	13	7	5	251
Geelong	11	9.5	13	15	249
Newport	16.5	5	2	2	207
Melbourne	6.5	1	4	3.5	94
<u>DIVISION 2</u>					
Springvale	9	11	8	6	200
Sunshine	12	3.5	8	4	181
Sandringham	9	6.5	6.5	5	165
Cheltenham	10	4.5	3	8	155
Fitzroy	7	5.5	7	10	151
Bonbeach	3	10	8	1	124
Doncaster	3	6.5	5.5	7	105
Port Melbourne	3	0.5	2	2.5	46
<u>DIVISION 3</u>					
Moorabbin	10	10	11		204
Mulgrave	10	8	6.5		174
Werribee	8	9.5	9		173
Williamstown	8	9	7		162
St Kilda	7	7	6.5		138
Chelsea	9	5	2		128
Ormond/Glenhuntly	5	8	3		110
Preston	2	0	2		28
Berwick City	0	2	4		28
Footscray	1	1	0		16

**VICTORIAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION INC.
DIVISION 1
LADDERS 2002 / 2003**

CLUB	GP	W	L	D	RUNS F	RUNS A	%	POINTS
<u>DIVISION 1</u>								
Blackburn	25	16	7	2	222	143	0.608	34
Newport	25	16	8	1	143	125	0.534	33
Waverley	25	14	9	2	202	155	0.566	30
Upwey FTG	25	13	9	3	168	135	0.554	29
Malvern	25	14	11		174	149	0.539	28
Essendon	25	13	11	1	186	163	0.533	27
Geelong	25	11	14		146	169	0.463	22
Melbourne	25	5	17	3	116	195	0.373	13
					1357	1234		

DIVISION 1 RESERVES

Upwey FTG	21	19	2		209	95	0.688	38
Waverley	21	16	4	1	186	74	0.715	33
Blackburn	21	13	6	2	188	134	0.584	28
Essendon	21	12	7	2	184	133	0.580	26
Malvern	21	10	7	4	140	126	0.526	24
Geelong	21	7	9	5	139	138	0.502	19
Newport	21	4	15	2	72	189	0.276	10
Melbourne	21		19	2	76	224	0.253	2
					1194	1113		

DIVISION 1 THIRDS

Upwey FTG	20	17	1	2	261	71	0.786	36
Malvern	20	15	5		206	86	0.705	30
Blackburn	20	13	6	1	173	145	0.544	27
Geelong	20	12	6	2	207	126	0.622	26
Waverley	20	11	8	1	177	119	0.598	23
Essendon	20	6	12	2	113	185	0.379	14
Melbourne	20	3	15	2	89	229	0.280	8
Newport	20	2	18		75	244	0.235	4
					1301	1205		

DIVISION 1 FOURTHS

Upwey FTG	20	18	1	1	317	92	0.775	37
Geelong	20	14	4	2	221	127	0.635	30
Blackburn	20	14	5	1	305	139	0.687	29
Malvern	20	12	8		240	167	0.590	24
Waverley	20	11	8	1	222	175	0.559	23
Essendon	20	5	15		149	262	0.363	10
Melbourne	20	3	16	1	157	267	0.370	7
Newport	20	2	18		96	384	0.200	4
					1707	1613		

**VICTORIAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION INC.
DIVISION 2**

LADDERS 2002 / 2003

CLUB	GP	W	L	D	RUNS F	RUNS A	%	POINTS
<u>DIVISION 2</u>								
Sunshine	14	12	2		140	67	0.676	24
Cheltenham	14	10	4		104	82	0.559	20
Springvale	14	9	5		118	84	0.584	18
Sandringham	14	9	5		110	87	0.558	18
Fitzroy	14	7	7		110	95	0.537	14
Port Melbourne	14	3	11		75	122	0.381	6
Doncaster	14	3	11		82	142	0.366	6
Bonbeach	14	3	11		74	140	0.346	6
					813	819		

DIVISION 2 RESERVES

Springvale	12	11	1		132	40	0.767	22
Bonbeach	12	10	2		97	54	0.642	20
Doncaster	12	5	4	3	88	71	0.553	13
Sandringham	12	6	5	1	95	97	0.495	13
Fitzroy	12	5	6	1	87	75	0.537	11
Cheltenham	12	4	7	1	72	104	0.409	9
Sunshine	12	3	8	1	62	95	0.395	7
Port Melbourne	12		11	1	39	136	0.223	1
					672	672		

DIVISION 2 THIRDS

Springvale	12	8	4		123	76	0.618	16
Sunshine	12	8	4		116	78	0.598	16
Bonbeach	12	8	4		110	79	0.582	16
Fitzroy	12	7	5		93	64	0.592	14
Sandringham	12	6	5	1	96	101	0.487	13
Doncaster	12	5	6	1	71	76	0.483	11
Cheltenham	12	3	9		62	112	0.356	6
Port Melbourne	12	2	10		65	150	0.302	4
					736	736		

DIVISION 2 FOURTHS

Fitzroy	11	10	1		125	44	0.740	20
Cheltenham	11	8	3		110	83	0.570	16
Doncaster	11	7	4		119	57	0.676	14
Springvale	11	6	5		84	98	0.462	12
Sandringham	11	5	6		97	99	0.495	10
Sunshine	11	4	7		50	87	0.365	8
Bonbeach	11	1	10		38	167	0.185	2
					623	635		

**VICTORIAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION INC.
DIVISION 3**

LADDERS 2002 / 2003

CLUB	GP	W	L	D	RUNS F	RUNS A	%	POINTS
<u>DIVISION 3</u>								
Moorabbin	12	10	2		136	55	0.712	20
Mulgrave	12	10	2		131	69	0.655	20
Chelsea	12	9	3		125	75	0.625	18
Williamstown	12	8	4		178	103	0.633	16
Werribee	12	8	4		84	58	0.592	16
St Kilda	12	7	5		139	105	0.570	14
Ormond/Glenhuntly	12	5	7		81	103	0.440	10
Preston	12	2	10		92	169	0.352	4
Footscray	12	1	11		79	168	0.320	2
Berwick City	12		12		69	209	0.248	0
					1114	1114		

DIVISION 3 RESERVES

Moorabbin	12	10	2		119	57	0.676	20
Werribee	12	9	2	1	137	59	0.699	19
Williamstown	12	9	3		181	42	0.812	18
Mulgrave	12	8	4		105	46	0.695	16
Ormond/Glenhuntly	12	8	4		114	71	0.616	16
St Kilda	12	7	5		141	93	0.603	14
Chelsea	12	5	6	1	101	68	0.598	11
Berwick City	12	2	10		72	164	0.305	4
Footscray	12	1	11		38	203	0.158	2
Preston	12		12		40	245	0.140	0
					1048	1048		

DIVISION 3 THIRDS

Moorabbin	11	11			168	36	0.824	22
Werribee	11	9	2		141	73	0.659	18
Williamstown	11	7	4		99	71	0.582	14
Mulgrave	11	6	4	1	133	95	0.583	13
St Kilda	11	6	4	1	122	91	0.573	13
Berwick City	11	4	7		87	132	0.397	8
Ormond/Glenhuntly	11	3	8		74	155	0.323	6
Preston	11	2	9		77	155	0.332	4
Chelsea	11	2	9		54	165	0.247	4
					955	973		

VICTORIAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION INC.
DIVISION 4
LADDERS 2002 / 2003

CLUB	GP	W	L	D	RUNS F	RUNS A	%	POINTS
<u>DIVISION 4</u>								
<u>NORTH</u>								
Geelong	12	11		1	170	56	0.752	23
Bundoora	12	10	2		154	80	0.658	20
Melton	12	7	4	1	118	86	0.578	15
Fitzroy	12	7	5		98	87	0.530	14
Upwey FTG	12	5	7		121	139	0.465	10
Blackburn	12	4	7	1	103	118	0.466	9
Williamstown	12	2	10		57	154	0.270	4
Doncaster	12		11	1	67	186	0.265	1
					888	906		

DIVISION 4 EAST

Waverley	12	10	1	1	174	104	0.626	21
Blackburn	12	9	1	2	175	78	0.692	20
Moorabbin	12	7	4	1	107	79	0.575	15
Coburg	12	6	5	1	126	99	0.560	13
Fitzroy	12	5	6	1	120	129	0.482	11
Upwey FTG	12	4	7	1	93	117	0.443	9
Malvern	12	3	8	1	114	134	0.460	7
Bundoora	12		12		55	242	0.185	0
					964	982		

VICTORIAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION INC.

WOMEN'S COMPETITION

LADDERS 2002 / 2003

CLUB	GP	W	L	D	RUNS F	RUNS A	%	POINTS
<u>DIVISION 1</u>								
Port Melbourne	20	17	3		192	63	0.753	34
Doncaster	20	16	4		187	81	0.698	32
Springvale	20	13	6	1	159	48	0.768	27
Malvern	20	13	6	1	220	85	0.721	27
Melbourne	20	11	9		187	148	0.558	22
Footscray	20	5	14	1	108	236	0.314	11
Greensborough	20	2	17	1	70	268	0.207	5
Bonbeach	20	1	19		55	267	0.171	2
					1178	1196		

DIVISION 1 RESERVES

Malvern	19	18	1		269	81	0.769	36
Port Melbourne	19	16	3		249	110	0.694	32
Doncaster	19	9	10		162	167	0.492	18
Springvale	19	9	10		131	198	0.398	18
Footscray	19	7	12		195	225	0.464	14
St Kilda	12	5	7		90	134	0.402	10
Melbourne	19	5	14		146	253	0.366	10
Bonbeach	14	4	10		58	156	0.271	8
					1300	1324		

DIVISION 2

St Kilda	20	16	3	1	243	119	0.671	33
Upwey Ftg	20	14	3	3	256	102	0.715	31
Williamstown	20	8	8	4	187	191	0.495	20
Moorabbin	20	7	13		196	219	0.472	14
Chelsea	20	5	14	1	156	250	0.384	11
Eastern RF	20	5	14	1	119	276	0.301	11
					1157	1157		

DIVISION 3

Port Melbourne	20	17	2	1	300	152	0.664	35
Malvern A	20	16	4		284	130	0.686	32
Fitzroy	20	14	6		296	150	0.664	28
Bacchus Marsh	20	11	9		199	195	0.505	22
Bundoora	20	8	11	1	190	207	0.479	17
Malvern B	16	6	8	2	149	139	0.517	14
Melton	20	5	15		116	298	0.280	10
Footscray	20	1	19		101	418	0.195	2
					1635	1689		

**VICTORIAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION INC.
FINALS VENUES AND RESULTS
2002 - 2003**

<u>DIV</u>	<u>POSN</u>	<u>TEAMS</u>	<u>VENUE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>RESULT</u>
<u>SATURDAY MARCH 15</u>					
2	2v3	Cheltenham	v Springvale	MBP	1.00pm 5 - 1
1	2v3	Newport	v Waverley	MBP	4.00pm 9 - 4
<u>SUNDAY MARCH 16</u>					
2	1v4	Sunshine	v Sandringham	MBP	1.00pm 6 - 4
1	1v4	Blackburn	v Upwey Ftg	MBP	4.00pm 7 - 3
1-Res	3v4	Blackburn	v Essendon	Ess	1.30pm 3 - 14
1-Res	1v2	Upwey Ftg	v Waverley	Wav	1.30pm 2 - 9
1-3rds	3v4	Blackburn	v Geelong	Black	1.30pm 4 - 7
1-3rds	1v2	Upwey Ftg	v Malvern	U/Ftg	1.30pm 6 - 5
1-4ths	3v4	Blackburn	v Malvern	Malv	1.30pm 11 - 1
1-4ths	1v2	Upwey Ftg	v Geelong	Geel	1.30pm 4 - 2
2-Res	3v4	Doncaster	v Sandringham	Sand	1.30pm 7 - 8
2-Res	1v2	Springvale	v Bonbeach	S'vale	1.30pm 4 - 7
2-3rds	3v4	Bonbeach	v Fitzroy	Bon	1.30pm 2 - 13
2-3rds	1v2	Springvale	v Sunshine	Sunsh	1.30pm 10 - 3
2-4ths	3v4	Doncaster	v Springvale	Donc	1.30pm 18 - 13
2-4ths	1v2	Fitzroy	v Cheltenham	Fitz	1.30pm 4 - 8
3	3v4	Chelsea	v Williamstown	Chels	1.30pm 3 - 5
3	1v2	Moorabbin	v Mulgrave	Moor	1.30pm 13 - 2
3-Res	3v4	Williamstown	v Mulgrave	Will	1.30pm 13 - 3
3-Res	1v2	Moorabbin	v Werribee	W'bee	1.30pm 13 - 3
3-3rds	3v4	Williamstown	v Mulgrave	Mulg	1.30pm 5 - 7
3-3rds	1v2	Moorabbin	v Werribee	Chelt	1.30pm 10 - 0
4 North	3v4	Melton	v Fitzroy	Melt	1.30pm 3 - 14
4 North	1v2	Geelong	v Bundoora	Geel	1.30pm 12 - 9
4 East	3v4	Moorabbin	v Coburg	Cob	1.30pm 7 - 10
4 East	1v2	Waverley	v Blackburn	Wav Outer	1.30pm 12 - 6
<u>SATURDAY MARCH 22</u>					
2	Losers	Springvale	v Sandringham	MBP	1.00pm 15 - 4
1	Losers	Waverley	v Upwey Ftg	MBP	4.00pm 2 - 3
W1	3v4	Springvale	v Malvern	S'vale	2.00pm 2 - 5
W1	1v2	Port Melbourne	v Doncaster	PMel	2.00pm 6 - 3
W1					
Res	3v4	Doncaster	v Springvale	Donc	2.00pm 24 - 3
W1					
Res	1v2	Malvern	v Port Melbourne	Malv	2.00pm 10 - 5
W2	3v4	Williamstown	v Moorabbin	Will	2.00pm 2 - 9
W2	1v2	St Kilda	v Upwey Ftg	St K	2.00pm 8 - 7
W3	3v4	Fitzroy	v Bacchus Marsh	Fitz	2.00pm 13 - 3
W3				Malv	
W3	1v2	Port Melbourne	v Malvern A	Outer	2.00pm 10 - 0

SUNDAY MARCH 23

2	Winners	Sunshine	v	Cheltenham	MBP	1.00pm	11	-	5
1	Winners	Blackburn	v	Newport	MBP	4.00pm	3	-	2
1-Res	Prelim	Upwey Ftg	v	Essendon	U/Ftg	1.30pm	3	-	4
1-3rds	Prelim	Malvern	v	Geelong	Malv	1.30pm	5	-	12
1-4ths	Prelim	Geelong	v	Blackburn	Geel	1.30pm	9	-	11
2-Res	Prelim	Springvale	v	Sandringham	S'vale	1.30pm	9	-	6
2-3rds	Prelim	Sunshine	v	Fitzroy	Sunsh	1.30pm	12	-	3
2-4ths	Prelim	Fitzroy	v	Doncaster	Fitz	1.30pm	10	-	9
3	Prelim	Mulgrave	v	Williamstown	Mulg	1.30pm	6	-	15
3-Res	Prelim	Werribee	v	Williamstown	Will	1.30pm	4	-	11
3-3rds	Prelim	Werribee	v	Mulgrave	W'bee	1.30pm	3	-	4
4 North	Prelim	Bundoora	v	Fitzroy	Bund	1.30pm	13	-	7
4 East	Prelim	Blackburn	v	Coburg	Black	1.30pm	10	-	3

SATURDAY MARCH 29

W2	Prelim	Upwey Ftg	v	Moorabbin	MBP	1.00pm	14	-	19
W1	Prelim	Doncaster	v	Malvern	MBP	4.00pm	0	-	2
W1									
Res	Prelim	Port Melbourne	v	Doncaster	PMel	2.00pm	13	-	16
W3	Prelim	Malvern A	v	Fitzroy	Malv	2.00pm	8	-	11

SUNDAY MARCH 30

2	Prelim	Cheltenham	v	Springvale	MBP	1.00pm	11	-	10
1	Prelim	Newport	v	Upwey Ftg	MBP	4.00pm	3	-	4
1-Res	Grand	Waverley	v	Essendon	Wav	1.30pm	4	-	8
1-3rds	Grand	Upwey Ftg	v	Geelong	U/Ftg	1.30pm	3	-	1
1-4ths	Grand	Upwey Ftg	v	Blackburn	Black	1.30pm	13	-	2
2-Res	Grand	Bonbeach	v	Springvale	Bon	1.30pm	9	-	11
2-3rds	Grand	Springvale	v	Sunshine	S'vale	1.30pm	4	-	9
2-4ths	Grand	Cheltenham	v	Fitzroy	Chelt	1.30pm	3	-	0
3	Grand	Moorabbin	v	Williamstown	Moor	1.30pm	1	-	12
3-Res	Grand	Moorabbin	v	Williamstown	Will	1.30pm	7	-	6
3-3rds	Grand	Moorabbin	v	Mulgrave	Mulg	1.30pm	15	-	5
4 North	Grand	Geelong	v	Bundoora	Geel	1.30pm	11	-	10
4					Wav				
South	Grand	Waverley	v	Blackburn	Outer	1.30pm	4	-	9

SATURDAY APRIL 5

W2	Grand	St Kilda	v	Moorabbin	MBP	1.00pm	8	-	1
W1	Grand	Port Melbourne	v	Malvern	MBP	4.00pm	1	-	2
W1									
Res	Grand	Malvern	v	Doncaster	Malv	2.00pm	15	-	5
W3	Grand	Port Melbourne	v	Fitzroy	PMel	2.00pm	13	-	7

SUNDAY APRIL 6

2	Grand	Sunshine	v	Cheltenham	MBP	1.00pm	10	-	0
1	Grand	Blackburn	v	Upwey Ftg	MBP	4.00pm	8	-	2

George Heron Memorial Award

for the Most Valuable Player in Division 1

Highest Vote Winners for each Club

<u>Blackburn</u>	David White	16
	Cameron Hubbard	14
	Andrew Tierney	14
<u>Essendon</u>	Rory Meddick	10
	Brad Purcell	10
	Two players tied	8
<u>Geelong</u>	Shaun Moore	11
	Ryan Stewart	9
	Two players tied	8
<u>Melbourne</u>	Brendan Ratcliffe	11
	Ben Smith	11
	Brett Caulfield	9
<u>Malvern</u>	Ross McLean	21
	Michael Crooks	13
	Justin Whitford	13
<u>Newport</u>	David Asp	18
	Adam Simpson	11
	Chris Bramwell	9
<u>Upwey FTG</u>	Rohan Chapman	16
	Michael Sadler	10
	Three players tied	9
<u>Waverley</u>	Andrew Russell	15
	Jarrold Hodges	11
	Ryan Stanaway	8

R.R. Hindson Memorial Award
for the Most Valuable Player in Division 2
Highest Vote Winners for each Club

<u>Bonbeach</u>	Rikki Johnston	9
	Luke Howell	8
	Paul Long	6
<u>Cheltenham</u>	Shawn Miller	21
	Adam Blackley	8
	Two players tied	6
<u>Doncaster</u>	Chris Nicholas	16
	Lachlan Craven	6
	Warren Brown	3
<u>Fitzroy</u>	Jason Blejwas	15
	Peter Stokes	13
	Robert Keane	5
<u>Port Melbourne</u>	Shaun Zenner	7
	Justin Charles	4
	Three players tied	3
<u>Sandringham</u>	Paul Wignall	9
	Joe Trucchio	6
	Three players tied	5
<u>Springvale</u>	Ashley Riddiford	12
	Lucas Price	10
	Armen Kouchakdjian	8
<u>Sunshine</u>	James Ross	10
	Three Players tied	3

Division 3 MVP Award

Highest Vote Winners for each Club

<u>Berwick</u>	Shaun Fahy	3
	Four players tied	1
<u>Chelsea</u>	Scott Baillie	9
	Trevor Johansen	9
	Neal Cavanagh	5
<u>Footscray</u>	Robert Zadel	5
	Jason Halemba	4
	Two players tied	3
<u>Moorabbin</u>	Chris Cox	11
	Andrew Bloomfield	10
	Andrew Dewar	9
<u>Mulgrave</u>	Jarrod Hough	11
	Nick Lane	10
	Brian Waters	10
<u>Ormond/Glenhuntly</u>	David Quick	9
	Chris Wilson	6
	Dean Diamond	5
<u>Preston</u>	Gerard Cooper	5
	Matthew McInnes	5
	Two players tied	2
<u>St Kilda</u>	Joe Keiper	10
	Dale Benness	7
	Greg Lord	7
<u>Werribee</u>	Justin Hartigan	8
	Scott Copland	7
	Christopher Larkin	7
<u>Williamstown</u>	Neil Baker	10
	Scott Meager	7
	Two players tied	6

Women's Division 1 MVP Award

Highest Vote Winners for each Club

<u>Bonbeach</u>	Julie O'Neill	6
	Danielle Jensen	5
	Paula Finch	4
<u>Doncaster</u>	Catherine Row	18
	Jade Hough	14
	Sam Hamilton	13
<u>Footscray</u>	Lynn Dobson	7
	Samantha Holroyd	7
	Jacki Murdoch	5
<u>Greensborough</u>	Rebecca Coombes	9
	Danielle Stavrou	4
	Claire McDonald	3
<u>Malvern</u>	Emma Binks	25
	Melissa Whitaker	10
	Val Siladi	7
<u>Melbourne</u>	Sue-Anne Lord	13
	Jacinta Wells	11
	Pam Donald	8
<u>Port Melbourne</u>	Terina Stokes	22
	Deanne Lee	18
	Sue Danaher	13
<u>Springvale</u>	Simone Wearne	18
	Ella Holien	16
	Shandelle Ross	9

Leading Hitters

Division 1

NAME	CLUB	PA	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG
Jarrod Hodges	Waverley	110	89	24	40	4	24	0.449
Stuart Medland	Newport	79	67	14	29	1	16	0.433
Travis Loft	Malvern	121	104	32	45	1	12	0.433
Peter Moylan	Blackburn	104	89	30	38	12	30	0.427
Rohan Chapman	Upwey	115	101	24	43	5	30	0.426
Cameron Hubbard	Blackburn	112	99	33	42	6	30	0.424
Dean Marnell	Newport	73	57	15	23	1	13	0.404
Andrew Tierney	Blackburn	118	107	37	42	5	19	0.393
Joshua Davies	Essendon	97	95	19	37	0	14	0.389
Andrew McKenzie	Malvern	98	78	19	30	4	19	0.385

Division 2

NAME	CLUB	PA	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG
Robbie Grant	Fitzroy	46	40	14	19	3	12	0.475
Paul Weichard	Doncaster	44	41	10	19	4	10	0.463
Peter Stokes	Fitzroy	55	51	20	23	9	25	0.451
Daniel Williams	Cheltenham	62	56	13	25	2	12	0.446
Mathew Kent	Sunshine	38	32	12	14	2	12	0.438
Paul Wignall	Sandringham	45	39	15	17	2	7	0.436
Russell Spear	Sunshine	57	51	19	22	5	13	0.431
Mitchell Barrow	Sandringham	57	52	16	22	0	6	0.423
Michael Herman	Sandringham	58	50	10	21	0	12	0.420
Ian Hubble	Fitzroy	56	39	14	16	1	10	0.410

Division 3

NAME	CLUB	PA	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG
Andrew Bloomfield	Moorabbin	40	37	17	24	2	13	0.649
Chris Cox	Moorabbin	58	49	21	26	2	22	0.531
Brandon Rutgers	Mulgrave	61	48	20	25	0	15	0.521
Ian Jamieson	Williamstown	51	43	27	22	0	8	0.512
Brian Waters	Mulgrave	57	46	19	22	5	30	0.478
Dean Connor	Williamstown	58	55	21	26	1	20	0.473
Chris Rickard	Williamstown	62	55	22	25	3	19	0.455
Ben Laux	Moorabbin	54	45	16	20	0	7	0.444
Scott Meager	Williamstown	62	48	12	21	0	16	0.438
Paul Caine	Williamstown	66	58	23	25	6	20	0.431

Women's Division 1

NAME	CLUB	PA	AB	R	H	HR	RBI	AVG
Sam Hamilton	Doncaster	73	49	25	27	0	8	0.551
Deanne Lee	Port Melbourne	82	55	28	29	1	26	0.527
Sue Danaher	Port Melbourne	58	49	22	23	0	11	0.469
Mel Whitaker	Malvern	65	43	24	19	1	13	0.442
Amy McCann	Doncaster	81	64	31	28	0	34	0.438
Shae Lilywhite	Springvale	80	62	33	26	1	13	0.419
Emma Binks	Malvern	68	58	20	24	1	25	0.414
Sam Adams	Malvern	79	61	32	25	0	12	0.410
Layla Busbridge	Doncaster	81	62	28	24	0	17	0.387
Marita Taylor (Wyatt)	Malvern	78	62	27	24	0	24	0.387

Leading Pitchers

Division 1

Name	Club	IP	BFP	R	H	SO	BB	ER	ERA
David Land	Newport	36.0	160	21	35	24	18	12	3.00
Peter Moylan	Blackburn	38 1/3	168	17	35	44	13	14	3.29
John Curnow	Newport	57 1/3	247	23	49	41	23	22	3.45
Adam Simpson	Newport	31	151	16	35	15	22	12	3.48
Andrew Fennell	Waverley	30 1/3	138	16	35	17	13	12	3.56
Cameron Forbes	Geelong	45 2/3	197	24	35	57	16	19	3.74
Michael Legge	Upwey Ferntree Gully	97 1/3	427	58	119	48	27	49	4.53
Adam Bright	Upwey Ferntree Gully	55 1/3	242	32	59	50	34	28	4.55
Ross McLean	Malvern	122 1/3	541	87	135	95	36	63	4.63
Rory Meddick	Essendon	52 1/3	244	36	53	42	30	28	4.82

Division 2

CLUB	NAME	IP	BFP	R	H	SO	BB	ER	ERA
	Johnston								
Bonbeach	Rikki	32	136	12	21	31	16	6	1.69
Sandringham	Omi Takashi	20	80	5	15	12	2	4	1.80
	Spear								
Sunshine	Russell	19	80	5	13	18	15	5	2.37
	Blejwas								
Fitzroy	Jason	47	196	23	38	48	13	16	3.06
Cheltenham	Miller Shawn	41.67	177	20	48	25	7	15	3.24
	Blackley								
Cheltenham	Adam	35.67	156	21	24	43	15	13	3.28
	Wiltshire								
Sunshine	Greg	20	92	11	23	19	8	8	3.60
	Hogan								
Springvale	Robert	26.67	123	19	31	26	6	13	4.39
	Riddiford								
Springvale	Ashley	56	261	38	63	40	26	28	4.50
Sandringham	Trucchio Joe	43.33	189	30	46	42	11	23	4.78

Division 3

CLUB	NAME	IP	BFP	R	H	SO	BB	ER	ERA
Mulgrave	Lane Nick O'Brien	33.67	132	8	26	21	7	7	1.87
Moorabbin	Matthew Hartigan	29.33	121	11	23	30	6	7	2.15
Werribee	Justin Anderton	16	72	4	16	10	9	4	2.25
Moorabbin	Russell	25.33	109	8	26	13	5	7	2.49
Werribee	Balzer Phillip Larkin	27	116	18	40	9	2	11	3.67
Werribee	Christopher	60.67	281	36	68	52	29	26	3.86
Williamstown	Baker Neil	50.67	214	34	63	31	10	27	4.80
Williamstown	Meager Ryan Dewar	15.2	78	15	24	6	8	10	5.92
Moorabbin	Andrew	28.33	137	23	35	54	17	19	6.04
Mulgrave	Dillon Ben	29	145	32	42	12	12	24	7.45

Women's Division 1

CLUB	NAME	IP	BFP	R	H	SO	BB	ER	ERA
Port Melbourne	Deanne Lee	41	176	12	36	20	12	6	1.32
Springvale	Simone Wearne	69.33	281	25	60	63	13	16	2.08
Port Melbourne	Terina Stokes	73	337	33	54	47	45	22	2.71
Springvale	Ella Hollien	38.67	176	22	39	35	12	12	2.79
Doncaster	Jade Hough	41	175	21	39	22	10	14	3.07
Malvern	Val Siladi	55	273	37	65	18	45	25	4.09
Doncaster	Cat Row	86	399	55	90	68	38	41	4.29
Malvern	Emma Binks	50.67	241	37	37	52	52	27	4.80
Melbourne	Sue-Anne Lord	24	124	26	25	17	19	13	4.88
Melbourne	Jacinta Wells	46.67	251	48	37	30	64	27	5.21

2002/2003 STATE LEAGUE LADDERS AND FINALS RESULTS

UNDER 12 STATE LEAGUE

	GP	W	L	D	WO	FOR	AGST	PTS	%
Waverley Wildcats	16	15	1	0	0	181	49	30	0.787
Cheltenham Rustlers	16	11	5	0	0	186	146	22	0.560
Werribee Giants	16	9	6	1	0	168	106	19	0.613
Doncaster Dragons	16	9	7	0	0	159	129	18	0.552
Upwey FTG Tigers	16	8	6	2	0	145	141	18	0.507
Sandringham Royals	16	6	9	1	0	122	151	13	0.447
Essendon 1	16	4	12	0	0	101	198	8	0.338
Geelong	16	0	16	0	0	75	229	0	0.247

FINALS RESULTS

Semi-Finals

Waverley Wildcats 14 def Cheltenham Rustlers 1
Doncaster Dragons 9 def Werribee Giants 3

Preliminary Final

Doncaster Dragons 15 def Cheltenham Rustlers 8

Grand Final

Bill Blandon Memorial Shield

Waverley Wildcats 9 def Doncaster Dragons 2

Ian Deany Award

Most Valuable Player in Grand Final

Jamie Papanicalau (Waverley)

UNDER 14 STATE LEAGUE

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Waverley Wildcats	15	15	0	0	0	1	187	21	1.000
Geelong Green	15	13	2	0	0	1	170	87	0.867
Cheltenham Rustlers	14	11	3	0	0	2	141	62	0.786
Essendon	15	10	4	1	0	1	161	115	0.700
Blackburn	14	7	5	2	0	2	116	98	0.571
Melbourne Demons	14	6	7	1	0	2	103	125	0.464
Werribee Giants	15	5	10	0	0	1	103	130	0.333
Upwey FTG Tigers	15	4	10	1	0	1	113	179	0.300
Sandringham Royals	15	4	11	0	0	1	119	166	0.267
Doncaster Dragons	14	2	11	1	0	2	62	143	0.179
Fitzroy Lions	14	0	14	0	0	2	41	190	0.000

FINALS RESULTS

Semi-Finals

Waverley Wildcats 7 def Geelong Green 6
Essendon 9 def Cheltenham Rustlers 3

Preliminary Final

Geelong Green 12 def Essendon 1

Grand Final

Jack Guiliano Perpetual Shield

Waverley Wildcats 4 def Geelong Green 1

[Dick Mason Award](#)
[Most Valuable Player in Grand Final](#)

James Beresford (Waverley)

2002/2003 STATE LEAGUE LADDERS AND FINALS RESULTS

UNDER 16 STATE LEAGUE

	GP	W	L	D	WO	FOR	AGST	PTS	%
Geelong Green	17	15	1	1	0	143	42	31	0.773
Waverley Wildcats	17	13	2	2	0	122	67	28	0.646
Cheltenham Rustlers	17	6	7	4	0	90	85	16	0.514
Upwey FTG Tigers	17	8	9	0	0	96	101	16	0.487
Blackburn	17	7	8	2	0	90	109	16	0.452
Doncaster Dragons	17	7	9	1	0	87	110	15	0.442
Essendon	17	4	12	1	0	76	127	9	0.374
Fitzroy Lions	17	2	12	3	0	70	133	7	0.345

FINALS RESULTS

Semi-Finals

Geelong Green 7 def Waverley Wildcats 2
 Cheltenham Rustlers 5 def Upwey FTG 2

Preliminary Final

Waverley Wildcats 10 def Cheltenham Rustlers 5

Grand Final

Les Polson Perpetual Shield

Geelong Green 6 def Waverley Wildcats 2

Angus MacPherson Award

Most Valuable Player in Grand Final

Joel Ricketts (Geelong)

UNDER 18 STATE LEAGUE

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Waverley Wildcats	15	15	0	0	0	2	165	45	1.000
Essendon	15	11	3	1	0	2	120	54	0.767
Geelong Green	16	11	4	1	0	1	117	71	0.719
Upwey FTG Tigers	15	10	5	0	0	2	117	83	0.667
Sandringham	16	10	6	0	0	1	132	92	0.625
Cheltenham Rustlers	16	9	6	1	0	1	121	103	0.594
Doncaster Dragons	16	6	9	1	0	1	116	125	0.406
Fitzroy Lions	15	5	10	0	0	2	68	126	0.333
Sunshine	15	4	11	0	0	2	82	146	0.267
Bonbeach Bluejays	16	2	14	0	0	1	52	148	0.125
Geelong White	15	0	15	0	0	2	42	145	0.000

FINALS RESULTS

Semi-Finals

Waverley Wildcats 2 def Essendon 1
Upwey FTG 9 def Geelong Green 1

Preliminary Final

Upwey FTG 13 def Essendon 1

Grand Final

Lyn Straw Perpetual Shield

Waverley Wildcats 6 def Upwey FTG 5

John Viney Award

Most Valuable Player in Grand Final

Donavon Hendricks (Waverley)

2002/2003 METRO LEAGUE LADDERS AND FINALS RESULTS

UNDER 12 METRO LEAGUE EAST

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Waverley Panthers	16	14	1	1	0	0	256	122	0.906
Bonbeach Bluejays	16	11	2	3	0	0	239	130	0.781
Melbourne Demons	16	12	3	1	0	0	215	136	0.781
Sandringham Kings	16	10	6	0	0	0	215	170	0.625
Cheltenham Stallions	16	8	7	1	0	0	170	163	0.531
Berwick City Cougars	16	7	6	3	0	0	169	146	0.531
Blackburn	16	8	7	1	0	0	218	178	0.531
Upwey FTG Cubs	16	3	13	0	0	0	137	235	0.188
Springvale	16	2	14	0	0	0	149	278	0.125
Moorabbin	15	0	15	0	0	1	90	303	0.000

Malvern withdrawn 28th October 2002

FINALS RESULTS

Semi Finals

Waverley Panthers 8 def Bonbeach Bluejays 4
Melbourne Demons 11 def Sandringham Kings 3

Preliminary Final

Melbourne Demons 11 def Bonbeach Bluejays 3

Grand Final

Melbourne Demons 6 def Waverley Panthers 2

UNDER 12 METRO LEAGUE WEST

	GP	W	L	D	WO	FOR	AGST	PTS	%
Newport Rams	16	14	1	1	0	208	105	29	0.665
Fitzroy Lions	16	11	4	1	0	173	145	23	0.544
Preston Pirates	16	8	6	2	0	219	139	18	0.612
Williamstown	16	7	8	1	0	188	180	15	0.511
Essendon 2	16	4	12	0	0	138	239	8	0.366
Sunshine	16	1	14	1	0	79	221	3	0.263

FINALS RESULTS

Semi-Finals

Newport Rams 18 def Fitzroy Lions 10

Williamstown 15 def Preston Pirates 8

Preliminary Final

Fitzroy Lions 9 def Williamstown 8

Grand Final

Newport Rams 16 def Fitzroy Lions 4

UNDER 14 METRO LEAGUE EAST

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Bonbeach Bluejays	15	13	2	0	0	1	201	68	0.867
Waverley Panthers	14	12	2	0	0	2	195	61	0.857
Cheltenham Stallions	14	8	6	0	0	2	149	116	0.571
Upwey FTG Cubs	14	8	6	0	0	2	150	123	0.571
Springvale	14	7	6	1	0	2	109	81	0.536
Sandringham Kings	14	7	6	1	0	2	132	138	0.536
Malvern	14	4	10	0	0	2	113	188	0.286
Berwick City Cougars	14	2	12	0	0	2	88	224	0.143
Moorabbin	15	2	13	0	0	1	62	212	0.133

FINALS RESULTS

Semi Finals

Bonbeach Bluejays 7 def Waverley Panthers 4

Cheltenham Stallions 23 def Upwey FTG 3

Preliminary Final

Waverley Panthers 10 def Cheltenham Stallions 9

Grand Final

Waverley Panthers 9 def Bonbeach Bluejays 6

UNDER 14 METRO LEAGUE WEST

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Newport Rams	13	11	2	0	0	3	178	74	0.846
Williamstown	14	10	4	0	0	2	194	102	0.714
Sunshine	14	8	6	0	0	2	142	133	0.571
Preston Pirates	13	7	6	0	0	3	140	151	0.538
Geelong White	14	7	7	0	0	2	187	139	0.500
Essendon 2	14	3	11	0	0	2	84	195	0.214
Werribee 2	14	2	12	0	0	2	106	243	0.143

FINALS RESULTS

Semi Finals

Williamstown 3 def Newport Rams 2
Preston Pirates 14 def Sunshine 6

Preliminary Final

Newport Rams 13 def Preston Pirates 1

Grand Final

Newport Rams 12 def Williamstown 2

UNDER 16 METRO LEAGUE EAST

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Waverley Cougars	16	12	3	0	0	1	153	69	0.813
Springvale	16	12	4	0	0	1	149	88	0.750
Bonbeach Bluejays	16	11	4	1	0	1	150	82	0.719
Cheltenham Stallions	15	10	4	1	0	2	145	81	0.700
Sandringham	16	8	5	3	0	1	117	110	0.594
Cheltenham Broncos	14	8	6	0	0	3	123	118	0.571
Melbourne Demons	15	7	8	0	0	2	100	110	0.467
Moorabbin/Berwick	16	6	10	0	0	1	107	141	0.375
Upwey FTG Cubs	14	4	10	0	0	3	93	121	0.286
Malvern	16	2	14	0	0	1	74	189	0.125

Blackburn 2 withdrawn 28th October 2002

Doncaster 2 withdrawn 5th February 2003

FINALS RESULTS

Semi Finals

Waverley Cougars 11 def Springvale 6
Bonbeach Bluejays 3 def Cheltenham Stallions 2

Preliminary Final

Springvale 5 def Bonbeach Bluejays 4

Grand Final

Springvale 2 def Waverley Cougars 1

UNDER 16 METRO LEAGUE WEST

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Newport Rams	15	12	3	0	0	2	195	66	0.800
Williamstown	15	12	3	0	0	2	161	88	0.800
Sunshine	15	10	5	0	0	2	129	93	0.667
Port Melbourne	14	7	7	0	0	3	119	143	0.500
Geelong White	15	7	7	1	0	2	134	115	0.500
Fitzroy 2	14	2	10	2	0	3	69	171	0.214
Werribee Giants	14	0	14	0	0	3	67	216	0.000

FINALS RESULTS

Semi Finals

Newport Rams 3 def Williamstown 1

Sunshine 18 def Port Melbourne 2

Preliminary Final

Williamstown 4 def Sunshine 3

Grand Final

Newport Rams 5 def Williamstown 1

UNDER 18 METRO LEAGUE

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Blackburn	14	13	1	0	0	3	184	68	0.929
Waverley Cougars	15	9	6	0	0	2	129	113	0.600
Malvern	15	8	6	1	0	2	105	103	0.567
Moorabbin	15	7	7	1	0	2	87	111	0.500
Chelsea Dolphins	14	6	7	1	0	3	76	104	0.464
Melbourne Demons	14	4	9	1	0	3	102	110	0.321
Werribee Giants	15	2	13	0	0	2	86	166	0.133

FINALS RESULTS

Semi Finals

Blackburn 18 def Waverley Cougars 3

Malvern 15 def Moorabbin 9

Preliminary Final

Malvern 11 def Waverley Cougars 3

Grand Final

Blackburn 23 def Malvern 3

2001/2002 CENTRE LADDERS AND FINALS RESULTS

UNDER 12 SOUTH EAST CENTRE

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Sandringham Grey	12	10	2	0	0	1	140	58	0.833
Cheltenham Indians	12	10	2	0	0	1	131	59	0.833
Cheltenham Broncos	12	8	4	0	0	1	96	69	0.667
Sandringham Gold	12	8	4	0	0	1	107	76	0.667
Bonbeach Blues	13	8	5	0	0	0	87	86	0.615
Cheltenham Stirrups	12	7	5	0	0	1	94	72	0.583
Cheltenham Mavericks	11	6	5	0	0	1	86	65	0.545
Bonbeach Jays	12	6	6	0	0	1	119	102	0.500
Sandringham Blue	12	5	6	0	1	1	75	95	0.458
Cheltenham Cowboys	11	4	7	0	0	1	56	85	0.364
Berwick City Whitesox	12	2	8	1	1	1	39	114	0.250
Berwick City Bluesox	12	1	9	1	1	1	53	136	0.167
Sandringham Maroon	12	0	11	0	1	1	55	130	0.042

FINALS RESULTS

UNDER 12 SOUTH EAST CENTRE

Sandringham Grey def Sandringham Gold 5-1

Cheltenham Indians def Cheltenham Broncos 9-2

UNDER 12 SOUTH EAST CENTRE

Sandringham Grey def Cheltenham Indians 8-2

UNDER 14 SOUTH EAST CENTRE

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Cheltenham Stallions	13	10	3	0	0	0	100	61	0.769
Cheltenham Mavericks	13	9	3	1	0	0	127	67	0.731
Bonbeach Jays	13	8	4	0	1	0	117	52	0.654
Sandringham Grey	12	7	4	0	1	1	79	63	0.625
Cheltenham Jackaroos	13	7	5	1	0	0	104	70	0.577
Sandringham Blue	13	5	6	1	1	0	71	88	0.462
Bonbeach Blues	13	6	7	0	0	0	69	72	0.462
Sandringham Maroon	13	5	7	1	0	0	100	97	0.423
Cheltenham Broncos	13	4	9	0	0	0	71	109	0.308
Berwick City Bluesox	13	0	12	0	1	0	20	188	0.038

FINALS RESULTS

UNDER 14 SOUTH EAST CENTRE

Cheltenham Stallions def Sandringham Grey 3-2

Cheltenham Mavericks def Bonbeach Jays 13-4

UNDER 14 SOUTH EAST CENTRE

Cheltenham Stallions def Cheltenham Mavericks 5-4

2002/2003 CENTRE LADDERS AND FINALS RESULTS

UNDER 12 WEST CENTRE

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Werribee Dodgers	11	8	2	1	0	2	111	56	0.773
Williamstown Tigers	11	7	3	0	1	2	76	69	0.682
Werribee Bluejays	12	7	3	1	1	1	106	59	0.667
Williamstown Panthers	12	7	3	1	1	1	118	71	0.667
Newport Rangers	12	7	3	1	1	1	127	49	0.667
Sunshine	11	6	4	0	1	2	77	55	0.591
Newport Rams	11	4	5	2	0	2	71	97	0.455
Bacchus Marsh	11	3	5	2	1	2	63	54	0.409
Port Melbourne	12	4	8	0	0	1	86	135	0.333
Melton	10	0	10	0	0	2	48	151	0.000

FINALS RESULTS

UNDER 12 WEST CENTRE

Werribee Dodgers	def	Williamstown Panthers	5-2
Werribee Bluejays	def	Williamstown Tigers	11-0

UNDER 12 WEST CENTRE

Werribee Bluejays	def	Werribee Dodgers	5-2
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UNDER 14 WEST CENTRE

	GP	W	L	D	WO	BYE	FOR	AGST	WIN %
Port Melbourne	12	9	2	1	0	1	113	49	0.792
Werribee Athletics	11	7	3	0	1	2	89	47	0.682
Werribee Marlins	11	6	3	1	1	2	87	43	0.636
Newport Rams	11	6	4	0	1	2	83	69	0.591
Williamstown Tigers	11	3	6	1	1	2	65	79	0.364
Bacchus Marsh	10	2	6	2	0	2	52	97	0.300
Footscray	10	0	9	1	0	2	36	141	0.050

FINALS RESULTS

UNDER 14 WEST CENTRE

Port Melbourne	def	Newport Rams	20-4
Werribee Athletics	def	Werribee Marlins	5-3

UNDER 14 WEST CENTRE

Port Melbourne	def	Werribee Athletics	12-6
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2002 VBA Junior League Elite Players and Teams

Under 18

Dean Barker	Adam Blackley	Chris Cassidy
David Dicker	Kyle Edlich	Brad Harman
Donavon Hendricks	Grant Karlsen	Dean McIntyre
Scott Moore	Evan Phillips	Anthony Reinke
James Ross	Micahel Sadler	Joe Trucchio
Paul Wignall	Daniel Williams	

Head Coach: Damian Shanahan
Assistant Coaches: Justin Huber, Leigh McIntyre
Executive Officer: Gary Reinke

Under 16

Luke Arandt	Grant Irving	Dean Malthouse
Elliot Biddle	Brad Jones	Jack McCloskey
Tim Dellwo	Scott Kerr	Leigh McKay
Tom Dicker	Jack Larner	Joel Ricketts
Daniel Gribbin	Matthew Lawman	Josh Spence
Stephen Hood	Nolan Maher	Nicholas Unland

Head Coach: David May
Assistant Coaches: Garry Bitmead, David Schlenker
Executive Officer: Roland Stott

Under 14

Feeney Armistead	Nicholas Hinrichsen	Joshua Mulherin
James Beresford	Jamie Lethborg	Timothy O'Neill
Nick Bradbury	Josh Licence	Jase Perkins
Rhys Brady	Andrew Mann	Taylor Rowe
Ashley Daws	Andrew Mazzocato	Peter Schroeders
Justin D'Rozario	Jordan Mitchelhill	Tom Stewart

Head Coach: Michael Crooks
Assistant Coaches: Greg Morley, Russell Stewart
Executive Officer: Andrew Fennell

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