



# 2011/2012 Annual Report



# Baseball Leagues and Clubs in Victoria

## **BV Summer League**

Berwick City  
Blackburn  
Bonbeach  
Bundoora  
Carrum Downs  
Chelsea  
Cheltenham  
Croydon  
Doncaster  
Essendon  
Fitzroy  
Footscray  
Geelong  
Greensborough  
Malvern  
Melbourne  
Monash University  
Moorabbin  
Mornington  
Mulgrave  
Newport  
Ormond Glenhantly  
Port Melbourne  
Preston  
Sandringham  
Springvale  
St. Kilda  
Sunshine  
Upwey Ferntree Gully  
Waverley  
Werribee  
Williamstown

## **Ballarat Baseball Association**

Alfredton  
Ballarat City Brewers  
Mounties YC

## **Bendigo Baseball Association**

Bendigo East  
Falcons  
Scots  
Strathfieldsaye Dodgers

## **Dandenong Baseball Association**

Berwick Dodgers  
Boneo  
Bonbeach St Chads  
Carrum Downs  
Chelsea  
Cheltenham  
Dandenong  
Dingley  
Doncaster  
Footscray  
Frankston  
Melbourne University  
Monash University  
Moorabbin  
Mornington  
Oakleigh  
Ormond Glenhantly  
Pakenham  
Sandringham

## **Geelong Baseball Association**

Bacchus Marsh  
Bellarine Bears  
Colac  
Corio  
Deakin  
East Belmont Saints  
Guild All-Stars  
Lara  
Newport  
Werribee

## **Latrobe Valley Baseball Association**

Churchill  
Moe/Newborough  
Morwell  
Sale  
Traralgon

## **Baseball Umpires Association of Victoria**

## **Melbourne Winter Baseball League**

Bundoora  
Croydon  
Diamond Creek  
Doncaster  
Essendon  
Footscray  
Forest Hill  
Glen Iris  
Greenhills Montmorency  
Greensborough  
Heathmont  
Knox  
La Trobe University  
Melbourne University  
Mitchell Majors  
Monash University  
North Balwyn  
North Coburg Rebels  
Northcote Lions  
Panton Hill  
Research  
Ringwood Saints  
St Kilda  
Watsonia  
Waverley  
Westgarth  
Wheelers Hill  
Upwey Ferntree Gully

## **North Eastern Baseball Association**

Benalla Bandits  
Lavington Reds  
North Albury NASC Bears  
Porepunkah Panthers  
Wangaratta Rangers  
Wodonga Warriors

## **Sunraysia Baseball League**

Eagles  
Hawks  
Saints  
Tigers  
Tornadoes  
Wanderers

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## 2012 Agenda

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

6.30pm

**Monday 12th November 2012**

**MSAC Sports House (375 Albert Road, Albert Park)**

1.0 Welcome from the President:

2.0 Roll Call:

3.0 Apologies:

4.0 Adopt Previous Minutes and Business Arising

5.0 Financial Statements & Report

6.0 Annual Reports

1. President
2. Chief Executive Officer

7.0 Notices of Motions

1. To resolve the appointment Ms Sheila Nguyen and Mr Scott Dawes to be officers of the Association and Directors of the Board for three years.

*THAT Ms Sheila Nguyen and Mr Scott Dawes, Directors holding casual vacancies and being eligible, be appointed to the office of Director for three years.*

8.0 General Business



## 2011 Minutes

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Monday 14th November 2011**

held in the Training Room, MSAC Sports House, 375 Albert Road, Albert Park.

*Meeting opened 6.35 pm.*

**1.0 Chairman:** Dr Robert J. Sadler (RS)

**2.0 In attendance:** Berwick, Blackburn, Bonbeach, Cheltenham, Doncaster, Essendon, Fitzroy, Footscray, Geelong, Malvern, Melbourne, Monash University, Moorabbin, Mornington, Mulgrave, Newport, Ormond Glenhuntly, Port Melbourne, Preston, Sandringham, Springvale, St Kilda, Sunshine, Upwey Ferntree Gully, Waverley, Williamstown, Bendigo Baseball Association, Dandenong Baseball Association, Melbourne Winter Baseball League, Baseball Umpires Association of Victoria, Robert Blackmore (Life Member), Paul Collins (Life Member), Graeme Ainscough (Life Member), Les Flower (Life Member), Barry Smith (Life Member), Clayton Crameri (Director), Stephen Thompson (Director), Shaun Graf (Director), Brett Hidson (CEO)(BH), Christine Little (Competitions Coordinator) (CL).

**3.0 Apologies:** Bundoora, Carrum Downs, Chelsea, Greensborough, Geelong Baseball Association, Latrobe Valley Baseball Association, Sunraysia Baseball League, Baseball Umpires Association of Victoria, Doug Chapman (Life Member), Rodney Gaunt (Life Member), Peter Dihm (Life Member), Fiona McNabb (Director), Richard Foote (Director)

**3.1 Absent:** Croydon, Werribee, Ballarat Baseball Association, North Eastern Baseball Association

**4.0 Minutes:** The minutes of the previous meeting - 25th October 2010 (as circulated) were presented for approval.

**Moved:** Melbourne

**Seconded:** Preston

**4.1 Business arising from previous minutes:** Nil

### **5.0 Financial Statements & Annual Report:**

The Financial Statements and Annual Report was tabled for approval.

- The Chairman (RS) asked Les Flower (LF) to give an overview of the Financial Reports.

LF advised that Pitcher Partners conducted an audit of the accounts and has made adjustments due to the winter season crossing over into two financial years. LF advised the winter registrations and insurance have been equalized over the whole season.

LF advised there was a \$37,000 surplus for the year, being the amount that was generated over the budget because of an increase in winter registrations and insurance.

LF highlighted the junior development overseas programs as being big projects with quite large dollar amounts being shown.

RS thanked LF.

RS advised the auditors raised the issue of starting the financial year at a different time of year due to the crossover of the winter season. He advised that the Board had not yet considered this option.

**Motion:** “that the Annual Report Financial Accounts be approved”

**Moved:** Robert Blackmore

**Seconded:** Williamstown

**Issues arising:** Nil

**Motion Carried**

## **6.0 Annual Reports**

### **1. President**

Rob Sadler (RS) spoke on his President’s Report for season 2010/2011. He thanked Brett Hidson and the office staff for their work during 2011.

RS spoke of the establishment of the new Summer League Committee which has taken over the responsibility of the operation of the Summer League competition. The Board now has the strategic oversight of baseball in Victoria.

RS acknowledged the contribution of Barry Smith for his contribution to the Pennant Committee and advised that Barry did not opt to continue with the Summer League Committee.

Barry Smith advised he had been a member of the Pennant Committee for 40 years not 20 as stated in the President’s Report.

RS congratulated Waverley Baseball Club on winning the Division 1 Premiership for the third year in a row and congratulated the Geelong Baseball Club on winning the Peter Dihm Shield as Division 1 Club Champions.

RS spoke on the strategic directives of the Board, putting in place the Participation Review Project and Facilities Development overview. He spoke of the inaugural ABL season and the challenge it created for Baseball Victoria.

RS congratulated the achievements of the Victorian State Teams with the Victoria Women’s Blue team winning the National Tournament held in Canberra and top three results of the Provincial, Under 23, Under 18 Blue and Under 16 teams. He also congratulated the development programs that travelled overseas.

RS finished by thanking the Baseball Victoria Board for their efforts during the year and the volunteers who have participated on the Baseball Victoria sub committees.

### **2. Chief Executive Officer Report**

Brett Hidson (BH) spoke of the process of working more closely with the volunteer sub committees to give them more direction and independence so the Board can concentrate on more strategic issues. BH acknowledged staff members for their work and participation on the various committees and acknowledged the contribution of volunteers on these committees.

BH spoke on the Participation Research Project, the facilities Development Plan and the completion of the Yardball program. He advised baseball Victoria had missed out on VicHealth funding this year however there will be more focus given to other projects.

BH thanked the club Presidents and Secretaries for their assistance and help during the year and he thanked the Board for their support.

RS identified other reports included in the 2011 Annual Report including the Summer league Committee, Scorers Committee, Little League Committee, Director of Umpiring Report and the Winter Associations and that for the first time it gives a rounded view of baseball in Victoria both winter and summer.

**Motion:** “that the 2010/2011 Annual Report be approved”

**Moved:** Barry Smith

**Seconded:** Essendon

**Issues arising:** Nil

**Motion Carried**

#### **7.0 Special Business**

RS advised there was no special business to be addressed at this meeting.

#### **8.0 Notices of Motions**

RS stated that as per the Constitution paragraph 29 (2) as vacancies arise, Directors can be appointed in accordance with the rule which enables the Board to second Directors. Directors appointed under this rule shall be ratified at the next practical Annual General Meeting, ratification will be deemed to have occurred unless 66% of the members entitled to vote reject any Director selected and proposed by the Chairman, Deputy Chairman and Chief Executive Officer. Any decisions made by the Board comprising of appointed Directors will not be invalidated where an appointed Director is not ratified at the Annual general Meeting.

RS advised that positions on the Board became available during the year and the Board has identified members to fill these positions. He spoke on the Director profiles of Mr Stephen Thomson and Mr Shaun Graf, as tabled.

RS stated that Stephen Thompson had made an invaluable contribution to the Board since his appointment and is holding the Facilities/Government and Infrastructure portfolio.

RS advised that Shaun Graf has taken on the Pathway/Development and High Performance portfolio.

**Motion:** “To resolve the appointment Mr Stephen Thomson and Mr Shaun Graf to be officers of the Association and Directors of the Board. That Mr Stephen Thomson and Mr Shaun Graf, Directors holding casual vacancies and being eligible, be appointed to the office of Director.”

**Moved:** Robert Blackmore

**Seconded:** Berwick City Cougars

**Issues arising:** Nil

**Motion Carried**

RS congratulated Stephen Thomson and Shaun Graf on their appointments.

RS advised that Directors Clayton Crameri and Fiona McNabb terms have expired in accordance with the rules and have sought and are eligible to be reappointed Directors.

**Motion:** “That Mr Clayton Crameri and Ms Fiona McNabb, Directors retiring by rotation in accordance with Rule 30.2(b) and being eligible, be re-appointed to the office of Director.”

**Moved:** Newport

**Seconded:** Ormond Glenhuntly

**Issues arising:** Nil

#### **Motion Carried**

RS advised he will pass on his congratulations of the meeting to Fiona McNabb and congratulated and thanked Clayton Crameri for his contribution.

#### **8.0 General Business**

There were no General Business items.

*Meeting closed: 7.08 pm*



# Office Bearers

## Baseball Victoria Board of Directors

President	Dr Robert J. Sadler (resigned June 2012), replaced by Mr Clayton Crameri (assigned position on June 2012)
Vice President	Mr Stephen Thomson (assigned position on June 2012)
Chief Executive Officer	Mr Brett Hidson
Directors	Ms Fiona McNabb Mr Shaun Graf (appointed October 2011) Mr Richard Foote (resigned April 2012), replaced by Ms Sheila Nguyen (appointed April 2012) Mr Scott Dawes (appointed June 2012)

## Junior Girls Committee

Stephen Collis, Fiona Glover, Cassandra Shelverton, Jade Hough, Ron Copperwaite, Mike Slape & Grant Karlsen

## Little League Committee

Peter Collis, Richard Mason, Paul Walshe & David Zucchet

## Scorers Committee

Chair:	Michele Winter Kim Bride, Phyllis Hargreaves, Sharyn Hussey, Robyn Karlsen, Kaylene Pengelly & Lyn Stokes
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## Summer League Committee

Chair:	Jason Blair / Michael Gourlay Jason Blair, John Ferguson, Mark Gooding, Michael Gourlay, Dale Lewis, Matthew Sheldon-Collins, Cassandra Shelverton & Christine Little
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## Summer League Tribunal Panel

Chair:	Michael Gourlay Mike Ashburn, John Holmes, Gary McQuiggan & Noel Pinnell
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## Umpiring

Director of Umpiring:	Ian McKenzie
Assistant:	Phil Box

## Winter Committee

Chair:	Gary McQuiggan Julie Jones, Barry Mills, David Milton, David Rice & David Zucchet
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**Staff**

Chief Executive Officer	Brett Hidson
Participation Manager	Justin Huber (start April 2012)
ABF High Performance Manager	Damian Shanahan
Competitions Coordinator	Christine Little
Teams & Tournaments Coordinator	David Zucchet
Operations Coordinator	Ashley Blair (start Oct 2011)
Development Officer	Grant Karlsen (end April 2012)
Finance Coordinator	Les Flower

## President's Report

Both on and off the field Baseball Victoria has grown significantly in 2011/2012.

A major achievement for Baseball Victoria in 2011/2012 was the release the Facilities Development Plan in conjunction with InsideEDGE Sport and Leisure Planning. This plan is a blue print for all future facilities development in Victoria. This groundbreaking document is a big milestone for the future of our sport.

The year also saw changes within the Baseball Victoria Board and Administration. Following on from her extensive research in baseball participation, Dr Sheila Nguyen has joined the Board, replacing Richard Foote in the portfolio of Marketing, Communications and IT. Sheila will bring a wealth of knowledge and experience to the Board and I welcome and, in advance, thank her for her ongoing commitment. I would also like to thank outgoing Director Richard Foote for his contribution.

In April 2012, former Major League player and current Melbourne Aces player, Justin Huber, commenced with us in the role of Participation Manager. Justin's passion for the sport and his enthusiasm in creating new opportunities for participation has re-engendered Baseball Victoria's development programs. Justin is setting the foundation for a strong and positive future for growth of baseball in Victoria.

The year also saw much closer links and allegiances between the Melbourne Aces and Baseball Victoria as both offices worked collaboratively on projects including the Aces Baseball Academy, the Victorian Baseball Awards and many community relations events and programs.

On field, in its second year of the ABL competition, the 'Jet Couriers' Melbourne Aces showcased the best of Victorian Baseball on the national stage. Congratulations to the Aces in an extraordinary year, making the finals and finishing in second place behind the Perth Heat in a thrilling Championship Series. We all look forward to the 2012/2013 ABL season with great anticipation.

Baseball Victoria was well represented at the National Youth Championships with two teams in each age group, Under 14s, Under 16s and Under 18s. The Under 14, Under 16 and Under 18 Victoria Blue teams all made finals with the Under 14 and Under 16 teams finishing the Championships as runner-up, while the Under 18s finished in fourth position; a great effort by all involved.

The Victorian Women's team finished in third place, Under 15 Girls finished as the runner-up, and the Victorian Under 23 team finished in fourth place at their respective National Championships.

Geelong Baseball Club again hosted the Under 16 and Under 18 National Youth Championships (NYC) in January 2012 with resounding success. In testament to our great facilities and volunteers we look forward to the Under 16 and Under 18 NYC returning to Geelong in January 2013 and the National Women's Tournament being held in Ballarat in April 2013. Geelong will also host the Oceania AAA Championships immediately following the NYC, which will qualify the champion team for the World Championships.

It is also exciting to see the numbers of Victorian players and coaches being represented at the National level, with 22 players and 5 coaches being selected to represent Australia at international tournaments in the past year, a great achievement.

Victoria has also seen great success with the number of players being signed to professional contracts with US Major League clubs over the past year. This year we have seen 11 players signed, which is testament to the hard work and dedication of the players, the great work by the Victorian coaches, clubs and junior development programs.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the voluntary efforts of each of our Board members, namely Clayton Crameri, Stephen Thomson, Fiona McNabb, Shaun Graf and Sheila Nguyen. I would also like to thank all of the volunteers on our Sub Committees and volunteers within our Associations and Clubs.

On behalf of the Board, I would like to recognise and thank the Baseball Victoria CEO, Brett Hidson, and his dedicated and passionate staff for effort and assistance.

Finally, this is my last President's Report for Baseball Victoria. I have recently resigned from the Baseball Victoria Board after over 20 years of service. The Association has elected Clayton Crameri as my successor as President and I wish Clayton an easy transition.

The decision to move on, despite doing so for what I think are sound reasons, is still painful. I have spent almost half my life on the Baseball Victoria Board or its predecessor, whether as President, Vice President, Club Representative, Junior League Chairman or Tribunal Chairman. I know I will miss my involvement in the Board's processes and decision making.

As a result of my vacancy, Scott Dawes, a former CEO of Baseball Victoria, will join the Board as Director of Competitions and Tournaments. I am sure knowledge and experience of baseball in Victoria will not be lost with Scott's participation on the Board. Thank you Scott and welcome to your return to Baseball Victoria.

I would like to thank each of my Board members past and present, and the Clubs and Associations Chairs and Secretaries, and Administrators, for their ongoing support. I also acknowledge the huge contribution made by the Baseball Victoria office staff and to the volunteers to our sport who have each made my role at Baseball Victoria fun and challenging.

Robert Sadler  
**President**

## CEO's Report

It is my pleasure to be able to present my third annual report. It provides an opportunity to look back and reflect on the past year, provide an insight into our time ahead and acknowledge the many wonderful people and organisations that make baseball great in Victoria.

### Snapshot

- 9,546 registered players<sup>1</sup>, an increase of 560 members from last year;
- An increase of 3 teams to 625 teams fielded in the 2011/12 and 2102 seasons;
- 110 clubs played in 9 Baseball Victoria Associations & Leagues in the 2011/12 summer and 2102 winter seasons;
- 6 new Umpires accredited in 2012 for a total of 86;
- 14 Scorers accredited in 2012 for a total of 82;
- 36 Coaches accredited in 2012 for a total of 282; and
- A trading profit of \$9,936 for the 2011/12 financial year.

### Highlights

- Profitable financial performance.
- Sport & Recreation Victoria funding to provide greater participation opportunities.
- Completed major research that reviewed the experiences of participants and non-participants in baseball.
- Completed a major baseball facilities development plan.
- Top three finishes by the Victorian U14 Blue, U16 Blue, Women and Girls teams at National Championships.
- Rebranding of the Victorian Baseball Academy as the Aces Baseball Academy.
- The induction of Simone Wearne into the ABF's Hall of Fame, the first women to be bestowed with this honour.
- Consolidated the implementation and promotion of Aussie T-Ball and new Coach Accreditation Scheme on behalf of the ABF.
- Kangaroos Teams travelled to Japan (1/U12), USA (1/LL, 1/U15) and Melbourne (1/U13 Girls, 1/U15 Girls, 1/U17 Girls).
- ABL Play of the Year being awarded to Brad Harman for his outstanding out from second base in the ABL Championship Series.
- Ongoing support from the Victorian Government and our sponsors Aces Sporting Club, Fielder's Choice, Wilson, Ausport, K2 Baseball, Hall of Fame Industries and MLB International.

In December 2011, the Board commenced a review of its Strategic Plan with the aim of making it more performance and operationally specific. In consultation with the previous plan, the research data collated through member surveys and intense discussion, a new plan was released in October 2012. A focus on four key pillars - Participation and Development, High Performance, Governance and Finance, and, Facilities - has resulted in a clearer perspective

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<sup>1</sup> Count members from 'Baseball Victoria' in season '2011/12' from the Australian Baseball Federation's (ABF) national registration and insurance system, myClub.

for the office and our members to work towards the vision of *“No. 1 State for Participation, Australian Representation, Fans and Leadership.”*

Baseball Victoria again successfully secured Sport and Recreation Victoria funding through the new ‘Victorians More Active’ funding scheme. The agreement will enable Baseball Victoria to deliver more participation and development opportunities than ever before. On the back of this funding and the appointment of former Major League player, Justin Huber, as our new Participation Manager, delivery of the national Aussie T-Ball and coach accreditation programs, plus more school holiday camps and inclusive clinics, along with targeted efforts to transfer informal participants into members, are the key pillars of this scheme.

Our research into participation trends, motivations and experiences has concluded. Dr Sheila Nguyen has constructed a detailed report for the Board to digest and seek further feedback from members on proposed remodelling of our participation structures, competitions and possibly seasons that we believe will sustainably increase our participation.

The Baseball Facility Development Plan through InsideEDGE Sport and Leisure Planning was also completed and released publicly during the past 12 months. The Plan has already received a resounding welcome from the State Government and many local councils as it provided clear expectations on baseball facilities footprint. We look forward to the commencement of its implementation over the coming months.

Our clubs are the shop front for our sport. They provide the first point of call for all participants. Their performance is the make or break for the future of potential members in our sport. With this, I would like to throw the challenge to our struggling clubs to become good clubs and the good clubs to become great clubs. Great people following a unified direction is the focus of our future with Baseball Victoria providing support, help and resources as a genuine umbrella body for all participants, clubs and associations in Victoria.

I would like to acknowledge and thank the passionate work of the many people who supported and contributed to Baseball Victoria over the past 12 months:

- The Victorian Government and vicsport for their continued funding, representation and support;
- Aces Sporting Club, Fielder’s Choice, Wilson, Ausport, K2 Baseball, Hall of Fame Industries and MLBI for their continued sponsorship;
- All clubs and organisations that staged tournaments, events and competitions on behalf of Baseball Victoria;
- The ABF, ABL and the Melbourne Aces, for their running of their respective competitions, tournaments and programs;
- The other state baseball associations, officials and volunteers who made enormous contributions to each event and program; and
- All players that participate in our summer and winter club competitions, Little League teams, league representative teams, state teams and national representatives for giving your heart and soul to every throw, hit and catch.



The Club and League Presidents, Secretaries, Administrators, Volunteers, Coaches, Scorers and Umpires are all wonderful supporters of our sport through their tireless efforts at their respective club or association. I will continue to support you as I adamantly believe that you are the most important people in the sport. Congratulations, thanks and well done.

Also, my thanks to the Baseball Victoria Board of Directors, our sub-committees and all volunteers. A formidable team has been established with my staff and I am extremely proud of their achievements, namely Christine Little, David Zucchet, Ashley Blair, Justin Huber, Damian Shanahan, Les Flower and Kingsley Collins. Also thanks to Grant Karlsen who left us this year, and Jason Blair for his continued support behind the scenes.

Finally, family and close friends often provide a wonderful support network and also make significant personal sacrifices due to our time in this wonderful sport. Not unlike many others I feel this support from my wife and our family, so for this I offer a big thanks to you too.

Brett Hidson  
**Chief Executive Officer**

## Sub-Committees

### Little League Committee Report

The 2012 State Little League Championships were played over the Australia Day holiday at the Preston Baseball Club (for the Northern Diamondbacks) with representative teams from the Bellarine Rays, Northern Diamondbacks, Southern Mariners, Western Mets and the Yarra Rangers making up the Metropolitan Division, while Sunraysia and Latrobe Valley played off in the Country Division.

This tournament was the first time that teams played under the following new conditions:

- Realignment of team boundaries, resulting in 5 Country and 5 Metropolitan teams;
- New names for Metropolitan teams;
- Player eligibility for teams determined by residential postcode, not registered club;
- Only one State Little League Championships, instead of two, to be played over the Australia Day holiday; and
- A minimum of one Country and one Metropolitan team selected after State Championships to represent Victoria at the National Championships.

This year's tournament saw teams compete in a single round robin format within Metropolitan and Country divisions. The final result saw Southern Mariners win a play-off against Yarra Rangers in the Metropolitan division, and Sunraysia claim the Country division.

Following the State Championships, the ABF advised that the National Championships would be expanded to include an additional five teams, resulting in our need to nominate an additional team.

All non-qualifying teams from Victoria were subsequently invited to participate in a 'Wildcard' play-off tournament. Yarra Rangers eventually won the day-long tournament, which was held on Saturday 14th April, overcoming Northern Diamondbacks, Bellarine Rays and Western Mets to claim the additional spot at the National Championships.

Thank you to the Preston Baseball Club for hosting the Australia Day weekend and the wildcard play-off, as well as the officials and many families that cheered their children along regardless of the score.

Yarra Rangers (2nd), Southern Mariners and Sunraysia represented Victoria with great pride at the National Championships. Congratulations to the Perth North team for winning this year's tournament and subsequently representing Australia at the Asia Pacific event. Unfortunately a tired Yarra Rangers couldn't find the legs to overcome Perth North in the final. Also thanks to the ABF and the Alleygators Baseball Club for their efforts in staging the event.

It was announced following the National Championships that Australia will receive direct qualification to the Little League World Series, rather than having to qualify via the Asia/Pacific charter. Also, the ABF will expand the National Championships to 20 teams, ultimately resulting in Victoria committing to select 4 teams. Both points increase the opportunities for our Little Leaguers to participate in the pinnacle of Little League Baseball, which is warmly

welcomed by Baseball Victoria. Our committee will establish and announce the qualification process through the State Championships shortly.

Thank you again to everyone involved with the Little League Championships, including the Committee members Peter Collis, Paul Walshe and Richard Mason, along with each association and team, your efforts have been tremendous throughout the year and look forward to it all in the future.

David Zucchet  
**Little League Administrator**

## Scorers Committee Report

The Scorers' Committee has 7 members who meet on a regular basis during winter and summer seasons to discuss upcoming tournaments, clinics and *Council of Australian Baseball Scorers* (CABS) related issues with regards to scoring baseball. We also issue newsletters, run clinics, and accreditation exams.

The Scorers' Committee attends the annual national CABS workshop to ensure Victorian scorers are kept up to date with the latest changes in Australian scoring. This also enables us to liaise with scorers from all the different states and territories and find out what they are doing to promote and advance scoring in their areas. This year, the workshop was unfortunately cancelled and has not been re-scheduled as yet.

Clinics are held for clubs during the summer and winter seasons with attendance usually between 7 and 12 participants wanting to know more about scoring.

At present there are 82 financial CABS in Victoria.

Congratulations and thanks to the following scorers that recently represented Victoria:

### 2012 World AAA Championships (South Korea)

- Jenny Moloney

### 2011/12 Australian Baseball League

- Michael Gourlay, Robyn Karlsen and Jennie Moloney

### 2012 National Championships

- Lyn Stokes (Coordinator), Kaylene Pengelly, Phyllis Hargreaves, Michele Winther, Sharyn Hussey, Stewart Cassell, Robyn Hogben, Kim Bride, Jenny Moloney, Emma Medwin, Karen Mason and Jenny Rogers (U18/U16 - Geelong)
- Leah Hodgson (U14 - Perth)
- Robyn Hogben (U23 - Adelaide)
- Kaylene Pengelly (Girls - Canberra)
- Sue Morgan (Women - Canberra)

It was pleasing that 18 scorers sat a Level 1 Accreditation Exam with 14 achieved this level, with another 6 scorers sat for their Level 3 accreditation.

A special thanks to our committee members, mentors, assessors and to all scorers that recorded every game played throughout Victoria.

Michele Winther

**Chair and Director of Scoring**

## Summer League Committee Report

The Summer League in season 2011/2012 fielded:

- 4534 players, in
- 342 teams, (125 Seniors, 20 Women, 28 Masters, 100 Juniors, 29 Area Centre Juniors and 40 Club Leagues).
- 32 clubs, in
- 34 of grades, being Division 1, Division 1 Reserves, Division 1 Thirds, Division 1 Fourths, Division 2, Division 2 Reserves, Division 2 Thirds, Division 3, Division 4, Division 5, Division 6, Under 18 Major League, Under 18 AAA Minor League, Under 16 Major League, Under 16 AAA Minor League, Under 16 AA Minor League, Under 14 Major League, Under 14 AAA Minor League, Under 14 AA Minor League East, Under 14 AA Minor League West, Under 12 Major League, Under 12 AAA Minor League East, Under 12 AAA Minor League West, Under 14 Centre's (South & West) and Little League (Central & West)).

In 2011 the Board of Baseball Victoria established a new look Summer League Committee to replace the former Pennant Committee. This change effectively gave the Summer League Committee the authority to manage, coordinate and oversee the operation of the Summer League with the Board taking on a more strategic role. This gave the Summer League Committee more direction and autonomy.

The members of the 2011/2012 Summer League Committee represented a large contingency of the sport including women, juniors, seniors and officials. It was pleasing to see the level of experience the members brought to the new committee.

Another change in the operation of the Summer League included rule changes requiring two thirds in favour vote by clubs for a rule to be approved and implemented. This gave clubs more opportunity to have a say in the running of their competition.

Season 2011/2012 saw the revitalisation of the Summer League Playing Conditions and Baseball Victoria By-laws. This was a massive undertaking as the former By-laws and Playing Conditions were intertwined, it was necessary to separate these into what is now the Summer League Playing Conditions which are the rules that govern the Summer League competition and the Baseball Victoria By-laws which are the rules that govern baseball across Victoria. Thanks must go to Stephen Thomson and Brett Hidson for their assistance with this.



It was pleasing to see more winter clubs join the Summer League this season, it demonstrates that baseball is a strong year round sport and it can be used to highlight the need for facility development and funding grants.

The Seniors competition continued with the 33 game home and away season for Division 1 and 26 game Division 2 home and away season. The Summer League Committee discussed

options for the number of games to be played however it was decided that no major change to the structures of the Senior competition should be made until the release of the Participation Research report in 2012.

It was great to see the Masters competition thrive in 2011/2012, there were 6 new teams entered into competition with an additional 80 players competing.

In season 2011/2012 the Women's competition was reviewed. Due to the nature of the women's competition with the inconsistency of player numbers and abilities changing from season to season, a 5 round qualifying period was introduced to create a fair and even competition. This gave clubs an opportunity to strive to play at higher level and to create more competitive regular season games.

The introduction of the BVSL Weekly Memo was a great initiative and became very popular. The Weekly Memo highlighted game changes, tribunal results, competition information, issues and clarifications. The memo was released to clubs and posted on the Summer League website for the whole community to keep a track of what was happening in the Summer League.



Congratulations must go to the Essendon Baseball Club, Division 1 Premiers, winning the Ross Straw Trophy, Doncaster for winning the Division 1 Women's Premiership and to Sunshine and Sandringham Baseball Clubs on their promotion to Division 1 for the 2012/2013 season.

Now the thanks! A big thank you to the Cheltenham Baseball Club for hosting the Junior Major League Grand Finals, Preston Baseball Club and Melbourne Ballpark for hosting the Seniors and Masters Finals and Malvern Baseball Club for hosting a remarkable Women's Super Saturday.

On behalf of the Summer League Committee I would like to offer a thank you to all volunteers within the Summer League community. From the dedicated club officials, club committee members, scorers, umpires, coaches, canteen staff and grounds people, our sport would not be what it is today without your support, so thank you.

I take this opportunity to also thank Baseball Victoria Life Member Barry Smith. After 40 years of being involved with the Pennant Committee, Barry decided not to reapply for a position on the Summer League Committee in season 2011/2012. As a former umpire and Director of Umpiring, Barry's knowledge and experience of the game over many years was second to none, he was a great resource for the Committee and was sorely missed.

A big thank you must also go to Jason Blair and Les Flower. Both Jason and Les spend countless hours behind the scenes, processing match cards, stat sheets and scores. The role they do is extremely important, but it often gets overlooked.



Thank you also to the 2011/2012 Tribunal Panel, Mike Ashburn, John Holmes, Gary McQuiggan and Noel Pinnell. It is not an easy job, I thank the panel for their contribution.

In closing I would like to thank the members of the Summer League Committee, Jason Blair, John Ferguson, Mark Gooding, Dale Lewis, Matthew Sheldon-Collins, Cassandra Shelverton and Christine Little (Secretariat) for their support, hard work and who have dedicated so many voluntary hours towards making this game better.

Finally I would like to thank the Baseball Victoria office staff, in particular Christine Little, Ashley Blair and Brett Hidson for their support and extraordinary efforts in continuing the success and development of the Summer League competition and easing the pressure off the Committee.

This year will be my last year on the Summer League Committee, after 17 years on the various committees I have decided to concentrate my efforts on the Summer League Tribunal for season 2012/2013.

I wish the 2012/2013 Summer League Committee continued success.

Michael Gourlay  
**Acting Summer League Chairman**

## Director of Umpiring Report

The 2011/12 season was again a very busy one and there are many people to thank for their encouragement and support during my first year as the Director of Umpiring (SDU). These include not only all those who supported me in my application for the position but also those who willingly accepted the tasks and responsibilities I delegated to them during the season. These delegations eased my workload and gave those Umpires an introduction and experience into the workings of the SDU position.

I would like to mention the following without whose assistance my role would have been much more difficult:

- Phil Box, for undertaking the Assistant Directors role and responsibility for training
- David Milton, for Level O training and Umpire Coordinator for the State Winter Championships
- Paul Carthy, for Little League Umpire coordination and development
- Kevin McMurrugh, for coordinating the Umpires at the Victorian Masters in Ballarat
- Bruce Suttor, for coordinating the appointments for the Summer League Women's and Masters competitions

On behalf of all BUAV members, I would to thank Malcolm Chiverton and members of the Melbourne Baseball Club who for many years have made their facilities available to us for our training/meetings and have gone out of their way to make us most welcome.



Congratulations are in order for several BUAV members whose hard work over many years has finally been recognised with international appointments:

- Greg Howard, who has been appointed to the World AAA Championships in Korea;
- Fiona Lambrick, a former member and Secretary of the BUAV who now resides in Perth, has been appointed to the World Women's Championships in Canada;
- Paul Carthy attended the Asia/Pacific Little League Championships in Taiwan and was appointed to plate the Gold Medal game;
- David Milton travelled to Guam for the Oceania AA playoff series.

At the local level there were many other notable appointments during the past 12 months;

- ABL Panel: Phil Box, Greg Howard, Stewart Howe and David Milton
- National Championships
  - U16/U18 Geelong: Phil Box, Geoff Dunn, Peter Eckardt, Ian Gavin, Michael Lyons, Paul Meissner, Alex Shteinberg, Paul Carthy, Greg Howard, Stewart Howe, and David Welsh
  - U14 Perth: Rod Moon and Randall Vavra
  - Women's Canberra: Paul Carthy
  - Girls U15 Canberra: Laurie Treadwell
  - Little League Gold Coast: Chris Mason, Jordan Bates, Richard Mason, and Paul Carthy
  - Under 23 Adelaide: Richard Mason and Geoff Dunn

- Provincial Adelaide: Unfortunately this tournament was cancelled due to insufficient teams entering. Denis Dalzotto had been appointed.
- MLB AAP Gold Coast: Stephen Legge, Craig Durdin and Rod Moon

During the 2011/12 Baseball Victoria Summer League season, there were a total of 53 active Umpires across the various competitions. 1308 games were covered consisting of 2060 appointments and on average each Umpire officiated in just fewer than 40 games for the year. I would like to thank all Umpires for their hard work and a special mention to those Umpires who willingly responded to requests to fill vacancies on short notice.

Congratulations to those Umpires appointed to the finals and thank you for a job well done.

Finally my congratulations to the following BUAV award winners for 2011/12:

- Umpire of the Year: David Milton
- Director's Award: Simon Matters
- Rookie of the Year: Geoff Dunn

My thanks Baseball Victoria staff, members of the various committees, to all Umpires, and the BUAV Committee for your efforts and support over the past 12 months and I look forward to working with you again during 2012/13.

Ian McKenzie

**Director of Umpiring**

## **Winter Committee Report**

Baseball Victoria's Winter Committee continued this year. Joining me were its members Julie Jones, David Milton, David Rice, Barry Mills and David Zucchet.

The committee continues to be a 'voice' for the winter associations within Baseball Victoria. We also aimed to provide a bridge between Baseball Victoria's many divisions and components and the winter associations.

Our particular focus is more and more on the State Winter Championships. I congratulate all metropolitan and regional associations as since the committee has been established, numbers of teams entered appear healthy. The return of a team from Mount Gambier at the Senior State Championships in Geelong is a testament to this.

The Committee continues to try several tournament format changes, rules, dates and venues. It is fair to say that some have been successful where as others, unfortunately have not been too kind, particularly the regional areas. We will continue to explore opportunities to improve the competition made available during the winter months.

The efforts by Baseball Victoria to promote baseball in regional schools and media were outstanding this year, especially in Bendigo and Wangaratta. Thank you to Justin Huber and Brett Hidson for this effort - one which I hope will expand to all locations next year.

We encourage all associations to promote the State Winter Championships vigorously and ensure a future is available for 'representative teams' to continue to participate in the traditional 'carnivals'. I would like to make it quite clear, that this committee has the best interests of all associations in mind, and are open to all suggestions in regards to the tournament format, both junior and senior.

Thank you to the Geelong, Sunraysia, North Eastern, Latrobe Valley and Bendigo Associations, and the Wangaratta and Sale Clubs, for hosting the State Championships this year - well done for your excellent work.

The Committee has already announced dates and venues for the 2013 State Winter Championships. It is hoped that with ample time, Associations can better prepare the selection of their teams and manage their local fixtures.

In closing I would like to thank my committee for their assistance this year. A special thanks to David Zucchet and Ashley Blair for their work from the office in coordinating significant parts of the committee and tournaments. Also thanks to David Milton, and the umpires and scorers that made a special commitment to officiate. The committee for 2013 will be chaired by Julie Jones, with David Milton as vice chair as I am standing down.

We look forward to your continuing support of Baseball Victoria and thank all of the associations for their continue support.

Gary McQuiggan  
**Chairman**

## 2011/12 Summer League

### Club Champions

- Division 1 (Peter Dihm Shield): Essendon
- Division 2: Mulgrave

#### Division 1 (Peter Dihm Shield)

	Club	Firsts Wins	Reserves Wins	Thirds Wins	Fourths Wins	Total Points
1	Essendon	23	16	10	7.5	381
2	Geelong	23.5	11.5	15.5	7	380
3	Melbourne	22	5	13	14	330
4	Blackburn	19.5	9.5	6	14.5	305
5	Waverley	19.5	12	2	12	299
6	Cheltenham	18	5.5	6	12	261
7	Malvern	10.5	10.5	13	9	238
8	Doncaster	12	7	11.5	9	220
9	Upwey Ferntree Gully	11	8	8	5	200
10	Fitzroy	7	7	10	9	170
11	Preston	9.5	4	4	4	143
12	Werribee	5.5	2.5	2	2	82

#### Division 2

	Club	Firsts Wins	Reserves Wins	Thirds Wins	Total Points
1	Mulgrave	19	11.5	13	311
2	Sunshine	20	13	7.5	308
3	Sandringham	16.5	17	8.5	301
4	Williamstown	14	14	11.5	270
5	Newport	14	12.5	11	259
6	St Kilda	15	8	15	258
7	Bonbeach	16	10.5	8	255
8	Springvale	12	10	12	228
9	Berwick City	12	11	7.5	216
10	Moorabbin	7.5	2.5	10	130
11	Waverley	6	5.5	9	129
12	Ormond Glenhuntly	8	4	4	120
13	Chelsea	6	4.5	3	99
14	Port Melbourne	0	0	0	0

#### Points allocation:

- Firsts: 10 points per win, 5 points per draw
- Reserves: 6 points per win, 4 points per draw
- Thirds: 4 points per win, 2 points per draw
- Fourths: 2 points per win, 1 points per draw

## Premiers

- Division 1 (Ross Straw Trophy): Essendon
- Division 1 Reserves: Geelong
- Division 1 Thirds: Malvern
- Division 1 Fourths: Cheltenham
- Division 2 (R. E. Darling Trophy): Williamstown
- Division 2 Reserves: St Kilda
- Division 2 Thirds: Berwick
- Division 2 Fourths: Fitzroy
- Division 3: Ormond Glenhuntly
- Division 3 Reserves: Footscray
- Division 4 East: Blackburn
- Division 4 North West: North West A
- Division 4 South: Ormond Glenhuntly
  
- Women's Division 1: Springvale A
- Women's Division 2: Footscray
- Women's Division 3: Waverley B
  
- Masters Division 1: Geelong A
- Masters Division 2 Melbourne B
- Masters Division 2 North West: Preston/Reservoir
- Masters Division 2 South: N/A
  
- Under 18 Major League (L. V. Straw Shield): Waverley
- Under 18 AAA Minor League: Blackburn
- Under 16 Major League (Les Polson Shield): Cheltenham Blue
- Under 16 AAA Minor League: Fitzroy A
- Under 16 AA Minor League: Cheltenham
- Under 14 Major League (J. F. Guiliano Shield): Waverley Wildcats
- Under 14 AAA Minor League: Fitzroy
- Under 14 AA Minor League East: Malvern
- Under 12 Major League (W. E. Blanden Shield): Waverley Wildcats
- Under 12 AAA Minor League East: Waverley Panthers
- Under 12 AA Minor League West: Preston Raiders
  
- Under 14 South East Centre: Sandringham
- Under 14 West Centre: Newport
- Under 12 East Centre: Melbourne Demons
- Under 12 West Centre: Newport Pistons



## Statistical Leaders

### HITTING – TOP TEN HITTERS IN EACH DIVISION

#### DIVISION 1

	<i>NAME</i>	<i>CLUB</i>	<i>H</i>	<i>AVG</i>
1	Mathew, Kent	Melbourne	51	.392
2	Sullivan, Timothy	Essendon	40	.392
3	Evans, Ryan	Preston	29	.377
4	Brice, Tom	Melbourne	31	.365
5	Phillips, Ryan	Blackburn	30	.353
6	O'Malley, Kenneth	Doncaster	34	.351
7	McIntyre, Scott	Essendon	40	.351
8	Dicker, David	Blackburn	26	.347
9	McDonald, Tristen	Essendon	30	.341
10	Dingle, Hayden	Cheltenham	36	.340

#### DIVISION 2

	<i>NAME</i>	<i>CLUB</i>	<i>H</i>	<i>AVE</i>
1	Bonaddio, Adam	Mulgrave	18	.462
2	Marnell, Dean	Williamstown	16	.444
3	Wheeler, Ricky	Berwick	18	.429
4	Drinkwater, Ross	Fitzroy	16	.410
5	Lawman, Matthew	Newport	19	.404
6	Camov, Ryan	Williamstown	23	.404
7	Mason, Chris	Williamstown	18	.400
8	Ballantyne, Jonathan	Moorabbin	23	.397
9	Rowe, Adam	Fitzroy	12	.387
10	Weir, Griffen	Newport	10	.385

#### WOMEN'S DIVISION 1

	<i>NAME</i>	<i>CLUB</i>	<i>H</i>	<i>AVG</i>
1	Gell, Bronwyn	Doncaster	25	.658
2	Lillywhite, Shae	Springvale	25	.568
3	Hamilton, Samantha	Doncaster	22	.550
4	Psota, Kate	Springvale	24	.545
5	Row, Catherine	Springvale	24	.545
6	McCann, Amy	Doncaster	19	.528
7	Gibson, Lauren	Port Melbourne	16	.516
8	Howard, Ursula	Malvern	22	.512
9	Anglin, Leslie	Geelong	18	.500
10	Hamilton, Jody	Footscray	19	.500

## PITCHING – TOP TEN PITCHERS IN EACH DIVISION

### **DIVISION 1 (Harry Douglas Memorial Trophy)**

	<i>NAME</i>	<i>CLUB</i>	<i>IP</i>	<i>ERA</i>
1	Hussey, John	Blackburn	42	1.07
2	Forbes, Cameron	Geelong	49.1	1.10
3	Gibbons, Sam	Geelong	32	1.13
4	Braun, Jason	Doncaster	89.7	1.41
5	Buzachero, Edward	Preston	102.7	1.75
6	Mann, Andrew	Melbourne	93.4	1.83
7	Bright, Adam	Blackburn	59.3	1.97
8	Jeon, Terry	Sandringham	84.4	2.13
9	Moran, Patrick	Malvern	66	2.18
10	Cunningham, Blake	Cheltenham	73.4	2.21

### **DIVISION 2**

	<i>NAME</i>	<i>CLUB</i>	<i>IP</i>	<i>ERA</i>
1	Rowe, Adam	Fitzroy	61	1.33
2	Prior, Mathew	Bonbeach	43	1.47
3	Ross, Cameron	Berwick	53	1.53
4	DeJong, Wesley	Werribee	36.4	1.73
5	Howell, Luke	Bonbeach	44.3	2.03
6	Pearson, Stephen	Port Melbourne	16.3	2.21
7	Vicary-Lovegrove, Liam	Newport	28.3	2.23
8	Blevins, Seth	Springvale	70	2.44
9	Lester, Jason	Williamstown	20.3	2.66
10	Green, Aaron	Williamstown	13.3	2.71

### **WOMEN'S DIVISION 1**

	<i>NAME</i>	<i>CLUB</i>	<i>IP</i>	<i>ERA</i>
1	Row, Catherine	Springvale	23	2.35
2	Collins, Erin	Doncaster	25.6	2.46
3	Psota, Kate	Springvale	26	3.12
4	Welsh, Kathy	Doncaster	45.7	3.55
5	Brown, Victoria	Port Melbourne	28.3	5.09
6	Tanaka, Risa	Footscray	20	5.85
7	Mills, Autumn	Geelong	48	6.00
8	Howard, Ursula	Malvern	37.3	6.52
9	Riopel, Vanessa	Footscray	38	6.87
10	Fraser, Lynn	Footscray	21	7.29

## Award Winners

### Most Valuable Players

- Division 1 (George S Heron Medal): Ben Knuth (Geelong)
- Division 2 (Robert R Hindson Medal): Rory Meddick (Sunshine)
- Women's Division 1: Autumn Mills (Geelong)
- Division 1 Grand Final Series (Harry Wonnacott Medal): Jarryd Rogers (Essendon)
- U18 Major League Grand Final (John Viney Perpetual Award): Mitchell Ellis (Donc)
- U16 Major League Grand Final (Angus McPherson Memorial Award): Luke Orwin (Wav)
- U14 Major League Grand Final (Dick Mason Memorial Award): Max Barrett (Chelt)
- U12 Major League Grand Final (Ian Deany Perpetual Award): Jaidyn Wilson (Newp)

### Pitching Awards

- Division 1 (Harry Douglas Memorial Trophy) - Adam Rowe (Melbourne)
- Division 2 - Rory Meddick (Sunshine)
- Women's Division 1 - Catherine Row (Springvale)

### Batting Awards

- Division 1 - Jarryd Rogers (Essendon)
- Division 1 Home Run Award - Matthew Ryan (Geelong)
- Division 2 - Ben Donald (Bonbeach)
- Division 2 Home Run Award - William Krause (Newport)
- Women's Division 1 - Bronwyn Gell (Doncaster)
- Women's Division 1 Home Run Award - Leslie Anglin (Geelong)

### Recognition Awards

- Years of Service Awards - Stewart Howe (BUAV), Peter Eckardt (BUAV), Mark Gooding (BUAV), Alex Djorgonoski (Preston)
- Coach of the Year - Shaun Moore (Sunshine)
- Umpire of the Year - David Milton
- Volunteer of the Year - Glenn Letts (Sunshine)
- Media Award - Conor Ryan (Leader Community Newspapers)
- Ernie Jones Scholarship Award - Sean Rintoul (Melbourne)

### 'Jet Couriers' Melbourne Aces Awards

- Most Valuable Player - Brad Harman
- Offensive Award - Justin Huber
- Pitching Award - Nick Unga
- Golden Glove - Dominic Ramos

## **2012 Winter Leagues**

### **Ballarat Baseball Association**

There has been significant development for baseball in Ballarat during 2012. The clubs have continued to grow, a new synthetic field has been completed and change within the committee has allowed Ballarat baseball to reshape its direction to what is looking to be a brighter future.

2012 hasn't been without its troubles. With a number of long term board members stepping down at the end of 2011, change at the committee level was required to take the Ballarat Baseball Association forward. With an independent chairman and a greater club emphasis, the Ballarat Baseball Association is now able to work more closely with each club and unify common goals. In light of the changes, the Ballarat Baseball Association would like to thank outgoing board members Tom Hipke, Jeff Clack, and John Wakeling for all their efforts over the years in developing baseball in the region.

The largest development during 2012 was the new synthetic all weather diamond. This has become a feature field for baseball (and in turn softball) in the Ballarat district. Its use for competition involving local clubs all year round, hosting national championships and engagement with Victoria's elite level baseball team (the Melbourne Aces) for pre-season training has allowed Ballarat to feature more heavily within the Ballarat sporting community. In particular, the ability to play night games during feature events has given the Association improved exposure to the broader Ballarat community all year round.

With the development of the new synthetic field, the Ballarat Baseball Association feels that it plays a strong part in the development of baseball in the region. As a result planning for 2013 has seen Ballarat apply for and be selected as the host for the National Women's and Youth Women's Championships in April. Ballarat will also host the Men's State Masters Championship over the Easter week for the second successive year.

The Ballarat Baseball Association believes that success in hosting these Championships will go a long way to promoting the game within Western Victoria, and provide a regional hub that allows participants to access the infrastructure required to go onto long and fruitful lifestyle benefits within the broader baseball community. Part of this will incorporate work with Baseball Victoria around its Strategic Planning for participation and youth development programs.

On the competition front, the three Ballarat clubs still play in the Geelong Association. Whilst this does commit the Ballarat baseball community to travel every second week, a pleasing aspect to come through the last 12 months is the continued growth in numbers for our three clubs.

Ballarat City Brewers were quite competitive in the top division, missing finals by the narrowest of margins – once again proving that Ballarat players are capable of mixing with the best in Western Victoria. Mounties completed the league and grand final double in B Grade and only just missed the grand final in B Reserve. Alfredton entered a second side for the first

time in many years – only just missing finals in B Grade with the second best defensive record in the competition.

Across all three clubs, seven teams were entered across five grades – increasing participation whilst ensuring participants were engaged in a suitable level of competition. Considerations around youth development and suitable programs are a strong part of future direction.

Matthew Hayward  
**Secretary**

## Bendigo Baseball Association Report

The Bendigo Association in 2012 fielded:

- 288 players, in
- 19 teams (12 senior and 7 junior), in
- 4 clubs, in
- 6 grades, being A Grade, B Grade, C Grade, Under 16, Under 14 and Under 12

### Premiers

- A Grade - Falcons
- B Grade - Falcons
- C Grade - Falcons
- Under 16 - Scots
- Under 14 - Scots
- Under 12 - Scots

### Major Award Winners

- Championship Club - Falcons Baseball Club
- A Grade MVP - Troy Waterman (Falcons)
- A Grade Batting - Nathan Larson (Falcons)
- A Grade Pitching (John Newman Award) - Troy Waterman (Falcons)
- Rookie of The Year (Leigh Tuckerman Award) - Josh Cruse (Strathfieldsaye Dodgers)
- B Grade MVP - Jonathon Vanderhagen (Falcons)
- B Grade Batting - Jonathon Vanderhagen (Falcons)
- B Grade Fielding - Jonathon Vanderhagen (Falcons)



## Dandenong Baseball Association Report

Success across the Dandenong Baseball Association (DBA) 2012 competition was spread wide with 7 clubs winning pennants across the eight senior grades, including Cheltenham taking out the A1 Championship for the 5th straight year. Pakenham backed up their first DBA pennant from 2011 by taking out the 2012 B1 Championship and with that will be promoted to A Grade next year. The Executive is planning on bringing the A Grade comp to a 10 team competition with the promotion of Boneo, Pakenham and Moorabbin Baseball Clubs.

The DBA in 2012 fielded:

- 1200 players, in
- 56 Senior Men's teams, 5 Women's Teams, and 32 Junior Teams in
- 17 clubs, in
- 12 of grades, being A1, A2, A3, A4, B1, B2, B3, Women's, U/17, U/15, U/13, Aussie T-Ball



This year also saw the first lot of Aussie T-Ballers playing in a shortened 10 week program. This saw on average 35 future DBA players running around 3 centres over the 10 week period. A big thanks to the Cheltenham, Dandenong and Pakenham Baseball Clubs for running this portion of Aussie T-Ball. Hopefully 2013 will bring more numbers in as more schools and localised areas being targeted to increase the total number of players.

The DBA continued to coordinate the state's only winter competition for women. For the 2013 season we are looking at doubling the number of teams entered to ten.

DBA again participated in all 2012 State Winter Championships, with our Under 16s winning Division 1 title. Congratulations to all DBA teams and many thanks to the tournaments hosts and Baseball Victoria in running these events.

### Premiers

- |                   |                                |
|-------------------|--------------------------------|
| • A1 - Cheltenham | • B3 - Berwick                 |
| • A2 - Dingley    | • Women - Melbourne University |
| • A3 - Cheltenham | • Under 17 - Cheltenham Blue   |
| • A4 - Dandenong  | • Under 15 - Dandenong Gold    |
| • B1 - Pakenham   | • Under 13 - Dandenong Gold    |
| • B2 - Oakleigh   |                                |

### Major Award Winners

- Best DBA Player (Ross McKenry Award) - Grant Irving (Dingley)
- Best DBA Pitcher (Goldern Arm Award) - Sam Street (Dingley)
- Rookie of the Year - Steve Bertucci (Boneo)
- Best U18 Player (Ken Love Memorial Trophy) - Brandon Stenhouse (Cheltenham)
- Best U16 Player - Jack Enciondo (Cheltenham)
- Best U14 Player (Bill Blanden Memorial Trophy) - Sam Drummond (Berwick)

- Best U12 Player - Max Hunter (Pakenham)
- A1 MVP - Matt O'Brien (Frankston)
- A2 MVP - Chase Cevec (Dingley)
- A3 MVP - Ashley Riddiford (Dingley Blue)
- A4 MVP - Daniel Ward-Burton (Cheltenham)
- B1 MVP - Andrew Katz (Moor), David Morris (Boneo) and Jonathan Beech (Dand)
- B2 MVP - Terry Jeon (Oakleigh)
- B3 MVP - Michael Wearne (Berwick)
- Women's MVP - Shae Lillywhite (Berwick)
- Club Championship (Neil Pendock Trophy) - Dandenong (290 points)

Chris Mayne

**Secretary**



## Geelong Baseball Association Report

The GBA continued to thrive as one of the state's progressive winter leagues, drawing senior and junior team entries from the Bayside city, Werribee, Bacchus Marsh, Ballarat, Colac and Newport.

The GBA boasts some of the best playing facilities in Victoria, with the magnificent Waurin Ponds, Pioneer Park and Prince of Wales Park complexes continuing to attract major events during winter and summer.

The GBA in 2012 fielded:

- 639 players, in
- 54 teams (38 senior and 16 junior), in
- 13 clubs, in
- 8 grades, being A, A Reserve, B, B Reserve, C, Under 17, Under 14 and Under 12.

In June, Geelong played host to the Baseball Victoria Senior State Winter Championship, another very successful event in which Ringwood took the Division One title and Sunraysia was victorious in Division Two.

The GBA expresses its appreciation to Baseball Victoria, officials, umpires and wonderful volunteers from the Guild and Saints clubs for helping making this weekend such a great success.

The Under 18 State Winter Championship was held in Mildura in early July, with the GBA team taking the title over the host association. This was the fourth straight year that the GBA side had been successful.

Again represented at all other junior State Winter Championships, Geelong accredited itself well especially considering that most representatives were bottom age.

Thank you to all managers, coaches and officials for your involvement with representative teams. Congratulations to all players gaining selection and representing the league with distinction, with special kudos extended to those who earned All-Star selection.



This year saw a revamp of the executive committee with Barry Mills assuming the role of President and David Crotty his deputy. It is a continual challenge to get suitable people to fill committee positions and it is left to a few to run an association and the competitions

Two players who cut their teeth in the GBA competition have commenced their careers in the MLB by signing minor league contracts namely Darryl George and Sam Gibbons. It is great for the up and coming players to see what possibilities there are in baseball

Premiers

- A Grade - Guild
- A Reserves - Guild
- B Grade - Mounties YC
- B Reserves - Werribee Vets
- C Grade - Deakin
- Under 17 - Guild
- Under 14 - Newport Rams
- Under 12 - Newport

#### Major Award Winners

- Club Champion (Alex Everett Trophy) - Guild
- A Grade MVP (A.E. Gear Trophy) - T Kerr-Chapman (Deakin)
- A Grade Best Batting Avg. (Neville McPherson Trophy) - J Durston (0.444; Guild)
- A Grade Best Pitching ERA (Col King Trophy) - T Kerr-Chapman (1.61; Deakin)
- A Reserve MVP (L.G. Howell Trophy) - J Smyth (Guild)
- B Grade MVP (Gordon Mckay Trophy) - M Reid (Colac)
- B Reserve MVP (Artie Murrells Trophy) - B Bavdek (Werribee Vets)
- C Grade MVP (Stan Hockey Trophy) - S Bell (Deakin)
- Under 17 MVP - James Wood (Newport)
- Under 14 MVP - Lachlan Scott (Bellarine)
- Under 12 MVP - Jarryd Wood (Guild)

Tony McPherson

**Executive Officer**

## Latrobe Valley Baseball Association Report

The Latrobe Valley Baseball Association and its clubs held firm this season following some challenging changes implemented last season. With a new approach and committee, we were able to consolidate without growing.

The LVBA in 2012 fielded:

- 241 players, in
- 29 teams (15 senior and 14 junior), in
- 5 clubs, in
- 5 grades, being A Grade, B Grade, C Grade, Under 13 and Under 10 (Tee Ball)

The Association have continued our rules regarding the compulsory fielding of U/13 and U/10 teams. Loss of senior points for not fielding the two lower junior grades has been successful. We had great difficulty in running the U/16 competition because of two byes per round this season. Clubs struggled for numbers in this Grade.

The senior teams were strong and viable in four of the five clubs. Even the fifth club made the finals in one of the grades. The finals series was hotly contested in each grade, with no clear favourites going into the Grand Final. More games were played this season because we did not take a break for the junior carnivals and we introduced two Saturday games to complete the schedule. This had been done before, but never had B and C Grades played on Saturday. This will be reviewed at the Annual General Meeting when the next fixture will be discussed.

We had another player reach the 400 game mark this season. Shane Gill recorded number 400 for his home club of Churchill. Jude Power of Traralgon Baseball Club pitched in the Australian Baseball League. A great result for the local competition, as well as for Jude.

Thank you to the Sale Baseball Club for hosting the U/14 State Winter Championships this season. They did an excellent job. Congratulations.



Congratulations also to Greg Howard, who represented Australia as an umpire in Korea at a World Championship event.

Looking ahead to next season, we will need to address the number of games that our U/16 teams get to play. We are losing numbers because of the lack of game time for this important group. We will also need to plan the fixture so that our senior grades continue to play the number of games that we wish to play. Our Association also needs to entice more of our young senior players to represent the LVBA in carnival competition.

#### Premiers

- A Grade - Churchill
- B Grade - Traralgon
- C Grade - Churchill
- U/16 - Traralgon
- U/13 - Traralgon

#### Major Award Winners:

- A Grade MVP - Tristen Pinkster (Churchill)
- B Grade MVP - Brad Pratt (Traralgon)
- C Grade MVP - Phil Cervi (Moe/Newborough)

Duane Baker

**Secretary**

## **Melbourne Winter Baseball League Report**

The 2012 season for the MWBL was one of great successes and increased participation. We welcomed two more clubs to the league, Essendon and Upwey Ferntree Gully. This helped the MWBL push senior team participation to 102 teams, 11 grades and 28 clubs in total. This was a success driven by the hard work of the current MWBL board, but more importantly the hard work of the clubs and their volunteers.

Our junior participation was again strong, and the introduction of a combined league Division 1 Under 15 competition allowed clubs entering teams in this age group to provide ability based competition and encourage continued junior participation.

The MWBL in 2012 fielded:

- 1,960 players, in 11 senior grades and 10 junior grades
- 152 teams, plus Teeball & Rookie Ball programs
- 28 clubs
- 21 of grades in total (A, A Reserve, B, B Reserve, C, C Reserve, D, D Reserve, D2, EL, EE, Under 17 Div 1 & 2, Under 15 Div 1 & 2, Under 13 Major & Minor grades)

The initiatives that were introduced in 2011 were continued in 2012. Again we ran and funded a Level 0 umpires course directed at club players and volunteers, offering a pathway to become an appointed MWBL umpire or BUAV accredited umpire, but importantly giving attendees a better insight into the rules and process within baseball. Over the past 2 years we have had 43 participants complete this course, with now a number completing the recent Level 1 course ran by the BUAV.

Junior recruitment and retention was a key priority for the MWBL. For the first time we formed a junior strategic committee made up of representatives from the junior league clubs. The priority was to offer fresh ideas in relation to junior recruitment, but most importantly start this process well before the winter season commenced. From this committee process, the MWBL held two Level 0 junior coaching courses. These courses, run by Baseball Victoria, were offered to any person with limited coaching experience who would find themselves as a junior club coach. Like the Level 0 umpires course, it offered an introduction to coaching and game management - with 30 participants attending.

We continued to increase our web presence as well as print media presence. Our media officer, Stephen George, was responsible for a consistent MWBL presence in local metro media - in Leader publications. The MWBL would have 24 articles appear in these local papers over the winter season period.

Again, a successful winter campaign for representative teams, with all of our levels performing well. We welcomed back the Ringwood & District Senior team after a 5 year absence, who went on to win the Division 1 senior winter championship. Our City League team entered again and performed very well, but unfortunately we were unable to enter a Diamond Valley league team - a situation we will rectify in 2013. We were very competitive in all junior levels, winning titles in a number of grades as well as entering multiple teams in all but one grade. The MWBL board would like to pass on our thanks to the BV Winter Committee, and to all our senior and junior representative teams, coaches, EO, scorers, players and supporters

We would also like to acknowledge the contribution of the following contributors:

- Slade Squires from SSS Computers
- Ben Utting from Ausport
- Tim Smith from Highway Press
- Craig Dykes from Mystique Printing
- Stephen George - MWBL Media Officer
- Doug Bartlett and the MWBL Umpires panel
- Bob Ayres and Tribunal members
- Peter Dihm and the MWBL pennant committee members
- Our junior committees and delegates
- All the hardworking volunteers at all our clubs that contribute on a weekly basis
- Brett Hidson and the BV staff
- The members of the VPBL

In closing, I would sincerely thank the hardworking members of the MWBL, at all levels, but closest to my role, the MWBL Board - Michael Vogt, Matt Davine, Phil Barclay, Paul Cummings, Peter Dihm and our administrator, David Rice. It takes exceptional commitment to grow a league at the rate the MWBL has over the past 4 years, and I hope that this increase in participation continues at the same rate.

Like all sporting leagues, there is a turnover of committees, and this is no different for the MWBL. At the end of 2012, Matt Davine (5 years service), Michael Vogt (2 years service) and myself (5 years service) will step down and allow a new board to take control and take the league forward. We all wish this new board all the best for 2013.

#### Premiers

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| • A Grade - Heathmont                    | • Under 17 Div 2 - Greensborough B             |
| • A Reserve - Knox                       | • MWBL U15 Div 1 - Ringwood                    |
| • B Grade - Westgarth                    | • U15 (DBJBA) - Watsonia                       |
| • B Reserve - Diamond Creek              | • U15 (RDJBL) - Forest Hill                    |
| • C Grade - Greenhills Montmorency       | • U13 Major (DVBJA) -<br>Greensborough         |
| • C Reserve - Knox                       | • U13 Minor (DVBJA) -<br>Bundoora/North Coburg |
| • D Grade - Doncaster                    | • U13 Major Div 1 (RD) - Waverley              |
| • D Reserve - Upwey FTG                  | • U13 Major Div 2 (RD) - Ringwood              |
| • D2 Grade - Footscray                   | • U 13 Minor (RD) - Waverley                   |
| • EL - Waverley                          |  |
| • EE - Greenhills Montmorency            |  |
| • U 17 Div 1 - Greenhills<br>Montmorency |  |

#### MVP Award Winners

- A Grade - Leigh McKay (Research)
- A Res - Jack Rintoul (North Balwyn)
- B Grade - Masa Endo (North Coburg Rebels)
- B Res - Steven Hunter (Westgarth)
- C Grade - Stephen Fitzmaurice (GMBC)
- C Res - Alex Oldricks (Knox)
- D Grade - Brendan Stephens (Mitchell Majors)
- D Reserve - Paul Wilcocks (Knox)
- D2 Grade - Doug Moore (Ringwood)
- EL Grade - Chris Powell (Waverley)
- EE Grade - Kirt Dickens (Watsonia)

Mark LeGrew

**President**

## **North Eastern Baseball Association Report**

The NEBA conducted an 8 team/14 round competition. Additional 'carnival' rounds were staged at the start of the season and during week 10 in an effort to bring all teams to one venue for a carnival atmosphere. Grade premierships were again determined by top 3 playing off for the A Grade title, the middle 3 playing for the B Grade title and the lowest 3 playing off for the C Grade title.

The biggest challenge this year was the imbalance of competition with the Bears A and Rangers A clearly being the best two teams. Unfortunately other team were often uncompetitive meaning some disinterest entered the minds of many players.

The NEBA in 2012 fielded:

- 152 players, in
- 8 teams, in
- 6 clubs, in
- 3 grades, being A Grade, B Grade and C Grade.

The Wangaratta Rangers conducted an Aussie T-Ball program which netted the club 18 new registrations. This effort was supported by Baseball Victoria, especially Justin Huber, who conducted a number of clinics and media interviews in the days leading into the Under 16 State Winter Championships. Thanks Justin and well done to Wangaratta, especially Brendon French.

Also thanks and well done to Wangaratta for hosting the Under 16 State Winter Championships. The event saw unprecedented media coverage and assistance from the Wangaratta Council, thanks largely to Justin Huber and Brett Hidson at Baseball Victoria. The club did a great in hosting the weekend. Many thanks to all clubs that provided volunteers that assisted in many roles - your work was greatly appreciated.

The NEBA would also like to acknowledge our supporters, especially those who assisted with umpiring and scoring throughout the season. It makes it a lot easier for the games to go ahead, in the knowledge that the support is there. And thanks also to those who ran the kiosks throughout the season.

### **Premiers**

- A Grade - NASC Bears
- B Grade - Wodonga Warriors
- C Grade - Wangaratta Rangers

### **Major Award Winners**

- A Grade Best & Fairest: Brendan Simmons (NASC Bears)
- B Grade Best & Fairest: Jesse Griffiths (Wodonga Warriors)
- C Grade Best & Fairest: Tony Smith (Wangaratta Rangers)

### **NEBA Executive**



## **Sunraysia Baseball League Report**

The League has again experienced a season that was comparable with the past few years. Player numbers remained approximately the same.

The 2012 season saw the amalgamation of the Senior and Junior Leagues into one body, with an internal committee in charge of the junior operations. This new venture operated very well and the future of the combined leagues looks very promising.

The Sunraysia Baseball League in 2012 fielded:

- 478 players, in
- 42 teams, (14 seniors and 28 junior teams)
- 11 clubs, in
- 8 grades, being A Grade, B Grade, C Grade, Under 16, Under 14, Under 12, Under 10 and Under 8.

The League representative sides gained considerable success in Baseball Victoria's State Winter Championships with the Senior team being Division 2 Premiers, the Under 18 team winning their division, Under 16 team runners up in their division, the Under 14 team were 3rd and the Under 12 team won their division.

We were again represented in the SACBA Championships on the last weekend in September by a Senior team, and Under 17 and Under 14 teams. The Senior team won their sixth straight title, the Under 17 team were also winners and the Under 14 team were Runners-up. Once again this was a very successful weekend for Sunraysia baseball.

The League wishes to acknowledge all the club sponsors and supporters for their assistance and contributions during the year. The League values their support immensely.

### **Premiers**

- |                       |                     |
|-----------------------|---------------------|
| • A Grade - Eagles    | • Under 14 - Eagles |
| • B Grade - Hawks     | • Under 12 - Hawks  |
| • C Grade - Wanderers | • Under 8 - Saints  |
| • Under 16 - Eagles   |                     |

### **Major Award Winners**

- |  |                                      |
|--|--------------------------------------|
| • Ian Bishop Medal - Michael Wade  | • C Grade Best Player - Graeme Witte |
| • A Grade Best Player - Jedd Miller  | • U/16 Best Player - Cody Smith      |
| • B Grade Best Player - Joe Fleri  | • U/14 Best Player - Lachlan McBain  |
| • Rookie of the Year (Geoff Brown Award) - Charlie Ashcroft & Brad Gowers            |                                      |
| • Best Player in Baseball Victoria's Senior SWC (Trevor Rogers Award) - Ben Heagerty |                                      |
| • Best Player in SACBA Senior Championships (Peter Wade Award) - Michael Wade        |                                      |

Ian Bishop

**Secretary**

## Tournament Results

### 2012 Senior State Winter Championships

Hosted by Geelong Baseball Association (Geelong Baseball Centre), 9 - 11 June 2012

#### Round Robin

Bendigo	0	vs	Ringwood	7
City	10	vs	Bendigo	5
Ringwood	4	vs	Geelong	7
Geelong	9	vs	City	1
Ringwood	4	vs	Sunraysia	3
Sunraysia	3	vs	Geelong	15
Geelong	9	vs	Bendigo	1
Bendigo	2	vs	Sunraysia	13
City	1	vs	Ringwood	18
Sunraysia	5	vs	City	12
Dandenong	11	vs	Mount Gambier	1
Latrobe Valley	0	vs	Dandenong	16
North Eastern	6	vs	Mount Gambier	5
Latrobe Valley	13	vs	North Eastern	6
Mount Gambier	8	vs	Latrobe Valley	13
North Eastern	2	vs	Dandenong	14

#### Division 2 Play-offs

Mount Gambier	3	vs	Bendigo	2
<b>SUNRAYSIA</b>	12	vs	Mount Gambier	1

#### Division 1 Play-offs

Latrobe Valley	9	vs	City	2
Geelong	0	vs	Bye	0
Ringwood	15	vs	North Eastern	0
Dandenong	0	vs	Bye	0
City	3	vs	North Eastern	8
Dandenong	7	vs	Latrobe Valley	3
Geelong	0	vs	Ringwood	3
<b>RINGWOOD</b>	9	vs	Dandenong	2

#### Champions

- Division 1 - Ringwood
- Division 2 - Sunraysia

## 2012 Under 18 State Winter Championships

Hosted by Sunraysia Baseball League (Mildura), 7-8 July 2012

### Round Robin

Geelong	8	vs	Sunraysia	2
Dandenong	2	vs	Ringwood	1
(bye)	0	vs	Diamond Valley	0
Latrobe Valley	0	vs	(bye)	0
Geelong	4	vs	Diamond Valley	1
Sunraysia	5	vs	Dandenong	2
Dandenong	3	vs	Geelong	7
Sunraysia	0	vs	(bye)	0
Diamond Valley	3	vs	Ringwood	9
Sunraysia	2	vs	Diamond Valley	0
Ringwood	3	vs	Geelong	7
Dandenong	0	vs	(bye)	0
<b>GEELONG</b>	0	vs	(bye)	<b>0</b>
Diamond Valley	1	vs	Dandenong	10
Ringwood	2	vs	<b>SUNRAYSIA</b>	7

### Champions

- City Division - Geelong
- Country Division - Sunraysia

## 2012 Under 16 State Winter Championships

Hosted by North Eastern Baseball Association (Wangaratta), 4-5 August 2012

### Round Robin

Bendigo	15	vs	North Eastern	8
Geelong	3	vs	Ringwood	2
Dandenong	1	vs	Diamond Valley Black	8
Latrobe Valley	3	vs	Sunraysia	13
Diamond Valley Red	0	vs	(bye)	0
Diamond Valley Red	11	vs	Latrobe Valley	7
Ringwood	12	vs	Diamond Valley Black	7
Geelong	3	vs	Dandenong	7
Sunraysia	16	vs	Bendigo	0
North Eastern	0	vs	(bye)	0
North Eastern	3	vs	Sunraysia	16
Dandenong	6	vs	Ringwood	3
Diamond Valley Black	12	vs	Geelong	2
Bendigo	11	Vs	Diamond Valley Red	5
Latrobe Valley	0	vs	(bye)	0
Ringwood	5	vs	Geelong	8
Diamond Valley Red	8	vs	North Eastern	5
Diamond Valley Black	4	vs	Dandenong	6
Latrobe Valley	3	vs	Bendigo	13
Sunraysia	0	vs	(bye)	0
Diamond Valley Black	12	vs	Ringwood	16
North Eastern	9	vs	Latrobe Valley	8
Dandenong	11	vs	Geelong	1
Sunraysia	5	vs	Diamond Valley Red	4
Bendigo	0	vs	(bye)	0
Ringwood	1	vs	Dandenong	12
Geelong	3	vs	Diamond Valley Black	9

### Country Division Finals

Sunraysia	4	vs	<b>BENDIGO</b>	9
Diamond Valley Red	11	vs	North Eastern	2
Latrobe Valley	0	vs	(bye)	0

### Champions

- City Division - Dandenong
- Country Division - Bendigo

## 2012 Under 14 State Winter Championships

Hosted by Latrobe Valley Baseball Association (Sale), 30 June - 1 July 2012

### Round Robin

Geelong	12	vs	Latrobe Valley	4
Ringwood Green	7	vs	Diamond Valley	3
Sunraysia	9	vs	Bendigo	10
Ringwood Black	1	vs	Dandenong	11
Sunraysia	0	vs	Ringwood Green	18
Latrobe Valley	6	vs	Dandenong	19
Ringwood Black	8	vs	Geelong	13
Bendigo	4	vs	Diamond Valley	9
Latrobe Valley	4	vs	Ringwood Black	17
Bendigo	1	vs	Ringwood Green	16
Diamond Valley	16	vs	Sunraysia	15
Dandenong	7	vs	Geelong	5

### Division 1 Play-offs

Ringwood Green	13	vs	Diamond Valley	2
Geelong	5	vs	Dandenong	5
Dandenong	9	vs	Diamond Valley	3
Geelong	1	vs	Ringwood Green	14
<b>RINGWOOD GREEN</b>	13	vs	Dandenong	1
Diamond Valley	9	vs	Geelong	7

### Division 2 Play-offs

Latrobe Valley	2	vs	Ringwood Black	18
Bendigo	14	vs	Sunraysia	8
Latrobe Valley	4	vs	Bendigo	10
Ringwood Black	13	vs	Sunraysia	12
Bendigo	6	vs	<b>RINGWOOD BLACK</b>	8
Sunraysia	10	vs	Latrobe Valley	6

### Champions

- Division 1 - Ringwood Green
- Division 2 - Ringwood Black

## 2012 Under 12 State Winter Championships

Hosted by Bendigo Baseball Association (Eaglehawk), 7 - 8 July 2012

### Round Robin

Sunraysia	23	vs	Geelong	2
Diamond Valley	1	vs	Ringwood	6
Latrobe Valley	7	vs	Dandenong	20
Bendigo	0	vs	(bye)	0
Diamond Valley	16	vs	Latrobe Valley	4
Bendigo	3	vs	Dandenong	19
Geelong	2	vs	Ringwood	19
Sunraysia	0	vs	(bye)	
Bendigo	6	vs	Diamond Valley	18
Latrobe Valley	12	vs	Geelong	17
Dandenong	3	vs	Sunraysia	10
Ringwood	0	vs	(bye)	0
Geelong	22	vs	Bendigo	4
Ringwood	14	vs	Dandenong	8
Diamond Valley	8	vs	Sunraysia	7
Latrobe Valley	0	vs	(bye)	0
Latrobe Valley	4	vs	Ringwood	19
Sunraysia	16	vs	Bendigo	0
Dandenong	4	vs	Diamond Valley	11
Geelong	0	vs	(bye)	0
Dandenong	13	vs	Geelong	3
Sunraysia	16	vs	Latrobe Valley	6
Ringwood	12	vs	Bendigo	10
Diamond Valley	0	vs	(bye)	0
Ringwood	3	vs	Sunraysia	9
Geelong	4	vs	Diamond Valley	21
Bendigo	17	vs	Latrobe Valley	16
Dandenong	0	vs	(bye)	0

### Champions

- Division 1 (City) - Ringwood
- Division 2 (Country) - Sunraysia

## 2012 State Winter Championships - Most Valuable Players

For 2012, coaches' votes were collected to determine a MVP for each team, replacing the selection of an All-Star team, which was done based on statistics from the tournament.

### Senior Championships

- Nick Whatley (Bendigo)
- Deepak Kumar (City)
- Grant Irving (Dandenong)
- Chris Webb (Geelong)
- Matt Prior (Latrobe)
- Brodie Foster (Mount Gambier)
- Tetsu Kamiyama (North East)
- Hayden Dingle (Ringwood)
- Michael Wade (Sunraysia)

### Under 18 Championships

- Brandon Stenhouse (Dandenong)
- Jordan Hill (Diamond Valley)
- Cameron McNish (Geelong)
- Alister Lovelock (Geelong)
- Steven Bookluck (Ringwood)
- Charlie Ashcroft (Sunraysia)

### Under 16 Championships

- Zac Cruise (Bendigo)
- Jack Enciondo (Dandenong)
- Riley Hill (Diamond Valley Black)
- Nick Sheedy (Diamond Valley Red)
- Josh Agius (Geelong)
- Ashley Barnes (Latrobe Valley)
- Riley Damm (North East)
- Chase Hodgkinson (Ringwood)
- Liam Christian (Sunraysia)

### Under 14 Championships

- Lachlan Jack (Bendigo)
- Sam Drummond (Dandenong)
- Christian Snelson (Diamond Valley)
- Lachlan Medew (Geelong)
- Ciaren Palmer (Latrobe Valley)
- Cooper Goodman (Ringwood Green)
- Ben Gundry (Ringwood Green)
- April Goldring (Sunraysia)

### Under 12 Championships

- Thomas Morrison (Bendigo)
- Max Hunter (Dandenong)
- Zak Skinner (Diamond Valley)
- Jarryd Wood (Geelong)
- Ciaren Palmer (Latrobe Valley)
- Chris Burke (Ringwood)
- Will Kortekaas (Sunraysia)

## 2012 State Little League Championships

Hosted by Vic Metro Northern D'backs (Preston BC), 26-28 January 2012

### Single Round Robin

Yarra Rangers	10	vs	Northern Diamondbacks	9
Southern Mariners	2	vs	Yarra Rangers	3
Western Mets	11	vs	Bellarine Rays	3
Bellarine Rays	4	vs	Southern Mariners	6
Bellarine Rays	8	vs	Yarra Rangers	9
Northern Diamondbacks	0	vs	Southern Mariners	12
Yarra Rangers	2	vs	Western Mets	12
Western Mets	3	vs	Northern Diamondbacks	7
Northern Diamondbacks	12	vs	Bellarine Rays	3
Southern Mariners	8	vs	Western Mets	3
Northern Diamondbacks	7	vs	Western Mets	0

### Finals

Sunraysia	11	vs	Latrobe Valley	5
Yarra Rangers	0*	vs	Southern Mariners	0*

\*Mariners d Rangers by forfeit

### Champions qualify for the 2012 National Little League Championship

- Southern Mariners
- Sunraysia

## 2012 State Little League Championships - Wildcard Play-off

Hosted by Vic Metro Northern D'backs (Preston BC), 14th April 2012

### Single Elimination

Bellarine Rays	1	vs	Yarra Rangers	10
Western Mets	3	vs	Northern Diamondbacks	2
Western Mets	1	vs	Yarra Rangers	11

### Wildcard Winner qualifies for the 2012 National Little League Championships

- Yarra Rangers



## State Representatives

### Senior Teams

#### 2012 National Women's Championships, Canberra ACT, 7-14 April 2012

##### Victorian Team

- Leslie Anglin (Geelong)
- Sophie Binks (Port Melbourne)
- Belinda Cannington (Doncaster)
- Amy Collins (Doncaster)
- Erin Collins (Doncaster)
- Bronwyn Gell (Doncaster)
- Samantha Hamilton (Doncaster)
- Ursula Howard (Malvern)
- Hannah Jackson (Springvale)
- Jess Johnson (Malvern)
- Shae Lillywhite (Springvale)
- Amy McCann (Doncaster)
- Abbey McLellan (Footscray)
- Autumn Mills (Geelong)
- Kate Psota (Springvale)
- Catherine Row (Springvale)
- Dean Anglin (Manager)
- Simone Wearne (Coach)
- Jade Hough (Coach)

#### 2012 National Under 23 Championships, Southern Districts SA, 6-9 April 2012

##### Victorian Team

- Nathan Aron (Upwey FTG)
- Wade Balzer (Werribee)
- Daniel Chircop (Williamstown)
- Alex Hondromatidis (Melbourne & North Balwyn)
- Mitchell Kennedy (Waverley & Heathmont)
- Thomas Kerr-Chapman (Geelong & Deakin)
- John King (Doncaster)
- Tim Knowles (Waverley & Ringwood)
- Jason Lester (Williamstown & Lara)
- Jamie Papanicolaou (Waverley & Ringwood)
- Luke Papanicolaou (Waverley & Ringwood)
- Ryan Phillips (Blackburn & Dandenong)
- Staci Rogers (Fitzroy & Essendon & Westgarth)
- Nick Rossel (Cheltenham)
- Roland Shaw (Waverley & Saints)
- Jacob Sheldon-Collins (Waverley & Ringwood)
- Nicholas Veale (Berwick City & Frankston)
- Liam Vicary-Lovegrove (Newport)
- Jordan Young (Newport)
- Kerry Gasner (Manager)
- Lee Hogan (Coach)
- Adam Blackley (Coach)
- Daniel Mack (Coach)

### Junior Teams

#### 2012 National Under 18/16 Championships, Geelong VIC, 7-18 January 2012

##### Victorian U18 Blue Team

- Yoshiki Campitelli (Cheltenham)
- Hayden Gardner (Essendon & Watsonia)
- Jesse Gavin (Blackburn & Dandenong)
- Jon Kennedy (Waverley & Heathmont)
- Benjamin Kernick (Doncaster & GMBC)
- John King (Doncaster & GMBC)
- Ryan Lea (Doncaster & GMBC)

- Benjamin Leslie (Cheltenham)
- Mitchell Ley (Waverley & Croydon)
- Tommy Maxfield (Waverley & Forest Hill)
- Daniel McGrath (Doncaster & GMBC)
- Matthew Morris (Port Melbourne & GMBC)
- Adam Silva (Berwick City & Berwick)
- Andrew Reeves (Doncaster & Westgarth)
- Aaron Sayers (Essendon & Watsonia)

- Thomas Shiels (Melbourne & GMBC)
- Adam Silva (Waverley & Berwick)
- Lewis Thorpe (Doncaster & GMBC)
- Matthew Wilson (Waverley & Heathmont)
- Michael Deeble (Head Coach)
- Daniel Mack (Coach)
- Lee Hogan (Coach)
- Trevor Bird (Executive Officer)

### **Victorian U18 White Team**

- Benjamin Aslett (Waverley)
- Craig Barnett (Berwick City & Berwick Dodgers)
- Sam Beasley (Berwick City & Berwick Dodgers)
- Daniel Beattie (Waverley & Forest Hill)
- Matthew Chilcott (Berwick City & Berwick Dodgers)
- Jared Cruze (Essendon & Watsonia)
- Brett Curnow (Cheltenham)
- Mitchell Ellis (Doncaster & GMBC)
- Tyson Foreman (Newport & Deakin)
- James Jackson (Berwick City & Sale)
- Cameron McNish (Newport & Werribee)

- Matthew McQuiggan (Doncaster & GMBC)
- Andrew Medew (Geelong & Guild)
- Daniel Page (Waverley)
- Nathan Rogers (Essendon & Watsonia)
- Mark Surtees (Berwick City)
- Jake Wonnacott (Sandringham & Dingley)
- Jeremy Young (Newport & Lara)
- Jason Rogers (Head Coach)
- Cameron McHarg (Coach)
- Marshall Skinner (Coach)
- David Zucchet (Executive Officer)

### **Victorian U16 Blue Team**

- Steven Bookluck (Blackburn & Ringwood)
- Luke Brazier (Doncaster & GMBC)
- Koji Campitelli (Cheltenham)
- Ryan Dale (Waverley)
- Marcel d'Avoine (Doncaster & GMBC)
- Wesley De Jong (Werribee)
- Andrew Hayes (Waverley & Forest Hill)
- Matthew Homfray (Waverley)
- Matthew Howe (Werribee)

- Keal Kingston (Blackburn & Ringwood)
- Harrison Levy (Geelong & Guild)
- Jordan Ley (Waverley & Croydon)
- Lachlan Madden (Cheltenham & Bonbeach)
- James Paterson (Geelong & Lara)
- Andy Radevski (Newport)
- Blair Sloan (Essendon)
- Brandon Stenhouse (Cheltenham)
- James Wood (Geelong & Guild)
- Kerry Gassner (Head Coach),  
*replaced Garry Bitmead*

- Tony Cornish (Coach)
- Phil Balzer (Coach)

- Ashley Blair (Executive Officer)

### **Victorian U16 White Team**

- Justin Aron (Upwey FTG & Ringwood)
- Alexander Clark (Berwick City & Dand)
- Jack Enciondo (Cheltenham)
- Daniel Fornito (Essendon & GMBC)
- Koki Fukusaku (Essendon & Cheltenham)
- Jack Giles (Essendon)
- Damien Goodman (Berwick City & Traralgon)
- Riley Hodgson (Blackburn & Ringwood)
- Joseph Hoevener (Melbourne & North Balwyn)
- Mitchell Holding (Cheltenham)
- Phil Box (Umpire)
- Paul Carthy (Umpire)
- Geoff Dunn (Umpire)
- Peter Eckardt (Umpire)
- Ian Gavin (Umpire)
- Greg Howard (Umpire)
- Stewart Howe (Umpire)
- Michael Lyons (Umpire)
- Paul Meissner (Umpire)
- Alex Shteinberg (Umpire)
- David Welsh (Umpire)
- Lyn Stokes (Scoring Coordinator)
- Joshua Lean (Cheltenham)
- Mitchell McCaffrey (Geelong & Saints)
- Jack McGraw (Waverley)
- Jordi Noltan (Essendon), *replaced Thomas Snowden (Mulgrave/Frankston)*
- Luke Orwin (Waverley)
- Zak Palmer (Cheltenham)
- Corey Poke (Waverley & Ringwood)
- Marc Sayers (Essendon)
- Gavin Young (Head Coach)
- Scott Meager (Coach)
- Arthur Papanicolaou (Coach)
- Cassandra Shelverton (Exec. Officer)
- Kim Bride (Scorer)
- Stewart Cassell (Scorer)
- Phyllis Hargreaves (Scorer)
- Robyn Hogben (Scorer)
- Sharyn Hussey (Scorer)
- Karen Mason (Scorer)
- Emma Medwin (Scorer)
- Jenny Moloney (Scorer)
- Kaylene Pengelly (Scorer)
- Jenny Rogers (Scorer)
- Michele Winther (Scorer)

### **2012 National Under 14 Championships, South Perth WA, 7-14 January 2012**

#### **Victorian U14 Blue Team**

- Max Barrett (Cheltenham)
- Nicholas Barrett (Blackburn & Ringwood)
- Lachlan Beasley (Berwick City & Ringwood)
- Matthew Beattie (Waverley & Ringwood)
- James Brancolino (Preston & GMBC)
- Lachlan Burke (Waverley)
- Tighe Donnelly (Waverley)
- Oliver Dunn (Waverley & Ringwood)
- Chase Hodgkinson (Waverley & Ringwood)
- Steven Hughes (Springvale & Berwick Dodgers)
- Andrew Kane (Waverley)
- Samuel Michael (Cheltenham)
- Aaron Ouwehand (Berwick City & Dandenong)

- Sean Rintoul (Melbourne & North Balwyn)
- Darby Sexton (Essendon)
- Blake Wynne (Blackburn & Ringwood)

- Chris Hodgkinson (Head Coach)
- Ron Carothers (Coach)
- Daniel Betreen (Coach)
- Cathy Lewis (Executive Officer)

#### **Victorian U14 White Team**

- Lucas Anderson (Springvale & Cheltenham)
- Justin Burke (Waverley)
- Lewis Crichton (Geelong & Saints)
- Jack Daniels (Cheltenham)
- William Day (Berwick City & Berwick Dodgers)
- Rydge Hogan (Springvale & Berwick)
- Jesse Hunter (Berwick City & Dandenong)
- Brendan Kane (Waverley)
- Michael Leslie (Cheltenham)
- Jake March (Springvale & Berwick Dodgers)

- Nathan Picchioni (Sandringham & Dingley)
- Emerson Rickard (Geelong & Saints)
- Liam Spence (Geelong & Guild)
- Matthew Stenhouse (Cheltenham)
- Matthew Trachevski (Preston & GMBC)
- Jamie Young (Newport)
- Chris Harman (Head Coach)
- Colin Penny (Coach)
- Chris Rickard (Coach)
- Dale Lewis (Executive Officer)

- Rod Moon (Umpire)
- Randall Vavra (Umpire)

- Leah Hodgson (Scorer)

#### **2012 National Under 15 Girls Championships, Canberra ACT, 6-9 April 2012**

##### **Victorian U15 Girls Team**

- Kayla Adams (Sunshine)
- Sinead Byrne-Connell (Preston & Watsonia)
- Brittany Cedelland (Newport)
- Vanessa Clifford (Preston & Watsonia)
- Madeline Davis (Essendon & Falcons)
- Marine Hehir (Melbourne & North Balwyn)
- Eden Isbister (Geelong & Saints)
- Abbey Kelly (Essendon & Westgarth)

- Kate Lethborg (Doncaster)
- Rachel Limburg (Melbourne)
- Nicole Methner (Upwey FTG & Moorabbin)
- Isabella Orisini (Doncaster)
- Paris Penny (Doncaster & GMBC)
- Sommah Robinson (Williamstown & Newport)
- Colin Penny (Head Coach)
- Fiona Glover (Coach)
- Ron Copperwaite (Coach)
- Cassandra Shelverton (Exec. Officer)

- Paul Carthy (Umpire)
- Laurie Treadwell (Umpire)
- Kaylene Pengelly (Scorer)

- Sue Morgan

# **National Honours and Representatives**

## **Baseball Australia Diamond Awards**

- Simone Wearne (induction into the Baseball Australia Hall of Fame)
- Brad Harman (ABL 'Play of the Year')

## **2012 MLB Australia Academy Program, Gold Coast QLD**

- Daniel Beattie (Waverley & Forest Hill)
- Luke Brazier (Doncaster & Greenhills Montmorency)
- Ryan Dale (Waverley & North Balwyn)
- Hayden Gardner (Essendon & Watsonia)
- Andrew Hayes (Waverley & Forest Hill)
- Matthew Homfray (Waverley & Waverley)
- Jon Kennedy (Waverley & Heathmont)
- Benjamin Leslie (Cheltenham & Cheltenham)
- Tommy Maxfield (Waverley & Forest Hill)
- Daniel McGrath (Doncaster & Greenhills Montmorency)
- Andy Radevski (Newport & Guild)
- Aaron Sayers (Essendon & Watsonia)
- Thomas Shiels (Melbourne & Greenhills Montmorency)
- Adam Silva (Berwick City & Berwick Dodgers)
- Lewis Thorpe (Doncaster & Greenhills Montmorency)
- Matthew Wilson (Waverley & Heathmont)

## **Australian Cal Ripken Team - 2012 Cal Ripken World Series, USA**

- Alexander Barling (Melbourne & North Balwyn)
- Jordan Barnett (Waverley & Mornington)
- Jamie Young (Newport & Newport)
- Dean Marnell (Assistant Coach)

### **Australian AAA Team - 2012 AA World Championships, Seoul South Korea**

- Hayden Gardner (Essendon & Watsonia)
- Jon Kennedy (Waverley & Heathmont)
- Benjamin Leslie (Cheltenham & Cheltenham)
- Daniel McGrath (Doncaster & Greenhills Montmorency)
- Aaron Sayers (Essendon & Watsonia)
- Lewis Thorpe (Doncaster & Greenhills Montmorency)
- Matthew Wilson (Waverley & Heathmont)
- Damian Shanahan (Assistant Coach)

### **Australian National Women's Team - 2012 World Championships, Edmonton Canada**

- Erin Collins (Doncaster & Watsonia)
- Bronwyn Gell (Doncaster, Essendon & Watsonia)
- Samantha Hamilton (Doncaster & Greenhills Montmorency)
- Shae Lillywhite (Springvale & Berwick Dodgers)
- Amy McCann (Doncaster & Watsonia)
- Simone Wearne (Pitching Coach)
- Dominick Ruggiero (Assistant Coach)

## **Professional Players**

- Liam Bedford (Philadelphia Phillies, R)
- James Beresford (Minnesota Twins, AA)
- Travis Blackley (Oakland Athletics, MLB)
- James Brooks (Washington Nationals, R)
- Ryan Dale (Kansas City Royals)
- Alex Da Silva (Los Angeles Angels, R)
- Darryl George (Tampa Bay Devil Rays, R)
- Sam Gibbons (Minnesota Twins, R)
- Josh Hendricks (Minnesota Twins, R)
- Kable Hogben (Arizona Diamondbacks, A)
- Ben Leslie (San Francisco Giants)
- Shane Lindsay (Chicago Cubs/Los Angeles Dodgers, AAA)
- Daniel McGrath (Boston Red Sox)
- Peter Moylan (Atlanta Braves, MLB)
- Micheal Nakamura (Seibu Lions, NPB Japan)
- Andrew Russell (Atlanta Braves, AAA)
- Aaron Sayers (Detroit Tigers)
- Adam Silva (New York Yankees)
- Josh Spence (San Diego Padres, AAA)
- Lewis Thorpe (Minnesota Twins)
- Matthew Wilson (Baltimore Orioles)

## Kangaroos Teams

### 2012 Under 12 Japan Tour, Washimiya Tokyo

- Jarrod Belbin (Preston)
- Nathan Bezzina (Newport)
- Hunter Harvey (Geelong & Guild)
- William Kline-Marantelli (Essendon & Newport)
- Hugo Leropoulos (Essendon)
- Dylan Marsh (Geelong & Saints)
- Harrison Montalto (Waverley)
- Kyle Morrison (Newport)
- Brian Smart (Waverley & Forest Hill)
- Ren Susuki (Geelong & Guild)
- Rohan Welsh (Blackburn & Ringwood)
- Jaidyn Wilson (Newport)
- Ben Zomer (Moe/Newborough)
- Wayne Pollock (Head Coach)
- Jason Rogers (Coach)
- Yoshi Nakamura (Executive Officer)

### 2012 Little League USA Tour, San Francisco

- Connor Bond (Fitzroy & Greensborough)
- Cameron Chandler (Geelong & Saints)
- Darcy Cleeve (Fitzroy & Research)
- Hamish Foreman (Preston & Greensborough)
- Dakota Gibson (Doncaster & GMBC)
- Jack Gill (Geelong & Saints)
- Jamie Hartnett (Essendon)
- Sam Morrison (Geelong & Guild)
- George Polley (Geelong & Guild)
- Cameron Ray (Preston & NC Rebels)
- Josh Redfern (Melbourne & North Balwyn)
- James Renouf (Geelong & Guild)
- Jacob Rizio (Doncaster & GMBC)
- Jesse Viney (Springvale & Boneo)
- Brock Wells (Geelong & Guild)
- Liam Whiteside (Geelong & Guild)
- Gary McQuiggan (Head Coach)
- Michael Pollock (Coach)
- Peter Collis (Executive Officer)

### 2012 Under 15 USA Tour, Myrtle Beach

- Michael Brewster (Preston & Watsonia)
- Christian Caminiti (Preston & GMBC)
- Lewis Crichton (Geelong & Saints)
- William Elliott (Essendon)
- Riley Hill (Fitzroy & Greensborough)
- Ryan Kirby (Berwick City & Dandenong)
- James Lewer (Geelong & Guild)
- Angus McPherson (Melbourne & North Balwyn)
- Murad Mohamed (Cheltenham & Dandenong)
- Ravi Patel (Blackburn)
- Luke Regester (Preston & Wastonia)
- Denton Schragger (Cheltenham)
- Yuta Sekino (Blackburn & Cheltenham)
- Trent Watkinson (Berwick City & Dandenong)
- Stephen Black (Head Coach)
- Ian Hubble (Coach)
- Leonie Black (Executive Officer)

## Honour Rolls

### Victorian Baseball Association Inc. Life Members

1910	Peter McAlister*	1958	George S Heron*
1911	Frank Laver*	1963	RJ (Bob) Black*
1911	FM Russell*	1966	Angus McPherson*
1911	HM Adams*	1970	Ross M Straw*
1911	JS Milford*	1970	RW (Dick) Chapman*
1911	T Smith*	1973	John B Anderson
1912	Percy B Seyffarth*	1973	Talbot R Hill*
1919	Cam Sellars*	1980	S Doug Chapman
1920	S Charles Lansdown*	1981	Colin C Miller*
1921	Robert R Hindson*	1982	Jack F Guiliano*
1922	TJ Browne*	1983	WE (Bill) Blanden*
1924	Ernest W Fielder*	1985	David L Went
1926	Leslie F Johnston OBE*	1986	Colin J McKay*
1929	J Bayne Mackay*	1986	Ken CJ Welfare*
1933	HJ Newbound*	1986	Lyn V Straw*
1935	Harry W Francis*	1988	Barry N Smith
1935	Hugh M Gordon*	1988	Graeme B Ainscough
1935	Alfred Beckefeld*	1991	Paul F Collins
1936	Daniel J Chandler*	1991	Ron R Smith*
1941	Percy C Pooley*	1992	Les A Polson
1942	Jack EM Ellis Snr*	2002	Les T Flower
1943	Frederick H Martin*	2004	Beryl Bunting*
1944	GB Mackay*	2004	Rodney Gaunt
1945	Jack T Leckey*	2005	Grant Weir
1947	Ernest H King*	2005	Robert O Blackmore
1948	Wally B Carter*	2006	Jenny Ratcliffe
1949	Reg E Darling*	2006	Peter J Dihm
1955	Keith W Tucker*		* deceased
1956	Tom L Straw*		

### Victorian Provincial Baseball League Life Members

1948	Jack E. M. Ellis* (VBA)	1999	Michael O'Brien (Geelong)
1955	William Aitken* (Ballarat)	2001	Terry Cox (Ballarat)
1957	William Harwood* (Ballarat)	2004	David Rice (VWBL)
1959	Les Olsson* (Dandenong)	2004	Graeme Besford (VWBL)
1964	Ern Gear* (Geelong)	2005	Clyde Cumming (LVBA)
1965	Ern Blanden* (Ballarat)	2005	Greg Evans (Bendigo)
1966	Roy Shadorth* (Bendigo)	2006	Kath Besford (VWBL)
1968	Ern Whykes* (Ballarat)	2009	Dale Lewis (VWBL)
1974	Robert Luxford* (Dandenong)	2009	Julie Stephens (Dandenong)
1976	Ron Clack* (Ballarat)	2009	Michael Stephens (Dandenong)
1986	John O'Brien* (Dandenong)		* deceased



## Baseball Victoria Life Members

2009 Jason Blair

### Office Bearers

#### Victorian Baseball League

<i>Year</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Secretary</i>
1890	Mr J. C. Williamson	
1891	Mr J. C. Williamson	
1892	Mr J. C. Williamson	
1893	Mr J. C. Williamson	
1894	Mr J. C. Williamson	
1895	Mr J. C. Williamson	
1896	Major B. J. Wardill	
1897	Major B. J. Wardill	
1898	Major B. J. Wardill	
1899	Mr J. S. Milford	C. Nodrum
1900	Mr J. S. Milford	C. Nodrum
1901	Mr J. S. Milford	C. Nodrum
1902	Mr J. S. Milford	C. Nodrum
1903	Mr J. S. Milford	C. Nodrum
1904	Mr J. S. Milford	P. B. Seyffarth
1905	Mr J. S. Milford	P. B. Seyffarth
1906	Mr J. S. Milford	P. B. Seyffarth
1907	Major B. J. Wardill	P. B. Seyffarth
1908	Major B. J. Wardill	P. B. Seyffarth
1909	Major B. J. Wardill	P. B. Seyffarth
1910	Mr J. S. Milford	P. B. Seyffarth
1911	Mr J. S. Milford	P. B. Seyffarth
1912	Mr J. S. Milford	C. Sellars
1913	Mr J. S. Milford	C. Sellars
1914	Mr J. S. Milford	C. Sellars
1915	Mr F. Laver	C. S. Tanner
1916	Mr F. Laver	C. S. Tanner
1917	Mr F. Laver	C. S. Tanner
1918	Mr F. Laver	C. S. Tanner
1919	Mr F. Laver	C. S. Tanner
1920	Mr A. W. Hayes	C. S. Tanner
1921	Mr A. W. Hayes	C. S. Tanner
1922	Mr A. W. Hayes	C. J Easey
1923	Mr A. W. Hayes	C. J Easey
1924	Mr R. R. Hindson	N. Curry

#### Victorian Baseball Union

<i>Year</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Secretary</i>
1915	Mr. H. M. Adams	C. Sellars
1916	Mr. H. M. Adams	C. Sellars

1917	Mr. H. M. Adams	C. Sellars
1918	Mr. H. M. Adams	C. Sellars
1919	Mr. D. J. Chandler	C. Sellars/H. W. Francis
1920	Mr. D. J. Chandler	H. W. Francis
1921	Mr. D. J. Chandler	H. W. Francis
1922	Mr. D. J. Chandler	H. W. Francis
1923	Mr. E. W. Fielder	C.S Tanner
1924	Mr. E. W. Fielder	C.S Tanner

### **Victorian Baseball Council**

<i>Year</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Secretary</i>
1920	Mr. C. Sellars	C.J Easey
1921	Mr. C. Sellars	C.J Easey
1922	Mr. C. Sellars	C.J Easey

### **Victorian Baseball Association**

<i>Year</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Secretary</i>
1922	Mr. C. Sellars	C.J Easey
1923	Mr. C. Sellars	C.J Easey
1924	Mr. L. F. Johnston	P. C. Pooley

### **Victorian Baseball Association (New Body)**

<i>Year</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Secretary</i>
1925	Mr. L. F. Johnston	Mr. P. C. Pooley
1926	Mr. L. F. Johnston	Mr. P. C. Pooley/Gordon
1927	Mr. L. F. Johnston	Mr. H. M. Gordon
1928	Mr. L. F. Johnston/Hindson	Mr. H. M. Gordon
1929	Mr. R. R. Hindson	Mr. H. M. Gordon
1930	Mr. R. R. Hindson	Mr. H. M. Gordon
1931	Mr. R. R. Hindson	Mr. H. M. Gordon
1932	Mr. R. R. Hindson	Mr. H. M. Gordon
1933	Mr. R. R. Hindson	Mr. H. M. Gordon
1934	Mr. R. R. Hindson	H. M. Gordon/Pooley
1935	Mr. R. R. Hindson	Mr. P. C. Pooley
1936	Mr. R. R. Hindson	Mr. P. C. Pooley
1937	Mr. R. R. Hindson	Mr. P. C. Pooley
1938	Mr. R. R. Hindson	Mr. P. C. Pooley
1939	Mr. R. R. Hindson/King	Mr. P. C. Pooley/Darling
1940	Mr. E. H. King	Mr. R. E. Darling
1941	Mr. E. H. King	Mr. R. E. Darling
1942	Mr. E. H. King	Mr. R. E. Darling
1943	Mr. E. H. King	Mr. R. E. Darling
1944	Mr. E. H. King	Mr. R. E. Darling
1945	Mr. E. H. King	Mr. R. E. Darling
1946	Mr. E. H. King	Mr. R. E. Darling
1947	Mr. E. H. King	Mr. R. E. Darling
1948	Mr. E. H. King	Mr. R. E. Darling

1949	Mr. E. H. King	Mr. R. E. Darling
1950	Mr. G. S. Heron	Mr. R. E. Darling
1951	Mr. G. S. Heron	Mr. R. E. Darling
1952	Mr. G. S. Heron	Mr. R. E. Darling
1953	Mr. G. S. Heron	Mr. R. J. Black
1954	Mr. G. S. Heron	Mr. R. J. Black
1955	Mr. G. S. Heron	Mr. R. J. Black
1956	Mr. G. S. Heron	Mr. R. J. Black
1957	Mr. G. S. Heron	Mr. R. J. Black
1958	Mr. G. S. Heron	Mr. R. J. Black
1959	Mr. R. E. Darling	Mr. R. J. Black
1960	Mr. J. E. M. Eliis	Mr. R. J. Black
1961	Mr. J. E. M. Eliis	Mr. J. B. Anderson
1962	Mr. J. E. M. Eliis	Mr. J. B. Anderson
1963	Mr. R. Bowtell	Mr. J. B. Anderson
1964	Mr. R. J. Black	Mr. N. G. Webster
1965	Mr. R. J. Black	Mr. N. G. Webster
1966	Mr. R. J. Black	Mr. N. G. Webster
1967	Mr. R. J. Black	Mr. J. L. Goldsworthy
1968	Mr. R. J. Black	Mr. J. L. Goldsworthy
1969	Mr. J. B. Anderson	Mr. G. Benney
1970	Mr. J. B. Anderson	Mr. G. Benney
1971	Mr. J. B. Anderson	Mr. T. R. Hill
1972	Mr. J. B. Anderson	Mr. T. R. Hill
1973	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill
1974	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill
1975	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill
1976	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill
1977	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill
1978	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill
1979	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill
1980	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill
1981	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill
1982	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill
1983	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill

<i>Year</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Administrator</i>
1984	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. R. Hill
1985	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. J. Ballard
1986	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. J. Ballard
1987	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. T. J. Ballard
1988	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. B. Mannion

<i>Year</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>Executive Director</i>
1989	Mr. R. R. Smith	Mr. B. Mannion
1990	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. S. Oxworth (Act.)
1991	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower

1992	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower
1993	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower
1994	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower
1995	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower
1996	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower
1997	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower
1998	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower
1999	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower
2000	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower
2001	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower
2002	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. L. T. Flower/Williams
2003	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. P. J. Williams/Dawes
2004	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. S. Dawes
2005	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. S. Dawes
2006	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. S. Dawes/S. Oxworth/Walker

<i>Year</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>CEO</i>
2007	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. S. Walker/Nash
2008	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. S. Nash

## **Baseball Victoria**

<i>Year</i>	<i>President</i>	<i>CEO</i>
2009	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr S. Nash
2010	Dr. R. J. Sadler	Mr B. W. Hidson
2011	Dr. R. J. Sadler	Mr B. W. Hidson
2012	Dr. R. J. Sadler	Mr B. W. Hidson

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