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# 2013/14 ANNUAL REPORT



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# Office Bearers | 2014

## Baseball Victoria Board of Directors

President	Mr Clayton Crameri
Vice President	Mr Stephen Thomson
Chief Executive Officer	Mr Neale Price
Secretary	Mr Myles Foreman
Directors	Mr Scott Dawes
	Mr Shaun Graf
	Mr James Van Beek (appointed to vacant position on Dec 2, 2014)
	Ms Sheila Nguyen

## Junior Girls Committee

Chair:	N/A
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## Little League Committee

Chair:	N/A
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## Scorers Committee

Chair:	Michele Winther Kim Bride, Phyllis Hargreaves, Sharyn Hussey, Kaylene Pengelly
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## Summer League Committee

Chair:	John O'Halloran Jason Blair, Mark Gooding, Cassandra Shelverton, Nathan Holmes and David Zucchet
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## Summer League Women's Committee

Chair:	N/A
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## Summer League Masters Committee

Chair:	N/A
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## Summer League Tribunal Panel

Chair:	John Holmes Michael Ashburn, Gary McQuiggan and David Zucchet
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## Umpiring

Director of Umpiring:	Ian McKenzie
Assistant D.O.U:	Phill Box

## Winter Committee

Chair:	Julie Jones David Milton and Ashley Blair
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## Heritage Committee

Graeme Ainscough and Barry Smith
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## Baseball Victoria Staff

Chief Executive Officer  
Game Development Manager  
High Performance Manager  
Operations Coordinator  
Competition Manager  
Programs Manager  
Development Officer  
Finance Coordinator

Neale Price  
Justin Huber  
Damian Shanahan  
Christine Little (resigned June 2014)  
David Zucchet  
Ashley Blair  
Thomas Dicker (Contract)  
Les Flower



# Presidents Report

President and Chairman | Clayton Crameri | 2013/14

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**Baseball Victoria oversaw a number of significant administrative changes during 2013/14. The changes, in the long term, will increase efficiency at Baseball Victoria, which in turn will allow more human and financial resources to be spent on our member clubs and associations.**

The Board took the opportunity to align the reporting period with dates that better reflect the competition structure. The immediate result is a one-off 15-month report period ending 30 September 2014. Moving forward the financial period will run 1 October – 30 September each year. This decision will reduce both the financial expense and administrative time spent in preparing the Annual Accounts with these funds redirected back into supporting member services.

A second initiative was the establishment of the Victorian Summer Baseball League and the elected Competition Committee. While still in its infancy the VSBLCC, for the first time since the inception of Baseball Victoria, provides club's with autonomy in determining how the competition is structured, managed and played. With VSBLCC elections scheduled for March, once again, all VSBL clubs will be able to select representatives to develop their competition, as is the case with our Winter Associations.

A key national change saw the introduction of the IMG Registration system. The introduction of the online system will, in the long-term, improve communications, reduce administrative resources and provide a more efficient financial model at club, state and national level.

Like the implementation of many new technology platforms, the IMG roll out has not been without its challenges. An important lesson for Baseball Victoria is the need to improve training and communication when implementing such a program especially in a volunteer environment. Baseball Victoria will continue to work with clubs, IMG and Baseball Australia to fully integrate this system across our member base.

Looking to the future, The Board undertook a full review of Baseball Victoria's financial structure to in developing a Business Plan to improve the resources available to clubs in recruiting, training and retaining players and volunteers across all competitions. The key principal was to ensure funds received from our clubs and Association were directly invested into building club capacity and providing clubs with the resources to develop community baseball. For the first time a Business Plan will be delivered to our members outlining specifically what they can expect from Baseball Victoria for the next 12 months.


Finally I would like to thank all the volunteers who selflessly work each day to make Baseball an enjoyable sport for all participants. I would also like to recognise Shaun Graf, who has retired from the Board, for his service over the past three years.

With Myles Foreman elected as the new President of Baseball Victoria, the sport has a strong platform from which to help clubs build participation. Myles has a strong vision for delivering member value and along with his fellow Board Members, via the implementation of the Business Plan, will significantly help clubs administrators and volunteers in their efforts within the baseball community.



**Clayton Crameri**  
Baseball Victoria, President



A young boy in a dark blue baseball jersey with the number 14 on the back, grey pants, and a black helmet with "RICHARD" written on it in red, is captured in the middle of a batting swing on a baseball field. The field is made of reddish-brown dirt with white chalk lines. In the background, another player in a white uniform is visible on the field.

“The opportunities for substantial growth in baseball is enormous, and we must pursue this area with absolute vigour and commitment.”

- Neale Price, CEO

# CEO's Report

Chief Executive Officer | Neale Price | 2013/14

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**It is my pleasure to provide a CEO's report for the 2013 – 14 period.**

Baseball Victoria is very lucky to have an outstanding group of committed employees in David Zucchet, Justin Huber, Damian Shanahan, Les Flower, Ashley Blair, and Tom Dicker (contract) who genuinely enjoy what they do, and are committed to supporting all of Baseball Victoria's stakeholders. We also had great support from Kristin Davies, Everard Fenton, Cam Gleeson and Michelle Brewster who carried out some great work for us, assisting with websites, camps, media coverage, and photography, as well as the State Winter Championships. On a sad note we said goodbye to Christine Little who over her six years at Baseball Victoria worked tirelessly in running the office, and in supporting our various stakeholders.

I would also like to thank the Board led by Clayton Crameri (President), Stephen Thomson, Shaun Graf, Sheila Nguyen, Scott Dawes, and Myles Foreman (Secretary). Without these key Volunteers, who give up a great deal of their personal time, the sport could not function.

**A few items that helped shape our year:**

- We changed from a financial year end date of June to September, thus we have come off a 15 month financial year. Our financial year will now run from 1 October through to 30 September.
- Sport and Recreation Victoria, and Vicsport in particular continued to support both Baseball Victoria participation initiatives, and the Melbourne Ball Park in Altona as a State Sporting facility through the Committee of Management.
- A decision was taken to run the Victorian Baseball Academy out of Melbourne Ball Park. The main reason for this was to utilize Baseballs' number one field, and State facility, which offers fantastic playing and training facilities in all weather conditions. It was also far more cost effective for all aspects of the program.
- Along with the various Victorian Government departments who offer funding and resource support, we acknowledge the great relationship we have with our sponsors Fielder's Choice, Beraldo Coffee, Ausport, K2 Baseball, TGI Fridays and MLB International.

In the 2012 – 13 Annual Report I mentioned our review of Victorian Baseball and the Strategies we needed to put in place to make sure Baseball became a sport of choice for all Victorians. Our focus needed to be through entry level programs like Tee Ball, growth areas of Masters and Social Competitions, and by continuing to support Club and Association Baseball to grow and prosper. This is not only for players, but also for officials, umpires, coaches, scorers, and the many other stakeholders that invest in our game.

Baseball has been a Competition driven business for almost 125 years, and although we still need to have a fierce focus on this area, we needed to grow other areas of the game. To continue to rely on player registration fees to run Victorian Baseball is not seen as a sustainable model, and therefore we need to look at other revenue streams, and at other game formats that people can engage with.



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Government funding and sponsorships will be critical elements in helping us grow the game, as will the income from participants who engage in Baseball through non-traditional formats.

Although the IMG STG system created a number of teething problems for Baseball Victoria and its stakeholders, it also presents some great opportunities via its many programs i.e. Shopdesq, Sportsdesq, and Eventsdesq.

**Although change is difficult to deal with at times, it was definitely time for Baseball Victoria to change the way it conducted its business. This can be confronting for all concerned, but once the new foundations are set, change can be the launch pad for a new and exciting period for Victorian Baseball.**

Some of our successes and changes are as follows:

- IMG STG system implementation – Memberdesq and Sportsdesq. Although the first 12 months have proven to be quite difficult, the system offers a great amount of scope for us to improve our IT functions, and in the way we conduct our business.
- We said goodbye to Ross Straw field due to the East West Tunnel project, which forced the relocation of the University of Melbourne Baseball Club. Discussions around field replacement in the Parkville precinct was on the agenda, but with the Labor Government coming into power we are not certain what now lays ahead with this iconic baseball field.
- Baseball Australia changed their national branding affecting all States & Territories. Baseball Victoria fell into line with the new changes, and have now adopted the new logo which adorns this annual report.
- As mentioned earlier in the report, there is more of a focus around our use of the Melbourne Ball Park with many more VSBL games being fixtured there, along with the Academy program, and other baseball related activities.
- Facilities are always a critical element for all sports, and Baseball is no different. There was a lot of activity on the Baseball front. We had the potential loss of the Ormond Glenhuntly ground due to the grounds being used as a work site a major rail under road project. There was the threat of us losing the Oakleigh Baseball ground after the Club folded, along with facility upgrades at Doncaster and North Balwyn. Many Councils are in receipt of our new Lighting Standards and Facility Development policies, and these are now being referred to, and used for new facilities or facility upgrades across Victoria. The City of Wodonga, Casey City Council, City of Greater Dandenong, and Latrobe University all have baseball field planning projects currently under review. There is also the upgrading of facilities at Boeing Reserve in Essendon due to the relocation of the University of Melbourne Baseball Club.
- The National Player Pathway program led by Baseball Australia, inclusive of Little League and 14 & Under moving to Charters, and Under 23 to Under 25 went through major change. This not only affects the State program, but also Club Competitions.

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- Baseball Australia changed its High Performance staff and program structure handing it back to the States & Territories. This was a positive for Victorian Baseball, but also created some issues as there is still a heavy focus on national championships and the ABL. There is a real need to be more proactive in our own backyards through the development of both players and coaches. The State Academy program is under development with a tier 2 level being currently rolled out, and a tier 3, along with individual and small group sessions, being offered in 2014 – 15. The key to the success in this area is exposing more players and coaches to best practice initiatives, and mid to long term, it is about a larger base, better structures, and quality control over our programs.
  - The roll out of the Access All Abilities (AAA) program, with Government funding to the value of \$100K, has been incredibly successful. Baseball has been highlighted as a key sport to help facilitate inclusion throughout everything that we do, and the inclusion work carried out by Tom Dicker and Kristin Davies suggests that we have set the mark for other sports to aspire to.
  - Off the back of the LA Dodgers versus Arizona Diamondbacks games in Sydney we produced the Wanna Play, Start Today TVC and sign on campaign. This proved incredibly successful with over 150 expressions of interest coming through to the Baseball Victoria website. This campaign will continue to run, and is available to all Clubs and Associations.
  - A new judicial system overhaul for the VSBL was introduced with it aligning closely with that of the MWBL and GBA. Baseball Victoria is working towards having a uniform judicial system so that there is the ability to share common resources i.e. people as tribunal members, but also that players and umpires understand the system no matter where they participate within Victoria.
  - Cam Gleeson was appointed to assist with media coverage, and Everard Fenton for photography. Both worked closely on State Winter Championships, with Cam sharing his time covering VSBL games.
  - Trial of Live Streaming at Winter Championships in Mildura gave us an understanding of how we might be able to cover Baseball games without the huge overheads associated with mainstream media. Feedback from the coverage, and the amount of hits the coverage had suggests that this pilot was very successful. The great thing is that the content is ours to use to promote the game as we see fit.
  - Baseball Victoria became an Associate Membership of Channel 31, and although we are yet to activate this relationship, it offers us some great options in delivering the game of Baseball through TV.
  - A new and exciting relationship was established with the Sunraysia Academy, with Baseball Victoria taking a more proactive approach to the program out of Mildura. Along with the annual State Winter Championships being held in Mildura, we also rolled out Coach Accreditation, a Children's Camp, and worked with SA Baseball on a joint High Performance camp.
  - New Constitutions for Baseball Victoria, Associations and Clubs were rolled out, and we spent a fair bit of time working with Clubs in particular as they worked their way through the changes that needed to be implemented.

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- The School Holiday Camps are growing in popularity and numbers. More and more children and their Parents are sampling these great programs, and it is another way that we can up-skill coaches and volunteers, whilst also recruiting new players to Baseball.

Last year we suggested that if we concentrated on participation in Baseball through School Clinics, the Camps and the work that the clubs do in both the winter and summer we will start to show some positive growth. This remains a key priority area for Baseball Victoria moving into 2014 – 2015.

**The opportunities for substantial growth in baseball is enormous, and we must pursue this area with absolute vigour and commitment.**

The keys to our success into the future are simple, and we need to continue to focus and roll out systems and processes that hit key activation areas i.e. Participation and Pathways, Volunteers, Events, Sponsorship & Funding, Marketing, Administration, Facilities, Media and the use of Information Technology. Empowering our staff will also be a component of our success.

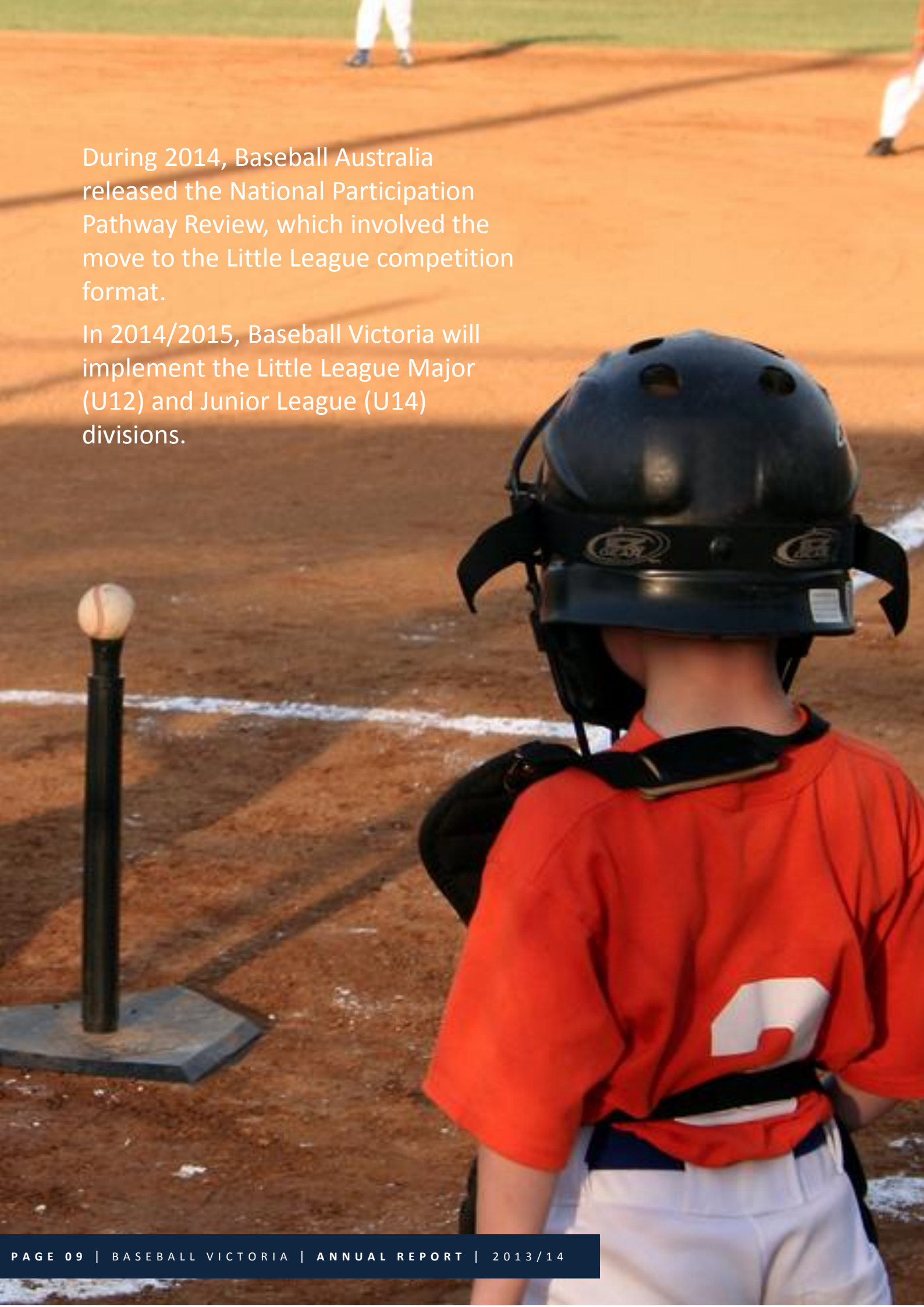
In closing, I would like to acknowledge and thank the passionate work of the many people who supported and contributed to Baseball Victoria over the past 12 months.



**Neale Price**

Baseball Victoria, Chief Executive Officer





During 2014, Baseball Australia released the National Participation Pathway Review, which involved the move to the Little League competition format.

In 2014/2015, Baseball Victoria will implement the Little League Major (U12) and Junior League (U14) divisions.

# Little League Report



Little League Coordinator | Ashley Blair | 2013/14

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The 2014 State Little League Championships were played in April at Melbourne Baseball Club with representative teams the Northern Diamondbacks, Southern Mariners, Western Mets and the Yarra Rangers and Sunraysia .

The Yarra Rangers won the Championships, with the Northern Diamondbacks and Sunraysia Giants also qualifying to represent Victoria at the Little League National Championships.

Thank you to the Melbourne Baseball Club for hosting the Championships, as well as the officials and many families that cheered their children along regardless of the score.

Sunraysia (16th), Northern Diamondbacks (19th) and Yarra Rangers (20th) represented Victoria with great pride at the National Championships. Congratulations to the Northern Metros (WA) team for winning this year's tournament and subsequently qualifying to participate in the Little League World Series.

Thank you to Baseball Australia for their efforts in staging the event.

During 2014, Baseball Australia released the National Participation Pathway Review, which involved the move to the Little League competition format. In 2014/2015, Baseball Victoria will implement the Little League Major (U12) and Junior League (U14) divisions, which have implications for both club baseball and National age championships. From 2015, the U14 National Championships will no longer exist and will be replaced by the Junior League National Championships which follows the same format as Little League. We believe these changes present Baseball Victoria with the opportunity to restructure the competition over the coming years to ensure that we continue to recruit new members to the sport as well as better engage and retain participants.

Thank you again to everyone involved with the Little League, your efforts have been tremendous throughout the year.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ashley Blair'.

**Ashley Blair**  
Little League Administrator





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Victorian scorers represented Victoria at the Australian Baseball League, Youth Nationals, U16 and U18 National Women's and the U23 Championships.

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# Scorers Committee Report

Director of Scoring & Accreditation Coordinator | Michele Winther | 2013/14

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The Scorers' Committee has five members who meet on a regular basis during Winter and Summer Seasons, to discuss upcoming tournaments, clinics and CABS related issues with regards to scoring baseball. We also issue Newsletters as required, run clinics, and Accreditation Exams as required.

The Scorers' Committee attends the bi-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 & territories and find out what they are doing to promote and advance scoring in their areas.

Clinics are held for clubs during the summer and winter seasons with an average attendance of 7 to 12 scorers wanting to know more about scoring.

**At present there are 100 financial CABS (Council of Australian Baseball Scorers) in Victoria.** Of the 100 members, 76 hold accreditations from Level 1 to Level 5

The following scorers' have represented Victoria during the 2013/2014 season:

**Australian Baseball League** | Michael Gourlay, Robyn Karlsen, Kaylene Pengelly and Jennie Moloney

**Youth Nationals** | Robyn Hogben, Stewart Cassell, Karen Mason, Jenny Rogers and Leah Hodgson

**U/18 and U/16 National Women's** | Karen Mason

**U/23 Championships** | Karen Mason

## **Accreditation Levels:**

3 scorers sat a Level 2 Accreditation Exam and 3 achieved this level and 1 scorer sat a Level 1 Accreditation Exam and also achieved this level.

## **Michele Winther**

Director of Scoring and Accreditation Coordinator  
Scorer's Committee – Victoria  
Baseball Victoria

# Summer League Committee Report



Summer League Chairman | John O'Halloran | 2013/14

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## The Summer League in season 2013/2014 fielded:

- **5,291 participants**, in
- **320 teams**, (131 Seniors, 21 Women, 31 Masters, 106 Juniors, 31 Area Centre Juniors), across
- **35 clubs**, in
- **36 of grades**, being Division 1, Division 1 Reserves, Division 1 Thirds, Division 1 Fourths, Division 2, Division 2 Reserves, Division 2 Thirds, Division 2 Fourths, Division 3, Division 3 Reserves, Division 4 East, Division 4 North West, Division 4 South, Under 18 Major League, Under 18 AAA, Under 16 Major League, Under 16 AAA, Under 16 AA, Under 14 Major League, Under 14 AAA, Under 14 AA, Under 12 Major League, Under 12 AAA, Under 12 AA, Under 14 Centre's (South East and West), Under 12 (East and West), Division 1 Women, Division 2 Women, Division 3 Women, Provisional Women, Masters Division 1, Masters Division 2 North West, Masters Division 2 East, Masters Division 2 South

**Like last season the 2013/14 season of baseball was a success.** Hundreds, indeed thousands, of games were played across a wide variety of skill levels, premierships were won, and most importantly players played, enjoying our great game at a level that suits their needs. However, changes imposed off the field by the Australian Baseball Federation, to the computer system used by the sport administrators, caused difficulties. This significantly increased the workload on Baseball Victoria staff and particularly to the dedicated band of club volunteers who were forced on to this new system.

The Summer League Committee ("SLC") is appointed by the Board of Baseball Victoria, although the 2013/14 season is last one under these appointment arrangements. The 2014/15 season will see the clubs themselves voting on the membership of a new summer league committee. The 2013/14 SLC comprised myself as Chairman, and members John Ferguson, Jason Blair, Nathan Holmes, Mark Gooding, Dale Lewis, Cassandra Shelverton. Administration support was provided by David Zucchet from the Baseball Victoria office. The members of the SLC have many years of experience in the various aspects of baseball including for example playing, managing teams, umpiring, club administrators, etc. The SLC endeavoured to find new ways of increasing participation levels across the sport with particular emphasis on trying to get new recruits into the game.

I wish to thank all SLC members for their contribution during the season with particular thanks to David for administration support and again John Ferguson for continuing to work on the vast range of suggestions from the clubs over the last 2 seasons.

Congratulations to all premiership winning teams, and players who won various awards. Further details on the winners are provided elsewhere in this report. As always my personal thanks must go to the small army of volunteers dotted throughout all the clubs that enable the game to be played each week. Without them we would not be able to enjoy the game.

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### **Seniors men's competition**

2895 players competed in the senior's men competition. As mentioned in last seasons report, the overall aim of the competition is to enable as many people as possible to play a game at a level that is suitable for their level of skill. The 12 Division 1 clubs had previously voted and decided on the format of the competition for the 2013/14 season. Hence this was the first season for the clubs 27 game conference style, home and away, format with the 12 clubs split into 2 conferences. Each club plays the other clubs within their conference three times and play all the teams from the other conference twice. This reduces the number of midweek games required and also provides greater flexibility as to venues and timing of these games. One of the aims of the conference format was to reduce travel time. Generally the conference format worked well, in particular reducing, to some degree, the time spent in travelling. Lower grade teams also played a home and away format, however with a lesser number of games with no midweek games other than Division 2 Firsts.

### **Women's competition**

There were 283 players in the women's competition. The women's competition is structured on a different basis to the men's due to the lower number of teams and players and their respective skill levels. Also, some clubs chose to compete in Division 3 due to the numbers of players and their level of skill. The long term aim is to significantly increase participation and skill levels for our women's competition. A huge thank you to those clubs who field teams in this competition. The level of competition is strong just on a smaller scale than the men's. The ladies, and girls, certainly enjoy the game

### **Masters**

479 players competed in the master's competition. This competition is one of the growth area of the sport, due in no small way to the more relaxed atmosphere for Masters games. The masters playing conditions ensure that the game caters for a wide range of ages and allows everyone to have a go. The Masters competition is growing stronger each season as it seems to be a formula that suits the participants. Keep on doing what you enjoy and others will come and join in.

### **Juniors**

It has been said on many occasions that the junior competition is the future of our sport. Developing the game at the junior level requires great commitment from the clubs. They do this because they know that know that developing juniors will help their club grow. The clubs face various challenges in getting teams together and finding the appropriate level at which to play. Last minute changes, particularly with team nominations, then require constant changes to the fixtures. Junior games played over each weekend ranging from centre based competitions on Friday nights ( 267 at under 12 level and 126 at under 14 level) to State and Metro league games on Sunday morning. Sunday player numbers include 402 at under 12, 404 at under 14 and 435 at under 16. Our "older" juniors also have the flexibility to play in the Seniors competition on the Sunday afternoon. Juniors, in particular our tee ballers hopefully enjoy the game as much as possible so that we can retain and develop them for the future. A big thank you to the parents for driving the kids to training and the games, hopefully the kids express their appreciation.





# 5,291

Participants in 2013/14 Summer League Competition.

# 320

Teams playing across 35 Summer League Clubs in 2013/14



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### **Off-field developments**

Perhaps the most significant off the field development was the imposition, by the ABF, of the IMG computer system, on BV and the clubs. Hopefully all the hard work and heart ache will result in a better system. There is a steep learning curve for club administrators who unfortunately have little time to keep everybody informed of developments and cope with all the changes. At the very least we hope that the new system will be able to tell us how many players are playing the game, and in what division or competition.

Some further redevelopment of the playing conditions occurred, principally around the implementation of the new conference system, and fine tuning in other areas.

As always thanks to all the clubs, and their hard working volunteers, for participating in our competition, hosting various events and finals. Thanks also to all to the players, umpires, scorers, canteen helpers, etc. As always another big thank you to the hard working Baseball Victoria staff for their efforts as without them we would not have a competition.

Next season the SLC membership will be determined by the club and new opportunities may be forth coming for the development of our great game.

**John O'Halloran**  
Summer League Chairman





# 70

Accredited umpires reached in 2013/14, a number we have not seen since the late 1990's

# 12

Registrations who have never umpired before



# Director or Umpiring Report

Director Of Umpiring | Ian McKenzie | 2013/14

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Once again another busy year is coming to a close, a year in which there were many positives which we can reflect on and take with us into the next season.

**Over the past 3 seasons there has been a steady increase in the number of accredited umpires in the BUAV. During the 2013 – 2014 season we reached the magic number of 70 accredited umpires, a number we have not seen since the late 1990's. If the registrations for our next Umpire seminar in September are any indication we can expect further gains as to date there are some 12 registrations for people who have not umpired before.**

Other positives include the improving performances of our officials during the ABL and BVSL seasons, appointments to National Championships, and the rapid improvement showed by our younger members all auger for a bright future for officiating in this State.

Once again many members are to be congratulated on their achievements during the year. To the ABL panel on their excellent performances, the Umpires appointed to the National Championships, and those appointed to the BV Summer League finals series, congratulations on a job well done.

**Also congratulations are due to the following BUAV award winners for the 2013 – 14 season:**

- **President's Award** | Simon Matters
- **Umpire of the Year** | Michael Lyons
- **Directors Award** | Allan Black
- **Rookie of the Year** | Paul Brown

We are again indebted to Malcolm Chiverton and members of the Melbourne Baseball Club for allowing us to use their excellent venue and playing fields for our regular training sessions. Special thanks must go to Malcolm who regularly makes himself available to open the clubrooms for our use.

Thanks to Phil Box for his advice and very capable assistance over the past 3 years as the Assistant Director of Umpiring with responsibility for Umpire Development. Phil conducted many Level O courses throughout the State as well as planning and conducting the training nights and very successful annual seminar each year. Due to work commitments Phil is unable to continue in this time consuming role and along with every member of the BUAV I would like to thank Phil for his efforts.

I would also like to express my appreciation to Bruce Suttor. Bruce took on the role of managing the appointments for the Masters and Women's competitions on my request. Not only did Bruce perform his duties admirably, he also worked tirelessly recruiting many Umpires to fill the void due to a constant shortage.

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On a very sad note, during the year we lost an active member in Brock Donley. At the age of 42, Brock started his career in the BV Summer League in the 2008 – 2009 Season and umpired for 6 seasons until his untimely death in July this year. He was an active member of the BUAV Committee and was extremely passionate about his umpiring, having umpired some 350 games in the Summer League alone. He attended the Jim Evans Academy in 2011 and was appointed to several national championships during his career.

My thanks to all BUAV Umpires and BUAV Committee members for your efforts and support over the past 12 months. I look forward to working with you all again during the coming season which again I'm sure will prove to be very exciting and challenging with opportunities for all.

**Ian McKenzie**  
Director of Umpiring



# 350

Summer League Games Umpired  
by the late Brock Donely who  
sadly passed in 2014.





2536

Senior Participants in the 2014  
Winter Competition.

1548

Junior Participants in the 2014  
Winter Competition.



# Winter Committee Report



Chair, Winter Committee | Julie Jones | 2013/14

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The main focus of the Winter Committee is to oversee the conduct of the winter championships. The current committee is made up of David Milton and myself (as the Chair) appointed to the committee along with a delegate of each of the Associations and Ashley Blair from Baseball Victoria (Secretariat).

Thank you to all the Associations (both regional and metropolitan) who have continued their support of the Championships.

This year we were lucky with the weather – particularly the Under 12 championships in Bendigo (a distinct improvement on the previous year!).

#### **Congratulations to the winners:**

- **Senior Metro & Country** | Dandenong & Latrobe Valley
- **Under 18** | Ringwood
- **Under 16 Divisions 1 & 2** | Dandenong & Bendigo
- **Under 14 Divisions 1 & 2** | Dandenong & Dandenong
- **Under 12 Divisions 1 & 2** | Dandenong & Sunraysia

Thanks to the Associations who played host to each of the championships and as we cannot run the championships without it, your support has been invaluable.

The format of the championships have now settled into a routine, whether this stays that way will depend on factors outside of our control, number of teams entered as well as locations (which are dependent on negotiations between Baseball Victoria and the various Councils across the State).

Although we have invited Associations outside Victoria to the senior championships, we have not had success of late but we will continue to pursue opportunities to increase the number of teams competing in the championships. We will also look for opportunities to improve the championships and of course welcome any suggestions from the Associations.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ashley Blair for his continued assistance, for the preparatory work done prior to each Championship and for the information provided to the Associations. Again I would like to thank the Associations for the way they have embraced the Championships and look forward to their continued support in 2015.

**Julie Jones**

Chair, Winter Committee

# Summer League 2013/14

## Club Champions | 2013/14

- **Division 1 (Peter Dihm Shield): Essendon**
- **Division 2: Williamstown**

### Point's 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

Division 1 Fourths: 2 points per win, 1 points per draw

### Division 1 (Peter Dihm Shield)

Club		Firsts Wins	Reserves Wins	Thirds Wins	Fourths Wins	Total Points
1	Essendon	180	90	56	21	347
2	Melbourne	195	50	54	21	320
3	Geelong	180	78	40	4	302
4	Cheltenham	145	70	36	28	279
5	Waverley	125	78	40	26	269
6	Blackburn	150	42	44	13	249
7	Doncaster	90	42	48	24	204
8	Newport	135	12	10	12	169
9	Sandringham	75	40	26	23	164
10	Upwey FTG	100	34	14	0	154
11	Preston	105	4	4	0	113
12	Sunshine	20	48	16	16	100

### Division 2 (Peter Dihm Shield)

Club		Firsts Wins	Reserves Wins	Thirds Wins	Total Points
1	Williamstown	160	72	30	262
2	Moorabbin	120	76	28	224
3	Berwick City	110	60	52	222
4	Fitzroy	90	72	52	214
5	Springvale	140	34	40	214
6	Werribee	130	42	26	198
7	Malvern	90	54	44	188
8	St Kilda	80	64	20	164
9	Mulgrave	70	12	4	86
10	Bonbeach	50	18	2	70
11	Port Melbourne	50	0	2	52

## Premiers | 2013/14

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- **Division 1 (Ross Straw Trophy):** Essendon
- **Division 1 Reserves:** Waverley
- **Division 1 Thirds:** Melbourne
- **Division 1 Fourths:** Cheltenham
- **Division 2 (R. E. Darling Trophy):** Williamstown
- **Division 2 Reserves:** Moorabbin
- **Division 2 Thirds:** Malvern
- **Division 2 Fourths:** Fitzroy
- **Division 3:** Ballarat City
- **Division 3 Reserves:** Ormond Glenhuntly
- **Division 4 East:** Melbourne
- **Division 4 North West:** Research A
- **Division 4 South:** Springvale
- **Women's Division 1:** Springvale
- **Women's Division 2:** Werribee
- **Women's Division 3:** Bundoora
- **Masters Division 1:** Geelong
- **Masters Division 2 East:** Croydon
- **Masters Division 2 North West:** Fitzroy A
- **Masters Division 2 South:** Sandringham
- **Under 18 State League (L. V. Straw Shield):** Cheltenham
- **Under 18 Metro:** Upwey FTG
- **Under 16 State League (Les Polson Shield):** Waverley
- **Under 16 AAA:** Blackburn
- **Under 16 AA:** Sunshine
- **Under 14 State League (J. F. Guiliano Shield):** Waverley
- **Under 14 Metro East:** Waverley
- **Under 14 Metro West:** Sunshine/Werribee
- **Under 12 Major League (W. E. Blanden Shield):** Newport
- **Under 12 Metro East:** Waverley
- **Under 12 Metro West:** Fitzroy
- **Under 14 South:** Cheltenham Redsox
- **Under 14 West Centre:** Werribee
- **Under 12 East Centre:** Melbourne Redsox
- **Under 12 West Centre:** Sunshine Blue

## Statistical Leaders | 2013/14

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### Hitting – Top Ten Hitters in the League

#### Division 1

Rank	First Name	Last name	Club Name	AVG	Hits
1	Ryan	Booth	Blackburn	0.430	40
2	Cameron	Deeble	Preston	0.393	35
3	Brett	Curnow	Cheltenham	0.390	32
4	Troy	Snarey	Geelong	0.370	30
5	Mitchell	Ayres	Melbourne	0.361	26
6	Travis	Bass	Preston	0.358	28
7	Mathew Kelii	Zablan	Geelong	0.355	37
8	Andrew	Hayes	Waverley	0.355	32
9	Mitchell	Glasser	Sandringham	0.355	27
10	Ben	Utting	Doncaster	0.337	27
10	Tom	Dicker	Essendon	0.337	27

#### Division 2

Rank	First Name	Last name	Club Name	AVG	Hits
1	Andrew	McKenzie	Malvern	0.441	34
2	Aaron	Green	Williamstown	0.434	33
3	Scott	Wearne	Springvale	0.408	20
4	Ricky	Wheeler	Moorabbin	0.406	26
5	Cain	Bumpstead	Blackburn	0.395	19
6	Joel	Arnott	Fitzroy	0.388	21
7	Andrew	Webber	Bonbeach St Chads	0.386	29
8	Oliver	Box	Werribee	0.380	19
9	Rob	Sedin	Moorabbin	0.375	27
10	Dayle	Selleck	Bonbeach St Chads	0.367	25



## Statistical Leaders | 2013/14

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### Hitting – Top Ten Hitters in the League

#### Women's - Division 1

Rank	First Name	Last name	Club Name	AVG	Hits
1	Leslie	Anglin	Footscray	0.595	25
2	Samantha	Hamilton	Doncaster	0.552	21
3	Abbey	McLellan	Footscray	0.547	29
4	Siobhan	Taylor-Stephenson	Springvale	0.530	26
5	Amanda	Asay	Footscray	0.500	23
6	Risa	Tanaka	Footscray	0.481	26
7	Jade	Hough	Springvale	0.471	25
8	Jody	Hamilton	Footscray	0.434	20
9	Belinda	Cannington	Doncaster	0.416	20
10	Amy	Collins	Doncaster	0.416	15

### Pitching – Top Ten Pitchers in the League

#### Division 1 (Harry Douglas Memorial Trophy)

Rank	First Name	Last Name	Club	IP	ERA
1	Jeremy	Young	Newport	31.99	0.844
2	Kyle	Beford	Essendon	26.99	1.000
3	Adam	Bright	Blackburn	89.00	1.415
4	Andrew	Mann	Melbourne	95.66	1.599
5	Edward (Bubbie)	Buzachero	Preston	130.65	1.928
6	James	Wood	Geelong	29.00	2.172
7	Steven	Hill	Sandringham	103.66	2.257
8	Cameron	Forbes	Geelong	55.66	2.263
9	Luke	Abels	Essendon	34.65	2.337
10	Sam	Gibbons	Geelong	65.00	2.353

## Statistical Leaders | 2013/14

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### Pitching – Top Ten Pitchers in the League

#### Division 2

Rank	First Name	Last Name	Club	IP	ERA
1	Glen	Richards	Springvale Lions	22.00	0.818182
2	Derek	Christensen	Fitzroy Baseball Club	65.31	2.204869
3	James	Kennedy	Malvern Baseball Club	37.66	2.628784
4	David	Asp	Williamstown	44.33	2.639296
5	Jason	Lester	Williamstown	48.98	2.939976
6	Shawn	Smith	Berwick City Cougars	58.00	2.948276
7	Wesley	De Jong	Werribee Giants	88.99	3.034049
8	Chad	Northcott	Werribee Giants	40.30	3.126551
9	Jack	Freeth	Fitzroy Baseball Club	43.33	3.323333
10	Robert	Hogan	Springvale Lions	70.00	3.342857

#### Women's Division

Rank	First Name	Last Name	Club	IP	ERA
1	Kelly	Manzie/Novotny	Springvale	23.32	1.157804
2	Catherine	Row	Springvale	24.00	2.625000
3	Amy	Collins	Doncaster	33.99	4.501324
4	Erin	Collis	Doncaster	14.98	5.407210
5	Victoria	Brown	Springvale	48.31	5.588905
6	Emma	French	Essendon	31.66	8.812382
7	Melissa	Gregory	Malvern	35.31	8.920986
8	Erin	Peterson	Doncaster	21.31	9.713749
9	Kassandra	Sidley	Essendon	23.32	12.73585
10	Jessica	Johnson	Malvern	36.98	16.06274

## Award Winners | 2013/14

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### Most Valuable Players

- **Division 1 (George S Heron Medal):** Edward Buzachero (Preston)
- **Division 2 (Robert R Hindson Medal):** Robert Dewar (Moorabbin)
- **Women's Division 1:** Victoria Brown (Springvale)
- **Division 1 Grand Final Series (Harry Wonnacott Medal):** Josh Davies (Essendon)
- **U18 Major League Grand Final (John Viney Perpetual Award):** Lachlan Madden (Cheltenham)
- **U16 Major League Grand Final (Angus McPherson Memorial Award):** Chase Hodgkinson (Waverley)
- **U14 Major League Grand Final (Dick Mason Memorial Award):** Fraser Smith (Waverley)
- **U12 Major League Grand Final (Ian Deany Perpetual Award):** Nikau Pouka-Grego (Newport)

### Pitching Awards

- **Division 1 (Harry Douglas Memorial Trophy):** Jeremy Young (Newport)
- **Division 2:** Glen Richards (Springvale)
- **Women's Division 1:** Kellie Manzie Novotny (Springvale)

### Batting Awards

- **Division 1:** Ryan Booth (Blackburn)
- **Division 1 Home Run Award:** Mathew Kelil Zablan (Geelong)
- **Division 2:** Andrew McKenzie (Fitzroy)
- **Division 2 Home Run Award:** Oliver Box (Werribee)
- **Women's Division 1:** Leslie Anglin (Footscray)

### Recognition Awards

- **Years of Service Awards:** Greg Howard (BUAV), John Quinn (BUAV)
- **Coach of the Year:** Adam Bright (Blackburn)
- **Umpire of the Year:** Michael Lyons
- **Volunteer of the Year:** Billy Hawkins
- **Ernie Jones Scholarship Award:** Brock Wells (Geelong Baycats)



# Winter Leagues 2014



## Ballarat Baseball Association | 2014

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There is no official report for 2014 for the Ballarat Association.



## Bendigo Baseball Association | Secretary | Pam Dawkins | 2014

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Bendigo Baseball Association 2014 competition got under way in a new format. This year saw our U16s and all senior matches being played consecutive (C, B A) at 2 venues each week, with the U16s starting at 8:15am to ensure the availability of eligible juniors to play senior ball. To assist in ensuring greater participation numbers, change was made to our junior age group, combining the U12 & U14 age level to make U13s. T Ball & U13's played at an alternative field.

Senior competition saw all 4 clubs able to field a team in all Grades (A,B&C). Junior numbers continue to be low, with T Ball - 5 teams, Und 13- 3 teams & Und 16 – 3 teams. Coming from across the four clubs, Bendigo East, Falcons, Scots & Strathfieldsaye Dodgers.

As all clubs demonstrated concern for low junior numbers, BBA set up Junior Committee to look into the development and longevity of junior baseball in Bendigo.

2014 saw Bendigo represented at the State Winter Championships in U12, U16, U18 and Senior tournaments, with our Under 16 team winning the championship in Mildura.

This year, our U14 team joined with Latrobe to make up a team to play at the U14 SWC. Congratulations to all our coaches and supporting staff for their dedication in organising our teams before and during competition. We congratulate our representative players, for being such great ambassadors for our region and our sport at these Championships. Congratulations must go to our SWC MVP's.

2014, Bendigo hosted a successful U12 SWC. This year blue skies donned the landscape, enabling players to play to the best of their ability. For families and supporters, the opportunity to enjoy the baseball. Thank you to all the volunteers from Bendigo East, Falcons, Scots & Strathfieldsaye Dodgers, for making this tournament the great success it was. Thank you must go to the officials / umpires for your time and dedication to ensuring matches were played in a timely but fun way for the young players.

This year we watched with pride as some of our talented Baseballers' took the next step on their path to the Big Leagues:-

- **Sam Moon** – Melbourne Aces Squad
- **Aaron Petri** – Trialled for Melbourne Aces
- **Lachlan Jack** – Australia at the IBAF World Cup – Mexico / Vic Blue U18 – Sydney
- **Billy Parsons** – Vic Blue U18 Vic Blue - Sydney
- **Tyson Cox-Davies** – U18 Vic White - Sydney
- **Darcy Harrison** – U16 Vic White - Sydney
- **Bailey Waterman** – Northern Diamondbacks – National Little League Championships – Gold Coast
- **Joe Parsons & Sam Wild** – Northern Diamondbacks – U14 Little League State Championships – Geelong

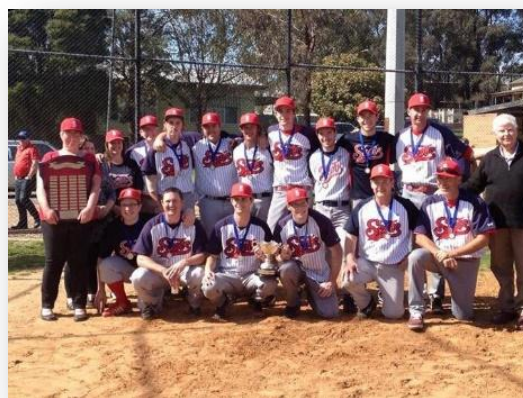
**We congratulate you all on your achievements throughout 2014.**

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This year Michael Amos commenced as President but resigned early in season with Sarah Plowright taking up the position. Helen Aikman Vice-President, Cassandra Fuller Secretary & Registration Secretary & Gay Huggard Treasurer, making up Executive for season 2014.

#### 2014 Premiers:

- **A Grade** – Scots
- **B Grade** – Bendigo East
- **C Grade** – Scots
- **U16** – Scots
- **U13** – Falcons Pirates



#### Major Award Winners:

- Championship Club –Falcons Baseball Club
- A Grade MVP – Aaron Petri (Scots)
- A Grade Batting –Troy Waterman (Falcons)
- A Grade Pitching (John Newman Award) – Aaron Petri (Scots)
- Rookie of the Year (Leigh Tuckerman Award) –Zac Cruse (Strathfieldsaye Dodgers)
- B Grade MVP – Warren Attard (Falcons) & Des Henderson (Scots)
- B Grade Batting – Brendan Aikman (Bendigo East)
- B Grade Fielding –Brendan Archibold (Falcons)
- C Grade MVP – Billy Parsons (Scots)
- C Grade Batting – Talia McDonald (Bendigo East)
- C Grade Fielding – Gibson Mitchell (Bendigo East)



Peter Murphy Perpetual Trophy Best Senior Player at the Baseball Victoria State Winter Championships – John Petri (Scots).

#### Pam Dawkins

Secretary, Bendigo Baseball Association





## **Dandenong Baseball Association | Secretary | Chris Mayne | 2014**

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Success across the Dandenong Baseball Association (DBA) 2014 competition was spread wide with a number of different clubs winning pennants across the seven senior grades, including Cheltenham taking out the A1 Championship.

The Association welcomed a new club from Essendon Baseball Club into the women's competition and going forward, the DBA will continue to coordinate the state's only winter competition for women. For the 2015 season we are looking at doubling the number of teams entered to ten.

### **The DBA in 2014 fielded:**

- 1297 players, in
- 57 Senior Teams, and 37 Junior Teams in
- 20 clubs, in
- 12 of grades, being A1, A2, B1, B2, C1, C2, Women's, U/17, U/15, U/13, U/11 and Aussie T-Ball

### **The DBA again participated in all 2014 State Winter Championships, with following results:**

- Seniors at Geelong - Won Division 1.
- Under 16's at Mildura – Won Division 1
- Under 14's at Wangaratta - Won Both Division 1 and Division 2
- Under 12's at Bendigo – Won Division 1
- Under 18's at Geelong – Finished 3<sup>rd</sup>

Congratulations to all DBA teams and many thanks to the tournaments hosts and Baseball Victoria in running these events.

### **2014 Premiers:**

- A1 – Cheltenham
- A2 – Frankston
- B1 – Moorabbin
- B2 – Cheltenham
- C1 – Berwick
- C2 – Dandenong Gold
- Women – Footscray

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### 2014 Premiers (cont.)

- Under 17 South Division and Across the River Challenge Winners – Dandenong  
The Under 17 Competition for the 2014 season was hosted by the MWLB with 5 DBA Under 17 teams playing in the South Competition (Eastlink Challenge)
- Under 15 – Dandenong
- Under 13 – Cheltenham
- Under 11 - Boneo

Thanks,

**Chris Mayne**  
Secretary - DBA





## Geelong Baseball Association | Executive Officer | Tony McPherson | 2014

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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 and Colac.

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:**

- Over 500 players, in
- 49 teams (34 senior and 15 junior), in
- 12 clubs, in
- 8 grades, being A, A Reserve, B, B Reserve, Under 18, Under 15 and Under 13.

In June, Geelong played host to the Baseball Victoria Senior State Winter Championship, another very successful event in which Dandenong took the Division One title and Latrobe Valley was victorious in Division Two. The GBA also hosted the Under 18 winter championships in 2014 with Ringwood the eventual winner.

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

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 were chosen as Most Valuable Players.

This year saw the Junior Committee take the reins for the junior competition. Special Thanks to Robert Hosking (Chairman) and Terri Walker (Junior Secretary) for heading up this side of the GBA competition. Under their leadership we will see a strengthening of our junior competition in the years to come.



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#### **2014 Premiers:**

- A Grade – Guild
- A Reserves – Nil result as a rule infraction occurred
- B Grade – Colac
- B Reserves – Colac
- Under 18 – Guild
- Under 15 – Bacchus Marsh
- Under 13 - Guild

#### **2014 Major Award Winners:**

- Club Champion (Alex Everett Trophy) – Guild
- A Grade MVP (A.E. Gear Trophy) – K Zablan(Deakin)
- A Grade Best Batting Avg. (Neville McPherson Trophy) – K Zablan (0.489; Deakin)
- A Grade Best Pitching ERA (Col King Trophy) – K Zablan (1.01; Deakin)
- A Reserve MVP (L.G. Howell Trophy) – L Vicary-Lovegrove (Guild)
- B Grade MVP (Gordon Mckay Trophy) – D Stones (Guild)
- B Reserve MVP (Artie Murrells Trophy) – N Cuthbertson (Colac)
- Grand Final MVP Harry Levey (Guild)
- Under 18 MVP – Brock Wells (Guild)
- Under 15 MVP – Angus McNee (Guild)
- Under 13 MVP - Jarryd Wood (Guild)

#### **Tony McPherson**

Executive Officer, Geelong Baseball Association



## Latrobe Valley Baseball Association | 2014

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There is no official report for 2014 for the Latrobe Valley Association.



## Melbourne Baseball Association | MWBL President | Peter Dihm | 2014

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The 2014 season for the MWBL continued on from the success of previous seasons with increase in participation with 107 senior teams in 12 grades from 30 clubs. The continued increase of teams is due to the work of the MWBL board, the clubs and their volunteers.

Our junior participation again increased, and welcomed the inclusion of five Under 17 teams from the Dandenong Baseball Association. There were 63 junior teams (an increase of 12 teams) in 9 grades - (2/U17, 3/U15, 4/U13) from 21 clubs.

### **In the 2014 season the MWBL fielded:**

- 2,045 players overall in senior and junior teams
- 170 teams, plus Tee Ball & Rookie Ball programs
- 33 clubs involved
- 21 grades in total – 12 senior grades and 9 junior grades
- The senior men's competition was revamped to even out the grades with six grades of ten teams, five grades of eight teams and one grade of seven teams after a team withdrew after three rounds.

We continued the upgrading of playing rules for the senior and junior competitions to be in line with summer season keeping in mind that all rules are not able to be aligned.

The revamped reporting of players and tribunal processes was approved by the clubs. This is now being adopted by Baseball Victoria as the model procedure and rules for tribunals. The leagues thanks Darrell Holden for conducting the Reported Persons Reviews and for Tim Smith the other tribunal members in the running of the tribunal as required.

The MWBL fully funded a Level 0 umpiring course that is in particular for club players and volunteers offering an opportunity to become a MWBL umpire which gives the 21 attendees a better insight into umpiring when official league umpires are not available.

Junior recruitment and retention continues to be the main priority for the MWBL. Since 2008 the Board has continued to put significant resources into recruitment of juniors for all clubs and as such continues to see an increase of junior teams. This season the MWBL contributed to the Baseball Victoria television advertising for players at the same time as the Major League Baseball games were played in Sydney in March 2014.

Sally Heppleston again was the league's media liaison person. It was Sally's job to keep a strong and consistent MWBL presence in the local metropolitan media in particularly Leader Newspaper publications with 56 articles appearing in the local papers during the winter season. Clubs need to increase awareness and take advantage of these opportunities for publication in the local papers.

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A successful winter for our representative teams, at the seniors and juniors competing well at the Victorian Championships. Disappointing that no senior team from Diamond Valley was able to attend at Geelong, the league needs to take steps to rectify.

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:

- Scott Ramsey for the web site
- Ben Utting from Ausport
- Tim Smith from Highway Press
- Craig Dykes from Mystique Printing
- Sally Heppleston - MWBL Media Officer
- Doug Bartlett and the MWBL Umpires panel
- Tim Smith and the other Tribunal members
- Gary Mack 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
- Baseball Victoria staff

I would sincerely thank the members of the MWBL, at all levels, in particular, the MWBL Board members – John King, Phil Barclay, Mark LeGrew, Geoff Dunn, Gary Mack and the administrator David Rice for their commitment to the efficient running of the league  
The league continues to grow into one of the biggest in Australia.

We wish the new board all the best for 2015.



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## Seniors:

Grade	Premiers	M.V.P.'s
• A Grade	Heathmont	Leigh McKay (Research)
• B Grade	Forest Hill	Travis Bass (Forest Hill)
• A Reserves	Knox	Oliver Toussaint (Watsonia)
• B Reserves	Melbourne University	Stuart White (North Coburg Rebels)
• C Grade	Ringwood	Aaron Holloway (Ringwood)
• C Reserves	Whealers Hill	Joshua Deans-Draper (GMBC)
• A Thirds	Watsonia	Tom Dundon (North Balwyn)
• A Fourths	Heathmont	Davy Wang (Melbourne Uni)
• D Grade	Glen Iris	Philip L'Huillier (GMBC)
• D Reserves	Forest Hill	Michael Yung (Knox)
• EL Grade	Latrobe University	Tyke Healy (Watsonia)
• EE Grade	Doncaster	Matthew Ignatiadis (Doncaster)

## Juniors:

### *Diamond Valley*

• Under 17	Essendon
• Under 15	Essendon
• Under 13	Greensborough/Diamond Creek

### *Ringwood District*

• Under 17 Division 1	Dandenong
• Under 17 Division 2	Forest Hill
• Under 15 Division 1	Forest Hill
• Under 15 Division 2	Croydon
• Under 13 Major	Newport
• Under 13 Minor Div. 1	Ringwood
• Under 13 Minor Div. 2	North Balwyn Wasps

**Peter Dihm**

MWBL President



## North Eastern Baseball Association | Secretary | Brendon French | 2014

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North Eastern Baseball had a drop in players and a team. We had 87 senior players playing in 5 clubs with 6 teams .

### 2014 Teams:

- Nasc Bears
- Wangaratta Rangers Orange
- Wangaratta Rangers Black
- Porepunkah Panthers
- Benalla Bandits
- Wodonga Warriors

### 2014 Premiers:

- **Neba Premiers A Grade** - Nasc Bears - (Bears 8 Vs Wangaratta Rangers Black 7)
- **Neba Premiers B Grade** - Wangaratta Rangers Orange (Wangaratta Rangers Orange 11 Vs Porepunkah Panthers 8)

### 2014 Best and Fairest:

- **Best and Fairest - A Grade:** Brendon Simmions - Bears
- **Beat and Fairest - B Grade:** Robbie Nichols - Porepunkah Panthers

**Brendon French**  
Secretary



## Sunraysia Baseball Association | Secretary| Ian Bishop| 2014

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The League has again experienced a season that was comparable with the past few years.

Senior player numbers were down slightly, but junior numbers were down more than the senior players. Hopefully the junior numbers will improve next season as the clubs have started some after school training for primary school students.

The 2014 season saw the withdrawal of the Tornadoes team from A Grade, Hawks reduced their C Grade commitment to one team and Wanderers introduced a second team to C Grade.

### In 2014 the League consisted of the following:-

	Senior.	Junior.
<b>Players</b>	143	197
<b>Teams</b>	15	20
<b>Clubs</b>	5	5
<b>Grades</b>	A (4), B (5), & C (6) U/16 (4), U/14 (4), U/12 (4), U/10 (4), U/8 (4)	

The League representative sides gained considerable success in BV Championships with the Senior team being Division 2 Runners - up, the U/18 team came 5th in their division, the U/16 team and the U/14 teams finished 2nd in their divisions and the U/12 team won their division.

We were again represented in the SACBA Championships on the first weekend in October by a Senior Side, a U/17 side, a U/15 side and a Sunraysia Academy of Sport U/17 side. The senior side won their Eighth straight title, the U/17 Sunraysia side were runners-up and the Academy side finished 4th. The U/15 side finished 2nd. Once again this was a very successful weekend for Sunraysia Baseball.

The Sunraysia Giants U/12 Little League Team finished 2nd in the State Little League Competition and 15th in the National Little League Competition held on the Gold Coast. Once again this was a reasonable result for their efforts during the year.

### The results of the 2014 season are as follows:-

		Senior League.	Junior League.
<b>Premiers –</b>	“A” Grade	Eagles Club	U/16 Wanderers Club
	“B” Grade	Hawks Club	U/14 Wanderers Club
	“C” Grade	Hawks Club	U/12 Eagles Club
			U/10 Saints Club
			U/8 Wanderers Club

## Major Award Winners

**Ian Bishop Medal , MVP** – Matt Austin (Eagles)

### Best Player Awards

- **“A” Grade**                      Matt Austin (Eagles)                      U/16      Abe Kortekaas (Wanderers)
- **“B” Grade**                      Taylar Pay (Eagles)                      U/14      Hayden Carroll (Wanderers)
- **“C” Grade**                      Tim Bell (Eagles)

**Geoff Brown Award, “Rookie of the Year”** – Patrick Gray (Wanderers).

**Trevor Rogers Award, Best Player in BV Senior Championships** – Matthew Gee (Tornadoes).

**Peter Wade Award, Best Player in 2013 SACBA Senior Championships** – Troy Harrison (Wanderers).

### Baseball Victoria, State Winter Championships, MVP

**(Winter Senior Championships)** – Adam Bell (Eagles).

– Matthew Gee (Tornadoes)

– Anthony Carroll (Wanderers)

**(Winter U/18 Championships)** – MVP – Tanner Parmenter (Saints)

**(Winter U/16 Championships)** – MVP – Nick Tregeagle (Tornadoes)

**(Winter U/14 Championships)** – MVP – Angus Ashcroft (Wanderers)

**(Winter U/12 Championships)** – MVP – Coby Mitchell (Hawks)

### SACBA Championships

**MVP Seniors** – Ben Heagerty (Eagles)

**MVP U/17 Academy Side** – Kane Razis (Saints)

**MVP U/17 Sunraysia Side** – Jordan Fleri (Wanderers)

**MVP U/15 Sunraysia Side** – Raiden Wakefield (Saints)



### **SACBA Championships – All Star Team**

- 1st Base – Ben Heagerty (Eagles)
- 2nd Base – Adam Bell (Eagles)
- Short Stop – Matt Austin (Eagles)
- Left Field – Trent Cross (Hawks)
- Right Field – Andrew Law (Eagles)
- Manager / EO – Ben Heagerty (Eagles)
- Coach – Peter Wade (Hawks)

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.

We consider that the 2014 season was once again a success, and look forward to 2015 with confidence that we will again have support for another favourable year.

**Ian Bishop**  
Secretary

# Tournament Results



## Senior State Winter Championships | 2014

Hosted by Geelong Baseball Association (Geelong Baseball Centre), 7 – 9 June 2014

### Metro Division -

City	0	vs	Geelong	3
Ringwood	3	vs	Dandenong	8
Geelong	2	vs	Ringwood	2
City	3	vs	Dandenong	7
City	1	vs	Ringwood	6
Dandenong	5	vs	Geelong	3
Geelong	9	vs	City	1
Dandenong	2	vs	Ringwood	6
Dandenong	16	vs	City	2
Ringwood	5	vs	Geelong	0
City	4	vs	Ringwood	5
Geelong	5	vs	Ringwood	5

### City Grand Final -

<b>Ringwood</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>vs</b>	<b>Dandenong</b>	<b>5</b>
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### Country Division -

North East	1	vs	Bendigo	7
North Eastern	4	vs	Sunraysia	7
Bendigo	5	vs	La Trobe Valley	12
Sunraysia	7	vs	Bendigo	3
La Trobe Valley	11	vs	North Eastern	7
Bendigo	3	vs	North Eastern	14
Latrobe Valley	13	vs	Bendigo	1
Bendigo	2	vs	Sunraysia	10

### Country Grand Final

<b>La Trobe Valley</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>vs</b>	<b>Sunraysia</b>	<b>2</b>
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## U18 State Winter Championships | 2014

Hosted by Geelong Baseball Association (Geelong), 12-13 July 2014

### Round Robin -

Diamond Valley	ABD	vs	Dandenong	ABD
Bendigo	ABD	vs	Geelong	ABD
Bendigo	2	vs	Diamond Valley	8
Dandenong	6	vs	Ringwood	11
Ringwood	15	vs	Geelong	0
Bendigo	2	vs	Dandenong	10
Sunraysia	0	vs	Diamond Valley	10
Sunraysia	3	vs	Geelong	2
Diamond Valley	4	vs	Ringwood	2
Bendigo	2	vs	Sunraysia	9
Dandenong	5	vs	Geelong	7
Sunraysia	5	vs	Dandenong	15
Geelong	9	vs	Diamond Valley	5
Bendigo	2	vs	Ringwood	5

### Grand Final

Ringwood	11	vs	Diamond Valley	0
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### 3rd Place Play-off

Dandenong	8	vs	Geelong	2
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### 5th Place Play-off

Sunraysia	16	vs	Bendigo	0
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**2014 Champions - Ringwood**



## U16 State Winter Championships | 2014

Hosted by Sunraysia Baseball League (Mildura), 5–6 July 2013

### Division 1 –

Dandenong	7	vs	Geelong	7
Diamond Valley Black	20	vs	Ringwood Black	6
Ringwood Black	9	vs	Geelong	5
Dandenong	3	vs	Diamond Valley Black	7
Geelong	7	vs	Diamond Valley Black	3
Dandenong	12	vs	Ringwood Black	2
Ringwood Black	9	vs	Diamond Valley Black	2
Dandenong	7	vs	Geelong	4
Diamond Valley Black	17	vs	Dandenong	0
Ringwood Black	14	vs	Geelong	2
Geelong	4	vs	Diamond Valley Black	4
Dandenong	9	vs	Ringwood Black	7

### Division 2 –

Bendigo	6	vs	Ringwood Green	1
Sunraysia	15	vs	Diamond Valley Red	1
Ringwood Green	15	vs	Diamond Valley Red	0
Sunraysia	6	vs	Latrobe Valley	0
Ringwood Green	10	vs	Latrobe Valley	7
Bendigo	13	vs	Diamond Valley	3
Bendigo	10	vs	Latrobe Valley	0
Ringwood Green	5	vs	Sunraysia	5
Sunraysia	12	vs	Bendigo	8
Diamond Valley Red	3	vs	Latrobe Valley	5
Ringwood Green	4	vs	Latrobe Valley	3
Sunraysia	1	vs	Bendigo	5

### 2014 Champions -

Division 1 – Dandenong

Division 2 – Bendigo



## U14 State Winter Championships | 2014

Hosted by North Eastern Baseball Association (Wangaratta), 26-27 July 2014

### Division 1 –

Dandenong Red	8	vs	Geelong	1
Diamond Valley Black	1	vs	Ringwood Black	6
Ringwood Black	14	vs	Geelong	0
Diamond Valley Black	11	vs	Dandenong Red	5
Geelong	2	vs	Diamond Valley Black	10
Dandenong	4	vs	Ringwood Black	3
Ringwood Black	7	vs	Diamond Valley Black	5
Geelong	4	vs	Dandenong Red	12
Dandenong Red	13	vs	Diamond Valley Black	2
Geelong	3	vs	Ringwood Black	6
Ringwood Black	3	vs	Dandenong Red	12
Diamond Valley Black	6	vs	Geelong	1

### Division 2 –

Dandenong Black	8	vs	Sunraysia	7
Ringwood Green	6	vs	Bendigo	8
Dandenong Black	4	vs	Ringwood Green	2
Bendigo	6	vs	Sunraysia	12
Ringwood Green	6	vs	Sunraysia	8
Bendigo	3	vs	Dandenong Black	10
Bendigo	14	vs	Ringwood Green	0
Sunraysia	3	vs	Dandenong Black	10
Sunraysia	10	vs	Bendigo	8
Ringwood Green	11	vs	Dandenong Black	6
Dandenong Black	14	vs	Bendigo	0
Sunraysia	9	vs	Ringwood Green	4

### 2014 Champions –

Division 1 – Dandenong Red

Division 2 – Dandenong Black



## U12 State Winter Championships | 2014

Hosted by Bendigo Baseball Association (Eaglehawk), 2-3 August 2014

### Division 1 -

Ringwood Black	11	vs	Diamond Valley	9
Dandenong	17	vs	Geelong	0
Ringwood Black	11	vs	Geelong	3
Diamond Valley	4	vs	Dandenong	15
Diamond Valley	7	vs	Geelong	3
Ringwood Black	14	vs	Dandenong	4
Dandenong	11	vs	Diamond Valley	8
Ringwood Black	10	vs	Geelong	4
Dandenong	8	vs	Ringwood Black	5
Geelong	7	vs	Dandenong	13
Ringwood Black	18	vs	Diamond Valley	3
Diamond Valley	9	vs	Geelong	2

### Division 2 –

Bendigo	1	vs	Ringwood Green	10
Sunraysia	11	vs	Latrobe Valley	7
Latrobe Valley	7	vs	Ringwood Green	14
Sunraysia	7	vs	Bendigo	7
Latrobe Valley	20	vs	Bendigo	8
Sunraysia	12	vs	Ringwood Green	10
Latrobe Valley	7	vs	Sunraysia	15
Ringwood Green	14	vs	Bendigo	7
Sunraysia	10	vs	Bendigo	6
Bendigo	14	vs	Latrobe Valley	2
Latrobe Valley	5	vs	Ringwood Green	15
Sunraysia	10	vs	Ringwood Green	6

### 2014 Champions –

Division 1 – Dandenong

Division 2 - Sunraysia

## State Winter Championships | Most Valuable Players | 2014

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### 2014 State Winter Championships – Most Valuable Players

For 2014, 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

- Aaron Petri (Bendigo)
- Hiroshi Narasaki (City)
- Ben Laux (Dandenong)
- Kelii Zablan (Geelong)
- Damien Goodman (Latrobe)
- Tetsu Kamiyama (North East)
- Luke Howell (Ringwood)
- Anthony Carroll (Sunraysia)
- Matthew Gee (Sunraysia)

#### Under 18 Championships

- Lachlan Jack (Bendigo)
- William Day (Dandenong)
- Riley Hill (Diamond Valley)
- Tyler Huisman (Geelong)
- Corey Poke (Ringwood)
- Tanner Parmenter (Sunraysia)

#### Under 16 Championships

- Billy Tyson (Bendigo)
- Sam Drummond (Dandenong)
- Lachlan Condie (D'Valley Black)
- Alex McCormick (D'Valley Red)
- Lachlan Medew (Geelong)
- Blake Townsend (Latrobe Valley)
- Jamie Young (Ringwood Black)
- Brian Smart (Ringwood Green)
- Nick Tregeagle (Sunraysia)

#### Under 14 Championships

- Blake Townsend (Bendigo/LV)
- Ben Fierenzi (Dandenong Red)
- Jess Bremmelen (Dandenong Black)
- Oscar Hargraves (Diamond Valley)
- Tim Reid (Geelong)
- Mackenzie Salmon (R'wood Black)
- Henry Hayman (Ringwood Green)
- Angus Ashcroft (Sunraysia)

#### Under 12 Championships

- Connor Charlton (Bendigo)
- Josh Ashen (Dandenong)
- Sam Skinner (Diamond Valley)
- Haden People (Geelong)
- Ty Hickford (Latrobe Valley)
- Tyler Evans (Ringwood Black)
- Oswin Wang (Ringwood Green)
- Colby Mitchell (Sunraysia)

# State Little League Championships 2014



## State Little League Championships | 2014

Hosted by Melbourne Demons Baseball Club (Melbourne), 11-13 January 2014

### Single Round Robin -

Southern Mariner	7	vs	Northern Diamondbacks	3
Western Mets	6	vs	Yarra Rangers	5
Yarra Rangers	13	vs	Southern Mariners	2
Northern Diamondbacks	7	vs	Sunraysia	8
Southern Mariners	10	vs	Western Mets	0
Sunraysia	6	vs	Yarra Rangers	21
Western Mets	13	vs	Sunraysia	0
Yarra Rangers	7	vs	Northern Diamondbacks	6
Northern Diamondbacks	15	vs	Western Mets	5
Sunraysia	5	vs	Southern Mariners	12

### Champions qualify for the 2013 National Little League Championship

- State Champions | Yarra Rangers
- National Qualifier | Sunraysia Giants
- National Qualifier | Northern Diamondbacks



# State Representatives

## Senior Teams | 2014

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**2014 National Women's Championships,  
Campbelltown NSW, 19 - 26 April 2014**

### **Victoria Blue Team**

- Leslie Anglin (Newport, Footscray and East Belmont Saints)
- Amanda Asay (Footscray)
- Belinda Cannington (Doncaster)
- Amy Collins (Doncaster and Watsonia)
- Sinead Flanigan (Springvale and Berwick)
- Bronwyn Gell (Essendon, Watsonia & Melbourne Uni)
- Samantha Hamilton (Doncaster and GMBC)
- Abbey Kelly (Essendon and Westgarth)
- Shae Lillywhite (Springvale and Berwick)
- Shirly Loon (Springvale and Monash)
- Amy McCann (Doncaster)
- Amy McLellan (Footscray)
- Catherine Row (Springvale)
- Casey Sheldon-Collins (Waverley)
- Siobhan Stephenson (Springvale)
- Dean Anglin (Head Coach)
- Kile Rogers (Assistant Coach)
- Travis Bass (Assistant Coach)

### **Victoria White Team**

- Vanessa Clifford (Doncaster and Watsonia)
- Erin Collis (Doncaster)
- Madeline Davis (Doncaster)
- Samantha Deeble (Essendon)
- Ellen Goodrope (Malvern and Melbourne Uni)
- Hannah Jackson (Springvale and Berwick)
- Jessica Johnson (Malvern and Melbourne Uni)
- Alanna Kappler (Footscray)
- Rachel Limburg (Melbourne and North Balwyn)
- Lisa McLellan (Footscray)
- Kathryn Morris (Moorabbin)
- Georgia Page (Essendon and Berwick)
- Paris Penny (Doncaster)
- Kassandra Sidley (Essendon)
- Georgie Smith (Sandringham)
- Lauren Wong (Doncaster)
- Colin Penny (Head Coach)
- Mel Gregory (Assistant Coach)
- Ursula Howard (Assistant Coach)



## Junior Teams | 2014

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### 2014 National Under 16 Championships, Sydney NSW, 7 - 14 January 2014

#### Victorian U16 Blue Team

- Max Barrett (Cheltenham)
- Lachlan Beasley (Berwick City and Berwick Dodgers)
- Matthew Beattie (Waverley and Ringwood)
- James Brancolino (Preston and GMBC)
- Justin Burke (Waverley and North Balwyn)
- Jordan Busch (Waverley)
- Luke Cartwright (Blackburn and Forest Hill)
- Oliver Dunn (Waverley and Ringwood)
- Chase Hodgkinson (Waverley and Ringwood)
- Steven Hughes (Springvale and Berwick Dodgers)
- Jesse Hunter (Berwick Cougars and Pakenham)
- Lachlan Jack (Essendon and Scots)
- Andrew Kane (Waverley)
- James Lewer (Geelong and Guild)
- Sam Michael (Cheltenham)
- Aaron Ouwehand (Berwick City and Dandenong)
- Nathan Picchioni (Sandringham and Dingley)
- Emerson Rickard (Geelong)
- Matthew Stenhouse (Springvale and Cheltenham)
- Chris Hodgkinson (Head Coach)
- Ron Carothers (Assistant Coach)
- Phil Balzer (Coach)
- Andrew Dunn (Executive Officer)

#### Victorian U16 White Team

- Lucas Anderson (Springvale and Cheltenham)
- Noah Answerth (Cheltenham)
- Jackson Boyd (Springvale and Dingley)
- Tyson Cox-Davies (Essendon and Scots)
- Jack Daniels (Cheltenham)
- Bradley Homfray (Waverley)
- Steven Hughes (Springvale and Berwick)
- Tyler Huisman (Geelong and Werribee)
- Shoma Ikehata (Essendon and GMBC)
- Andrew Kane (Waverley)
- Edward Kline-Marantelli (Essendon)
- James Lewer (Geelong and Guild)
- Justin Limburg (Melbourne and North Balwyn)
- Naoki Liu (Cheltenham)
- Adam McKenzie (Berwick City and Dandenong)
- Jarrod McQuiggan (Doncaster and GMBC)
- Murad Mohamed (Cheltenham and Dandenong)
- Aaron Ouwehand (Berwick City and Dandenong)
- John Sears (Geelong)
- Joel Stubbs (Berwick City and Dandenong)
- Scott Meager (Head Coach)
- Jordan Young (Assistant Coach)
- Chris Rickard (Assistant Coach)
- Graham Norman (Executive Officer)

## Junior Teams | 2014

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### 2014 National Under 18 Championships, Canberra ACT, 5 - 12 January 2014

#### Victorian U18 Blue Team

- Justin Aron (Upwey and North Balwyn)
- Steven Bookluck (Blackburn and Ringwood)
- George Callil (Cheltenham)
- Koji Campitelli (Cheltenham)
- Alex Clark (Berwick and Dandenong)
- Michael d'Avoine (Doncaster and GMBC)
- Wesley Dejong (Werribee and Ringwood)
- Jack Enciondo (Cheltenham)
- Daniel Fornito (Essendon and GMBC)
- Andrew Hayes (Waverley and North Balwyn)
- Mitch Holding (Cheltenham)
- Matthew Homfray (Waverley)
- Keal Kingston (Blackburn and Ringwood)
- Jordan Ley (Waverley and Forest Hill)
- Lachlan Madden (Cheltenham and Bonbeach)
- Brayden McConkey (Sandringham and Dingley)
- Luke Orwin (Waverley)
- Andy Radevski (Geelong and Guild)
- Brandon Stenhouse (Cheltenham)
- James Wood (Geelong and Guild)
- Kerry Gassner (Head Coach)
- Gavin Young (Assistant Coach)
- Tim Ballard (Assistant Coach)
- Trevor Bird (Executive Officer)

#### Victorian U18 White Team

- Cameron Beaumont (Sandringham and Dingley)
- Ryan Bromley (Blackburn and Ringwood)
- Nicholas George (Sandringham and Dingley)
- Jack Gilies (Essendon)
- Riley Hill (Fitzroy and Greensborough)
- Riley Hodgson (Blackburn and Ringwood)
- Bradley Homfray (Waverley)
- Callum Jackson (Melbourne and North Balwyn)
- Brad Kmet (Cheltenham and Berwick)
- Joshua Lean (Waverley and Cheltenham)
- Harrison Levy (Geelong and Guild)
- Murad Mohamed (Berwick and Dandenong)
- Yuto Sekino (Cheltenham)
- Samuel Trend-Beacom (Cheltenham)
- Billy Trovato (Fitzroy and Greensborough)
- Luke Utting (Preston and GMBC)
- Joshua Walker (Waverley and Ringwood)
- Jack Wills (Sandringham and Dingley)
- Marshall Skinner (Head Coach)
- Mitch Glasser (Assistant Coach)
- Alex Hondromatidis (Assistant Coach)
- Tony McPherson (Executive Officer)



## Junior Teams | 2014

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**2014 National Under 14 Championships, Adelaide SA,  
11-18 January 2014**

### **Victorian U14 Blue Team**

- Alexander Barling (Melbourne and North Balwyn)
- Nathan Bezzina (Newport)
- Chris Burke (Waverley and North Balwyn)
- John-Paul Callil (Cheltenham)
- Harvey Chinn (Waverley and Forest Hill)
- Tiernan Culbert (Waverley and Forest Hill)
- Jarryd Dale (Waverley and North Balwyn)
- Jack Fielden (Geelong)
- Aaron Howlett (Waverley)
- Liam Madden (Berwick Cougars and Berwick Dodgers)
- Josh Meyer (Sandringham and Dandenong)
- Kyle Morrison (Newport)
- Ryuto Nashiro (Cheltenham)
- Ciaran Palmer (Berwick Cougars and Berwick Dodgers)
- Mackenzie Salmon (Melbourne and North Balwyn)
- Shun Satoh (Sandringham)
- Brock Wells (Geelong and Guild)
- Aiden Willis (Sandringham and Dandenong)
- Daniel Btreen (Head Coach)
- Jeremy Young (Assistant Coach)
- Travis Bass (Assistant Coach)
- Steven Culbert (Executive Officer)

### **Victorian U14 White Team**

- Jarrod Belbin (Preston)
- Benjamin Fierenzi (Cheltenham)
- Jordan Gavin (Blackburn and Dandenong)
- Kaoru Hirai (Waverley)
- Richard Kiel (Upwey and Knox)
- Daniel Ling (Blackburn and Forest Hill)
- Jai Lyttleton (Sandringham and Dingley)
- Dylan Marsh (Geelong and East Belmont Saints)
- Darcy O'Connor (Waverley)
- Grant Price (Waverley and North Balwyn)
- Kaioh Sato (Waverley and Forest Hill)
- Brian Smart (Waverley and Forest Hill)
- Fraser Smith (Waverley and Forest Hill)
- Luke Socic (Sandringham and Dingley)
- River Stevens-Dobby (Upwey and Knox)
- Lucas Taylor (Berwick and Bonbeach)
- Blake Townsend (Berwick and Traralgon)
- James Walsh (Newport)
- Chris Harman (Head Coach)
- Barry Fisher (Assistant Coach)
- Scott Simpson (Assistant Coach)
- Robert Smart (Executive Officer)



# National Honours and Representatives 2014

## Baseball Australia Diamond Awards | Gold Coast | 2014

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The Baseball Australia Diamond Awards presented by Compass Global Markets took place on Saturday evening, April 12th, at the RACV Royal Pines Resort on the Gold Coast.

It was an evening to celebrate baseball in Australia and serve to acknowledge and reward achievements and excellence across all levels of our sport. The Victorian recipients are acknowledged below:

### Baseball Australia award recipients:

- **Virgin Australia High Performance Coach of the Year:** Graeme Lloyd
- **Rawlings Youth Player of the Year:** Lewis Thorpe
- **Fielder's Choice Open Female Player of the Year:** Shae Lillywhite

### Australian Baseball League award recipients:

- **Media Award:** Gilbert Gardiner
- **CJ Auto Electrics Rookie of the Year:** Lewis Thorpe, Melbourne Aces
- **Sam Bat Champion Crusher:** Ryan Casteel, Melbourne Aces
- **Canberra Cavalry Helms Award:** Ryan Casteel, Melbourne

## 2014 MLB Australia Academy Program | Gold Coast QLD | 2014

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- Max Barrett (Cheltenham)
- Lachlan Beasley (Berwick Cougars and Berwick Dodgers)
- Matt Beattie (Waverley and Ringwood)
- Steven Bookluck (Blackburn and Ringwood)
- George Callil (Cheltenham)
- Jared Cruz (Essendon and Watsonia)
- Marcel d'Avoine (Doncaster and GMBC)
- Jack Enciondo (Cheltenham)
- Sam Michael (Cheltenham)
- Andy Radevski (Geelong and Guild)
- Andrew Hayes (Waverley and North Balwyn)
- Chase Hodkinson (Waverley and Ringwood)
- Brandon Stenhouse (Cheltenham)



## **Australian Cal Ripken Team - Cal Ripken World Series | USA | 2014**

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- Luke Socic (Sandringham)
- Jarryd Wood (Geelong and Guild)
- Dean Marnell (Head Coach)

## **Australian 21U - 2014 21U World Cup | Taichung, Chinese Taipei | 2014**

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- Sam Gibbons (Geelong)
- Jon Kennedy (Waverley and North Balwyn)
- Lachlan Madden (Cheltenham and Bonbeach)
- Sam Street (Sandringham)
- Aaron Sayers (Essendon)
- Ryan Dale (Waverley)
- Ben Leslie (Cheltenham)
- Adam Silva (Waverley)
- Jared Cruz (Essendon)
- Damian Shanahan (Assistant Coach)

## **Australian 15U - 2014 15U Baseball World Cup | Sinaloa, Mexico | 2014**

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- Matthew Beattie (Waverley and Ringwood)
- Justin Burke (Waverley and North Balwyn)
- Jordan Busch (Waverley)
- Jesse Hunter (Berwick and Pakenham)
- Lachlan Jack (Essendon and Scots)
- Jack Dunn (Cheltenham and Dingley)
- Mitchell Edwards (Waverley and Heathmont)
- Cooper Goodman (Waverley and Heathmont)
- Peter Moylan (Pitching Coach)

## **2014 Womens World Cup | Miuazaki, Japan | 2014**

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- Amy Collins (Doncaster)
- Bronwyn Gell (Doncaster, Essendon and Watsonia)
- Amy McCann (Doncaster and Westgarth)
- Shae Lillywhite (Springvale and Berwick)
- Simone Wearne (Head Coach)
- Graeme Lloyd (Pitching Coach)

## **2014 Womens Phoenix Cup | Hong Kong | 2014**

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- Emma French (Essendon)
- Abbey Kelly (Essendon and Westgarth)
- Rachel Limburg (Melbourne and North Balwyn)
- Casey Sheldon-Collins (Waverley)
- Samantha Hamilton (Assistant Coach)

## **Team Australia Challenge vs. Los Angeles Dodgers and Arizona Diamondbacks, MLB Opening Series, Sydney | Sydney | 2014**

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- Brad Harman (Cheltenham and Heathmont)
- Justin Huber (Preston and North Balwyn)
- Shane Lindsay (Essendon)
- Jon Deeble (Manager)
- Phil Dale (Pitching Coach)
- Graeme Lloyd (Assistant Coach)

# Professional Players

## Professional Players | 2014

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- James Beresford (Minnesota Twins)
- Travis Blackley (Rakuten Golden Eagles, Japan Major League)
- Jared Cruz (Atlanta Braves / Houston Astros)
- Ryan Dale (Kansas City Royals)
- Darryl George (Tampa Bay Devil Rays)
- Sam Gibbons (Minnesota Twins)
- Ben Leslie (San Francisco Giants)
- Lachlan Madden (Houston Astros)
- Daniel McGrath (Boston Red Sox)
- Andrew Russell (Atlanta Braves)
- Aaron Sayers (Detroit Tigers)
- Adam Silva (New York Yankees)
- Josh Spence (Miami Marlins)
- Sam Street (Pittsburgh Pirates)
- Lewis Thorpe (Minnesota Twins)
- Brandon Stenhouse (New York Yankees)



# Honour Rolls

## Victorian Baseball Association Inc. | Life Members

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

## Victorian Provincial Baseball League | Life Members

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

\* deceased

## Baseball Victoria | Life Members | 2014

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2009	Jason Blair
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# Office Bearers | Historical

## Victorian Baseball League

Year	President	Secretary
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

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Year	President	Secretary
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

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Year	President	Secretary
1920	Mr. C. Sellars	C.J Easey
1921	Mr. C. Sellars	C.J Easey
1922	Mr. C. Sellars	C.J Easey

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Year	President	Secretary
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)

Year	President	Secretary
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



## Victorian Baseball Association (New Body)

Year	President	Secretary
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

Year	President	Administrator
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

Year	President	Executive Director
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

## Victorian Baseball Association (New Body)

Year	President	Executive Director
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

Year	President	Chief Executive Officer
2007	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. S. Walker/Nash
2008	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. S. Nash

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Year	President	Chief Executive Officer
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
2013	Mr. C. Crameri	Mr B. W. Hidson (resigned April) / Mr. N. Price (appointed July)
2014	Mr. C. Crameri	Mr. N. Price

*Corrections have been included from the previous Annual Report. All efforts have been made to ensure all details*



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# Financial Statements

**BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**  
**ABN 78 603 120 057**

**Financial Report**  
**For the period ended 30 September 2014**

**BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**  
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**BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**

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**DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

The Board of Director's present their report together with the financial report of Baseball Victoria Incorporated for the period ended 30 September 2014 and the auditor's report thereon. This financial report has been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards.

**Board of Director's names**

The names of the Board of Director's in office at any time during or since the end of the year are:

Clayton Crameri

Stephen Thomson

Shaun Graf

Sheila Nguyen

Scott Dawes

Fiona McNabb (resigned 24 September 2013)

Myles Foreman (appointed 17 September 2013)

James van Beek (appointed 23 September 2014)

The Board of Director's have been in office since the start of the year to date of this report unless otherwise stated.

**Results**

The Profit/(Loss) of the association for the period (15 months) after providing for income tax amounted to a Loss of \$106,842 (2013: Profit \$41,061).

**Review of operations**

The association continued to engage in its principal activity, the results of which are disclosed in the attached financial statements.

**Significant changes in state of affairs**

At the Annual General Meeting held on 2 December 2013 in accordance with the 'Rules of the Association' the members resolved to a) adopt a Constitution for the association in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012, and b) to amend the Financial Year from 30 June to 30 September.

**Principal activities**

The principal activity of the association during the year was to facilitate and promote baseball in Victoria. No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED  
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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Director's of the Board.

Director:



Clayton Cramer

Director:



Stephen Thompson

Dated this day 8th January 2015

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**STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
For the Period Ended 30 September 2014

	Note	2014 15 months \$	2013 12 months \$
Revenue			
Revenue	3	1,608,097	1,383,436
Interest Income		6,814	6,476
		<u>1,614,911</u>	<u>1,389,912</u>
Less: Expenses			
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(21,835)	(16,491)
Employee benefits expense		(495,246)	(274,494)
Finance costs		(3,568)	(1,599)
Administration expenses		(91,582)	(71,170)
Senior state team expenses		(104,603)	(72,253)
Under 12 development program expenses		(1,180)	(89,436)
Junior state team expenses		(374,661)	(284,890)
ABF, registration		(230,851)	(183,677)
Umpire expenses		(120,074)	(115,446)
Development expenses		(110,643)	(86,619)
Bad and doubtful debts		(4,248)	(17,282)
Motor vehicle expenses		(13,669)	(12,192)
Other competition expenses		(68,094)	(65,096)
Other expenses		(81,499)	(58,206)
		<u>(1,721,753)</u>	<u>(1,348,851)</u>
<b>Profit/(Loss) before income tax expense</b>		<u>(106,842)</u>	<u>41,061</u>
Income tax expense		-	-
<b>Net Profit/(Loss) after income tax</b>		<u>(106,842)</u>	<u>41,061</u>
Other comprehensive income		-	-
<b>Total comprehensive income for the period</b>		<u>(106,842)</u>	<u>41,061</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

**BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**  
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
As at 30 September 2014

	Note	2014 15 months \$	2013 12 months \$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	270,486	131,176
Receivables	5	78,898	140,047
Other assets	9	8,121	42,771
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>357,505</u>	<u>313,994</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Inventories	6	-	14,200
Plant and equipment	7	39,523	51,931
Intangible assets	8	2,000	2,000
Other assets	9	50,701	51,467
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>92,225</u>	<u>119,598</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>449,730</u>	<u>433,592</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Payables	10	24,816	32,041
Borrowings	11	7,440	16,122
Provisions	12	21,709	7,426
Other liabilities	13	236,651	104,168
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>290,615</u>	<u>159,757</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Borrowings	11	23,065	30,749
Provisions	12	2,722	2,722
Other liabilities	13	50,701	50,894
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>76,487</u>	<u>84,365</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<u>367,102</u>	<u>244,122</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>82,628</u>	<u>189,470</u>
<b>Members funds</b>			
Accumulated surplus		82,628	189,470
<b>Total Members funds</b>		<u>82,628</u>	<u>189,470</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

**BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**  
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**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS FUNDS**  
For the Period Ended 30 September 2014

	Accumulated Surplus
	\$
Balance as at 1 July 2012	148,409
Profit/(Loss) for the year	<u>41,061</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year	41,061
Balance as at 30 June 2013	<u>189,470</u>
Balance as at 1 July 2013	189,470
Profit/(Loss) for the period (15 months)	<u>(106,842)</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u>(106,842)</u>
Balance as at 30 September 2014	<u>82,628</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements



**BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**

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**STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS**

For the Period Ended 30 September 2014

	<b>Note</b>	<b>2014 15 months \$</b>	<b>2013 12 months \$</b>
<b>Cash flow from operating activities</b>			
Receipts from Customers		1,762,592	1,521,959
Payments to Suppliers & Employees		(1,600,733)	(1,459,126)
Interest Received		6,814	6,476
Finance Costs		(3,568)	(1,599)
<b>Net cash used in operating activities</b>	<b>14(b)</b>	<b>165,105</b>	<b>67,710</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	14,000
Payments for property, plant and equipment	<b>7(a)</b>	<b>(9,427)</b>	<b>(53,881)</b>
<b>Net cash used in investing activities</b>		<b>(9,427)</b>	<b>(39,881)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Proceeds from borrowings		-	36,000
Motor vehicle finance repayments		(5,262)	(15,654)
<b>Net cash used in financing activities</b>		<b>(5,262)</b>	<b>20,346</b>
<b>Net</b>		<b>150,416</b>	<b>48,175</b>
<b>Reconciliation of</b>			
Cash at beginning of the financial year		120,070	71,895
<b>Net</b>		<b>150,416</b>	<b>48,175</b>
<b>Cash at end of financial year</b>	<b>14(a)</b>	<b>270,486</b>	<b>120,070</b>

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
For the Period Ended 30 September 2014

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**NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

The financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Reform Act of Victoria 2012 (and its associated Regulations). The committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report was approved by the committee as at the date of the committees' report

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the association in the preparation and presentation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

**a) Basis of preparation of the financial report**

*Historical Cost Convention*

The financial report has been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by revaluations to fair value for certain classes of assets as described in the accounting policies.

**b) Revenue**

Revenue from the rendering of services is recognised upon delivery of the service to the customers.

Interest revenue is recognised when it becomes receivable on a proportional basis taking in to account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

Other revenue is recognised when the right to the revenue has been established.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

**c) Income tax**

The Association has self-assessed to be exempt from income tax pursuant to Section 50.45 of the *Australian Income Tax Assessment Act 1997* and thus is not liable for any income tax, and accordingly no provision for income tax has been raised.

**d) Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents include cash on hand and at banks, short-term deposits with an original maturity of three months or less held at call with financial institutions, and bank overdrafts. Bank overdrafts are shown within borrowings in current liabilities on the statement of financial position.

**e) Inventories**

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**f) Plant and equipment**

Each class of plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses.

*Plant and equipment*

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the committee to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from those assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows which will be received from the assets employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to present values in determining recoverable amounts.

*Depreciation*

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets is depreciated over the estimated useful lives commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Land and the land component of any class of fixed asset is not depreciated.

Class of fixed asset	Depreciation rates	Depreciation basis
Motor vehicles at cost	25%	Diminishing value
Office equipment at cost	35% - 67%	Diminishing value

**g) Intangibles**

*Patents,*

Patents, trademarks and licences are recognised at cost and are amortised over their estimated useful lives. They are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and any impairment losses.

**h) Impairment**

Assets with an indefinite useful life are not amortised but are tested annually for impairment in accordance with AASB 136. Assets subject to annual depreciation or amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or circumstances arise that indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may be impaired.

An impairment loss is recognised where the carrying amount of the assets exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of an asset is defined as the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and value in use.

**i) Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an out flow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**j) Leases**

Leases are classified at their inception as either operating or finance leases based on the economic substance of the agreement and impairment losses

*Finance leases*

Leases of fixed assets, where substantially all the risks and benefits incidental to the ownership of the asset, but not the legal ownership, are transferred to the association are classified as finance leases. Finance leases are capitalised, recording an asset and liability equal to the present value of the minimum lease payments, including any guaranteed residual values. The interest expense is calculated using the interest rate implicit in the lease and is included in finance costs in the statement of comprehensive income. Leased assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their estimated useful lives where it is likely that the association will obtain ownership of the asset, or over the term of the lease. Lease payments are allocated between the reduction of the lease liability and the lease interest expense for the period.

*Operating leases*

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Lease incentives received under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

**k) Employee benefits**

*(i) Short-term employee benefit obligations*

Liabilities arising in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave and any other employee benefits expected to be settled within twelve months of the reporting date are measured at their nominal amounts based on remuneration rates which are expected to be paid when the liability is settled. The expected cost of short-term employee benefits in the form of compensated absences such as annual leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits. All other short-term employee benefit obligations are presented as payables.

*(ii) Long-term employee benefit obligations*

Liabilities arising in respect of long service leave and annual leave which is not expected to be settled within twelve months of the reporting date are measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflow to be made in respect of the services provided by employees up to the reporting date.

Employee benefit obligations are presented as current liabilities in the balance sheet if the entity does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, regardless of when the actual settlement is expected to occur.

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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**NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)**

**l) Borrowing costs**

Borrowing costs can include interest, amortisation of discounts or premiums relating to borrowings, ancillary costs incurred in connection with arrangement of borrowings, foreign exchange losses net of hedged amounts on borrowings.

Borrowing costs incurred as part of the cost of construction of a qualifying asset are capitalised until the asset is ready for its intended use or sale.

**m) Comparatives**

Where necessary, comparative information has been reclassified and repositioned for consistency with current year disclosures.

**NOTE 2: CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS**

Estimates and judgements are based on past performance and management's expectations for the future.



# BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED

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## NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Period Ended 30 September 2014

	Note	2014 15 months \$	2013 12 months \$
<b>NOTE 3: REVENUE</b>			
Operating activities			
Affiliation fees		152,630	162,500
Registration and insurance		543,445	415,153
Development department		130,334	68,601
Grant income		100,545	71,000
Umpire fees		118,290	116,050
General operating income		53,987	49,180
Senior state teams		69,377	51,855
Junior state teams		395,643	322,293
Under 12 development programs		(2,207)	90,716
Baseball academy		45,889	32,393
Other fees		164	3,695
		<u>1,608,097</u>	<u>1,383,436</u>

## NOTE 4: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS

Cash on hand	100	100
Cash at bank	47,503	-
Cash on deposit	222,883	131,076
	<u>270,486</u>	<u>131,176</u>

## NOTE 5: RECEIVABLES

CURRENT		
Trade debtors	99,258	151,269
Provision for doubtful debts	(20,360)	(17,282)
Other receivables	-	6,060
	<u>78,898</u>	<u>140,047</u>

## Impairment of trade receivables

Trade receivables are non interest bearing. An impairment loss is recognised when there is objective evidence that an individual trade receivable is impaired.

Movements in the accumulated impairment losses were:

Opening balance at 1 July 2013	(17,282)	-
Charge for the year	(3,078)	(17,282)
Closing balance as at 30 September 2014	<u>(20,360)</u>	<u>(17,282)</u>

## Aged Analysis

Trade receivable ageing analysis as at 30 September:

	Gross 2014 \$	Impairment 2014 \$	Gross 2013 \$	Impairment 2013 \$
Not past due	19,544	-	103,017	-
Past due 31-60 days	22,164	-	17,205	-
Past due 61-90 days	17,303	-	9,926	-
Past due more than 91 days	40,247	(3,078)	21,121	(17,282)
	<u>99,258</u>	<u>(3,078)</u>	<u>151,269</u>	<u>(17,282)</u>



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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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	Note	2014 15 months \$	2013 12 months \$
<b>NOTE 6: INVENTORIES</b>			
<b>NON-CURRENT</b>			
Uniforms		-	14,200
		<u>-</u>	<u>14,200</u>

**NOTE 7: PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT**

<b>Plant and Equipment</b>			
Motor vehicles at cost		45,454	45,454
Accumulated depreciation		<u>(16,281)</u>	<u>(3,020)</u>
		29,173	42,434
Office equipment at cost		47,655	38,228
Accumulated Depreciation		<u>(37,305)</u>	<u>(28,731)</u>
		10,350	9,497
Total property, plant and equipment		<u>39,523</u>	<u>51,931</u>

**a) Reconciliations**

Reconciliation of the carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment at the beginning and end of the current financial year

<i>Motor vehicles</i>			
Opening carrying amount		42,434	21,064
Additions		-	45,454
Disposals		-	(17,617)
Depreciation expense		<u>(13,261)</u>	<u>(6,467)</u>
Closing carrying amount		<u>29,173</u>	<u>42,434</u>
<i>Office equipment</i>			
Opening carrying amount		9,497	11,094
Additions		9,427	8,427
Disposals		-	-
Depreciation expense		<u>(8,574)</u>	<u>(10,024)</u>
Closing carrying amount		<u>10,350</u>	<u>9,497</u>

**NOTE 8: INTANGIBLE ASSETS**

Patents, trademarks and licences at cost		<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>
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**a) Reconciliations**

Reconciliation of the carrying amounts of intangible assets at the beginning and end of the current financial year

<i>Patents, trademarks and licences at cost</i>			
Opening balance		2,000	2,000
Closing balance		<u>2,000</u>	<u>2,000</u>

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**NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
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	Note	2014 15 months \$	2013 12 months \$
<b>NOTE 9: OTHER ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT</b>			
Prepayments		7,357	42,580
Prepaid borrowing expenses		764	191
		<u>8,121</u>	<u>42,771</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT</b>			
Prepaid borrowing expenses		-	573
Foundation, sponsorship and other funds held in trust		50,701	50,894
		<u>50,701</u>	<u>51,467</u>
<b>NOTE 10: PAYABLES</b>			
<b>CURRENT</b>			
<i>Unsecured Liabilities</i>			
Trade creditors		4,997	358
Sundry creditors and accruals		19,819	31,683
		<u>24,816</u>	<u>32,041</u>
<b>NOTE 11: BORROWINGS</b>			
<b>CURRENT</b>			
Bank Overdraft		-	11,106
<i>Secured liabilities</i>			
Chattel mortgage liability		9,979	8,089
Unexpired term charges		(2,539)	(3,073)
		<u>7,440</u>	<u>5,016</u>
		<u>7,440</u>	<u>16,122</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT</b>			
<i>Secured liabilities</i>			
Chattel mortgage liability		27,153	38,080
Unexpired term charges		(4,088)	(7,331)
		<u>23,065</u>	<u>30,749</u>
<b>NOTE 12: PROVISIONS</b>			
<b>CURRENT</b>			
Employee Benefits		21,709	7,426
<b>NON-CURRENT</b>			
Employee Benefits		2,722	2,722
a) Aggregate employee benefits liability		24,431	10,148

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	Note	2014 15 months \$	2013 12 months \$
<b>NOTE 13: OTHER LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>CURRENT</b>			
Deferred Income		236,651	104,168
<b>NON-CURRENT</b>			
Foundation, sponsorship and other funds held in trust		50,701	50,894
<b>NOTE 14: CASH FLOW INFORMATION</b>			
<b>a) Reconciliation of cash</b>			
Cash at the end of the financial year is shown in the statements of cash flows is reconciled to the related items in the statement of financial position as follows:			
Cash on hand		100	100
Cash at bank		47,503	-
At call deposits with financial institutions		222,883	131,076
Bank overdraft		-	(11,106)
		<u>270,486</u>	<u>120,070</u>
<b>b) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with surplus after income tax</b>			
Surplus from ordinary activities after income tax		(106,842)	41,061
<b>Adjustments and non-cash items</b>			
Depreciation		21,835	16,491
Trade receivables provision and impairment		3,078	17,282
Loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment		(1)	3,617
<b>Changes in assets and liabilities</b>			
(Increase)/decrease in receivables		58,071	(31,151)
(Increase)/decrease in other assets		35,416	(18,005)
(Increase)/decrease in inventories		14,200	(9,630)
Increase/(decrease) in payables		(7,225)	(2,516)
Increase/(decrease) in other liabilities		132,290	55,964
Increase/(decrease) in provisions		14,283	(5,403)
		<u>271,947</u>	<u>26,649</u>
Cash flows from operating activities		<u>165,105</u>	<u>67,710</u>

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	Note	2014 15 months \$	2013 12 months \$
<b>NOTE 15: CAPITAL AND LEASING COMMITMENTS</b>			
a) Chattel mortgage commitments			
Payable			
- not later than one year		9,979	8,089
- later than one year and not later than five years		27,153	38,080
Minimum lease payments		37,132	46,169
Less future finance charges		(6,627)	(10,404)
Total finance lease liability		<u>30,505</u>	<u>35,765</u>
Represented by:			
Current liability		7,440	5,016
Non-current liability		23,065	30,749
		<u>30,505</u>	<u>35,765</u>
b) Operating lease commitments			
Non-cancellable operating leases contracted for but not capitalised in the financial statements:			
Payable			
- not later than one year		12,060	8,184
- later than one year and not later than five years		9,045	4,774
		<u>21,105</u>	<u>12,958</u>

General description of leasing arrangement - Rental of Office equipment

**NOTE 16: ASSOCIATION DETAILS**

The registered office of the association is:

Baseball Victoria Incorporated  
Level 2, Sports House  
375 Albert Road  
Albert Park Victoria 3206

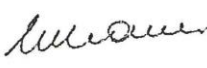
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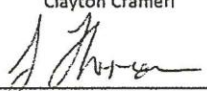
STATEMENT BY BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S

In the opinion of the Board of Director's the financial report as set out on pages 3-16:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of Baseball Victoria Incorporated as at 30 September 2014 and performance for the period ended on that date in accordance with the Accounting Standards in Australia and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Baseball Victoria Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.
3. As stated in note 1, complies with *International Financial Reporting Standards*.

This declaration is made in accordance with the resolution of the director's and is signed for and on behalf of the director's by:

President:   
Clayton Crameri

Vice President:   
Stephen Thomson

Dated this day 8th January 2015



## **INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**

### **Report on the Financial Report**

We have audited the accompanying financial report being a special purpose financial report, of Baseball Victoria Incorporated, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 September 2014, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the period then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and statement by members of the committee.

#### *Committee Member's Responsibility for the Financial Report*

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Associations Incorporation Reform Act of Victoria 2012 (and its associated Regulations), and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

#### *Auditor's Responsibility*

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Those standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgement, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

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*Independent Auditor's Report to the Members  
of Baseball Victoria Incorporated*



*Opinion*

In our opinion, the financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Baseball Victoria Incorporated as at 30 September 2014, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the period then ended in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Associations Incorporation Reform Act of Victoria 2012 (and its associated Regulations).

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**NEXIA MELBOURNE**  
ABN 16 847 721 257

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**GEORGE DAKIS**  
**Partner**  
**Audit & Assurance Services**

Melbourne

8 January 2015

# Baseball Leagues and Clubs in Victoria

## **BV Summer League**

Ballarat  
Berwick City Cougars  
Blackburn  
Bonbeach  
Bundoora  
Carrum Downs  
Chelsea  
Cheltenham  
Croydon  
Doncaster  
Essendon  
Fitzroy  
Footscray  
Geelong  
Heathmont  
Malvern  
Melbourne  
Monash University  
Moorabbin  
Mornington  
Mulgrave  
Newport  
North Western Titans  
Ormond Glenhuntly  
Port Melbourne  
Preston  
Research  
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  
Footscray  
Frankston  
Latrobe University  
Melbourne University  
Monash University  
Moorabbin  
Mornington  
Oakleigh  
Ormond Glenhuntly  
Pakenham  
Sandringham

## **Geelong Baseball Association**

Alfredton  
Bacchus Marsh  
Ballarat City Brewers  
Bellarine Bears  
Colac  
Corio  
Deakin  
East Belmont Saints  
Guild All-Stars  
Lara  
Mounties YC  
Newport  
Werribee

## **Latrobe Valley Baseball Association**

Churchill  
Moe/Newborough  
Morwell  
Sale  
Traralgon

## **Baseball Umpires Association of Victoria**

## **Melbourne Winter Baseball League**

Bundoora  
Croydon  
Cheltenham  
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 Lower Plenty  
Ringwood Saints  
St Kilda  
Watsonia  
Waverley  
Westgarth  
Whealers 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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