

WEEKLY MEMO

TO:	VSBL CLUB PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES, MEMBERS
DATE:	SEPTEMBER 7 2018
FROM:	BASEBALL VICTORIA
SUBJECT:	BV DEVELOPMENT GRANTS, SCHOOL HOLIDAY CAMPS,
	TRIBUNAL MEMBERS NEEDED, VSBL REGISTRATION, STATE
	TEAM AND CHARTER COACHES, SOCIAL MEDIA POSTS,
	REGISTRATION OF NON-PLAYING MEMBERS, DON DEEBLE
	BOOK, UMPIRE SEMINAR

Dear VSBL Club Presidents and Secretaries, BV Members,

Baseball Victoria Development Grants Program

Baseball Victoria is thrilled to announce a new funding pathway through the BV Development Grants Program. This is a progressive and promising step forward in our funding and outreach strategies that will have a positive impact on the future of baseball in our state. With this new program, we will be offering grants to member clubs, associations and charters to complete development activities designed to promote our sport and get more players on the field. Grants will range from \$500 - \$5000 and will be awarded to applicants for activities such as come and try days, T-ball programs, baseball equipment, women programs, school events and more. For more information and to access the online application, please visit our website: <u>http://baseballvictoria.com.au/News-Events/baseball-victoria-announcesdevelopment-grant-program</u>

2018 Spring School Holiday Camps

We have had a lot of enquiries about our school holiday camps and we are happy to share the details of our upcoming programs. The 2018 Spring School Holiday Camps will consist of two separate clinics, with week 1 at Waverly Baseball Club on September 25th, 26th and 27th, and week 2 at Preston Baseball Club on October 2nd, 3rd, and 4th.



Our previous school holiday camps have been a big hit, and we are thrilled to once again this popular program that gives young players the support and skills they need to grow and flourish, on and off the field. For more information, please visit our website: <u>http://baseballvictoria.com.au/News-Events/registration-now-open-for-2018-spring-school-holiday-camps</u>

Expressions of Interest for Tribunal Members

We are just weeks away from the start of the Victorian Summer Baseball League season, and we in need of several volunteers to serve as tribunal members. There are four volunteer positions available on the Victorian Summer Baseball League Tribunal Panel, and we are currently seeking expressions of interest. This role offers an opportunity to hear appeal cases over player penalties and ejections in an effort to provide a fair and safe experience for all participants. For more information on the application criteria, please see our website: <u>http://baseballvictoria.com.au/News-Events/expressions-of-interest-for-vsbl-tribunal-members</u>

VSBL Registration

Registration for the summer season opened on September 1st, and the updated SportsTG registration system is proving to be a simpler process. All of the confirmed and current registration links can be found on our website: <u>http://www.vicsummerleague.baseball.com.au/Competition/2018-19-Registration</u> If you have any questions or need assistance with registering your club teams, please contact Events and Operations Manager Taylor Crotty at <u>taylor.crotty@baseballvictoria.com.au</u>.

Applications for 2019 Women's State, Youth and Charters

Thank you to everyone who has applied to be part of our coaching staff for our 2019 Women's State Teams, as well as our youth teams and charters. We still have several spots left to fill, so if you're interested in leading our young athletes on charter and state teams towards improving their skills and succeeding in high levels of competition, please consider applying. For more information, please see our website:

Women's State Teams

http://baseballvictoria.com.au/News-Events/Baseball-Australia-News/coaching-applications-for-2019womens-state-program-announced

State Youth Teams

http://baseballvictoria.com.au/News-Events/Baseball-Australia-News/applications-for-2019-state-youthteams-now-open

Charter Teams

http://baseballvictoria.com.au/News-Events/Baseball-Australia-News/applications-for-charter-coaches

Social Media Posts for C&T, College Players

Thank you to all our members who have sent in their club's Come & Try details and photos of college players headed overseas. If you have an upcoming event you would like recognised on our social media channels, or you know of player who has recently left for college, please email <u>rachael.bouley@baseballvictoria.com.au</u> with details so we can continue highlighting these events and players on our digital platforms.

Registration of Non-Playing Members

We would like to remind our members to please encourage all non-playing members to register in the BV/SportsTG system. By including volunteers, parents and supporters in addition to players, we can allow for more effective club communications with all members as well as accurate data on the number of people participating in baseball. This is crucial to receive government funding, so we are asking for all playing members, including seniors, juniors and T-ballers, to register, along with and all non-playing members. We thank you for your help and support as we look to ensure a bigger and brighter future for baseball in Victoria. If you have any questions about registering members, please contact Taylor Crotty in the BV Office.

Don Deeble Biography

As one of the most legendary baseball players Victoria has ever seen, Don Deeble left a lasting mark on our sport and the way we play standards. He first stepped up to the plate for Sunshine as an enthusiastic 16-year-old, and it didn't take long for him to become an established first baseman would go on to represent Victoria on a national and even international level. His son, Mike Deeble, joined forces with notable members of our baseball community to turn their fond memories of Don into a fantastic book that shines a light on his lifelong love affair with baseball. Copies of "The Man Behind the Legend" are available for \$20.00 plus \$5.00 postage. Email orders can be sent to mdeeble1@bigpond.com and payments sent through to Michael Deeble, ACC 722842293 BSB 083231.

Umpire Seminar Registration

Registration for the upcoming umpire seminars will remain open through next Wednesday, September 12th. Baseball Victoria's Umpires Association has organised the sessions, which are set for 9 am to 5 pm on Saturday September 22nd and Sunday the 23rd. For more details, please see our website: http://baseballvictoria.com.au/News-Events/umpires-seminar-inviting-participants

The BV Team

Justin Huber - CEO Jeff Paull - General Manager of Baseball Operations Taylor Crotty - Events and Operations Manager Kelsey Quinn - Competition Coordinator Rachael Bouley - Communications and Digital Media Coordinator Tania Newcombe - Financial Controller Damian Shanahan – High Performance Manager Stewart Howe - Umpires Coordinator





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