

## INSIDE THE BV ZONE

TO: VSBL CLUB PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES, MEMBERS  
DATE: 29 NOVEMBER 2019  
FROM: BASEBALL VICTORIA  
SUBJECT: JENNIE MOLONEY NAMED WBSC SCORER OF THE YEAR, ABL OPPORTUNITIES FOR DEVELOPMENT PLAYERS, CASEY COOKE TO ATTEND UMPIRING ACADEMY, COACHING CLINIC WERRIBEE, EVAN MCPHERSON STORY

### Jennie Moloney Named WBSC Scorer of the Year

Jennie Moloney, a well-known scorer in the Victorian baseball community, received recognition for her dedication to scoring as she was named Scorer of the Year by the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC).

WBSC presented its Individual Awards during last week's Gala Dinner, and Jennie was recognised with the 2019 Scorer of the Year Award for her support in the global effort of scorers.

This is a well-deserved accomplishment for Jennie, who is one of five members of the WBSC Scoring Commission and a life member of Williamstown Baseball Club where she has been scoring for more than 40 years. Read more about Jennie's achievement [HERE](#).



*Jennie Moloney, centre, has been named the 2019 WBSC Scorer of the Year. Photo: Baseball Victoria*

### 2019/20 ABL Season Opens Doors for Development Players

With the 2019/20 Australian Baseball League (ABL) season underway, our two Victorian teams are extending opportunities to several development players. As part of Melbourne Aces and Geelong-Korea, these local Victorian players will look to progress through this pathway and take advantage of opportunities at the ABL level during home series.

Young pitcher Connor Hughes made his first ABL appearance for Geelong-Korea on Sunday, taking to the mound against Sydney Blue Sox and making the Geelong baseball community very proud.

Click [HERE](#) to learn more about the development players who will be representing Melbourne Aces and Geelong-Korea this ABL season.

### [Casey Cooke to Attend Umpiring Training Academy in U.S.](#)

One of Victoria's bright young umpires is heading overseas to continue his education and training in umpiring, thanks to the support of the Baseball Umpires Association of Victoria (BUAV).

Casey Cooke has been selected for funding by the BUAV to attend the Minor League Baseball Umpiring Training Academy at the Jackie Robinson Training Complex in Vero Beach, FL. Casey will head overseas for five weeks next January/February to take part in this extensive umpire training, which provides a pathway to higher levels of umpiring.

Click [HERE](#) to read more about Casey's big accomplishment and what he hopes to get out of this opportunity for further umpire training.

### [Coaching Clinic - Werribee](#)

There are still spots available for the upcoming Coaching Education Program (CEP) Level 3 clinic at Werribee Baseball Club on Saturday, 7 December from 9 am to 6 pm. This is a great opportunity for coaches to improve their skills and further their development. Register for the Werribee clinic [HERE](#).

### [Evan McPherson Aims Big with the Giants](#)

Evan McPherson and his teammates at Werribee Giants Baseball Club have their sights set on a successful season in VSBL Division 2.

Werribee has been competitive so far this season, winning seven of the first ten games to stay firmly in the Division 2 race. Evan credits a boost in batting and reliable pitching as keys to Werribee's favourable results so far. "There's strong competition in Division 2 this year which will be a barrier for us, but we've got the team," Evan said. "We've been competitive obviously in the past five, six years but we identified a need to improve our batting."

Evan looks forward to getting back out on the field and playing every week as the Giants are looking to make a big statement and go all the way. "Hopefully we can get the club back up to Division 1, that would be a big goal for us," Evan said. Read more about Evan's hopes for Werribee this season [HERE](#).

### [The BV Team](#)

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