

WEEKLY MEMO

TO: VSBL CLUB PRESIDENTS AND SECRETARIES, MEMBERS
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FROM: BASEBALL VICTORIA
SUBJECT: 2020 CHARTER HEAD COACHES, APPLICATIONS FOR 2020 WOMEN'S STATE TEAM COACHES, COACHING CLINICS, BRYCE ALDRIDGE STORY, VICTORIAN SPORT AWARDS NOMINATIONS

2020 Charter Head Coaches Announced

After the success of last year's Charter Player Development Program, Baseball Victoria is looking forward to another fantastic year of development opportunities for junior players. The four 2019 head coaches are returning to their roles for this next year, as they will lead the charter programs in collaboration with Baseball Victoria Talent Development Manager Damian Shanahan. This includes Kelli Zablan (Baycats), Scott Meager (Twins), Marshall Skinner (Southern Mariners) and David Hargreaves (Eastern Athletics).

For more details on these coaches and plans for charter programs, click [HERE](#).



Southern Mariners enjoyed success at the 2019 Little League State Championships. Photo: Baseball Victoria.

Applications Now Open for 2020 Women's State Team Coaches, EO's

Baseball Victoria is now accepting applications for head coaches and executive officers for the 2020 Women's State Teams, which will complete at the Australian Youth Women's Championships and Australian Women's Championships from 10-17 April 2020 in Canberra.

This is a fantastic opportunity for individuals who wish to lead the state's top female baseball players to success on the national stage. Head coaches, assistant coaches and executive officers can have a major impact on our Victorian players, helping athletes in the youth women's and women's programs to further develop their skills and have an amazing tournament experience. Applications for open positions close on Wednesday, 20 November. For more details on the requirements and application process, click [HERE](#).

Coaching Clinics – Cheltenham and Werribee

There are several Coaching Education Program (CEP) clinics coming up, which offer an opportunity for coaches to improve their skills and further their development. The next CEP Level 3 Clinic will be held at Cheltenham Baseball Club on Saturday, 23 November from 9 am to 6 pm. There will also be a CEP Level 3 Clinic at Werribee Baseball Club on Saturday, 7 December from 9 am to 6 pm. A CEP Level 3 Clinic on Tuesday evenings from 6pm to 9pm will take place at Moorabbin Baseball Club on 26 November, 3 December and 10 December.

Registration is open for these coaching clinics, and anyone interested is encouraged to get involved. You may register for the Cheltenham clinic [HERE](#) and the Werribee clinic [HERE](#). Registration for the Moorabbin sessions is available [HERE](#).

Bryce Aldridge Embraces VSBL Season with Sunshine

Sunshine Eagles Baseball Club has big goals for the 2019/20 VSBL season, and import catcher Bryce Aldridge is all for it.

The versatile American hails from Indiana and has quickly settled into his role at Sunshine as a vital part of the club's Division 1 firsts team. For Bryce, being on top of the ladder for the time being is a good feeling, but he knows his team has to work hard to make it where they want to go. "I'm just excited to be here," Bryce said. I'm really looking forward to seeing more of the competition, having fun and playing hard ball."

Read more about Bryce's goals for the 2019/20 VSBL season [HERE](#).



Bryce Aldridge is making the most of the 2019/20 VSBL season with Sunshine Eagles Baseball Club. Photo: Baseball Victoria.

Nominations Open for 2019 Victorian Sport Awards

Nominations for the 2019 Victorian Sport Awards are now open through Saturday, 30 November. Vicsport and the Victorian State Government will be honoring those who have shown commitment and dedication to community sport in Victoria. It would be fantastic to see members of the Victorian baseball community recognised for their contributions, and we encourage our members to learn more and submit nominations [HERE](#).

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