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TO: BASEBALL VICTORIA MEMBERS
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FROM: BASEBALL VICTORIA
SUBJECT: LITTLE LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS, ANZAC DAY, AGM & BOARD UPDATE, WINTER SEASON RESOURCES, AVAILABLE GRANTS, BV TV, MENTAL HEALTH RESOURCES, LIFEBLOOD

[Little League State Championships](#)

The 2021 Little League State Championships are complete following the Senior, Junior, and Intermediate League competitions at Werribee Baseball Club this past weekend. We had over 200 junior baseballers take the field across the two weekends from Eastern Athletics, Geelong Baycats, Southern Mariners and Twins.

Congratulations to the Little League State Champions:

- Little League Major – Southern Mariners
- Little League Development – Twins
- Intermediate League – Eastern Athletics
- Junior League – Southern Mariners
- Senior League – Southern Mariners

Click [HERE](#) for recaps from the tournaments and click [HERE](#) to see photos.

[Anzac Day – 25 April 2021](#)

On Sunday, 25 April 2021, we acknowledge Anzac Day and the sacrifices of all those who have served our country.

The baseball family will commemorate the ANZAC ceremonies and we confirm that community sport can be conducted before 1pm so long as there is no charge to attend the event. Spectator events are only permitted after 1pm.

There is more information from the Victorian Government on community sport on ANZAC Day. Click [HERE](#) for more information to ensure you do the right thing by Anzac Day.

Additional resources on Anzac Day are available from the [Department of Veterans' Affairs](#), [Legacy Club](#), and [RSL Victoria](#).

[AGM & Board Update](#)

The Baseball Victoria Annual General Meeting was held on Tuesday, 20 April 2021.

The meeting noted the minutes of the previous meeting from 20 February 2020 and noted the Annual Report for 2019/2020 inclusive of the financial reporting.

Director Joanna O'Connor was re-elected for a second term, with directors Matt Nicol, Amy McCann, and Rob Stanley ratified from their casual vacancy positions to commence their first terms. Director Myles Foreman resigned from his position at the conclusion of the meeting and Baseball Victoria thanked him for his significant contribution as a director and in the role of president.

Click [HERE](#) for more details on the director appointments and committees.

2021 Winter Season Resources

As a reminder for winter participants, all players must register before taking the field for training and game play. Click [HERE](#) to complete return to training registration and click [HERE](#) for return to play registration.

Our dedicated resources page for winter clubs and associations includes COVIDSafe plans for winter clubs. Click [HERE](#) to view this page. For general COVID resources and government updates, please click [HERE](#).

Available Grants & Club Ads

Applications are open for several funding opportunities. Click [HERE](#) to learn more about these grants designed to support grassroots sporting clubs and local families. Our website also includes information on upcoming club events, with more details available [HERE](#).

Baseball Training on BV TV

[At-Home Baseball Training](#) and [Ramp Up to Play](#) videos on the [BV TV YouTube Channel](#) are great resources to keep up with your skills work. View our collection of hitting, fielding, throwing, and ball handling drills, as well as more baseball videos, interviews, and highlights [HERE](#).

For more baseball content, please follow Baseball Victoria on TikTok [HERE](#) and Instagram [HERE](#). Click [HERE](#) to catch up on the latest news from Baseball Victoria.

Mental Health Resources

Mental health is a priority for our Victorian baseball community as we continue to navigate changing circumstances. Please view resources on our website, including information from [Beyond Blue](#), [Headspace](#), [Kids Helpline](#), [Lifeline](#) and [R U OK?](#)

For more on supporting mental health and checking on friends, family, and teammates, see our COVID-19 resources page [HERE](#). Click [HERE](#) for more from the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services.

Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Teams Program

Baseball Victoria is a proud member of the [Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Teams Program](#), which provides life-saving blood and plasma donations to thousands of Australians every year.

Our donations have saved 54 lives already this year, but more blood types are needed every day. Sign up to join the Baseball Victoria Lifeblood Team [HERE](#). You can find pop-up clinics in your area or book your blood bank appointment at donateblood.com.au, on the Lifeblood app, or on 13 14 95.

The BV Team

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