



BASEBALL
VICTORIA

2020/21 ANNUAL REPORT



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Mission and Vision

A young baseball player is shown from the side, wearing a red jersey and a white Rawlings helmet. The player is looking towards the right side of the frame. The background is a blurred outdoor setting, likely a baseball field. The overall image has a dark, blue-tinted overlay.

VISION

Be the number one state in Australia for baseball participation by being a safe, welcoming and inclusive sport.

PURPOSE

Provide every Victorian with the opportunity to participate in whole of sport.

GAIN

- Increase the number of people playing baseball.
- Achieve significant growth in female participation development programs.
- Increase participation numbers of people with a disability (PWD) and the culturally and linguistically diverse (CALD).
- Develop opportunities for involvement in alternative forms of baseball (social).
- Increase participation in current and future growth areas.
- Establish a working partnership with SSV to strengthen relationships with schools.
- Introduce baseball to 50,000 school aged children through school clinics.
- Align advertising campaigns and awareness strategies with the Melbourne Aces.
- Appoint charter development officers to promote BV in schools and inclusion groups.
- Develop competition and pathway programs using the charter model to increase support.
- Increase access to high performance training philosophies and education for athletes outside the high performance pathway who are interested in improving their standard of play.
- Build on current partnerships to establish a club link with service providers to maximise engagement of showcase events.
- Utilise the professional profiles of Melbourne Aces players to engage and ignite the baseball and non-baseball community.

RETAIN

- Maintain high playing standards and retain players through best practice delivery of competitions, tournaments and events.
- Strengthen clubs to provide enjoyable and safe experiences for all participants.
- Improve facilities to enhance participation opportunities and experiences.
- Continue to critically review all competition structures on an annual basis to ensure they meet the needs of current and future participants.
- Provide and promote clear pathways for all participants from grassroots programs to high performance.
- Support best practice in club management by promoting "Play by the Rules" for educational and support tools.
- Develop standards and resources to support clubs and local governments to resource and maintain facilities at the appropriate level.
- Support ongoing commitment to MBP as state facility, by ensuring access for "whole of sport" through club games, training sessions and the Melbourne Aces.
- Audit all facilities annual to ensure they are appropriate for all members (women and PWD).
- Maintain focus on Melbourne Aces as key retention strategy for Victorian players returning from professional baseball.
- Deliver professional events which focus on entertainment and participant engagement (eg. Melbourne Aces game days, LL state champs & annual BV awards nights).
- Work with ABL for hosting opportunities for ABL All Star Game and other marquee events.

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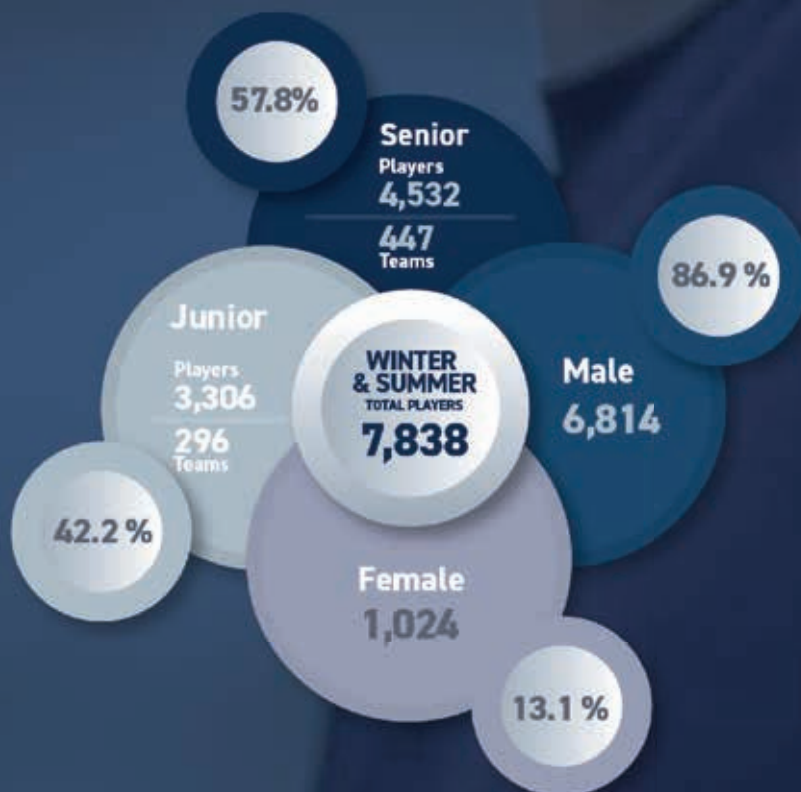
- Increase the number of opportunities for participants, coaches, and umpires in development programs.
- Grow the number and capability of the baseball workforce.
- Provide a high value elite product positioned at the pinnacle of our pathway.
- Continue to use the charter model to provide a pathway.
- Establish a coaching advisory group to assist BV to develop strategies to improve coaching at all levels.
- Provide the baseball workforce with access to education and resources designed to enhance quality service delivery.
- Establish a clear aspirational link between pathway programs and the Melbourne Aces.
- Research a long term model for HP in Victoria.
- Provide well-structured high performance programs that support developing athletes and coaches.
- Prioritise athlete development for national representation and participation in the ABL.

SUSTAIN

- Adhere to best practice governance principles.
- Ensure organisation operations are viable and sustainable.
- Ensure financial sustainability so we can continue to invest in our sport.
- Review BV governance, in accordance with ASC's Sports Governance Principles.
- Conduct annual Board Performance Evaluations to review the structure of all BV subcommittees and advisory groups.
- Continue to review internal policies and procedures.
- Develop best practice policies and procedures to recruit, train and retain high quality staff, such as sponsorship and special events, and confidence of government agencies.
- Identify commercial opportunities outside BV's membership and team entry fees, such as sponsorship and special events.
- Establish, build and nurture effective relationships that enhance understanding and confidence of government agencies.
- Encourage succession planning and gender equity on Baseball Victoria board.

State of Play

In the 2020/21 financial year, we ran a shortened VSBL season once COVID restrictions eased in the summer, followed by our Little League State Championships and the winter season, which was heavily disrupted by ongoing lockdown restrictions. These numbers reflect our total registered players across summer and winter.



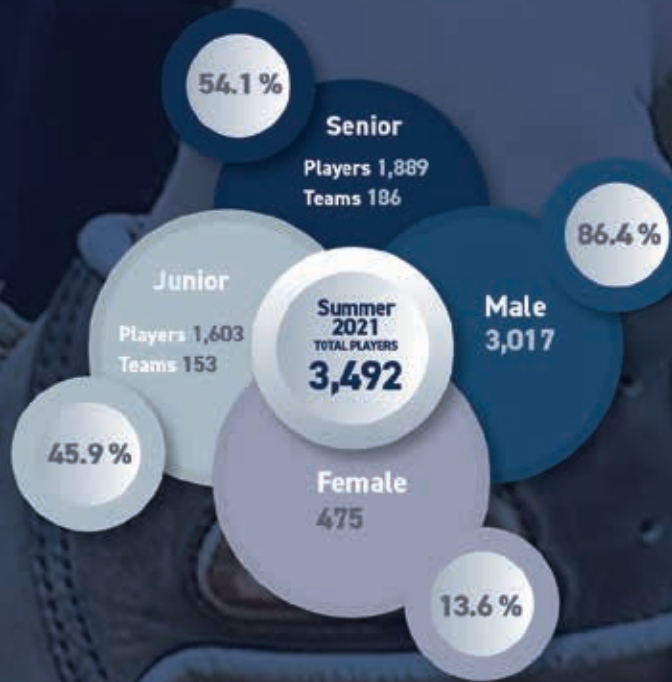
Sporting Schools

Baseball Victoria participates in Sporting Schools, a \$200 million Australian Government initiative designed to help schools increase children's participation in sport and connect them with community sporting opportunities. These numbers reflect our Sporting Schools participation numbers in the 2020/21 financial year.



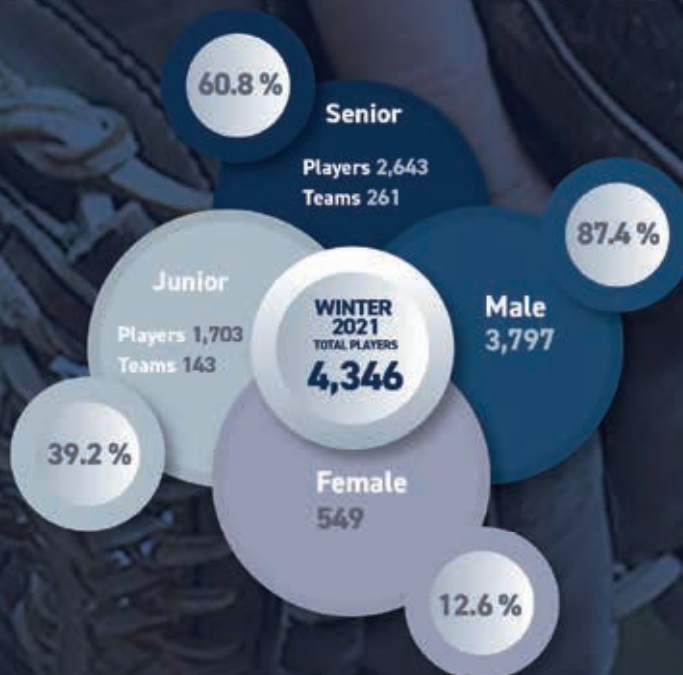
2020/21 Summer Season

Participation numbers for the 2021 Summer Season.



2021 Winter Season

Participation numbers for the 2021 Winter Season.





Baseball Leagues and Clubs

BV Summer League

Ballarat*
Berwick City*
Blackburn*
Bonbeach St Chads*
Boneo*
Chelsea*
Cheltenham*
Doncaster*
Essendon*
Fitzroy*
Footscray*
Geelong*
Malvern*
Melbourne*
Mitchell Majors*
Monash University*
Moorabbin*
Mordialloc*
Mornington*
Mulgrave*
North Coburg*
Newport*
North Western*
Ormond Glenhuntly*
Pakenham*
Pivot City*
Port Melbourne*
Preston*
Research*
Sandringham*
South East Warriors*
Springvale*
St Kilda*
Sunshine*
Upwey Ferntree Gully*
Waverley*
Werribee*
Williamstown*

Dandenong Baseball Association*

Berwick #
Bonbeach St Chads #
Boneo
Chelsea
Cheltenham
Dandenong #
Dingley #
Frankston
La Trobe University #
Melbourne University #
Mordialloc
Mornington #
Moorabbin
North Balwyn #
Pakenham #
Research Lower Plenty #
Sandringham
Upwey Ferntree Gully

Geelong Baseball Association*

Alfredton
Bacchus Marsh
Ballarat
Bellarine
Colac
Corio
Deakin
East Belmont
Guild
Lara
North Western
Werribee

Bendigo Baseball Association*

Bendigo East
Falcons
Malmsbury
Scots
Strathfieldsaye

Melbourne Winter Baseball League*

Bundoora
Croydon
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
Northcote
Port Melbourne
Research Lower Plenty
Ringwood
South East Warriors
St Kilda
Sunshine
Watsonia
Waverley
Werribee
Westgarth

Latrobe Valley Baseball Association*

Churchill
Moe/Newborough
Morwell
Sale
South Gippsland
Traralgon

North Eastern Baseball Association*

North Albury Bears
Benalla Bandits
Porepunkah
Wangaratta
Wodonga

Sunraysia Baseball League*

Eagles
Hawks
Saints
Wanderers

Baseball Umpires Association of Victoria*

Bendigo Baseball Umpires Association

*Voting member

Women's teams playing in the MWBL

Baseball Victoria

The Year That Was

While the 2020/21 financial year came with continued challenges in an ever-changing COVID environment, we were still able to enjoy some fantastic moments in grassroots baseball.

The year commenced in October 2020 with preparations for the 131st season of Victorian baseball. Traditionally the summer season opens at the start of October, however, Melbourne's extended lockdown meant we needed to push back our return to activity and play for the 2020/21 Victorian Summer Baseball League (VSBL) season.

After the inevitable challenges of an unprecedented pandemic, it was fantastic to get the VSBL season underway at the end of 2020. We welcomed players across 45 competitions and enjoyed a COVIDSafe start to the season.

In January 2021 we hosted our first major event since the start of the pandemic with the 2021 National Showcase Series – Victoria. Each state hosted a local showcase in place of the cancelled Australian Youth Championship, and Victoria had 80 athletes in the U16 and U18 age groups take to the field for an exciting high-performance experience. The event included data collection, a skills showcase, and tournament play.

The VSBL season resumed in late January and we continued with our COVIDSafe season as seniors, juniors, and masters enjoyed the quality competition. We once again faced COVID challenges as February's snap circuit breaker lockdown interrupted our season, but we managed the shutdown successfully and restarted the season safely, leading into an exciting final series. We had an excellent time at Essendon Baseball Club for VSBL Women's Super Saturday as Springvale Lions won their eighth Women's Division 1 Premiership in nine years. At Melbourne Ballpark, we watched as Essendon Bombers win their seventh Division 1 Championship in 10 years and Moorabbin Panthers won it all in Division 2 for the first time since 2015/16.

Not only did we enjoy another fantastic year of VSBL finals, but we also got to see our hometown Melbourne Aces win the Australian Baseball League Championship Series for the second year in a row, ensuring the Claxton Shield stays in Victoria. After jointly managing the Melbourne Aces for several seasons, the franchise transitioned to private ownership in mid-2019, leading to continued investment and improvements to Melbourne Ballpark that benefit the entire Victorian baseball community.

In April, we welcomed the return of the 2021 Little League State Championships, with the Little League competition at Cheltenham Baseball Club and the Senior, Junior, and Intermediate League events at Werribee Baseball Club. It was great to see hundreds of Little Leaguers turn out to represent their charters and enjoy an exhilarating tournament experience, something many missed out on with the cancellation of the 2020 Little League State Championships due to COVID. We congratulated Twins (Little League Development), Southern Mariners (Little League Major, Junior League, and Senior League), and Eastern Athletics (Intermediate League) on their State Champs success.

After wrapping up the summer season and Little League State Championships, the winter season got underway with high hopes following significant interruption and the ultimate cancellation of activity last year. 74 winter clubs returned to the field and got the majority of their seasons in, although snap circuit breaker lockdowns once again shut down winter baseball activity.

Meanwhile, our Victorian teams went on to represent at the 2021 Australian Little League Championships, with Southern Mariners winning gold and Eastern Athletics taking home bronze at the national Senior League event in May. At the Australian Junior League Championship, Twins won silver and Southern Mariners finished fifth. Unfortunately, a COVID outbreak in Victoria meant the Intermediate League event could not be completed and Victorian teams were unable to cross the border to attend the Australian Little League Championship in Lismore in June.

We acknowledge the highs and lows of playing sport in a pandemic, and we know it was disappointing for Little League players to be unable to complete their tournament journey. The same goes for our female athletes as the Australian Women's Championship was also cancelled for the second year in a row. We look forward to more state and national events in the future where COVID is less of a concern.

Baseball Victoria had a full event schedule planned for the 2021 State Winter Championships across June, July, and August. However, the continued COVID restrictions meant only one event could go ahead in between lockdowns. We enjoyed watching the Under 16 State Winter Championships in Sale as Geelong won the tournament, and we look forward to next winter when we can have more championships across the state.

While Victoria's extended lockdown once again impacted the start of the VSBL season, we finished the 2020/21 financial year preparing for the eventual easing of restrictions and the return of summer baseball. Although it has been another challenging year marred by COVID lockdowns and restrictions, we still managed to get on the field for many exciting competitions and baseball events, while also staying connected through BV TV At-Home Training, mental health messages, and inspiring stories from around Victorian baseball.

Moving forward, Baseball Victoria is excited for a bright future as we adjust to a new normal in living with the virus. The health and safety of our baseball community remains paramount as we prepare for a big 2022!



Baseball Victoria Directors

MEGHAN MAYMAN

Inclusion, Nominations Committee and President

-Elected April 2021

Meghan obtained a Bachelor of Applied Science in Sport Coaching and Administration from Deakin University, followed by a Master of Business in Sport Management. As part of her Master's Program, she was selected to participate in the San Diego Sports Consulting Project in July 2015, during which she delivered a report and presentation to MLB team San Diego Padres on leveraging the 2016 All-Star Event to maintain current partnerships and attract new sponsors. After working as Operations and HR Manager for Bowls Australia from 2007-2015, Meghan spent the past four years as the General Manager of Vicsport, the peak body for sport and active recreation in Victoria. She was responsible for the overall operations of the organisation, including direct delivery of projects and membership retention and growth.

GRANT WEIR

**Vice President, Game Development & High Performance,
Finance and Nominations Committee**

Grant's experience is vast, both within the sport of baseball and externally. Playing baseball for most of his life, he's been a part of teams in the Under 19's USA Tours, the Australian Baseball League and the 1988 Olympics. As a coach, Grant has worked with the Australian Under 17's and Claxton Shield teams as a pitching coach as well as heading the Victorian and Australian Women's programs in their early years. Grant currently lectures at Victoria University. He has worked previously for the Victorian Baseball Association and held multiple positions in the sports industry sector for other state and national organisations.

JOANNA O'CONNOR

Marketing, Nominations Committee

Joanna O'Connor has over 10 years of experience in digital marketing specialising in retail, media and entertainment markets. She holds a Bachelor of Commerce Degree from the University of Auckland and post graduate honours in Commercial Law.

MATT NICHOL

Audit, Risk and Finance Committee - Appointed April 2021

Matt is a sports law academic at Central Queensland University, focusing on baseball, team sports, labour regulation/mobility, corporate governance, and integrity in sport. As a lecturer in business law at CQU's School of Business and Law, Matt teaches commercial law, international commercial law, governance and business law. Previously, he taught business law units for 10 years at Monash Business School. Matt has over 30 years of experience in community, elite pathway, and professional baseball as a player, coach and administrator. He is the former secretary and Vice President (Pennant Committee Chairperson) of the Melbourne Winter Baseball League. He is a former tribunal member for the VSBL, MWBL, and ABL, and was part of the baseball operations team at the Melbourne Aces for 10 years. Matt also coached in the Victorian Under 12 Kangaroos Program and the Under 14 National Youth Championships.

AMY MCCANN

Nominations Committee - Appointed April 2021

Amy is an experienced and decorated baseballer who represented the Australian Emeralds and the Victorian Aces for 12 years (2002-2014). Amy is also a passionate club person with 20 years of involvement at Doncaster Baseball Club. This included 300 games as a player, ten seasons in various coaching roles within the renowned women's program, and several club committee positions. Professionally, Amy is the National Manager of Communications of AusCycling - Australia's national cycling organisation representing more than 50,000 members across all disciplines and forms of the sport of cycling. Amy produces a podcast titled Women's Baseball - The Inside Pitch which features stories of women's baseball and women in baseball. Amy is also a one-eyed Atlanta Braves fan who believes MLB should not ban the shift!

ROB STANLEY

Finance Director, Finance and Audit Committee - Appointed April 2021

Rob Stanley undertakes the role of Finance Director and professionally holds the UK CIMA qualification. He has held senior roles in finance at Cricket Australia and the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners and managed both organization's financial planning and analysis functions. Rob is a father of two young girls and a keen runner who has completed both the Melbourne and Gold Coast Marathons. Rob also has a long history in community sport playing hockey for a number of years with Old Haileybury Hockey Club.

MYLES FOREMAN

Resigned April 2021

Appointed to the Board in September 2013, Myles was elected to the role of President in February 2015. Myles brings his corporate strategic and governance experience to the role of President. Myles has over 25 years' experience in senior executive roles in the hospitality, entertainment and sports industries. For the past 15 years, Myles has held chief executive roles within the thoroughbred racing industry. Myles worked at Ticketmaster for more than 10 years in a range of positions including Head of Markets & Development, Operations Manager, General Manager - ticketmaster.com.au, and Chief Information Officer. A rower and rowing coach in his youth, Myles become involved in baseball through his kids, becoming a junior coordinator and club vice president before resigning to join the Baseball Victoria Board.

SAM TAYLOR

Resigned April 2021

Appointed in February 2020, Sam is the current CEO of InteractSport and has worked in the digital sports industry for over 15 years, specialising in the development of electronic scoring and livestreaming applications. Sam is a cricketer by trade having played over 250 matches for Richmond where he is a life member, premiership player and former club captain. In between cricket seasons Sam has also played seven seasons of winter league baseball. He is also a passionate Cubs fan having followed them since childhood, long before they won the World Series.

MARGIE ARDONO

Resigned September 2021

Appointed to the Board, Margie was elected to the role of Events. Margie is a graduate of Victoria University and The University of Indonesia, Jakarta. Margie currently serves as the Company Director of an Australian consumer products business that distributes both locally and internationally. Margie is excited and enthusiastic about this opportunity to combine her love for the sport with her professional expertise. She thrives to be a change maker and values inclusion and diversity, two areas in which she works closely on behalf of Baseball Victoria.



Baseball Victoria Board and Staff

CEO

INTERIM CEO

FINANCIAL CONTROLLER

HIGH PERFORMANCE MANAGER

OPERATIONS MANAGER

COMMUNICATIONS & DIGITAL MEDIA

COMPETITION COORDINATOR

COMPETITIONS MANAGER

EVENTS COORDINATOR

COACH AND PLAYER PATHWAY COORDINATOR

UMPIRE DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR

SCHOOL PROGRAMS COORDINATOR

NCAS COORDINATOR

Kristie Middleton - Resigned August 2021

Gemma Scales – Commenced August 2021

Tania Newcombe

Damian Shanahan

Kellie Thomas

Rachael Bouley

Craig Haydock – Resigned March 2021

Danny Haymes – Commenced August 2021

Sam Gillett – Commenced May 2021

Keli'i Zablan – Commenced August 2021

Stewart Howe

Jo Schutt – not reappointed

Greg Tinkler – not reappointed

BV DISTRICT CHARTER COMMITTEE

Kristie Middleton (Chair) Staff Representative

John Weichard President – Eastern Athletics

Andrea Cormick President – Southern Mariners

Tony Schibeci President – Northern Twins

Bryan Arnell President – Geelong Baycats

Jo Schurr – Sunraysia

VSBL PENNANT COMMITTEE

Terry Fitzgerald

Jack Cole-Sinclair

Jarrold Barrow

Dwain Richardson

Danny Haymes

BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL STATE CENTRE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

Kristie Middleton Baseball Victoria Representative

BASEBALL AUSTRALIA COUNCIL AND VICTORIAN OLYMPIC COUNCIL

Myles Foreman

Baseball Victoria Representative

FINANCE & AUDIT SUB COMMITTEE

Sam Taylor Board Representative
– Resigned April 2021

Myles Foreman Board Representative
– Resigned April 2021

Rob Stanley – Board Representative
– Appointed Chair April 2021

Grant Weir Board Representative
– Commenced April 2021

Matt Nichol Board Representative
– Commenced April 2021

Kristie Middleton Staff Representative

Tania Newcombe Staff Representative

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Meghan Mayman (Chair) Board Representative

Grant Weir Board Representative

Joanna O'Connor Board Representative

Amy McCann Board Representative
– Commenced April 2021

BASEBALL VICTORIA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Meghan Mayman

Throughout the 2020/21 financial year, Baseball Victoria persevered through an ever-changing COVID climate, focusing on the health and wellbeing of our baseball community as we remained dedicated to getting back on the field safely. In another year where the pandemic has impacted almost every aspect of our personal and professional lives, including our beloved baseball, we continue to focus on the positives and connecting with our Victorian baseball community, even when we cannot be out on the field. Our sport would not exist without our amazing volunteers who have especially stepped up in recent years to commit to COVIDSafe practices to enable our return to activity.

In addition to the day-to-day operations of running a sport governing body during a pandemic, Baseball Victoria continues to develop our strategic plan, with a focus on the financial implications of COVID and how to assist clubs to recover post-COVID. Throughout this time, Baseball Victoria has worked closely with the state government and Vicsport to update statewide return to training and play COVIDSafe plans, regularly meeting with clubs and associations to keep stakeholders informed as much as possible.

To VSBL clubs, thank you for your patience and understanding as we delayed the start of the season and prepared for a successful COVIDSafe season and return to community sport. We are confident in baseball's ability to bounce back, and a large part of that is due to the continued dedication demonstrated by our club leaders and volunteers.

To the winter associations and winter clubs, thank you for your collaborative efforts to adjust season plans and keep baseball activity running safely and smoothly whenever possible. We know how difficult these changing circumstances can be and we appreciate your commitment to winter baseball, even though it was interrupted two years in a row.

As the reporting period for this annual report drew to a close in September 2021, metropolitan Melbourne and parts of regional Victoria remained in COVID lockdown, although Victoria's Roadmap provided insight into what the coming months entail for reopening and living with COVID. Baseball Victoria continued to conduct Aces Academy high-performance development programs online and plan for the next 12 months and beyond of grassroots baseball.

Although the COVID-19 pandemic shifted our focus from strategic planning and development to mitigating the impacts of substantial shutdowns, we are looking forward to further development of a new strategic plan to take us into the future.

In another year of constant change, the Baseball Victoria staff continued to deliver excellent service and insightful planning to ensure the best possible outcomes for Victorian baseball in challenging circumstances. The resilience and focus on serving the baseball community shown by the team has been exceptional. Thank you to Kristie, Gemma, Tania, Rachael, Damian, Kellie, Danny, Sam, and Keli'l for all your work. On behalf of the Baseball Victoria Board, I'd like to thank Kristie Middleton for her significant contribution as CEO. Her remarkable leadership throughout this pandemic has put baseball in a much better position strategically and financially than many other grassroots sports, and we appreciate her attention to detail and commitment to the Victorian baseball community. Following Kristie's departure, we welcomed interim CEO Gemma Scales who has ensured a smooth, clear transition as we plan for an exciting return to baseball.

I also take this opportunity to thank Myles Foreman who resigned from his position as president at the conclusion of the 2021 Annual General Meeting.

We thank departing Vice President Sam Taylor and Director Margie Ardoni for their energy, knowledge, time, and leadership. Over the course of the year, we welcomed three new directors, Rob Stanley, Amy McCann, and Matt Nichol, joining Vice President Grant Weir and Joanna O'Connor as we navigated these unprecedented times to ensure Baseball Victoria is set for a strong recovery as we adjust to our new COVID normal.

Finally, and most importantly, thank you to all the volunteers across our sport, including association and club committees and boards, VSBL presidents and secretaries, coaches, umpires, scorers, grounds crew, and canteen staff. We appreciate everything you do for Victorian baseball and look forward to a bright future for many years to come.



Meghan Mayman
President
Baseball Victoria



BASEBALL VICTORIA CEO'S REPORT

Kristie Middleton

Much like the previous reporting period, the 2020/21 financial year was significantly impacted by the ongoing COVID pandemic. Despite these challenges, we made the most of our opportunities to play our beloved sport and continued to provide the best possible baseball experience, even when lockdowns and restrictions posed numerous challenges.

The Baseball Victoria team worked diligently to prepare for the start of the 2020/21 VSBL season. Although it was delayed due to Melbourne's extended lockdown, eventually we were able to return to training and play at the end of 2020. By mid-December, we had over 40 competitions running across seniors, juniors, and masters, offering COVIDSafe community sport made possible by dedicated volunteers at our grassroots baseball clubs.

We continued to focus on running programs for baseballers at all levels, including VSBL, Baseball Victoria Aces Academy, and Little League State Championships. Our office aimed for excellent customer service every day while ensuring the health and safety of our members as the top priorities. Although we had a delayed start, we were able to get through most of the regular VSBL season before Melbourne's snap circuit breaker lockdown in February. We acted quickly to ensure the wellbeing of our community and were able to resume games once the measures lifted.

By March it was time for another thrilling VSBL Finals series, and we enjoyed having crowds out at local baseball grounds as well as Essendon Baseball Club for Women's Super Saturday and Melbourne Ballpark for Division 1 and Division 2 Grand Finals. After wrapping up the summer season, we turned our attention to the 2021 Little League State Championships, which were a big hit after the cancellation of these tournaments in March 2020.

In addition to two successful weekends of Little League at Cheltenham and Werribee Baseball Clubs, we welcomed the return of winter baseball. Winter clubs across the state were understandably disappointed with the cancellation of the 2020 season after a short return to activity, and it was great to see these communities come together once again in support of the sport we all love.

Unfortunately, the COVID pandemic continued to present challenges, with three circuit breaker lockdowns heavily impacting the winter season and the 2021 State Winter Championships. We were able to complete just one of our five scheduled events as the 2021 Under 16 State Winter Championships went ahead in Sale. The extended lockdown that began at the start of August forced the cancellation of the remainder of the 2021 season for our winter associations.

While these ups and downs have been difficult, we commend our Victorian baseball community for their patience and resilience during these challenging times. We have worked diligently to provide informative updates and consistent communications to ensure our stakeholders and baseballers have a clear understanding of our plans and how restrictions impact baseball activity.



Although the most recent extended lockdown once again delayed the start of the VSBL season, we continued planning for an excellent summer of baseball in 2021/22 with the appropriate COVIDSafe measures in place, including the potential financial implications and safety requirements to ensure baseball comes back strong. We continued to strengthen our relationship with fellow state associations for a more streamlined approach that benefits not just Victorian baseball but also Australian baseball nationwide. We have seen the success of our shared service model for specific needs and national communication strategies that have brought our baseball states together even when border closures have kept us apart.

Throughout the year, we also continued our work with the Baseball Victoria Board of Directors to develop a new strategic plan to carry Victorian baseball into the next chapter. While our primary focus has been on mitigating the impacts of the ongoing pandemic, we remain committed to ensuring our sport comes out of this crisis stronger and in the best position for future success, which is why strategic financial planning is so important.

Reflecting on my time as CEO of Baseball Victoria, I am immensely proud of the dedicated work our staff and board put in to ensure our operations and planning continued as smoothly as possible. This pandemic has not been easy for anyone, but our organisation has pivoted as needed and adapted to meet the changing landscape. From maintaining connections through digital platforms and at-home training resources to recognising amazing accomplishments through the virtual 2021 Baseball Victoria Awards, we have done our best to stay connected and support Victorian baseball even when we are off the field.

I am confident grassroots baseball is in a fantastic position for future growth, even with all that has happened in the past two years. I cannot wait to see how Victorian baseball continues to grow and thrive, and I look forward to seeing the results of our organisation's efforts come to life as we transition to a new COVID-normal.

I wish all Victorian baseballers the best of luck in the future and thank you for many wonderful baseball moments and memories.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Kristie Middleton', written in dark ink on a light-colored background.

Kristie Middleton
CEO
Baseball Victoria

BASEBALL VICTORIA INTERIM CEO'S REPORT

Gemma Scales

(Aug 2021-Nov 2021)

It was a pleasure to take over as interim CEO for the final month of this financial year. The exceptional efforts of the Baseball Victoria Board and Staff, particularly outgoing CEO Kristie Middleton and President Meghan Mayman, made for a seamless transition as we continued to plan for the start of the VSBL season.

Despite the extended lockdown and challenging COVID circumstances, we remain confident that Victoria's Roadmap will allow for a safe and successful return to community sport as we adjust to living with COVID.

We look forward to continuing our commitment to high-quality baseball experiences for all members and completing additional strategic planning in the coming year. Thanks to collaborative efforts across our organisation, we are well-prepared for the future of Victorian baseball, even with the ongoing challenges of the COVID landscape. We are excited to see grassroots baseball shine and connect Victorians of all ages for decades to come.



Gemma Scales

Interim CEO
Baseball Victoria
(Aug 2021 - Nov 2021)



Winter Baseball Associations

The continued challenges of the ongoing coronavirus pandemic once again impacted the winter season. After the eventual cancellation of the 2020 winter season due to the extended lockdown, we looked forward to winter baseball in 2021, with the season starting as expected in April.

Unfortunately, two snap lockdowns in May and July, and then an extended lockdown from the start of August, meant another start-stop winter season, which came to an abrupt end for winter associations after it became clear community sport would not be returning to training or competition until late in the spring.

Thank you to all the presidents, secretaries, and volunteers across the winter associations for their patience and dedication during another challenging season. We look forward to more consistent winter training and competition in the next year with fewer interruptions as Victoria adjusts to living with COVID.

The following pages contain reports submitted by winter associations, which were all invited to provide an update on their winter season.



Bendigo Baseball Association



The Bendigo Baseball Association showed great resilience during a challenging 2021 winter baseball season while managing to complete a junior competition in its entirety and all but a final series in our senior fixture with ladder leaders in each senior division being awarded Minor Premiers.

2021 marked the return of competitive junior baseball to the association comprising of fifteen teams across four age divisions thanks to the relentless and tireless work by many people.

Despite the infancy of our junior competition, the association took pride in sending a representative U16 squad to Sale and had plans to field U14 and U12 representative sides had COVID restrictions allowed.

Steps were also taken to establish and promote a women's senior division with the introduction of a third senior grade in the 2021 competition and the creation of a women's sub-committee to steer future growth.

Another highlight for the association was sending a Bendigo women's representative team to Ballarat to participate in a newly formed Women's Baseball Challenge.

The resurgence of our junior baseball competition, the introduction of a new club, and increased membership growth of 102% across our senior (+38%) and junior (+233%) divisions have created enthusiasm and excitement heading into 2022 and beyond.

Senior Minor Premiers

Division 1: Falcons

Division 2: Bendigo East

Division 3: Bendigo East

Junior Premiers

Under 12: Strathfieldsaye Dodgers

Under 14: Bendigo East

Under 17: Falcons

Anthony Amsing

President

Bendigo Baseball Association

Dandenong Baseball Association



2021 was a tough season for winter baseball. Off the back of a cancelled 2020 due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Dandenong Baseball Association winter season started strong. With numbers slightly down due to the pandemic, we managed to field 47 senior teams, 7 women's teams, and 21 junior teams.

This season saw further growth to our women's competition in a combined series with the MWBL. Teams played both against their own leagues and in crossover matches against the MWBL teams. Dandenong also hosted the first winter women's match under lights on a Super Sunday. This is another positive step in the right direction for women's baseball in winter, and we look forward to what opportunities season 2022 will bring.

Unfortunately, due to the pandemic, we were unable to participate in the State Winter Champs. Many thanks go to the winter associations and BV for tirelessly reorganising these events multiple times to try and get teams on the field. Sadly, the decision was made to cancel these events due to restrictions. We look forward to getting out there again in 2022.

The same fate saw our season end prematurely, with finals being cancelled due to COVID restrictions. The association declared those on top minor premiers for the season. On a positive note, DBA was able to hold 10 rounds in 2021, which is something all clubs should be proud of given the challenges faced with restrictions and lockdowns.

Season 2021 saw a consolidation of operating costs and this helped us provide much-needed relief to all clubs who have suffered financially over the pandemic. A big thanks to all those on the board who assisted to make the season possible.

We would also like to extend our thanks to our members, the clubs, who continue to support us. Without you, we don't have an association. Thanks also to the umpires, and to BV for making it possible to get 10 rounds in for season 2021.

We look forward to what season 2022 has to hold, and fingers crossed, it's a good one for all!

Teams:

Berwick Dodgers, Bonbeach, Boneo, Chelsea, Cheltenham, Dandenong, Dingley, Frankston, Mornington, Pakenham, Sandringham, Upwey Ferntree Gully, Mordialloc, Moorabbin

Women's (MWBL): Latrobe University, Melbourne University, Research Lower Plenty, South East Warriors, North Balwyn

Congratulations to the 2021 Minor Premiers

A1 Grade: Cheltenham, A2 Grade: Cheltenham, B1 Grade: Sandringham, B2 Grade: Dingley Gold,
C1 Grade: Pakenham, C2 Grade: Cheltenham, DBA Women's: Dingley, MWBL Women's: South East Warriors,
Under 12: Chelsea, Under 14: Dingley, Under 16: Cheltenham, Under 18: Mornington

Jake Grigorescu

Secretary

Dandenong Baseball Association

President: Gillian Gavin

Vice President: Mark Campbell

Secretary: Jake Grigorescu

Treasurer: Andrea Cormick

Umpire Coordinator : Ian Gavin

General Members: Russell Johnston,

Gemma Dowsett, Wayne Porter, Paul Quinn



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 areas. It was great to almost complete a season because of COVID-19.

The 2021 GBA Board was made up of Glenn Talbot (President), Stuart McGovern (Vice President) Don Stephens (Pennant Chair), Phill Northfield (Junior Chair), Brad O'Brien (Treasurer), Michael Lyons (Umpire Coordinator), Jen Mason, Chris Rickard, Lee Harty, and Andrew Connors (Board Members). The GBA boasts some of the best playing facilities in Victoria, with the magnificent Waurm Ponds, Pioneer Park, and Prince of Wales Park complexes.

In 2021, the GBA fielded over 500 players across 51 teams (40 senior and 11 junior) in 11 clubs in 9 grades (A, A Reserve, B, B Reserve, C1, C2, Under 16, Under 14 and Under 12).

The GBA hosted the 2021 Victorian Masters Carnival, which was a great success. The GBA expresses its appreciation to Baseball Victoria, officials, umpires, and wonderful volunteers from the Guild and Saints clubs for helping to make this weekend such a great success.

For the second year in a row, COVID-19 interrupted the winter championships. Only, the under 16 tournament was able to be played with the GBA side winning the tournament.

Minor Premiers

A Grade – Ballarat Royals, A Reserves – Guild, B Grade – Werribee, B Reserves – Guild, C1 Grade – Corio, C2 Grade – North Western Titans Black

Junior Premiers

Under 16 – Guild All Stars, Under 14 – Guild All Stars, Under 12 – Saints/Lara

Major Award Winners

Club Champion (Alex Everett Trophy) -Saints

A Grade MVP (A.E. Gear Trophy) – B Allen (Saints)

A Grade Best Batting Avg. (Neville McPherson Trophy) – S Reale (0.500 Saints)

A Grade Best Pitching ERA (Col King Trophy) – T Yamamoto (1.421 Saints)

A Reserve MVP (L.G. Howell Trophy) – T Duxson (Guild)

B Grade MVP (Gordon McKay Trophy) – D Hamilton (Alfredton)

B Reserve MVP (Artie Murrells Trophy) – S Baumann (Guild)

C1 Grade MVP - Tim Kurganovs (Deakin Gold)

C2 Grade MVP – Jordan Costa (Saints Red)

Under 16 MVP – Harvey Elderfield (Saints)

Under 14 MVP – Josh Hirst (Saints)

Under 12 MVP - Jack Northfield (Saints) & Reuben Millar (Bellarine)

Tony McPherson

Executive Officer

Geelong Baseball Association

Latrobe Valley Baseball Association



The 2021 season didn't end as we had hoped as it was brought to a halt by COVID. We did all we could to play baseball in the time we did have, and we were able to use our sport to provide an opportunity for people to play and socialise during a time when it is hard to do anything.

Following the early end to the season, the committee resolved to award Minor Premierships to the teams in first place but not award premierships without playing a final. The committee also returned all association team fees.

Minor Premiers were awarded as follows:

A Grade – Traralgon Redsox

B Grade – Traralgon Redsox

C Grade – Traralgon Redsox

Under 16 – Churchill Braves

Under 13 – Traralgon Redsox

With the COVID interruption we also weren't able to have our usual presentation night and had to move this online.

Congratulations to the following B&F winners:

A Grade – Nathan Simpson (Moe/Newborough Dodgers)

B Grade – Brad Bronts (Sale Rangers)

C Grade – Daniel McKinnon (Moe/Newborough Dodgers)

Nicole White

President

Latrobe Valley Baseball Association

Melbourne Winter Baseball League



The 2021 season, while it certainly did not end the way we would have hoped, was stemmed by hope, optimism, and desire to play. The clubs worked hard to prepare for the season and put a lot of effort into such pivotal items as financial recovery from 2020, player recruitment – both juniors and seniors, and getting the clubs back onto the field.

Following the 2020 season, none of these endeavours were easy. The volunteers at the baseball clubs are what make our game so great. The hard work, perseverance, and dedication the club committees and volunteers show needs to be recognised and commended.

As we pushed through the 2021 season, we found ourselves at the mercy of the COVID pandemic once again. Looking to make the most of what we could, the league continued following a brief shutdown but finally had to succumb to the lengthy lockdown that ended our season. Decisions around the continuation and completion of the season were not made lightly, but ultimately, the decisions are mostly out of our hands.

For the time that we were able to get on the field, we were met by some wetter conditions than we have in recent memory, but players were wrapped to be back playing. The excitement was marvellous to see and be part of.

Financially, the board made the determination to discount some of the costs of playing this year, with the suspension of the promotion and development fund at the start of the year, and then the discounting of club fees following the COVID closure of the season. Despite these discounts, and thanks to our Administrator Michael Chambers' work obtaining grants, we have ended the 2021 season in a strong position, ready for the 2022 season.

I would like to thank the MWBL Board for their hard work in the 2021 year, full of challenges. With the majority of the board working through their first season, including State Winter Championships and COVID challenges, we have made it through. But the work is only beginning.

My desire as a President is to see our winter league grow. There is a lot of work that we need to consider and set a path forward. When we first started down this path, I wanted to move the league into a new realm. One where we looked to the socials and communication at the forefront. I fear I've allowed the COVID-19 pandemic to affect our movement on these fronts and am looking to relaunch this initiative. At our last meeting, I advised the board would be running a strategy meeting to help determine a future plan. Whilst this hasn't happened yet, I hope that the newly elected board can work on this process as a priority into the new year, preparing for the 2022 season and beyond.

The MWBL has everything it needs to move into 2022 in a stronger position than ever. It has dedicated volunteers and funding ready. It has clubs that are strong and looking for the support they need. We only need to provide it. The next 6 months in the MWBL leading into the new season will be paramount to the continued growth of the league.

Clubs, and more importantly the junior system, are the cornerstone to the development of baseball in Victoria. The MWBL Board recognises this and is looking forward to continuing to grow. The strength of our league begins with a strong foundation, and that is our junior system. I put a call out to all clubs, now is the time for us to band together to develop a strategy to bring kids into the game. Not just for individual clubs, but for all clubs. Only in the growth of all, can we truly prosper.

Thank you to every board member for the 2021 season, and to every club and volunteer as well. I look forward to seeing everyone in 2022.

Slade Squire
President
MWBL

President: Slade Squire
Vice Presidents:
Mark Riches (City West Junior Chair)
Natalie Kilby (Ringwood District Juniors Chair)
Elli Every (Diamond Valley Juniors Chair)
Shannon Crawford (Women's League Chair)
David Rice (Pennant Committee Chair)
Secretary: John Weichard
Treasurer: Tony Wyatt
Umpires: Geoff Dunn (Umpires Chair)
Administrator: Michael Chambers

North Eastern Baseball Association



2021 was a very successful year for the North Eastern Baseball Association. Our main focus for the year was the successful continuation of the recently reformed Junior League. It was very gratifying to see the increase in numbers and interest from the previous two years and the disruption of COVID. 2022 promises to be even better.

Our Senior League also increased in size with the addition of a second B side from Wangaratta. Due to the COVID restrictions in both Victoria and NSW, NEBA were unable to finish their finals series. As such premierships were awarded to the minor premiers in each grade.

Teams: North Albury Bears, Wangaratta Rangers, Benalla Bandits ,Porepunkah Panthers, Wodonga Warriors

We had 244 total participants across 19 teams.

Senior: 142

Junior: 102

TOTAL: 244

Male: 212

Female: 31

Non-binary: 1

A grade: Bears

B grade: Wangaratta Rangers Grey

U15's: Porepunkah

U11's: Porepunkah

Mark Chadwick

President

North Eastern Baseball Association



Another shortened COVID season in the books. Once again, the sport that we love was cruelly taken away from us thanks to reaction to the pandemic. We managed 11 out of 15 scheduled senior matches, without any senior finals, just one scheduled junior final and no women's comp - and to say it was disappointing is a massive understatement.

Our tireless volunteer club workers again had nothing to show for their efforts as they battled the odds to keep their clubs alive. It has hit us particularly hard in the junior ranks, where numbers have dwindled to the point where only two of our four grades had full teams.

Again, two big losses for us were the cancellation of the Intermediate League Nationals halfway through the tournament, which again affected our bottom line badly, and the lost opportunity for a belated season two of the new women's competition, where any momentum we had was totally lost.

No representative baseball has also taken away our point of difference from many other sports, so hopefully this can resume soon. I know the kids love going away.

The challenges ahead remain substantial. The clubs will continue to face hurdles in getting their players back and attracting new ones even though we can all go around in the community now, something like it used to be!

I have found it to have been a trying time in many ways, not the least that we have a skeleton committee willing to put their hand up to get involved at League level. To Kim, Mat, Bert and Graeme, you have my sincere thanks for all your efforts.

I live in eternal hope that things can turn around and a new crop of people fall in love with baseball to help it be sustainable going forward.

Nick Carroll

President

Sunraysia Baseball League

Victorian Summer Baseball League - 2020/21 Award Winners



Most Valuable Player

Division 1: G Heron Medal	Billy Parsons	Sunshine
Division 1 Women	Abbey Kelly	Essendon
Division 2: R Hindson Medal	Jayson Arthur	Mulgrave
Division 2: R Hindson Medal	Jeon Kyungsoo	Ormond Glenhuntly
Division 2: R Hindson Medal	Joshua Lee	Werribee
Division 3	Lucas Anderson	Springvale
Division 4 North	Nathon Sims	Mitchell Majors
Division 4 East	Liam Jackson	Melbourne
Division 4 South	Luke Thompson	Mordialloc
Division 4 West	Robert Zadel	Footscray
Grand Final: H Wonnacott Medal	Gareth Formisano	Essendon

Pitching Award

Division 1: H Douglas Trophy	Billy Parsons	0.73	Sunshine
Division 1 Women	Jamieson Bastian	0.00	Doncaster
Division 2	Chris Nielsen	1.07	Moorabbin
Division 3	Daniel Conway-Jones	1.07	Bonbeach



Batting Average			
Division 1	Liam Hopkins	0.500	Blackburn
Division 1 Women	Abbey Kelly	0.639	Essendon
Division 2	Wade Balzer	0.514	Werribee
Division 3	Jarad Curwood	0.464	Bonbeach

Home Run			
Division 1	Grant Irving	3	Sandringham
Division 1 Women	Emma Davenport	1	Essendon
Division 1 Women	Bronwyn Gell	1	Newport
Division 2	Keenan Spence	7	Newport
Division 3	Mitchell Lording	3	Pakenham
Division 3	Joe Michaud	3	Footscray

Coach of the Year	Russell Spear – Essendon
Volunteer of the Year	Adrian Baillargeon – Research Lower Plenty
Umpire of the Year: R Blackmore Shield	Stewart Howe
Club Champion – Division 1: P Dihm Shield	Waverley
Club Champion – Division 2	Moorabbin

Victorian Summer Baseball League - Finals Results

Competition				
Division 1 Firsts	Essendon	6	4	Waverley
	Essendon	9	6	Waverley
Division 1 Seconds	Essendon	13	3	Upwey-Ferntree Gully
Division 1 Thirds	Berwick	11	5	Geelong
Division 1 Fourths	Melbourne	9	8	Essendon
Division 2 Firsts	Moorabbin	4	2	Newport
	Moorabbin	7	6	Newport
Division 2 Seconds	Werribee	7	5	Moorabbin
Division 2 Thirds	Doncaster	11	2	Newport
Division 2 Fourths	Ormond Glenhuntly	12	2	Williamstown
Division 3 Firsts	Springvale	10	7	North Western
Division 3 Seconds	Footscray	11	9	Springvale
Division 4 East	Melbourne Blue	7	6	Waverley Black
Division 4 North	North Coburg B	12	2	Fitzroy A
Division 4 South	Bonbeach	13	3	Mordialloc
Division 4 West	Footscray	3	0	Essendon
Women's Division 1	Springvale	5	0	Essendon
Women's Division 2	Springvale	8	4	Footscray
Women's Division 3 East	South East	10	0	Moorabbin
Women's Division 3 West	Melbourne	6	2	Doncaster

Competition				
Masters 38+ East	Blackburn	5	2	Melbourne
Masters 38+ North West	Sunshine	9	7	Essendon
Masters 38+ South	Springvale	5	3	Bonbeach A
Masters 45+	Melbourne	7	0	Sandringham
U18 State	Moorabbin	3	2	Waverley
U18 Metro	Moorabbin	4	2	Sunshine/Werribee
U16 State	Essendon	6	5	Malvern/Melbourne
U16 Metro East	Bonbeach	10	5	Cheltenham
U16 Metro West	Werribee	13	3	Port Melb / Williamstown
Eastern Athletics IL	Blackburn	4	1	Waverley
Eastern Athletics JL	Doncaster/Melbourne	7	6	Waverley
Eastern Athletics LL Minor	Melbourne	13	7	Waverley
Geelong LL Major	Firefrogs	5	3	Lake Monsters
Geelong JL	Snappers	9	3	Rockhounds
Southern Mariners IL	Sandringham	11	4	Chelsea/Bonbeach
Southern Mariners JL	Sandringham Kings	7	6	Sandringham Royals
Southern Mariners LL Major	Chelsea	8	2	Moorabbin
Twins JL	Essendon	7	1	Newport
Twins IL	Williamstown	8	7	Ballarat Royals
Twins LL Minor North	Research Lower Plenty	7	1	Preston/Research
Twins LL Minor West	Sunshine Falcons	9	3	Sunshine Vultures
Twins LL Major	Research Lower Plenty	10	5	Williamstown



2021 VSBL DIV 1 PREMIERS - ESSENDON

National Showcase Series

Victoria

U16 Mosquitos

Hunter Arnel
Matthew Bell
Addison Bishop-Worn
Cooper Drummond
Campbell Every
Ashley Geary-Smith
Ben Howard
Matthew Lavery
Evan Maury
Speedy Okuda
Jack Ratcliffe
Harper Rickard
Maxton Sherry
Lachie Smith
Tanner Stack
Cooper Tipping
Chris Tsakoumakis
Ryan Williams
Bailey Wilson
Daniel Yanlee

Coaches

Scott Meager
Phil Northfield
Andy Rose

U16 Catalinas

Liam Bald
Matthew Butler
Will Cavanagh
Charles Chislett
Mitchell Denny
Zach Dunkley
Harrison Fitzgerald
Matthew Johnston
Shintaro Katon
Ryan Langworthy
Logan O'Brien
Macks Powell
Taran Rose
Max Saggars
Noah Scott
Declan Spiers
James Squire
Darcy Stack
Noah Toplis
Thomas Yuile

Coaches

Chris Rickard
Simon Ratcliffe
Neil Southwell

U18 Spitfires

Jordan Baumann
Genevieve Beacom
Nick Bertucci
Tom Brookes
Felix Brunner
Travis Finney
Marcus Graham
Ned Hargreaves
Blake Holding
Darcy Longstaff
Bronson Neave
Charlie O'Connell
Ryan Othen
Andrei Popa-Smith
Joel Prpic
Angelo Reale-Rontos
Kurtis Smith
Nathan Smith
Josh Tribe
Finn Weichard

Coaches

Marshall Skinner
Hayden Godbold

U18 Hornets

Josh Ashen
Phoenix Beck
Charlie Collins
Marshall Hansen
Alex James
Adam Jirik
Kynan Jones
James Lynch
Otto Mojo
Nick Parton
Jaycob Pascuzzi
Charlie Pierson
Cooper Rickard
Keeley Ronalds-Greatbatch
Tahj Rousell
Mcleod Sell
Sam Skinner
Angus Stals
Brody Stokoe
Matt West

Coaches

Ben Laux
David Hargreaves
Cooper Carrison



Honour Rolls

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED

Year	President	Chief Executive Officer
2021	Ms. M. Mayman	Ms. K Middleton (resigned August)/ Ms. G. Scales (Appt. August)
2020	Mr. M. Foreman	Ms. K. Middleton
2019	Mr. M. Foreman	Mr. J. Huber (resigned June)/Ms. K. Middleton (Appt. August)
2018	Mr. M. Foreman	Mr. J. Huber
2017	Mr. M. Foreman	Mr. A. Blair (resigned June)/Mr. J. Huber (Appt. July)
2016	Mr. M. Foreman	Mr. A. Blair
2015	Mr. M. Foreman	Mr. A. Blair (Interim General Manager)
2014	Mr. C. Crameri	Mr. N. Price
2013	Mr. C. Crameri	Mr. B. W. Hidson (resigned April)/Mr. N. Price (Appt. July)
2012	Dr. R. J. Sadler	Mr. B. W. Hidson
2011	Dr. R. J. Sadler	Mr. B. W. Hidson
2010	Dr. R. J. Sadler	Mr. B. W. Hidson
2009	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. S. Nash

BASEBALL VICTORIA LIFE MEMBERS

2021 Scott Dawes
2019 Ian Bishop
2019 Michele Winther
2017 Michael Gourlay
2017 Richard Mason* OAM
2016 Julie Jones
2015 John King
2009 Jason Blair

VICTORIAN PROVINCIAL BASEBALL LEAGUE LIFE MEMBERS

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

VICTORIAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION LIFE MEMBERS

2006 Jenny Ratcliffe
2006 Peter Dihm
2005 Grant Weir
2005 Robert O Blackmore
2004 Beryl Bunting*
2004 Rodney Gaunt
2002 Les T Flower
1992 Les A Polson*
1991 Paul F Collins
1991 Ron R Smith*
1988 Barry N Smith*
1988 Graeme B Ainscough*

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

**For historical office bearers,
Please see the Baseball Victoria website
baseballvictoria.com.au**

Financial Report

Presented by Finance Chair Rob Stanley

COVID-19 continued to impact the baseball community during the financial year.

Total revenue including the COVID-19 stimulus of \$237,395 was \$1,234,103 a decrease of \$50,384 (4% ↓) on last year.

We continued to receive COVID-19 Stimulus support from Federal Government Job Keeper, State Government Stimulus and Grants, without these the result would have been very different. This support also allowed the implementation of measures to reduce the financial burden on clubs and players, such as the elimination of junior fees for the 2020/2021 VSBL season and a reduction in team entry fees along with investment by Baseball Victoria in COVID-19 Return To Play COVIDSafe tools.

This profit of \$40,649 despite a (4% ↓) reduction in revenue (including COVID-19 Stimulus) and a (5% ↑) increase in expenditure, will be used to support targets once the delayed strategic plan is finalised and to support clubs and the wider baseball community.

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED
ABN 78 603 120 057

Financial Report
For the period ended 30 September 2021

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 2021 and the auditor's report thereon. This financial report has been prepared in accordance with the Australian Accounting Standards.

The Board of Director's names

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

Andy Rose - President (appointed November 20, 2021)

Meghan Mayman - President (resigned November 19, 2021)

Joanna O'Connor

Grant Weir

Margie Ardono (resigned 17 September, 2021)

Myles Foreman (resigned 20 April, 2021)

Sam Taylor (resigned April 8, 2021)

Rob Stanley (appointed to casual vacancy March 22, 2021) (appointed to board at 2021 AGM, 20 April, 2021)

Matt Nichol (appointed to casual vacancy January 28, 2021) (appointed to board at 2021 AGM, 20 April, 2021)

Amy McCann (appointed to casual vacancy March 22, 2021) (appointed to board at 2021 AGM, 20 April, 2021)

Brett Mitsch (appointed to casual vacancy November 20, 2021)

Jennifer Pitson (appointed to casual vacancy November 20, 2021)

The 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 year after providing for income tax amounted to a Profit of \$40,658 (2020: Profit \$151,704).

Review of operations

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

Events after reporting date

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial period which significantly affect the operations of the organisation, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the organisation in future financial years.

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DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Subsequent Events

Except for the above, no other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial period which significantly affect the operations of the organisation, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the organisation.

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.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the board of director's

President:



Andy Rose

Finance Chair:



Rob Stanley

Dated this day 20th January 2022

STATEMENT OF PROFIT AND LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
For the Year Ended 30 September 2021

	Note	2021	2020
			\$
Revenue			
Revenue	3	1,233,396	1,282,775
Interest Income		706	1,712
		<u>1,234,102</u>	<u>1,284,487</u>
Less: Expenses			
Baseball Competition Management		(406,874)	(179,485)
Baseball Pathways		(86,164)	(226,226)
Baseball Participation		(10,847)	(20,373)
Baseball Operations		(689,559)	(706,649)
		<u>(1,193,444)</u>	<u>(1,132,733)</u>
Profit/(Loss) before income tax expense		<u>40,658</u>	<u>151,754</u>
Income tax expense		-	-
Net Profit/(Loss) after income tax		<u>40,658</u>	<u>151,754</u>
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income for the period		<u>40,658</u>	<u>151,754</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 2020

	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	620,579	344,287
Receivables	6	7,466	123,758
Inventories	7	18,434	72,318
Other assets	10	13,497	16,275
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>659,976</u>	<u>556,638</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Plant and equipment	8	149,405	187,862
Intangible assets	9	-	2,000
Other assets	10	57,091	56,072
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>206,496</u>	<u>245,934</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>866,472</u>	<u>802,572</u>
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payables	11	84,488	33,968
Provisions	12	44,473	37,686
Other liabilities	13	31,860	61,222
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>160,821</u>	<u>132,876</u>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Provisions	12	3,473	2,169
Other liabilities	13	184,971	210,811
TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>188,444</u>	<u>212,980</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>349,265</u>	<u>345,856</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>517,207</u>	<u>456,716</u>
MEMBERS FUNDS			
Accumulated surplus		517,207	456,716
TOTAL MEMBERS FUNDS		<u>517,207</u>	<u>456,716</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED
ABN: 78 603 120 057

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN MEMBERS FUNDS

For the Year Ended 30 September 2021

	Retained Earnings \$	Development Reserve \$	Accumulated Surplus \$
Balance as at 1 October 2019	274,630	20,679	295,309
Net Movement in Development Fund Reserve	-	9,653	9,653
	<u>274,630</u>	<u>30,332</u>	<u>304,962</u>
Profit/Loss for the Period	151,754	-	151,754
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u>151,754</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>151,754</u>
Balance as at 30 September 2020	<u>426,384</u>	<u>30,332</u>	<u>456,716</u>
Balance as at 1 October 2021	426,384	30,332	456,716
Net movement in Development Fund Reserve	-	19,833	19,833
	<u>426,384</u>	<u>50,165</u>	<u>476,549</u>
Profit/(Loss) for the period	40,658	-	40,658
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u>40,658</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>40,658</u>
Balance as at 30 September 2021	<u>467,042</u>	<u>50,165</u>	<u>517,207</u>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements

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STATEMENT OF CASHFLOWS

For the Year Ended 30 September 2021

	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
Cash flow from operating activities			
Receipts from Customers		1,726,531	1,162,857
Payments to Suppliers & Employees		(1,427,059)	(1,377,144)
Interest Received		706	1,712
Net cash used in operating activities	14(b)	<u>300,178</u>	<u>(212,575)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	-
Payments for property, plant and equipment	8(a)	-	(10,785)
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>-</u>	<u>(10,785)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Lease Payments (Cash Portion)		(23,886)	(18,578)
Net cash used in investing activities		<u>(23,886)</u>	<u>(18,578)</u>
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		276,292	(241,938)
Reconciliation of cash			
Cash at beginning of the financial year		344,287	586,225
Net increase/(decrease) in cash held		276,292	(241,938)
Cash at end of financial year	14(a)	<u>620,579</u>	<u>344,287</u>

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended 30 September 2021

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 directors have determined that the Association is not a reporting entity.

The financial report was approved by the Board of Director's as at the date of the directors' 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.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

e) 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%	Straight-Line

f) Intangibles

Patents, trademarks and licences

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.

g) 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.

h) 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.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended 30 September 2021

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

i) Leases

At inception of a contract, the Association assesses whether a lease exists - i.e. does the contract convey the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

This involves an assessment of whether:

- The contract involves the use of an identified asset - this may be explicitly or implicitly identified within the agreement. If the supplier has a substantive substitution right then there is no identified asset.
- The Association has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from the use of the asset throughout the period of use.
- The Association has the right to direct the use of the asset i.e. decision making rights in relation to changing how and for what purpose the asset is used.

Lessee accounting

The non-lease components included in the lease agreement have been separated and are recognised as an expenses as incurred.

At the lease commencement, the Association recognises a right-of-use asset and associated lease liability for the lease term. The lease term includes extension periods where the Association believes it is reasonably certain that the option will be exercised.

The right-of-use asset is measured using the cost model where cost on initial recognition comprises of the lease liability, initial direct costs, prepaid lease payments, estimated cost of removal and restoration less any lease incentives received.

The right-of-use asset is depreciated over the lease term on a straight line basis and assessed for impairment in accordance with the impairment of assets accounting policy.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the remaining lease payments at the commencement of the lease. The discount rate is the rate implicit in the lease, however where this cannot be readily determined then the Association's incremental borrowing rate is used.

Subsequent to initial recognition, the lease liability is measured at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method. The lease liability is remeasured whether there is a lease modification, change in estimate of the lease term or index upon which the lease payments are based (e.g. CPI) or a change in the Association's assessment of lease term.

Where the lease liability is remeasured, the right-of-use asset is adjusted to reflect the remeasurement or is recorded in profit or loss if the carrying amount of the right-of-use asset has been reduced to zero.

Exceptions to lease accounting

The Association has elected to apply the exceptions to lease accounting for both short-term leases (i.e. leases with a term of less than or equal to 12 months) and leases of low-value assets. The Association recognises the payments associated with these leases as an expense on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
For the Year Ended 30 September 2021

NOTE 1: STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

j) 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.

k) 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.

l) 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.

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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

For the Year Ended 30 September 2021

	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$	
NOTE 3: REVENUE				
Operating activities				
Baseball Competition Management		389,943	334,636	
Baseball Pathways		59,164	277,421	
Baseball Participation		10,962	27,991	
Baseball Operations		535,933	337,825	
Covid-19 Stimulus Measures		237,394	304,902	
		<u>1,233,396</u>	<u>1,282,775</u>	
NOTE 4: EXPENSES				
Operating activities				
Depreciation and amortisation expense		(44,207)	(48,501)	
Employee benefits expense		(423,071)	(458,340)	
NOTE 5: CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS				
Cash at bank		186,702	31,037	
Cash on deposit		433,877	313,250	
		<u>620,579</u>	<u>344,287</u>	
NOTE 6: RECEIVABLES				
CURRENT				
Trade debtors		10,366	110,558	
Other receivables		-	15,000	
Allowance for expected credit losses		(2,900)	(1,800)	
		<u>7,466</u>	<u>123,758</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 October 2020		(1,800)	(470)	
Charge for the year		(1,100)	(1,330)	
Closing balance as at 30 September 2021		<u>(2,900)</u>	<u>(1,800)</u>	
Aged Analysis				
Trade receivable ageing analysis as at 30 September:				
	Gross 2021 \$	Impairment 2021 \$	Gross 2020 \$	Impairment 2020 \$
Not past due	1,012	-	100,090	-
Past due 31-60 days	2,869	-	330	-
Past due 61-90 days	335	-	2,700	-
Past due more than 91 days	6,150	(2,900)	7,438	(1,800)
	<u>10,366</u>	<u>(2,900)</u>	<u>110,558</u>	<u>(1,800)</u>
NOTE 7: INVENTORIES				
Inventory held for sale		18,434	72,318	

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	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
NOTE 8: PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT			
Plant and Equipment			
Motor vehicles at cost		45,454	45,454
Accumulated depreciation		<u>(41,560)</u>	<u>(40,262)</u>
		<u>3,894</u>	<u>5,192</u>
Office equipment at cost		26,813	26,813
Accumulated Depreciation		<u>(21,715)</u>	<u>(19,730)</u>
		<u>5,098</u>	<u>7,083</u>
Computer equipment at cost		19,023	19,023
Accumulated Depreciation		<u>(17,995)</u>	<u>(15,487)</u>
		<u>1,028</u>	<u>3,536</u>
Baseball equipment at cost		21,525	21,525
Accumulated Depreciation		<u>(17,370)</u>	<u>(15,136)</u>
		<u>4,153</u>	<u>6,389</u>
Leasehold Improvements		8,250	8,250
Accumulated Depreciation		<u>(2,750)</u>	<u>-</u>
		<u>5,500</u>	<u>8,250</u>
Right of Use Asset		185,191	185,191
Accumulated Amortisation		<u>(55,459)</u>	<u>(27,779)</u>
		<u>129,732</u>	<u>157,412</u>
Total property, plant and equipment		<u><u>149,405</u></u>	<u><u>187,862</u></u>

a) Reconciliations

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

Motor vehicles

Opening carrying amount	5,193	6,923
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
Depreciation expense	<u>(1,299)</u>	<u>(1,730)</u>
Closing carrying amount	<u><u>3,894</u></u>	<u><u>5,193</u></u>

Office equipment

Opening carrying amount	7,084	8,276
Additions	-	2,535
Disposals	-	-
Depreciation expense	<u>(1,986)</u>	<u>(3,727)</u>
Closing carrying amount	<u><u>5,098</u></u>	<u><u>7,084</u></u>

Computer equipment

Opening carrying amount	3,536	6,911
Additions	-	-
Disposals	-	-
Depreciation expense	<u>(2,508)</u>	<u>(3,375)</u>
Closing carrying amount	<u><u>1,028</u></u>	<u><u>3,536</u></u>

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	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
NOTE 8: PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT (CONTINUED)			
Plant and Equipment			
<i>Baseball equipment</i>			
Opening carrying amount		6,388	12,128
Additions		-	-
Disposals		-	-
Depreciation expense		(2,234)	(5,740)
Closing carrying amount		<u>4,154</u>	<u>6,388</u>
 <i>Leasehold improvements</i>			
Opening carrying amount		-	-
Additions		8,250	8,250
Disposals		-	-
Depreciation expense		(2,750)	-
Closing carrying amount		<u>5,500</u>	<u>8,250</u>

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	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
NOTE 9: INTANGIBLE ASSETS			
Patents, trademarks and licences at cost		-	2,000
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
Closing balance		-	2,000
NOTE 10: OTHER ASSETS			
CURRENT			
Prepayments		13,497	16,275
		<u>13,497</u>	<u>16,275</u>
NON-CURRENT			
Foundation, sponsorship and other funds held in trust		57,091	56,072
		<u>57,091</u>	<u>56,072</u>
NOTE 11: PAYABLES			
CURRENT			
<i>Unsecured Liabilities</i>			
Trade creditors		12,715	15,414
Sundry creditors and accruals		71,773	18,554
		<u>84,488</u>	<u>33,968</u>
NOTE 12: PROVISIONS			
CURRENT			
Employee Benefits		44,473	37,686
NON-CURRENT			
Employee Benefits		3,473	2,169
a) Aggregate employee benefits liability		47,946	39,855

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For the Year Ended 30 September 2021

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NOTE 13: OTHER LIABILITIES			
CURRENT			
Lease liability - current		26,860	18,022
Deferred Income		5,000	43,200
		<u>31,860</u>	<u>61,222</u>
NON-CURRENT			
Lease liability - non-current		127,880	154,739
Foundation, sponsorship and other funds held in trust		57,091	56,072
		<u>184,971</u>	<u>210,811</u>
NOTE 14: CASH FLOW INFORMATION			
a) Reconciliation of cash			
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Cash at bank		186,702	31,037
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		<u>620,579</u>	<u>344,287</u>
b) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with surplus after income tax			
Surplus from ordinary activities after income tax		40,658	151,754
Adjustments and non-cash items			
Depreciation		10,777	14,572
Amortisation of leases		27,680	27,779
Finance Cost (on leases)		5,749	6,148
Movement in Development Fund Reserve		19,833	9,653
Changes in assets and liabilities			
(Increase)/decrease in receivables		116,292	(77,116)
(Increase)/decrease in other assets		3,759	(3,684)
(Increase)/decrease in inventories		53,884	(68,213)
Increase/(decrease) in payables		50,520	(91,365)
Increase/(decrease) in other liabilities		(37,067)	(180,735)
Increase/(decrease) in provisions		8,091	(1,368)
		<u>259,518</u>	<u>(364,329)</u>
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NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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	Note	2021 \$	2020 \$
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NOTE 15: Leases**The Entity as a lessee**

The entity has leases over office space at Melbourne Ballpark for staff.

The entity has chosen not to apply AASB 16 to leases of intangible assets.

Information relating to the leases in place and associated balances and transactions are provided below.

Terms and conditions of leases

The Entity leases buildings for their corporate offices. The lease is for a 3 year period with two extension options.

Right of Use Assets

	\$
Year ended 30 September 2021	
Balance at beginning of year	157,412
Amortisation charge	<u>(27,680)</u>
Balance at end of year	<u>129,732</u>

Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

The amounts recognised in the statement of profit and loss and other comprehensive income relating to leases where the entity is a lessee are shown below:

	2021
	\$
Interest expense on lease liabilities	5,749
Amortisation of Right of use assets	<u>27,680</u>
Balance at end of year	<u>33,429</u>

NOTE 16: ASSOCIATION DETAILS

The registered office and principal place of business of the association is:

Baseball Victoria Incorporated
Melbourne Ball Park
Merton Street
Altona Meadows VIC 3028

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STATEMENT BY THE DIRECTORS

In the opinion of the directors the financial report as set out on pages 3-16:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of Baseball Victoria Incorporated as at 30 September 2021 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.

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

President:



Andy Rose

Finance Chair:



Rob Stanley

Dated this day: 20 January 2022

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED
ABN 78 603 120 057**INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED****Report on the Financial Report****Opinion**

We have audited the financial report of Baseball Victoria Incorporated, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 September 2021, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in equity and statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the directors' declaration.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report Baseball Victoria Incorporated is in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act of Victoria 2012*, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 September 2021 and of its financial performance for the year then ended; and
- (ii) complying with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act of Victoria 2012*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act of Victoria 2012* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110: *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

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

Emphasis of Matter – Basis of Accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 to the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist the Association to meet the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act of Victoria 2012*. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is intended solely for the Association and its members and should not be used by parties other than the Association and its members. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Information Other than the Financial Report and Auditor's Report Thereon

The directors are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the Association's annual report for the year ended 30 September 2021, but does not include the financial report and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial report does not cover the other information and accordingly we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with our audit of the financial report, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial report or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise

appears to be materially misstated. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Financial Report

The directors of the Association are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards and the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act of Victoria 2012*, for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the directors either intend to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

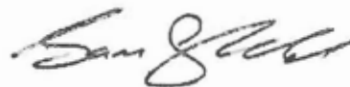
Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. Further information about our responsibilities can be found at <http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>

We communicate with the directors regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.

JTP Assurance

JTP ASSURANCE
Chartered Accountants



SAM CLARINGBOLD
Partner

Signed at Melbourne this 28th day of January 2022



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