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2021/22 VSBL Season

The final month of VSBL is here and we are looking forward to a fantastic finish to the summer season. We wish all teams the best of luck leading up to finals!

As a reminder, all fixtures, results, and standings are available [HERE](#), and you can check out our [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for the latest updates. There's also [GameChanger](#) live scoring for Division 1 Firsts and Seconds and numerous training drills on [BV TV](#) to keep you motivated ahead of finals.

We hope everyone has an awesome weekend of baseball!

Eight Victorians Invited to National Junior Camp

This week Baseball Australia announced the provisional 44-player list of invitees to April's National Junior Camp, including eight from Victoria - Bronson Neave, Charlie Pierson, Declan Speirs, Genevieve Beacom, Hayden Peoples, Jayden Kim, Nick Bertucci, and Nick Parton.

These U-18 athletes were chosen alongside fellow high performance prospects from around the country following an in-depth review of data collected at the 2022 National Showcase Series events in each state.

Congratulations to all of these players - click [HERE](#) to read more about the upcoming National Junior Camp.

National Showcase Series Player Reports

Following a successful 2022 National Showcase Series, the Baseball Victoria High Performance team has distributed detailed player reports and college information to all 72 players who attended the showcase.

The first part of the showcase was dedicated to data collection, with all this information including individual position metrics, run time, exit velocity, and throwing velocity now compiled into player reports for recruitment purposes. Over 2,000 individual videos have been produced and shared with the players as well, including film of 60-yard sprints, hitting, infield, outfield, catching, and in-game pitching.

Click [HERE](#) to read more about these showcase player reports.

Geelong Announced as Host of Expanded 2022 Australian Women's Baseball Showcase

Geelong will host an expanded Australian Women's Baseball Showcase in May, bringing together Australian Emeralds stars and some of the country's top female prospects for an action-packed four-day event.

The showcase from 5-8 May at Geelong Baseball Centre will be supported by the Victorian Government through its Significant Sporting Events Program. It will split the country's best women across the Adelaide Giants, Brisbane Bandits, and Victoria Aces for seven top-level games, culminating in a decider on 8 May.

Read all the details [HERE](#).

Coach and Executive Officer Applications Open for Australian U-16 Youth Championship

As a reminder, Baseball Victoria is now accepting applications for head coach, assistant coach, and executive officer positions for the 2022 Australian U-16 Youth Championship. The tournament will take place at Redcliffe Baseball Centre, Queensland at the start of July during school holidays as announced by [Baseball Australia](#) last month.

Click [HERE](#) to learn more about this coaching/EO opportunity, with applications closing Friday 11 March 2022.

Successful Candidates for the Change Our Game Women in Governance Program Announced

Congratulations to Baseball Victoria Board Director Amy McCann, one of 46 Victorian women selected to the Change Our Game Women in Governance Program.

This program is designed to support women in senior governance roles across sport and recreation as they gain valuable knowledge and skills to excel in board positions at a regional, state and national level. This includes a comprehensive overview of the main components of directorship such as governance, strategy, risk and finance.

Click [HERE](#) to read more about the program and how it benefits grassroots sporting organisations like Baseball Victoria.

Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Teams Program

Baseball Victoria saved over 210 lives in 2021 as part of the [Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Teams Program](#), and so far this year our team has saved 51 lives through much-needed blood donations.

Thank you to everyone who has gotten involved in this valuable cause as Lifeblood delivers blood and plasma donations to thousands of Australians every year.

Australia needs 31,000 blood donations every week, and we'd love to continue saving lives with the help of the Victorian baseball community. Please sign up to join the Baseball Victoria Lifeblood Team [HERE](#).

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