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NATIONALS, CHRIS BURKE, GET ACTIVE KIDS, LIFEBLOOD

## **2022 Senior, Junior, and Intermediate League State Championships**

The 2022 Senior, Junior, and Intermediate League State Championships get underway at Geelong Baseball Centre tomorrow, and we are looking forward to three huge days of baseball as teams have a chance to book their spots in national tournaments.

Southern Mariners took out the Victorian Senior and Junior League titles last year, while Eastern Athletics prevailed in Intermediate League. We can't wait for another awesome tournament this weekend - best of luck to all players from Baycats, Eastern Athletics, Southern Mariners, and Twins!

View rosters, schedules, and live scoring [HERE](#).

## **Baseball Victoria Aces Charter Academy**

After seven weeks of training, Baseball Victoria Aces Charter Academy concluded last Saturday with an action-packed Super Series at Newport Rams Baseball Club.

Well done to all Junior League participants on their efforts over the past few months, and we hope everyone has a great time at State Champs!

## **Victoria Aces Reveal Preliminary Showcase Roster**

Victoria Aces have released a preliminary 10-player roster ahead of next month's Australian Women's Baseball Showcase in Geelong. The roster includes eight-time Emeralds World Cup representative Shae Lillywhite and highly-touted teenager Genevieve Beacom.

Lillywhite and Beacom join Gabby Bevan, Emily Devine, Morgan Doty, Bronwyn Gell, Abbey Kelly, and Abbey McLellan for their second showcase appearance in Victoria's debut. Outfielder Leslie Anglin and catcher Jamie Bastian will feature in their first showcase.

After serving as head coach for the 2022 Victorian Women's State Team, Samantha Hamilton will return to coach Victoria Aces at the showcase, with pitching coach Stephen Black also confirmed.

Click [HERE](#) to read the full story.

## **2022 Australian Youth Women's Baseball Invitational**

This week, Baseball Australia announced the list of 37 athletes and rising female prospects who will take part in the 2022 Australian Youth Women's Baseball Invitational in West Beach, Adelaide from 16-20 April.

Victoria leads the way with 14 invited players, including Leah Antonacci, Ruby Benne, Emily Brennan, Jessica Brown, Hayley Fielden, Caitlin Hoy, Erin Kent, Isabella Lee-Young, Lily McKenner, Eden Neave, Chelsea Nunn, Nyah O'Brien, Macy Priamo, and Ebony Sutherland.

Click [HERE](#) to read more about the upcoming invitational.

### **2022 Australian Little League Championship**

Baseball Australia has confirmed the 2022 Australian Little League Championship will be held at Milton Park in Macquarie Fields, southwest of Sydney, from 8-13 June.

Read the latest Little League update [HERE](#) and check out the Senior League announcement [HERE](#).

### **Chris Burke – Phillies Spring Training**

Baseball Victoria Aces Academy alum and Melbourne Aces player Chris Burke made an MLB Spring Training plate appearance with the Philadelphia Phillies this week.

Congrats to Chris on reaching another milestone in his baseball journey – we are excited to see what the rest of the year brings for this talented Victorian baseballer!

### **Get Active Kids Voucher Program**

Round 4 of the Victorian Government's Get Active Kids Voucher Program is now open. Click [HERE](#) to find out if you are eligible for up to \$200 to support your child's sport and recreation activities.

Victorian baseball clubs are also encouraged to register as a Get Active Kids Activity Provider to accept vouchers and attract more participants. View more information [HERE](#).

### **Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Teams Program**

In the first three months of the year, Baseball Victoria helped save 72 lives as part of the Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Teams Program. Thank you to all our baseballers who have teamed up for this meaningful cause as Lifeblood delivers blood and plasma donations to thousands of Australians every year.

31,000 blood donations are needed nationwide every week, and we would love to continue saving lives with the support of our baseball community. Please sign up to join the BV Lifeblood Team [HERE](#).

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