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2022 Barclay Cup

The inaugural Barclay Cup gets underway this Sunday, and we wish the Vic Dingoes and Vic Hornets the best of luck at this new national tournament for youth girls. The tournament was created by a combined group of state participation managers in honour of Jacinda Barclay, who sadly passed away in 2020.

Morgan Doty, a long-time friend and teammate of Barclay, is proud to be taking on her first coaching role, stepping up to the plate as an assistant coach to the Dingoes alongside fellow Emerald and Victoria Aces player Abbey McLellan and field manager Alan Sutherland.

“Barky was such a good friend of mine. As soon as this tournament was announced, I thought about it and changed my perspective a bit,” Doty said. “I wanted to be a part of it, and I know Barky would want me to as well. I can hear her telling me to go help and give back, driving me to do it.”

“I just think it’s a really good opportunity to honour her legacy. Especially with COVID, a lot of the girls haven’t gotten to play on a team of all girls before, let alone a tournament, so this is so cool for them and their development. It’s going to be very special.”

Read the full story [HERE](#) and stay tuned to the [Baseball Victoria Facebook](#) page for Barclay Cup updates.

Women & Girls Coaching Workshop Through Change Our Game

The Women & Girls Coaching Workshop is coming up on Sunday 9 October 2022 from 9:00am to 4:00pm at Melbourne Ballpark. Made possible by the Change Our Game Community Activation Grants Program, this workshop will include theoretical and practical on-field sessions, led by Damian Shanahan, Keli'i “Zee” Zablan, and Samantha Hamilton.

The workshop is free for all appointed women’s club/team coaches – please register your interest [HERE](#).

You can read more about the workshop [HERE](#).

BV Technical Operations Committee Appointments

Last month, Baseball Victoria confirmed the establishment of the BV Technical Operations Committee, which will be responsible for overseeing technical operations in Victoria, including administration for existing umpires and pathway development for all umpires.

We are pleased to announce the following appointments to the committee:

- Umpire Officer – Operations: Randall Vavra
- Umpire Officer – Pathways: Stewart Howe

"The Technical Operations Committee involves a significant investment into umpire development as we strive to further support the umpiring community, which plays a critical role in the overall success of baseball across Victoria," BV CEO Chet Gray said.

"As we move forward with a dedicated focus on umpire development and training, the BV Umpire Officers will lead the way in educating existing umpires, recruiting new umpires, and promoting umpire opportunities and achievements to the wider community."

Click [HERE](#) to read more.

2022 Team Australia – U18 World Cup

The WBSC U18 World Cup has wrapped up – well done to Victorians Nick Bertucci, Jayden Kim, Charlie Pierson, and Declan Speirs on a fantastic week with Team Australia. We are very proud of these players and all our National Junior Squad representatives for their dedicated efforts on the baseball trip of a lifetime.

Check out the latest from [Team Australia](#) and view updates on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).



From then to now - Nick Bertucci and Charlie Pierson on the Australian Baseball U18 World Cup team.

Baseball Australia Baseball5 World Cup

Baseball Australia has qualified for the inaugural Baseball5 World Cup and will be entering a team in the mixed-gender tournament from 7-13 November 2022 in Mexico City.

Four female and four male players will make up the Australia team and travel to this historic tournament, and an event will be hosted in Sydney leading up to the World Cup to select the team that will travel.

Baseball Australia is now calling for expressions of interest for people who would like to be considered for national team selection. Register your interest [HERE](#).

Summer League Registration & Resources

We can't wait for the 2022/23 VSBL season to get underway next weekend, and we hope everyone is looking forward to summer baseball, too. As a reminder, all players, coaches, and volunteers must register – please click [HERE](#) to access club registration links. Umpires who [register via GameDay](#) before 30 September will receive a \$200 support grant to help get ready for the season.

If you need assistance, view the [SportsTG help sheets](#) for members and clubs or contact the BV office. Also, updated playing conditions and by-laws are available [HERE](#).

VSBL Tribunal Members

Applications are now open for 2022/23 VSBL Tribunal members. If you're interested in serving on the tribunal and ensuring a fair and safe competition for all, please complete your application [HERE](#).

Baseball Training on BV TV

Remember to check out [At-Home Baseball Training](#) on [BV TV](#) to help you prepare for summer baseball. We hope you enjoy our long list of [throwing drills](#) and [warm-up exercises](#) from the BV High Performance team.

Check out our [media page](#) to connect with us on all platforms, including [Instagram](#) and [TikTok](#).

Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Teams Program

The BV Lifeblood Team has saved 144 lives this year through blood and plasma donations for Australian Red Cross Lifeblood. Thank you to everyone in the Victorian baseball community who has supported Lifeblood's lifesaving donations for Australians in need.

Let's keep making a difference together - sign up for the BV Lifeblood Team [HERE](#).

The BV Team

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Damian Shanahan – High Performance Officer

Kellie Thomas – Operations & Memberships Officer

Rachael Bouley – Communications and Digital Media Officer

Keli'i Zablan – Player & Coaching Pathway Officer

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Randall Vavra – Umpire Officer – Operations

Stewart Howe – Umpire Officer – Pathways

