

INSIDE THE BV ZONE

TO: BASEBALL VICTORIA MEMBERS

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SUBJECT: WOMEN'S STATE TEAM TRIALS, VSBL, SSV FINALS, UMPIRE

SESSIONS, COLLEGE PLAYERS, MSA HEAD COACH, DBA AGM, CHILD SAFE CLUBS, CALL IT OUT, GRANTS, BV TV, LIFEBLOOD

2023 Victorian Women's State Team Trials

Baseball Victoria is pleased to open trial registration for the Victorian Women's State Team, which will compete at the 2023 Australian Women's Championship next April.

"We will be doing everything we can to go one step further at next year's nationals and bring the cup back to Victoria," BV Women's Head Coach Samantha Hamilton said. "We look forward to trials and the selection process as we work to build a strong team and make the most of an amazing opportunity to represent Victoria on the national stage."

Selection trial dates and locations are set for:

- Saturday 10 December, 9am-11am @ Doncaster Baseball Club
- Thursday 15 December, 6pm-8pm @ Melbourne Ballpark (pitchers/catchers)
- Saturday 17 December, 9pm-11am @ Doncaster Baseball Club

All interested players are encouraged to register for trials <u>HERE</u>. Please view the <u>full release</u> for more info.



2022 Victorian Women's State Team - silver medallists

2022/23 VSBL Season

We are eight weeks into the 2022/23 VSBL season and we hope all players, coaches, umpires, and supporters are having a blast with summer baseball! While we've had our fair share of rainy weather and washouts, we appreciate the hard work of club volunteers and grounds crew to get as many games in as possible. Let's hope for better weather in the weeks to come!

A few reminders:

- Fixtures, results, and ladders are listed <u>HERE</u>.
- Registration for new members is available HERE.
- Match sheets need to be sent to <u>seniorscores@baseballvictoria.com.au</u> or <u>juniorscores@baseballvictoria.com.au</u> within 48 hours.
- Follow us on <u>VSBL Facebook</u>, <u>Twitter</u>, and <u>Instagram</u> for the latest Summer League updates.



Doncaster and Bonbeach/Chelsea Under 14 East Metro at Melbourne Ballpark.

SSV Baseball Year 7 & 8 Boys/Mixed State Finals

Best of luck to all players and teams participating in next week's School Sport Victoria Baseball Year 7 & 8 Boys/Mixed State Finals! This will be the first time in three years the finals have been held after COVID cancellations in 2020 and 2021.

Please see the links below for updated event details and draws:

- Year 8 Boys/Mixed State Finals Tuesday 29 November
- Year 7 Boys/Mixed State Finals Wednesday 30 November

BV Umpire Info/Training Sessions

With the summer season in full swing, the BV Technical Operations Committee is focused on administration for existing umpires and pathway development for all umpires. We hope to grow our umpiring fraternity to ensure as many games can be covered as possible while promoting a safe, enjoyable, and fair competition for all.

Thank you to everyone who has attended our umpire info/training sessions so far this season, and a special thanks to those who have stepped up to join our umpiring crew.

We have a few more upcoming sessions open to anyone interested in umpiring:

- Tuesday 29 November Melbourne Baseball Club (Surrey Park) at 6:15pm
- Wednesday 7 December North Western Titans Baseball Club (MacPhersons Park) at 6:00pm

Both new and current umpires are welcome to attend. Topics will include umpire procedures, insurance, positioning, responsibilities, and washouts.

Please contact_umpiringpw@baseballvictoria.com.au_for more details.

Victorian College Players

Joshua Tribe is the latest Victorian to commit to college after announcing this week that he's headed to Crowder College, which made it to the quarterfinals of the 2022 Junior College World Series.

Congrats to Josh and all the Victorians who are chasing their college baseball dreams – check out our college players list and please let us know if there are any updates as we strive to keep our records as current as possible.

Maribyrnong Sports Academy Seeks Head Baseball Coach

Maribyrnong Sports Academy is hiring for a head baseball coach to lead and deliver quality coaching and support for junior student-athletes within a sport specialist environment.

The part-time role (5+ hours per week) will lead the MSA Baseball Program and report to the Senior Manager - Sports Programs with help from a team of highly skilled support staff for student-athletes' academic, athletic, and personal development.

Click <u>HERE</u> to learn more about this opportunity and apply online today. Applications close Monday 28 November 2022.

Dandenong Baseball Association AGM

The Dandenong Baseball Association AGM will be held on Wednesday 14 December 2022 at 7:30pm via Zoom. Attendance for associated clubs is mandatory and interested club members are also invited to attend. Please email secretary@dandenongbaseballassociation.com if you would like to attend and require the Zoom link.

Free Vicsport Child Safe Club Webinar

Vicsport is offering a FREE webinar to support Victorian sporting clubs with their child safety journey. The <u>Child Safe Clubs</u> webinar will focus on supporting grassroots sport to be child safe. The session will incorporate practical strategies and time for Q&A. Sport integrity and child safeguarding expert Laura Johnson will facilitate this webinar alongside Vicsport staff.

Takeaway learnings will include:

- An overview of the 11 Victorian Child Safe Standards
- Outline what is required by clubs to meet the standards
- Identify key support and resources available to assist clubs

Session details:

• Date: Monday 28 November 2022

Time: 6:00pm – 7:30pm
 Location: Online via Zoom
 Register: Child Safe Clubs

Respect Women: Call it Out Campaign

The 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence begins today and runs through 10 December. This year's theme is 'Respect Women: Call it Out'.

Sport at all levels plays a key role in influencing positive behaviours and attitudes around gender equality, respectful relationships and the prevention of gendered violence that reaches far beyond sport into the wider community. That's why Baseball Victoria is pleased to join Sport and Recreation Victoria and fellow sport organisations in supporting this campaign and the 16 Days of Activism initiative.

We encourage clubs and baseballers to show their support and get involved by checking out <u>online</u> <u>resources</u> and spreading the word.

Business and Community Sport Flood Recovery Grants

As a reminder, grants of \$5,000 are available to Victorian sport and active recreation organisations directly affected by the October 2022 Victorian floods. The program assists in the replacement of items that have been lost, damaged or destroyed. Apply here: Community Sport Emergency Flood Assistance Program - Sport and Recreation Victoria

The Commonwealth and Victorian Governments have announced further flood relief funding, with grants of up to \$50,000 now available to help eligible businesses and community sport organisations in flood-affected areas. This provides more support for organisations with direct damage to property or equipment due to floods.

Eligibility, program guidelines, and information on how to make a claim can be found here: <u>Business and Community Sport Flood Recovery Grants | Business Victoria</u>

Baseball Training on BV TV

Tune into <u>BV TV</u> and watch our wide variety of <u>warm-ups</u>, <u>batting drills</u>, and <u>throwing exercises</u>. Check out our <u>media page</u> to stay connected on all platforms, including <u>Instagram</u>, <u>TikTok</u>, and <u>TeamApp</u>.

Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Teams Program

The BV Lifeblood Team has saved 189 lives this year through blood and plasma donations for Australian Red Cross Lifeblood. Thank you all who have teamed up to make a difference for Australians in need. Help us reach 200 lives saved before the year is over - please join the BV Lifeblood Team HERE.

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