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TO: BASEBALL VICTORIA MEMBERS  
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FROM: BASEBALL VICTORIA  
SUBJECT: YOUTH WOMEN'S COACHES, WOMEN'S STATE TEAM TRIALS, U18 WORLD CUP QUALIFIERS, VSBL, GREEN VESTS, UMPIRE SESSIONS, FAIR PLAY CODE, TEAM VIC, BV TV, LIFEBLOOD

## Coaching Expressions of Interest For 2023 Australian Youth Women's Championship

Baseball Victoria has opened coaching applications for the 2023 Australian Youth Women's Championship, which will take place next April over the Easter holidays.

The Victorian Youth Women's State Team will need a head coach, two assistant coaches, and an executive officer. This is an exciting opportunity to lead the youth women's team in the first AYWC since 2019.

All coaches are required to have current coaching accreditation. Coaches must assist with coordinating, implementing, and attending trials, training sessions, and other events as directed by Baseball Victoria. Coaches will be responsible for coordinating tryout days and team selections.

Please note all coaches and executive officers are required to have a current Working with Children Check. Position descriptions for coaches and officials can be found [HERE](#).

Applications close Friday 6 January 2023 at midday and can be submitted via SurveyMonkey [HERE](#).

## Victorian Women's State Team Trials

The 2023 Victorian Women's State Team trials got underway at Doncaster Baseball Club this past weekend. We had a great turnout marking one of our largest women's tryout groups with 15 clubs represented, and it was exciting to see such strong interest from talented juniors, including many Barclay Cup representatives.

Best of luck to all as trials wrap up tomorrow at Doncaster. We look forward to confirming more details soon ahead of the Australian Women's Championship next April.

## U18 World Cup Qualifiers

Congratulations to Team Australia on qualifying for the U18 World Cup after defeating New Zealand 4-0 in the final game.

Well done to Victorians Jayden Kim, Lachlan Smith, and Jack Ratcliffe on a great week representing their country. Check out all scores and stats from the tournament [HERE](#) and view the latest photos on [Facebook](#).

## 2022/23 VSBL Season

Good luck to everyone taking the field for the last round before the break! We hope you all enjoy a few weeks off and come back ready and refreshed to finish the summer season strong.

Don't forget to check out the latest results, ladders, and fixtures [HERE](#) and follow us on [VSBL Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [Instagram](#) for Summer League updates.



Photo: [Newport Rams Baseball Club](#)

### **BV Green Vest Program**

The BV Green Vest Program is off to a strong start with more clubs getting involved and using these vests to identify beginner officials as volunteers/umpires in training. We hope this will help build greater understanding amongst players, parents, spectators, and coaches while fostering a safe, respectful environment for all.

Thank you to our clubs and beginner officials for taking part in the BV Green Vest Program and supporting the game behind the plate.

Please continue tagging us in photos of green vests as they get put to good use – we love to see them! We are offering a prize to the club that sends in the best photo of a member or members wearing green vests. Entries will be shared on social media and included in the 2023/23 Annual Report. Please send photos to [administration@baseballvictoria.com.au](mailto:administration@baseballvictoria.com.au) by 28 February 2023.

### **BV Umpire Info/Training Sessions**

Thank you to everyone who has attended our recent umpire info/training sessions and stepped up to join our umpiring crew. BV Umpire Officers have enjoyed working with beginner officials at North Western, Melbourne, and Williamstown Baseball Clubs in recent weeks.

We have another session on Saturday 17 December at Geelong Baseball Club from 11am-2pm. New and current umpires are welcome to attend - topics will include umpire procedures, insurance, positioning, responsibilities, and washouts. Please contact [umpiringpw@baseballvictoria.com.au](mailto:umpiringpw@baseballvictoria.com.au) for more details on upcoming umpire sessions and the BV Umpiring Pathway.

### **Fair Play Code**

We would like to remind all baseball clubs and members of the Victorian Government's 2022 [Fair Play Code](#), an update of the 2018 blueprint that sets out the standards of behaviour expected of everyone involved in sport and active recreation. Sporting organisations that receive funding from the Victorian Government must actively promote, adhere to, and enforce the Fair Play Code. This includes Baseball Victoria and our member clubs.

At the heart of the Fair Play Code are the five principles:

- Integrity
- Respect
- Responsibility
- Safety
- Fairness

The Fair Play Code is a guide on how to apply the principles and the responsibilities of those involved in sport. These principles apply to everyone, no matter what role they play. Positive and appropriate actions and behaviours of each and every one of these individuals are essential to ensuring safe, fair, and inclusive sporting environments.

There is no place in sport for bad behaviour, violence, cheating or intimidation. As an individual, team, club, league or association, if you encounter bad behaviour, either on or off the sporting field, refer to the Fair Play Code.

For more information, please visit the SRV website: <https://sport.vic.gov.au/publications-and-resources/community-sport-resources/fair-play-code>

Thank you in advance for your adherence to the BV Codes of Conduct and Victorian Government's Fair Play Code as we strive for the safest and most supportive community sport environment.

### **SSV Team Vic Registrations**

School Sport Victoria is now accepting Team Vic registrations for 18 Years & Under Mixed Baseball. This representative program provides a development platform for Victorian students to challenge themselves against Australia's best school-aged athletes at the annual School Sport Australia (SSA) Championships.

Read the full release [HERE](#) and learn more about the trial process [HERE](#). Registration closes 2 February 2023.

### **Baseball Training on BV TV**

Keep up the momentum going into the holidays with [BV TV warm-ups](#), [batting drills](#), and [throwing exercises](#). Check out our [media page](#) to stay connected on all platforms, including [Instagram](#), [TikTok](#), and [TeamApp](#).

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

The BV Lifeblood Team is up to 198 lives saved 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's end - please join the BV Lifeblood Team [HERE](#).

### **The BV Team**

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