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2023 School Sport Australia Championships

It's been a busy week at the 2023 School Sport Australia Championships in Lismore, NSW, with 10 athletes from the BV Performance Pathway Prospects/Select program representing Team Vic. Well done to Addison Bishop-Worn, Blake Mitchell, Declan Speirs, Jack Ratcliffe, Jordan Ellis, Lachlan Amon, Lachlan Smith, Mitchell Denny, Ryan Williams, and Will Cavanagh on their efforts this week.

Our Current Prospects/Select players are joined by fellow Victorians Tanner Stack, Bradyn Barker, James Squire, Campbell Every, Tane Graham, Cade White, Alex Duske, and Liam Sullivan as they represent Team Vic with pride.

The tournament wraps up Saturday – catch up on the latest results and follow along on [GameChanger](#).

2023 Australian Senior League Championship

Mariners Baseball Charter headed to Mandurah, WA to represent Victoria at the 2023 Australian Senior League Championship this week. Congrats to Mariners on their hard work and perseverance through challenging competition to pick up their first win yesterday and another this afternoon. Click [HERE](#) to catch up on all the #ASLC2023 action.

Next up is [Intermediate League](#) from 19-23 May in Mildura, followed by [Junior League](#) running 29 May-2 June at West Beach, SA and [Little League Major & Division 2](#) from 7-12 June at Blacktown, NSW.



David Nagy Appointed to Performance Pathway Coordinator Role

Baseball Victoria is pleased to confirm the appointment of David Nagy as Performance Pathway Coordinator. After supporting Performance Pathway programs and events over the last six months, David looks forward to continuing his work with BV on a casual basis.

"I appreciated the opportunity to assist BV with their successful Performance Pathways programs over many years. It's once again great to reunite with Chet Gray as we go back to when we both lived in Adelaide and then again working together prior to and during the 2000 Sydney Olympic games."

"Baseball Victoria State Teams and various programs are held in high regard around Australia, and I hope we will continue to improve our reputation everywhere by creating more pathway opportunities for both male and female players and coaches in the future."

Read more about David and his role [HERE](#).

BV Diamond Partnership With Field of View Sports Photography

In case you missed it, Field of View Sports Photography has player cards and photo packages available for BV Futures, Victorian Women's & Youth Women's State Teams, and Little League State Championships! Click [HERE](#) for team photos and click [HERE](#) for action shots.

2023 State Winter Championships

We are looking forward to the 2023 State Winter Championships this June and July. Save the date for these upcoming tournaments:

- Senior State Winter Championship: 10-12 June @ Geelong
- U18 State Winter Championship: 24-25 June @ Wangaratta
- U14 State Winter Championship: 1-2 July @ Bendigo
- U12 State Winter Championship: 15-16 July @ Werribee
- U16 State Winter Championship: 29-30 July @ Morwell/Traralgon

As a reminder, we are seeking applications for a BV Umpire Coordinator to assist with the State Winter Championships. Please learn more about this opportunity and submit your interest [HERE](#).

Baseball Victoria Tournament Officer Applications

We are currently accepting applications for the role of BV Tournament Officer, which will oversee and manage all the tasks required to run our baseball tournaments in Victoria. This role will be responsible for managing the 2023 State Winter Championships and ideally, the 2024 Little League State Championships and beyond. The tournament officer will work alongside the Baseball Victoria Technical Officials Committee and office staff to deliver a high-caliber event.

Please view the full position description [HERE](#) and submit your interest via [SurveyMonkey](#).

Baseball Victoria and Salesian College Sports Academy Team Up in New Partnership

We recently announced an exciting new partnership with Salesian College Sports Academy in Chadstone. As an official partner of baseball in Victoria, Salesian College has joined the [BV Diamond Partnership Program](#) at the Home Run level.

Salesian plans to introduce a baseball program by Year 7, 2025, subject to student enrolment. Salesian also welcomes any Year 7-10 enrolments for next year who could still benefit from their Sports Academy program and its many components.

Baseball Victoria hopes Salesian College will become a hub for secondary school students to pursue their academic and baseball goals in Melbourne's eastern suburbs.

Learn more about [Salesian College Sports Academy](#) and click [HERE](#) to book a tour or click [HERE](#) for the online application.

Samantha Hamilton Selected to AIS Accelerate Program

Congratulations to Victorian Women's Head Coach Samantha Hamilton, who has been selected as one of 14 Australian alumni athletes appointed to the 2023 AIS Accelerate Program. The three-month initiative aims to help former women athletes pursue key roles within the sports sector.

Read more about the program [HERE](#).

NCAA College Recruiting Rules Changed

The NCAA Division I Council has approved recruiting rule changes, which will eliminate communication between college coaches and players until 1 August of Year 11. Under the new rules, no unofficial or official campus visits or off-campus contacts can take place prior to 1 September of Year 11

Click [HERE](#) to learn more about these rule changes and how they impact Australian baseballers hoping to continue their career at U.S. college.

Available Grants

Sport and Recreation Victoria has several grant applications open now, including the [Significant Sporting Events Program](#) and the [Emergency Sporting Equipment Grant Program](#). Click [HERE](#) to learn more about these available grants for clubs.

Baseball Training on BV TV

Stay focused on your baseball skills this winter with BV TV online training resources, including [warm-ups](#), [batting drills](#), and [throwing exercises](#).

See our [media page](#) to connect with us on [Instagram](#), [TikTok](#), and [TeamApp](#).

Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Teams Program

After saving 200 lives last year through blood and plasma donations for Australian Red Cross Lifeblood, we hope to save even more lives in 2023. Our team has already saved 75 lives this year as we aim to top 300 – you can learn more about Lifeblood and join the BV Team [HERE](#).

The BV Team

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