

BASEBALL
VICTORIA

ANNUAL REPORT 2023/2024

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Vision and Mission

VISION

Baseball at its best

MISSION

For all people to experience the joy of baseball in Victoria

VALUES

INTEGRITY

Modelling high levels of honesty, accountability, transparency, and ethical behaviour, creating an environment of mutual trust and respect.

COMMUNICATION

As the peak body representing sport to key decision-making bodies, empowering all stakeholders to improve outcomes for athletes and lift the profile of sport and its benefits.

INNOVATION

Embracing diversity and inclusivity, providing accessible and equitable opportunities, and appreciating cultures of our region.

COLLABORATION

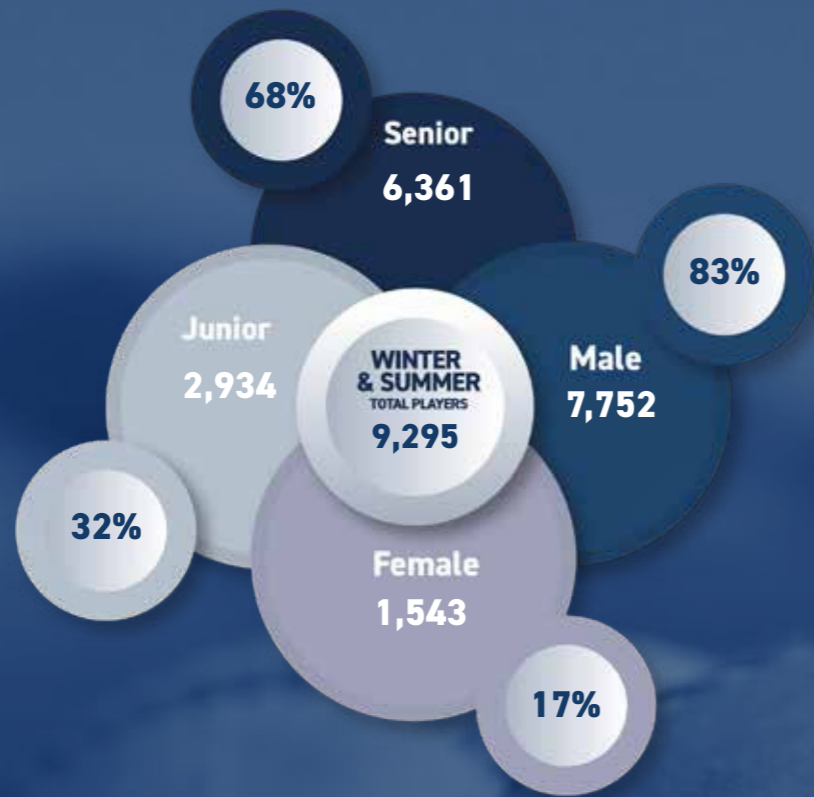
Providing a cooperative network and advocacy service to build a united voice for the community of sport.

ACCESS

Offering safe, equitable and welcoming environments

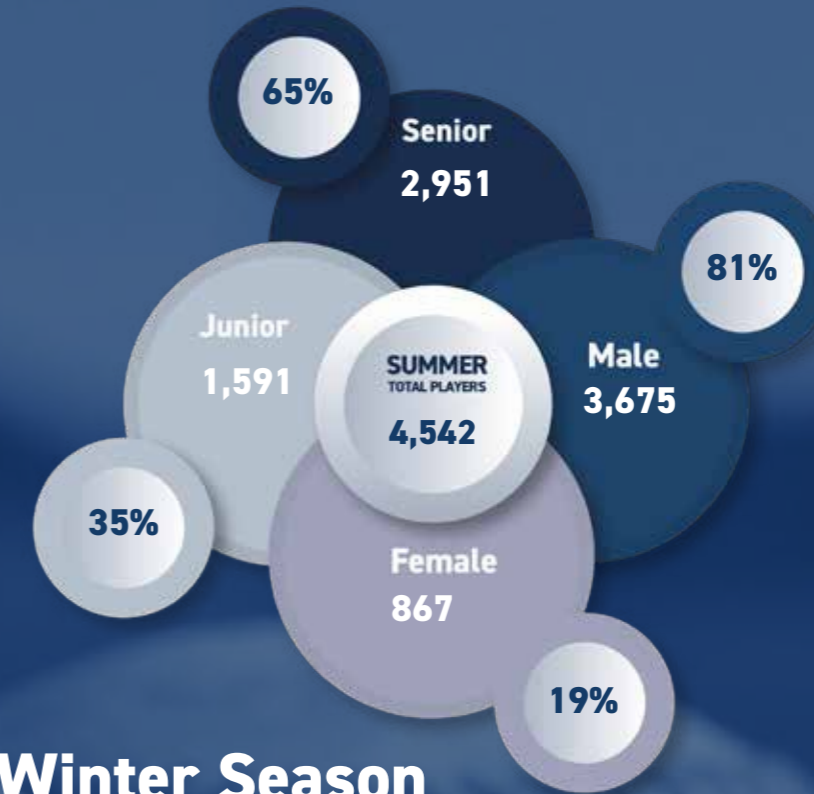
State of Play

Participation numbers in the 2023/24 financial year are based off nine months from 1 October 2023 to 30 June 2024. We recorded a slight increase in total registered players across summer and winter, continuing the upward trend of grassroots baseball participation.



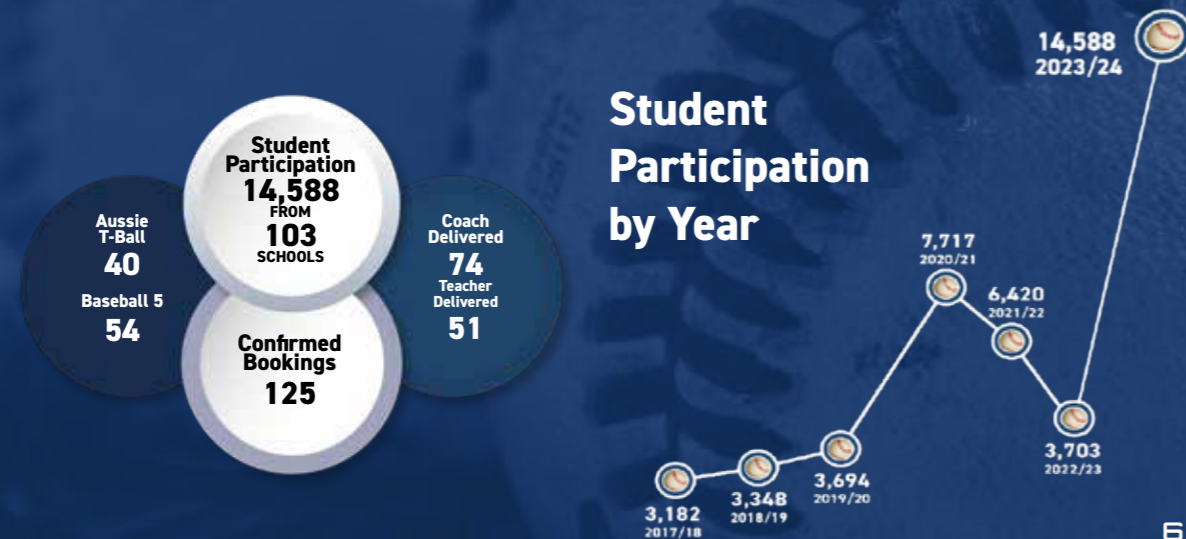
2023/24 Summer Season

Participation numbers for the 2023/24 summer season.



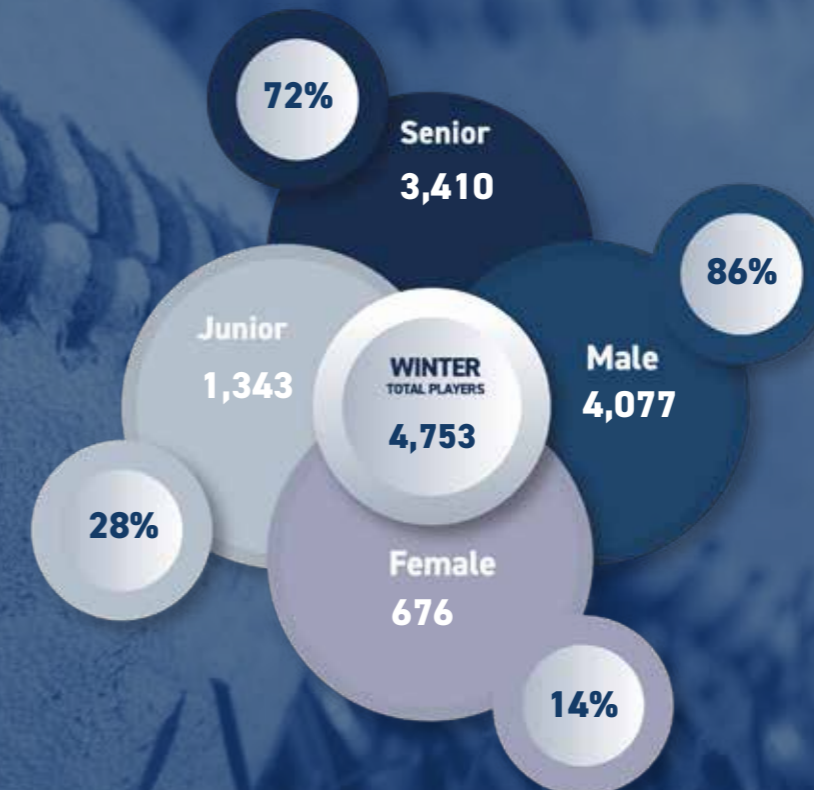
Sporting Schools

Baseball Victoria participates in Sporting Schools, a \$200 million Australian Government initiative designed to help schools increase children's participation in sport and connect them with community sporting opportunities. These numbers reflect our Sporting Schools participation numbers in the 2023/24 financial year.



2024 Winter Season

Participation numbers for the 2024 winter season.



State of the Game: Highlights From a Great Year

Following the shift in financial year, this annual report covers nine months from 1 October 2023 to 30 June 2024. There were plenty of highlights across baseball in Victoria as we went from strength to strength with fun competitions, development opportunities, and initiatives to grow the game. Thank you to all of our members for making it such a memorable year – onward and upward in 2024/25!

OCT 2023

- VSBL season gets underway, Player of The Week Awards introduced
- Vic Dingoes & Hornets represent at 2023 Barclay Cup in Perth
- BV Performance Pathway Youth Women's Prospects Program launched
- Brookdale Reserve Activation Project takes off with Play Ball Pioneers
- U16 & U18 Victorian State Teams announced for #AYC2024
- Baseball Victoria welcomes Allie Bebbere as Operations & Competitions Officer

NOV 2023

- BV All-Stars from VSBL Premier League and State League play Melbourne Aces in practice match at the ballpark
- Anna Blackett and Jessica Toop appointed to Baseball Victoria Board as casual vacancies
- Baseball Victoria says farewell to Operations & Events Officer Kellie Thomas
- Junior baseballers enjoy curtain raisers as Melbourne Aces kick off ABL season
- School Sport Victoria Year 7 Boys Baseball State Finals: Maribyrnong wins and Frankston finishes second
- School Sport Victoria Year 8 Boys Baseball State Finals: McKinnon wins and Balwyn comes second

DEC 2023

- Baseball Victoria and Field of View Sports Photography renew partnership for next three years
- Victorian infielder Jayden Kim lands professional contract with Pittsburgh Pirates
- Victorian Women's and Youth Women's State Teams announced for #AWC2024

JAN 2024

- U18 Victorian State Team wins gold, U16 wins bronze at 2024 Australian Youth Championships
- Jack Ratcliffe named U18 MVP, Ryder Wilson wins U18 Golden Arm
- BV School Holiday New Year Training Camps bring juniors to the ballpark to boost their skills
- Second half of VSBL season gets underway

FEB 2024

- Brookdale Reserve Activation Project Continues with another session of Play Ball Pioneers
- Chris Lane Memorial Field opens at Boeing Reserve, Essendon Baseball Club
- Addison Bishop-Worn, Ty Daniels, Ben Howard, Will Kent, Jayden Kim, Jack Ratcliffe, Tane Graham, Robinson Smith, and Ryder Wilson named to Team Australia U18 National Junior Squad
- Leanne Gibbons awarded life membership at Baseball Victoria AGM
- Anna Ronald, Jessica Toop, and Geoff Boyes elected as Directors of Baseball Victoria at AGM
- Play Ball Pioneers Extended through end of term 1 in partnership with Wyndham City Council
- Jake Bertucci, Windsor Breckenridge, Cooper Busch, Roman Coote, Jordan Ellis, Brandon Elton, Mitchell Langworthy, Riley Peoples, and Liam Puncher named to Team Australia U16 National Junior Squad.

MAR 2024

- Victorian baseball community celebrates International Women's Day as women's baseball continues to grow
- VSBL Finals: Waverley wins Premier League Major, Geelong wins Premier League Minor, and Springvale wins Women's Premier League
- Genevieve Beacom commits to East Central College in the USA, becoming one of a handful of women playing college ball
- BV Performance Pathway Futures enjoy annual tournament with 24 games in two days at Cheltenham Baseball Club

APR 2024

- Victorian Women's State Team wins 2024 Australian Women's Championship at Melbourne Ballpark
- Lili Cavanagh wins #AWC2024 MVP, Allie Bebbere wins Golden Arm, and Abbey Kelly wins Golden Glove
- VSBL season award winners announced as Waverley's Adam Bright wins Coach of the Year and Blackburn's Patrick White wins Volunteer of the Year
- 2024 Little League Championships crowned: Athletics (Little League Major and Intermediate League) and Twins (Little League Development)
- Rangers win 2024 Junior League and Senior League State Championships
- Victorian umpires recognised for excellence in umpiring: Paul Carthy - NO MORE Spirit of the Game Award #AWC2024 and Denis Dalzotto - VSBL Umpire of the Year

MAY 2024

- VSBL community comes together for Modernisation of Summer Baseball meeting/workshop
- Victoria Aces win silver at 2024 Australian Women's Baseball Showcase
- Victoria Belles win silver at world's first Little League Girls National Championship
- Athletics and Rangers Represent at Australian Senior League Championship
- Athletics and Mets compete at Australian Intermediate League Championship
- Athletics and Rangers play in Australian Junior League Championship
- BV Umpiring Working Group and Melbourne Winter Baseball League host Behind the Mask community umpire training at Brookdale Reserve, Point Cook
- Victorian baseball community celebrates National Volunteer Week
- Team Vic Baseball finishes fourth at the School Sport Australia Championships in Canberra, Taryn Richardson becomes first female baseball coach appointed by SSV and at SSA Baseball Championships
- Maribyrnong wins School Sport Victoria Intermediate Baseball State Finals, with Irymple coming second

JUN 2024

- BV Performance Pathway Eastern Training Centre now open for Prospects and Select programs
- Geelong goes back-to-back at Senior and Women's State Winter Championships
- Athletics and Mariners compete at Little League Nationals Division 1 and Rangers and Twins play in Division 2 – Twins win silver and Rangers win 2024 Australian Little League Sportsmanship Award
- Baseball Victoria CEO Chet Gray recognised as a finalist at the 2023 Victorian Sport Awards at Marvel Stadium, nominated for the revolutioniseSPORT Victorian Sports Administrator of the Year (Eunice Gill Award).

Baseball Leagues and Clubs

BV Summer League

Alfredton*
 Ballarat*
 Berwick City*
 Blackburn*
 Bonbeach St Chads*
 Boneo*
 Chelsea*
 Cheltenham*
 Doncaster*
 Essendon*
 Fitzroy*
 Footscray*
 Geelong*
 Greenhills Monty*
 Greensborough*
 Malvern*
 Melbourne*
 Mitchell Majors*
 Monash University*
 Moorabbin*
 Mordialloc*
 Mornington*
 Mulgrave*
 Newport*
 North Coburg*
 North Western*
 Ormond Glenhuntly*
 Pakenham*
 Pivot City*
 Port Melbourne*
 Preston*
 Research*
 Sandringham*
 South East Warriors*
 Springvale*
 St Kilda*
 Sunshine*
 Upwey Ferntree Gully*
 Waverley*
 Werribee*
 Williamstown*

Bendigo Baseball Association*

Bendigo East
 Falcons
 Malmsbury
 Scots
 Strathfieldsaye

Dandenong Baseball Association*

Berwick
 Bonbeach St Chads
 Boneo
 Chelsea
 Cheltenham
 Dandenong
 Dingley
 Frankston
 Moorabbin
 Mordialloc
 Mornington
 Pakenham

Geelong Baseball Association*

Alfredton
 Bacchus Marsh
 Ballarat
 Bellarine
 Colac
 Corio
 Deakin
 East Belmont
 Guild
 Lara
 Werribee

Latrobe Valley Baseball Association*

Churchill
 Moe/Newborough
 Morwell
 Sale
 Traralgon

Melbourne Winter Baseball League*

Bundoora
 Croydon
 Diamond Creek
 Doncaster
 Essendon
 Footscray
 Forest Hill
 Glen Iris
 Greenhills Montmorency
 Greensborough
 Heathmont
 Knox
 La Trobe University
 Melbourne University
 Mitchell Majors
 Monash University
 Newport
 North Balwyn
 North Coburg
 Northcote
 North Western
 Point Cook
 Port Melbourne
 Research Lower Plenty
 Ringwood
 South East Warriors
 St Kilda
 Sunshine
 Watsonia
 Waverley
 Werribee
 Westgarth
 Williamstown

North Eastern Baseball Association*

Albury
 Benalla
 Porepunkah
 Wangaratta
 Wodonga

Sunraysia Baseball League*

Eagles
 Hawks
 Saints
 Wanderers

*Voting member of Baseball Victoria

Baseball Victoria Directors

ANDY ROSE President

Andy is honoured to take on the role of Baseball Victoria President to help lead his beloved sport to a bright future across Victoria. Over the last 25 years, Andy has run a successful photographic and digital company, with a strong focus on strategic direction and team management for advertising campaigns on both local and national levels.

Over the past decade, Andy has been heavily involved in Victorian baseball, coaching teams, managing committees, and facilitating programs from community t-ball up to high performance. He also served as president of North Balwyn since 2010, where he focused on growing junior participation and offering more opportunities to participate in baseball. Andy is excited to direct his enthusiasm and creative thinking to further the strategic plan of growing grassroots baseball and fostering the next generations of talent in Victoria.

GRANT WEIR Vice President, Game Development & High Performance, Finance and Nominations Committee

Grant's experience is vast, both within the sport of baseball and externally. Playing baseball for most of his life, he's been a part of teams in the Under 19's USA Tours, the Australian Baseball League and the 1988 Olympics. As a coach, Grant has worked with the Australian Under 17's and Claxton Shield teams as a pitching coach as well as heading the Victorian and Australian Women's programs in their early years.

Grant currently lectures at Victoria University. He has worked previously for the Victorian Baseball Association and held multiple positions in the sports industry sector for other state and national organisations.

JENNIFER PITSON Director

Jennifer joins Baseball Victoria with almost 25 years of sport sector experience holding strategic, commercial, participation, marketing and event roles. Jennifer holds a Master of Business Administration (Entrepreneurial Management) and is currently a HDR PhD candidate with RMIT; researching the role sport has in contributing to successful ageing. Jennifer is currently the General Manager of AFL Masters Vic Metro Football League, having previously served as General Manager - Commercial & Development at Motorsport Australia and Sponsorship Manager at Bowls Australia. At both organisations, she was responsible for developing and implementing relevant strategic plans to achieve set commercial and participation outcomes.

Throughout her career, Jennifer has worked for the Australian Football League, Melbourne Racing Club, and City of Melbourne managing strategic partnerships with Cricket Australia, Australian Rugby Union, and Melbourne Vixens to name a few. She's passionate about strengthening commercial and participation strategies to benefit sporting organisation members and keeping people active. She's looking forward to influencing the future of Baseball Victoria and ensuring grassroots baseball continues grow, providing a safe and inclusive sport for all ages.

BRETT MITSCH Director

Brett is an experienced senior banking executive and current managing Director of Steam Plains Capitol. Brett holds a Master of Business Administration and has extensive experience in global executive leadership, NFP governance, and management. His previous roles as an advisor, portfolio manager, and board member allowed him to develop and execute a range of growth strategies, and he has also represented at numerous investor conferences and industry presentations. As a player who has returned to the sport after 30 years, Brett is passionate about baseball and driving increased participation at the grassroots level.

KATHY TESSIER Director

Kathy Tessier is a passionate consultant with over 25 years of experience in the sports industry specialising in inclusive training and strategic planning. Currently a Professional Learning Coordinator with Active Schools at ACHPER Vic, Kathryn has been a director of Active Approach since 1996, working with a number of sports organisations from the local to international level. She has extensive team leadership, conflict management, and public speaking skills, having previously served as the Executive Manager for the Australian and New Zealand Sports Law Association. Kathy is excited to bring her unique experience as a sports industry consultant, practicing PE teacher, and university lecturer to Baseball Victoria.

ANNA BLACKETT Director- (Commenced November 2023)

Anna is the founder and managing director of Level Up Collective, a collective of specialist consultants and collaboration partners, passionate about working with organisations to help build internal capability, and providing solutions across capability, culture, change and customer. Anna brings 15+ years of professional experience in consulting, recruitment, and talent management to the Baseball Victoria Board. Her previous work includes senior roles with Jetstar Airways, Carlton & United Breweries, Cricket World Cup 2015, and Newcrest Mining. She has also served as a board member for So Brave, a breast cancer charity for young women, and Viva Royal Children's Hospital Auxiliary.

JESSICA TOOP Director- (Commenced November 2023)

Jessica is the founder and managing principal of Toop Workplace Law, which she started in 2018 after many years as an employee solicitor in private practice and corporate roles. Her boutique legal practice provides employment law advice and support to organisations ranging from small to medium businesses to large corporates, multinationals, and not-for-profits. The University of Melbourne alum previously served as a volunteer solicitor for the Mental Health Legal Clinic and the Hong Kong Refugee Advice Centre and was recently selected to participate in The Observership Program with the Rebecca Jane Foundation.

Baseball Victoria Directors (cont.)

GEOFF BOYES

Director (Commenced February 2024)

Geoff Boyes has been involved in baseball for 40 years, including 33 years playing and 15 years umpiring across Victoria. He holds a Bachelor of Science from Monash University and spent ten years as an IT project manager, overseeing budgets, staff, training, and company policies. Now semi-retired, he is involved in school sports and serves as a school exam invigilator and green keeper.

GREG HILL

Finance Director (Commenced June 2024)

Greg Hill has dedicated the past 20+ years to the Australian not-for-profit sporting sector, spending time in executive roles at Gymnastics Australia, Basketball Australia, Hockey Australia, and Huntingdale Golf Club. He has enjoyed each of these roles and embraces the privilege of serving the community. Greg looks forward to bringing his experience as CFO and Company Secretary across three national sporting organisations to the Baseball Victoria Board.

Greg has worked extensively across the full spectrum of federated sport activities, including technology, integrity, child safety, and community and high-performance events. He currently serves as Chief Operating Officer of Make-A-Wish, an Australian charity organisation with the mission to deliver life-changing wishes to critically ill children. As a Certified Practising Accountant (CPA), Greg's areas of expertise include financial management, operations planning, governance, revenue growth, and ASIC Compliance.

RESIGNED DIRECTORS

MATT NICHOL

Audit, Risk and Finance Committee (Resigned October 2023)

Matt is a sports law academic at Central Queensland University, focusing on baseball, team sports, labour regulation/mobility, corporate governance, and integrity in sport. As a lecturer in business law at CQU's School of Business and Law, Matt teaches commercial law, international commercial law, governance and business law. Previously, he taught business law units for 10 years at Monash Business School.

Matt has over 30 years of experience in community, elite pathway, and professional baseball as a player, coach and administrator. He is the former secretary and Vice President (Pennant Committee Chairperson) of the Melbourne Winter Baseball League. He is a former tribunal member for the VSBL, MWBL, and ABL, and was part of the baseball operations team at the Melbourne Aces for 10 years. Matt also coached in the Victorian Under 12 Kangaroos Program and the Under 14 National Youth Championships.

RESIGNED DIRECTORS - Cont.

AMY MCCANN

Nominations Committee, Women's Pathway Working Group (Resigned October 2023)

Amy is an experienced and decorated baseballer who represented the Australian Emeralds and the Victorian Aces for 12 years (2002-14), where she won two World Cup medals and was named Baseball Australia Player of the Year. Amy is also a passionate club person with 20 years of involvement with Doncaster. This includes 300 games as a player, ten seasons in various coaching roles within the renowned women's program, and several club committee positions.

Professionally, Amy is a passionate digital media and communications professional with 20 years of experience across a range of environments from the grassroots to the international stage including multiple Olympic and Commonwealth Games and World Championships. Currently, Amy is the Social Media and Digital Content Adviser with the Australian Institute of Sport.

Amy produces a podcast titled Women's Baseball - The Inside Pitch which features stories of women's baseball and women in baseball, is also a regular commentator on Foxtel and Kayo. Amy is also a one-eyed Atlanta Braves fan who believes MLB should not ban the shift!

ANNA RONALD

Finance Director (Resigned April 2024)

Anna Ronald is a CPA Public Practitioner with over 20 years of accounting experience within the sporting and not-for-profit sectors in both Australia and the UK. This includes financial accounting roles with Cricket Australia, the ICC Cricket World Cup, and Cricket Scotland. Anna currently manages her own accounting practice, helping clients grow their business and achieve their goals. Anna is excited to bring her extensive industry experience and qualifications to baseball in Victoria to ensure a strong financial future for the sport.

OUTGOING DIRECTORS AT FEBRUARY 2024 AGM

JOANNA O'CONNOR

Marketing, Nominations Committee

Joanna O'Connor has over 10 years of experience in digital marketing specialising in retail, media and entertainment markets. She holds a Bachelor of Commerce Degree from the University of Auckland and post graduate in Commercial Law.

Baseball Victoria Staff & Committees

CEO

Chet Gray

FINANCIAL CONTROLLER

Audrina Ning

HIGH PERFORMANCE OFFICER

Damian Shanahan

OPERATIONS & EVENTS OFFICER

Kellie Thomas – resigned November 2023

Allie Bebbere – started October 2023

COMMUNICATIONS & DIGITAL MEDIA OFFICER

Rachael Bouley

ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

Michelle Coote

PERFORMANCE PATHWAY COORDINATOR

David Nagy

PLAYER & COACHING PATHWAYS OFFICER

Keli'i Zablan

DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

Ethan Epifanio – started February 2024

TECHNICAL OFFICER

Brooke Penfold

TOURNAMENT OFFICER

Tony McPherson

PATHWAYS/MSA COACH

Daniel Chircop

PERFORMANCE PATHWAY COACH

Samantha Hamilton

LITTLE LEAGUE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

Andrea Cormick

BV DISTRICT CHARTER COMMITTEE

Kellie Thomas - Staff Representative – Resigned
October 2023

Grove Galligan - Eastern President

Carla Jamieson - Mariners President

Peter Breckenridge - Twins President

Tania Lindsay - Mets President

Angela Potts - Rangers Delegate

Andrea Cormick - LLDA

VSBL PENNANT COMMITTEE

Kerry Gassner – Chair

Siobhan Stephenson

Mark Gooding

Jon Kennedy

Micheal Nakamura

Allie Bebbere – BV Staff

Ursula Howard – Resigned April 2024

BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL STATE CENTRE

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT

Chet Gray - Baseball Victoria Representative

WOMEN'S PATHWAY WORKING GROUP

Amy McCann - Board Representative – Resigned
October 2023

Samantha Hamilton - HP Representative

Allie Bebbere - Staff Representative

Abbey McLellan

Michael Wearne

TRANSITION WORKING GROUP

(October 2023 – May 2024)

Adrian Baillargeon – Chairperson

Kerry Gassner – PC Chairman

Tony Cornish – Essendon

Chris Jackson – Williamstown

Ursula Howard – Doncaster – Resigned April 2023

Patrick White – Blackburn

Allie Bebbere – BV Staff

FINANCE & AUDIT SUB COMMITTEE

Anna Ronald - Board Representative – Resigned
April 2024

Greg Hill – Board Representative – Appointed June
2024

Grant Weir - Board Representative

Matt Nichol - Board Representative – Resigned
October 2023

Audrina Ning - Staff Representative

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Grant Weir - Board Representative

Joanna O'Connor - Board Representative – Term
ended February 2024

Amy McCann - Board Representative – Resigned
October 2023

Jennifer Pitson - Board Representative

TRIBUNAL

Paul Walshe

Leah Trebilcock

Pat White

Greg Veale

HISTORY AND RECOGNITION WORKING GROUP

Matt Nichol – Board Representative

Amy McCann – Board Representative

Stuart McGovern

Jason Blair – Life Member

BASEBALL VICTORIA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Andy Rose

We've enjoyed another memorable year of baseball in Victoria, and I am privileged to serve as BV President and be involved in this exciting period of development and growth. Rest assured the BV Board and Office are committed to a bright future for baseball by strengthening our strategic direction and operational priorities.

We are driving change from the ground up, made possible through the inspiring efforts of our Victorian baseball community who contribute by playing, coaching, umpiring, scoring, and volunteering. Thank you to every single member for supporting Victorian baseball and fostering a great love for the game!

During the 2023/24 financial year, we enjoyed a strong summer of baseball, with juniors, seniors, and masters making the most of their time on the field. We were pleased to see an increase in the number of VSBL teams and overall participants. Anniversary celebrations, recognition days, and major milestones brought Victorian baseball clubs and the wider community closer together. Thanks to the tireless contributions of our winter associations, clubs, and volunteers, the winter season got off to a great start, too.

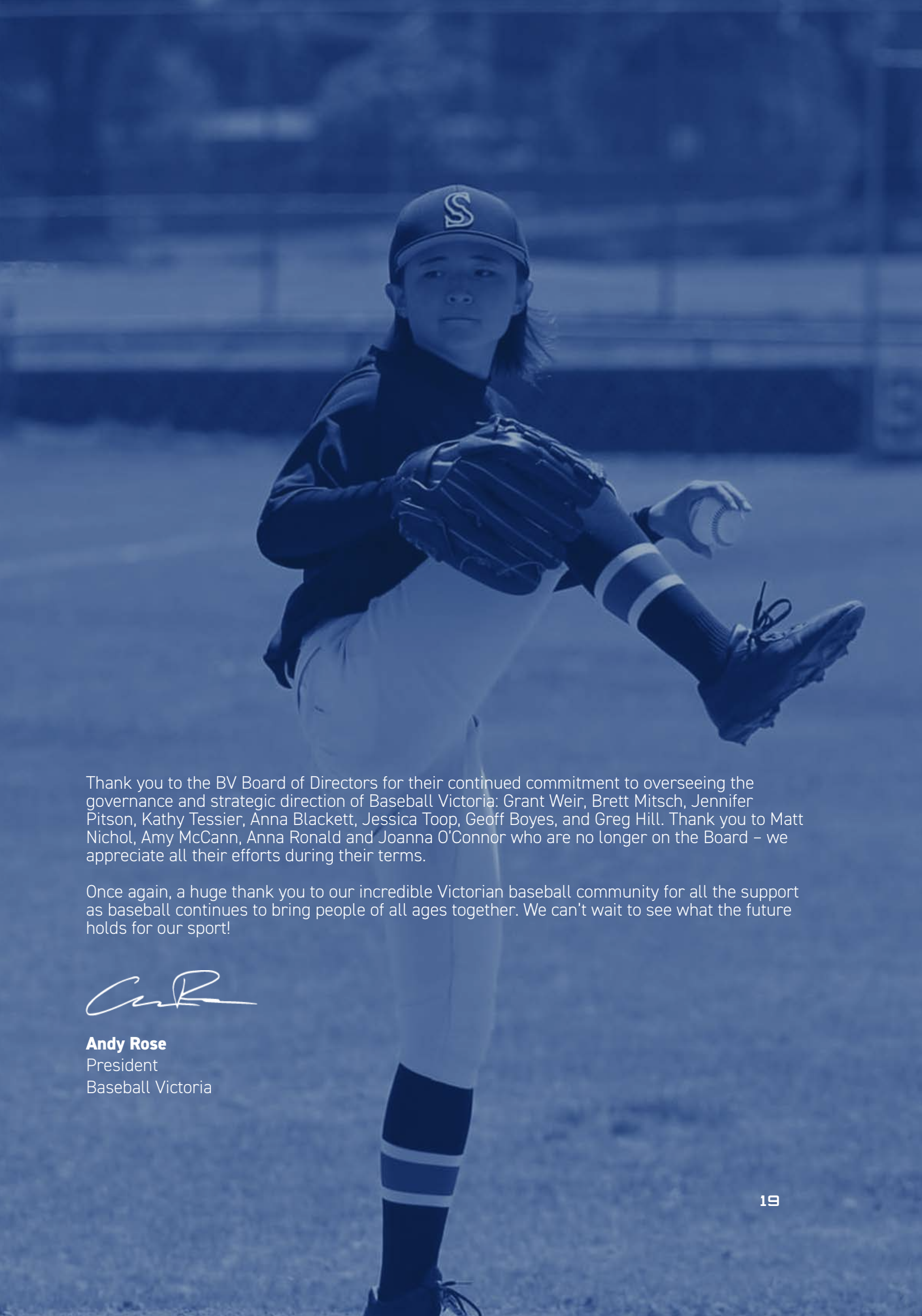
We also enjoyed successful state events and national tournaments, where our juniors got a taste of representative baseball and how to make the most of these opportunities. There was plenty of awesome baseball on display at the Australian Youth Championships, Australian Youth Women's Championships, and Barclay Cup, including our Under 18 gold medal and Under 16 bronze medal. It was also wonderful to see the Victorian Women's State Team win the 2024 Australian Women's Championship at Melbourne Ballpark after coming in second the year before.

From Little League State Tournaments to State Winter Championships, BV Performance Pathway to School Holiday Camps, there is so much for our Victorian baseball community to enjoy and be proud of. As we continue to increase playing opportunities as well as official accreditation and training for coaches, umpires, and scorers, we are building on a strong foundation and setting baseball up for long-lasting success.

We continue to provide guidance and support to our community through facility upgrades, development programs, and the foundation of new clubs such as Point Cook Baseball and Softball Club at Brookdale Reserve, which participated in Melbourne Winter Baseball League before applying for the 2024/25 Victorian Summer Baseball League.

I would like to thank BV CEO Chet Gray for his unwavering dedication and leadership during a year filled with many highs, but also some challenges. Chet and his team are undoubtedly committed to executing the 2023-2026 Baseball Victoria Strategic Plan to the best of their abilities. With increased BV Performance Pathway programs, new initiatives for women and girls, junior development programs, and much more, their hard work is paying off.

Thank you to the BV staff for their ongoing contributions: Damian Shanahan, Keli'i Zablan, Allie Bebbere, Rachael Bouley, Audrina Ning, Michelle Coote, David Nagy, Brooke Penfold, Tony McPherson, and Ethan Epifanio. Thank you also to BV Performance Pathway coaches Daniel Chircop and Samantha Hamilton who continue to provide excellent support on the field. I would also like to acknowledge the contributions of Kellie Thomas who resigned from her role as Operations & Events Officer after more than five years with the organisation.



Thank you to the BV Board of Directors for their continued commitment to overseeing the governance and strategic direction of Baseball Victoria: Grant Weir, Brett Mitsch, Jennifer Pitson, Kathy Tessier, Anna Blackett, Jessica Toop, Geoff Boyes, and Greg Hill. Thank you to Matt Nichol, Amy McCann, Anna Ronald and Joanna O'Connor who are no longer on the Board – we appreciate all their efforts during their terms.

Once again, a huge thank you to our incredible Victorian baseball community for all the support as baseball continues to bring people of all ages together. We can't wait to see what the future holds for our sport!



Andy Rose
President
Baseball Victoria

BASEBALL VICTORIA CEO'S REPORT

Chet Gray

It's been another amazing year for baseball in Victoria, and it's a true honour to lead our dedicated team and support our baseball community. Our board, staff, and stakeholders continue to work together to ensure a bigger, brighter future for baseball all across the state.

Last year, we finalised the Baseball Victoria Strategic Plan for 2023-2026, and this year, we have been diligently working toward our operational goals and strategic objectives. We are proud to have implemented a variety of new initiatives to support our vision: baseball at its best and our mission: for all people to experience the joy of baseball in Victoria.

The 2023/24 VSBL season was a great success, with our staff and clubs working collaboratively to navigate the first phase of the Modernisation of Summer Baseball Plan. We greatly appreciate the efforts of our club volunteers to navigate this transition, including competition restructures and day-of-play changes. The goal is to grow our game, and with limited facilities, we need more timeslots so the next generation of baseballers can play while our grassroots senior competitions go from strength to strength. We wrapped up the season with action-packed finals at Melbourne Ballpark, streamed through our partner My Sport Live.

At the start of 2024, our U18 Victorian State Team won gold while the U16 side won bronze at the Australian Youth Championships. Months later, we also enjoyed amazing women's baseball in our backyard with the 2024 Australian Women's & Youth Women's Championships at Melbourne Ballpark in April.

Next up was our Little League State Championships, which welcomed hundreds of junior baseballers as they played their hearts out and made awesome memories on the field, with the top two sides advancing to nationals for more baseball fun.

As the winter baseball season got underway, so did the BV Performance Pathway Prospects & Select as part of our rebranded Academy program which we launched at the start of 2023. Now in its second year, the three-tier pathway included U12/U14 (Futures), U16/U18 (Prospects), and Select (National Squad/College Commits). We also introduced the Youth Women's Prospects program to offer high-performing players the opportunity to further develop their skills and pursue representative opportunities.

From the Barclay Cup and Little League Nationals for junior girls to the long-standing tradition of Australian Youth Championships, Victorian players and teams continue to make us proud and inspire younger players to chase their dreams. We are excited to watch Victorian baseballers of all ages and levels truly embrace our great game and the many paths it can take them on.

We are passionate about growing grassroots baseball, with the continuation of popular events such as the State Winter Championships, as well as the introduction of Play Ball Pioneers at Brookdale Reserve and more engagement opportunities. The launch of the Club Hub Program has also led to increased communication and collaboration among clubs, which we hope to grow in the future. As the Women's Pathway Working Group supports our strategic direction, governance, and leadership, we will continue our efforts to grow the game for women and girls.

We were very proud to receive two SRV Together More Active Grants for our Grow Female Participation and Child Safety and Wellbeing Officer projects. We were also extremely honoured to receive funding from Vicsport to develop our own Rainbow Roadmap to ensure equality and inclusion for all.

Looking to the future, we have high hopes to keep growing player, coach, umpire, scorer, and volunteer numbers. Streamlined official training and accreditation, with the addition of customised club resources, will make it easier for people to get involved and lead baseball into the future.

We are excited for the next stage of the Modernisation of Summer Baseball Plan and continued support of winter baseball, as we strive for more competitions and events to keep Victorians active and engaged in the community.

This report would not be complete without acknowledging the incredible support of our BV Diamond Partners, who help us strengthen community connections and gain valuable support and exposure for baseball around Victoria. Thank you to Ausport, School Sport Victoria, NASA Wear, SportsLink Travel, Maribyrnong Sports Academy, Salesian College Sports Academy, Field of View Sports Photography, Aces Sporting Club, Symmetry Physiotherapy, Bazooka Sports, Greatrex Sporting Goods, My Sport Live, Northern Sports & Remedial Myotherapy, Wyndham City Council, and Online Strength Coaching for signing on as Diamond Partners.

The success of our grassroots sport wouldn't be possible without the devoted volunteers who tirelessly contribute to local clubs and BV programs. All the players, parents, supporters, and volunteers who take part in baseball across Victoria should be proud of their efforts this past year.

I am incredibly grateful to the BV Office team for going above and beyond to oversee our operations, support our stakeholders, and put our sport in a great position to move forward. We are a small but growing team with many different responsibilities and challenges, and their hard work does not go unnoticed. We are committed to providing a high level of service to ensure a positive and enjoyable experience for everyone.

Lastly, I would like to extend my thanks to the BV Board of Directors for their ongoing support. It's been a pleasure working together and I look forward to another year dedicated to supporting and growing baseball in Victoria. The future looks bright, and we have a lot we want to accomplish in the next 12 months and beyond. Let's play ball!



Chet Gray
CEO
Baseball Victoria

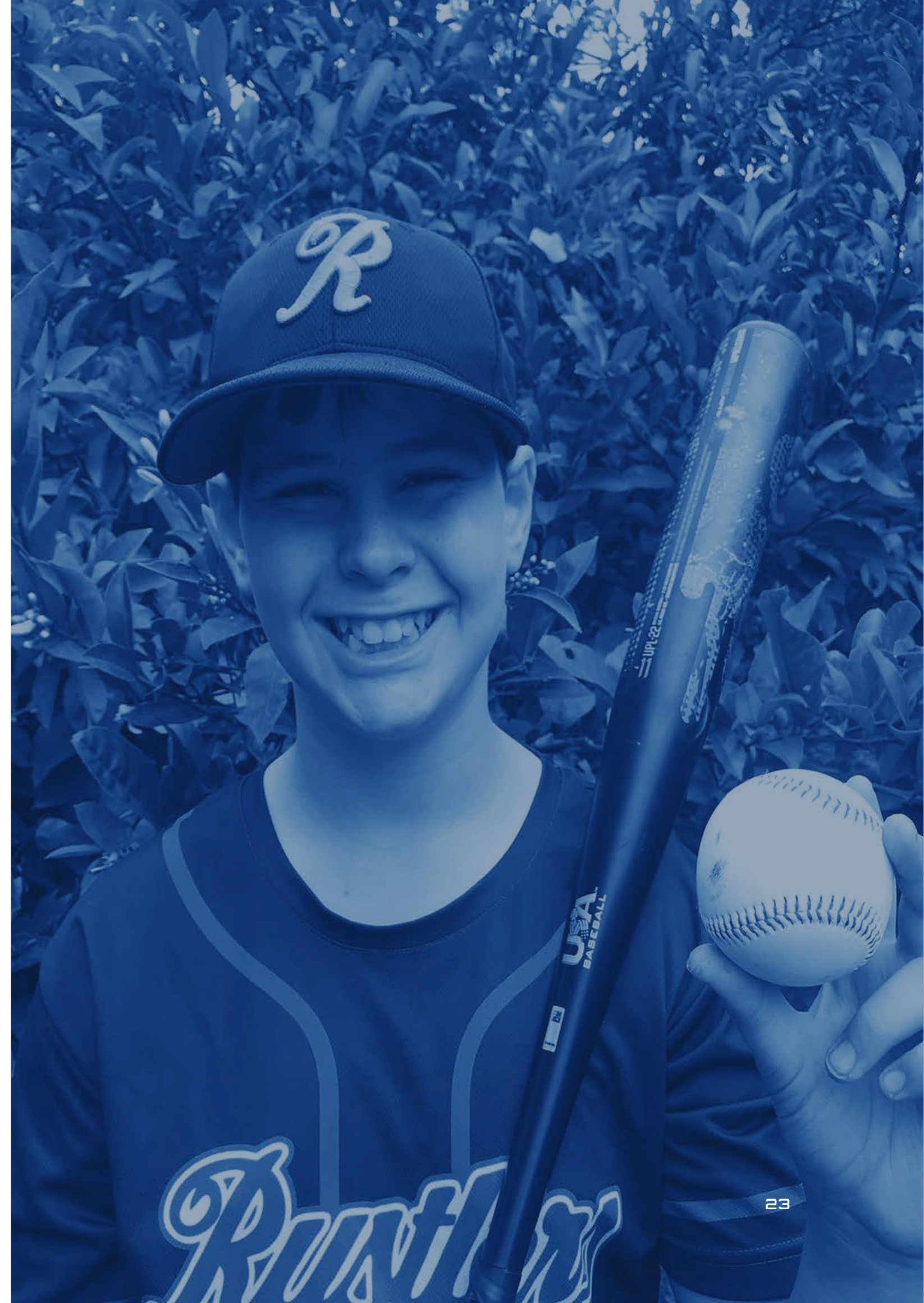
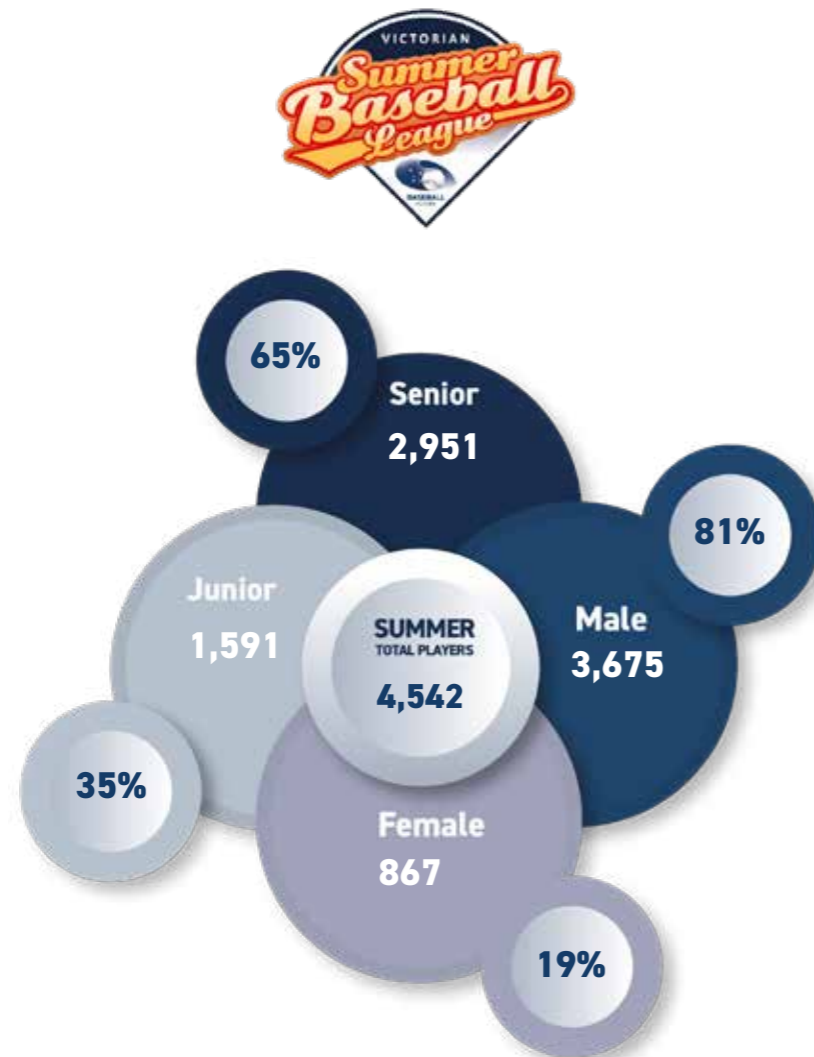
Victorian Summer Baseball League

The 2023/24 VSBL season was highlighted by a restructured competition with Premier, State, Regional, and Metro Leagues. As we implemented the Modernisation of Summer Baseball Plan in stages, club collaboration and support remained top priorities to help us grow the game and build a brighter future.

It was fantastic to see people of all ages and skill levels enjoying local club ball with thriving juniors, seniors, and masters competitions. None of this would be possible without the incredible volunteers who dedicate so much time and energy to running clubs, leading teams, and promoting our sport. It was awesome to see the return of VSBL Finals livestreams to cap off a fantastic season, too.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the VSBL season, including players, coaches, umpires, scorers, committee members, groundskeepers, volunteers, and supporters. Our clubs offer so many great opportunities to get involved in a wonderful sport and we look forward to many more successful summer seasons to come.

The below table captures summer participation for the 2023/24 season, while the following pages highlight VSBL winners. Congratulations to all on an amazing summer of baseball!



2023/24 VSBL Premiers

Competition	Home Team	Score	Away Team	Score
Premier League Major	Waverley	10	Blackburn	5
	Waverley	6	Blackburn	5
Premier League Reserves	Waverley	15	Sandringham	11
Premier League Thirds	Blackburn	10	Sandringham	2
Premier League Fourths	Upwey Ferntree Gully	7	Essendon	2
Premier League Minor	Geelong	8	Malvern	6
	Geelong	2	Malvern	10
	Malvern	4	Geelong	6
Premier League Minor Reserves	Moorabbin	3	Malvern	1
Premier League Minor Thirds	Moorabbin	6	Melbourne	7
Premier League Minor Fourth	Melbourne	5	Moorabbin	8
State League Firsts	St Kilda	5	Ormond Glenhantly	3
	St Kilda	4	Ormond Glenhantly	2
State League Reserves	Cheltenham	10	Essendon	0
Metro Major 1	Footscray	9	St Kilda	8
Metro Major 2	Mornington	13	Chelsea	6
Metro Minor 1	Ormond Glenhantly	5	Melbourne Red	20
Metro Minor 2	Chelsea	6	Bonbeach	1
Regional Metro East	Waverley Red	14	Waverley Black	13
Regional Metro North	Mitchell Majors Black	12	Diamond Creek	1
Regional Metro South	Springvale	3	Bonbeach	2
Regional Metro West	Alfredton Green	11	Alfredton Gold	6
Women's Premier League	Springvale	2	Newport	0
Women's Premier League Reserves	Doncaster	0	Newport	14
Women's State League	Waverley	12	South East	10
Women's Metro North/West	Werribee White	13	Research	3
Women's Metro South	Chelsea	19	Upwey Ferntree Gully	5
Masters 38+ East	Melbourne	2	Upwey FTG Black	7
Masters 38+ North West	Essendon Bombers	13	Essendon Jets	6
Masters 38+ South	Bonbeach Blue	21	Springvale	4
Masters 45+	Blackburn	6	Melbourne	3
Under 12 Metro East	Upwey Ferntree Gully	9	Springvale	2
Under 12 Metro West	Williamstown	5	Geelong	4
Under 12 State East	Waverley	6	Blackburn	11

Competition	Home Team	Score	Away Team	Score
Under 12 State West	Newport	15	Essendon	5
Under 14 50/70 Friday Night South	Sandy Kings	5	Sandy Royals	4
Under 14 Metro East	Moorabbin	11	Melbourne	8
Under 14 Metro South	Pakenham	9	Cheltenham	10
Under 14 Metro West	Werribee	6	North Western	4
Under 14 State East	Chelsea	2	Blackburn	0
Under 14 State West	Essendon	4	Geelong	3
Under 16 Metro East	Blackburn	14	Malvern	5
Under 16 Metro West	Essendon Spitfires	10	Essendon Jets	8
Under 16 State East	Waverley	12	Moorabbin White	2
Under 16 State West	Essendon	6	Research	5
Under 18 Metro	Essendon	5	Pakenham	3
Under 18 State	Melbourne/Upwey FTG	8	Geelong	3



2023/2024 VSBL Premier League - Waverley



2023/2024 VSBL Women's Premier League - Springvale

2023/24 VSBL Award Winners



Pitching Awards			
Premier League: Harry Douglas Trophy	Jarrod Turner	Upwey Ferntree Gully	1.62 ERA
Women's Premier League	Sawa Kashizaki	Springvale	0.52 ERA
Premier League Minor	David Tongue	Newport	1.88 ERA
State League Firsts	Maxwell Storch	Ormond Glenhuntly	1.34 ERA

Most Valuable Players		
Premier League: George Heron Medal	Dennis Neale	Williamstown
Premier League Reserves	Sean Meldrum	Upwey Ferntree Gully
Women's Premier League	Sawa Kashizaki	Springvale
Women's Premier League Reserves	Erin Collis	Doncaster
Premier League Thirds	Josh Bydak	Sandringham
Premier League Fourths	Hayden Maybury	Essendon
Premier League Minor	David Tongue	Newport
Premier League Minor Reserves	Mitchell Langworthy	Moorabbin
Premier League Minor Thirds	Ayden Ham	Newport
Premier League Minor Fourth	Adrian Fielden	Moorabbin
State League: Robert Hindson Medal	Addison Bishop-Worn	Werribee
State League Reserves	Aaron Toporek	St Kilda
Women's State League	Nicole Huber	Port Melbourne
Metro Major 1	Russell Ferguson	Cheltenham
Metro Major 1	Jordan Costa	St Kilda
Metro Major 2	Joel Bouker	Bonbeach
Metro Major 2	Benjamin Schreuder	Bonbeach
Regional Metro North	Andy Karp	North Coburg
Regional Metro South	Scott Baillie	Springvale
Regional Metro West	Leigh Trezise	Alfredton
Regional Metro East	Grove Galligan	Research Lower Plenty
Women's Metro South	Alexis Smith	Waverley
Women's Metro North/West	Saya Turnley	Geelong
Masters 38+ East	John Giffen	Blackburn
Masters 38+ North/West	David Ninnis	Newport
Masters 38+ South	Stuart Adam	Sandringham
Masters 45+	Russell Hodgson	Blackburn

Batting Average Awards			
Premier League	Ben Leslie	Blackburn	.516
Women's Premier League	Shae Lillywhite	Springvale	.596
Premier League Minor	Ryan Dale	Malvern	.416
State League Firsts	David Henderson	Ormond Glenhuntly	.536

Home Run Awards			
Premier League	Jamie Young	Sunshine	8
Premier League	Liam Evans	Waverley	8
Premier League Minor	Chris Burke	Malvern	6
State League Firsts	Matthew Wilson	Bonbeach	6

Club Championships	
Premier League Club Champion: Peter Dihm Shield	Upwey Ferntree Gully
State League Club Champion	St Kilda

Recognition Awards	
Coach of the Year	Adam Bright – Waverley
Volunteer of the Year	Patrick White – Blackburn
Umpire of the Year	Denis Dalzotto

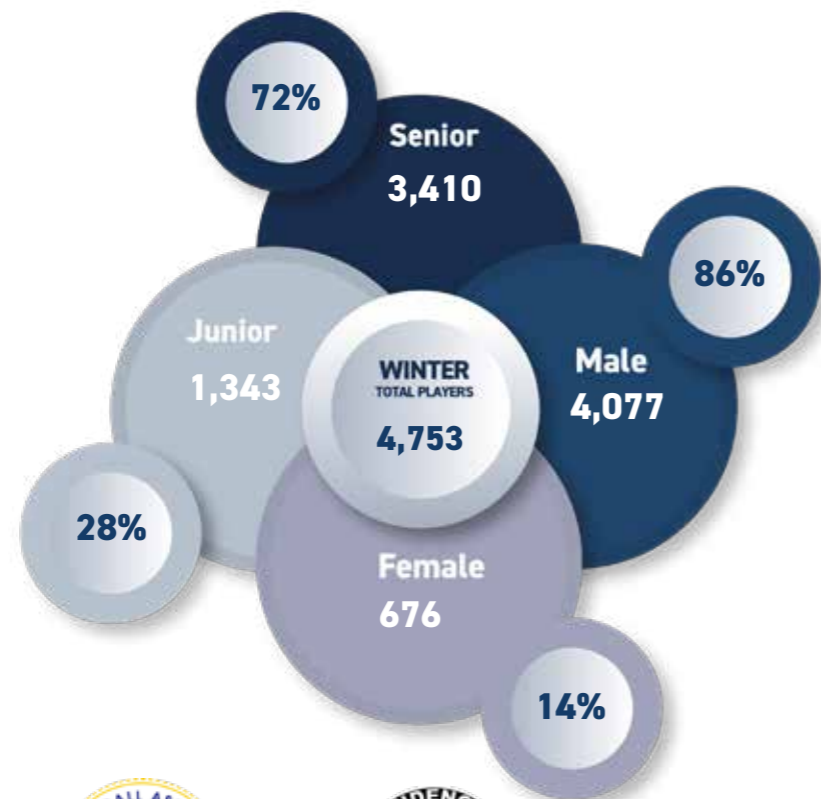
Winter Season

Winter baseball got off to a strong start thanks to the tireless efforts of our winter associations and their dedicated clubs and volunteers. We were pleased to see a slight increase in overall winter participation, with metro competitions, regional leagues, and State Winter Championships offering something for everyone.

In Victoria, we are lucky to have year-round baseball, and it's an honour to work closely with winter associations to deliver the beloved tradition of SWC tournaments. Thank you to our 2024 hosts for their hard work preparing for Winter Champs: Geelong, Bendigo, Latrobe Valley, Wangaratta, and Werribee.

Thank you to everyone who participated this winter, from players and coaches to umpires, scorers, and club administrators. Our participants and volunteers make grassroots baseball a great place to be, and we are excited to continue working together to support winter baseball all across Victoria.

The below table details 2024 winter participation numbers, followed by winter association highlights through the end of the financial year (30 June 2024).



Bendigo Baseball Association



Bendigo Baseball Association had strong participation numbers once again, with 337 players across five clubs: Bendigo East, Falcons, Malmsbury, Scots, and Strathfieldsaye.

2024 Highlights:

- BBA hosted the U14 State Winter Championships and All-Girls Winter Invitational for the second straight year at Albert Roy Reserve and Strathfieldsaye Baseball Club (29-30 June).
- BBA celebrated the comeback of a senior Bendigo team after a considerable hiatus - Rod Baulch won MVP at Senior SWC and Phoebe Martin won Women's MVP.
- 17 senior teams and 14 junior teams competed in the 2024 winter season across Bendigo and Malmsbury.

	2024 Winter	Female	Male
Juniors	132	25	107
Seniors	205	26	179
Total	337	51	286

Committee:

President: Luke Martin
 Vice President: Craig Button
 Secretary: Georgina Strahan
 Treasurer: Gay Huggard
 Competition Coordinator: Julie Jones

Dandenong Baseball Association



It was another year of strong participation for Dandenong Baseball Association with 776 participants across 12 clubs: Berwick, Bonbeach, Boneo, Chelsea, Cheltenham, Dandenong, Dingley, Frankston, Moorabbin, Mordialloc, Mornington, and Pakenham.

2024 Highlights:

- DBA teams had a blast at the 2024 Senior Carnival in Geelong – finished runners-up in Senior Women's State Winter Championship.
- U16 Mid Season Challenge tradition continued to support the next generation of DBA players with Frankston Red winning over Pakenham and Hunter Rouse taking out MVP.
- DBA celebrated exciting facility upgrades, including \$100,000 in funding for Pakenham Pumas to improve club facilities.

	2024 Winter	Female	Male
Juniors	222	17	205
Seniors	554	75	479
Total	776	92	684

Board:

President: Jake Grigorescu
 Secretary: Gemma Dowsett
 Competitions Coordinator: Gavin Daniels
 General Board Member: Stuart Adam
 Umpires Coordinator: David Mackie

Vice President: Brandon Mize
 Treasurer: Andrea Cormick
 Representative Teams Coordinator: Brandon Mize
 General Board Member: Tuhi Ngaheu
 Fixtures Coordinator: Russell Johnston

Geelong Baseball Association



Geelong Baseball Association continued to thrive with 636 total participants from 11 clubs: Alfredton, Bacchus Marsh, Ballarat, Bellarine, Colac, Corio, Deakin, East Belmont, Guild, Lara, and Werribee.

2024 Highlights:

- GBA fielded 54 teams across nine grades 9 grades (Firsts, Seconds, Thirds, Fourths, and Fifts together with Women's and Under 16, Under 14 and Under 12).
- GBA hosted and won the 2024 Senior and Women's State Winter Championships over the June long weekend.
- Anzac Day fixture included two junior contests, two senior men's games, and the season launch of women's baseball competition under lights at Geelong Baseball Centre.

	2024 Winter	Female	Male
Juniors	137	12	125
Seniors	499	103	396
Total	636	115	521

Board:

President: Stuart McGovern
 Vice President: Glen Arnott
 Executive Officer: Jessica Curnow
 Treasurer: Glenn Talbot
 Pennant Committee Chair: Don Stephens

Junior Chair: Glenn Morris
 Junior Secretary: Donna Northfield
 Senior Registrar: Glynis Murfitt
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 Rick Tresize
 Chris Rickard
 Gavan Turnley
 Women's Competition Chair: Meg Fahy
 Umpires Coordinator: Danny Timmers

Latrobe Valley Baseball Association



Latrobe Valley Baseball Association saw a slight increase in registration, welcoming 255 participants from five clubs: Churchill, Moe/Newborough, Morwell, Sale, and Traralgon.

2024 Highlights:

- Another year of successful competitions in A Grade, B Grade, C Grade, Under 16, Under 13, and T-Ball.
- LVBA finished runners-up at the Under 14 Division 2 State Winter Championships.
- Sale Rangers hosted the 2024 Gippsland Championship in March with eight teams competing from LVBA clubs, plus Dingley, Mornington, and Pakenham.

	2024 Winter	Female	Male
Juniors	99	21	78
Seniors	156	10	146
Total	255	31	224

Committee:

President: Brad Jones
 Vice President: John Kus
 Secretary/Statistician: Sam Gillet
 Treasurer: Kelli Kus
 Media Officer: Nicole White
 Junior Development Officer: Garyth Mullet

Melbourne Winter Baseball League



Melbourne Winter Baseball League had 2,355 participants at 31 clubs across the metro. The League offered 14 grades with strong senior and junior participation numbers, including a growing women's competition. MWBL had three junior leagues: Ringwood, City West, and Diamond Valley.

2024 Highlights:

- To support clubs with recruiting more junior and women's players, MWBL held preseason information sessions for committee members and volunteers.
- MWBL fielded over 70 junior teams and over 110 senior teams in another successful season as the largest baseball league playing winter baseball in Australia.
- MWBL entered two women's teams in the Women's State Winter Championship, with the Green team making it to the semi-finals.

	2024 Winter	Female	Male
Juniors	672	85	587
Seniors	1683	232	1451
Total	2355	317	2038

Executive Board:

President: Elizabeth (Ellie) Every
 Vice President (RDJBA Chairperson): Natalie Kilby
 Vice President (DVJBA Chairperson): Neil Southwell
 Vice President (CWJBL Chairperson): Mark Riches
 Vice President (Pennant Committee Chairperson): David Rice
 Vice President (Women's Chairperson): Megan Kelly
 MWBL Umpires Panel Chairperson: Geoff Dunn
 Secretary: Sally Friend
 Treasurer: Tony Wyatt
 Administrator: Michael Chambers

North Eastern Baseball Association



North Eastern Baseball Association saw a rise in participation with 291 total members, up from 250 in the previous year, across five clubs: North Albury, Wangaratta, Benalla, Porepunkah, and Wodonga.

2024 Highlights:

- NEBA continued the C Grade competition, bridging the gap between U15s and seniors for the U18 cohort, as well as offering an introduction for new players.
- 16U team won the All-Girls Winter Invitational with Grace Costello named MVP.
- NEBA won the Under 14 Division 2 State Winter Championship - Roman Ilievski won MVP.

	2024 Winter	Female	Male
Juniors	100	31	69
Seniors	191	27	164
Total	291	58	233

Committee:

President: Heath Anders
 Vice President: Tyson Berry
 Secretary: Steph Odewahn
 Treasurer: Sue Simmons

Sunraysia Baseball League



Sunraysia Baseball League had 143 registered members take part from Eagles, Hawks, Saints, and Wanderers Baseball Clubs

2024 Highlights:

- SBL welcomed BV umpiring and coaching sessions ahead of a season come-and-try day.
- Season featured Under 7s through Under 17s and senior A, B, and C grades.
- Mahayla Pay (Eagles) became the first female baseballer to play 100 SBL senior games.

	2024 Winter	Female	Male
Juniors	40	6	34
Seniors	103	6	97
Total	143	12	131

Committee:

President: Nick Carroll
 Secretary: Renae Mills
 Treasurer: Dom Moras
 Junior Rep Coordinator: Tim Cooksley
 Publicity Coordinator: Richard Law
 Sponsorship Coordinator: Olivia Greenwood-Jack

BV Performance Pathway

We are thrilled with another big year for Baseball Victoria's participation, development, and high performance programs. After launching our new Performance Pathway at the start of 2023, our programs have grown, offering more opportunities for player development and representation at state, national, and international levels.

The BV Performance Pathway is designed to optimise player performance and increase the pool of international standard players in Victoria. The new and improved program, rebranded from BV Aces Academy, has a greater focus on performance outcomes, made possible through additional investment funding by Baseball Victoria.

Key changes to the program include:

- A three-tier pathway: U12/U14 (Futures), U16/U18 (Prospects) and Select (National Squad/College Commits)
- The inclusion of a women's pathway training program (including the Youth Women's Prospects)
- Education and training for athletes' well-being and resilience program
- Emphasis on increasing the talent pool of male and female players in Victoria
- Creating a learning environment where players can improve their decision-making processes while performing under pressure

Our BV Performance Pathway programs have gone from strength to strength, with enhanced training, technology, strength and conditioning, and player support improving athlete outcomes. There were so many highlights this year, from the second annual Futures Championships to the launch of the Eastern Training Centre at Dandenong (Winter) and Mulgrave (Summer) Baseball Clubs for Prospects and Select programs.

We are so proud of all our Performance Pathway players working hard to achieve their goals and chase their dreams. With a dedicated team of coaches and opportunities to upskill and develop, the future is bright. We look forward to supporting these athletes as they take the next step in their baseball journeys.

2023 Youth Women's Prospects	2024 Futures U12	2024 Futures U14	2024 Prospects	2024 Select
Amelia Wright	Augustus Holley	Alessio Petruzzello	Aimon Dowling	Addison Bishop-Worn
Chelsea Nunn	Ben Bird	Archer Etherton	Brooklyn Riwaka-Kinney	Andrew Land
Eden Neave	Billy Hooker	Archer Nicholas	Cooper Bishop-Worn	Ben Howard
Emma Sullivan	Brodie Leigh	Beckett Shanks	Daniel Williams	Brandon Elton
Jasmine Bentley	Charlie Fegan	Bodhi Evans	Declan Tayler	Cooper Busch
Jessica Brown	Chester Ferguson	Cale Morris	Devin Leahy	Gen Beacom
Keeley Harrison	Cooper Evans	Chase Potts	Ethan Johnston	Jack Ratcliffe
Kendra Rutgers	Cooper Bicknell	Christian	Ethan Kent	Jake Bertucci
Kira Jansen	Cooper Godden	Papadopoulos	Euan Clarkin	Jordan Ellis
Lilly Simpson	David Rowe	Cooper Box	Hamish Stone	Liam Puncher
Mackenzie Prentice-Evans	Dean Michael Rault	Cruize Chase	Harrison Brodie	Mitch Denny
Macy Priamo	Dominic Sissing	Daniel Hwang	Jai DiBlasi	Mitchell Langworthy
	Felix Fleiner	Darcy Squire		

2023 Youth Women's Prospects	2024 Futures U12	2024 Futures U14	2024 Prospects	2024 Select
Maddi Weller	Finn Wilson	Edison Bush	Jarrold Thomas	Nathan Rumbelow
Ruby Benne	Flynn Reinhard	Ethan Everett	Jarvis Johansen	Riley Peoples
Ruby Dale	Hao (Tony) Huang	Ethan Sissing	Lachie Wright	Roman Coote
	Harvey Ninnis	Finn Welte	Lachlan Brennan	Ryan Langworthy
Coaches	Jackson Frendo	Flynn Suggett	Liam Campbell	Ryan Williams
Samantha Hamilton	Jackson Berg	George Steer	Ned Johnson	Ryder Wilson
Dean Anglin	James Wright	Grayson Corrington	Ryley Shanks	Tane Graham
Samantha Hamilton	Jax McDonald	Hamish Willemsen	Samuel Walk	Ty Daniels
Dean Anglin	Jaxon Waters	Jack Northfield	Samuel Land	Will Kent
Genevieve Beacom	John Gogos	Jack Thomas	Will Cavanagh	Windsor
Stephen Black	Josh Jones	Jackson Burton	William Hardy	Breckenridge
Erin Collis	Kazushi Anderson	Jacob Tayler	Zak Staflis	
Richard Elton	Ohata	James Dennis		Coaches
Andrew Fielden	Lee Maditianos	Joel Roberts	Coaches	Damian Shanahan
Samantha Hamilton	Leo Wells	Kieran Hurlstone	Damian Shanahan	Keli'i Zablan
Ursula Howard	Louie Shimakura	Kohen Van Anandel	Keli'i Zablan	Daniel Chircop
Chris Nunn	Lucas Everett	Lucas Joel	Daniel Chircop	Ethan Epifanio
Laura Sexton	Mason Cvetanoski	Lucas Kelly	Ethan Epifanio	Ben Laux
Alan Sutherland	Max Turner	Maisen Ricketts	Ben Laux	Marshall Skinner
Ryan Tompkins	Mia Wang	Matthew Godden	Marshall Skinner	Scott Meager
	Myles McKelvie	Noah Azrein	Scott Meager	Tim Ballard
	Oliver Chrimes	Oliver (Ollie) Allen	Tim Ballard	
	Owen Dundon	Oscar Rey-Benguigui		
	Phillip Toye	Oscar Shimakura		
	Quinn Matthews	Parks Halasz		
	Ry von Felden	Reiley Marshall		
	Ryder Ng	Ryder Ochoa		
	Samuel Wang	Sam Staflis		
	Spencer Evans	Shun Thong		
	Tate Sadler	Spencer Tyers		
		Thomas Skinner		
	Coaches	Tom Hill		
	Damian Shanahan			
	Keli'i "Zee" Zablan	Coaches		
	Daniel Chircop	Damian Shanahan		
	Ethan Epifanio	Keli'i "Zee" Zablan		
	Laura Sexton	Daniel Chircop		
		Ethan Epifanio		
		Laura Sexton		

Victorian State Teams

In addition to our BV Performance Pathway Futures, Prospects, and Select training programs, our Victorian State Teams made the most of their time on the national stage. We are so proud of each and every one of our Victorian representatives who trained hard and played harder, wearing the big V with pride. It was great to see our players shine and strengthen their skills with fantastic opportunities to represent at the Australian Youth, Women's, and Youth Women's Championships.

In January, the U18 Victorian State Team took out the gold medal at the 2024 Australian Youth Championships while the U16 side secured bronze.

Our U18s led the tournament with Jack Ratcliffe earning back-to-back MVP honours and Ryder Wilson winning the Golden Arm Award.

Team Australia selected National Junior Squad participants based on AYC performances. Jake Bertucci, Windsor Breckenridge, Cooper Busch, Roman Coote, Jordan Ellis, Brandon Elton, Mitchell Langworthy, Riley Peoples, and Liam Puncher were named to the U16 Squad. Addison Bishop-Worn, Ty Daniels, Ben Howard, Will Kent, Jayden Kim, Jack Ratcliffe, Tane Graham, Robinson Smith, and Ryder Wilson made the U18 Squad.

At the start of April, the Australian Women's Championship returned to Melbourne Ballpark. The Victorian Women's State Team won gold on a 7-0 record as Lili Cavanagh received MVP honours, Allie Bebbere won Golden Arm, and Abbey Kelly won Golden Glove.

Our Youth Women's State Team showed plenty of potential as well, winning two big games with an impressive comeback walk-off win over NSW. Chelsea Nunn joined Kira Kuwamoto from the women's team in receiving the NO MORE Spirit of the Game Award.

Just a few weeks later, the Victoria Aces roster was revealed ahead of the 2024 Australian Women's Baseball Showcase, featuring AWC2024 award winners, Australian Emeralds, and next-gen rookies.

Thank you to all our representatives who made us so proud and thank you to all the officials and supporters of the Victorian State Team Programs.

U16 Victorian State Team	U18 Victorian State Team	Victorian Youth Women's State Team	Victorian Women's State Team
Brandon Elton	Addison Bishop-Worn	Alexandra Egan	Abbey Kelly
Buster Vos	Aimon Dowling	Alexia Hunkin	Allie Bebbere
Cooper Bishop-Worn	Andrew Land	Alyssa Jamieson	Belinda Cannington
Cooper Busch	Ben Howard	Amelia Wright	Jamie Bastian
Daniel Williams	Devin Leahy	Andie Torcasio	Jasmine Bentley
Euan Clarkin	Ethan Johnston	Charlotte Jansen	Jessica Brown
Harrison Brodie	Hamish Stone	Chelsea Nunn	Jessica Johnson
Jai DiBlasi	Jack Ratcliffe	Isy Zurawel	Kira Jansen
Jake Bertucci	Jayden Kim	Kendra Rutgers	Kira Kuwamoto
Jordan Ellis	Matthew Johnston	Lacey Tompkins	Lili Cavanagh
Lachlan Brennan	Robinson Smith	Madeline Haynes	Lilian Bell-Tanner
Liam Puncher	Ryder Wilson	Molly Lewis	Lilly Simpson
Mitchell Langworthy	Tane Graham	Olivia Walker	Mackenzie Prentice-Evans
Ned Johnson	Tanner Stack	Saya Turnley	Macy Priamo
Riley Peoples	Ty Daniels	Sophie Bird	Ruby Benne
Roman Coote	Will Cavanagh	Tabitha Pitt	Ruby Dale
Ryley Shanks	Will Kent		Saeko Suzuki
Samuel Land	William Hardy		
Samuel Walk	Zach Dunkley		
Windsor Breckenridge	Zak Stafilis		
Coaches/Officials	Coaches/Officials	Coaches/Officials	Coaches/Officials
Ben Laux	Marshall Skinner	Richard Elton	Samantha Hamilton
Trifon Stafilis	Simon Ratcliffe	Ryan Tompkins	Jarryd Rogers
Daniel Chircop	Tim Ballard	Erin Collis	Stephen Black
Val Langworthy	Taryn Richardson		Ursula Howard

Coaching & Umpiring

Baseball Victoria remains committed to supporting and growing our community of baseball coaches and umpires. After all, our great game would not be possible without the dedicated officials who work tirelessly to ensure safe, fair, and fun competitions for all.

In the past year, we have worked with our Victorian baseball community to get more coaches signed up to use the Canopi system to track and complete Baseball Australia's coach accreditation (USA Baseball Certification Level A, B, and C courses). Our updated accreditation guidelines make it easier for coaches to complete their education, and we have a dedicated online coaching hub where coaches of all levels can access training and resources.

The BV Coaching Panel has also been hard at work, meeting monthly to assist with the development of Performance Pathway programs and provide input into the development of the state coaching curriculum. Meanwhile, Damian Shanahan, Keli'i Zablan, and Ethan Epifanio from the BV Office have visited clubs for coaching presentations and workshops.

In addition to sessions around metropolitan Melbourne, they planned regional coach education sessions alongside April school holiday camp visits in Traralgon and Bendigo. BV also assisted Sunraysia Baseball League with coaching and umpiring sessions ahead of a winter come-and-try day.

In 2023-24, we tripled the number of School Holiday camps with participation on the rise and more coaches required to deliver these sessions. As the BV Pipeline continues to grow, encompassing 2Ball, School Holiday Camps, and Performance Pathway programs, we will have additional opportunities for coaches to get involved and improve their skills.

In addition to coaches, we are also focused on growing umpire numbers. The BV Umpiring Working Group reports to a part-time Technical Officer on the BV staff (Brooke Penfold) and consists of four volunteers:

- State Umpire – Operations: David Welsh
- State Umpire – Technical: Denis Dalzotto
- State Umpire – Development: Geoff Dunn
- State Umpire – Communications: Alan Sutherland

This dedicated team is working to deliver our Umpiring Blueprint for the Future, aimed at providing a fun and inclusive environment for developing umpires to grow their skills via clear pathways. This includes streamlined umpire education, helping to attract new umpires and upskill returning umpires.

Over the past nine months, we had 129 people attend Behind the Mask Community Umpire courses, with sessions conducted at local clubs across metropolitan and regional Victoria, including Knox, Essendon, Waverley, Moorabbin, Point Cook, and Sunraysia. Some completed their full course, while others attended to get a taste of umpiring to help their grassroots clubs and/or associations.

The more umpires we can train and support, the more coverage we can have for VSBL and winter competitions, as well as tournaments and special events. New umpires can learn from older umpires and develop greater confidence behind the plate. With varying availability and some umpires retiring, it's incredibly important that we recruit, educate, and support the next generation of umpires.

The BV Green Vest Program continues to support beginner umpires at the club level, who are encouraged to wear these vests to identify them as "in training" and help build greater understanding among players, parents, spectators, and coaches.

Following the success of our BV Behind The Mask Seminar at Knox Baseball Club, we look forward to further collaborative workshops and training sessions to help our officials wherever they are on their umpiring journey.

Baseball Victoria acknowledges and thanks all the amazing coaches and umpires who make our great game possible. We value all of our baseball officials and their countless contributions to competitions around the state!



Honour Rolls

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2024	Mr. A. Rose	Mr. C. Gray
2023	Mr. A. Rose	Mr. C. Gray
2022	Mr. A. Rose	Mr. C. Gray
2021	Ms. M. Mayman	Ms. K Middleton (resigned August)/ Ms. G. Scales (Appt. August)
2020	Mr. M. Foreman	Ms. K. Middleton
2019	Mr. M. Foreman	Mr. J. Huber (resigned June)/Ms. K. Middleton (Appt. August)
2018	Mr. M. Foreman	Mr. J. Huber
2017	Mr. M. Foreman	Mr. A. Blair (resigned June)/Mr. J. Huber (Appt. July)
2016	Mr. M. Foreman	Mr. A. Blair
2015	Mr. M. Foreman	Mr. A. Blair (Interim General Manager)
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2013	Mr. C. Cramer	Mr. B. W. Hidson (resigned April)/Mr. N. Price (Appt. July)
2012	Dr. R. J. Sadler	Mr. B. W. Hidson
2011	Dr. R. J. Sadler	Mr. B. W. Hidson
2010	Dr. R. J. Sadler	Mr. B. W. Hidson
2009	Mr. P. J. Dihm	Mr. S. Nash

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2024	Leanne Gibbons
2023	Mick Wearne, Samantha Hamilton
2022	Don Stephens
2021	Scott Dawes
2019	Ian Bishop
2019	Michele Winther
2017	Michael Gourlay
2017	Richard Mason* OAM
2016	Julie Jones
2015	John King
2009	Jason Blair

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2009	Dale Lewis (VWBL)
2009	Julie Stephens (Dandenong)
2009	Michael Stephens (Dandenong)
2006	Kath Besford (VWBL)
2005	Clyde Cumming (LVBA)
2005	Greg Evans (Bendigo)
2004	David Rice (VWBL)
2004	Graeme Besford (VWBL)
2001	Terrye Cox (Ballarat)
1999	Michael O'Brien (Geelong)
1986	John O'Brien* (Dandenong)
1976	Ron Clack* (Ballarat)
1974	Robert Luxford* (Dandenong)
1968	Ern Whykes* (Ballarat)
1966	Roy Shadorth* (Bendigo)
1965	Ern Blanden* (Ballarat)
1964	Ern Gear* (Geelong)
1959	Les Olsson* (Dandenong)
1957	William Harwood* (Ballarat)
1955	William Aitken* (Ballarat)
1948	Jack E. M. Ellis* (VBA)

VICTORIAN BASEBALL ASSOCIATION LIFE MEMBERS

2006	Jenny Ratcliffe
2006	Peter Dihm
2005	Grant Weir
2005	Robert O Blackmore
2004	Beryl Bunting*
2004	Rodney Gaunt
2002	Les T Flower
1992	Les A Polson*
1991	Paul F Collins
1991	Ron R Smith*

1988	Barry N Smith*
1988	Graeme B Ainscough*
1986	Colin J McKay*
1986	Ken CJ Welfare*
1986	Lyn V Straw*
1985	David L Went
1983	WE (Bill) Blanden*
1982	Jack F Guiliano*
1981	Colin C Miller*
1980	S Doug Chapman*
1973	John B Anderson*
1973	Talbot R Hill*
1970	Ross M Straw*
1970	RW (Dick) Chapman*
1966	Angus McPherson*
1963	RJ (Bob) Black*
1958	George S Heron*
1956	Tom L Straw*
1955	Keith W Tucker*
1949	Reg E Darling*
1948	Wally B Carter*
1947	Ernest H King*
1945	Jack T Leckey*
1944	GB Mackay*
1943	Frederick H Martin*
1942	Jack EM Ellis Snr*
1941	Percy C Pooley*
1936	Daniel J Chandler*
1935	Harry W Francis*
1935	Hugh M Gordon*
1935	Alfred Beckefeld*
1933	HJ Newbound*
1929	J Bayne Mackay*
1926	Leslie F Johnston OBE*
1924	Ernest W Fielder*
1922	TJ Browne*
1921	Robert R Hindson*
1920	S Charles Lansdown*
1919	Cam Sellars*
1912	Percy B Seyffarth*
1911	Frank Laver*
1911	FM Russell*
1911	HM Adams*
1911	JS Milford*
1911	T Smith*
1910	Peter McAlister*

For historical office bearers,
please see the Baseball Victoria website
baseballvictoria.com.au

FY23/24 Financial Report

Presented by Greg Hill, (Appointed) Finance Director

It is my great privilege to present the Financial Report for FY23/24 for Baseball Victoria (BV).

FY24 was a short financial 'year' following the decision at last year's AGM for BV to move to a more traditional financial year, ending on 30 June.

The result for the nine-month period ending 30 June 2024 was a surplus of \$302,500, compared to a deficit of \$82,527 for the preceding 12-month financial year.

Considering year-on-year comparisons, the result for FY23/24 will be an anomaly for BV, as the organisation enjoyed a once-off benefit of the short financial year, as the 'missing months' (July, August and September) are typically net-loss months. BV is budgeting for and anticipates a more 'normal' result in FY24/25 across a full 12 months of revenue and associated activities.

This strong surplus result has increased BV's balance sheet strength, with cash assets of \$960,782 at year-end (2023: 640,760), and net assets (total assets minus total liabilities) of \$753,013 (2023: \$450,513).

BV's net current assets (current assets minus current liabilities), a useful short-term indicator of BV's ability to meet all of its payment obligations as they fall due, was \$688,498 at year end (2023: \$428,206).

Management Accounts

In response to the request of members at last year's AGM, BV has included unaudited detailed revenue and expense reporting ('management accounts'), in addition to the traditional audited financial accounts, in the Financial Report 30 June 2024.

Audit

Importantly, BV has again achieved an unqualified audited Financial Report, with no emphasis of matter. This is a testament to the hard work of the BV management team, particularly Chet Gray and Audrina Ning, and their commitment to a high standard of record-keeping and reporting, financial prudence and transparency. Management and Board work closely and openly on the governance of BV's finances on behalf of members.

The BV Board thanks the audit team at Stewart Brown Chartered Accountants for their efficient audit and review and reporting process.



BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED
ABN 78 603 120 057

FINANCIAL REPORT - 30 JUNE 2024

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BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**ABN 78 603 120 057****FINANCIAL REPORT - 30 JUNE 2024****COMMITTEES' REPORT**

Baseball Victoria Incorporated ("the Association") is registered as an Association and not having a share capital under the provisions of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*. The Committee Members present the financial report on Baseball Victoria Incorporated for the period ended 30 June 2024 and report as follows:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

The names of and other information on the Committee Members in office during the financial period are as follows. The Committee Members were in office for this entire period unless otherwise stated.

Andy Rose (President)
 Brett Mitsch
 Grant Weir
 Jennifer Pitson
 Kathy Tessier
 Amy McCann (*resigned October 2023*)
 Matt Nichol (*resigned October 2023*)
 Joanna O'Connor (*term ended February 2024*)
 Anna Ronald (*appointed to casual vacancy October 2022*) (*elected to board February 2024*) (*resigned April 2024*)
 Anna Blackett (*appointed to casual vacancy November 2023*)
 Jessica Toop (*appointed to casual vacancy November 2023*) (*elected to board Feb 2024*)
 Geoff Boyes (*elected to board February 2024*)
 Gregory Hill (*appointed to casual vacancy June 2024*)

PRINCIPAL ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of the Association during the financial year was to facilitate and promote baseball in Victoria.

SIGNIFICANT CHANGES

There has been no significant change in the nature of the Association's principal activities from the previous financial period.

OPERATING RESULT

The operating result of the Association for the financial period was a surplus of \$302,500 (2023: \$82,527 deficit).

The audited accounts for Baseball Victoria for FY23/24 are for the nine-month period ending on 30 June 2024, following the resolution passed at the 2023 AGM to transition to a traditional financial year. The FY22/23 financial year relates to the 12-month ended 30 September 2023.

AFTER BALANCE DATE EVENTS

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial period which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Association, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Association in future financial years.

INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION

The auditors' independence declaration for the period ended 30 June 2024 has been received and can be found on the following page.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee:



Andy Rose
President



Gregory Hill
Committee Member

19 September 2024

**BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED****ABN 78 603 120 057****FINANCIAL REPORT - 30 JUNE 2024**

AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION
UNDER APES 110 CODE OF ETHICS FOR PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS
TO THE MEMBERS OF BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the period ended 30 June 2024 there have been no contraventions of the code of conduct relating to independence in APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* issued by the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board.



StewartBrown
Chartered Accountants



Justin Weiner
Partner

19 September 2024

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 JUNE 2024

	Note	30 June 2024 (9 months) \$	30 Sept 2023 (12 months) \$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	1,019,695	698,488
Trade and other receivables	7	180,900	117,347
Inventories	8	6,209	27,237
<i>Total current assets</i>		<u>1,206,804</u>	<u>843,072</u>
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	9	66,423	28,311
Right-of-use assets	10	53,458	74,194
<i>Total non-current assets</i>		<u>119,881</u>	<u>102,505</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>1,326,685</u>	<u>945,577</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	419,463	312,635
Employee benefits	12	69,273	73,455
Lease liabilities	13	29,570	28,776
<i>Total current liabilities</i>		<u>518,306</u>	<u>414,866</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Employee benefits	12	6,385	8,913
Lease liabilities	13	48,981	71,285
<i>Total non-current liabilities</i>		<u>55,366</u>	<u>80,198</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>573,672</u>	<u>495,064</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>753,013</u>	<u>450,513</u>
FUNDS			
Accumulated funds		726,576	424,076
Reserves		26,437	26,437
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>753,013</u>	<u>450,513</u>

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Note	30 June 2024 (9 months) \$	30 Sept 2023 (12 months) \$
Revenue	4	2,169,610	1,760,584
		<u>2,169,610</u>	<u>1,760,584</u>
Expenses			
Cost of goods sold		(10,710)	(1,166)
Competition management expenses		(622,162)	(600,489)
Depreciation	5	(30,320)	(42,580)
Finance costs	5	(2,376)	(4,033)
Salaries and wages		(576,799)	(655,333)
Operations expenses		(225,971)	(178,994)
Pathways expenses		(373,566)	(313,905)
Participation expenses		(25,206)	(46,611)
		<u>(1,867,110)</u>	<u>(1,843,111)</u>
Surplus (deficit) before income tax		302,500	(82,527)
Income tax expense		-	-
Surplus (deficit) for the year		302,500	(82,527)
Other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year		<u>302,500</u>	<u>(82,527)</u>

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUNDS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Accumulated Funds	Reserves	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 October 2022	506,603	26,437	533,040
Comprehensive income			
Surplus (deficit) for the year	(82,527)	-	(82,527)
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year	<u>(82,527)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(82,527)</u>
Balance at 30 September 2023	<u>424,076</u>	<u>26,437</u>	<u>450,513</u>
Balance at 1 October 2023	424,076	26,437	450,513
Comprehensive income			
Surplus for the period	302,500	-	302,500
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the period	<u>302,500</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>302,500</u>
Balance at 30 June 2024	<u>726,576</u>	<u>26,437</u>	<u>753,013</u>

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	Note	30 June 2024 (9 months) \$	30 Sept 2023 (12 months) \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers		2,272,577	1,863,339
Payments to suppliers and employees		(1,885,476)	(1,789,524)
Interest received		5,688	4,457
Interest paid - leases		(2,376)	(4,033)
<i>Net cash flows from operating activities</i>		<u>390,413</u>	<u>74,239</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(47,696)	(19,959)
<i>Net cash flows from investing activities</i>		<u>(47,696)</u>	<u>(19,959)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of lease liabilities		(21,510)	(27,816)
<i>Net cash flows from financing activities</i>		<u>(21,510)</u>	<u>(27,816)</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		321,207	26,464
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial period		698,488	672,024
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial period	6	<u>1,019,695</u>	<u>698,488</u>

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024****Note 1 - Corporate information**

The financial report is for Baseball Victoria Incorporated ('the Association') as an individual entity and domiciled in Australia. Baseball Victoria Incorporated is an Association under the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*.

Baseball Victoria is the peak body for the sport of baseball in the Australian state of Victoria.

The registered address and principal place of business of the Association is:

Melbourne Ballpark
Merton Street
Altona Meadows VIC 3028

The financial statements were approved by Members of the Committee on 19 September 2024.

Note 2 - Basis of preparation***Statement of compliance***

These general purpose financial statements have been prepared in compliance with the requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012* and *Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures*.

Basis of measurement

The financial statements, except for the cash flow information, have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

Comparatives

Where required by Accounting Standards comparative figures have been adjusted to conform to changes in presentation for the current financial period. Where the Association has retrospectively applied an accounting policy, made a retrospective restatement or reclassified items in its financial statements, an additional statement of financial position as at the beginning of the earliest comparative period will be disclosed.

Critical accounting estimates and judgements

The Committee evaluates estimates and judgements incorporated into the financial statements based on historical knowledge and best available current information. Estimates assume a reasonable expectation of future events and are based on current trends and economic data, obtained both externally and within the Association.

Key estimates***Impairment***

The Committee assesses impairment at the end of each reporting period by evaluation of conditions and events specific to the Association that may be indicative of impairment triggers. Recoverable amounts of relevant assets are reassessed using value-in-use calculations, which incorporate various key assumptions.

New and revised standards that are effective for these financial statements

Several amendments and clarifications to Australian Accounting Standards and interpretations are mandatory for the 30 June 2024 reporting period. These include:

- *AASB 2021-2: Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Disclosure of Accounting Policies and Definition of Accounting Estimates*
- *AASB 2021-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Disclosure of Accounting Policies: Tier 2 and Other Australian Accounting Standards*

The application of these amendments and clarifications have not had a material impact on the carrying values of the Association's asset, liability or equity balances; nor a material impact on the disclosures in the financial report nor the recognition and measurement of the Association's revenue or expenses.

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024****Note 2 - Basis of preparation (continued)*****New standards and interpretations not yet adopted***

Certain new accounting standards, amendments and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 30 June 2024 reporting periods and have not been early adopted by the Association. These include:

- *AASB 2014-10 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Sale or Contribution of Assets between an Investor and its Associate or Joint Venture* (effective for the year ending 30 June 2026)
- *AASB 2022-6 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Non-current Liabilities with Covenants* (effective for the year ending 30 June 2025)
- *AASB 2023-1 Amendments to Australian Accounting Standards - Supplier Finance Arrangements* (effective for the year ending 30 June 2025)

It is not expected that AASB 2014-10, AASB 2022-6 or AASB 2023-1 will have a material impact on the Association in future reporting periods.

Note 3 - Accounting policies

The material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of the financial report are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all the years presented, unless otherwise stated.

Income Tax

Baseball Victoria Incorporated is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

Goods and services tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office (ATO).

Receivables and payables are stated inclusive of the amount of GST receivable or payable. The net amount of GST recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO is included with other receivables or payables in the statement of financial position.

Cash flows are presented on a gross basis. The GST components of cash flows arising from investing or financing activities which are recoverable from, or payable to, the ATO are presented as operating cash flows included in receipts from customers or payments to suppliers.

Revenue recognition

Amounts disclosed as revenue are net of returns, trade allowances and duties and taxes including goods and services tax (GST). Revenue is recognised for the major business activities as follows:

Revenue from contracts with customers

The Association derives revenue from the provision of services. Revenue is recognised as, or when, services are transferred to the customer, and is measured at an amount that reflects the consideration to which the Association expects to be entitled in exchange for the goods or service.

Rendering of services

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon delivery of the service to the customer.

Interest revenue

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

Other revenue

Other revenue is recognised as revenue on an accruals basis.

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024****Note 3 - Accounting policies (continued)****Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash and cash equivalents includes cash on hand, deposits held at call with financial institutions, other short-term, highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value and bank overdrafts.

Trade receivables

For all sources of recurrent income, trade receivables are recognised initially at fair value and subsequently measured at amortised cost, less provision for doubtful debts. Collectability of trade receivables is reviewed on an ongoing basis. Debts which are known to be uncollectible are written off.

Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value at balance date.

Property, plant and equipment**Recognition and measurement**

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses. Cost includes expenditure that is directly attributable to the acquisition of the asset. Purchased software that is integral to the functionality of the related equipment is capitalised as part of that equipment.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with carrying amount. These are included in the statement of profit or loss and other profit and loss.

Subsequent costs

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Association and the cost of the item can be measured reliably.

Plant and equipment

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually by the Committee to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from these assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the asset's employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to their present values in determining recoverable amounts.

Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all property, plant and equipment is depreciated over the asset's useful life to the Association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements. Land is not depreciated.

<i>Class of fixed asset</i>	<i>Depreciation rates</i>	<i>Depreciation basis</i>
Office Equipment	35% - 67%	Diminishing value
Motor Vehicles	25%	Straight-line

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at the end of each reporting period. An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024****Note 3 - Accounting policies (continued)****Right-of-use assets**

At inception, a right-of-use asset and lease liability is recognised. Right-of-use assets are included in the statement of financial position within a classification relevant to the underlying asset.

Right-of-use assets are initially measured at cost, comprising of the following:

- The amount of the initial measurement of the lease liability.
- Any lease payments made at or before the commencement date, less any lease incentives received.
- Any initial direct costs incurred.
- An estimate of costs to be incurred in dismantling and removing the underlying asset, restoring the site on which it is located or restoring the underlying asset to the condition required by the terms and conditions of the lease, unless those costs are incurred either at the commencement date or as a consequence of having used the underlying asset during a particular period.

Subsequently, right-of-use assets are measured using a cost model. The right-of-use asset is depreciated to the earlier of the useful life of the asset or the lease term using the straight-line method and is recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income in "Depreciation and amortisation".

The Association tests for impairment where there is an indication that a right-of-use asset may be impaired. An assessment of whether there is an indication of possible impairment is done at each reporting date. Where the carrying amount of a right-of-use asset is greater than the estimated recoverable amount, it is written down immediately to its recoverable amount. The resulting impairment loss is recognised immediately in surplus or deficit, except where the decrease reverses a previously recognised revaluation increase for the same asset.

The resulting decrease is recognised in other comprehensive income to that extent and reduces the amount accumulated in equity under revaluation surplus, and future depreciation charges are adjusted in future periods to allocate the revised carrying amount, less its residual value, on a systematic basis over its remaining useful life.

Leases

The Association leases several assets including office space. A lease is a contract, or part of a contract, that conveys the right to use an asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration.

At inception of a contract, it is assessed to determine whether the contract is, or contains, a lease. A contract is, or contains, a lease if the contract conveys the right to control the use of an identified asset for a period of time in exchange for consideration. If the terms and conditions of a contract are changed, it is reassessed to once again determine if the contract is still, or now contains, a lease.

The term of a lease is determined as the non-cancellable period of the lease, together with the periods covered by an option to extend the lease where there is reasonable certainty that the option will be exercised, and periods covered by an option to terminate the lease if there is reasonable certainty that the option will not be exercised.

The assessment of the reasonable certainty of the exercising of options to extend the lease, or not exercising of options to terminate the lease, is reassessed upon the occurrence of either a significant event or a significant change in circumstances that is within the Association's control, and it affects the reasonable certainty assumptions. The assessment of the lease term is revised if there is a change in the non-cancellable lease period.

The Association does not recognise leases that have a lease term of 12 months or less or are of low value as a right-of-use asset or lease liability. The lease payments associated with these leases are recognised as an expense in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Note 3 - Accounting policies (continued)

Lease liability

At the commencement date of the lease, the lease liability is initially recognised for the present value of non-cancellable lease payments discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease or, if that rate cannot be readily determined, the Association's incremental borrowing rate.

The tenor of a lease includes any renewal period where the lessee is reasonably certain that they will exercise the option to renew. The Association has reviewed all its leases and included any extensions where the Association assessed it is reasonably certain the lease agreement will be renewed.

The lease payment used in the calculation of the lease liabilities should include variable payments when they relate to an index or rate. Where leases contain variable lease payments based on an index or rate at a future point in time, the Association has used the incremental uplift contained in the lease or the respective Reserve Bank forward-looking CPI target for CPI-related increases.

In the absence of any floor or cap clauses in the lease agreements, the Association measures the rent for the year under market review at an amount equal to the rent of the year preceding the market review increased by a fixed rate.

The lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments that are not yet paid at the commencement date. Lease payments are discounted using the relevant Association's incremental borrowing rate. The incremental borrowing rate used for this calculation is dictated by the tenor of the lease and the location of the asset. The incremental borrowing rate is the rate the Association would be charged on borrowings provided by our banking partners. The following lease payments being fixed payments, less any lease incentives receivable are included where they are not paid at the commencement date.

Subsequently, the lease liability is measured by:

- Increasing the carrying amount to reflect interest on the lease liability.
- Reducing the carrying amount to reflect the lease payments made.
- Remeasuring the carrying amount to reflect any reassessment or lease modifications or to reflect revised in-substance fixed lease payments.

The unwind of the financial charge on the lease liabilities is recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income in "Finance costs" based on the Association's incremental borrowing rate.

Impairment of assets

Assets that have an indefinite useful life are not subject to amortisation and are tested annually for impairment. Assets that are subject to amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or changes in circumstances indicate that the carrying amount may not be recoverable. An impairment loss is recognised for the amount by which the asset's carrying amount exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount is the higher of an asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use. For the purposes of assessing impairment, assets are grouped at the lowest levels for which there are separately identifiable cash flows (cash generating units).

Impairment losses are reversed when there is an indication that the impairment loss may no longer exist and there has been a change in the estimate used to determine the recoverable amount.

Trade and other payables

Trade and other payables represent the liability outstanding at the end of the reporting period for goods and services received by the Association during the reporting period, which remain unpaid. The balance is recognised as a current liability with the amounts normally paid within 30 days of recognition of the liability. The carrying amount of trade and other payables is deemed to reflect fair value.

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

Note 3 - Accounting policies (continued)

Income received in advance

Income that is received before the service to which the payment relates has been provided is recorded as a liability until such time as the service has been provided, at which time it is recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

Employee benefits

Short-term employee benefits

Liabilities for wages and salaries, including non-monetary benefits, annual leave and long service leave expected to be settled wholly within 12 months of the reporting date are measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

Long-term employee benefits

The liability for annual leave and long service leave not expected to be settled within 12 months of the reporting date are measured at the present value of expected future payments to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date using the projected unit credit method. Consideration is given to expected future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service. Expected future payments are discounted using market yields at the reporting date on high quality corporate bonds with terms to maturity and currency that match, as closely as possible, the estimated future cash outflows.

Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result, and that outflow can be reliably measured. Provisions recognised represent the best estimate of the amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

	30 June 2024 (9 months) \$	30 Sept 2023 (12 months) \$
Note 4 - Revenue		
Operating revenue		
Competition management income	874,221	772,237
Operations income	839,787	558,995
Participation income	29,076	32,777
Pathways income	420,838	384,618
Other operating revenue	-	7,500
	<u>2,163,922</u>	<u>1,756,127</u>
Other revenue		
Interest income	5,688	4,457
	<u>5,688</u>	<u>4,457</u>
<i>Total revenue</i>	<u>2,169,610</u>	<u>1,760,584</u>
Note 5 - Expenses		
Depreciation		
Property, plant and equipment	9,584	14,822
Right-of-use assets	20,736	27,758
<i>Total depreciation</i>	<u>30,320</u>	<u>42,580</u>
Finance costs - leases	2,376	4,033
Provision for impairment - doubtful debts	5,108	1,451
Note 6 - Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash at bank	460,782	640,760
Cash on deposit	500,000	-
Funds held in trust - Foundation	58,913	57,728
<i>Total cash and cash equivalents</i>	<u>1,019,695</u>	<u>698,488</u>
Note 7 - Trade and other receivables		
Current		
Trade receivables	181,209	36,955
Provision for impairment	(8,473)	(3,365)
Prepayments	8,164	83,757
<i>Total current trade and other receivables</i>	<u>180,900</u>	<u>117,347</u>
Provision for impairment		
Balance at the beginning of the financial year	3,365	1,914
Increase (decrease) in provision	5,108	1,451
Balance at the end of the financial year	<u>8,473</u>	<u>3,365</u>
Note 8 - Inventories		
Stock on hand	6,209	27,237
<i>Total inventories</i>	<u>6,209</u>	<u>27,237</u>

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	Leasehold Improvements \$	Office Equipment \$	Motor Vehicles \$	Baseball Equipment \$	Total \$
Note 9 - Property, plant and equipment					
At 30 September 2023					
Cost or fair value	8,250	67,422	45,454	21,525	142,651
Accumulated depreciation	(8,250)	(43,056)	(43,264)	(19,770)	(114,340)
<i>Net carrying amount</i>	<u>-</u>	<u>24,366</u>	<u>2,190</u>	<u>1,755</u>	<u>28,311</u>
Movements in carrying amounts					
Opening net carrying amount	-	24,366	2,190	1,755	28,311
Additions	29,694	4,132	-	13,870	47,696
Depreciation charge for the year	(1,833)	(6,478)	(410)	(863)	(9,584)
Closing net carrying amount	<u>27,861</u>	<u>22,020</u>	<u>1,780</u>	<u>14,762</u>	<u>66,423</u>
At 30 June 2024					
Cost or fair value	37,944	71,554	45,454	35,395	190,347
Accumulated depreciation	(10,083)	(49,534)	(43,674)	(20,633)	(123,924)
<i>Net carrying amount</i>	<u>27,861</u>	<u>22,020</u>	<u>1,780</u>	<u>14,762</u>	<u>66,423</u>
Note 10 - Right-of-use assets					
Leased premises - at cost					
				185,191	185,191
Accumulated depreciation					
				(131,733)	(110,997)
<i>Total right-of-use assets</i>					
				<u>53,458</u>	<u>74,194</u>
Movements in carrying amounts					
Opening net carrying amount					
				74,194	101,952
Depreciation					
				(20,736)	(27,758)
Closing net carrying amount					
				<u>53,458</u>	<u>74,194</u>
Note 11 - Trade and other payables					
Current					
Trade payables					
				33,725	50,623
Income in advance					
				206,894	161,605
Sponsorship funds					
				57,095	57,095
Other payables					
				121,749	43,312
<i>Total current trade and other payables</i>					
				<u>419,463</u>	<u>312,635</u>
Note 12 - Employee benefits					
Current					
Annual leave					
				55,847	61,447
Long service leave					
				13,426	12,008
<i>Total current employee benefits</i>					
				<u>69,273</u>	<u>73,455</u>
Non - current					
Long service leave					
				6,385	8,913
<i>Total non-current employee benefits</i>					
				<u>6,385</u>	<u>8,913</u>

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	30 June 2024 (9 months) \$	30 Sept 2023 (12 months) \$
Note 13 - Lease liabilities		
<u>Current</u>		
Lease liabilities	29,570	28,776
<i>Total current lease liabilities</i>	<u>29,570</u>	<u>28,776</u>
<u>Non - current</u>		
Lease liabilities	48,981	71,285
<i>Total non-current lease liabilities</i>	<u>48,981</u>	<u>71,285</u>
Movements in carrying amounts		
Opening net carrying amount	100,061	127,877
Repayments	(23,886)	(31,849)
Interest	2,376	4,033
Closing net carrying amount	<u>78,551</u>	<u>100,061</u>
Note 14 - Auditor's remuneration		
Fees paid to StewartBrown, Chartered Accountants (2023: JTP Assurance):		
Audit of the financial report	8,000	12,000
Preparation of the financial report	2,000	-
<i>Total auditor's remuneration</i>	<u>10,000</u>	<u>12,000</u>

Note 15 - Events occurring after balance date

No material events have occurred after the reporting period.

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7 Trade and Other Receivables	2023	2022
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade receivables	36,955	42,384
Allowance for expected credit losses	(3,365)	(1,914)
	<u>33,590</u>	<u>40,470</u>
Accrued revenue	-	22,955
	<u>33,590</u>	<u>63,425</u>
8 Inventories	2023	2022
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
At cost:		
Inventory held for sale	27,237	26,668
	<u>27,237</u>	<u>26,668</u>
9 Other Assets	2023	2022
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Prepayments	83,757	7,855
	<u>83,757</u>	<u>7,855</u>
	2023	2022
	\$	\$
NON-CURRENT		
Foundation, sponsorship and other funds held in trust	57,728	57,105
	<u>57,728</u>	<u>57,105</u>

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10 Plant and Equipment

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
<i>Motor vehicles</i>		
At cost	45,454	45,454
Accumulated depreciation	(43,264)	(42,534)
Total motor vehicles	<u>2,190</u>	<u>2,920</u>
<i>Office equipment</i>		
At cost	42,839	26,814
Accumulated depreciation	(26,622)	(22,992)
Total office equipment	<u>16,217</u>	<u>3,822</u>
<i>Computer equipment</i>		
At cost	24,583	37,647
Accumulated depreciation	(16,433)	(21,795)
Total computer equipment	<u>8,150</u>	<u>15,852</u>
<i>Leasehold Improvements</i>		
At cost	8,250	8,250
Accumulated amortisation	(8,250)	(5,500)
Total leasehold improvements	<u>-</u>	<u>2,750</u>
<i>Baseball equipment</i>		
At cost	21,525	21,525
Accumulated depreciation	(19,770)	(18,825)
Total baseball equipment	<u>1,755</u>	<u>2,700</u>
Total property, plant and equipment	<u><u>28,312</u></u>	<u><u>28,044</u></u>

11 Leases

Association as a lessee

The Association has leases over office space at Melbourne Ballpark for staff. Information relating to the leases associated balances and transactions are provided below.

Terms and conditions of leases

The Association leases buildings for their corporate offices. The lease is for a 3 year period with two extension options.

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11 Leases (continued)

Right-of-use assets

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Balance at beginning of year	101,952	129,732
Depreciation charge	(27,758)	(27,780)
	<u>74,194</u>	<u>101,952</u>

Lease liabilities

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Current	28,776	27,813
Non-current	71,285	100,064
Total lease liabilities	<u>100,061</u>	<u>127,877</u>

Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

The amounts recognised in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income relating to leases where the Association is a lessee are shown below:

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Interest expense on lease liabilities	4,033	4,987
Depreciation of right-of-use assets	27,758	27,780
	<u>31,791</u>	<u>32,767</u>

12 Trade and Other Payables

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade payables	50,623	23,928
Sundry payables and accrued expenses	43,313	99,961
	<u>93,936</u>	<u>123,889</u>

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	2023	2022
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Deferred income	161,605	66,141
	<u>161,605</u>	<u>66,141</u>
NON-CURRENT		
Foundation, sponsorship and other funds held in trust	57,095	57,095
	<u>57,095</u>	<u>57,095</u>

14 Provisions

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Long service leave provision	12,008	10,808
Annual leave provision	61,447	32,499
	<u>73,455</u>	<u>43,307</u>
NON-CURRENT		
Long service leave provision	8,913	5,723
	<u>8,913</u>	<u>5,723</u>

15 Cash Flow Information**(a) Reconciliation of cash**

Cash at the end of the financial year as shown in the statement of cash flows is reconciled to items in the statement of financial position as follows:

	2023	2022
	\$	\$
Cash at bank	211,158	245,843
At call deposits with financial institutions	429,602	426,180
	<u>640,760</u>	<u>672,023</u>

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**BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED
ABN 78 603 120 057****FINANCIAL REPORT - 30 JUNE 2024****STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE**

The Committee Members of Baseball Victoria Incorporated declare that:

- The financial statements, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, and the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, statement of changes in funds and statement of cash flows for the period ended on that date, a summary of accounting policies and other explanatory notes are in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012* and:
 - comply with *Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures* (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*; and
 - give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of the performance for the period ended on that date of the Association.
- In the opinion of the Committee, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Committee.



Andy Rose
President



Gregory Hill
Committee Member

19 September 2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
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Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

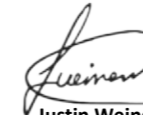
Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at *The Auditing and Assurance Standards Board* and the website address is <http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>.

We communicate with the Committee regarding, among other matters, the planned scope and timing of the audit and significant audit findings, including any significant deficiencies in internal control that we identify during our audit.



StewartBrown
Chartered Accountants



Justin Weiner
Partner

19 September 2024

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF
BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of Baseball Victoria Incorporated which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2024, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in funds and statement of cash flows for the period then ended, notes comprising a summary of accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the Statement by Members of the Committee.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report of Baseball Victoria Incorporated is in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*, including:

- a) giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2024 and of its financial performance for the period then ended, and
- b) complying with *Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibility for the Audit of the Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the auditor independence requirements of the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012* and the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's *APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants* (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We confirm that the independence declaration which has been given to the Committee of the Association, would be in the same terms if given to the Committee as at the time of this auditor's report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

Committees' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The Committee of the Association are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view in accordance with *Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures* and the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012* and for such internal control as the Committee determine is necessary to enable the preparation of a financial report that gives a true and fair view and is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the Committee are responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Committee either intend to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

The Committee are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

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ACCOUNTANT'S DISCLAIMER ON OTHER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

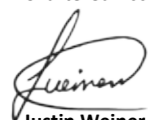
The following additional financial data is in accordance with the books and records of the association which have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in our audit of the financial report of the association for the period ended 30 June 2024.

It will be appreciated that our audit of the financial report did not cover all details of the additional financial data, which does not form part of the financial report. Accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion on such financial data and no warranty of accuracy or reliability is given.

Neither the firm nor any member or employee of the firm undertakes responsibility in any way whatsoever to any person in respect of such data, including any errors or omissions therein however caused.



StewartBrown
Chartered Accountants



Justin Weiner
Partner

19 September 2024

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DETAILED INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT (UNAUDITED)
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024

	30 June 2024 <i>(9 months)</i>	30 Sept 2023 <i>(12 months)</i>
	\$	\$
INCOME		
Competition Management Income		
Little League Championships Income	492,713	449,815
Summer League Income	374,881	308,922
State Winter Chamionships Income	6,627	13,500
<i>Total competition management income</i>	<u>874,221</u>	<u>772,237</u>
Operations Income		
Summer Registration Income	392,960	248,757
Winter Registration Income	189,291	181,496
Sponsorship Income	81,048	73,669
Grants and Funding Income	165,305	47,573
Other Operational Income	11,183	7,500
<i>Total operations income</i>	<u>839,787</u>	<u>558,995</u>
Participation Income		
School Clinics Income	8,120	12,035
Other Participation Income	20,956	20,742
<i>Total participation income</i>	<u>29,076</u>	<u>32,777</u>
Pathways Income		
State Teams Levy Income	293,618	204,084
Performance Pathway Programs Income	89,254	151,532
Holiday Clinics Income	25,827	29,002
Other Games Income	12,139	-
<i>Total pathways income</i>	<u>420,838</u>	<u>384,618</u>
Other Income		
Interest Income	5,688	4,457
Insurance Recoveries	-	7,500
<i>Total other income</i>	<u>5,688</u>	<u>11,957</u>
TOTAL INCOME	<u>2,169,610</u>	<u>1,760,584</u>
EXPENDITURE		
Competition Management Expenses		
Summer League Expenses	(310,044)	(260,416)
Little League Championships Expenses	(475,804)	(435,936)
State Winter Chamionships Expenses	(13,345)	(24,490)
<i>Total competition management expenses</i>	<u>(799,193)</u>	<u>(720,842)</u>
Operations Expenses		
Operations Expenses	(535,262)	(610,937)
<i>Total operations expenses</i>	<u>(535,262)</u>	<u>(610,937)</u>

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**DETAILED INCOME & EXPENDITURE STATEMENT (UNAUDITED)
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2024**

	30 June 2024 <i>(9 months)</i>	30 Sept 2023 <i>(12 months)</i>
	\$	\$
EXPENDITURE (continued)		
Participation Expenses		
School Clinics Expenses	(6,995)	(6,288)
Other Participation Expenses	(18,211)	(40,323)
<i>Total participation expenses</i>	<u>(25,206)</u>	<u>(46,611)</u>
Pathways Expenses		
State Teams Expenses	(258,094)	(193,893)
Performance Pathway Programs Expenses	(29,546)	(56,167)
Pathways Overhead Expenses	(168,256)	(197,492)
Holiday Clinics Expenses	(38,673)	(17,169)
Other Games Expenses	(12,880)	-
<i>Total Pathways expenses</i>	<u>(507,449)</u>	<u>(464,721)</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	<u>(1,867,110)</u>	<u>(1,843,111)</u>
NET SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	<u>302,500</u>	<u>(82,527)</u>

Diamond Partners

In 2022, Baseball Victoria launched the Diamond Partnership Program, aimed at streamlining and strengthening community connections with an opportunity that puts all partners on an even playing field. We appreciate the ongoing support of our Diamond Partners as this program and our grassroots sport continues to grow.

Thank you to the following organisations for teaming up as official partners of baseball in Victoria for 2023-24!





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