

## INSIDE THE BV ZONE

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### Diamond Valley and Latrobe Valley Win Under 15 State Winter Championships

The 2025 Under 15 State Winter Championships wrapped up in Latrobe Valley on Sunday, with Diamond Valley winning Division 1 and Latrobe Valley winning Division 2.

Congrats to the winners and the All-Star sides:

- Division 1: Cooper Bicknell, Longan Chambers and Tom Skinner (Dandenong), Peter Baade and Finn Welte (Diamond Valley), Finn Scargill and George Steer (Geelong), Edison Bush and Lachlan Jeffree (Ringwood)
- Division 2: August Holley, Surar Mittal and Isaac Davis (City West), Zachary Banks and Evan Lindsay (Bendigo), Emily Glass and Joshua Smith (Latrobe Valley), Darcy Saunders and Ethan Saunders (North East)

A huge thank you to Morwell Baseball Club, Moe/Newborough Baseball Club, Latrobe Valley Baseball Association, and Latrobe City for the wonderful hospitality all weekend long. We greatly appreciate the dedicated efforts of all the baseball volunteers who made the tournament run smoothly!

[Check out recaps](#) from the second day and catch up on the first day of Under 15 SWC action [HERE](#).







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### **Bendigo to Host 17 & Under State Winter Championships This Weekend**

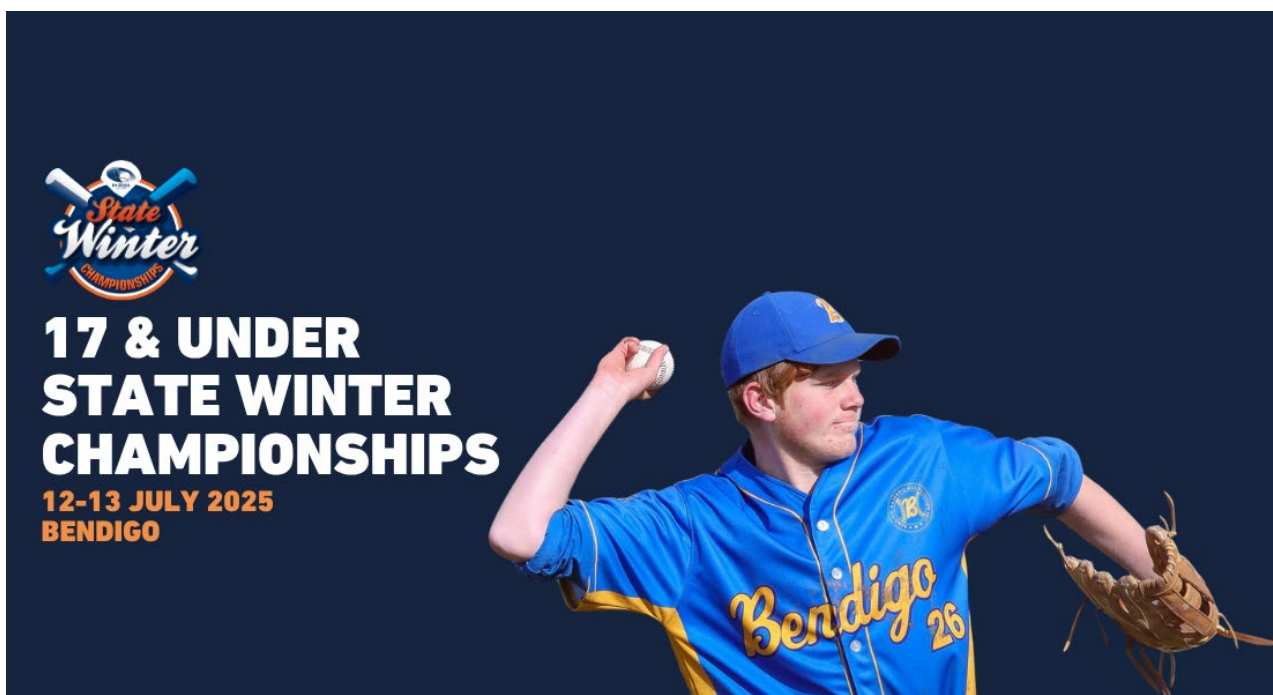
Baseball Victoria's State Winter Championships season continues with the 2025 17 & Under SWC in Bendigo from 12-13 July.

Albert Roy Reserve – home of the Falcons and Scots Baseball Clubs – will host Division 1 games featuring City West, Dandenong, Diamond Valley, Geelong, and Ringwood.

Strathfieldsaye Dodgers Baseball Club will hold the Division 2 games between Bendigo, Latrobe Valley, North East, and Sunraysia. First pitch for both divisions is 9am on Saturday.

"We are excited to return to Bendigo for another awesome weekend of winter baseball fun, continuing our annual SWC tradition," BV Tournament Officer Tony McPherson said. "Thank you to Bendigo Baseball Association, Falcons, Scots, and Dodgers for all the support. Good luck to everyone this weekend!"

You can view the weekend's schedule [HERE](#). Stay tuned to [BV Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Twitter](#) for updates from the tournament.



## 2025 Australian Little League Girls & Little League Invitational

Well done to Belles (Little League Girls) and Twins and Mets (Little League Invitational) on having a blast and playing their hearts out at nationals this week! The tournaments conclude on Saturday 12 July, and we wish them all the best of luck as the on-field fun continues!

Head to [baseball.com.au](http://baseball.com.au) for the latest updates.

## BV Pipeline Holiday Camps – July 2025

Thank you to everyone who joined us for BV Holiday Camps this past week. There are still a few spots for players who want to join in next week's fun - check out our various camps led by Pipeline coaches & guest College/Aces players. Register now via [bvpipeline.com.au](http://bvpipeline.com.au).



# JULY HOLIDAYS 2025



<b>MONDAY 7 JULY</b> <b>FUN SKILLS CAMP</b> 10AM - 1PM @ WAVERLEY BASEBALL CLUB	<b>WEDNESDAY 9 JULY</b> <b>FUN SKILLS CAMP</b> 11AM - 2PM @ SUNSHINE BASEBALL CLUB
<b>THURSDAY 10 JULY</b> <b>FUN SKILLS CAMP</b> 11AM - 2PM @ MOORABBIN BASEBALL CLUB	<b>MONDAY 14 JULY</b> <b>CATCHERS CAMP</b> 11AM - 2PM @ MELBOURNE BALLPARK
<b>TUESDAY 15 JULY</b> <b>FUN SKILLS CAMP</b> 11AM - 2PM @ MOORABBIN BASEBALL CLUB	<b>WEDNESDAY 16 JULY</b> <b>FUN SKILLS CAMP</b> 11AM - 2PM @ SUNSHINE BASEBALL CLUB



\$130 PP  
ALL CAMPS AGES 9-14  
**INFO AND BOOKINGS [BVPIPELINE.COM.AU](http://BVPIPELINE.COM.AU)**

## 2025 Barclay Cup Tryout Registration

Baseball Victoria is pleased to announce the opening of tryout registrations for the 2025 Barclay Cup program. This year's program will include the newly revamped Futures, now specifically aimed at youth women aged 13 to 16.

The Barclay Cup/Youth Women's Futures Development Program goes beyond the existing club programs, offering participants the chance to further develop their core skills.

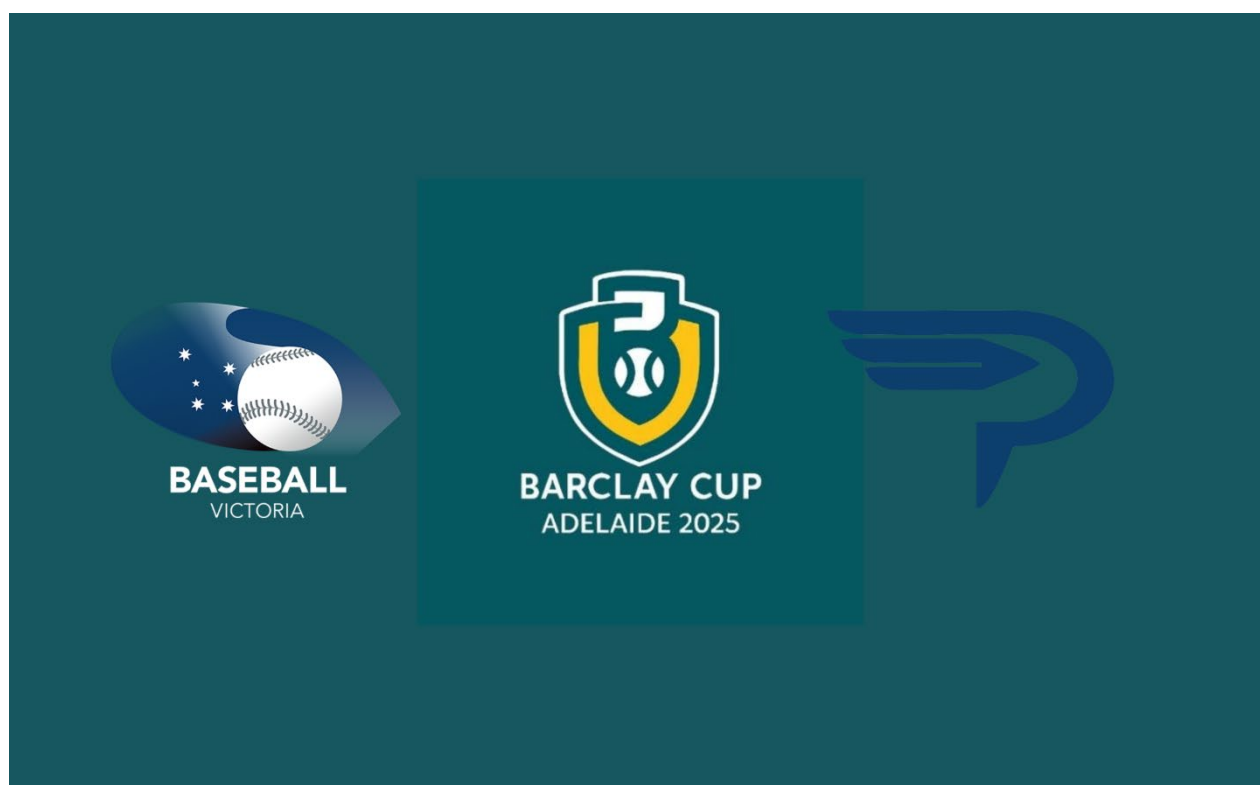
The program will run over a number of weeks under the leadership of Samantha Hamilton, Victorian Women's Head Coach and Australian Emeralds Assistant Coach.

"We are focused on reinforcing key aspects of their game and preparing them to compete at the next level," Hamilton said. "The potential within Victoria's emerging baseball talent is incredibly promising, and we're excited to be a part of their ongoing path to growth and achievement, both within the game and beyond. We're also committed to upskilling the coaches within the Baseball Victoria Coaching Panel, ensuring a holistic approach to player development."

At the end of the program, Baseball Victoria will send two teams to participate in the fourth annual Barclay Cup in South Australia, hosted at Weigall Oval, home of Adelaide Angels Baseball Club, from 28 September to 4 October. The competition features teams from NSW, QLD, VIC, WA, and SA, providing a platform for junior girls to showcase their talent and celebrate the future of women's baseball in Australia.

To be eligible to participate in the Barclay Cup, girls must be between the ages of 13 and 16 by 31 August 2025. The Barclay Cup Program and trials will be conducted and organised by the BV Performance Pathway team, with a tryout taking place on Friday 1 August from 6:00 pm to 8:30 pm at Melbourne Ballpark.

Click [HERE](#) to register.



### **Baseball Victoria 2025 Calendar of Events**

An exciting year of baseball continues with BV Performance Pathway programs, national tournaments, and winter fun [events coming up](#). Check out our full [Calendar of Events](#) and stay tuned for more baseball action.

### **Club News: Little League T-Ball Club Registration**

Baseball Victoria clubs are invited to sign up for the new national Little League T-Ball program, which can be run as a multi-week program or condensed into school holiday sessions.

By signing up, your club gets access to resources developed by Little League International, Baseball Australia and Kiddo. Little League T-Ball is aimed at kids aged 4-8 to help them develop the skills they need in order to play baseball in the future.



The first 50 clubs/organisations who sign up to run this program will receive a \$250 grant from Baseball Australia to help in buying additional equipment. Thank you to all the clubs that have signed up so far!

Scan the QR code for the [Little League T-Ball Sign Up Form](#). Email [competitions@baseballvictoria.com.au](mailto:competitions@baseballvictoria.com.au) with any questions or for more info.

#### **Club News: 2025/26 BV Development Grants**

Baseball Victoria is excited to announce that applications are now open for 2025/26 BV Development Grants. Summer clubs are encouraged to apply for grants to fund baseball development activities aimed at driving junior and female participation and growth within the sport. Please view [program guidelines](#) for more information and the [application link](#). Applications close 31 July.

#### **Club News: Baseball Victoria AGM Save The Date**

The 2025 Baseball Victoria AGM will be held on Wednesday 12 November. Please mark your calendars and note that official correspondence will be sent closer to the meeting date.

### **Club News: Bonbeach Bluejays Coach Expressions of Interest**

Bonbeach Baseball Club is looking for its next head coach for the 2025/26 season. The Bluejays are seeking a dedicated leader to build on last year's success with the Premier League 2 Club Championship and five out of six senior teams playing finals in 2024/25. Click [HERE](#) to learn more or contact President Brendan Wilson via [bonbeachstchads@gmail.com](mailto:bonbeachstchads@gmail.com).

### **Club News: Cheltenham Rustlers Coach Expressions of Interest**

Cheltenham Rustlers Baseball Club is seeking expressions of interest for a women's baseball coach for the 2025/26 VSBL season. The Rustlers are looking for someone who is passionate about empowering female athletes and sharing a love of baseball. Email [cheltenhamrustlersbc@gmail.com](mailto:cheltenhamrustlersbc@gmail.com) to express your interest.

### **Club News: Footscray Senior Coach Expression of Interest**

Footscray Baseball Club seeks a dedicated and knowledgeable senior head coach for the 2025/26 summer season and beyond. The club boasts growing junior, women, and senior programs. The successful applicant will have a vision of growth and development with full committee support. Visit our [club ads page](#) for more details or email applications to [footscraybc1925@gmail.com](mailto:footscraybc1925@gmail.com).

### **Club News: MCC Women's Baseball Coach Expressions of Interest**

Melbourne (MCC Baseball) is looking for a women's baseball coach for the 2025/26 summer season. The ideal candidate will be passionate about empowering female athletes with the drive to inspire, lead, and grow a team within the club. Visit our [club ads page](#) for more details or email Murray Noble at [chairman@mccbaseball.org.au](mailto:chairman@mccbaseball.org.au).

### **Club News: Port Melbourne Head Coach Expressions of Interest**

Port Melbourne Baseball Club is looking for a dedicated and knowledgeable club head coach and women's program coach for the upcoming VSBL season. The Mariners want someone to bring their expertise, knowledge, and enthusiasm to a fast-growing, family-friendly club. See our [club ads page](#) for more info or email [president.portmarinersbc@gmail.com](mailto:president.portmarinersbc@gmail.com).

### **Club News: Sandringham Royals Coach Expressions of Interest**

Sandringham Royals Baseball Club is looking for a Premier 1 Reserves coach for the 2025/26 VSBL season. The ideal candidate will be an enthusiastic and experienced coach eager to develop and foster the young Royals group. Head to our [club ads page](#) for more info or email [secretary@sandybaseball.com.au](mailto:secretary@sandybaseball.com.au).

### **Club News: Wangaratta Rangers 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration**

This year, Wangaratta Rangers Baseball Club celebrate a significant milestone – the Rangers' 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary! The club warmly invites all past and present players, members, volunteers, and supporters to join in the celebration at Targoora Park, 330 Wangaratta-Whitfield Road, Wangaratta on Sunday 27 July 2025 for a day that recognises everyone who has contributed to the club's journey.

Baseball will be on show all day, with Rangers teams facing fellow Rangers:

- **U15s:** 8:30am – 9:50am
- **C Grade:** 10:10am – 11:30am (playing North Albury Bears)
- **U12s:** 10:30am – 11:30am
- **B Grade:** 12:00pm – 2:00pm
- **A Grade:** 2:30pm – 4:30pm

The canteen will be open throughout the day, and from 3:30pm, Griff will serve his renowned American BBQ feast (\$20 per person for those dining). Formal proceedings, including reflections on 25 years and the announcement of Quarter-of-a-Century All Stars, will follow the final out of the A Grade game. To assist with catering, please click [HERE](#) to RSVP.



### **Club News: Club Umpire Coordinator & Behind the Mask Umpire Nominations**

Baseball Victoria is requesting each club to nominate a Club Umpire Coordinator for the upcoming 2025/26 VSBL season. This individual will work in collaboration with the Baseball Victoria Umpire Recruitment and Retention Officer and the BV Umpiring Working Group.

Their role will be pivotal in:

- Promoting umpiring opportunities within the club
- Supporting the development of new and existing umpires
- Facilitating education and training initiatives
- Contributing to the overall growth of the umpiring community at the grassroots level

Please click [HERE](#) to submit your nominations.

### **Club News: BV Club Assist Resources for Volunteers**

As the [winter season](#) continues, we encourage club members to check out the recently updated [BV Club Assist](#), an online suite of club resources designed to help volunteers, support members, and enhance club operations and experiences.

There are three main sections: [Running a Club](#), [Competition](#), and [Growing a Club](#), and this comprehensive suite of resources (policies, templates, how-to guides, etc.) will be expanded as time goes on.

Head to [www.baseballvictoria.com.au/bv-club-assist](http://www.baseballvictoria.com.au/bv-club-assist) to get started.



### **Club News: WWCC and Child Protection/Sports Integrity**

If you have children at your club, whether it be for junior competitions or family events, please keep in mind the updated [Working with Children Check](#) and Child Protection/Sports Integrity guidelines.

All club volunteers, including committee members, coaches, umpires, scorers, groundskeepers, and canteen staff, must have a valid WWCC with a list regularly maintained by the club. We ask that all club committee members also complete the [11 Child Safe Sport Modules](#).

### **Club News: BV Codes of Conduct & Behaviour Expectations**

As a reminder to all clubs and members, Baseball Victoria membership requires you to adhere to BV Codes of Conduct regarding respectful behaviour.

It's paramount that all players, coaches, officials, volunteers, spectators and clubs follow these expectations to ensure safe and enjoyable experiences for all.

Please review the [Codes of Conduct on our website](#) and contact the BV Office with any questions.

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

Stay on top of your baseball training with [BV TV](#) videos, including [Ramp Up to Play](#) and [Top Throwing Drills](#). Follow us on [Instagram](#) and [TikTok](#) for more fun drills and behind the scenes.

### **Baseball Victoria and Salesian College Sports Academy Team Up**

Baseball Victoria is pleased to partner with Salesian College Sports Academy in Chadstone, which plans to introduce a baseball program in 2026, subject to student enrolments.

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

Learn more about [Salesian College Sports Academy](#) and click [HERE](#) to book a tour. Families interested in enrolling or who have already done so are encouraged to contact Sports Academy Coordinator Stephen Sellwood at [ssellwood@salesian.vic.edu.au](mailto:ssellwood@salesian.vic.edu.au) to ensure they also complete a Sports Academy application.

### Baseball Victoria War Service Honour Rolls

Baseball Victoria is committed to creating and maintaining an honour roll of baseball players who have served in war and peacekeeping missions since 1915. It is difficult to imagine a modern-day player's career being interrupted so dramatically, and we will be forever grateful for their service and sacrifices in our Australian armed services. Visit [our website](#) for more info.

### Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Teams Program

We are proud to be part of the Australian Red Cross Lifeblood program, helping to save lives with blood and plasma donations. You can learn more about Lifeblood and join the BV Team [HERE](#).

### The BV Team

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