



ANNUAL REPORT 2024/2025

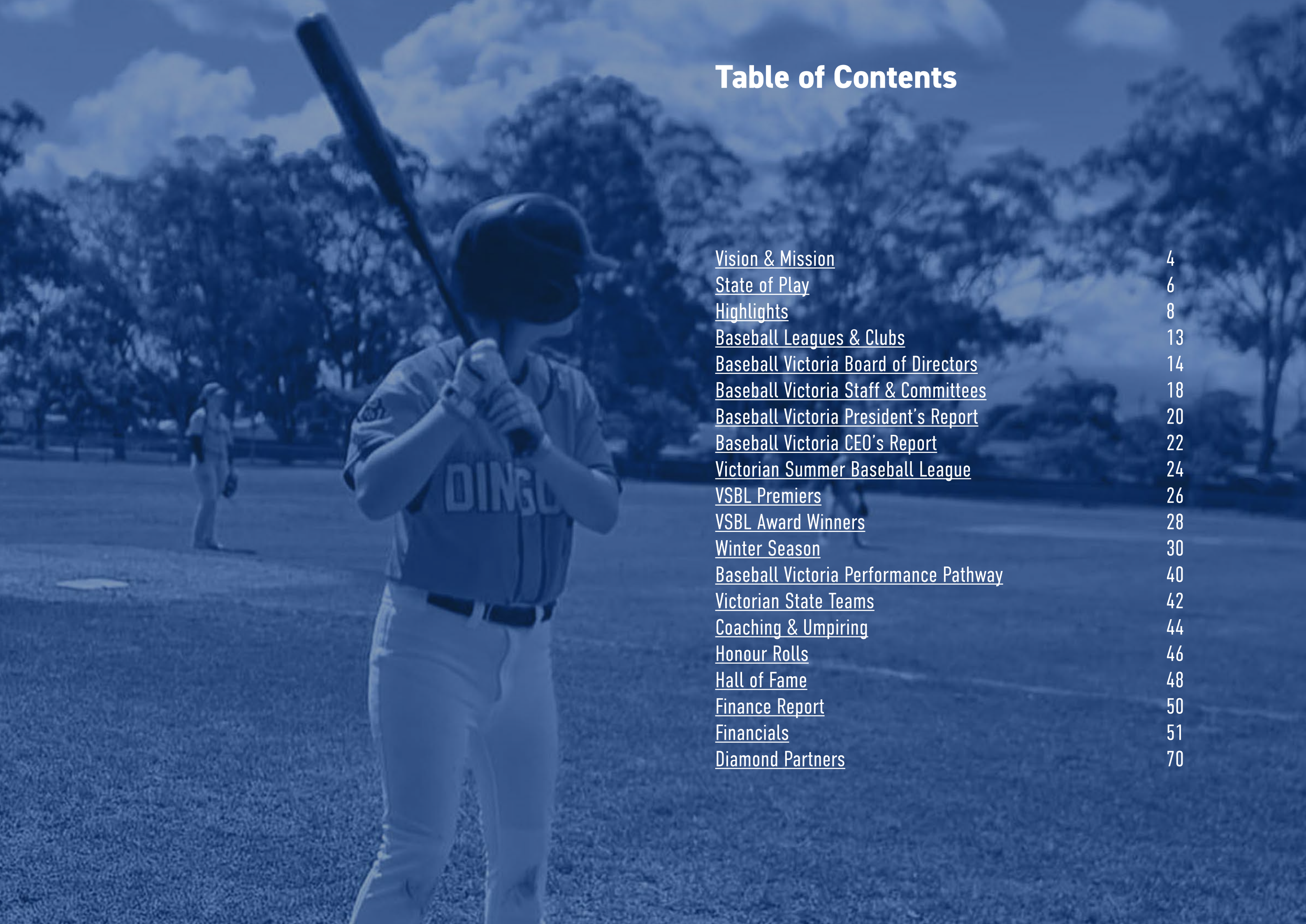


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Vision & Mission

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

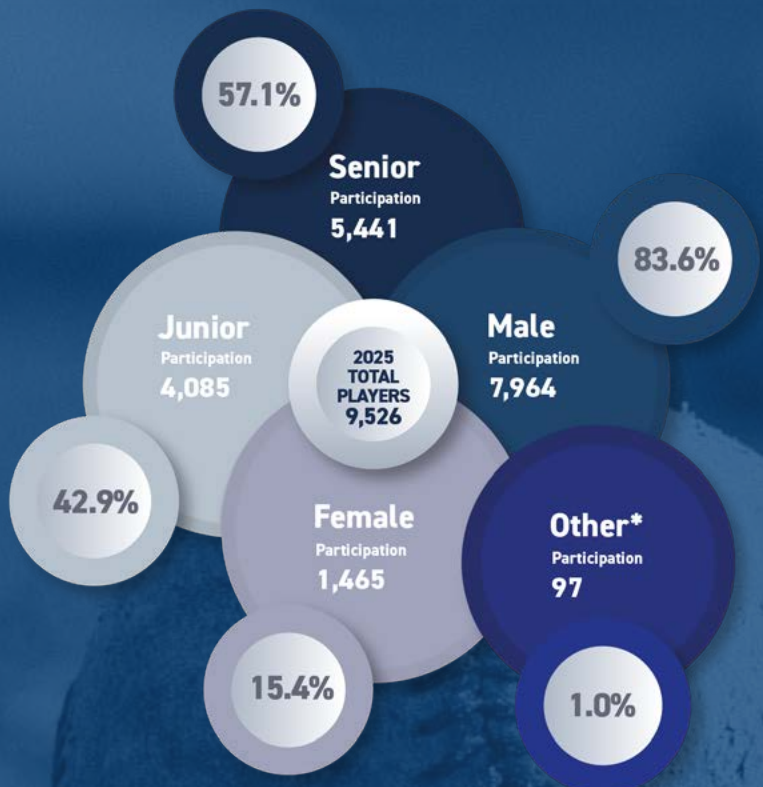
Providing a cooperative network and advocacy service to build a united voice for the community of sport.

ACCESS

Offering safe, equitable and welcoming environments.

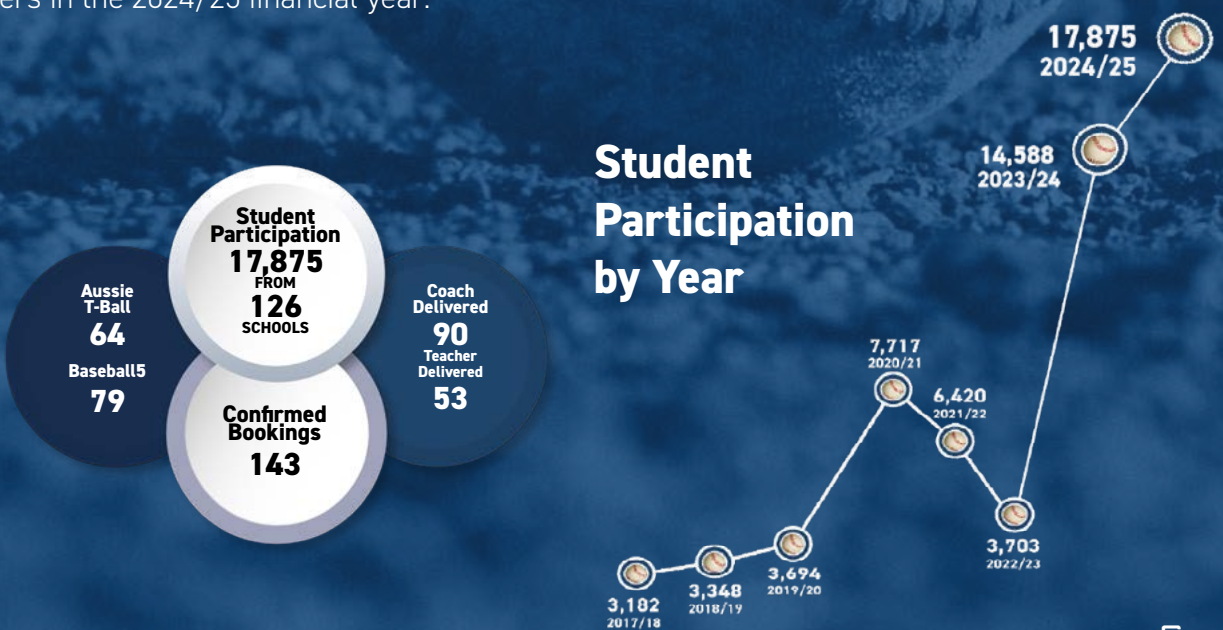
State of Play

Participation numbers in the 2024/25 financial year are based on the 12 months from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025. We recorded a slight increase in total registered players across summer and winter, continuing the upward trend of grassroots baseball participation. The below registration figures are based on BV capitation fee numbers.

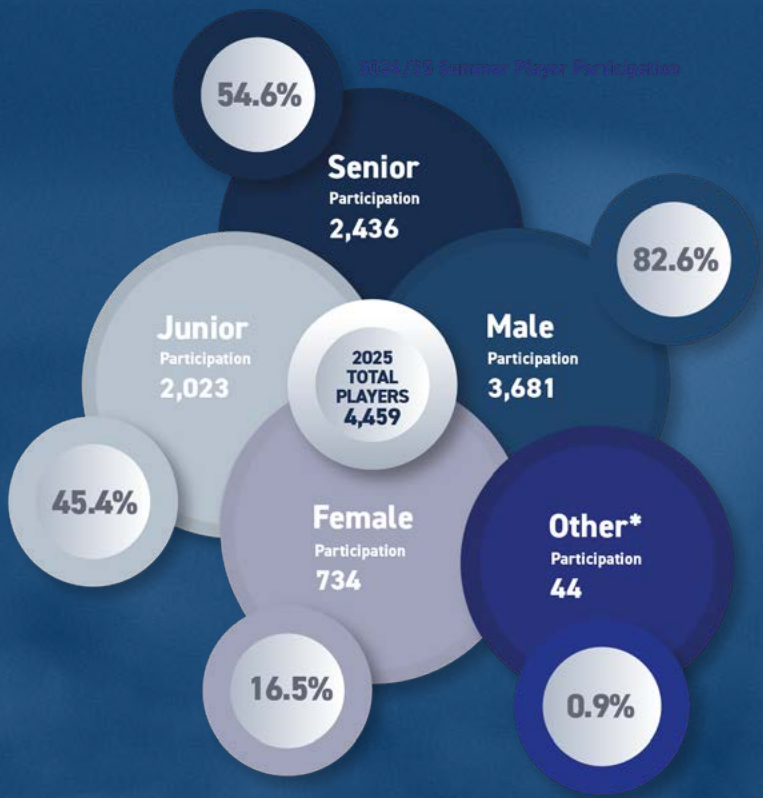


Sporting Schools

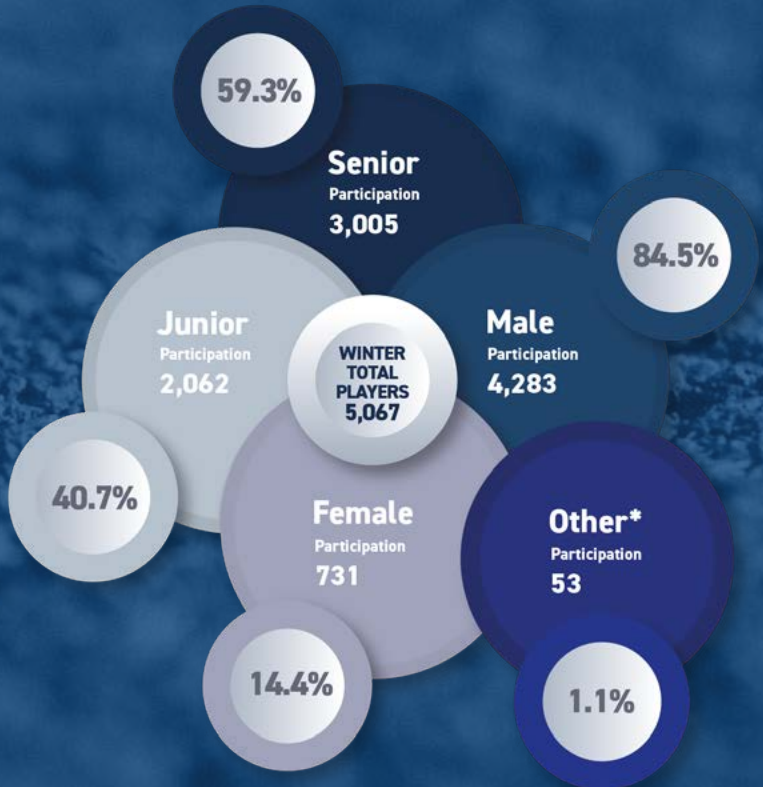
Baseball Victoria participates in Sporting Schools, a \$200 million Australian Government initiative designed to help schools increase children's participation in sport and connect them with community sporting opportunities. These numbers reflect our Sporting Schools participation numbers in the 2024/25 financial year.



2024/25 Summer Season



2025 Winter Season



*Gender identity includes non-binary, gender-fluid, and prefer not to say

State of the Game: Highlights From a Big Year of Baseball

This annual report covers 12 months from 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2025. There were plenty of highlights across baseball in Victoria, from grassroots competitions to representative opportunities.

Thanks to the efforts of our dedicated Victorian baseball community, we continue to grow the game with a bright future ahead.

Let's take a look back on some of the most memorable moments throughout the year.

July 2024

- At the State Winter Championships, the following winners were crowned: U18 - Latrobe Valley, U16 Division 1 - Diamond Valley, U16 Division 2 - Latrobe Valley, U12 Division 1 - Geelong, U12 Division 2 - North Eastern
- At the All-Girls Winter Invitational in Bendigo, North Eastern won 16U and BV Braves won the 13U competition
- Victorians headed to the USA for the 2024 Perfect Game 14U Wood Bat Tournament with the Mighty Termites team: Harrison Brodie, Euan Clarkin, William Ferguson, Parks Halasz, Thomas Hill, Chase Potts, Ned Richards, Sam Stafilis, Brody Stokes, Jack Thomas, and Ben Laux (coach)
- Victoria held tryouts for the open-age Team Australia Baseball5 Team ahead of the 2024 World Cup

August 2024

- Youth Women's Prospects/Barclay Cup Pathway program training at Melbourne Ballpark offered a new opportunity for young female athletes
- Point Cook Baseball & Softball Club was approved as a summer club, joining the 2024/25 VSBL after an inaugural winter season
- Blake Townsend signed a minor league deal with the Pittsburgh Pirates after spending the last five seasons with the Mariners, reaching as high as Triple-A

September 2024

- Vic Dingoes and Hornets enjoyed a fun-filled week in Sydney at the 2024 Barclay Cup national junior girls tournament
- BV Pipeline 2Ball and Spring Training Camps were a big hit, fostering fun, development and performance
- The 2024 BV Umpire Seminar took place at Knox Baseball Club on 21-22 September, with over 60 umpires attending Community, Association, and State Umpiring courses
- Victorians Conor Myles, Ben Fierenzi, Zak Skinner, Chris Burke, and Damian Shanahan (assistant coach) were part of Australian Under 23 World Cup campaign (4-4 record, finished ninth)
- The Under 16 National Squad visited the USA for Perfect Game World Series, including Jake Bertucci, Windsor Breckenridge, Cooper Busch, Roman Coote, Jordan Ellis, Brandon Elton, Mitchell Langworthy, Riley Peoples, and Liam Puncher, plus coaches Scott Meager, Donavon Hendricks, and EO Val Langworthy

October 2024

- VSBL season kicked off with Player of The Week Awards for the second year
- Jack Ratcliffe and Ryder Wilson wrapped up their College Showcase Tour in Arizona with the MLB World Select Team
- U16 & U18 Victorian State Teams announced for #AYC2025
- Five new Baseball Victoria Life Members confirmed at 2024 AGM: Jon Deeble, Phil Dale, Garry Bitmead, Stephen Black, and Alan Sutherland
- Team Australia competed at the 2024 Baseball5 World Cup in Hong Kong with Victorians Jamie Bastian, Allie Bebbere, Ebony Sutherland, and Amelia Wright
- U18 National Squad trip to USA featured Nathan Rumbelow, Aimon Dowling, Addison Bishop-Worn, Will Kent, Andrew Land, Tane Graham, Ryder Wilson, Ty Daniels, Ben Howard, and Jack Ratcliffe, plus coaches Keli'i Zablan, Daniel Chircop, and Damian Shanahan
- Baseball Victoria farewelled Allie Bebbere, welcomed Jess Alvaro as Operations & Competitions Officer

November 2024

- Pipeline 2Ball + Coach Education launched, offering an opportunity for junior skills sessions with coach development
- BV All-Stars took a quick break from VSBL competition to play a practice match with Melbourne Aces at the ballpark, continuing a new tradition
- Victorians Liam Spence, Jarryd Dale, Darryl George, Jon Kennedy, Dan McGrath, Lewis Thorpe, and Blake Townsend played for Australia at the WBSC Premier12 tournament, alongside coaches Damian Shanahan and Graeme Lloyd
- Port Melbourne Baseball Club marked a big moment in its 96-year history: the first home night game under new lights on the upgraded field

December 2024

- Harvey Ninnis, Audrey Cheung, and Phil Toye helped Australia qualify for U12 World Cup at Oceania tournament
- Riley Peoples, Jordan Ellis, and Andrew Land wore green and gold for the successful U18 World Cup Qualifier
- Baseball Victoria held a special night at the Aces game, recognising new life members and two award winners (William Bruce Trophy - Jack Ratcliffe of Upwey FTG and Ernie Jones Scholarship - Emily Mills of Research)
- U16 and U18 Victorian State Teams received their caps for the AYC in front of a ballpark crowd

January 2025

- U16 Victorian State Team won silver at 2025 Australian Youth Championships, while 10 Victorian friendship players joined forces with QLD on the U16 Roos team
- 17-year-old Victorian pitcher Robinson Smith from Sandringham signed a six-year deal with the Pittsburgh Pirates
- Victorian Women's and Youth Women's State Teams announced for #AWC2025
- Hitting, Catchers, and Skills Camps were popular with juniors over the holidays, led by Pipeline coaches and guest Melbourne Aces players
- U12 and U14 Futures Tryouts saw the biggest turnout yet as BV Performance Pathway continued to grow
- Second half of the VSBL season got underway with teams racing toward finals

State of the Game cont.

February 2025

- Mitch Edwards, Liam Spence, Chris Burke, Matthew Beattie, Jon Kennedy, Blake Townsend, and Dan McGrath played for Team Australia in Hanwha Eagles series at Melbourne Ballpark
- Big turnout for Belles baseball tryouts ahead of the 2025 State Championships and Australian Little League Girls Division Championships
- Record number of Australians enrolled in NCAA Division I baseball programs, including Victorians Ben Fierenzi, Ryan Morrison, Conor Myles, Harun Pelja, Zak Skinner, Keenan Spence, Jarryd Wood, and Mason Wray

March 2025

- Women's Super Saturday was a big success at Melbourne Ballpark with six grand finals as Newport won the Women's Premier League flag
- VSBL season wrapped up with thrilling grand finals, including Sunshine's Premier League 1 flag, breaking a 37-year drought between top flight premierships
- Victorian baseball community celebrated International Women's Day as women's baseball continues to grow
- Roman Coote, Will Hardy, Will Kent, and Devin Leahy made the list for the 2025 Under 18 National Team Selection Camp
- BV Performance Pathway Futures enjoy annual tournament with 96 players from six squads taking part in 24 games and hitting testing across two days
- VSBL season award winners announced as Sunshine's Stuart Clayton won Coach of the Year and Port Melbourne's Daniella Garofolo won Volunteer of the Year

April 2025

- Victorian Women's State Team won silver at the 2025 Australian Women's Championship at Melbourne Ballpark, while youth women finished fifth
- In a historic first, the 2025 Australian Women's and Youth Women's Championships featured an all-female panel including Victorian umpires Janine Thompson and Jenelle Staflis
- Athletics won the 2025 Junior & Senior League State Championships at Geelong Baseball Centre
- Twins won Little League Major and Athletics won Intermediate League at Knox Baseball Club, which hosted 55 games over three days

May 2025

- Baseball Victoria hosted first-ever Hall of Fame Evening at Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park with 28 inaugural inductees
- BV and Total Teams partnership launched the Wellbeing and Safeguarding Project: Building Safe & Well Baseball Clubs for the winter season
- BV announced a new 1-year partnership with School Sport Victoria to deliver the SSV Interschool Sport Baseball Competition and TeamVic opportunities
- Rangers and Mets represented Victoria on the national stage during the 2025 Australian Senior League Championship in Geelong

June 2025

- Little League Nationals featured Mets and Athletics Junior League, Athletics and Mariners Intermediate League, Rangers and Twins Little League
- Geelong hosted the Aces Sporting Club Senior and Senior Women's State Winter Championships and the BV All-Girls Winter Invitational
- Baseball Victoria launched sign-ups for the new national Little League T-Ball program
- Gen Beacom committed to Oregon State's softball program - the Sandringham Royals and BV Performance Pathway alum was named an all-conference all-star after playing a season of softball at East Central College



A blue-tinted photograph of several baseball players in white uniforms with dark accents, celebrating on a field. They are huddled together, with some players' arms around each other. The background shows a baseball field with a fence and trees in the distance.

Baseball Leagues and Clubs

BV Summer League

Alfredton*
Ballarat*
Berwick City*
Blackburn*
Bonbeach St Chads*
Chelsea*
Cheltenham*
Diamond Creek*
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*
Point Cook*
Port Melbourne*
Preston*
Research*
Sandringham*
South East Warriors*
Springvale*
St Kilda*
Sunshine*
Upwey Ferntree Gully*
Waverley*
Werribee*
Williamstown*

Bendigo Baseball Association*

Bendigo East
Central Vic*
Falcons
Scots
Strathfieldsaye

Dandenong Baseball Association*

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

Geelong Baseball Association*

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

Latrobe Valley Baseball Association*

Churchill
Moe/Newborough
Morwell
Sale
Traralgon

Melbourne Winter Baseball League*

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

North Eastern Baseball Association*

Albury
Benalla
Porepunkah
Wangaratta
Wodonga

Sunraysia Baseball League*

Eagles
Hawks
Mallee*
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.

JENNIFER PITSON Vice President, Director

Jennifer joins Baseball Victoria with over 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 at RMIT; researching active ageing through sport. Jennifer is currently the Chief Operating Officer at Table Tennis Victoria, having previously served as General Manager, AFL Masters Victorian Metropolitan Football League and General Manager - Commercial & Development at Motorsport Australia. All roles required the development and implementation of 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 to grow, providing a safe and inclusive sport for all ages.

GREG HILL Finance Director

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.

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

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

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.

GEOFF BOYES Director

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.

Baseball Victoria Directors (cont.)

KERRY GASSNER
Director (Commenced March 2025)

Kerry Gassner is an accomplished senior leader with extensive experience in leading high-profile sporting and entertainment events, venues, and operations both domestically and internationally. Kerry currently serves as Venue Manager at John Cain Arena as part of the Melbourne Olympic Parks Precinct, where he leads the operational, financial, and strategic direction of the venue. With a Master of Business Administration (Sports Management) and experience in corporate governance and financial oversight, Kerry is eager to contribute to the Board's decision-making and strategic planning. He has a deep commitment to the baseball community and has served on the Baseball Victoria Pennant Committee and Transition Working Group.

BEN STEWART
Director (Commenced March 2025)

Ben Stewart has a strong background in the private sector, public service and baseball, and recognises the value of community and elite sports and the difference sport can make to young Victorians, families and communities. Ben is a dynamic leader in public and private organisations with extensive experience building effective and cohesive teams, setting strategic vision, engaging with stakeholders, and executing large and complex transactions. His professional experience includes senior management roles at Australia and New Zealand Banking Group Limited, Rearden Capital, the Department of Treasury and Finance, and the Department of Jobs, Precincts and Regions / Jobs, Skills, Industry and Regions. Ben is passionate about baseball, having played for over 45 years and coached junior and senior teams.

RESIGNED DIRECTORS

BRETT MITSCH
Director (Resigned December 2024)

Brett is an experienced senior banking executive and current managing Director of Steam Plains Capital. 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.

GRANT WEIR
Vice President, Game Development and High Performance, Finance and Nominations Committee (Resigned February 2025)

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.



Baseball Victoria Staff & Committees

CEO
FINANCIAL CONTROLLER
OPERATIONS & COMPETITIONS OFFICER

COMMUNICATIONS & DIGITAL MEDIA OFFICER
ADMINISTRATION OFFICER
TECHNICAL OFFICER
TOURNAMENT OFFICER/LL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR
MEMBERSHIP OFFICER
PERFORMANCE PATHWAY COORDINATOR
EVENT SUPPORT OFFICER
HIGH PERFORMANCE OFFICER
PLAYER & COACHING PATHWAYS OFFICER
DEVELOPMENT OFFICER
PATHWAYS/MSA COACH
PERFORMANCE PATHWAY COACH

Chet Gray
Audrina Ning
Allie Bebbere - resigned October 2024
Jessica Alvaro - started October 2024
Rachael Bouley
Michelle Coote
Brooke Penfold
Tony McPherson

Shannen Jones - started June 2025
David Nagy - through December 2024
David Nagy - started January 2025
Damian Shanahan
Keli'i Zablan
Ethan Epifanio
Daniel Chircop
Samantha Hamilton

BV DISTRICT CHARTER COMMITTEE
Tony McPherson - LLDA
Louise Godden - Athletics
Carla Jamieson - Mariners
Kirsty Fairservice - Twins
Tania Lindsay - Mets
Angela Potts - Rangers

VSBL PENNANT COMMITTEE
Kerry Gassner - Chair
Micheal Nakamura
Mark Gooding
Siobhan Stephenson
Jon Kennedy

BV JUNIOR COMMITTEE WORKING GROUP
Micheal Nakamura (Chair)
Peter Breckenridge
Carla Jamieson
Grove Galligan
Tanneale Marshall
Adrian Baillargeon

WOMEN'S PATHWAY WORKING GROUP
Ros Gowty (Chair)
Samantha Hamilton - HP Representative
Abbey McLellan
Michael Wearne
Siobhan Stephenson - Pennant Committee Representative

UMPIRING WORKING GROUP
State Umpire – Operations: David Welsh
State Umpire – Technical: Denis Dalzotto
State Umpire – Development: Geoff Dunn
State Umpire – Communications: Alan Sutherland
Brooke Penfold - Technical Officer (BV Staff)

BASEBALL AND SOFTBALL STATE CENTRE COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT
Chet Gray - Baseball Victoria Representative

FINANCE & AUDIT SUB COMMITTEE
Greg Hill - Board Representative
Grant Weir - Board Representative - resigned February 2025
Audrina Ning - Staff Representative

NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE
Board Representatives
Grant Weir - resigned February 2025
Jennifer Pitson
Andy Rose
Kathy Tessier - started March 2025
Anna Blackett - started March 2025

TRIBUNAL
Leah Trebilcock
Christian Von Tunk
Robert Rex Mathieson
Tony McPherson

HISTORY AND RECOGNITION WORKING GROUP
Matt Nichol
Amy McCann
Stuart McGovern
Peter Dihm
John Ferguson
Jason Blair - Life Member

WINTER COMMITTEE
Tony McPherson - BV Representative
Natalie Kilby - MWBL President
Jake Grigorescu - DBA President
Sam Gillett - LVBA Secretary
Dale Lewis - Community Representative

BASEBALL VICTORIA PRESIDENT’S REPORT

Andy Rose

It's an exciting time to be involved in Victorian baseball, and such an honour to continue serving as President of Baseball Victoria. As always, thank you to our members for allowing me this opportunity. The BV Board and Office remain committed to building a bigger, brighter future for baseball across Victoria, and our strategic direction and operational priorities reflect our dream of growing the game.

Our Victorian baseball community is the backbone of our sport, and it's incredible to see all the inspiring contributions from players, coaches, umpires, scorers, groundskeepers, volunteers, and supporters. Together, we are driving change from the grassroots level up - thank you to each and every one of our members for making baseball such a great sport to be part of.

During the 2024/25 financial year, we were pleased to see an increase in participation numbers. There were more VSBL teams as the summer clubs embraced the restructured competition to allow for more senior games on Saturday and junior games on Sunday mornings. We also continue to see a small yet steady rise in winter participation numbers, a testament to association and club initiatives to make local baseball clubs inclusive and welcoming to all. From recognition days to anniversary celebrations and major milestones, it's great to see clubs and the wider Victorian baseball community coming together year-round.

It was another year of successful state events and national tournaments, where our players and officials gained valuable experience and made lifelong memories. We especially enjoyed the Barclay Cup, Australian Youth Championships, Australian Women's and Youth Women's Championships, Little League Nationals, and the U23 World Cup. A special congratulations to our U16 State Team and Women's State Team on winning silver medals on the national stage.

We also wish to acknowledge our Little League teams who qualified and went on to nationals in the various age divisions:

- Senior League - Rangers and Mets
- Junior League - Mets and Athletics
- Intermediate League - Athletics and Mariners
- Little League - Rangers and Twins
- Little League Invitational - Twins and Mets
- Little League Girls - Belles

From grand finals to state tournaments, holiday camps to pathway programs, there is so much for our Victorian baseballers to take part in and be proud of. We are dedicated to increasing playing opportunities and official training/accreditation for coaches, umpires and scorers. Additionally, we are pleased to welcome more clubs as members of Baseball Victoria, with five new member clubs over the past two years. We have taken strides forward recently, and we have a strong foundation to build on as we aim to take grassroots baseball to new heights.

I would like to thank BV CEO Chet Gray for his enthusiasm, dedication and leadership. In the three years since he took the job, he has implemented many positive changes and overcome challenges to benefit the Victorian baseball community. Chet and his team demonstrate a strong commitment to delivering the 2023-2026 Baseball Victoria Strategic Plan through increased participation and engagement initiatives, new programs for women and girls, enhanced training and accreditation programs and much more. It's incredible to see their hard work come to life.

Thank you to the BV staff for their ongoing contributions: Jess Alvaro, Audrina Ning, Rachael Bouley, Michelle Coote, Shannen Jones, Brooke Penfold, Tony McPherson, David Nagy, Damian Shanahan, Keli'i Zablan, and Ethan Epifanio. Thank you also to BV Performance Pathway coaches Daniel Chircop and Samantha Hamilton, who provide excellent leadership on the field. We also acknowledge Allie Bebbere, who departed the organisation in October 2024 and continues to shine in her on-field endeavours. In the next financial year, the new BV office structure will welcome two new leaders: Scott McNaughton (General Manager, Operations) and Micheal Nakamura (Head of Baseball Performance).

Thank you to the BV Board of Directors for their ongoing commitment to overseeing the governance and strategic direction of Baseball Victoria: Jennifer Pitson, Greg Hill, Kathy Tessier, Anna Blackett, Jessica Toop, Geoff Boyes, Kerry Gassner, and Ben Stewart. Thank you to Grant Weir and Brett Mitsch for all their contributions, as they stepped down from their director roles this past year.

Once again, a massive thank you to our amazing Victorian baseball community for all the support, as baseball brings people of all ages, backgrounds and skill levels together. We are excited to see what comes next for baseball in Victoria.



Andy Rose
President
Baseball Victoria

BASEBALL VICTORIA CEO'S REPORT

Chet Gray

With another big year of baseball in the books, we look back on the past 12 months with great pride on what we have achieved, and look forward to a bigger, brighter future for Victorian baseball.

First and foremost, thank you to all our members for making this such a fantastic year of baseball. It's an honour to be involved in this great game as our Victorian baseball community takes strides to showcase, embrace and elevate grassroots sport. Volunteers are the lifeblood of our sport, and we are so proud of our clubs for their continued efforts to make baseball the best it can be.

Our team has been hard at work fulfilling the operational goals and strategic objectives set out in the 2023-2026 Baseball Victoria Strategic Plan. This year, we implemented additional initiatives to support our vision: baseball at its best and our mission: for all people to experience the joy of baseball in Victoria.

The 2024/25 VSBL season was a big hit with our new and improved structure, allowing for more junior games and growth in the senior competition, too. We have seen continued growth year on year in team numbers, allowing us to meet national participation targets as set by Baseball Australia. We are proud to be leading the country in women's participation growth as our Women's Pathway Working Group identifies and works towards key objectives to strengthen the game for women and girls.

We greatly appreciate the ongoing efforts of our summer clubs and volunteers to make the most of the competition restructure, embracing the set days of plays and working together to overcome the challenges facing community sports clubs. We were thrilled to see all their hard work culminate in a successful summer season, which wrapped up with action-packed finals all around the grounds, including Melbourne Ballpark where games were streamed via My Sport Live through our ongoing partnership.

Once the summer wrapped up, we were into Little League State Championships and the Australian Women's and Youth Women's Championships. It was a busy month of baseball with hundreds of Victorians taking to the field to represent, and we loved seeing so many smiling faces giving the game their all. Our Victorian Women's State Team won silver on the national stage to wrap up a strong campaign. Earlier in the year, our U16 State Team also brought home silver from the Australian Youth Championships.

As the winter season got underway in April and May, we launched our Wellbeing and Safeguarding Project: Building Safe & Well Baseball Clubs in partnership with Total Teams. Supported through Victorian Government Together More Active funding, this project invited winter associations and clubs to get involved. Clubs nominated their Wellbeing and Safeguarding Leads, identifying leaders who will be responsible for championing a safe, supportive, and inclusive club environment, prioritising both child and adult safeguarding. This project was a big success and we look forward to extending it to summer clubs in the upcoming season.

Baseball Victoria has expanded our efforts to obtain more project funding in recent years, and it's been wonderful to receive the support of government grants for projects to boost female participation, child safety, wellbeing, and volunteer retention. Rest assured, we are committed to supporting and growing the game in all areas, and we have a dedicated team bringing different projects and initiatives to life.

We are very proud of the continued growth in the BV Performance Pathway, with more Futures hitting the field for our U12 and U14 program, and a strong group of Prospect and Select players training hard for the next step in their baseball journey. This year, we expanded the Women's Pathway Program under the guidance of our enthusiastic coaches. In addition to the Performance Pathway, BV Pipeline Holiday Camps and 2Ball offered more opportunities for players to develop their skills and gain more confidence on the field.

Off the field, the inaugural Baseball Victoria Hall of Fame evening in May was a huge success. It was an honour and a privilege to recognise all the inductees who have achieved incredible success across grassroots, state, national, and international baseball. We loved seeing family, friends, fellow club members, and teammates come together to acknowledge the dedication of standout players, managers, administrators, umpires, and scorers. We look forward to continuing our Hall of Fame celebrations in the years to come.

From the Belles, Barclay Cup, and All-Girls Winter Invitational to the Australian Youth Championships and Team Australia squads, there are so many incredible opportunities for our young baseballers. We are excited to see what the future holds for the next generation of Victorian baseball stars. It's a privilege to see players of all ages embrace our great game and the many places it can take them.

One of our top goals remains growing grassroots baseball. The Club Hub Program, BV Development Grants, and Little League T-Ball are all part of our efforts to support clubs, offer new opportunities, and expand outreach. We are particularly proud of the enhanced communication and collaboration among clubs through their hubs, as well as the targeted efforts of our committees and working groups. A special thank you to the BV Pennant Committee, Junior Committee, Umpiring Working Group, Women's Pathway Working Group, and History and Recognition Working Group.

Looking ahead to the future, we have our sights set on continued growth in player, coach, umpire, scorer, and volunteer numbers. Streamlined official training and accreditation, with the addition of customised club resources, will make it easier for Victorians to get involved and stay involved in our wonderful game. We will continue to work with our summer and winter clubs and associations to enhance competitions and events to keep people of all ages active and engaged in community sport.

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, Online Strength Coaching, HRplus, CMD Sports, and EcoGroup.

Once again, 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 contributions.

I am incredibly grateful to the BV Office team for going above and beyond to oversee our operations, support our stakeholders, and grow the game. We are a small yet growing team with a shared vision and it's an honour to work alongside them all. We are committed to providing a high level of service to ensure a positive and enjoyable experience for everyone in baseball.

Lastly, I would like to extend my thanks to the BV Board of Directors for their ongoing support. It's a pleasure to work together and I look forward to another year supporting and growing baseball in Victoria. The future looks bright, and we can't wait to see where baseball can go from here.



Chet Gray

CEO

Baseball Victoria

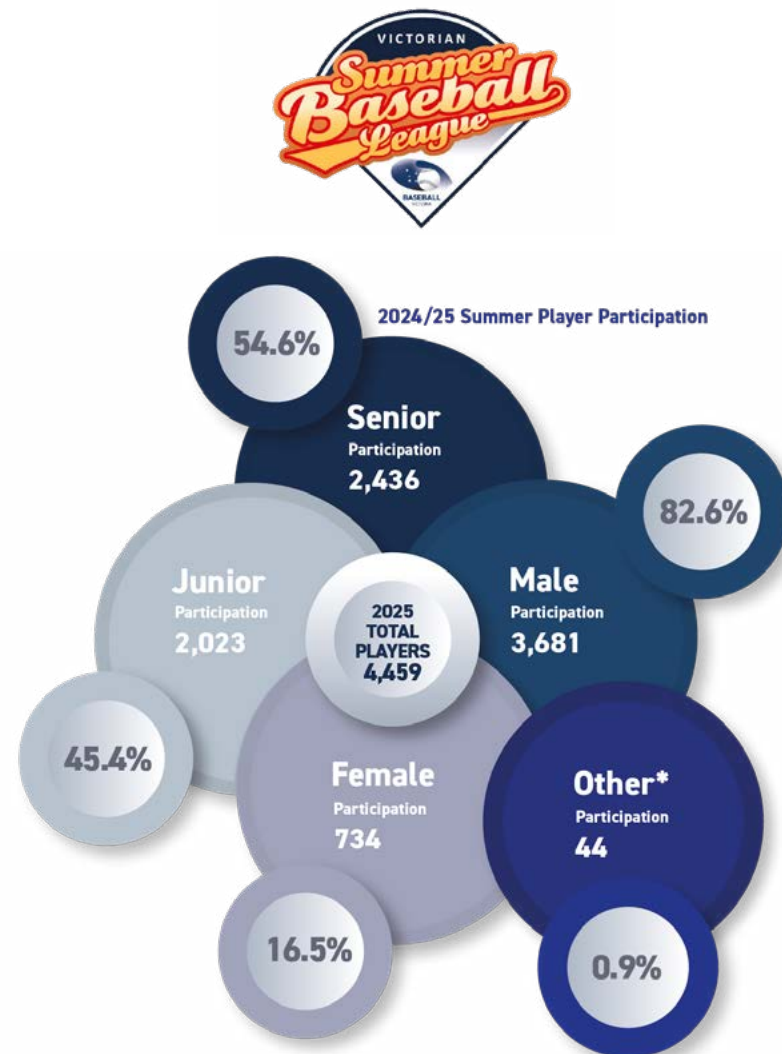
Victorian Summer Baseball League

The 2024/25 VSBL season was highlighted by an increase in teams, with the restructured competition opening up more time slots for members to play additional games. There were so many great moments across seniors, women's, juniors and masters competitions. Thank you to all our clubs for their ongoing support of our new structure, the Modernisation of Summer Baseball Plan, and grassroots baseball in general.

It was wonderful to see people of all ages and skill levels enjoying summer baseball. None of it would be possible without the passionate volunteers who dedicate so much time and energy to running clubs and championing our sport.

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

The below registration figures are based on BV capitation fee numbers. The following pages highlight VSBL winners - congratulations everyone!



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2024/25 VSBL Premiers

Competition	Home Team	Score	Away Team	Score
Premier League 1 Firsts	Sunshine	2	Williamstown	1
Premier League 1 Reserves	Geelong	2	Waverley	11
Premier League 2 Firsts	Bonbeach	1	Cheltenham	16
	Bonbeach	1	Cheltenham	5
Premier League 2 Reserves	Cheltenham	10	Port Melbourne	0
State League 1 East	Waverley	6	Upwey FTG	7
State League 1 West	Newport	10	Malvern	0
State League 2 East	Blackburn	15	Melbourne	4
State League 2 West	Newport	4	Fitzroy	2
State League 3 East	Bonbeach	6	Springvale	11
State League 3 West	Werribee	10	Port Melbourne	9
State League 4 East	Bonbeach	3	Pakenham	11
State League 4 West	St Kilda	4	Port Melbourne	3
State League 5	North Coburg	10	Alfredton	3
State League 6	Alfredton	8	North Coburg	9
Regional League East	Mulgrave	7	Waverley Red	4
Regional League North West	Mitchell Majors	10	Fitzroy	9
Women's Premier League Firsts	Newport	11	Doncaster	1
Women's Premier League Reserves	Newport	8	Springvale	10
Women's State League	Waverley	11	Melbourne	7
Women's Regional League North	Preston	11	Diamond Creek Blue	9
Women's Regional League South	St Kilda	12	Pakenham Black	5
Women's Regional League West	Alfredton	14	North Western	6
Masters 38+ West	Williamstown	9	Fitzroy Maroon	10
Masters 38+ East	Upwey FTG Gold	5	Blackburn	4
Masters 38+ South	Moorabbin	11	Bonbeach Blue	6
Masters 45+	Blackburn	12	St Kilda	11
Little League Major East	Upwey FTG Black	4	Waverley Wildcats	2
Little League Major South	Sandringham Blue	18	Springvale/Ormond Glenhuntly	7
Little League Major West	Fitzroy	13	Geelong	1
Senior 70 North	Research Maroon	13	Diamond Creek	6
Senior 70 East	Pakenham	7	Cheltenham Blue	3
Senior 70 West	Geelong	3	Footscray	5

Competition	Home Team	Score	Away Team	Score
Senior 80 East	Essendon Bombers	10	Blackburn	9
Senior 80 South	Cheltenham	3	Blackburn	9
Senior 80 West	Geelong	1	Newport Merinos	6
Senior 90 Metro East	Waverley	7	Moorabbin	6
Senior 90 Metro West	Port Melbourne	5	Essendon Bombers	8
Senior 90 State East	Moorabbin	2	Waverley	8
Senior 90 State West	Geelong	5	Werribee	3
Big League	Newport Red	4	Essendon Spitfires	7



2024/2025 VSBL Women's Premier League - Newport



2024/2025 VSBL Premier League 1 - Sunshine Eagles

2024/25 VSBL Award Winners



Most Valuable Players		
Premier League 1: George Heron Medal	Hayden Peoples	Geelong
Premier League 2: Robert R Hindson Medal	Rusty Huber	Port Melbourne
Premier League 1: Harry Wonnacott Medal (Finals)	Jamie Young	Sunshine
Premier League 1 Reserves	Cooper Tipping	Geelong
Premier League 2 Reserves	Takumi Ebihara	St Kilda
State League 1 East	Declan Marshall	Blackburn
State League 1 West	Jarrold Johns	North Western
State League 2 East	Lucas Mosbey	Blackburn
State League 2 West	Chanusha Ratnayake	Fitzroy
State League 3 East	Mason Gosstray	Chelsea
State League 3 West	Jacob Sigismondi, Jett Popinski	Werribee, Williamstown
State League 4 East	Scott Dale	Pakenham
State League 4 West	Jordan Costa	St Kilda
State League 5	Rory Meddick, Tim Richardson	Ballarat, North Coburg
State League 6	Charlie Flint	Diamond Creek
Regional League East	Chris Powell	Waverley
Regional League North West	Roberto Rodriguez Casero	Fitzroy
Women’s Premier League	Saeko Suzuki	Newport
Women’s Premier League Reserves	Mackenzie Prentice-Evans	Newport
Women’s State League	Jessica Walters	Chelsea
Women’s Regional League North	Katrina Medlicott	Diamond Creek
Women’s Regional League South	Jessica Thompson	Moorabbin
Women’s Regional League West	Kayla Finn	North Western
Masters 38+ East	Mark Jones	Upwey FTG
Masters 38+ West	Glen Hardy	Williamstown
Masters 38+ South	Scott Baillie	Springvale
Masters 45+	Hamish Govenlock	Blackburn

Pitching Awards			
Premier League 1: Harry Douglas Trophy	Joseph Cuomo	Waverley	0.959 ERA
Premier League 2	Rusty Huber	Port Melbourne	0.738 ERA
Women’s Premier League	Bronwyn Gell	Springvale	2.11 ERA

Batting Average Awards			
Premier League 1	Declan Speirs	Essendon	.472
Premier League 2	Brandon Stenhouse	Cheltenham	.516
Women’s Premier League	Kayla Adams	Essendon	.564

Home Run Awards			
Premier League 1	Aidan Willis	Berwick	10
Premier League 2	Brandon Stenhouse	Cheltenham	5
	Geoff MacDonald	Ormond Glenhantly	5
Women’s Premier League	Abbey McLellan	Footscray	2

Club Championships	
Premier League 1 Club Champion: Peter Dihm Shield	Waverley
Premier League 2 Club Champion	Bonbeach
Women’s Club Champion	Springvale

Recognition Awards	
Coach of the Year	Stuart Clayton – Sunshine
Volunteer of the Year	Daniella Garofolo – Port Melbourne
Umpire of the Year	Patrick White

Winter Season

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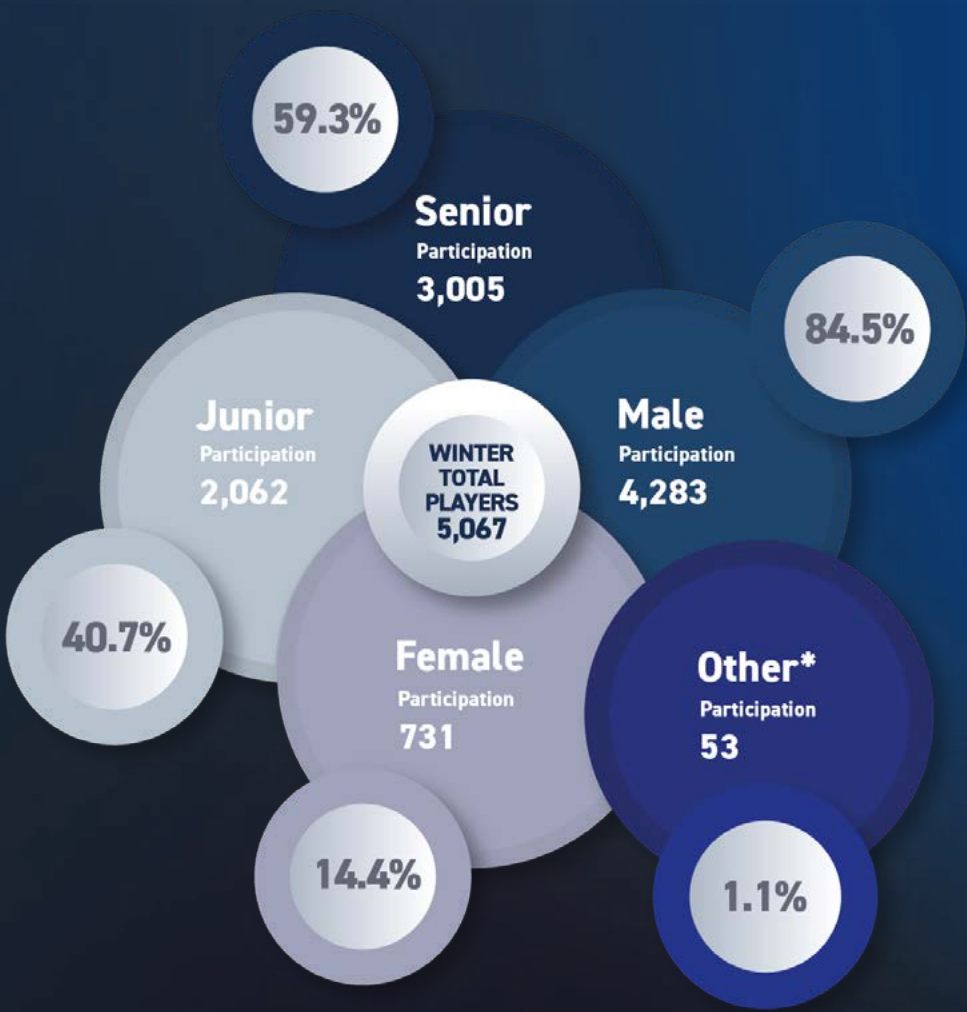
Another fantastic season of winter baseball got underway thanks to the impressive efforts of our winter associations and their committed clubs and volunteers. It's pleasing to see a continued upward trend in overall winter participation, with metro competitions, regional leagues, and State Winter Championships offering opportunities for all.

In Victoria, we are in the fortunate position to have year-round baseball, and it's a pleasure working closely with winter associations to bring the beloved SWC tradition to life each year. Thank you to our 2025 hosts for their hard work preparing and hosting the Winter Champs: Geelong, Latrobe Valley, Bendigo, and Wangaratta.

Thank you to everyone who participated this winter, from players and coaches to umpires, scorers, and club volunteers. Our participants and administrators make winter baseball possible all around Victoria, and we are excited to see what the future holds.



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Full Registrations (includes registered players, coaches, umpires, scorers and volunteers)			
2025 Winter	Female	Male	Other*
2,062 Juniors	298	1,753	11
3,169 Seniors	450	2,677	42
5,231 TOTAL	748	4,430	53

*Gender identity includes non-binary, gender-fluid and prefer not to say

Bendigo Baseball Association

Bendigo Baseball Association began 2025 with three new committee members. President Troy Murphy, Vice President Jayson Strahan, and Secretary Stacey Castle were elected for the first time. Julie Jones (Competition Coordinator) and Gay Huggard (Treasurer) were both long time members.



Overall, the BBA fielded 34 teams in 2025, and this was the most teams in the association since 2005. With more teams participating, the BBA is finding it more difficult to find venues for games, and there is much hope that the long-awaited Master Plan Development of Albert Roy Reserve will be able to deliver more space for games. The BBA and the COGB have been in consultation throughout the year, and the outlook is promising.

For the second year running, the BBA fielded teams in every division of the Baseball Victoria State Winter Championships, and this is an encouraging sign that there is renewed interest in these teams.

A number of young Bendigo players have been participating in various state and elite team programs, an encouraging sign that the standard of play is improving considerably. We saw the whole of the BBA community come together for a number of events in 2025. In March, a barefoot bowls fundraiser was held, and shortly afterwards a six-week fundraiser at the Bendigo Club was attended by a different club each week to raise much needed funds. Every club took part in the Easter Fair Procession.

The Matty Lawry Day run by the Scots Baseball Club was again a highlight of the season, bringing awareness and support to the Asthma Foundation and Donate Life Victoria. Falcons, Scots, and CV Rangers held a Pink Day at Albert Roy Reserve in support of breast cancer research. The Annual Don Mitchell Day match was held at Quarry Hill, with Bendigo East and Strathfieldsaye Dodgers working together to make the day a success and providing a significant donation to the Cancer Foundation.

Bendigo hosted the 17 and Under SWC in 2025. Two venues were used, Strathfieldsaye and Albert Roy Reserve. All clubs were involved in the preparation of diamonds and facilities such as catering, and the weekend was a resounding success.

Despite the issues with finding enough space for games, the junior and senior competitions were completed without any major problems. A washout weekend during the senior finals caused some anxiety and confusion, but the desired results were eventually achieved. The BBA was very grateful to a number of umpires from outside Bendigo who made themselves available for the finals. The BBA Awards Night saw approx. 110 people attend the event at the Bendigo Club, in what was a very appropriate way to end the baseball season.

The Bendigo Baseball Association will celebrate its 90th year in 2026.

Troy Murphy
President - BBA

	2025 Winter	Female	Male	Other*
Juniors	184	29	155	0
Seniors	177	28	147	1
Total	361	57	302	1

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Grand Final Winners:

- Division One: Strathfieldsaye Dodgers Baseball Club
- Division Two: Strathfieldsaye Dodgers Baseball Club
- Division Three: Scots Baseball Club
- 17 & Under: Falcons Baseball Club
- Under 15: Scots/CV Rangers
- Under 13: Falcons Baseball Club



Bendigo Baseball Association 2025 SWC Teams

Team	Results	All Stars
U13	Won 1 game	Henry Eeles (SD)
U15	Won 2 games	Zac Banks-Broome (BE), Evan Lindsay (S)
17 & Under	Won 2 games	Marcus Murphy (BE), Fynn Murphy (F)
Senior Women	Tournament washed out	
Senior Men	Tournament washed out	

Senior Award Winners			
	DIV 1	DIV 2	DIV 3
MVP	C. Bolton (SD)	J. Hando (SD)	B. Poulton (SD) J. Rainbow (S) D. Plowright (S)
Batting Ave	C. Bolton (SD) 0.526	M. Harris (SD) 0.514	B. Marchesani (S) 0.815
Fielding Ave		J. Harriage (F) 1.000	C. Pithie (SD) 1.000
Coach's Award	J. Doherty (F) C. Bolton (SD)	Ajay Power (BE)	T. McDonald (BE) Z. Martin (BE)
Umpire's Award	J. Brown (S)	C. Gardner (F)	J. Griparis (S)
John Newman Pitching Award	C. Hay (BE) ERA 2.16		

Gold Gloves	C - J. Doherty (F) 1B - R. Baulch (SD) 2B - B. Aikman (BE) 3B - A. Amsing (SD) SS - T. Cox (SD) LF - S. Hayes (S) CF - G. Mitchell (BE) RF - A. Haby (BE)
Junior Champion Club	FALCONS
Senior Champion Club	STRATH DODGERS

The Bendigo Baseball Association had three senior divisions in 2025 with a total of 17 teams, and four junior divisions with a total of 17 teams.

DIV1	DIV 2	DIV 3	
Strath Dodgers	Strath Dodgers	Scots Blue	CV Rangers Purple
Falcons	Falcons	Scots White	Bendigo East Beavers
Bendigo East	Bendigo East	Strath Dodgers Devils	Bendigo East Percivals
Scots	Strath Dodgers Tigers	Strath Dodgers Hornets	Falcons
		CV Rangers Black	

17 & Under	Under 15	Under 13	T-Ball
Falcons	Falcons	Falcons	Falcons White
Strath Dodgers Devils	Bendigo East	Bendigo East	Falcons Blue
Strath Dodgers Tigers	Strath Dodgers	Strath Dodgers	Strath Dodgers
Bendigo East	Scots/CV Rangers	Scots/CV Rangers	Bendigo East

Board:

President: Troy Murphy Secretary: Stacey Castle/Nigel Barham Competition Coordinator: Julie Jones
Vice President: Jayson Strahan Treasurer: Gay Huggard Umpire Coordinator: Ian Pollard

Dandenong Baseball Association

Dandenong Baseball Association saw another strong year of participation with 816 total players, up from 776 the year before. Berwick, Bonbeach, Boneo, Chelsea, Cheltenham, Dandenong, Dingley, Frankston, Moorabbin, Mordialloc, Mornington, Pakenham, and Ormond Glenhuntly participated this year.



2025 Highlights:

Dandenong tasted SWC success again as the 17 & Under team won Division 1 undefeated and the U13 squad also won their Div 1 State Winter Championship.

Grand Final Winners:

- Under 13 - Cheltenham
- Under 15 - Pakenham
- A1 - Dandenong
- A2 - Dingley
- B1 - Frankston
- B2 - Chelsea
- C1 - Dingley
- C2 - Berwick
- Women's - Frankston

	2025 Winter	Female	Male	Other*
Juniors	292	41	251	0
Seniors	524	81	435	8
Total	816	122	686	8

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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



2025 Winter Highlights:

- GBA, Guild All-Stars, and East Belmont Saints host the Aces Sporting Club Senior and Senior Women's State Winter Championships and the All-Girls Winter Invitational. Thank you to all the volunteers for their efforts despite the wet weather.
- GBA fields teams in all SWC levels – U13, U15, 17U, Women and Men
- Glynis Murfitt awarded Life Membership

Season winners:

- Division 1 – Lara
- Division 2 – Colac
- Division 3 – Saints
- Division 4 – Werribee
- Women – Saints
- U17 – Deakin
- U14 – Bellarine
- U12 – Saints

Below is the breakdown of total teams in the 2025 GBA winter season and total registered players.

TEAMS	2025 Winter	Female	Male
Juniors	15	-	15
Seniors	37	6	31
Total	52	6	46

PLAYERS	2025 Winter	Female	Male	Other*
Juniors	217	20	195	2
Seniors	431	94	334	3
Total	648	114	529	5

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Board:

President: Stuart McGovern
Vice President: Glen Arnott
Secretary: Jessica Curnow
Treasurer: Glenn Talbot
Competitions Coordinator: Don Stephens
Representative Teams Coordinator: Chris Rickard and Meg Fahy
General Board Members: Chris Rickard and Gavin Turnley

Umpires Coordinator: Danny Timmers
Fixtures Coordinator: Don Stephens
Women's Coordinator: Meg Fahy
Junior Coordinator: Glenn Morris
Junior Secretary: Donna Northfield
Senior Registrar: Glynis Murfitt
Tribunal Chairman: Andrew Connors

Latrobe Valley Baseball Association



Latrobe Valley Baseball Association saw a slight increase in registration, welcoming 291 participants, up from 255 the year before. Five clubs took part in the season: Churchill, Moe/Newborough, Morwell, Sale, and Traralgon.

2025 Highlights:

- Another year of successful competitions in A Grade, B Grade, C Grade, Under 16, Under 13, and T-Ball.
- Latrobe Valley hosted the 2025 Under 15 State Winter Championships and won Division 2 – thank you to hosts Morwell and Moe/Newborough Baseball Clubs.
- LVBA also won Division 2 at the 17 & Under State Winter Championships.
- Sale Rangers hosted the 2025 Gippsland Championship in April with seven teams competing, including the five LVBA clubs, plus Dingley and Pakenham.
- Best & Fairest Award Winners: A Grade - Takuya Takahashi (Sale Baseball Club - 20 votes), B Grade - John Kus (Traralgon – 20 votes), C Grade - Daniel McKinnon (Churchill - 24 votes)

	2025 Winter	Female	Male	Other*
Juniors	164	40	123	1
Seniors	127	5	120	2
Total	291	45	243	3

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Grand Final Winners:

A Grade: Traralgon Red Sox
B Grade: Traralgon Red Sox
C Grade: Traralgon Red Sox
Under 16: Churchill Braves
Under 13: Churchill Braves

Board:

President: Brad Jones
Vice President: John Kus
Secretary/Statistician: Sam Gillet
Treasurer: Kelli Kus

Melbourne Winter Baseball League



Melbourne Winter Baseball League had 2,492 participants at 32 clubs across the metro, an increase from 2,355 players the previous year. The League offered 13 senior grades, 12 junior competitions, and Women's Division 1 and 2. MWBL had three junior leagues: Ringwood, City West, and Diamond Valley.

2025 Highlights:

- MWBL participated in the Wellbeing and Safeguarding Project: Building Safe & Well Baseball Clubs. There was strong club uptake of the program, with nominated Wellbeing and Safeguarding Leads taking part in a series of workshops designed to educate, encourage and inspire positive club culture.
- Diamond Valley won the Division 1 Under 15 State Winter Championship.
- Senior Grand Final Winners:
 - A Grade - Greenhills Montmorency
 - A Reserve - Greenhills Montmorency
 - A3 Grade- Knox
 - A4 Grade - Greenhills Montmorency
 - B Grade - Knox
 - B Reserve - Knox
 - B3 Grade - Greenhills Montmorency
 - B4 Grade - St Kilda
 - C Grade - SE Warriors
 - C Reserve - Northcote
 - D Grade - Greensborough
 - D Reserve - Melbourne
 - E Grade - Ringwood
- Women's Grand Final Winners:
 - Division 1 - University of Melbourne White
 - Division 2 - La Trobe University
- Junior Grand Final Winners:
 - U17 Div 1 - Greenhills Montmorency
 - U17 Div 2 - Essendon
 - U15 Div 1 - Heathmont
 - U15 Div 2 Green - Knox Falcons
 - U15 Div 2 Red - CGS Blue
 - U15 City West - Sunshine
 - U13 Major Green - Forest Hill
 - U13 Major Red - Watsonia
 - U13 City West - Werribee
 - U13 Minor Diamond Valley - Doncaster
 - U13 Minor Ringwood District - Knox

	2025 Winter	Female	Male	Other*
Juniors	975	118	849	8
Seniors	1,517	213	1,279	25
Total	2,492	331	2,128	33

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Board:

President: Natalie Kilby
Vice President – RDJBA Chairperson: Ali Moini
Vice President – DVJBA Chairperson: Matt Whyte
Vice President – CWJBL Chairperson: Carla Jamieson
Vice President – Pennant Committee Chairperson: Patrick White
Vice President – Women's Chairperson: Megan Kelly
MWBL Umpires Panel Chairperson: Geoff Dunn

Secretary: Slade Squire
Treasurer: Peter Clapp
Administrator: Michael Chambers

North Eastern Baseball Association



The North Eastern Baseball Association (NEBA) is pleased to report a strong and progressive 2025 season, marked by growth in participation, improved facilities, and continued development across both junior and senior levels.

NEBA proudly fielded 15 senior teams and 11 junior teams across the three senior grades, U15 and U12 age groups, reflecting a steady increase in engagement from players and families across the region. Senior and junior participation rose this season, particularly our female participants, up 10% from season 2024, all supported by our clubs' commitment to grassroots recruitment and retention programs. The standard of competition remained high across all grades, with several close finishes and strong sportsmanship throughout the season.

We are extremely proud of our representative teams, with participation across all junior grades and senior men this season, with several players also featuring in the All Girls Invitational weekend. The results were outstanding, highlighted by our Under 13 team securing the Division 2 championship, the Under 17s progressing to the grand final, and the Under 15s demonstrating strong performances against some of the competition's leading sides throughout the weekend.

Junior development has been a major focus for NEBA throughout the 2024/2025 season, with our Representative Program gaining significant momentum. We also hosted some professional coaching clinics delivered by elite coaches and players from Melbourne and beyond.

Coaching and umpiring quality remains a major focus area for NEBA, with all clubs encouraged to engage in ongoing education and accreditation programs. Partnerships with Baseball Victoria have strengthened our capacity to deliver consistent, safe, and high-quality baseball experiences for all members.

As always, NEBA's success is underpinned by its volunteers. Our sincere thanks go to all committee members, scorers, umpires, coaches, and club officials who dedicate countless hours to the sport. Their contribution ensures the smooth operation of weekly competitions, events, and development programs across the region.

Looking ahead to the 2026 season, NEBA will continue to prioritise:

- Junior participation and female engagement.
- Strengthening umpire and coach development pathways.
- Pursuing funding opportunities for facility upgrades and equipment.
- Enhancing administrative systems to support volunteer sustainability.

The North Eastern Baseball Association remains committed to providing a strong, inclusive, and competitive environment for baseball in regional Victoria.

With the combined efforts of our clubs, players, volunteers, and Baseball Victoria, NEBA is confident the next season will build upon the solid foundations established in 2025 and continue to grow the game we all love.

Tyson Berry
President - NEBA

Board:

President: Tyson Berry
Vice President: Neil Medlin
Secretary: Steph Odewahn
Treasurer: Sue Simmons
Umpires Coordinator: Neil Medlin
Fixtures Coordinator: Steph Odewahn
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	2025 Winter	Female	Male
Juniors	115	23	92
Seniors	169	25	144
Total	284	48	236

*314 total registered members including coaches and officials

Sunraysia Baseball League



2025 Highlights:

- State Winter Championships – SBL was glad to get an Open Men's, Under 17 and Under 13 teams back representing the league.
- South Australian Country Open Men's Champions
- A Grade Saints Premiership, B Grade Wanderers and C Grade Hawks
- Friday Juniors Skills Night introducing them to the game and having fun, free drink and snag - ran for 12 weeks
- A new club Mallee Bandits joined with teams in B Grade and C Grade.
- Unfortunately, we lost two stewards of our league in Peter Wade and Mick Miller

	2025 Winter	Female	Male
Total	203	18	185

Board:

President: Luke Gathercole
Vice President: Kale McBain
Secretary & Treasurer: Glenn Wallace
General Board Member: Richard Law, Peter Shadwich, Phil Gee, Graham Witte

BV Performance Pathway

We are thrilled to see continued growth and success within Baseball Victoria’s participation, development, and high performance programs. Since launching our new Performance Pathway at the start of 2023, our programs have expanded, opening up 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 the previous 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 Futures Development and 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 dedicated BV Performance Pathway team has worked diligently to enhance training, technology, strength and conditioning, and player support to improve athlete outcomes. Behind-the-scenes training and achievements are shared via the BV Pipeline Instagram and website, which reached an incredible milestone of 2.5 million views on one video in June.

This year marked the third annual Futures Championships with six squads and an expanded women’s pathway program, including youth women who trained at Melbourne Ballpark and then went on to represent at the Barclay Cup, a national tournament for junior girls.

We are so proud of all our Performance Pathway players working hard to achieve their goals and chase their dreams, whether it be representative teams, college ball or beyond. With a passionate team of coaches and opportunities to upskill and develop, the future is bright as athletes take the next step in their baseball journeys.

2024 Youth Women’s Prospects	2025 Futures U12	2025 Futures U14	2025 Prospects	2025 Select	2025 Women’s Prospect/Select
Alexandra Egan Alexia Hunkin Amelia Bergman Amelia Wright Audrey Trubiano Charlotte Jansen Cheyenne White Alyssa Jamieson Ayla McCallum Charlize Chilcott Guilia Kopievsky Hayley Mather Isy Zurawel	Aiden Jeffree Alexander Podlewski Audrey Cheung Beau Ridd Ben Stafford Billy Hooker Brady Banks Connor Johnson David Rowe Dom Sissing Drayden Jo Dylan Azrein Elliot Amundson	Aidan Haxton Aidan Incoll Alex Green Anthony Vogt Archie Rose Beckett Shanks Bodhi Evans Brodie Leigh Cale Morris Charlie Fegan Christian Papadopoulos Christopher McLean Cooper Bicknell	Alex Papadopoulos Alex Smith Angus Saggars Bailey Stewart Chase Potts Declan Marshall Declan Tayler Harrison Brodie Jack Northfield Jack Thomas Jackson Burton Jai DiBlasi Jonathon Park	Addison Bishop–Worn Andrew Land Brandon Elton Brodie Trevean Brody Stokes Cooper Bishop–Worn Cooper Busch Devin Leahy Euan Clarkin Hamish Stone Jake Bertucci Jarvis Johansen Jordan Ellis	Abbey Kelly Abbey McLellan Alexandra Egan Allie Bebbere Alyssa Jamieson Andie Torcasio Ayla McCallum Belinda Cannington Eden Neave Emma Sullivan Isy Zurawel Jamie Bastian Jasmine Bentley

2024 Youth Women’s Prospects	2025 Futures U12	2025 Futures U14	2025 Prospects	2025 Select	2025 Women’s Prospect/Select
Lila Atkinson Molly Lewis Stephanie Keely Tabitha Pitt Kendra Rutgers Lillie Brockwell Lily Strachan Madeline (Maddy) Haynes Olivia Walker Paige Anders Ruby Llewellyn Sarah Fielden Zali Packer	Emmanuel Ben Felix Fleiner Flynn Reinhard Griffin Lester Harvey Jones Harvey Ninnis Hayden Hall Henry Talpey Hudson Reeman Hunter Lowe Hunter Wilson Isaac Low Jackson Connolly Jax McDonald Jaxon Waters Joshua Jones Kazushi Anderson Ohata Lachlan Ross Max Keane Mia Wang Mika Suggett Myles McKelvie Nathaniel Keys Neo Zioglis Oliver Chrimes Oscar Allen Otto Stocke Phillip Toye Quin McConville Sebastian Bangs Tate Sadler Tate Scutchings Tobias Hill William Wyke Zac Cornish	Edison Bush Ewan Clowes Flynn Scargill Flynn Suggett George Steer Heath Keiper Huga Turnley Jackson Berg Jacob Tayler Joel Roberts Kella De Zylva Kieran Hurlstone Kohen Van Andel Lachlan Jeffree Leo Wells Louie Shimakura Lucas Kelly Luis Fazio Maisen Ricketts Mason Strahan Mateo Matthews Nixon Dikranis Ollie Allen Oskar Gunther Owen Dundon Quinn Matthews Reiley Marshall Ryder Ochoa Taketo Fujimori Tom Skinner Will McInerney Xavier Woodcock	Kei Lee Kycen Dowling Lachlan Brennan Matt Fielden Ned Johnson Ned Richards Oli Baillargeon Oscar Shimakura Parks Halasz Ryley Shanks Sam Stafilis Shun Thong Theo Rutgers Tom Hill Will Ferguson	Liam Campbell Liam Puncher Marcus Murphy Mitchell Langworthy Riley Peoples Roman Coote Ryan Langworthy Tane Graham Will Kent William Hardy Windsor Breckenridge Zak Stafilis	Jess Johnson Kendra Rutgers Lili Cavanagh Lilly Simpson Mackenzie Prentice–Evans Macy Priamo Maddy Haynes Ruby Benne
Coaches Samantha Hamilton Andrew Fielden Daniel Bebbere Jamie Bastian Jasmine Bentley Jess Johnson Matthew Atkinson	Coaches Damian Shanahan Keli’i “Zee” Zablan Daniel Chircop Ethan Epifanio Lachlan Condie Ben Laux Marshall Skinner Jeremy Young Tim Ballard Kobe Greenhalgh Scott Simpson (strength & conditioning coach) Angus Stals (S&C) Mark Richards (dev. coach)	Coaches Damian Shanahan Keli’i “Zee” Zablan Daniel Chircop Ethan Epifanio Lachlan Condie Ben Laux Marshall Skinner Jeremy Young Tim Ballard Kobe Greenhalgh Scott Simpson (strength & conditioning coach) Angus Stals (S&C) Mark Richards (dev. coach)	Coaches Damian Shanahan Keli’i “Zee” Zablan Daniel Chircop Ethan Epifanio Lachlan Condie Ben Laux Marshall Skinner Jeremy Young Tim Ballard Kobe Greenhalgh Scott Simpson (strength & conditioning coach) Angus Stals (S&C) Mark Richards (dev. coach)	Coaches Damian Shanahan Keli’i “Zee” Zablan Daniel Chircop Ethan Epifanio Lachlan Condie Ben Laux Marshall Skinner Jeremy Young Tim Ballard Kobe Greenhalgh Scott Simpson (strength & conditioning coach) Angus Stals (S&C) Mark Richards (dev. coach)	Coaches Damian Shanahan Keli’i “Zee” Zablan Daniel Chircop Ethan Epifanio Lachlan Condie Ben Laux Marshall Skinner Jeremy Young Tim Ballard Kobe Greenhalgh Scott Simpson (strength & conditioning coach) Angus Stals (S&C) Mark Richards (dev. coach)

Victorian State Teams

While our BV Performance Pathway Futures, Prospects, and Select training programs went from strength to strength, our Victorian State Teams made us so very proud on the national stage. They trained hard and played harder, giving every game their all and wearing the big V with pride. It was wonderful to watch our Victorian representatives embrace their experience at the Australian Youth, Women's, and Youth Women's Championships.

In January, the U16 Victorian State Team won silver at the 2025 Australian Youth Championships. Both the U16 and U18 teams never gave up, even against challenging competition, learning so much while making lifelong memories with old and new friends. The U18 group of up-and-coming, incredibly talented players is ready to return in 2026, with sights set on another championship after gold in 2024.

At the start of March, Team Australia announced the list of invitees to the 2025 Under 18 National Team Selection Camp based on AYC performances. This presented a fantastic opportunity for Victorians Will Kent, Devin Leahy, Will Hardy, Riley Peoples, Jordan Ellis, and Roman Coote.

Team Australia also selected the 2025 Under 16 National Junior Squad, with eight Victorians named to the list. Cooper Bishop-Worn, Cooper Busch, Euan Clarkin, Jarvis Johansen, Mitch Langworthy, Marcus Murphy, Brody Stokes, and Brodie Trevean were given the opportunity to travel overseas and compete.

Audrey Cheung, Harvey Ninnis and Phil Toye also had the exciting opportunity to represent Australia at the Oceania qualifier for the 2025 U12 World Cup. The Aussies went on to finish ninth at the global tournament.

At the start of April, the Australian Women's Championship returned to Melbourne Ballpark. The Victorian Women's State Team never gave up in pursuit of back-to-back gold, ultimately falling just short and coming home with a well-deserved silver medal. Our Youth Women's State Team finished fifth after playing their hearts out every day with enthusiasm, energy and determination that impressed us all.

Lily Bell-Tanner (women), Paige Anders (youth), and Paula Sutherland (scorer) were recognised as No More Spirit of the Game Award Winners for the week. This award was presented to one player on each team who displayed the values and attributes of fair play, teamwork, community and team respect.

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
Brodie Trevean Brody Stokes Cooper Bishop-Worn Cooper Busch Ethan Kent Ethan Nakamura Euan Clarkin Harrison Brodie Jackson Burton Jonathan Park Kycen Dowling Lincoln Grech Marcus Murphy Matt Fielden Mitchell Langworthy Ned Richards Oscar Shimakura Parks Halasz Thomas Hill William Ferguson	Andrew Land Brandon Elton Devin Leahy Ethan Johnston Hamish Stone Hudson Pallay Jake Bertucci Jordan Ellis Lachlan Brennan Liam Puncher Nathan Rumbelow Riley Peoples Roman Coote Ryley Shanks Samuel Walk Ty Daniels Will Kent William Hardy Windsor Breckenridge Zak Stafilis	Alexandra Egan Alyssa Jamieson Andie Torcasio Ayla McCallum Charlotte Jansen Hannah Wilson-Powell Isy Zurawel Maddy Haynes Molly Lewis Paige Anders Paiquin Robertson Tabitha Pitt Tiare Akaruru Vivien Turner	Abbey Kelly Allie Bebbere Belinda Cannington Eden Neave Jasmine Bentley Jess Brown Kendra Rutgers Kira Jansen Lilian Bell-Tanner Lilly Simpson Mackenzie Prentice-Evans Narumi Kametani Paula Doherty Ruby Benne Ruby Dale Saeko Suzuki
Coaches/Officials Ben Laux Ethan Epifanio Daniel Chircop Val Langworthy	Coaches/Officials Marshall Skinner Lachie Condie Mark Richards Taryn Richardson	Coaches/Officials Richard Elton Daniel Bebbere Erin Collis Carla Jamieson	Coaches/Officials Samantha Hamilton Jarryd Rogers Stephen Black Ursula Howard

Coaching & Umpiring

Baseball Victoria is passionate about supporting and growing our community of baseball coaches and umpires. After all, our beloved sport would not be possible without the hardworking officials who ensure the integrity of the competition by creating a safe, fair and fun game for all.

Over the past year, we have encouraged more coaches to sign up on 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, with a dedicated online coaching hub where coaches of all levels can access training and resources.

We also introduced BV Pipeline 2Ball + Coach Education at several clubs, offering a combination of junior skills sessions with integrated on-field coach development. This program presents a great opportunity for coaches to learn and strengthen their skills, in addition to our Holiday Camp programs. Our Performance Pathway team welcomes coaches to training sessions and provides coach education at club visits, too.

The BV Coaching Panel wrapped up its initial two-year appointments, having assisted in the development of Performance Pathway programs and the state coaching curriculum as part of our efforts to upskill and develop coaches in specific areas. As the BV Pipeline keeps growing, including 2Ball, Holiday Camps, and Performance Pathway programs, we will have additional opportunities for coaches to get involved and improve their skills.

In addition to our coach education and development initiatives, we are dedicated to growing umpire numbers and fostering the next generation of officials. Thank you to the BV Umpiring Working Group for their efforts over the past 12 months, reporting to our part-time Technical Officer on the BV staff (Brooke Penfold) and consisting of four volunteers:

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

This team is dedicated to delivering the BV Umpiring Blueprint for the Future, aimed at providing a fun and inclusive environment for developing umpires to grow their skills via clear pathways. Through Behind the Mask Community Umpire courses, we are streamlining umpire education while helping to attract new umpires and upskill returning officials. Over 50 participants completed our free umpire accreditation courses at Knox Baseball Club in September, led by National Umpire Director Brett Robson. We also hosted Behind the Mask training at local clubs throughout the year to boost the number of accredited umpires and make training more accessible.

It's been wonderful to see more umpires complete their Community, Association, and State accreditation. After all, the more umpires we can train and support, the more coverage we can have for summer and winter competitions, as well as tournaments and special events. New umpires can learn from experienced umpires and develop greater confidence behind the plate. With varying availability and some umpires retiring, it's crucial that we continue recruiting, educating, and supporting 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.

A special mention to our very own Victorian umpires Janine Thompson and Jenelle Stafflis, who were part of the historic first-ever all-female umpiring panel at the 2025 Australian Women's and Youth Women's Championships. Also, two BV umpires officiated at the 2025 Australian Youth Championships. Taylor Field was selected to have the U18 bronze medal plate and Patrick White was selected to have the U16 bronze game plate. This is the second-highest responsibility behind the plate of the gold medal games. White went on to win the VSBL Umpire of the Year Award.

Baseball Victoria acknowledges and thanks all the fantastic coaches and umpires who make our great game possible. We value each and every one of our baseball officials and their countless contributions to competitions across Victoria. We look forward to expanding education and opportunities in the years to come.



Honour Rolls

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED

Year	President	Chief Executive Officer
2025	Mr. A. Rose	Mr. C. Gray
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)
2014	Mr. C. Crameri	Mr. N. Price
2013	Mr. C. Crameri	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

BASEBALL VICTORIA LIFE MEMBERS

2024	Leanne Gibbons, Jon Deeble, Phil Dale, Garry Bitmead, Stephen Black, Alan Sutherland
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

VICTORIAN PROVINCIAL BASEBALL LEAGUE LIFE MEMBERS

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

Hall of Fame

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The Baseball Victoria Hall of Fame was established in 2024 to honour and preserve the legacy of individuals who have made outstanding contributions to baseball in Victoria. The Hall of Fame recognises excellence across all aspects of the game, including players, managers, administrators, umpires, and scorers who have demonstrated exceptional dedication and achievement at grassroots, state, national, and international levels.

Baseball Victoria recognises the national significance of the Baseball Australia Hall of Fame, and places importance on positioning the Baseball Victoria Hall of Fame as a complementary state-based program underpinning the National Hall of Fame scheme.

The BV History and Recognition Working Group is the body responsible for managing all aspects of the BV Hall of Fame under the authority and approval of the Baseball Victoria Board.

Inaugural Hall of Fame Class of 2025

It was an absolute honour to present the first-ever Baseball Victoria Hall of Fame Evening on Wednesday 21 May at Lakeside Stadium, Albert Park. Thank you to all who attended as the Victorian baseball community came together to celebrate the past and share excitement in the future.

Congratulations to our inductees on their incredible success across grassroots, state, national, and international baseball. It was wonderful to see so many family, friends, club members, and teammates in attendance as we acknowledged the amazing efforts of standout players, managers, administrators, umpires, and scorers. We look forward to continued celebrations of our Hall of Fame inductees in the years to come.

Our inaugural Hall of Fame Class of 2025 included the following inductees:

PLAYERS: Amy McCann, David Clarkson, Don Deeble*, Ernie George Bolton, Graeme Deany, Graeme Lloyd, John Hodges*, John Swanson, Matthew Sheldon-Collins, Ross Straw*, Samantha Hamilton, Simone Wearne

MANAGERS: Frank Laver*, Jon Deeble, Lenton 'Lyn' Straw*

PLAYER AND MANAGER: David Went, Phil Dale

ADMINISTRATORS: John O'Brien*, Les Flower, Michael O'Brien, Paul Collins*, Peter Dihm, Ron Clack*

UMPIRES: Barry Smith*, Dick Chapman*

SCORERS: Jennie Moloney

SERVICE TO BASEBALL: John Viney

MEDIA: Richard (Dick) Mason*

*deceased



FY24/25 Financial Report

Presented by Greg Hill, Finance Director

Baseball Victoria (BV) concluded the 2024–25 financial year with a surplus of \$95k, reflecting a stable operational performance across its core programs. BV was able to outperform its budgeted surplus of \$19k with above-budget results in summer and winter registrations, sponsorship, interest, and a performance bonus from Baseball Australia.

This year's solid result follows a \$302k surplus in the prior year, which covered a shorter nine-month reporting period. While the surplus is lower by comparison, it represents a more realistic result noting that the comparative year did not include the net-loss period of Jul-Sep 2024. This year's result increases net assets from \$753k to \$848k.

Total revenue for the year reached \$2.4m, driven primarily by income from competition management (\$800k), operations (\$983k), and pathways programs (\$535k). Participation income (collected with individual registration fees) also grew slightly to \$41k and interest income contributed \$30k (through the prudent investment of surplus cash). These figures reflect Baseball Victoria's ongoing commitment to diversifying revenues, expanding its reach and delivering value across all levels of the sport.

Operating expenses totalled \$2.3 million, with the largest outlay being salaries and wages at \$865k (representing approximately 37% of all expenses), followed by competition management (\$551k), pathways (\$433k), and operations (\$335k). Depreciation and other costs, including finance charges and asset disposals, accounted for the remainder.

The pro-rata increase in staffing costs reflects strategic investment in program delivery and organisational capability (through the Development Officer and Membership Officer roles), inflation-linked salary increases, and growth in staff annual and long-service leave provisions.

The organisation's balance sheet remains healthy, with total assets of \$1.57 million, mostly comprising current assets including \$1.1 million in cash and \$345k in receivables. Liabilities totalled \$719k, with trade payables representing most of that total balance. Notably, income received in advance rose to \$336k reflective of winter registration fees being split across the Y25 and FY26 financial years and Little League tournament revenues received ahead of the competition in July 2025.

Cash flow from operations was positive at \$153k, although this was offset by capital expenditure of \$48k (with the purchase of two vehicles as well as investments in the office and technology environments) and lease repayments of \$30k relating to the office space at Melbourne Ballpark. The net increase in cash for the year was \$77k, bringing the closing cash balance to just over \$1m.

The financial statements were audited by StewartBrown Chartered Accountants, who issued an unqualified opinion confirming compliance with Australian Accounting Standards and the Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012. No material events occurred after the reporting date, and the Committee has affirmed Baseball Victoria's ongoing ability to meet its financial obligations as and when they fall due.

Baseball Victoria continues to demonstrate sound financial stewardship, under the leadership of CEO Chet Gray and Finance Controller Audrina Ning. The Board thanks the team in the office and at StewartBrown for their efficient work in preparing the annual set of accounts.



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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 2025 and report as follows:

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COMMITTEES' REPORT

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)
 Jennifer Pitson
 Kathy Tessier
 Anna Blackett
 Jessica Toop
 Geoff Boyes
 Gregory Hill
 Kerry Gassner (*appointed to casual vacancy 27 February 2025*)
 Ben Stewart (*appointed to casual vacancy 27 February 2025*)
 Brett Mitsch (*resigned 21 November 2024*)
 Grant Weir (*resigned 27 February 2025*)

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 \$95,394 (2024: \$302,500 surplus).

The audited accounts for Baseball Victoria for FY24/25 are for a 12-month period ending on 30 June 2025. The comparative FY23/24 financial year result relates to the 9-month from 1 October 2023 to 30 June 2024.

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 ending 30 June 2025 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
Chair and Finance Director

15 October 2025



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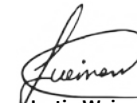
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AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION
UNDER APES 110 CODE OF ETHICS FOR PROFESSIONAL ACCOUNTANTS
TO THE MEMBERS OF BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the period ended 30 June 2025 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

15 October 2025

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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION
AS AT 30 JUNE 2025

	Note	30 June 2025 (12 months) \$	30 June 2024 (9 months) \$
ASSETS			
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	6	1,096,980	1,019,695
Trade and other receivables	7	344,557	180,900
Inventories	8	12,986	6,209
<i>Total current assets</i>		<u>1,454,523</u>	<u>1,206,804</u>
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	9	86,871	66,423
Right-of-use assets	10	25,810	53,458
<i>Total non-current assets</i>		<u>112,681</u>	<u>119,881</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>1,567,204</u>	<u>1,326,685</u>
LIABILITIES			
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	11	551,219	419,463
Employee benefits	12	100,416	69,273
Lease liabilities	13	30,622	29,570
<i>Total current liabilities</i>		<u>682,257</u>	<u>518,306</u>
Non-current liabilities			
Employee benefits	12	18,181	6,385
Lease liabilities	13	18,359	48,981
<i>Total non-current liabilities</i>		<u>36,540</u>	<u>55,366</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>718,797</u>	<u>573,672</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>848,407</u>	<u>753,013</u>
FUNDS			
Accumulated funds		821,970	726,576
Reserves		26,437	26,437
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>848,407</u>	<u>753,013</u>

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED

STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025

	Note	30 June 2025 (12 months) \$	30 June 2024 (9 months) \$
Revenue	4	<u>2,401,114</u>	<u>2,169,610</u>
Expenses			
Cost of goods sold		-	(10,710)
Competition management expenses		(550,873)	(622,162)
Depreciation	5	(43,057)	(30,320)
Finance costs	5	(2,278)	(2,376)
Loss on disposal of property, plant, and equipment	5	(10,285)	-
Salaries and wages		(865,183)	(576,799)
Operations expenses		(335,043)	(225,971)
Pathways expenses		(432,944)	(373,566)
Participation expenses		(66,057)	(25,206)
		<u>(2,305,720)</u>	<u>(1,867,110)</u>
Surplus before income tax		95,394	302,500
Income tax expense		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Surplus for the year		95,394	302,500
Other comprehensive income		<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Total comprehensive income for the year		<u>95,394</u>	<u>302,500</u>

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUNDS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

	Accumulated Funds	Reserves	Total
	\$	\$	\$
Balance at 1 October 2023	424,076	26,437	450,513
Comprehensive income			
Surplus for the year	302,500	-	302,500
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year	<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>
Balance at 1 July 2024	726,576	26,437	753,013
Comprehensive income			
Surplus for the period	95,394	-	95,394
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income for the period	<u>95,394</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>95,394</u>
Balance at 30 June 2025	<u>821,970</u>	<u>26,437</u>	<u>848,407</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**

	Note	30 June 2025 (12 months) \$	30 June 2024 (9 months) \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers		2,675,181	2,272,577
Payments to suppliers and employees		(2,549,485)	(1,885,476)
Interest received		29,579	5,688
Interest paid - leases		(2,278)	(2,376)
<i>Net cash flows from operating activities</i>		<u>152,997</u>	<u>390,413</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		1,365	-
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		(47,507)	(47,696)
<i>Net cash flows from investing activities</i>		<u>(46,142)</u>	<u>(47,696)</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of lease liabilities		(29,570)	(21,510)
<i>Net cash flows from financing activities</i>		<u>(29,570)</u>	<u>(21,510)</u>
Net increase in cash and cash equivalents		77,285	321,207
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the financial period		<u>1,019,695</u>	<u>698,488</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the financial period	6	<u>1,096,980</u>	<u>1,019,695</u>

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**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 15 October 2025.

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 2025 reporting period. These include:

- *AASB 2020-1, AASB 2022-6 and AASB 2023-3: Amendments to AASB 101 – Classification of Liabilities as Current or Non-current*
- *AASB 2023-1: Amendments to AASB 7 and 107 – Supplier Finance Arrangements*
- *AASB 2024-1: Amendments to AASB 1060 – Supplier Finance Arrangements: Tier 2 Disclosures*

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**Note 2 - Basis of preparation (continued)*****New and revised standards that are effective for these financial statements (continued)***

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.

New standards and interpretations not yet adopted

Certain new accounting standards, amendments and interpretations have been published that are not mandatory for 30 June 2025 reporting periods and have not been early adopted by the Association. These include:

- *AASB 18 – Presentation and Disclosure in Financial Statements* (applicable for the year ending 30 June 2028)
- *AASB S1 – General Requirements for Disclosure of Sustainability-related Financial Information* (applicable for the year ending 30 June 2026, depending on criteria qualification outcomes)
- *AASB S2 – Climate-related Disclosures* (applicable for the year ending 30 June 2026, depending on criteria qualification outcomes)

It is not expected that *AASB 18*, *AASB S1* or *AASB S2* will have a material impact on the Association in future reporting periods. *AASB S1* and *AASB S2* will only have mandatory application to entities required to report under Chapter 2M of the *Corporations Act 2001* for annual reporting periods commencing on or after 1 July 2025. The Association is currently assessing whether there will be any material change to disclosures in financial reporting in future years as a consequence of sustainability reporting requirements. As at the date of this financial report *AASB S1* and *AASB S2* do not have mandatory application to the Association as the Association prepares its financial report under the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012* financial reporting framework.

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:

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**Note 3 - Accounting policies (continued)*****Revenue recognition (continued)******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.

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.

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025**Note 3 - Accounting policies (continued)*****Property, plant and equipment (continued)*****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.

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".

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.

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.

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025****Note 3 - Accounting policies (continued)****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.

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.

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	30 June 2025 (12 months) \$	30 June 2024 (9 months) \$
Note 4 - Revenue		
Operating revenue		
Competition management income	800,038	874,221
Operations income	983,178	839,787
Participation income	40,962	29,076
Pathways income	535,333	420,838
Other operating revenue	12,024	-
	<u>2,371,535</u>	<u>2,163,922</u>
Other revenue		
Interest income	29,579	5,688
	<u>29,579</u>	<u>5,688</u>
<i>Total revenue and other income</i>	<u>2,401,114</u>	<u>2,169,610</u>
Note 5 - Expenses		
Depreciation		
Property, plant and equipment	15,409	9,584
Right-of-use assets	27,648	20,736
<i>Total depreciation</i>	<u>43,057</u>	<u>30,320</u>
Finance costs - leases	2,278	2,376
Provision for impairment - doubtful debts	12,760	5,108
Net loss on disposal of property, plant and equipment	10,285	-
Note 6 - Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash at bank	638,247	460,782
Cash on deposit	400,000	500,000
Funds held in trust - Foundation	58,733	58,913
<i>Total cash and cash equivalents</i>	<u>1,096,980</u>	<u>1,019,695</u>
Note 7 - Trade and other receivables		
Current		
Trade receivables	253,150	181,209
Provision for impairment	(21,233)	(8,473)
	<u>231,917</u>	<u>172,736</u>
Prepayments	112,640	8,164
<i>Total current trade and other receivables</i>	<u>344,557</u>	<u>180,900</u>
Provision for impairment		
Balance at the beginning of the financial year	8,473	3,365
Increase (decrease) in provision	12,760	5,108
Balance at the end of the financial year	<u>21,233</u>	<u>8,473</u>
Note 8 - Inventories		
Stock on hand	12,986	6,209
<i>Total inventories</i>	<u>12,986</u>	<u>6,209</u>

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025****Note 9 - Property, plant and equipment**

	Leasehold Improvements	Office Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Baseball Equipment	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$	\$
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>
Movements in carrying amounts					
Opening net carrying amount	27,861	22,020	1,780	14,762	66,423
Additions	1,182	8,471	37,854	-	47,507
Disposals	-	(10,950)	(700)	-	(11,650)
Depreciation charge for the year	(3,082)	(5,811)	(3,289)	(3,227)	(15,409)
Closing net carrying amount	<u>25,961</u>	<u>13,730</u>	<u>35,645</u>	<u>11,535</u>	<u>86,871</u>
At 30 June 2025					
Cost or fair value	30,876	64,001	62,399	35,395	192,671
Accumulated depreciation	(4,915)	(50,271)	(26,754)	(23,860)	(105,800)
<i>Net carrying amount</i>	<u>25,961</u>	<u>13,730</u>	<u>35,645</u>	<u>11,535</u>	<u>86,871</u>

Note 10 - Right-of-use assets

	30 June 2025 (12 months) \$	30 June 2024 (9 months) \$
Leased premises - at cost	185,191	185,191
Accumulated depreciation	(159,381)	(131,733)
<i>Total right-of-use assets</i>	<u>25,810</u>	<u>53,458</u>
Movements in carrying amounts		
Opening net carrying amount	53,458	74,194
Depreciation	(27,648)	(20,736)
Closing net carrying amount	<u>25,810</u>	<u>53,458</u>

Note 11 - Trade and other payables

Current		
Trade payables	71,781	33,725
Income in advance	336,434	206,894
Sponsorship funds	57,095	57,095
Other payables	85,909	121,749
<i>Total current trade and other payables</i>	<u>551,219</u>	<u>419,463</u>

Note 12 - Employee benefits

Current		
Annual leave	82,512	55,847
Long service leave	17,904	13,426
<i>Total current employee benefits</i>	<u>100,416</u>	<u>69,273</u>
Non - current		
Long service leave	18,181	6,385
<i>Total non-current employee benefits</i>	<u>18,181</u>	<u>6,385</u>

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE PERIOD ENDED 30 JUNE 2025****Note 13 - Lease liabilities****Current**

Lease liabilities	30,622	29,570
<i>Total current lease liabilities</i>	<u>30,622</u>	<u>29,570</u>

Non - current

Lease liabilities	18,359	48,981
<i>Total non-current lease liabilities</i>	<u>18,359</u>	<u>48,981</u>

Movements in carrying amounts

Opening net carrying amount	78,551	100,061
Repayments	(31,848)	(23,886)
Interest	2,278	2,376
Closing net carrying amount	<u>48,981</u>	<u>78,551</u>

Note 14 - Auditor's remuneration

Fees paid to StewartBrown, Chartered Accountants:

Audit of the financial report	8,500	8,000
Preparation of the financial report	2,100	2,000
<i>Total auditor's remuneration</i>	<u>10,600</u>	<u>10,000</u>

Note 15 - Events occurring after balance date

No material events have occurred after the reporting period.

BASEBALL VICTORIA INCORPORATED
ABN 78 603 120 057

FINANCIAL REPORT - 30 JUNE 2025

STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

The Committee Members of Baseball Victoria Incorporated declare that:

1. The financial statements, which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025, 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, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy information, are in accordance with the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012* and:
 - (a) comply with *Australian Accounting Standards - Simplified Disclosures* (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the *Associations Incorporation Reform Act 2012*; and
 - (b) give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 30 June 2025 and of the performance for the period ended on that date of the Association.
2. 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

15 October 2025



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FINANCIAL REPORT - 30 JUNE 2025

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 2025, 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, and notes to the financial statements, including material accounting policy 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 2025 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.

FINANCIAL REPORT - 30 JUNE 2025

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

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.

Stewart Brown

Stewart Brown
Chartered Accountants

Justin Weiner

Justin Weiner
Partner

15 October 2025



Diamond Partners

Since 2022, Baseball Victoria has offered the Diamond Partnership Program, celebrating community connections with an opportunity that puts all partners on an even playing field. We greatly appreciate the ongoing support of our Diamond Partners, who help our grassroots sport grow and thrive.

Thank you to the following organisations for teaming up as official partners of baseball in Victoria for 2024-25!





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