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BARCLAY, PARTNERS, CLUB
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Baseball Victoria Strategic Planning Survey

The Baseball Victoria Strategic Planning Survey is now live!

Baseball Victoria invites the baseball community to provide valuable insight that will shape the future of our sport.

We want to get as many responses as possible to help determine our future direction and focus.

Please submit your response [HERE](#).

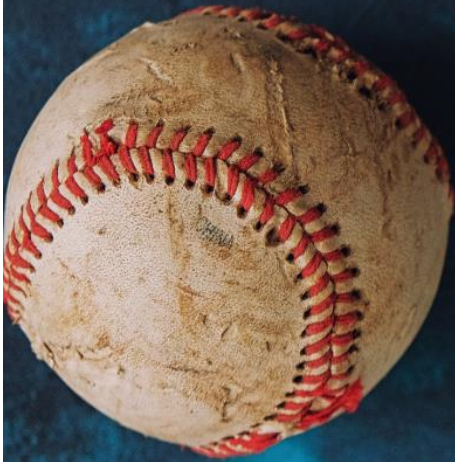


BASEBALL VICTORIA STRATEGIC PLANNING SURVEY

NOW OPEN

THE BASEBALL VICTORIA STRATEGIC PLANNING SURVEY IS NOW LIVE.

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR RESPONSE VIA THE QR CODE OR
[HTTPS://BIT.LY/BV-PLANNINGSURVEY](https://bit.ly/bv-planningsurvey)



Belles Charter Team Announcement

Congratulations to our 2026 Belles!

Our Belles squad will be heading to the Australian Little League Girls Division from 7-11 July. We wish them the best of luck in the tournament.

BELLES ALL-GIRL CHARTER TEAM ANNOUNCEMENT



APRIL FRIEND

ALIA FRIEND

EVELYN HUNKIN

MADELINE JARVIS

JACEY TSZ YING LAM

ISLA LOCHHEAD

ALEAYAH MARSHALL

ALESSANDRA MARTIN

ABBIE MCPHAIL

ZOE MUDFORD

IMOGENE PENNA

LEXI QUAINÉ

MAHLIA RUTGERS

ERIN WHITE

COACHES

HEAD COACH - ANDREW FIELDEN

ASSISTANT COACHES - PAUL

RUTGERS & ALANAH ROSE

EO - TANIA LINDSEY

SCORER - TANNEALE MARSHALL

LITTLE LEAGUE

GIRLS DIVISION

7-11 JULY 2026



College National Championship Contenders

In 2026, there has been over 100 Australians playing college baseball. In these players, we have multiple Victorians in contention for a national championship!

Across 3 divisions, we have 4 players:

Zak Skinner - NCAA D1

Travis Finney - NCAA D1

Adam Jirik - NCAA D2

Jack Ratcliffe - JUCO D2

Good luck to all our players who are competing for a championship.

You can read the full list of Australians competing [HERE](#).

Conor Myles Named American Conference Pitcher of the Year

American Conference Pitcher of the Year has been awarded for 2026 to Conor Myles!

With a 9-1 record and a 3.53 ERA over 14 regular season appearances, he was unbeaten in 9 starts and held his opponents to a .244 batting average.

Alongside being named as Pitcher of the Year, Conor was also named unanimously on the All-Conference First Team.

Check out all the awards [HERE](#).

U15 National Roster

In case you missed it, Australia's U15 National Team for the 2026 WBSC U15 Baseball World Cup has been announced, with 19 players selected following strong performances across the country throughout the past 12 months.

The Australian Youth Championships again proved a key part of the selection process, giving national selectors the chance to evaluate the country's top young talent against elite opposition in a tournament environment.

Featured in the team are 7 Victorians. Congratulations and good luck to all the players heading off to Mexico in September!

Read the full story [HERE](#).



Barclay Cup U16 Player Expressions of Interest

Expressions of Interest are now open for players aged 13-16 for the upcoming Barclay Cup.

Being hosted in Melbourne at Springvale Baseball Club between 27 September and 3 October, all girls aged 13-16 are encouraged to apply and try out.

Please note, the age cutoff is 31 August 2026.

Tryouts are to be hosted during July, with the final team to be selected at the end of July.

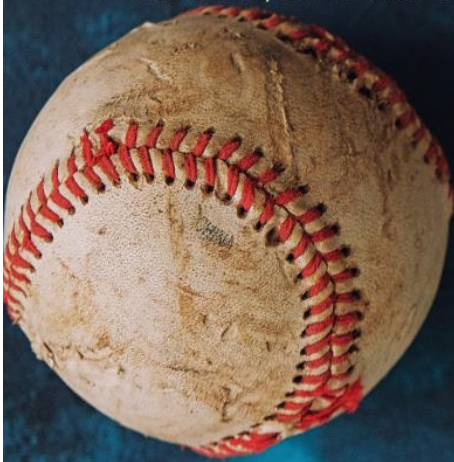
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BARCLAY CUP U16 PLAYER EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

U16 PLAYER EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE
UPCOMING BARCLAY CUP.

TAKING PLACE AT SPRINGVALE BASEBALL CLUB FROM 27 SEPTEMBER - 3
OCTOBER, GIRLS AGED 13-16 ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.



21 and Under Women's Championship Player Expressions of Interest

The inaugural 21 and Under Women's Championship is coming up in Melbourne from 27-30 September, with player expressions of interest now open.

Women aged 17-21 are encouraged to apply, with the age cutoff being 31 August 2026.

Trials will be hosted during July, with the final team to be selected at the end of July.

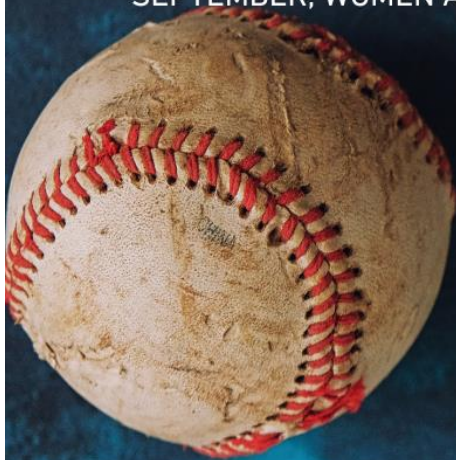
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21 AND UNDER WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP PLAYER EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

21 AND UNDER PLAYER EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE UPCOMING INAUGURAL WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP.

TAKING PLACE AT UPWEY FERNTREE GULLY BASEBALL CLUB FROM 27-30 SEPTEMBER, WOMEN AGED 17-21 ARE ENCOURAGED TO APPLY.



Barclay Cup and U21 Women's Championship EO and Coach EO!

Expressions of Interest are now open to coaches and EO's for the upcoming Barclay Cup and U21 Women's Championship being held in Melbourne between 27 September and 3 October.

All interest must be submitted by 30 June.

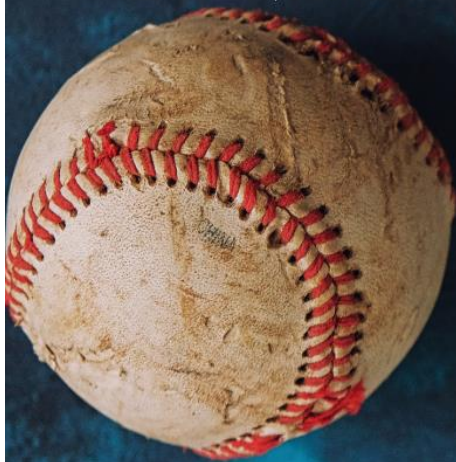
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BARCLAY CUP AND U21 WOMEN'S COACHING AND EO EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

THE 2026 BARCLAY CUP WILL BE HELD HERE IN MELBOURNE ALONGSIDE
THE ALL NEW U21 WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIPS

BASEBALL VICTORIA IS LOOKING FOR COACH AND EO EXPRESSIONS OF
INTEREST, WITH APPLICATIONS CLOSING 30 JUNE.



Women's and Girl's Development Working Group EO!

It is an exciting time for Women and Girls baseball in Victoria. As a result, Baseball Victoria is excited to announce a re-alignment of one of our key working groups.

The Women's & Girls Development Working Group (WGDWG), formerly known as the Women's Pathway Working Group, is a permanent standing working group, established by the Baseball Victoria (BV) Board to support the strategic direction, governance and leadership of Women's & Girl's Development initiatives by BV.

The WGDWG advises and makes recommendations to BV Board on governance, participation, pathways, policy and the strategic alignment and management of Women's & Girl's Development Initiatives and associated key strategic priorities.

All interest for this working group must be submitted by 26 June.

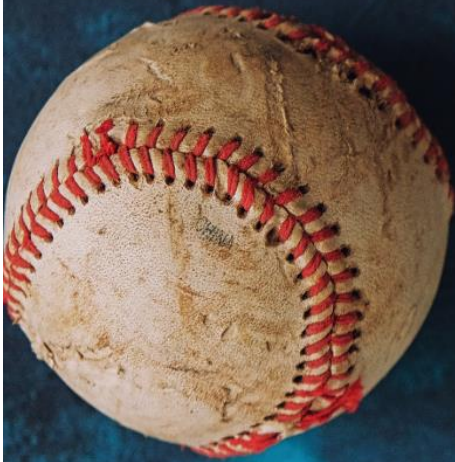
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WOMEN'S AND GIRL'S DEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP **EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

BASEBALL VICTORIA IS EXCITED TO OPEN EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR OUR WOMEN'S AND GIRL'S DEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP.

EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR OUR RE-ALIGNED WOMEN'S PATHWAY WORKING GROUP MUST CLOSE 26 JUNE.



Thank You BV Diamond Partners

A huge thank you to all our [BV Diamond Partners](#) for their ongoing support of baseball in Victoria: [Victorian Government](#), [Baseball Australia](#), [School Sport Victoria](#), [Ausport](#), [Maribyrnong Sports Academy Baseball](#), [Salesian College Sports Academy](#), [SportsLink Travel](#), [NASA Wear](#), [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](#), [CMD Sports](#), [EcoGroup](#), [HRplus](#), [Sparms](#), and [Victor Sports](#).

Club News: 2026 Winter Season Registration

With VSBL done and dusted, it's time for winter baseball! Make sure to sign up - 2026 winter registration is open for all players, coaches, officials, and volunteers under association links, which can be found [HERE](#).

Club News: 2026 Webinars for Sport

Mark your calendars and join eSafety for free online training sessions that support online safety in sport.

Online safety 101 for community sport clubs

This session is for community sport leaders and volunteers who want tips to create safer online spaces and learn how to respond to online abuse.

- Thursday 14 May 2026, 12:30-1:15pm AEDT
- Thursday 12 Nov 2026, 12:30-1:15pm AEDT

Social media self-defence in sport

This session is for athletes, coaches, officials and others in sport who want to set up safer personal social media accounts and learn strategies to respond to online abuse.

- Tuesday 26 May 2026, 1:00-1:45pm AEDT
- Wednesday 18 Nov 2026, 12:30-1:15pm AEDT

Click [HERE](#) to learn more and register.

Club News: Sport Integrity Australia 2026 Integrity Webinar Series

Sports Integrity Australia is delivering a series of new integrity webinars for 2026. There are various webinars being held across the year, which will be free and accessible to all clubs and their members.

Click [HERE](#) for more information and to register.



Club News: ASC Coaching and Officiating Courses & Resources

The Australian Sports Commission has developed courses and resources for both coaches and officials, covering the essentials to help you succeed in your role as well as masterclasses for those who want to boost their skills and make sport more enjoyable for the athletes you support.

Check out more info here:

- [Coaching courses and resources](#)
- [Officiating courses and resources](#)

Club News: Regional Victorian Community Sport Census

Calling all regional based clubs!

Regional Sport Victoria is pleased to launch the 2026 Regional Victorian Community Sport Census.

This short survey is an opportunity for community sporting clubs and volunteers across regional Victoria to contribute directly to shaping the future of support, services, and advocacy for grassroots sport.

Clubs who take part will go into the draw to win up to \$2,500 in tailored support from their local Regional Sports Assembly.

Read more about this survey [HERE](#).

Club News: Umpire Training

Do you want to join the supportive and growing community of baseball umpires?

Come along to the upcoming umpire training held across Forest Hill and North Coburg Baseball Clubs! This is open to all umpires, new and returning.

For more information, or to register, contact David on 0447 531 744 or Alan on 0488 001 658.

UMPIRE TRAINING NIGHTS

FOREST HILL BASEBALL CLUB (BILLABONG PARK)
 ▶ June 15 ▶ July 13 ▶ August 17

NORTH COBURG (PARKER RESERVE)
 ▶ May 25 ▶ June 29 ▶ July 27 ▶ August 31

→ GO TO EITHER ONE OR BOTH VENUES EACH MONTH ←

**COMMUNITY, ASSOCIATION, STATE AND BEGINNERS
 NEW UMPIRES ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN**

⌚ 6:30 pm: Training Sessions Commence
 ♦ 20 - 30 minutes: Rules Overview / Interpretation
 ♦ 45 - 60 minutes: On-Field Training
 🗨 Close: 15 minutes Q&A

FREE & NO EXPERIENCE NEEDED!

Forest Hill
 Baseball Club
 Contact: David 0447 531 744

North Coburg
 Baseball Club
 Contact: Alan 0488 001 658

New Umpires, Register by scanning the QR code

Club News: Little League T-Ball Club Registration

Thank you to all the clubs across summer and winter that have signed up for the national Little League T-Ball program. It's awesome to see more kids hitting the field and enjoying a fun sport with new friends, with over 350 registered participants so far.

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

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

Club News: Container Deposit Scheme

Clubs, are you looking for a new stream of income? Keen to turn your rubbish into cash? Sign up and start collecting with Victoria's Container Deposit Scheme. Every drink container returned helps the planet, your community and your club's bottom line. It's easy to get going.

Each eligible drink container earns a 10-cent refund, and they add up quickly. Sporting clubs across the state are funding new uniforms and equipment, facility upgrades and more.

Download the club toolkit [HERE](#) to help get started.

Club News: BV Codes of Conduct & Behaviour Expectations

As a reminder to all clubs and members, Baseball Victoria membership requires you to adhere to BV Codes of Conduct regarding respectful behaviour. It's paramount that all players, coaches, officials, volunteers, spectators and clubs follow these expectations to ensure safe and enjoyable experiences for all. Please review the [Codes of Conduct on our website](#) and contact the BV Office with any questions.

Club News: WWCC and Child Protection/Sports Integrity

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

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

Club News: BV Club Assist Resources for Volunteers

As a reminder, we encourage clubs to check out [BV Club Assist](#), an online suite of club resources designed to help volunteers, support members, and enhance club operations and experiences.

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

Head to www.baseballvictoria.com.au/bv-club-assist to get started.



Australian Red Cross Lifeblood Teams Program

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

Baseball Victoria and Salesian College Sports Academy Team Up

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

We hope Salesian College will become a hub for secondary school students to pursue their academic and baseball goals in Melbourne's eastern suburbs. Learn more about [Salesian College Sports Academy](#) and click [HERE](#) to book a tour.

Families interested in enrolling or who have already done so are encouraged to contact Sports Academy Coordinator Stephen Sellwood at ssellwood@salesian.vic.edu.au for a Sports Academy application.

Baseball Training on BV TV

Check out all our [BV TV](#) videos, including [Ramp Up to Play](#) and [Top Throwing Drills](#). Follow us on [Instagram](#) and [TikTok](#) for more fun drills and behind the scenes.



Baseball Victoria War Service Honour Rolls

Baseball Victoria is committed to creating and maintaining an honour roll of baseball players who have served in war and peacekeeping missions since 1915.

It is difficult to imagine a modern-day player's career being interrupted so dramatically, and we will be forever grateful for their service and sacrifices in our Australian armed services.

Visit [our website](#) for more info.

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