

#### ANNUAL REPORT BASEBALL WA LTD ABN: 21 522 890 770

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**DIAMOND FITNESS** 

Strength and Conditioning

**Johnny OGILVIE** 

Logistics and Clubhouse Manager

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### **Notice of Annual General Meeting**

Notice is hereby given that the Annual General Meeting of Baseball WA Ltd will be held as follows:

Venue: Comfort Inn and Suites - Osprey Room

195 Adelaide Terrace

Perth WA

Date: Tuesday 28th January 2020

Time: 7.00pm

### **Agenda**

- 1. APOLOGIES AND ATTENDANCE
- 2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING
  - Annual General Meeting of 25th September 2018
- 3. PRESENTATIONS
  - Good Spors -- Alana Walker
  - TBD
- 4. ORDINARY BUSINESS
  - Chairman's Report (To be tabled)
  - Financial Statements (To be tabled)

To receive and consider the Financial Statements, Directors' Declaration and Reports of the

Directors and Auditors in respect of the year ended 30 June 2019 (To be tabled)

- 5. BASEBALL WA LIFE MEMBERSHIP
- 6. ELECTION OF DIRECTORS
  - Appointment of two (2) vacant Director positions
    - \*\* Vacant
    - \*\* Vacant
- 7. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR
- 8. CLOSE

Dated at Perth this 1st January 2020 BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Lachlan Dale Company Secretary

#### NOTES:

#### 1. Representatives and Alternates

Every Member which or who is the holder of an Ordinary Share in Baseball WA Limited must appoint one or more natural persons as its representative or representatives to exercise the powers of that Member. Where more than one representative has been so appointed, only one of them may exercise the powers of that Member at any one time.

#### 2. Proxies and Representatives' Appointments

Any instrument appointing a proxy or representative is to be treated as valid if the instrument and any power of attorney or other authority under which it is signed is or are either:

- (a) deposited at Baseball WA's registered office (Baseball Park, Cnr Nicholson and Wilfred Roads, Thornlie, 6108) at least 48 hours before the scheduled time for the commencement of the relevant meeting; or
- (b) presented to the chairman of the meeting as soon as practicable after the commencement of that meeting and, in any event, before the relevant vote is taken

#### 3. Quorum

A quorum for a general meeting is 20% or more of Members present in person, by representative or by proxy..

#### 4. Election of Directors

There are two vacant positions on the board and will need to be ratified in accordance with section 201E(2)(b) of the Corporations Law as directors of the company in accordance with Rule 8 of the company's Constitution for a period of two years as from the conclusion of the meeting. Where the number of nominations is less than the number of declared vacancies, no election is required.

Vacant Director Positions

- 4. Vacant
- 5. Vacant

#### 5. Life Membership

The Baseball WA board will present 1 nomination for Life Membership for the 2019 AGM.

#### 6. Appointment of Auditor

The Chief Executive Officer recommends the appointment of David Craig to continue as Auditor.

#### 7. General Business

If shareholders would like to add items to General Business, items must be sent to ceo@baseballwa.asn.au by close of business Tuesday 14th January 2020 to be reviewed and may be added to the agenda.

#### **Bas**eball WA Ltd ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

#### Department of Sport Recreation, 276 Vincent Street Tuesday 25th September 2018

#### 1.0 ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Board Members: Mark Beyer (Acting Chairman), Michael Andruszkiw, Gary Arnell, Susan Butler,

Marie Malaxos, Carolyne Gatward

**Staff Members:** Lachlan Dale, Bryce Gomes, Lance MacKichan (LLWA)

**Visitors:** N/A

Share Holders: Bill Sinclair, John Cummings, Justin Hoen, Evert Hoen, Kevin House,

Annaliese Arndt, Andrew Murray, Trevor Dawson, David Gripper, Jes Fitzgerald,

Jason De Wind, Sue Reid - Quorum achieved

**Apologies:** Shane Tonkin, Stuart Scott, Adam Tilley

**Meeting commenced:** 7.08pm

#### 1.0 WELCOME ADDRESS

Hi everyone, we'll get underway with the meeting now.

MB – Addressed the passing of Chairman Steve Byrne and next steps for the Baseball WA Board.

#### 2.0 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Distribution of the previous meeting held on the 25th of September was circulated.

Moved and seconded; Annaliese Arndt and Bill Sinclair.

#### 3.0 **PRESENTATIONS**

No presentations submitted from members

#### 4.0 **ORDINARY BUSINESS**

- 4.1 Chairman's report on page 12 of the annual report. The report is available for your perusal.
- 4.2 Lachlan Dale presented report on page 63. Includes operational financials, Perth Heat and the development funding for capital works. In a summary the profit for the year is \$421,000. Taking into account the capital upgrades.
- 4.3 The operational revenue in 2018 is \$1,229,494 with the expenses of \$1,225,878 leaving a surplus of \$3,614 for the end of the financial year. Original forecast in budget was estimated at \$28,000. Several unexpected expenses throughout the year through the transition of the Perth Heat Ownership Model and BWA (Baseball Western Australia) chose to assist/invest from April-June in staffing to assist the Perth Heat organisation and make sure it was business as usual and a saleable asset. The plan was to sell franchise earlier in April. The decision was to continue operations up until the financial year.
- 4.4 Capital upgrades were also made to the facility and maintenance of the Ballpark. The Perth Heat ownership have now taken over the ABL expenses. There are two new agreements between BWA and Perth Heat. One being a rental agreement of the facility and the other one being contracting BWA to continue to put the Perth Heat team on the field. This will allow BWA to re-allocate resources back into its core objective which is our members.
- 4.5 We also managed the Perth Heat accounts, which were paid by the ABL into Baseball WA's accounts. \$340,000 in and out of the ABL. We have also received a capital funding grant from the government, which is \$700,000 of income. Expense against that of \$537,000. We have \$163,000 rolling in from last year's account into the 2018/19 season. The remaining \$5.2m will be received this year for the capital upgrades in November.
- 4.6 The state of our finances put us in a stable position with federal funding and capital upgrades. From this point we need to build our cash reserves and we can continue to reinvest that money and resources back into the WA baseball community moving forward.

Moved and seconded by Kevin House and Bill Sinclair

#### 5.0 BASEBALL WA STATE OF THE GAME PRESENTATION

No presentation of the game. Financial reports as discussed before by Lachlan Dale.

#### 6.0 **BASEBALL WA LIFE MEMBERSHIP**

We have received a nomination for a life membership. Mark Richardson has shown his unwavering commitment to baseball umpiring and fixturing over the past 20 years. His achievements and contributions were presented to the BWA shareholders. The nomination was approved by the board and unanimously approved by the stakeholders.

Annaliese Arndt and seconded by Kevin House

#### 7.0 **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

Ratification of two co-opted directors who have already joined the board at the May board meeting however require approval from the stakeholders. Additionally, another board member has been co-opted and presented to the members for ratification. As per our constitution, we called for any nominations however there were no further nominations. The three board members to be ratified are Susan Butler, Marei Malaxos and Carolyne Gatward. Their resumes and backgrounds were presented and no questions were asked about the composition of the board.

Moved and seconded by Bill Sinclair and Dave Gripper.

#### 8.0 APPOINTMENT OF THE AUDITOR

David Craig to continue for the 2018/19 financial year.

Moved by Kevin House. Seconded by Sue Reid

Thank you all for taking the time to attend the meeting.

Meeting closed at 7.27pm



# Annual Report - Baseball WA Ltd ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

#### BASEBALL WA formally acknowledges it's Life Members.

Our heartfelt appreciation is extended to all.

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1947	Glen H. Dunstan OBE *
1951	W.H. (Bill) Hosken *
1953	Les F. Matthews *
1955	H.V. (Vic) Barrett *
1957	H.J. (Bert) Kortlang *
1958	Thomas G. Nisbet *
1959	Merv G. Muggleton *
1960	Rob M. Gordon *
1963	R.J. (Snow) McFarlane *
1964	Les R. Brain *
1965	Harry Duncan *
1967	R.D. (Bill) Arrowsmith
1970	Neville J. Pratt OAM
1971	Max Heron
1972	Alf Leutchford
1973	Peter Solomon
1974	Don Callanan *
1974	Neville Laird *
1977	Doug Corker
1978	Kevin Parry AO *
1979	Rodney P. Byrne OAM *
1980	Mrs Norma Goodridge *
1981	Dennis Osborn
1982	Alf Dyer *
1983	Mrs Kath Dyer
1984	Mrs Evelyn Harvey
1985	John Cole
1986	Eric Knight *
1988	Mrs Jan Thurley
1988	Don Rodger
1989	Mrs Rose Corker *
1990	Ian Ross
1992	John Radalj
1993	Michael (Mick) Mount
1995	Mrs Ursula Wade
1996	Alan Luscombe
1997	Graham H. Johnson
1998	Mrs Athalia Munro
2010	Mark Pettit
2013	Mrs Patricia Williamson
2015	William (Spider) Sinclair
2018	Mark Richardson

All of these people were recognised as Life Members, in the stated year, by any of the former organisations of, the West Australian Baseball League (Inc), the West Australian Junior Baseball League (Inc), the Baseball Development Foundation (Inc). Those Life Members are now recognised as Life Members of Baseball WA Ltd.

BASEBALL WA formally acknowledges it's Meritorous Awards and Outstanding Achievement Awards. Our heartfelt appreciation is extended to each.

#### **MERITOROUS AWARD**

Jack Cody	Perth
Margaret Carter	Fremantle
Kevan Langdon	West Stirling
Eric Knight	Victoria Park
Maurie Reynolds	Umpire
	Margaret Carter Kevan Langdon Eric Knight

#### **OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

1981-82	Ian Butcher	Fremantle State League
1982-83	Brian Davis	Fremantle "A" Reserve
1983-84	Harry Duncan	Long Service Award
1984-85	Don Knapp	Playing/Admin. Award
1987-88	Tony Adamson	Playing Award
1988-89	Greg Harvey	Playing Award
1988-89	Corey Loehr	Playing Award
1996-97	Shane Tonkin	Playing Award
2008-09	Ken McGee	Pitching 22 inning game

Deceased



# Annual Report - Baseball WA Ltd OBITUARY -- STEVE BYRNE

BASEBALL WA
acknowledges the
sad passing of Steve
Byrne, Chairman of
the Board of Directors.
Our sincere
condolenscences
to his family.



game in Australia has seen many changes, including the establishment of the Little League Pathway; a1 Participation rebuild from the collapse of the inaugural ABL, increased Facility Funding both at the ballpark and at our clubs, the re-launched ABL, partnerships with MLB, re-structured Baseball Australia and now private ownership of the Perth Heat. All which Steve has been a key driver throughout the years.

One of Steve's key achievements was his instrumental role in

securing \$6,000,000 from the federal government to upgrade the ballpark as he worked closely with Federal Minister Mr Ken Wyatt, whilst Steve will not see the finished product, his legacy will continue in WA Baseball History.

On behalf of baseball community, thank you Steve.

#### STEVEN BYRNE 22nd June 2018

Steve Byrne . . .

As some may know, Steve came into Baseball through his kids, Paul, Michael, Jon and Kyle

after never playing the game himself. Steve wanted to help the sport that his kids loved. After speaking with Shane Tonkin at a Perth Heat game he joined the Board of Baseball WA. As one of WA's finest Police Inspectors and based in the South East Metro area (where the ballpark is located). Steve brought many contacts and connections to the game which allowed the facility and sport to grow politically. Steve took over as Chairman in 2010 just as the re-launched ABL started up and instrumental in formalising partnerships and plans with Baseball Australia, ABL and WA government.

In Steve's time with Baseball WA, the





# Annual Report - Baseball WA Ltd CHAIRMAN'S REVIEW

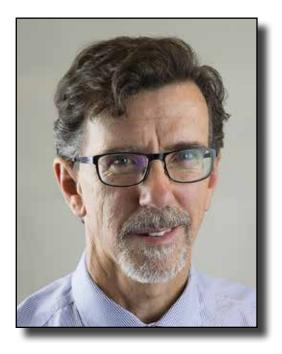
This is my first report as Chairman of Baseball WA. I start by acknowledging my predecessor Steve Byrne, who tragically passed away in September 2018. Steve was chair for eight years and left big shoes to fill.

The board is focused on the long-term development baseball in Western Australia. This is reflected in our strategic plan, which has five pillars - participation, performance, high health, facilities and profile. This provides a framework through which we can assess challenges. opportunities and achievements.

The most visible achievement over the past year has been the \$6 million upgrade of Perth Harley-Davidson Ballpark, which is due for completion towards the end of 2019. This will increase seating capacity, improve the quality of the facilities and give Perth arguably the best baseball stadium in the country. The upgrade was made possible by the generous financial support of the Australian government, with strong backing from Ken Wyatt MP. We thank them, along with the City of Gosnells, which agreed on new leases for the Ballpark and the neighbouring Tom Bateman House and helped fund the upgrade of the car park.

The sale of the Perth Heat to a private consortium in August 2018 was a major development. Baseball WA and our chief executive Lachlan Dale worked closely and productively with the new ownership group. This relationship is critical to the health of baseball in WA and is a major focus for the board.

The board, along with the Heat's new owners, share a commitment to supporting the growth of grassroots baseball. This includes building links



with tee-ball, developing pathways for juniors, supporting clubs across the state, offering high-performance programs for our talented players and boosting the profile of baseball.

The sale of Perth Heat was part of a national process that has seen all ABL teams move into private hands. This augurs well for the future of the game. The two-year transition period, from MLB ownership of the league to new private owners, proved costly. BWA continued to support Perth

Heat during the transition period to ensure we had the most competitive team in the 2018-19 season. In addition, Baseball Australia incurred higher costs managing the national competition. These costs have partly been passed on to the state associations.

The result is that BWA incurred a loss in the 2018-19 financial year. To mitigate the impact of the loss, the board approved a modest increase in registration fees, the first in three years. This will help to ensure BWA remains financially secure and able to sustain its operations. This has also prompted an internal re-structure with a key focus on developing sustainable frameworks in the areas of participation and club health, critical for future growth.

Finally, I wish to thank my fellow board members, the paid staff at Baseball WA and the hard-working volunteers who contribute to the success and profile of baseball in Western Australia.

Mark Beyer Chairman Board of Directors, Baseball WA



# Annual Report - Baseball WA Ltd CEO AND COMPETITIONS

First of all, I would like to give special thanks to the Clubs, Volunteers, Supporters and committee's within Baseball WA. Without the time, passion and dedication from you, the game we all love, would not be as successful as it is.

I would also like to thank the staff who work tirelessly on providing support and guidance to clubs and members throughout the year. Most of their work is behind the scenes when nobody is around with the main objective of delivering better

outcomes for the baseball community.

I also want thank Board of Baseball WA for their leadership of our game. With 3 new members covering a wide skill set, they will continue to plan for the future and guide new initiatives to ensure WA is progressive and leading the country in its delivery.

I'd also like to welcome the Perth Heat. To Rory, Christian, Michael, Rob and David, thank you for seeing what we've seen for years, Baseball is the greatest sport in the world and with your support, investment, guidance and leadership we are looking forward to seeing it back to its rightful place in the WA Sporting Landscape. Led by Steve Nelkovski and supported by Ed and Michael, the Perth Heat are in great hands.

Since the last Baseball WA Annual Report, I want to take some time to mention some of WA's key highlights.

In April 2019 at the National Championships, our Women's team won silver finishing 2nd and our Youth Girls after missing out on playoffs the year before finished 4th and gained valuable experience which will stand them in good stead as many of these players will suit up again next year for bigger and better results.

April also welcomed the Charter State Champion-



ships. Across Machine Pitch, Development Shield, Little League, Intermediate League and Senior League, 40 local teams compete title the of State Champions. This year, we again streamed the finals day live and had a reach of over 110,000 to watch our future superstars compete. WA carried on to have its most successful National Tournament season with Northern Metro's crowned both the Intermediate League and Junior League National Champions and the Western Suns winning the

Senior League Nationals making it 3 wins for WA from 4 tournaments. Each team then travelled to the USA to compete with outstanding character at their respective World Series Tournaments and deserve huge recognition for the accomplishment. Well done.

- From July to October saw WA again lead the way with National Team Representation
- 15U World Cup Panama 4 players and 2 coaches Andy Kyle and Mark Pettit
- U23 World Cup Colombia 7 players
- Women Florida 4 players
- World Baseball Classic Team 5 players 3 coaches
- A total of 20 players and 5 coaches

As part of drive for elite athlete performance and coaching we have made significant developments and changes after completing our review of our elite programs with input from Team Australia, MLB clubs, WAIS and the new Perth Heat ownership. WA's relationship with the Tampa Bay Rays reaches beyond just the prospect players they send, we will be working closely with them on sports science, baseball technology, coach development and player management systems to ensure our local players lead the Perth Heat both on and off the field. The by-product of this program

will be athletes in collegiate, professional, national and State League programs.

At the turn of the new year, we saw both WA Under 16's and 18's take out the bronze medal in close fought tournaments. Also in January this year we continued to develop our international relations and hosted a top 3 Korean college in Chang Ang University at Perth Harley-Davidson Ballpark. This will open the door to international markets and assist to generate additional revenue to the stadium which will not only grow the game but assist in repairs, maintenance and ongoing upgrades.

In February, our National Men's team came together for the first time under new manager David Nillson to plan for the Premier 12 in November 2019 and the Olympics in Tokyo 2020. WA Players Tim Kennelly, Alex Hall, Robbie Glendinning, Allan De San Miguel and Luke Hughes will all play a huge part in the success and to note congratulations to Tim Kennelly being named joint Captain of the Australian team.

It is not just on the field that we are achieving success, off the field WA has seen some ground-breaking developments as well. Over the past 4 years, 90% of clubs have invested in capital upgrades at their home grounds, whether that be back nets, batting cages, dugouts or club houses we are seeing facilities improve. This all supports the opportunity to increase the game day environment to ensure our clubs are full with members and spectators enjoying the best atmosphere possible.

As many are aware, siteworks at Baseball Park have begun as we embark on the largest capital

investment to baseball in this state for 30 years. New grandstand, corporate and function areas, seats, changerooms, car park, ticket gate, family areas and concessions, the Ballpark will be the best in the country and will attract national and international baseball events. Additionally, we have secured Tom Bateman House which connects to the Ballpark and will serve as the new Baseball WA Administration Office.

I would like to formally recognise the State Government's significant contribution towards these initial upgrades and the Federal Governments investment was we move into our final stage on the build. A special thank you Ken Wyatt for his ongoing support

Additionally, I'd like to thank our major commercial partners, Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, Healthway and its Think Again message, Perth Harley-Davidson, City of Gosnells, Nexus Risk Services and the Perth Heat.

On a final note, thank you to everyone in the baseball community for their time, effort and passion for the game. As an organisation, we continue to set high expectations to grow the game in WA and with passionate people not only at clubs but the wider baseball community, WA will continue to shine and be the benchmark in Australia.

As I hope you are, we're looking forward to the new success that we all achieve together in the 2019 / 2020 season and beyond.

Yours Sincerely

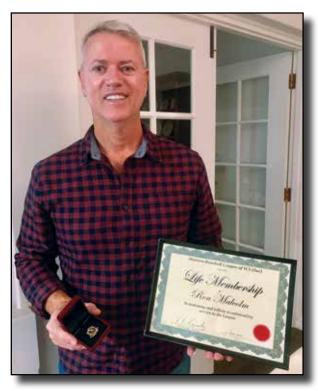
Lachlan Dale CEO. Baseball WA





# Annual Report - Baseball WA Ltd WA MASTER'S LEAGUE

#### **NEW LIFE MEMBER**



At our AGM it was unanimously and wholeheartedly voted to honour Ron Malcolm with Life Membership. Ron has spearheaded the Eagles since Masters Baseball League of WA Inc resumed playing 14 years ago. They have rewritten the record books with an outstanding win loss ratio that has witnessed them take out every Grand Final except 2007, which was won by the Indians.

During this time, as Team Manager, Ron not only put a formidable team on the diamond each week but was a valuable player. As a pitcher he had an ERA of 3.60 and a career high BA of .417. He regularly made the All Star Team as well. Ron is an active member of our Committee and we value his experience and wise counsel on all things baseball.

For his dedication and service to the League, Ron was nominated by past President, William (Spider) Sinclair.

layed at Baseball Park Thornlie.

My second year as President was a bit easier in most aspects. Unfortunately we had a couple of rainouts, I think where possible we should try and replay these games particularly if they could affect ladder positions. This year it didn't and no alternative dates were available.

The suspension of a couple of players was unfortunate, the clubs must remind players, regardless of umpire decisions, masters baseball must be played with respect for the game, your fellow players, both teammates and opposition players.

Good to see two more teams replaced their uniforms, well done to the Bears and Reds. Thanks go to Rob Robson for organising umpires again this season. I think we should having some standby umpires, rather than have players do it at short notice.

Masters Baseball made donations to both individual local players and teams who represented both WA and Australia in junior competitions. Total \$2000.

Masters finals provided some very exciting baseball.

Semifinal 1: 2nd v 3rd Reds 4 - Bears 1

Semifinal 2: Eagles 8 - Indians 4

The Grand Final was an amazing game with great defense by both teams with no score until the top of the nineth when the Reds scored 1. The Eagles prevailed again for the 11th time in a row scoring two runs in the bottom of the 9th Final Score EAGLES 2 REDS 1

Well done EAGLES

A special thanks again go to Kaye Timms for her efforts, scoring, canteen, secerterial and all the other things including Christmas Function. Congratulations to all trophy winners and members of the All star team.

Special thanks to all coordinators and other helpers.

Yours in baseball. Keith Kennedy President



# Annual Report - Baseball WA Ltd UMPIRE ADVISER

Abig shout out to **Chris Rapley** for the manner in which he conducted our pre-season training programme this year. I missed most of the training as I was on an overseas holiday "in the Old Dart" (know what I mean then??).

Chris was ably assisted by **Brett Robson**, **Peter Bowie** and **Lou Bonomi** and again I really appreciate the efforts these guys put in to ensure our umpiring group is ready to go at the start of the season. The training facilities at **Perth Modern School** really suit our needs admirably.

Attendances at the training days fluctuated wildly due in the main to external activities encroaching on the ability of our umpires to attend all sessions all of the time. We understand this position but unfortunately we are limited as to when we can run these sessions.

Our fortnightly Rules & Mechanics meetings held at Balcatta Baseball Club were extremely well attended and I am sure all umpires gain something every time they attend. Keep up the good work. These meetings, in the coming season, will have a heavy focus on rules and rule interpretations. There will be very few rule discussions during the pre-season training days, just full on instruction.

To this end, and in an attempt to have more umpires attend all training sessions, there will be a significant tweak to these sessions; particularly the timing of the sessions. Full day training will not happen; training will be limited to half days with full on intensity and lots of repetitions in the

cage. Please do your absolute best to attend each session as each session will have a different focus. We will not be going back over old ground just because you missed the day.

In the main I was satisfied with our game management and handling of ejections and the subsequent report writing. Larry Harder, chairman of P&D Tribunal has indicated that statistically serious reports were down on previous years. This is an indication that our game management training is successful. Keep up the good work!

Congratulations to all of our trophy winners from the season. They are named elsewhere in this annual report. Also congratulations to the umpires who officiated at an international level, namely **Fiona Lambrick** and **Ryan Harder**. We will also have **Gary Arnell** as Australia's representative umpire at the Junior League World Series in Michigan in August. We wish Gary well in his adventure.

If any of our members have topics which they would particularly like to have covered during Rules & Mechanics evenings, please let me or Chris know ASAP.

David Gripper Umpires Advisor







# Annual Report - Baseball WA Ltd SCORERS AND STATISTICIANS

#### **LIFE MEMBERS**

WABSSA acknowledges the significant contributions the following Life Members have made to this Association.

Rose Corker\* 1994
Kath Dyer 1998
Patricia Williamson 1999
Betty Lawson 2000
Rae Coleman\* 2006
Natalie Todd 2014
June Anderson 2016

\* Deceased

The 2018-2019 Season started off with a bang the committee was motivated and ready to hit the ground running with some new ideas and lots of enthusiasm.

Once again, this year we took clinics to the clubs, this seems to be the best way moving forward as we are getting great numbers and it is making sure that the clubs understand the need for scorer education. So, a big thanks to all the clubs that helped us this year and we look forward to your continued support in the coming years.

Big thank you to Morley Eagles for letting us hold our Level 2-3 clinic at their clubrooms. This clinic was run slightly different this year with the attendees being more active in the clinic, we believe that this was really beneficial and I believe the results of the exams are proof of this.

This year we had 129 people attend our clinics:

4 x Level 0

2 x Level 1

1 x Level 2 - 3

We had a 100% pass rate for all members that took exams, so congratulations to all our members on your huge achievement. The number for the exams are as follows:

7 x Level 1

7 x Level 2

This year we also undertook a Charter Scorers and Game Changer Scorers clinic prior to our junior teams travelling to their respective National Tournaments. This was to ensure that our scorers understood what they needed to know and to try and ease the burden during respective tournaments.

In April I was given the opportunity to submit an Expression of Interest to the WBSC via CABS/Baseball Australia to participate in a WBSC Officials Clinic for Scorers and Umpires. On my behalf it was presented to our Committee and with full backing I completed the paperwork and was accepted.

I would like to thank the committee for this opportunity, this year has been outstanding and I really appreciate all the support that you give me and I look forward to the future of this great association.

Natalie Todd President

#### PICTURED RIGHT:

The view from the Scorers Box at the Perth Harley Davidson Ball Park in Thormlie.



## WBSC SEMINAR AND APPOINTMENT

In June this year our President Natalie, was invited to participate in a Technical Officials Seminar for the WBSC to become an International Scorer (making her a CABS Level 5 Scorer). Along with 2 other baseball scorers, a softball scorer and 2 baseball umpires, all from Australia, they travelled to San Jose, California USA for a 5 day intensive seminar.





Natalie came back and shared her experiences with some of the committee straight away unable to contain her excitement at what she had learned. She feels that her experience at the seminar and meeting new people will extend greatly on her wealth of knowledge as a scorer in our Association and is looking forward to the oncoming season.

Natalie has also been assigned to her first tournament. Leaving on the 23rd of July for the U12 Baseball World Cup in Tainan commencing on the 26th of July. We would like to congratulate Natalie on achieving her long time goal!



#### 2019 LIFE MEMBERSHIP

We are proud to announce this year's member is Maureen Bradley. Maureen joined the WABSSA committee in 2008 when her sons were playing baseball. Over the years while continuing to serve WABSSA she also served as a scorer and committee member for her local club, going on the become the Head Scorer, helping others learn to score and improve their scoring techniques.

She has scored over the years not only for her Club but also at National Tournaments, Perth Heat as well as School Boys tournaments.

With a bubbly personality she is always willing to take on any job, be it setting up the scorers room at the start of the season for the Heat, helping out at clinics and tournaments or taking people who are having trouble understanding some part of scoring aside and going over things one on one with them.

We thank Maureen for her dedication to this great pastime and look forward to the oncoming years.





# Annual Report - Baseball WA Ltd LITTLE LEAGUE



#### MISSION OF LITTLE LEAGUE

Little League International, Incorporated is a non-profit organization whose mission is to "promote, develop, supervise, and voluntarily assist in all lawful ways, the interest of those who will participate in Little League Baseball and Softball." Through proper guidance and exemplary leadership, the Little League program assists children in developing the qualities of citizenship, discipline, teamwork and physical well-being. By espousing the virtues of character, courage and loyalty, the Little League Baseball program is designed to develop superior citizens rather than superior athletes.



### MURRAY APPOINTED LITTLE LEAGUE DISTRICT ADMINISTRATOR

Andrew Murray is the new Little League District Administrator. His key role will be to ensure that all aspects of Little League operations comply with Little League International and Baseball Australia rules while staying consistent with Baseball WA's policies and strategic plans.

The LLDA's role is a crucial part of the newly-created Participation Programs Department which will oversee the development and operations of all Baseball WA's key growth programs of which Little League is a main focus.

David Hayes moved into the position of Participation Programs Manager.

See Junior Baseball contacts below:

ROLE	JOB TITLE	OFFICER	CONTACT DETAILS
Big League 1 & 2 - Senior League Club Ball - Junior Finals & Awards - Club Championships	Competitions Manager	Lance MacKichan	0414 756 049  Ihvacompetitions@baseballwa.asn.au
Club-ball - Little League, Intermediate League & Junior League	Charter Competitions Manager	Refer to your Charter Committee	LINK
State Championships Tournament	Championship Director	Olivia Mayo	0422 889 811 Ilwatournaments@gmail.com
Umpire Allocations & Training - Junior Rule Interpretations	Junior Umpires Co- Ordinator	Lou Bonomi	0422 337 220 bonomi05-28@bigpond.com
Registration, Fees, Game Reports, Database, Administration & Junior Scoring Assistance	Operations Support Manager	Caroline Adamson	0412 863 125 support@baseballwa.asn.au
Little League International Compliance & Reporting	Little League District Administrator	Andrew Murray	0419 932 199 LLWADA@baseballwa.asn.au
Coaching Accreditations - Tiger Programs - Sporting Schools - School Holiday Camps	Baseball Operations Manager	Mitch Williams	0499 558 789 development@baseballwa.asn.au
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FEES MAILING ADDRESS	PO BOX 1489 Canning Vale DC WA 6970		



### 2019 SENIOR LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

MVP - Trent Daniele - Western Suns

BATTING - . 727% - Daniel Carter - Western Suns

#### ALL STAR TEAM

Trent Daniele - Western Suns

Daniel Carter - Western Suns

Maddux Stivey - Western Suns

Bailey-Jay Cooke - Western Suns

Andrew Hurrelbrink - Western Suns

Ashton Hamilton - Western Suns

Michael West - Western Suns

William Truscott - Western Meteors

Joshua Houston - Western Meteors

Brayden Crombie - Western Meteors

Jaxon Limpus - Western Meteors

Cameron Landy - Northern Metros





### **2019 JUNIOR LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

MVP - Jacob Santich - Northern Metros

BATTING - .667% - Jacob Santich - Northern Metros

#### ALL STAR TEAM

Jacob Santich - Northern Metros

Duncan Finlay - Western Comets

Taj gosnling - Western comets

Kade Grow - Swan Hill Aces

Brody Pickett - Northern Metros

Joshua Davies - Northern Metros

Michael De Gasperis - Swan Hill Aces

Kaine Newham - Northern Metros

Aden Brown - Northern Metros

Kai Cahill - Swan Hill Aces

Cooper Granland - Northern Metros

Lyndan Morgan - Western Comets



#### LITTLE LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GRAND FINAL RECAP

### Eastern Phantoms Grabs Lead In Fourth Inning For Victory Over LL Northern Metros

Eastern Phantoms defeated LL Northern Metros 9-4 on Monday after taking the lead late in the game. LL Eastern Phantoms trailed 4-3 in the bottom of the fourth inning when Ben C doubled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring two runs.

Northern Metros got on the board in the first inning. Michael S doubled on a 2-0 count, scoring one run.

Eastern Phantoms pulled away for good with seven runs in the fourth inning. In the fourth Benjamin N singled on a 2-1 count, scoring one run, Riley O singled on a 2-2 count, scoring one run, Austin M singled on the first pitch of the at bat, scoring one run, George C doubled on a 1-2 count, scoring one run, and Jack M singled on a 2-1 count, scoring one run.

Riley got the win for LL Eastern Phantoms. They surrendered two runs on two hits over five innings, striking out six.

Kristian H led things off on the hill for LL Northern Metros. They surrendered zero runs on zero hits over two and two-thirds innings, striking out five. Michael and Jamie H entered the game as relief, throwing two innings and one-third of an inning respectively.

Toby F started the game for LL Eastern Phantoms. They went one inning, allowing two runs on three hits and striking out two.

Eastern Phantoms tallied eight hits on the day. Riley and Jack all collected multiple hits for LL Eastern Phantoms. Jack and Riley all had two hits to lead LL Eastern Phantoms.

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#### INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GRAND FINAL RECAP

## Western Comets Defeats Northern Metros Despite Allowing 3-Run Inning

Northern Metros scored three runs in the first inning, but Western Comets still won 8-3. Northern Metros scored its runs on a groundout by Brayden Connor.

Northern Metros opened up scoring in the first inning, when an error scored two runs for Northern Metros.

In the bottom of the second inning, Western Comets tied things up at three when Daniel Papiccio singled on a 2-2 count, scoring two runs.

Western Comets pulled away for good with five runs in the third inning. In the third Nicholas Davis singled on a 0-1 count, scoring two runs, an error scored one run for Western Comets, and Tayne Woods singled on a 1-0 count, scoring one run. Cruze Brendon got the win for Western Comets. They surrendered three runs on four hits over seven innings, striking out six and walking one. Brendon recorded the last 21 outs to earn the save for Western Comets.

Dawson George started the game for Northern Metros. They went two innings, allowing three runs on three hits, striking out two and walking zero. Jack Angeloff and Jayden Allen entered the game from the bullpen, throwing three innings and one inning respectively.

Davis led Western Comets with two hits in three at bats. Western Comets stole ten bases during the game as two players stole more than one. William Garton led the way with two.

George led Northern Metros with two stolen bases, as they ran wild on the base paths with five stolen bases..

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## JUNIOR LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GRAND FINAL RECAP

### Northern Metros Defeats Western Comets In Blow Out Victory Thanks To Fourth Inning Boost

Northern Metros defeated Western Comets 14-2 on Wednesday thanks to a timely eight runs in a big fourth inning. The offensive onslaught came from singles by Kaine Newham, Joshua Davies, and Brody Pickett, doubles by Aden Browne and Jacob Santich, and a home run by Browne.

Northern Metros got on the board in the first inning when Geoffrey Kerr induced Santich to hit into a fielder's choice, but one run scored.

Northern Metros tallied eight runs in the fourth inning. Browne, Newham, Davies, Pickett, Browne and Santich each had RBIs in the frame.

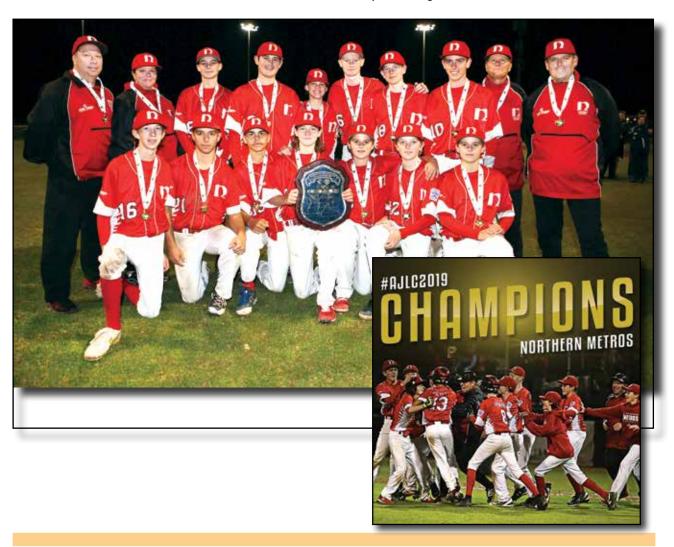
Browne led things off on the pitcher's mound for Northern Metros. They surrendered two runs on four hits over four innings, striking out nine. Kerr was on the pitcher's mound for Western Comets. They surrendered nine runs on five hits over three and a third innings, striking out one. Jayden Lee and Jaygee Griggs entered the game as relief, throwing one-third of an inning and one-third of an inning respectively.

Northern Metros tallied one home run on the day. Browne went yard in the fourth inning.

Northern Metros racked up ten hits. Browne, Davies, and Santich each had multiple hits for Northern Metros. Santich, Davies, and Browne each collected two hits to lead Northern Metros. Davies led JL - Northern Metros with two stolen bases, as they ran wild on the base paths with six stolen bases.

Taj Gosling went 2-for-2 at the plate to lead Western Comets in hits.

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#### SENIOR LEAGUE STATE CHAMPIONSHIP GRAND FINAL RECAP

### Early Lead For Western Suns Seals Fate For Western Meteors

Western Meteors fell behind early and couldn't come back in a 3-2 loss to Western Sunson Wednesday. Western Suns scored on a single by Maddux Stivey and a double by Daniel Carter in the first inning.

The pitching was strong on both sides. Western Suns pitchers struck out 13, while Western Meteors sat down six.

Western Suns opened up scoring in the first inning. Stivey singled on a 2-0 count, scoring one run.

Stivey led things off on the mound for Western Suns. He allowed four hits and two runs over five innings, striking out nine.

Callum Broughton toed the rubber for Western Meteors. He went three innings, allowing three runs on four hits, striking out three and walking one. Caleb Goodwin threw four innings in relief.

Joshua Houston went 2-for-3 at the plate to lead Western Meteors in hits.

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The 2018-19 season saw 145 teams (up from 141) compete in 22 club-based competitions with a further 23 teams entering into the Club Championship series. Having only a very slight increase in the numbers of participants in junior baseball this season, Clubs have done well to retain players, but need to do more to attract new players. In general however, the season was an overall success.

The Club Championship series had an overall increase in participants especially with Senior League as the popularity



of play on a week night under lights at Baseball Park in a double elimination series, was very well received.

A big thank you to all the club volunteers and parents for their support. However a big thank you must go to the Umpire Association for their ongoing support of junior baseball throughout the season. Within excess of 95% of Senior League and Big League games and 60% of Junior League games were covered by association umpires. The players and clubs greatly appreciated the effort.

#### **SEASON 2018 / 2019 RESULTS**

#### **CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Senior League Club Championships (10 Teams)

Grand Final:

Swans (1) def Vic Park (0)

Junior League Club Championships (6 Teams)

Grand Final:

Wanneroo (7) def Swans (2)

Little League Club Championships (7 Teams)

Grand Final:

Wanneroo (13) def Swans (1)

COMPETITION NAME	TEAM NO.	COMPETITON WINNERS
	BIG I	LEAGUE
Big League Division 1	8	South Perth (1) def Wanneroo Giants (0)
Big League Division 2	7	Swan Districts (3) def Willetton Wildcats (2)
	SENIO	R LEAGUE
Senior League Norths	4	Carine Blue (2) def Wanneroo Orange (1)
Senior League Swan Hills / Easts	6	Swans Grey (14) def Vic Park/Belmont Reds (1)
Senior League Southern Hills / Centrals	4	South Perth (5) def Willetton Gold (0)
Senior League Coastal Bay / Souths	4	Rockingham (11) def Braves (7)
	JUNIO	R LEAGUE
Junior League Norths	6	Carine Black (12) def Wanneroo Orange (1)
Junior League Souths / Costal Bay	4	Peel (8) def Braves (7)
Junior League Southern Hills / Centrals	4	Roleystone (8) def Willetton Green (3)
Junior League Swan Hills / East	6	Swans White (10) def Swans Black (6)

### JUNIOR COMPETITION REPORT

#### INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE

Intermediate League Norths	12	Swans White (3) def Carine Black (2)
Intermediate League Souths	6	Braves (17) def Rockingham (14)
	LITTLE	LEAGUE
Little League Norths	10	Wanneroo White top of Ladder
Little League Easts / Swans Hills	10	Perth Blue (4) def Morley Red (3)
Little League Centrals	6	Willetton Gold (4) def Willetton Black (0)
Little League Southern Hills	6	Kelmscott top of Ladder
Little League Souths	6	Yangebup (3) def Gosnells (2)
Little League Coastal Bay	8	Rockingham White top of Ladder
	MINOF	R LEAGUE
Little League Minors (Players Pitch) Norths / Easts	6	Carine Pumas top of Ladder
	масні	INE PITCH
Machine Pitch (All clubs combined)	22	No Ladder

All the best for the upcoming 2019 / 2020 season.

See you on the diamond.

Lance MacKichan

**BWA Competitions Manager Juniors** 



# Australian Teams U12 BASEBALL WORLD CUP



## AUSTRALIAN U12 TEAM FOR WORLD CUP

By Baseball Australia Media

Australia has finalised its roster for next month's WBSC U12 Baseball World Cup in Taiwan.

Eighteen players aged 11 and 12 will represent Australia in Tainan from July 26 to August 4.

The roster was finalised following this month's 2019 Australian Little League Championship in Lismore.

New South Wales will have nine representatives, Queensland four, Western Australia three and South Australia and Victoria one each.

Team Australian general manager Glenn Williams said it had been a difficult task trimming the final roster to 18 players.

"There are so many quality young players spread all the way across the country," Williams said.

"We rely heavily on advice from state associations and the respective Little League charters.

"We saw the players live in Lismore to make the final decisions.

"There was difficult decisions to make ... this is probably the most difficult national team to select."

The 2019 edition of the U12 World Cup will be the first at the US\$130 million Tainan Asia Pacific Stadiums.

"It's an exciting event for all of the kids to take part in," Williams said.

"The local organising committee do an amazing job with a heavy focus on making sure the kids have a great experience.

"(It is) something they will never forget and I am looking forward to seeing how they go at the event."

Brian Murphy will return as Australia's manager for a third-straight U12 World Cup.

Murphy will be assisted by Nick Hutchings and Scott Meager.

The U12 team will earn ranking points towards world number seven Australia's tally.

Australia is in Group B alongside three-time defending U12 world champions USA, Mexico, Korea, Venezuela and Italy.

The U12 Baseball World Cup is the only global sporting event to feature national teams at this age group.

Australia finished with a 2-6 record at the 2017 event.

WBSC will release broadcast details for the U-12 World Cup shortly.

#### **PLAYERS**

Alasdair Ballantyne, NSW | P/OF Riley Cooper, NSW | P/IF Max Durrington, QLD | UT Kristian Haeusler, WA | P Lachlan Heap, NSW | P/IF Will Kent, VIC | IF/OF Liam Kiddle, QLD | UT Kason King, SA | C/IF Isobel Lambert, NSW | P/IF Sam Levick, NSW | P/C Riku Mochizuki, QLD | P/IF Austin Moyle, WA | P/IF Joshua Nati, NSW | P/IF Riley Oliphant, WA | P/IF Rubens Romero, QLD | P/IF Simon Slapeta, NSW | P/IF/OF Daniel Thwaites, NSW | P/IF Lachlan Vella, NSW | P/IF/OF

#### **STAFF**

Brian Murphy | Head Coach Nick Hutchings | Pitching Coach Scott Meager | Assistant Coach Beth McVicker | Executive Officer

#### WORLD CUP ADVENTURES

Author: Ed Nixon/Saturday, 10 August 2019

A trio of WA players, Riley Oliphant, Austin Moyle and Kristian Hausler pulled on the green and gold of Australia at the 2019 12U World Cup in Taiwan.

The Aussies end the tournament with a 2-6 win/loss record to finish in 10th place.

After opening up the tournament with five tough games against the USA, Korea, Italy, Mexico and Venezuela, Australia picked up back-to-back wins over a resolute South African side and Fiji.

Despite finishing bottom of Group B, Australia claimed wins in two of their three consolation games; 7-4 against South Arica and 15-0 against Fiji.

Moyle picked up three RBIs on two hits during Australia's rout of Fiji with Oliphant also driving in a run.

Games Played: 6 Games Won: 2 Games Lost: 4



# Australian Teams U18 BASEBALL WORLD CUP



#### **AUSTRALIA U18 WORLD CUP ROSTER**

#### By Baseball Australia Media

Manager: Steve Fish

Assistant Coach: Graeme Lloyd

Assistant Coach: Damian Shanahan

Assistant Coach: Tyrone Hambly

Assistant Coach: Gareth Jones

Executive Officer: Neil Barrowcliff

Physio: Scott Mitchinson

Bryon Armstrong #6

Travis Bazzana #9

Brandan Bidois #35

Chris Burke #14

Jake Burns #16

Blake Cavill #37

Liam Evans #21

Kieren Hall #43

Jack Lee #10

Liam MacDonald #44

Solomon Maguire #10

Liam McCallum #32

Cooper Morgan #3

Conor Myles #31
Jaylin Rae #5
William Sherriff #33
Alex Skepton #8
Jo Stevens #4
Lachie Waite #28
Kai-Noa Wynyard #22





PICTURED ABOVE: Qualifying game against Japan.

PICTURED LEFT: Gold Medal game

PICTURED BELOW: Coach Steve Fish with the tournament grounds in the background.





## PARTICIPATION PROGRAMS

#### PARTICIPATION PROGRAMS REPORT

This new area of Baseball WA commenced with my appointment on 1 January this year having completed my term as Little League District Administrator.

The purpose of the department is to develop programs aimed at growth in the following key areas:

- Tee-ball
- Transition into Little League

- Female participation
- Regional participation
- Rate of retention & sport profile
- School competition

Through the first six months of operation, these key areas can be summarised as follows:

#### **TEE-BALL & TRANSITION**

ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS	RECENT PROGRAMS	PROGRAMS IN PLANNING
SPORTING SCHOOLS		TEE-BALL SUPER CHALLENGE (Under 9 knock out tournament)

#### WOMENS

ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS	RECENT PROGRAMS	PROGRAMS IN PLANNING
	YOUTH GIRLS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM	UNDER 17 GIRLS COMPETITION WOMENS SUPER LEAGUE NATIONAL PATHWAYS PHOENIX CUP

#### **REGIONAL**

ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS	RECENT PROGRAMS	PROGRAMS IN PLANNING
TEE-BALL Ord River – Newman – Tom Price – Paraburdoo – Hedland – Wickham – Karratha – Geraldton – Carnarvon – Goldfields – Bunbury – Busselton - Nannup		MP70 Local competition NorthWest Champs Creation of Southern WA tournament ALTERNATE PATHWAY PROGRAMS STAFFING COUNTRY WEEK

#### **RETENTION & PROFILE**

ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS	RECENT PROGRAMS	PROGRAMS IN PLANNING
PRO-LEAGUE		GameChanger expansion HKIBO
		Webstream club events
		Alternate pathway programs

#### **SCHOOLS**

ESTABLISHED PROGRAMS	RECENT PROGRAMS	PROGRAMS IN PLANNING
SPECIALIST SCHOOLS		MP70 SCHOOLS COMPETITION OPEN SCHOOLS COMPETITION COUNTRY WEEK

Programs will continue to be planned and developed and reported back at club delegates meetings. Planning will continue to be adapted to fall in line with national programs as needed and tailored to meet the needs of our clubs. The ultimate objective is to drive membership into our clubs and retain them there.

David Hayes Participation Programs Manager





Rod Drew (confirmed for 2019) Head Coach: Pitching Coach: Tom Bailey Assistant Coaches: Kent Fitzgibbons Strength & Conditioning Coach: Josh Kennelly

PLAYER ROSTER										20	11	9							
Uniform #			GP	AB	н	HR	RBI	Bat%	GS	W	L		S	IP	H	ER	88	so	ERA
3	Eissens, Colvin	WN	19	40	11	. 0	7	0.275	5	5	1	3	_1	14	14	15	30	23	9.64
7	Field, Mitchell	RO	11	19	5	0	4	0.263	5		2	2		22.2	28	10	10	22	4.09
9	Bollantine, Lachlan	VP																	
10	Reynolds, Jay	WN	16	30	6	0	7	0.200	4		1	1		19.1	14	9	20	26	4.24
11	Hayes, Brannon	WN	15	33	10	0	10	0.303		)				0.2	1	4	3	2	180.00
13	John, Lucas	SP	17	26	5	0	0	0.192	2	2	1	1		12	17	13	5	9	9.75
14	Chehob, Connor	SP	18	34	6	0	- 4	0.176	2	2	1	2		10	1	12	30	19	10.80
16	Doss, Josh	SD	13	21	4	0	2	0.190	0	)	1	0		1.2	3	8	6	3	60.00
27	Teo, Lucas	BR	14	22	4	0	4	0.182											
40	Jones, Brandon	WN	18	33	7	0	7	0.212											
42	Gomes, Bryce	VP	20	45	10	0	4	0.222		)				5.1	5	5	10	7	8.82
65	Albertini, Michael	WI	17	35	13	1	12	0.371	2		1	1		6	8	9	13	10	13.50
66	Varga, Toj	WI	18	26	10	0	8	0.385											
2018	Pelkonen, Raleigh	MO																	
2018	Deal, Coiden	МО																	
2018	Greenhom, Josh	VP																	
2018	Holl, Kieren	SP																	
2018	Stephenson, Daniel	WN																	
2018	Gordon, Caitlin	VP																	
2018	Haggart, Meaghan	BR																	
2018	MacBeth, Julian	МО																	
2018	Wright-Pihomo, Tomo	WN																	
2018	Southee, Lochlan	WN																	
	TEAM		196	364	91	1	69	0.250						89.8	91	85	127	121	8.52





Head Coach: Mitch Williams (confirmed for 2019) Pitching Coach: Tom Bailey
Assistant Coaches: Brandon Migro Strength & Conditioning Coach: Josh Kennelly

PLAYER ROSTER Uniform #			2019															
			GP	AB	н	HR	RBI	Bat%	GS	W	L	S	IP	н	ER	88	so	ERA
4	Robins, William	GO	8	19	5	0	3	0.263	2		0	2	6	4	5	12	6	7.50
5	Schofield, Mitchell	SD	13	30	13	4	16	0.433	0	_			2	4	3	1	1	13.50
7	Schipp, Callum	WN	16	33	10	1	5	0.303	6	_	0	3	23	35	20	17	26	7.83
8	Murray, Lachlan	SD																
9	Roeszler, Alex	RO	19	32	3	0	3	0.094	0	i .			2.2	8	8	2	2	32.73
11	Smedley, Jake	GO	18	48	8	0	4	0.167	5		0	8	23.1	42	30	22	11	11.69
13	Goodwin, Coleb	RO	16	35	12	2	6	0.343	5		0	1	18	14	14	32	35	7.00
14	Fraser-Easton, Ewan	GO	17	27	4	0	2	0.148	0	_			1	2	7	6	0	63.00
17	West, Michael	VP	3	3	1	0	1	0.333	0	_	1	0	2	0	0	2	0	0.00
27	Stannard, Braedan	GO	19	30	0	0	4	0.000	0	_			0.2	2	2	2	0	90.00
28	Hurrelbrink, Andrew	VP	9	19	5	1	8	0.263	0	_			1.1	1	0	1	2	0.00
47	Crouch, Ashton	RO	15	27	5	0	2	0.185	1		0	1	8.1	25	23	18	7	25.56
55	Villamar, Hezron	МО	9	17	4	0	1	0.235										
2018	Armstrong, Byron	WN																
2018	Molloy, Brock	RO																
2018	Torpy, Rebecco	VP																
2018	Smith, Jordan	WN																
2018	Houston, Luke	GO																
2018	Nicholas, Cody	MO																
2018	Oosthuizen, Gus	BR																
2018	McKinnon, Lachlan	BR																
	TEAM		162	320	70	8	55	0.219					86.7	137	112	115	90	11.63





Head Coach: Peter Torpy (confirmed for 2019) Pitching Coach: Tom Bailey
Assistant Coaches: Kurt Russell Strength & Conditioning Coach: Josh Kennelly

PLAY	ING ROSTER									20	19								
Unifo			GP	AB	н	HR	RBI	Bat%	GS	W	L		S	IP	н	ER	88	SO	ERA
4	Cornish, Scott	SP	12	26	8	0	4	0.308	0		0	0	:	3.2	1	0	3	7	0.0
10	Moguire, Aiden	WI	15	24	6	0	11	0.250	0		1	0		4.2	6	4	6	2	8.5
n	Lovender, Josh	WI	15	35	10	0	9	0.286	0					1.2	4	0	2	2	0.0
12	Olesen, Liam	WI	15	32	2	0	1	0.063	3		2	1		11.1	13	- 4	8	11	3.24
13	Carter, Daniel	SD	9	16	4	0	4	0.250											
14	Noel, Tyson	SD	6	9	2	0	0	0.222	1		0	2		2.1	4	6	4	2	25.71
15	Hutchins, Jarred	VP	16	36	6	0	6	0.167	2					1.2	3	6	7	1	45.00
21	Armstrong, Joson	VP	8	13	2	0	1	0.154	7		3	1		22.1	12	5	15	23	2.04
23	Kozmierowski, Tye	BR	18	38	8	0	2	0.211	0		2	0	:	6.1	. 2	0	4	9	0.00
25	Ciollella, Adam	SD	8	11	2	1	4	0.182	2		2	3		19.2	15	7	10	21	3.28
26	Eynon, Caitlin	WN	13	23	2	0	4	0.087	2		1	0		10.1	5	3	9	10	2.67
54	Flynn, Thomas	RO	12	28	7	0	4	0.250	0					0.2	1	3	4	0	135.00
99	Date, Jaxon	BR	15	31	7	0	4	0.226											
2018	Waite, Lochie	МО																	
2018	Walsh, Dylan	SP																	
2018	Nikolic, Philip	BR																	
2018	Paull, Josh	VP																	
2018	Hopkins-Treloor, Dylon	SP																	
2018	Hatcher, Todd	BR																	
2018	Bos, Hudson	МО																	
2018	Poull, Tyler	SP																	
2018	Brear, Lachlan	МО																	
	TEAM		162	322	66	1	54	0.205						80.7	66	38	72	88	4.24





Head Coach: Eric Grabe (confirmed for 2019) Pitching Coach: Tom Bailey
Assistant Coaches: Guy Bellair Strength & Conditioning Coach: Josh Kennelly

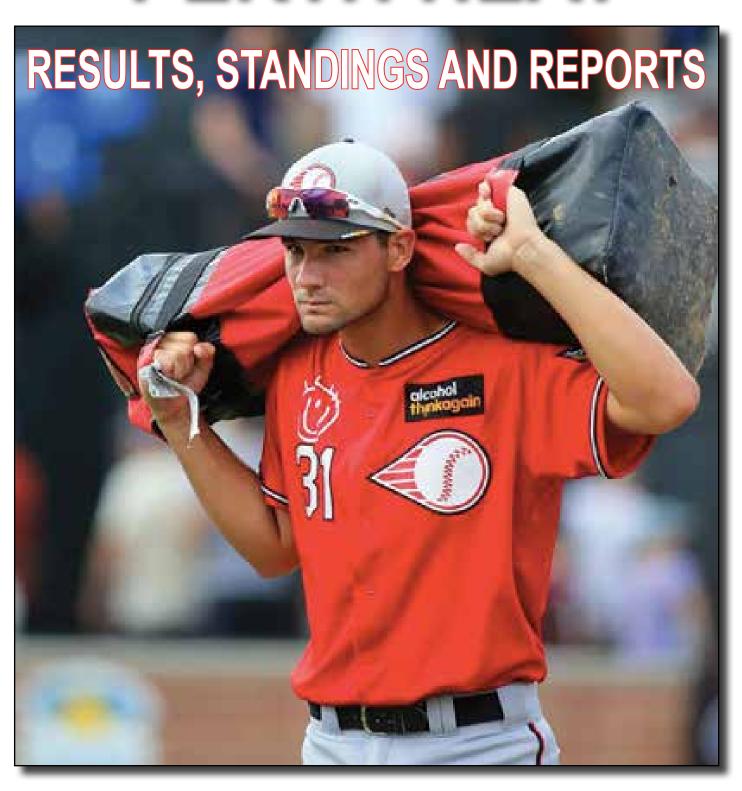
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1	Drew, Ben	BR	17	43	15	3	16	0.349	0	- 1		0		3.2			1 3	7	2.83
4	Choi, Daniel	BR	14	34	10	1	7	0.294	0					2		) (	3	4	0.00
8	Bornes, Ashley	МО	16	47	14	1	6	0.298	0					2.1		5	5 7	3	21.43
11	Ranford, Joseph	SP																	
12	Ishikawa, Yuuki	BR	17	39	6	C	6	0.154	0	2		0		4		1 (	0	2	0.00
13	Borgomostro, Kaila	BR	15	31	8	0	8	0.258	6	3	į.	0		19.1	1	3	7 9	17	3.30
15	Nicoletto, Coyden	RO	14	42	19	2	15	0.452	0	0		1	2	6.1		) ;	2 6	16	2.95
16	Tisdell, Corey	WN	8	15	4		1	0.267	0					1		) (	) 1	1	0.00
21	Bowins, Jack	MO																	
24	Binder, Broadee	BR	5	10	4	2	3	0.400	7	6		1		29.1	2	1 4	12	47	1.24
25	Riley, Nicholas	WN	17	41	15	1	9	0.366	1	0		0	- 1	4		2 :	3 6	11	6.75
32	Parry, Conor	SD	9	21	6	1	10	0.286	0					1		) (	0	3	0.00
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2018	Hagan, Austin	VP																	
2018	Sherriff, William	SP																	
2018	Stivey, Maddux	SD																	
2018	Fox, Erin	none																	
2018	Rigden, Lewis	BR																	
2018	Uchino, Max	BR																	
2018	Moore, Liam	МО																	
2018	Brice, Frozer	WN																	
	TEAM		145	350	107	11	87	0.306						82.6	63	3 3	2 51	116	3.49



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# PERTH HEAT





# Perth Heat HEAT SEASON STATISTICS

# 2018-19 ABL Season Statistics

Player	POS	G	AB	R	н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	TB	ВВ	SO	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	AVG	OPS	Ε
Robbie Glendinning	2B	28	99	18	36	9	0	3	25	54	21	27	0	0	.467	.545	.364	1.013	5
Adam Courcha	3B	9	14	5	5	2	0	2	6	13	0	4	0	0	.357	.929	.357	1.286	0
Tim Kennelly	OF	38	160	38	54	11	1	6	24	85	21	22	8	2	.419	.531	.338	.951	2
Cayden Nicoletto	OF	4	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	.500	.333	.333	.833	0
Joshua Greenham	С	2	3	0	1	1	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	.333	.667	.333	1.000	0
Tristan Gray	2B	39	156	38	50	9	1	10	41	91	21	46	3	3	.410	.583	.321	.993	5
Alex Hall	С	40	145	27	46	11	2	6	37	79	16	41	4	2	.393	.545	.317	.937	- 1
Chris Betts	С	22	87	19	27	2	0	3	16	38	8	19	0	0	.388	.437	.310	.825	2
Pete Kozma	SS	39	158	34	46	8	2	4	18	70	22	25	3	2	.385	.443	.291	.828	4
Ulrich Bojarski	OF	12	35	4	10	0	0	2	5	16	1	10	2	0	.333	.457	.286	.790	1
Chris Clare	SS	32	113	31	32	11	0	0	15	43	14	23	2	4	.383	.381	.283	.764	3
Jake Bowey	С	33	88	20	24	5	0	5	21	44	12	21	0	0	.375	.500	.273	.875	2
Carl Chester	OF	40	150	31	39	8	3	6	27	71	20	26	8	1	.356	.473	.260	.830	0
Chris House	С	3	12	1	3	1	0	0	2	4	1	5	0	0	.308	.333	.250	.641	1
Sam Kennelly	3B	34	66	6	14	0	0	4	9	26	9	20	0	1	.333	.394	.212	.727	0
Jess Williams	SS	32	103	16	18	2	0	0	7	20	9	24	3	0	.254	.194	.175	.449	4
Eric Grabe	3B	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000	.000	.000	0

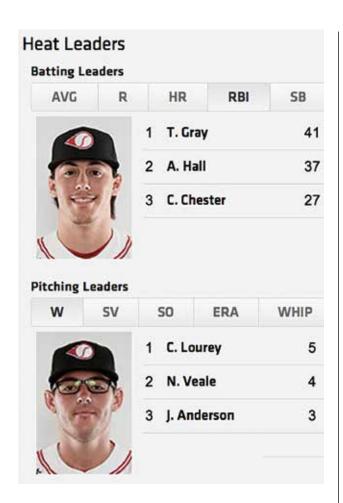
Individual Stats (Pitching) (click column headers to sort)  Player W L ERA G GS CG SHO SV IP H R ER HR HB BB SO WHIP HLD GF																			
Player	W	L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	sv	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	НВ	ВВ	SO	WHIP	HLD	GF
Conor Lourey	5	4	3.04	10	10	0	0	0	47.1	32	18	16	4	4	24	55	1.18	0	0
Nick Veale	4	1	4.10	11	11	0	0	0	41.2	36	20	19	6	2	23	35	1.42	0	0
Robert Garcia	1	2	6.43	11	5	0	0	0	35.0	37	25	25	7	1	15	43	1.49	0	3
Daniel Schmidt	2	0	2.81	11	0	0	0	0	32.0	31	15	10	1	2	6	21	1.16	1	1
Ryan Flores	2	5	4.65	12	6	0	0	0	31.0	28	17	16	2	9	20	29	1.55	0	2
John Anderson	3	1	2.15	6	4	0	0	0	29.1	23	7	7	3	0	7	22	1.02	0	0
Josh Rawlinson	1	1	3.06	12	1	0	0	0	17.2	16	8	6	3	1	5	14	1.19	2	6
Cameron Lamb	0	1	3.63	13	0	0	0	4	17.1	20	10	7	3	0	5	8	1.44	0	11
Scott Mitchinson	0	0	3.18	11	0	0	0	0	17.0	17	6	6	1	2	4	18	1.24	0	6
Cristopher Sanchez	1	0	1.76	8	0	0	0	0	15.1	16	5	3	0	1	10	10	1.70	1	0
Joe Peguero	2	0	1.35	6	0	0	0	0	13.1	12	3	2	0	0	2	19	1.05	2	1
Nathan Kuchta	1	0	4.05	5	1	0	0	0	13.1	12	7	6	1	1	6	8	1.35	0	2
Benn Grice	0	0	3.97	9	0	0	0	0	11.1	14	5	5	0	2	2	7	1.41	1	6
Lochlan Southee	2	1	7.94	8	0	0	0	0	11.1	13	11	10	1	0	7	7	1.76	0	2
Brooks Hall	0	0	1.86	3	2	0	0	0	9.2	10	3	2	1	0	4	12	1.45	0	0
Eric Grabe	0	0	4.50	1	0	0	0	0	2.0	2	1	1	0	0	1	1	1.50	0	0

Australia	n Le	ague	: Tea	am S	State	s (B	atti	ng) (	clic	col	umn	hea	ader	s to	sort)		
Team	G	AB	R	Н	2B	3B	HR	RBI	ТВ	ВВ	so	SB	CS	OBP	SLG	AVG	OPS
Perth	40	1394	289	406	80	9	51	255	657	176	315	33	15	.381	.471	.291	.852
Sydney	40	1326	210	378	69	11	17	175	520	168	283	28	11	.374	.392	.285	.766
Brisbane	40	1341	245	352	67	7	68	229	637	132	360	22	6	.332	.475	.262	.807
Canberra	40	1284	176	335	53	7	38	164	516	133	277	24	14	.334	.402	.261	.736
Adelaide	40	1314	190	337	73	6	29	176	509	164	315	45	13	.350	.387	.256	.737
Melbourne	40	1234	168	295	44	3	34	151	447	146	305	55	20	.331	.362	.239	.694
Auckland	40	1265	158	301	65	7	23	143	449	103	364	41	18	.301	.355	.238	.656
Geelong- Korea	40	1297	135	295	61	1	15	119	403	104	322	40	16	.295	.311	.227	.606

Team	W	L	ERA	G	CG	SHO	sv	IP	Н	R	ER	HR	HB	вв	SO	WHIP	HLD	GF
Perth	24	16	3.68	40	0	2	4	344.2	319	161	141	33	25	141	309	1.33	7	40
Sydney	25	15	3.20	40	3	3	13	340.1	319	137	121	22	14	112	362	1.27	15	37
Brisbane	25	15	3.89	40	1	1	9	340.0	343	179	147	36	19	99	338	1.30	15	39
Adelaide	19	21	4.42	40	1	4	7	340.0	331	200	167	34	24	132	333	1.36	14	39
Canberra	23	17	3.80	40	2	5	10	338.2	316	167	143	21	20	129	344	1.31	15	38
Geelong- Korea	7	33	8.36	40	1	1	4	336.0	430	346	312	67	46	205	264	1.89	1	39
Melbourne	23	17	3.55	40	1	5	12	335.0	289	150	132	23	18	146	340	1.30	12	39
Auckland	14	26	5.35	40	0	2	3	330.0	352	231	196	39	18	162	251	1.56	4	40

Australian Baseball Leag	ue Northe	ast						
Club	w	L	PCT ▼	GB	Home	Away	L 10	Streak
Brisbane Bandits	25	15	.625		12-8	13-7	8-2	W6
Sydney Blue Sox	25	15	.625		14-6	11-9	5-5	W1
Canberra Cavalry	23	17	.575	2.0	13-7	10-10	6-4	W1
Auckland Tuatara	14	26	.350	11.0	8-12	6-14	4-6	W1

Australian Baseball League	South	west						
Club	w	L	PCT ▼	GB	Home	Away	L 10	Streak
Perth Heat	24	16	.600		12-8	12-8	7-3	L1
Melbourne Aces	23	17	.575	1.0	14-6	9-11	5-5	L1
Adelaide Bite	19	21	.475	5.0	10-10	9-11	4-6	L1
Geelong-Korea	7	33	.175	17.0	4-16	3-17	1-9	L4







## Perth Heat



Baseball team

The Perth Heat is a baseball team in the current Australian Baseball League and a foundation member of the Australian Baseball League. It is now the most successful team in ABL, winning 15 Claxton Shields. Wikipedia

Owner: Private consortium

League: Australian Baseball League

ABL Championships: 4 (2010-11, 2011-12, 2013-

14, 2014-15)

Ballpark: Baseball Park

Founded: 1989

Manager: Brooke Knight



# Perth Heat CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



2018/19 was a year of change for the Alcohol. Think Again Perth Heat.

With a new ownership group, headed by local Perth businessman Rory Vassallo, and a new Chief Executive, Steven Nelkovski coming on board, the Heat took considerable leaps forward both on and off the field.

Led by **Helms Award** winner Tim Kennelly and former World Series Champion Pete Kozma – the Heat won the inaugural South-West Division, finishing with 24 wins from its 40 games to make the playoffs.

A 2-1 series win over the Sydney Blue Sox in the ABL Semi-Finals followed to help the Heat advance to the Championship Series for the first time since the 2014-15 season.

Off the field, the Heat saw a 51% rise in attendance figures, 96% in memberships and 67% in broadcast viewership.

A portion of the success can be attributed to a new-found focus on maintaining relationships with three of WA's Diamond Sports state bodies; Softball WA, Tee-Ball WA and Baseball WA, resulting in the creation of a new Diamond Membership option for 2019/20.

The Heat also entered its second year of a partnership with Major League Baseball Club, the Tampa Bay Rays, with five affiliated professional players calling Perth home for the summer.

Perth's success spread far further than Australia, however, with 12 Heat players playing in the US Minor Leagues in 2019, including WA's own Robbie Glendinning, Ulrich Bojarski, Alex Hall and Jess Williams, while Liam Hendriks, Mike Brosseau and Jake Fraley were all on Major League rosters.

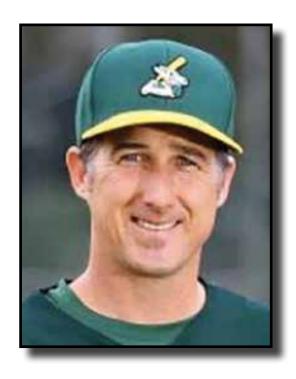
In 2019/20, we endeavour to build on the platforms we have set, and as we celebrate 30 years of Perth Heat baseball, we hope to make this season a memorable one.

Steven Nelkovski Chief Executive Officer Alcohol. Think Again Perth Heat





# Perth Heat HEAT MANAGER REPORT



would like to thank everyone involved in supporting the Perth Heat this season. From front office staff, volunteers, BWA clubs and the community and fans. It has been a very successful season. Although we did not achieve our ultimate goal of winning a Championship, we were able to improve on last season and we gave ourselves every opportunity, narrowly missing out and finishing runners up.

I would personally like to thank my local coaching staff (Don Kyle, Mark Pettit and Mike Burgermeister) who volunteered their time to make this ballclub better and without their commitment and help we would not be in such a strong position. Also a massive thanks to our EO Johnny, Physio Erin Diamond and Trainer Carol Williams.

We continued to build an exciting and strong relationship with the Tampa Bay Rays. The quality of staff and players they provide us is second to none and we are a better team for this. I hope we can continue to collaborate with the Rays and strengthen and support each other.

As far as on field success we continue to lead the way with our young Australian talent, at the forefront was Robbie Glendinning and Alex Hall who had massive years. Ulrich Bojarski, Jesse Williams are continuing to develop. With these young players involved the future is very bright.

Josh Rawlinson was a highlight for me as he returned from college and became a huge part of our bullpen. This highlights how important this league can be for providing opportunities for Australian players and I think each year the Heat does a commendable job of getting our young kids opportunities.

Tim Kennelly and Daniel Schmidt were veteran leaders in the club and both had great years. Tim obviously highlight by his individual awards both for our team and across the league winning the MVP. Conor Lourey was valuable and will be important moving forward as I see him getting better.

The challenges lie with continual turnover of import players and getting the right mix of winning and developing our Australian players and game. We will be striving to improve our analytical and technology department for the club to make it more professional and give us further opportunities of success. We also look forward to upgrading some of our resources which will also assist in our development and success.

I believe we are heading in the right direction with the on field component and it has been an exciting season to be apart of. I look forward to what the future brings and hopefully we can continue the trend upwards to bring home the Claxton Shield. Always an honour putting on the Heat uniform and thanks again for everyone's support.

Andy Kyle Manager Perth Heat











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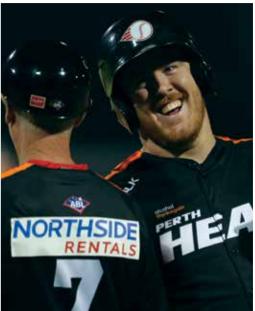
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**B**aseball WA unveiled plans for a \$6 million upgrade to the Perth Harley-Davidson Ballpark in Thornlie.

The original facility, built in 2003, through a joint venture with the State Government and City of Gosnells, has undergone multiple upgrades, including a new HD standard lighting system implemented in 2017.

The new upgrades, funded by the Federal Liberal and Nationals Governments, will provide fans and players alike with new state-of-the-art facilities.

Federal Member for Hasluck Ken Wyatt, Michael O'Sullivan (representing Senator Linda Reynolds) and City of Gosnells Mayor Glenn Dewhurst were on hand for the project reveal, with Mr Wyatt excited for what the future holds for baseball in WA.

"Baseball holds a special place in WA sport and there is a growing interest in developing young players for WA Baseball, the Perth Heat and international opportunities," Mr Wyatt said.

Baseball WA Chief Executive Lachlan Dale says the upgrades will provide new opportunities for those playing baseball in WA.

PICURED ABOVE: Perth Heat player Sam Kennelly (left), Baseball WA CEO Lachlan Dale, Federal Member for Hasluck Ken Wyatt, City of Gosnells Mayor Glenn Dewhurst, Michael O'Sullivan (representing Senator Linda Reynolds) and Perth Heat player Tim Kennelly (right) attend the turning of the sod at the Perth Harley-Davidson Ballpark. (Edward Nixon)

"These upgrades will give WA the best baseball facilities in Australia and will give our local clubs and community programs new and exciting opportunities to play baseball in Western Australia," Mr Dale said.

Mr Wyatt's views were backed by Heat Chief Executive Steven Nelkovski.

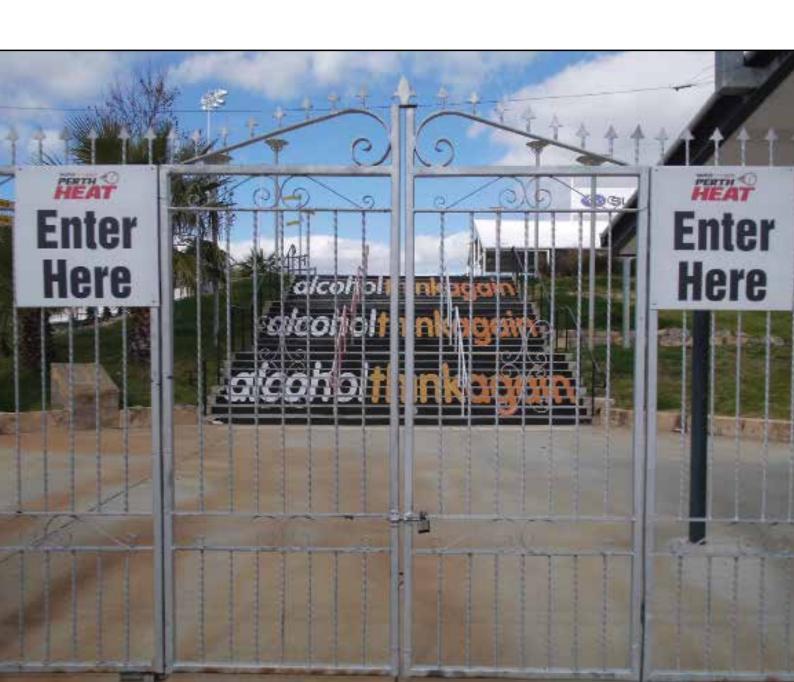
"It's massive for WA. Perth will now have the best ballpark and it opens a lot of doors for the Perth Heat internationally and is a very exciting moment for baseball in this state," Mr Nelkovski said.

The project plans were made possible by the Liberal Party's pledge to commit a \$6 million upgrade to the ballpark in 2016.

# **Baseball WA Ltd**

# WASTATE HEAT

**RESULTS, STANDINGS AND REPORTS** 



# WA State HEAT Under 16s

# 2019 National Championship

# **Coaches Report**

The Under 16's team had a new Head Coach in Peter Torpy along with Pitching coach from the previous year Arnie Noel, and new coaches to the program, assistant coaches Aaron Ottoway and Kent Fitzgibbons.

The program started the selection process on Saturday the 15th of September and had a total of 66 players register for selection. Over the selection process we took the approach of seeing the players in games until we got down to the final 30 players. We could see that the team was starting to stand out as a heavy second year player group, so we choose to include four first year players as train-on for experience. With our training South Perth took us in as our venue during the week and their facilities and hospitality were outstanding. Due to the inexperience of the players in a High-Performance capacity we knew we needed to spend a lot of the training session with plays and general baseball knowledge rather than bull pens, so we had another session at Baseball Park on a Wednesday night for Bull pens which was a fantastic success.

#### TEAM:

Final team travelled to Bankstown NSW. We started really well with a 7-4 win over Qld. Dusty Brown with the start and solid relief from Caleb Goodwin and Tye Kazmierowski. Bojarski with 3 hits, two being doubles.

Day 2 with another solid display picking up the win against ACT 12-6. Josh Dass with the start in his first Nationals appearance struggled with control but again the pen came in strong with Aaron Callaghan, Tyson Noel and Owen Pilcher holding steady. Michael West, BJ Cooke, Dylan Bojarski, Kaiden Pisani and Daniel Choi each collecting 2 hits.

We quickly moved to 3-0 with a strong win against Vic White 13-2. Again, strong pitching performances from starter Michael West, Andrew Hurrelbrink and Jay Reynolds combining to only give up 2 hits. Maddux Stivey with a monster day 3 hits and 4 RBIs.

Day 4 was double header day, first taking on heavy weights NSW and went down 13-2. Max Chipper started well on the hill given up only 2 runs but the bull pen couldn't hold a powerful NSW batting side.

The afternoon game we got back in the winner's circle beating CNSW 14-4. Was really pleasing to see the guys bounce back so strongly. A strong start from BJ Cook and the bull pen bounced back with strong outings from Brown, Callaghan, Stivey and Hurrelbrink. Another big hitting display with Stivey, Bojarski, Pisani and Choi each picking up 2 hits.

With our spot in the top 4 cemented we started to see what we could get out of our players. We had studied the opposition very well and we started to use players out of the bull pen in roles. Which worked extremely well, beating SA 9-2. Goodwin was outstanding on the hill giving up 1 hit over 3.1 innings, while Dass, Reynolds, Kurosawa, Pisani, Pilcher, Choi and Kazmierowski all combined to give up 1 more hit for the game. Cooke with 3 hits while West, Ashton Hamilton and Callaghan all contributed with 2 hits each.

Our last game before re-seeding was against another heavy weight in Vic Blue. In a tightly contested game we went down 3-2. West had the start and held his own giving up 5 hits and 3 runs over his 2.2 innings while Chipper was extremely solid out of the pen 3.1 innings for 1 hit and 4 SO. Trent Danielle was solid behind the dish while also picking up a hit and an RBI.

We started the second round off perfectly with a 6-4 win over Vic White. Our pitchers again were outstanding Brown with the start and Callaghan 3 innings for 3 hits, Hurrelbrink and Kazmierowski closing the game out. Stivey having a big game with 2 hits and 2 RBI's. Cameron Landy coming in late off the bench to get a big hit.

In what was a big game for us we went down 5-2 to Vic Blue. Starting off giving up 5 runs in the top of the 5th was a disastrous start for us. Stivey really struggling but finding his way. After giving up 5 early runs, he managed to settle and not give up a run and only 1 hit for the next 4.2 innings. In

the 7th we had our chances leaving the tying run on base to end the game. Brown with 2 hits for the day.

Our last game of the 2nd round in a must win game was against eventual winners NSW. Going down 8-1 with 4 errors costing us. Max Chipper was again outstanding on the hill 4 innings 6 hits 1 ER. But our reliable bull pen couldn't hold them, and we struggled to throw strikes.

The Brozen medal game we came up against Vic White. An extremely strong pitching performance from Brown 2.1 innings 3 hits and 3 SO 0 runs and relief from Cooke 4 innings 1 hit 1 So 0 runs, Hurrelbrink and Callaghan to close the game out helped us to an 8-0 victory. Veterans Chipper and Kazmierowski with 2 hits and 2 RBIs.

To come away with a Bronze medal the guys were extremely happy with. We look in hindsight and where we finished was probably about where WA does stand in terms of the rest of the country in this age group. A look at tinkering with our program will only help develop our players. The bullpen sessions on their own right was a complete success. While the coaching staff sat to work out an MVP it was extremely hard. Some extremely strong performances from Max Chipper on the hill, Maddux Stivey behind the dish held the opponents running game to nothing but we felt that BJ Cooke showed the leadership and held us strong defensively from Short and his batting of .391 was enough to take out the award.

Peter Torpy Head Coach Under 16s

#### WA STATE 16's Team

Dylan Bojarski Dustin Brown Aaron Callaghan Daniel Choi

Max Chipper

Bailey-Jay Cooke

Trent Danielle

Joshua Dass

Caleb Goodwin

Ash Hamilton

Andrew Hurrelbrink

Tye Kazmierowski

Taiyo Kurosawa

Tyson Noel

Jordan Norvall

Owen Pilcher

Kaiden Pisani

Jay Reynolds

Maddux Stivey

Michael West

## Coaching Staff

Peter Torpy - Head Coach

Aaron Ottoway - Assistant Coach

Kent Fitzgibbons - Assistant Coach

Arnie Noel - Pitching Coach

Carol Williams - EO/Trainer

### **WA Perth HEAT Under 18s**

# **2019 National Championship**

# **Coaches Report**

2018 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP, NSW

Its 3,920 kilometres from Perth to Blacktown and metaphorically speaking, we knew from the beginning we would be challenged every inch of the way. Our goal as a collective group was to compete every game, every inning and every pitch. As cliché as that may sound, it was simple plan that was executed almost perfectly.

#### Opening Rounds: Day 1-4

The WA under 18 team begin their national championship campaign flawlessly, making short work of NSW Country, VIC White and ACT quickly jumping to a 3-0 start. The runs were piling in, and the confidence was high. This was highlighted by a game four come from behind walk-off win against a solid Queensland team. This win was the defining moment on the tournament and exemplify their wellness to compete every inning and every pitch. After a convincing win against South Australia, we had secured a top four finish. Stage one complete.

Day Six would prove challenging for our group, both mentally and physically dropping a double headed to the two tournament favourites, Victoria Blue and NSW. Battling the heat and a handful of niggling injuries, we would regroup and focus on the challenge ahead.

Pool Play: 5-2 = 3rd Place

#### Game 1 v NSW:

Lachlan Waite (Morley) would have the ball for the WA as he battled a formidable NSW line-up. Tied 0-0 in the 5th a mixture of infield singles and see-eye ground balls, would split the deadlock and give the home state the lead 3-0. Our bats had provided exceptional support throughout the week thus far, but unfortunately couldn't produce more than four hits all day and despite their efforts, we ultimately fell 6-0.

#### Game 2 v VIC BLUE:

In a must win game to keep their National Championship alive, William Sherriff (South Perth) would produce an absolute gem. He allowed one run, on only four hits in 5.2 innings, it what can only be described as an outstanding performance. Early

on, the innings flew by with both pitchers inducing outs and turning the line-ups over in order. The action came in the seventh when Cayden Nicoletto (Rockingham) leadoff with a single and on the very next pitch would steal 2nd to gather some momentum. A Nicholas Riley (Wanneroo) double would break the 1-1 tie to give WA the lead 2-1. Riley would later score on a 1-out RBI single by Scott Cornish (South Perth) extending the lead to 3-1. VIC BLUE produced 1-run seventh, which set up an exciting ending. The 3-2 lead into the bottom of the 8th was as close as we got to a National Championship. It goes by saying, that although we didn't win, this game, inning and play would prove to be pivotal learning experience for all. It emphases the 'game of inches'.

#### Game 3 v SA:

Game three turned out to be nothing but exceptional. The pitching performance, lead by Broadee Binder (Melville) ensured the South Australian hitters were uncomfortable in the box right from the beginning. Zac Holland (South Perth) and Calvin Eissens (Wanneroo) mirrored Binders performance and before it was all said and done, the trio combined for a four hit shutout. The confidence had returned. The goals reassessed and the job not complete.

#### Bronze Medal Game v SA:

12x Runs on 18x hits, lead again by Lachlan Waite (Morley) on the hill, the WA under 18 team outclasses their opponents to secure a third place finish and a Bronze medal. The hitters were relentless, squaring up balls all day to score in 7 of the 9 innings. The defence and pitching were flawless and it goes without saying, it was pleasure to watch. Although it's not gold, the goal was achieved – Come home with some hardware.

#### WA Under 18 Team - MVP

Caiden Nicoletto (ROCKINGHAM)

#### Honourable Mentions

Bryon Armstrong (WANNEROO) Lachlan Waite (MORLEY) Ben Drew (MELVILLE) William Sherriff (SOUTH PERTH)

Those of you who've played in tournament style baseball would understand that anything can happen on any given day. These young men, gave

it their all. They were amazing ambassadors for baseball in Western Australia and competed every second of the way.

#### The Players:

I thank you. I thank you for how enjoyable you have made this experience for myself and the entire support staff. You carried yourselves with great integrity and maturity beyond your years and trusted the coaching staff to guide you. I applaud each of you for buying into a system built of repetition, execution and hard work. Although we may have not achieved the ultimate goal, I'm confident that along this journey you learnt something about the game and yourselves. Continue to work hard and trust your ability in the future.

#### The Coaches:

To Leigh Moyle, Mitchell Williams and Simon Essiens. This experience was made so much more enjoyable with each you. We outlined our plans from the beginning, the process to achieve them and adjustments needed along the way. We took a collaborative approach that was built on trust which was exemplified by the communication between one another. You volunteered and sacrificed your time to teach a great group of young men, which I can confidential say they truly appreciate. Thank you and I look forward to next challenge with each of you.

#### **Support Staff:**

Dea Saupold and Carol Williams. As I have previous mentioned, I don't believe there are words that describe how incredible you both are. So I thought it would be fitting to outline the facts. You organised and implemented; uniforms, travel arrangements, medical procedures, meals, transportation, official meetings and presentations, the list goes on. Diesel & Caz, were always the first to the field and last to leave and ultimately you were our biggest fans. That's a fact. I sincerely thank you on behalf of everyone involved with Baseball in Western Australia.

#### Parents & Supporters:

Thank you to the parents and supporters who made the journey across the country to support the team. We also had many supporters back in Perth, which I commend you all for the continued support of your sons, brothers and friends. The coaching staff and support staff are appreciative of all your efforts.

Baseball WA, the Perth Heat & WA Under-16 Team: To Lachlan Dale, Andrew Kyle, Pete Thorpy & staff, thank you for your ongoing continued support. I sincerely thank you for opportunity to represent

Western Australia on the national stage and look forward to working with you all closely in the near future.

Adam Courcha – Manager WA U18 State Team

#### WA STATE 18's TEAM

Byron Armstrong

Aidan Austen

**Broadee Binder** 

Scott Cornish

Caiden Deal

Ben Drew

Calvin Eissens

Mitchell Field

Kieren Hall

Zac Holland

Jarred Hutchins

Jayden Mitchell

Caiden Nicoletto

Nicholas Riley

Callum Schipp

Mitchell Schofield

William Sherriff

Daniel Stephenson

Lachie Waite

Dylan Walsh

#### Coaching Staff

Adam Courcha - Head Coach

Leigh Moyle - Assistant Coach

Mitch Williams - Assistant Coach

Simon Eissens - Pitching Coach

Dea Saupolod - EO

### WA Perth HEAT Under 16s & 18s

# **Executive Officers Report**

#### **TRAINING**

Training was Monday and Wednesday nights For the Under 18's at Perth Harley-Davidson Baseball Park and Tuesday and Saturday for the Under 16's at South Perth Baseball Club, they trained in conjunction with the Perth Heat players on some of those night s.

COST: The cost was \$3200

#### CAP NIGHT

This was held at Franklins Tavern. Once again this was very well done having Lachlan Dale, Andy Kyle, Warwick Saupold And Peter Kozma come down and talk to the boys was a real bounce.

#### ACCOMMODATION AND TRAVEL

Flew Virgin Airlines and the accommodation was at Colyton Hotel.

The Colyton Hotel was the best place we have found in the 5 years we have been going in Sydney, the staff were amazing and the head girl Nicole was just wonderful as she had everything organized for us every day.

They honestly went above and beyond to accommodate us in every way from ice, to meals.

#### **MEALS**

Most of the meals were at the hotel. They accommodated us by us pre-ordering before we went to the games and had it all ready by the time we came back. Food was also amazing value for the serves we got.

#### TOURNAMENT:

It started on the 11th Jan and went through to the 20th Jan.

We are a little disappointed that feedback provided last year to the hosting venue was not followed up on EG: Shade in the afternoons, and other items including distance to ablutions during game time, standard of lunches and ice in water coolers was poor and infrequent.

We have expressed our concerns and hope that this has prompted changes and a better environment for our players.

**UNDER 18'S AUSTRALIAN SQUAD** 

William Sherriff

Nicolas Riley

Cayden Nicoletto

Well done of all these guys, they did us proud.

#### IN CONCLUSION

I think the coaching staff were great and have been every year but I feel that this year having some younger and fresher coaches was great. They really brought forward some new ideas and the boys seem to like that a lot.

I really hope that the staff will continue next year as I feel they have a great rapport with the players an I reckon we could go that little further then both teams getting bronze and bring back two Gold for next year.

Deanne Saupold
Under 16s & U18s Executive Officer

### WA Perth HEAT Under 16s & 18s

# **Medical Report**

#### PRE TOURNAMENT:

During the lead up to the Nationals I was able to complete rehab sessions with all the players from the 16's and 18's teams who needed it.

Pitchers and catchers were asked to wear compression after they threw and to also ice after an outing or a Bullpen. They also completed their Driveline program.

A couple of players were getting treatment from physiotherapists during this and they were told that they needed to get signed off by the Heat Physiotherapy Staff and then give myself a letter from their physio outlining the rehab that was needed to be continued for them over the tournament. All complied to this request and I was in regular contact with the Heat Physio, Erin Diamond, during this time frame. Annie Italiano, Senior Physio consultant for Perth Heat was working with a number of our players and was regularly in touch with myself and our coaching staff in regards to their progress and fitness.

One of our Under 18's players was coming back from an ankle injury and we notified tournament officials of this in case we needed to modify his qualification procedure. This was met with positive feedback from Baseball Australia.

#### **TOURNAMENT PHASE:**

Both teams travelled to Nationals with a fully fit compliment of players. All players had been following the Strength and Conditioning programs developed for them by BWA and our Coaching staff.

During the tournament a number of players came to the treatment room for massages on legs and lower backs, arms and shoulders due to general match play soreness, which is understandable in a Championships format of play. As the tournament progressed this number gradually increased as was to be expected.

Players in both teams had regular strapping applied to: Ankles, knees, elbow, wrists and thigh as preventative measures.

A large number of grass burns occurred over the tournament ... these were patched for the game quickly and then treated after the game. Treatment consisted of: cleaning the wound with water and Dettol with gauze, wiping over with Betadine and then applying Fixomul dressing to the site (this was to stay on until the dressing fell off). For play the dressing was covered with an Adhesive bandage, a 'square' or 'circle' (a type of adhesive second skin) and then removed after play. If the wound cover was dirty the site was redressed and cleaned. No infections developed over the ten days and all sites appeared to heal well.

A couple of players became ill during the tournament and we rested them accordingly. They seemed to have a 24 hour virus and were only unwell for a short period of time.

All players responded well to treatment and rehab sessions. It definitely was an issue not having a pool at our accommodation for the rehab sessions after each days play for both teams. On the up side we had unlimited supply of ice free of charge from the accommodation.

We had all players available to play in the second phase of the tournament in both grades. All pitchers completed their pitching rehab sessions after their appearances and received regular massages and therapy sessions in between assignments.

All boys showed the utmost respect when attending treatment and where completely honest when reporting issues of injuries or soreness.

The coaching staff of both teams were fantastic to work with and listened to the recommendations that were made by myself in regards to their players and the issues they may have been having.

Carolyn WILLIAMS Head Trainer State Under 16's/18's

### **WA Perth HEAT Women's Team**

# **Coaches Report**

# 2019 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP – NARRABUNDAH, ACT

Again, we struggled to put a complete WA side together with loosing 8 players from last years side. We had to rely on an import from Japan and a friendship player from ACT to fill our squad. We had a lot of help from clubs around WA with our main training session held at South Perth Baseball club and Kalamunda Baseball Club. We also implemented a bull pen night at Baseball Park and a hitting session on a Saturday morning. In the lead up we played a few games against the charter teams which help with preparation.

#### **OPENING ROUNDS: DAY 1-5**

We had a tough start with a double header against NSW and SA. With the NSW game didn't disappoint being tied 5 all after the 7 innings we had to go to the International tie breaker which we ended up going down 7-5 in 8 innings. Kalia Borgomastro and Yuuki Ishikawa both collecting 2 hits. While Narumi Kametani and Rebecca Torpy were effective out of the pen. We managed to bounce back against SA winning 21-16, Kelsey Brennan picking up 2 hits with Meaghan Haggart collecting 5 RBI's.

Game 3 was another good win beating Vic White 23-3. Megan Everitt (4 RBI) leading the way with 4 hits, 3 hits to Kaila Borgomastro and Caitlin Eynon and 2 to Rebecca Torpy (5 RBI), Dorota Rehackova, Tammy Bosman and Grace Spano. Game 4 was a tough loss to Victoria Blue 16-6. Multiple hits to Meaghan Haggart, Narumi Kametani and Caitlin Eynon.

We rounded out the first round with a 10-0 win against QLD. Meaghan Haggart, Yuuki Ishikawa and Caitlin Eynon all with 2 hits each. Narumi Kametani and Maddison Erwin were outstanding on the mound in the shut out.

#### POOL PLAY: 3-2 = 3RD PLACE

#### GAME 1 V VIC BLUE:

Kaila Borgomastro has the ball for our opening match in Pool A. Unfortunately, we couldn't stop the big inning and went down 12-2. Yuuki Ishikawa the only hitter with 2 hits.

#### GAME 2 V NSW:

In a game where we needed to bounce back again proved to be a close game all tied up (3 all) going into the 7th inning, we managed to score 2 runs in the top half of the 7th to secure the win, in another great game of baseball against NSW. Rebecca Torpy showing that she is a big game pitcher throwing a complete game 6 hitter with 5 SO, while also picking up 2 vital hits along with Kaila Borgomastro.

#### **GAME 3 V VIC BLUE:**

Needing a win on the final day of re-seeding having to come up first against the undefeated Vic Blue first. Even though we matched them offensively we still had no answer with runners in scoring position. We couldn't find away to get the big hit or the big inning which Vic Blue had been able to do all tournament. Final result was us going down 13-6. Multiple hits went to Kaila Borgomastro, Rebecca Torpy, Yuuki Ishikawa, Megan Everitt, Karin Watson and Kelsey Brennan.

#### GAME 4 V NSW:

In our last re-seeding game before the medal rounds, we needed to win to advance. With games going down to the wire against NSW throughout the tournament this was no different. Narumi Kametani threw a complete game 7 hitter while giving up 5 runs, 2 er. With no hitter getting more than 1 hit. The big difference was Meaghan Haggart with 3 RBl's. We jumped out to a 4-2 lead after the first inning and then tacked on another 2 runs in the second. NSW fought back in the 6th scoring 3 but that would be all with the result being 6-5 win.

#### GOLD MEDAL GAME V VIC BLUE:

Vic Blue put up 2 in the bottom of the first in what seemed to be the start of a very good game of baseball. But just like all of Vic Blues games they managed to have a big inning and that was in the bottom of the 3rd putting up 6 runs. We bounced back in the top of the 4th for 1 run but that would be it for us. Vic Blue put up another 3 in the bottom of the 5th to make it a mercy game finishing up 11-1. We competed every inning and threatened we

just couldn't get that big hit with runners in scoring position or find away to stop their momentum. Rebecca Torpy with 2 hits lead the way.

WA WOMEN TEAM - MVP: Rebecca Torpy

HONOURABLE MENTIONS:

Kaila Borgomastro, Yuuki Ishikawa, Meaghan Haggart

#### LEAGUE AWARDS:

Yuuki Ishikawa came away with the tournament gold glover

Peter TORPY Head Coach Women's Team

# WA Perth HEAT Youth Girls

# **Coaches Report**

#### TRIALS:

Trials were conducted in December and January at Braves, Gosnells and Baseball Park. Trials were well attended. Having the junior girl's development programme played a big part in the number of girls trialing.

The team was selected in January. Unfortunately, we lost some of the stronger players to other commitments including state netball, charter and Australian Softball team selections. As a result, we took on 2 friendship players. I must commend these 2 players who represented their states to the highest of standards, fitting in with the team well and played their part in our team.

#### TRAINING:

raining was conducted at Baseball Park, Gosnells and Kalamunda over the next 3 months. The girl's thirst for knowledge was amazing. The commitment they showed to the programme was a credit to themselves and their clubs. Thank you to Sam Kennelly who came down and did some specialised defence work with the girls.

Training at Baseball Park on a Saturday morning before the senior women's team is something that I think should be continued in the future. Seeing senior players arriving early and getting in extra work, whether it be ground balls or BP showed these young girls what they need to aim for and the work they need to put in to get there.

The improvement shown over the 3 months of training was great to see and put us in a good position to perform well and Nationals.

#### **EASTER CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

The team travelled to Canberra to compete. The playing fields at Narrabundah were of a very high standard. The tournament was run very well. Thank you to ACT Baseball, all the staff and volunteers who helped make the tournament a success.

#### **TEAM PERFORMANCE:**

Our aim entering the tournament was to compete for a medal at the end of the week. Unfortunately, the team lost the bronze medal game by 1 run to Victoria, going down 7-6. Although it was not the result we wanted, I feel it has left the players returning to this group next year with a desire to learn more about the game and take that next step and win a medal.

All of the players were outstanding in the way the conducted themselves on and off the field all week. On field, all of the players fulfilled the roles asked of them by the coaching staff. Off the field, they all conducted themselves in a very respectful manner to everyone they came in contact with. Their behaviour around the fields, hotels and when out as a group was outstanding.

#### **ACCOMMODATION:**

The team stayed at the Pacific Suites apartments. They were a 10-15-minute drive from the field. These apartments were a good fit. Ample room for the players to relax when at the hotel. Having a pool for recovery was also a great benefit also.

Players needed to prepare their own breakfasts; each room was asked what they would like to eat with the team EO purchasing their requirements every 2/3 days. Lunches were supplied at the field with lunch orders placed before leaving Perth.

Team dinners were either cooked by the coaching staff or at nearby restaurants allowing supporters to join us on 2 occasions when the team had later games the next day. I felt that home cooked meals were a much healthier option than eating out every night and it was also more cost effective. It also allowed for the players to be in their rooms and around the hotel relaxing and resting.

Staying at the same accommodation as the senior women was also beneficial to the team. It allowed the players to interact with the senior players, see how they behave when representing their states and also how they prepare and recover from games at a National level. I suggest this trend continue in the future.

#### **CLOSING:**

Thank you to the coaching staff – Brianna Leeson (EO), Adam Parry and Eric Grabe. This group worked as a team to get the best out of the players. Their knowledge and commitment to the girls and the programme was fantastic.

The team would not be possible without the parents and their support. It is a big commitment to get these players to and from training 2 and 3 nights a week. Their support of the coaching staff and the players was to be commended. It was great to see a huge amount of support in Canberra also.

Thank you to clubs that allowed us to train at their fields – Gosnells, Kalamunda and Braves.

The future of Women's Baseball is bright, and I look forward to seeing these players develop further and where the future will take them.

Yours in baseball

Amanda MIRCO Head Coach Youth Women's Team



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