



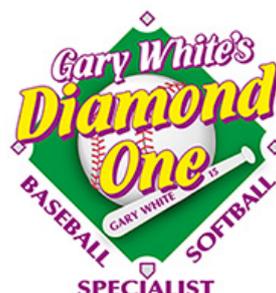
Baseball NSW

77th Annual Report

2019/20



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77th Annual General Meeting Agenda

Date: 26th October 2020

Time: 7:00pm

Venue: Via Zoom

1. Official Opening
2. Record of Attendance – confirm a quorum
3. Apologies
4. Confirm Membership of the League
5. Confirm Minutes from the 2019 AGM
6. Matters Arising from the 2019 AGM
7. Review and Adoption of Financial Report (1 July 2019 – 30 June 2020)
8. Appointment of Auditor for 2020/21
9. Notices of Motion
10. Review and Adoption of 2019/20 Annual Report
11. Election of Board Members
12. Election of Life Members
13. Announcement of Standing Committee Delegates
14. Announcement of Audit Committee Appointees
15. Announcement of Technical Committee Appointees
16. Closure & Fraternity

NSW Board of Management

BNSW Board of Directors as at June 30th, 2020

Member	Status	Portfolio
Ross Morrison	Re-elected	President, BA, ABL, BNSW Staff & Culture
Therese Philibossian	Re-elected	Member Value & State League
Pete Worboys	Re-elected	Country, Coaching, Umpires & Scorers
Scott Tunkin	Re-elected	HP, Technical Committee & Rules
Jason Chabi	Appointed	Finance, Communication & Little League
Karl Hardman	Re-elected	Commercial, Tools & Tech
Beth McVicker-Murphy	Appointed	Juniors, Schools & Womens League
James Morley	Appointed	Governance, Facilities & BVM

Baseball NSW Staff

Name	Role
Mark Marino	Chief Executive Officer
Jason Pospishil	Head of Baseball Operations
Jodi Napoli	Accounts Manager
Grahame Cassel	Development Manager
Garry Everson	Coaching and Participation Manager
Michael Ibbotson	Facilities Manager
Vassil Vasseleou	Competitions Manager
Adrian Medina Scull	Head of Baseball5

Presidents Report

I am pleased to report on the 2019 / 2020 year for Baseball NSW, a challenging and difficult time worldwide. The Board of Directors of Baseball NSW have endeavoured to ensure our organisation and our members have been supported and kept informed with the evolving health updates surrounding COVID19 to enable a coordinated approach to deliver our sport.

Congratulations and a special thank you must go to the hundreds of volunteers acting as coaches, umpires, scorers, players, committee members, parents and supporters who have had to cope in these uncertain times and changing circumstances. Without your ongoing support, our sport would not offer the opportunities and enjoyment it does for all participants. Let hope a return to 'normal' isn't too far away.

Consequently, having successfully navigated through the COVID 19 challenges, Baseball NSW is excited to see that our elite players, coaches, teams and other game stakeholders achieved at all levels before the COVID crisis. This could be seen in our own Australian baseball League, international professional leagues, overseas colleges, international representation or at national championships. We are equally driven to ensure opportunities exist for all abilities to engage in our sport throughout NSW in our emerging Baseball5 program and other formats.

As an organisation, Baseball NSW also achieved the following outcomes throughout the year:

- Delivered our Facilities Plan – which is available to all clubs and associations and identifies opportunities for growth;
- Expanded Development Programs throughout NSW which saw increased participation and increased instructor numbers;
- Lowered Capitation Fees for entry level to \$10.

Financially, Baseball NSW is in a sound position after carefully reducing spending while mitigating the lost capitation revenues during the winter season of 2020. As we move into the third year of our strategic plan together, we must remain committed to our four pillars – Culture, Community, Collaboration and Cultivation.

This year has seen several changes to the Baseball NSW Board with Anthony Brasher and Rodger Powell both resigning after almost a decade on the Board. Anthony, after serving as chairman of Baseball NSW for the last four years, has stepped up to become a Board Member with Baseball Australia. We thank them both for their service to Baseball NSW and wish them every success in their future endeavours. Moving forward from these departures, Baseball NSW welcomed two outstanding new Board members – Beth McVicker-Murphy and Jason Chabi, who both offer excellent corporate attributes as well as passionate baseball expertise and a wealth of experience at the grassroots level.

Presidents Report Cont.

On behalf of the Board, could I thank Mark Marino and his team at the Baseball NSW staff for their commitment and passion in servicing the membership during this difficult time. Let's hope the return to 'normal' isn't too far off and the full enjoyment of our sport returns.

Yours in Baseball

Ross Morrison – Chairman

Baseball New South Wales

Chief Executive Officer Report

It goes without saying that the past 12 months have been something truly extraordinary for our baseball community. From fires to floods, smoke pollution and COVID-19 the resolve of our clubs and members has been truly inspiring. I have been so proud of how our community has reacted to these challenges and continued to prepare to get our players on the field and give our members the opportunity to participate. Congratulations to you all!

With these challenges came the need for immediate solutions. The Baseball NSW Staff, along with our Association and Club Delegates as well as varying supporters, worked towards finding alternate opportunities to keep up our learning and development. Such as our YouTube Coaching Channel to our virtual eCompetition we managed to find ways to keep you all engaged through these isolated times. From this adversity we have managed to find new and innovative ways to deliver our sport which will continue to help us as we move forward into the 'new normal'. Also, the efficiency of many of our clubs and associations to implement our COVID Safety Plan, or create their own, was impressive.

The unique circumstances we found ourselves in with the enforced isolation also highlighted the need for our Mental Health Awareness which we took steps to introduce programs via one of our strategic partners, the Optimisation Hub. We developed online mentoring and educational sessions for our Women and Girls representative groups who were impacted with the cancellation of their National Tournament.

Unfortunately, the impact of COVID has also affected our boys Australian Youth Championships as well which will now be revised into a condensed format. The upside is that baseball NSW will still have substantial participation in this new format where 40 boys from each of the U16 and U18 age groups will get to compete in a National Showcase. There will also be an opportunity to progress on to a National Camp in Canberra and possibly a trip to a 'Perfect Game' event in Florida, USA, COVID dependent.

Out of necessity our Development staff embraced modern expertise with the introduction of the latest analytical technology in Rapsodo and Blast Motion for pitching and hitting along with implementing the Driveline Program for throwing. This technology will be available for all our members who participate in any Baseball NSW program. The data collection will be state of the art which we can share with all our aspiring athletes looking to develop.

We have also finalised another of our strategic objectives in developing a comprehensive Facilities and Infrastructure Plan (available on our website). The goal was to provide a single source for all relevant data held by Baseball NSW overlaid with a range of government, industry and commercial data which will allow our clubs and associations help identify potential opportunities.

Chief Executive Officer Report Cont.

This resource will be freely available to all clubs and associations to assist with any data required in assisting them in soliciting facility improvements.

Financially we have had a very tough year with the loss of just about all of our Winter competitions and the knock on effect from extended Winter Sport into our Summer season. We are gradually clawing back ground on this so I encourage you all to continue to fight for existing and new members as we work through the last of the COVID restrictions. That said we have committed to keeping our junior capitation at our entry levels low to help encourage new members to the clubs.

An exciting new initiative introduced this past year has been the Baseball5 program. Baseball NSW see this as a great opportunity to reach new markets given its economical delivery and the exciting atmosphere it creates. As a Latin created game it has all the flare of the Caribbean as well as having the ability to cover all demographics. We are looking at introducing this into all abilities programs as well as schools and universities. Baseball NSW have employed a dedicated staff member from Cuba, Adrian Medina, who has an expert understanding of how the game can be taught and played.

Internationally we have had a quiet year for obvious reasons. Our junior trip to Reno, Nevada had to be cancelled along with our Country Representative team heading to Prague. We hope to be able to pick these back up in the future as international travel becomes safe.

However, we did have some notable professional signings with Solomon McGuire and Jake Burns signing professional contracts this year. These young men were standouts in the Baseball NSW programs and great ambassadors for our sport.

We also had a number of boys commit to Colleges in the USA which is a credit to their hard work and perseverance. Baseball NSW view the College pathway as a major opportunity for many of our young players and have programs in place to assist anyone having a desire to pursue this avenue of opportunity.

Best of luck to these young men.

As an organisation we had our challenges as well, both on and off the field, given the staff were required to work remotely for a period. It did give us an opportunity to embrace new technologies that allowed us to work off site and be more efficient and collaborative.

I know Jason, Grahame and Garry desperately wanted to be on the field but credit to them that they found new and innovative ways to get the job done. Our weekly ZOOM Meetings did become entertaining once we all figured out how to use it. Pennie and Jodie kept it all together by making sure everyone was responded to and that information was readily available to all.

Chief Executive Officer Report Cont.

Vass did a mountain of work making sure we stayed on top of the COVID requirements from the Health Department and the Office of Sport as well as manage our projects and competitions. Michael Ibbotson also kept the Facilities Plan on track while also keeping an eye on Little League International requirements.

Baseball NSW are looking forward to delivering more in the new year with trials already in place for a Child Safety program which is digital and online. We are also close to finalising our online eLearning Platform for umpires, scorers and coaches which will hopefully make life easier for many.

A pleasant surprise from this past year has been how the sporting community has banded together in these trying times. The State Baseball Organisations found a way to meet on a regular basis to share thoughts and ideas which we continue to do. I regularly met with the other Sporting codes to share information and material which we all contributed to willingly for the well being of sport in general. It was encouraging to know that we all were prepared to support each other when needed.

To my Board of Directors, thank you for your support through these most difficult times. I never felt alone throughout this whole ordeal and you were all available to assist when needed.

In closing I can attest that even though we have all been challenged I wholeheartedly believe sport is the glue that binds communities together. What I have witnessed over these past six months, in how the few have uplifted the many, has been truly remarkable and it reminds me why we, administrators, volunteers, officials, players, do what we do. We do this so that we can socialise and compete and enjoy each other's company. And what better game than baseball!



Mark Marino
CEO – Baseball NSW

BNSW Baseball Operations Report

2020 has been quite a challenging year due to the current COVID pandemic and our programs have been impacted heavily but there have been some positive outcomes from an operational point of view and the player development portfolio continues to grow.

Our relationship with Baseball Australia has continued to grow. Due to a Sports Commission grant for technology we have been able to acquire more Rapsodo ball flight technology units to aid in player development. Baseball Australia have also distributed 250 Blast Motion bat sensor units to which we have acquired 50. Using cutting edge technology and current day best practice methods allows our players to experience the best in modern player development initiatives.

High Performance/Player Development Programs

The High-Performance/Player Development portfolio included four different programs across the three tiers of players that we aim to contact on a player development level. The programs were re-named to match the AIS athlete categorisation model and were as follows:

- Performance Pathway Program
- Developing Pathway Program
- Emerging Pathway Program
- Womens Developing Pathway Program

In total, we currently have 190 athletes participating across all four of these programs with those participating attending two sessions per week. We would like to thank the following clubs for the use of their facilities for our programs: Kuringai, Manly, Macarthur, Vikings, Castle Hill and Winston Hills. Your assistance is greatly appreciated.

Performance Pathway Program

This program comprised 48 players including the U18 age group and Emeralds National Team squad members.

The program comprised of two sessions per week for an 8-week timeframe and consisted of “tool” development programs such as Driveline, BLAST motion bat sensors, RAPSODO ball flight technology, Speed Development and Mobility programs.

The following coaches were also part of the program: Mark Shipley, Nathan Wright, Jason Dormor, Brendon Bojarski, Travis MacDonald and Todd Van Steensel. We would like to thank them for their contribution to our players development.

BNSW Baseball Operations Report Cont.

Developing Pathway Program

This program comprised of the best 30 u16 age eligible players selected from a trial process. The program comprised of two sessions per week for an 8-week timeframe and consisted of “tool” development programs such as Driveline, BLAST motion bat sensors, RAPSODO ball flight technology, Speed Development and Mobility programs.

The following coaches were also part of the program: Phil Hemmer, Gavin Fingleson, Ben McGuire, Max Brennen and Chris Swan. We would like to thank them for their contribution to our players development.

Emerging Pathway Program

The Emerging Program continued across 3 regional bases comprising 90 athletes from all our affiliated associations. This program is aimed to give emerging players the chance to be exposed to a better level of programming and prepare them for potential Developing and Performance pathway programs in the future.

The following coaches were also part of the program: Michael O’Neill, PJ Patterson, Peter Worboys, Andrew Cooke, Doug Rouse, Fady Karam, Matty Grant, Jeff Catt, Les Stockdale, Aaron Zammit and Jason Unitt. We would like to thank them for their contribution to our players development.

Womens Developing Pathway Program

This program catered for 26 athletes across the Open and Youth Womens age categories. The program was conducted at Blacktown International Sports Park across an eight-week period including two practice sessions per week.

The program was designed to incorporate the same focus areas as our Male HP program and included Driveline Hitting Program, Strength & Conditioning, Speed Development Program and Individual Defensive skills.

I would like to thank the following coaches who contributed to the running and instruction of the program: Garry Everson, Phil Gruppelaar, Peter Neads and Jayson Page.

BNSW Baseball Operations Report Cont.

Central Coast Developing Pathway Program

The CCDP contained 28 players from the Central Coast association for 2 days per week at Baseball park in Gosford. The program was designed to incorporate the same focus areas as our DPP and included Driveline Hitting Program, Strength & Conditioning, Speed Development Program and Individual Defensive skills.

We would like to thank the following coaches for their contribution to the program: Shaun Smith, Terry Pearce, Michael Campbell, Jake Amos, Adam Murphy, Matt Walsh and Jackson Smith.

Coach Development Program

Once again BNSW utilised the Player Development Programs to conduct our Coach Development Program for 2020. We received 13 coach nominations and were able to place all 13 coaches within our programs as a ways to further their education and use our more advanced coaches as mentors.

Underpinning Player Development Programs

The current COVID pandemic has greatly impacted our underpinning programs for 2020 and led to the cancellation of many of our usual programs. The RENO tour and Super Series programs were both cancelled but on a positive note, we were able to continue with the following programs:

Private Tuition Program

Grahame Cassel continues to provide private tuition on behalf of the organisation to those players who seek a 1-on-1 environment to develop as individuals. This year saw Grahame provide over 100 private tuition sessions across the calendar year.

Sports High School Program

Baseball NSW and the Sports High School Association of New South Wales have continued their MOU with Baseball NSW overlooking the Baseball programs within each Sports High School in NSW. Currently we oversee programs in 5 different Sports High Schools in NSW (Westfields Sports High, Hills Sports High, Narrabeen Sports High, Endeavour Sports High and Hunter Sports High). Our thanks to staff members Travis McDonald and Garry Everson for their work with the Westfields Sports High Baseball Program.

BNSW Baseball Operations Report Cont.

Unfortunately, due to changes in Education Department regulations, we have been forced to cease our partnership with Westfields Sports High and would like to thank them for their partnership with Baseball NSW as providers of their program for the past 5 years.

Sporting Schools Program

The Sporting Schools Program is a government lead initiative to introduce physical activity to school students around the country. Through the Sporting Schools program Baseball NSW was able to engage with 55 schools with a total student reach of 5005 through teacher, private provider or BNSW delivered programs.

With the introduction of Baseball 5 as an introductory program for school aged children, Baseball NSW has engaged Adrian Medina to facilitate our schools-based program in relation to Baseball 5. This should see an increase in school participation and hopefully additional participation for the sport across the state.

School Holiday Camps And Clinics

Continuing our partnership with Sports Camp Australia, Baseball NSW continues to conduct school holiday camps and clinics every school holiday period across all our relevant associations. In the past 12 months we have held camps at Jannali, Illawong, Castle Hill, Northmead, French Forest, Thornleigh and Rooty Hill for more than 245 players.

Considering we have dealt with cancellations because of bushfires in January and COVID, this has been an increased level of participation compared to last year. We would also acknowledge the help of our coaches who participate as instructors for our camps.

BNSW Baseball Operations Report Cont.

State Team Report – 2020 National Championships

U/18'S

NSW – 5th

The NSW team finished 5th at the 2020 AYC. With many players deciding against participating in the AYC, this was a great opportunity for our next group of players to showcase themselves at National Championship level. The team was led by the Coaching Staff of Nathan Wright, Josh Dean and Travis MacDonald. The EO was Rebecca Cavill.

NSW Country – 7th

The NSW Country team was led by the Coaching Staff of Shaun Smith, Wayne Robinson, Greg Allen with Karen Jones as the EO. This was the first AYC where players from our new affiliate FNC were able to participate and they greatly contributed to the team. The future of Country Baseball is positive with the potential merger of the team with ACT for future AYC tournaments.

U/16'S

NSW – 2nd

The NSW team were defeated in the Gold medal game by a very talented Qld team. Entering the game undefeated, they just came up short of a 3rd consecutive National Championship. The team was led by a coaching staff of Brendon Bojarski, Ross Griffiths, and Chris Swan.

NSW Country – 5th

The NSW Country team were led by Terry Pearce, Sam Evatt, and Chris Brown with Suni Robinson as the EO and were 1 run from playing off for a bronze medal. The team played competitive baseball all week and represented Country Baseball with aplomb.

Womens National Championships

Due to the COVID pandemic, the 2020 Womens National Championships were cancelled.

Award Winners

The following players are to be congratulated for winning their respective awards during the various National Championships in 2020:

Zac Newbold – U16 MVP

Tom Stancic – U16 Hitting Champion

Mackenzie Dean – U16 Fielding Champion

Chaise Chabi – U16 Pitching Champion

BNSW Baseball Operations Report Cont.

National Team Programs

Due to the COVID 19 pandemic, several junior international tournaments were cancelled or postponed this year. There were a couple of senior based National team events where NSW players contributed, and they were as follows:

Premier 12

Trent D'Antonio, Todd Van Steensel, Luke Wilkins, Tim Atherton, Dean Aldridge, Joshua Guyer and David Kandilas.

Emeralds Bendigo Challenge

Tahnee Lovering, Maddison Tabrett, Claire O'Sullivan, Elodie O'Sullivan, Ticara Geldenhuis, Mindy Latimer, Amy Collins, Lianna Davidson, Chloe Jones, Jordan Richardson, Kim McMillan and Breanna Donnellan.

Coaching Accreditation Report

Garry Everson oversaw BNSW's accreditation processes once again for 2020.

Unfortunately, the year was interrupted by the COVID 19 pandemic which effected the ability to conduct actual courses, to a great extent.

Although courses were postponed, interactive ZOOM meetings and specific webinars were conducted to assist with the assessment of coaches.

In July 2020 Baseball Australia adopted USA Baseball's Certificate A, B and C courses.

Baseball NSW welcomed the information the USA Baseball online courses provided, which added to and complimented our accreditation process.

As of September 2020, Baseball NSW has 1586 accredited coaches (Male – 1384, Female – 202)

Level	Males Coaches	Female Coaches	Total
Level 1	226	80	306
Level A	2	0	2
Level 2	368	64	432
Level 3	720	52	772
Level B	4	2	6
Level 4	64	4	68
Totals	1384	202	1586

BNSW Baseball Operations Report Cont.

The introduction of Certificate A, B and C coaching status will be an ongoing process for at least another 3 to 4 years, as coaches are not expected to change over until their current accreditation is due to expire.

Baseball NSW thanks those instructors who delivered, or assisted, the courses conducted:

Grant Anderson, Jeff Catt, Mathew Forbes, Garry Everson, Josh Gately, Phillip Gruppelaar, Stuart Hanrahan, Ian Hook, Peter Huish, Geordie McRae, Ross Morrison, Stuart Raymond, Henry Twaddell, Allan White and Peter Worboys.

The Baseball NSW coaching website has also been updated to be more user friendly.

Yours in Baseball

Jason Pospishil

State Baseball Operations Manager

NSW State League Report

The 2019-20 season brought some fantastic Baseball to the fans and supporters of all the Clubs involved. At each grade, from 18's to 1st Grade, the standard of play showed the dedication and skill of the players and coaches alike. Unfortunately, rainouts did once again influence the final positions.

The Final Series was played at BISP but unfortunately had to be cut short due to the Covid-19 restrictions.

I would particularly like to thank those who assisted during the Finals. Scoreboard, live streaming, and canteen cannot be done without the best group of volunteers that any sport can have. Their invaluable contribution is overlooked far too often.

The game could not go on without the continuing efforts of the Scorers and Umpires. They all share an undying passion for our game, although they might not always find themselves in agreement with the players.

To everyone else, including your State League Delegates, Club committees the staff and Board of Baseball New South Wales, I sincerely thank you for your contribution throughout the year.

2019-20 NSW STATE LEAGUE AWARDS

UNDER 18'S

Minor Premiers:	Baulkham Hills
Premiers:	Baulkham Hills
Batting Champion:	Tom Pellow, Baulkham Hills
Pitcher of the Year:	Blake Cavill, Cronulla Sharks
Most Valuable Player Under 18's for the 2019 Season	Stephen Courtney, Baulkham Hills

NSW State League Report Cont.

2019-20 NSW STATE LEAGUE AWARDS

THIRD GRADE

Minor Premiers:	Baulkham Hills
Premiers:	Blacktown Workers
Batting Champion:	Adrian Hamley, Baulkham Hills
Pitcher of the Year:	Marcus McDonald, Blacktown Workers
Most Valuable Player Under 18's for the 2019 Season	Mitchell Liddle, Macarthur Orioles

SECOND GRADE

Minor Premiers:	Macarthur Orioles
Premiers:	Macarthur Orioles
Batting Champion:	Ben Sutton, Manly Eagles
Pitcher of the Year:	Zak Horton, Macarthur Orioles
Most Valuable Player Second Grade for the 2019 Season	Lachlan Arford, Macarthur Orioles

NSW State League Report Cont.

2019-20 NSW STATE LEAGUE AWARDS

FIRST GRADE

Minor Premiers:	Macarthur Orioles
Premiers:	Macarthur Orioles
Batting Champion:	Guy Edmonds, Canterbury Vikings
Pitcher of the Year:	Shayne Fogorty, Macarthur Orioles
Most Valuable Player First Grade for the 2019 Season Lionel Harris Medal	Shanin Hislop, Macarthur Orioles
Rookie of the Year – Voted by the Clubs	Will Fullerton, Canterbury Vikings

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Club Championship:	Macarthur Orioles
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NSW State League Report Cont.

2019-20 NSW STATE LEAGUE AWARDS

TEAM OF THE YEAR

Starting Pitcher:	Shayne Fogorty, Macarthur Orioles
Relief Pitcher:	Zac McAlister – Manly Eagles
Catcher:	Travis Tanaka – Ryde Hawks
First Base:	Shanin Hislop – Macarthur Orioles
Second Base	Chris Douglass – Macarthur Orioles
Third Base	Jo Stevens- Ryde Hawks
Short Stop	Randy Santiesteban- Macarthur Orioles
Left Field	Jackson White – Canterbury Vikings
Centrefield	Tyler Schmidt- Ryde Hawks
Right Field	Todd Grattan – Blacktown Workers
Designated Hitter	Guy Edmonds – Canterbury Vikings
Manager of the Year	Phil Hemmer – Baulkham Hills

Kerry Jackson
State League Standing Committee
Chairman

NSW Women's League Report

Committee and Volunteers

I would like to start with thanking my fellow Committee members Kim, Fiona and Mel for all their hard work at getting the Woman's league to function like a well oil machine. Kim our ever reliable secretary who does a fantastic job behind the scenes, particularly all the great info that is sent out to all both via email and facebook. I must also make mention of our drought breaking Treasurer Mel Green who did a brilliant job at organising the pink round with a fantastic raffles to help raise extra funds for breast cancer care only to have it washed out twice before Clubs went about wearing their PINK gear over a couple of weekends. To all off the Club delegates thank you for all your hard work and support not to mention the time that you all put in to the successful running of the Woman's League it is great that we can get through all the business required in an acceptable time frame each month. To all the other Volunteers that put in so much time and effort to making the Woman's league a success Thank You.

Game Officials

Without the continued support of all the Umpires we would not have a game so to all the loyal band of umpires that do the Woman's games a big thank you.

We also need to acknowledge the support and backing of Baseball NSW and their Staff for the work they do behind the scenes. Vassil our competition manager has got through he's first season in the role and what a baptism of fire it was, job well done and much appreciated by all.

19/20 Season

Well what a season the 19/20 season was, with wash-outs, heat-outs and finally smoke-outs the second half of the season was a very disjointed affair. Who would of thought that for 3 consecutive weekend it would be to wet to play then to hot to play followed up by to much smoke to be able to safely participate in active sport.

With make our pink round an annual event on the calendar a lot of work was put in to make this a fun weekend only to have it washed out by drought breaking rains, Clubs made the most if it and wore their pink gear when it was possible to show there support for a very good cause, I just sorry we didn't get to see all the umpires in there nice and bright pink shirts so we look forward to seeing them next season.

NSW Women's League Report Cont.

Congratulations to the Macarthur Orioles for their win in the second-grade competition over the Cronulla Sharks.

Congratulations to the Greenway Giants club for once again taking out the first-grade competition with Blacktown Workers getting the Silver Medal.

I think all would agree that it was a disappointing end to our first grade competition with Grand final being washed out and then all sport in NSW being suspended due to the Covid 19 pandemic outbreak, and due to the health and safety of all at risk this was the correct decision. This does not take away from the feats of the Greenway team who have been the benchmark for First grade for a number of years now.



Lets hope we never have another season like 19/20.

To all our Clubs and Player's thanks for a great season and congratulations on the way you have all played the game.

20/21 Season

As we move forward to 20/21 season we have a 10 team second grade competition and a 5 team first grade competition. We have seen a delayed start to the season due to Covid lets just hope that once we get underway we can get through the season without interruption, but health and safety of all participants will be paramount in season decision making for the coming season.

Paul O'Neill
Chair NSWBL

Country League Report

Like so many in the NSW Baseball community, 2020 has been a very frustrating and anxious time for us all.

Despite our best efforts to postpone and delay decisions regarding our annual events, regrettably we were left with no alternative but to cancel our entire program for the year, due to the pandemic restrictions.

The most significant challenge surrounded the cancellation of our second Cairns-Prague tour. I would like to express my sincere thanks to Allan Parrott and Stephy Thompson for their extraordinary efforts in organizing this tour. When it became apparent we could not proceed they devised and implemented an amazing rear guard action to recoup most of the funds for the playing group.

Al and Stephy's contribution to our game over many many years has been exemplary and I hope we can convince them to continue on once we are out from under the COVID cloud which continues to hang over us.

Fortunately, at a regional level, several of our Associations have soldiered on and managed to overcome the restrictions and hold condensed winter seasons notably: Illawarra, Wagga Wagga, Tamworth, Hastings and Far North Coast. They all are to be commended for their perseverance and ingenuity in keeping the game going.

A significant concern with the shutdown will be whether this has adversely impacted player retention particularly with some of our smaller regional Associations and in relation to our juniors.

Sadly I believe we will be subject to restrictions with how we are able to conduct games for some time to come until a vaccine is found. Hopefully that will not be far away.

On a final note I would like to again thank all our delegates on what is a very hard working, co-operative and ultimately effective committee.

Bill Langler
CLSC Chairman

Sydney Winter Report

With the ongoing Covid-19 issues, the SWBL Executive reluctantly made the decision to suspend all competition for the 2020 Season.

We hope to see all players, and possibly some new ones return to the field in the 2021 Season.

Kerry Jackson
SWBL Competition Manager



NSW Scorers Association Report

This year our scorers have had an interrupted scoring year due to COVID 19, but our association is thriving and we have welcomed many new scorers to our ranks.

We were involved with the following major tournaments:

1. Blue Sox
2. Little League (Short Version)
3. Intermediate/Junior League (Short Version)
4. Gala days
5. State League

We have accredited many scorers to our ranks and it would not be possible but for the dedication of Sue McCullough, and her wonderful teachers. All accreditation are governed by our body known as CABS (Council of Australian Baseball Scorers)

To help with training, NSW have compiled a new training guide which should help new scorers understand baseball scoring.

We are also teaching scoring to beginner scorers in the different association to help the standard to improve at park ball by getting the associations to elect a scorers co-ordinator. This elected person teaches basics from Tee-Ball to Live Ball and funnels scorers to our accreditations clinics.

Game Changer has come into to our lives with a big bang. After some hiccups, the scorers seem to have accepted Game Changer and are doing a great job entering the games I am very proud how my scorers have adapted to this change.

I also would like to thank the association and clubs for their continuing support of our scorers as well as the umpires.

Kaye Cooper
President

NSW Umpires Association Report

It's certainly been an interesting year for our sport. As it relates to umpiring, we've continued to develop the skills of our members, and grow in numbers across the entire state.

It has been one of the more challenging years for us. Initially hampered from conducting courses at the grass roots level due to horrendous air quality through to not being able to conduct our major annual seminar this year due to Covid-19. However, with these challenges thrown at us, there is no time like the present to learn, adapt and continue to grow.

The fraternity of officiating, regardless of location or sport, has been known in some circles to be notoriously reluctant to embrace change. With our partnership with BNSW, and led by Mark Marino, we're attempting to shift this mindset and are right now working on how we can better deliver umpiring education, training and accreditation in 2021 which are underpinned by leveraging solid technology platforms. This promises to give us great advantages into the future and will allow us to scale the delivery of umpiring courses like never before.

Locally, we're still working on the next round of umpires to be capable of working games at the elite level of the ABL or WSBC tournaments. We've put in place a high-performance working group which is providing new opportunities for a select number of umpires to prepare them for the next stage in their career. While we have some great talent coming through once they have finished playing in junior age competitions, we're also seeing some great umpires step up that used to play State League in their younger years and now want to contribute to the game through umpiring. Notably, ex-catchers bring a unique perspective to the game when umpiring and so we'd certainly welcome more to join us.

NSW continues to lead the country in terms of it's appointments of umpires to major national and international events. This year saw the appointment of my predecessor, Trent Thomas to officiate at the next Olympic games that were scheduled for Tokyo 2020. Trent previously worked at the recent Premier 12 and continues to work locally as the Crew Chief for the Sydney crew in the ABL. We look forward to seeing Trent work games in Tokyo next year instead.

We also saw the 2nd ever Australian appointment, and 2nd umpire from NSW appointed to the Little League World Series with Mark Gilmour from Newcastle scheduled to work in Williamsport this year. Again, we look forward to seeing Mark work the series next year when we hope that the standard schedule resumes.

NSW Umpires Association Report Cont.

While both of these umpires have our congratulations and thanks for all they do for the game at various levels, we're excited to see who is next to step up to the national or international stage.

The last 12 months has been challenging in many ways, however what continues to inspire us is what the next 12 months promises and we look forward to seeing you out on the diamonds soon.

Matt Carter
NSW Director of Umpiring

Baseball NSW Life Members

*** Denotes deceased**

1898: Metropolitan Baseball Association

1900: New South Wales Baseball Association

1944: New South Wales Allied Baseball Council

1945: New South Wales Baseball Union

1970: New South Wales Baseball League

This listing of Life Members is taken from Annual Reports and newspaper articles. Annual Reports are not available for years 1898 to 1907, 1909 to 1911 and 1917 to 1919. The year of election of some life members in this period has been recorded as the year the member's name first appeared in an annual report or in a newspaper report of an annual meeting in those years when annual reports are not available.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	Not Known
Name:	Richard C. Callaway*
Notes:	<p>Played in 1886 with Sydney and Union Baseball Clubs. Was a foundation member in the 1898 establishment of the NSWBA and secretary from 1903 to 1905. Prominent umpire and initiator of schoolboy's baseball in 1909. Waverly Club member from 1898 to 1930s.</p> <p>Tom Roberts who was prominent in promoting baseball among schoolboys, wrote a letter to the Sydney Sportsman in 1911 seeking recognition for Dick Callaway's dedication and work for baseball stating, "Surely no one is more entitled to be called 'Father of Baseball in Australia'. He added "I am aware that he was made a life member of the Association" Lack of documentation prevents confirmation of Richard Callaway's appointment.</p>

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	1901
Name:	James Cassius Williamson*
Notes:	Was first President of Victorian Baseball League after the Spalding visit and a Vice President of NSWBA from 1900 to 1903. Year of appointment appears to be 1901, when he presented a 'Challenge Shield' for interstate competition between NSW and Victoria which NSW won permanently in 1903. His name appears in a list of life members in 1908 Annual Report, but not in subsequent years. The whereabouts of the challenge shield is not known.
Elected:	1902
Name:	Harry A Solomon*
Notes:	Harry Solomon was a Vice President till 1903 before leaving Australia and not returning till 1933 when he presented evidence to the NSW Baseball Association that he had been elected a life member of the association in 1902.
Elected:	1903
Name:	Charles H. Barnes*
Notes:	Secretary of the NSWBA from 1899 to 1902 and prominent interstate umpire from earliest years of interstate fixtures against Victoria and during the 1914 Giants White Sox games.
Elected:	1908
Name:	R.T. Kelly*
Notes:	First appears as life member in 1908 report. Actual year of appointment not known, but may have been that year, as he presented the R.T. Kelly silver cup for establishment of a second-grade competition in 1907.

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	1911
Name:	Jame A. Minnett*
Notes:	Was President of the NSWBA from 1909 to 1919. Life membership was conferred in June 1911, but he is not in the list of life members in the 1915 & 1916 annual reports. Annual reports are not available for the years 1917-19, but he was listed again from 1920.
Elected:	1920
Name:	Edwin A. Tyler*
Notes:	Petersham player from club's inception in 1900. First appears as a life member in 1920 which may well be the date of his election as he was Treasurer from 1907 to 1910 and secretary of the Association from 1911 until 1919.
Elected:	1923
Name:	Albert C. Bain*
Notes:	In 1918 managed the Bondi Club in the NSWBA winter, which maintained Waverley Oval for baseball and NSWBA when Waverley switched to the NSW National Baseball League's winter and summer competitions from 1915 to 1918.
Elected:	1927
Name:	Harold G. Kilminster*
Notes:	Was a prominent umpire, summer advocate, administrator with NSWNBL and NSWBA and chairman of the NSWBA executive committee in 1926.

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	1929
Name:	Frederick C. 'Pony' Young*
Notes:	An American who played with St. George from 1914 Manager of Kellogg's (Australia) Ltd, till he returned to live in US in late 1920s and negotiated the visit of Multnomah Athletics in 1929.
Elected:	1931
Name:	James L. 'Jimmie' Searle*
Notes:	Jimmy Searle was known as the 'Father of Baseball' in this state, initiated the formation of the Redfern Baseball Club in 1897 leading to the establishment in 1898 of the Metropolitan Baseball Association, due to his close association with cricketers in his sporting goods business. Umpired after playing days ended. Co-founder of Western Suburbs Churches Baseball Union in 1912, owner of Imperial Oval, Dulwich Hill during world war one and early twenties. Official coach of schoolboys in 1920s.
Elected:	1931
Name:	David M. Angus*
Notes:	Was a prominent umpire.
Elected:	1934
Name:	Thomas C. Bury*
Notes:	NSWBA player, umpire and official. One of several brothers all playing baseball in the Leichhardt area. Became a summer baseball advocate, who managed National League NSW representative teams on interstate visits in early 1920s.

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	1936
Name:	Harold W. Turner*
Notes	<p>If Jimmy Searle was the 'father', Harold W. 'Mum' Turner, as his nickname implies, was a veritable mother' to baseball, becoming involved in the game with the formation of the Petersham Club in 900, playing for and managing NSW teams.</p> <p>Secretary of NSWBA 1909, 1910, chairman of executive committee 1934,37 & 1941,43 before retiring. Designed J.C. Williamson Shield for 1908 US Fleet visit, editor of 'Baseball Weekly' and souvenir programmes for Stanford and Multnomah visits and the General Douglas Macarthur Cup series during World War II.</p>
Elected:	1940
Name:	Alfred B. Solomon*
Notes	NSWBA administrator and NSW team manager. Prominent umpire and Petersham official.
Elected:	1944
Name:	Milton J. 'Jim' Chapman*^
Notes	Was an official of the City Houses Association and heavily involved in the organisation of games with American servicemen during World War II.

^ These life members appeared in the first annual report of the NSW Baseball Union for the year 1945 resulting from clause 27 (b) of the incoming Union's constitution adopted in February 1945 stating "The existing life members of the Allied Baseball Council shall automatically become Life Members of the NSW Baseball Union".

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	1944
Name:	Bert McTaggart*^
Notes:	Began his baseball with Ewart Coo-ee club in late 1920s, official of the City Houses Association in the 1930s, Secretary of the Allied Baseball Council in 1944, initiator and first Secretary of the NSW Baseball Union from 1945 to 1956. Was Secretary of the Australian Baseball Council in 1958 and 1959. Bert returned as an official of Sydney Winter Baseball League after the controversial NSWBL switch to 'summer only Baseball' in 1973.
Elected:	1944
Name:	Jack Lambert*^
Notes:	Was a Leichhardt summer and winter player during first world war years and the 1920s. Represented NSW from 1921-25 & 1927-29, Australia against US Stanford University 1928 and US Multnomah 1929. He was a member of NSWBA Executive 1929-30 & 1933, delegate to ABC 1930,1932, 33, 34, State Selector 1937 to 1940 and Vice President 1934 to 1944 Presented the Brother Lambert Shield for inter-association All Age competition.
Elected:	1944
Name:	Harold C. Steele*^
Notes:	First played in Western Suburbs Churches Union during World War I, then Dulwich Hill and Marrickville clubs, represented NSW and became administrator of NSW Association and NSWBA Secretary prior to and during World War II years.

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	1944
Name:	Harold E. Kennett*^
Notes:	Player with Burwood, then Marrickville clubs, represented Australia against Stanford & Multnomah 1928/9 and captained NSW in early 1930s. Became an administrator of NSWBA till World War II.
Elected:	1944
Name:	Arthur P. Nichols*^
Notes:	City Houses Association official pre-world war II, first President of the NSW Baseball Union from 1945 to 1950. Brother to life member George J. Nichols.
Elected:	1948
Name:	Jack Mould*
Notes:	Prominent with University from World War I time and then Waverley club. Father of later NSWBU President and NSWBL Commissioner/life member G.C. 'Don' Mould.
Elected:	1950
Name:	Robert M. Anthony*
Notes:	Bob Anthony was an administrator from the 1930s till after World War II. A St George club player and official.

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	1951
Name:	Roland H. 'Roly' Pearce*
Notes:	'Roly' Pearce was an official of the NSW Baseball Union. One of the founders of Canterbury-Bankstown club. Father of NSW player and coach Albert Pearce.
Elected:	1956
Name:	George J. Nichols*
Notes:	City Houses player and years Treasurer of the NSW Baseball Union 1945-54 & 1961-3. Initiator of the travel scheme for Claxton Shield tours and carnivals. Brother to life member Arthur Nichols.
Elected:	1957
Name:	Archer Phillip Austin, BEM*
Notes:	Was a player in the 1920s that represented a National League NSW team against Victoria in Melbourne in 1922, then a lifetime involvement with St George club and St George Association.
Elected:	1959
Name:	Gordon Charles 'Don' Mould*
Notes:	Waverley and NSW player in 1930s, President of the NSW Baseball Union from 1951 to 1969, NSW Commissioner for Baseball 1970 to 1980 and President of the Australian Baseball Council/Federation from 1963 to 1975. Life member of Waverley club.

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	1959
Name:	Alfred Emmerick*
Notes:	Alf Emmerick began playing baseball as a schoolboy in 1911 and became a long-time member and president of St George club. He represented NSW through the 1920s, Australia against Stanford and Multnomah and early 1930s continued his involvement in NSWBU administration from 1949 to 1960 as a selector at State and Australian levels. Father of NSW players Colin and Alan Emmerick.
Elected:	1962
Name:	Kenneth C. Gulliver, OAM*
Notes:	Mosman and NSW player in late 1930s through 1940s and then in administration. Life Member of Mosman club.
Elected:	1964
Name:	John B. Hollander, MBE*
Notes:	Lane Cove player in Northern Suburbs Association then coach and club Life Member of Lane Cove in Major League, Chairman of NSWBU Executive Committee from 1958, through the changeover to summer baseball when he switched to the Baulkham Hills club, till 1980. Became Commissioner for NSW Baseball from 1981 to 1986. NSW member/director of the Australian Baseball Council/Federation from 1963 to 1986 and life member.
Elected:	1965
Name:	Jack P. Ross*
Notes:	Petersham player in 1930s, post-war official with Canterbury Bankstown, Chairman of Executive Committee of NSW Baseball Union from 1955 to 1957, assisting financially in Union's recovery from problems after disastrous night baseball trials.

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	1967
Name:	Roy Vivian Crook*
Notes:	First played with the Dulwich Hill Club during World War I and administrator in W.S. Churches Union, then Bankstown-Sydenham Association and President of Metropolitan Baseball Association post world war II. Was Secretary of the NSW Baseball Union from 1957 to 1971.
Elected:	1969
Name:	Frank G. Stewart*
Notes:	Umpire from 1930s, President of NSW Umpires Association post world war II and President of St George club.
Elected:	1971
Name:	Cecil R. Kemp*
Notes:	Petersham and NSW player through the 1930s and non-playing captain coach in Claxton Shield 1950 to 1954, 1958 to 1967. Australian All Star selection as captain/coach 1951 to 1953 and 1963. Chairman of NSW Baseball Union Executive Committee from 1950 to 1955. Life Member of Petersham-Leichhardt Club.
Elected:	1976
Name:	Colin A. Emmerick
Notes:	St George and NSW player from 1940s to 60s, St George club administrator and life member. Son of life member Alf Emmerick, brother to Alan Emmerick.

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	1976
Name:	Brian V. Davis*
Notes:	Marrickville player from 1945 to 1962, NSW Chrysler Cup representative 1955-56, Assistant Secretary of NSW Union 1963-69. Baseball journalist for SM Herald and AAP in 60s & 70s. As President of Auburn Baseball Club Ltd negotiated NSW government grant for floodlights and extensions to make Oriole Stadium Australia's first international standard playing field in 1980. NSWBL historian and author of 'Complete Book of Aussie Baseball'.
Elected:	1982
Name:	Harry Waddington*
Notes:	Player from Nestanglo in 1930s, player & administrator with Western Suburbs district club post war and later an official of Cumberland Association. Life Member of Cumberland Association and Western Suburbs and Auburn Clubs.
Elected:	1984
Name:	Clifford Watson*
Notes:	Player from 1940s turned umpire and committeeman. Long standing Judiciary Chairman of NSWBL. NSW Commissioner for Baseball from 2000-2002.
Elected:	1991
Name:	Barry Holland
Notes:	Canterbury-Bankstown and NSW representative before taking up accredited coaching position with NSW League. Pitching Coach of ABL's Sydney Storm in the late 1990s.

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	1993
Name:	James Strickland*
Notes:	Son of City Houses and NSW pitcher of thirties James R. Strickland. NSWBL Secretary from 1983 to 2000.
Elected:	1994
Name:	Ken Douglass
Notes:	Played baseball with Balmoral and Lane Cove Clubs, then with Port Melbourne in Victoria, then on return to Sydney played with Lane Cove and then coach and administrator with the Baulkham Hills Club. Commissioner for NSW Baseball from 1989 – 2000 and is a Life Member of the Australian Baseball Federation, Port Melbourne and Baulkham Hills Clubs.
Elected:	1998
Name:	David Hill*
Notes:	Began a lifetime interest in baseball from the early 1900s following the Leichhardt Club. He became an umpire, but his involvement was difficult as his work as a merchant seaman kept him away for long periods. When he retired he continued his umpiring and attends all Annual meetings including the 1999 AGM at which he was elected a life member.
Elected:	1999
Name:	Peter Worboys
Notes:	Canterbury-Bankstown player, accredited coach and Development Officer with the NSWBL. Coached the Under 18 NSW state team.

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	2002
Name:	Cheryl Barnier
Notes:	Former long-term President of the NSWJBL that ran junior baseball in Sydney. She also continues to organise teams to travel overseas to tournaments, as well as running the Sydney Metro League.
Elected:	2005
Name:	Ian Lewis
Notes:	Devoted extensive time to CBNSW, now recognised as One Baseball NSW.
Elected:	2005
Name:	Paul Birch
Notes:	Devoted extensive time to CBNSW, now recognised as One Baseball NSW.
Elected:	2008
Name:	Allan Parrot
Notes:	Devoted extensive time to CBNSW, now recognised as One Baseball NSW. Head Coach of Australian Provincial teams for many years and other Country teams.
Elected:	2008
Name:	Montague Alfred "Monty" Noble*
Notes:	A notable administrator in his era. Was President of the NSW Baseball Association for 21 years consecutively. Monty was an Australian cricketer in the summer and then a baseballer in the winter. (Posthumous Life Member)

Baseball NSW Life Members Cont.

LIFE MEMBERS	
Elected:	2014
Name:	John Pond
Notes:	A lifelong volunteer and Executive Assistant / Administration for various clubs.
Elected:	2014
Name:	David Balfour*
Notes:	Renowned throughout Australia's baseball landscape for his tireless work in raising awareness of the game – David always had the hunger to develop the game of baseball especially at grassroots level.



Financial Statements

For the year ended 30 June 2020

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Committee's Report

30 June 2020

The committee members submit the financial report of the Association for the financial year ended 30 June 2020.

Committee members

The names of committee members throughout the year and at the date of this report are:

Ross Morrison (Chairperson)	Re-elected October 26th 2019
Therese Philibossian	Re-elected October 22nd 2018
Peter Worboys	Re-elected October 26th 2019
Karl Hardman	Re-elected December 17th 2018
Scott Tunkin	Re-elected October 26th 2019
James Morley	Appointed February 28th 2018
Anthony Brasher	Resigned December 2019
Roger Powell	Resigned December 2019

Principal activities

The principal activities of the Association during the financial year were to conduct, encourage, promote, advance and administer the sport of baseball for its members.

Significant changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Operating result

The profit of the Association for the financial year amounted to \$ (144,437) (2019: deficit \$ (17,980)).

Information on committee members

Ross Morrison	Chairperson
Therese Philibossian	
Qualifications	RN, RM, B Soc Sc, Grad Dip Bus Stud, M Ed (Adult Ed), Cert IV (Workplace Training & Assessing), Cert IV (Frontline Managers), JP
Peter Worboys	
Karl Hardman	
Qualifications	ABA
Scott Tunkin	
Qualifications	B Comm, MBA
James Morley	
Qualifications	MLLP Employment Law, B.Ec (Soc Sci)
Anthony Brasher	
Qualifications	B Comm, MBA, CA

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Committee's Report

30 June 2020

Roger Powell

Qualifications

FAICD, FAIM

Meetings of management committee

During the financial year, 6 meetings of directors (including committees of directors) were held. Attendances by each director during the year were as follows:

	Directors' Meetings	
	Number eligible to attend	Number attended
Ross Morrison	6	6
Therese Philibossian	6	5
Peter Worboys	6	6
Karl Hardman	6	6
Scott Tunkin	6	5
James Morley	6	6
Anthony Brasher	2	2
Roger Powell	2	-

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

Committee member: 
Ross Morrison

Committee member: 
Karl Hardman

Dated 26 September 2020

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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Income		
Member receipts	445,925	587,117
Grants received	268,294	100,000
Events & competitions	134,270	340,114
Ground hire	74,425	82,495
Interest received	540	6,888
Sales & other income	54,853	122,724
	<u>978,307</u>	<u>1,239,338</u>
Expenditure		
Administration and other expenses	(161,660)	(150,455)
Audit fees	(5,700)	(5,560)
Back payment of wages	-	(20,914)
Bank charges & interest costs	(2,100)	(1,896)
Depreciation	(18,352)	(17,662)
Development & country costs	(103,600)	(133,901)
Employee remuneration and associated costs	(646,334)	(624,422)
Events & competitions	(50,480)	(138,858)
Facility & ground hire	(102,880)	(102,706)
Purchases	(31,639)	(60,945)
	<u>(144,438)</u>	<u>(17,981)</u>
Profit before income tax	(144,438)	(17,981)
Income tax expense	-	-
	<u>(144,438)</u>	<u>(17,981)</u>
Profit from continuing operations	<u>(144,438)</u>	<u>(17,981)</u>
Profit for the year	<u>(144,438)</u>	<u>(17,981)</u>
Other comprehensive income, net of income tax		
Total comprehensive income for the year	<u>(144,438)</u>	<u>(17,981)</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Financial Position

As At 30 June 2020

	Note	2020 \$	2019 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	5	712,759	436,047
Trade and other receivables	6	65,859	153,497
Other assets	8	29,803	15,224
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>808,421</u>	<u>604,768</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	7	94,516	90,495
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>94,516</u>	<u>90,495</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>902,937</u>	<u>695,263</u>
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	9	153,977	220,918
Employee benefits	11	50,665	55,655
Other financial liabilities	10	434,840	10,799
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>639,482</u>	<u>287,372</u>
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>639,482</u>	<u>287,372</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>263,455</u>	<u>407,891</u>
EQUITY			
Retained earnings		<u>263,455</u>	<u>407,891</u>
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>263,455</u>	<u>407,891</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Changes in Equity For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

2020

	Retained Earnings
	\$
Balance at 1 July 2019	<u>407,893</u>
Surplus for the year	<u>(144,438)</u>
Balance at 30 June 2020	<u><u>263,455</u></u>

2019

	Retained Earnings
	\$
Balance at 1 July 2018	<u>425,872</u>
Surplus for the year	<u>(17,981)</u>
Balance at 30 June 2019	<u><u>407,891</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Statement of Cash Flows For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

	2020	2019
Note	\$	\$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES:		
Receipts from registrations & affiliations	445,925	587,117
Receipt from grants	268,294	100,000
Coaching clinics & accreditation	144,075	340,114
Other receipts	341,531	328,541
Interest received	540	6,888
Payments to suppliers and employees	<u>(901,291)</u>	<u>(1,461,756)</u>
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities	<u>299,074</u>	<u>(99,096)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES:		
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	<u>(22,362)</u>	<u>(16,364)</u>
Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities	<u>(22,362)</u>	<u>(16,364)</u>
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:		
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and cash equivalents held	276,712	(115,460)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	<u>436,047</u>	<u>551,505</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	5 <u><u>712,759</u></u>	<u><u>436,045</u></u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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Notes to the Financial Statements For the Year Ended 30 June 2020

The financial statements cover New South Wales Baseball League Incorporated as an individual entity. New South Wales Baseball League Incorporated is a not-for-profit Association incorporated in New South Wales under the *Associations Incorporation Act (NSW) 2009 and Associations Incorporation Regulation (NSW) 2010* ('the Act').

The functional and presentation currency of New South Wales Baseball League Incorporated is Australian dollars.

The financial report was authorised for issue by the Committee of Management on 26 October 2020.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years, unless otherwise stated.

1 Basis of Preparation

In the opinion of the Committee of Management, the Association is not a reporting entity since there are unlikely to exist users of the financial statements who are not able to command the preparation of reports tailored so as to satisfy specifically all of their information needs. These special purpose financial statements have been prepared to meet the reporting requirements of the Act.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements of the Australian Accounting Standards and Accounting Interpretations, and the disclosure requirements of AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements, AASB 107 *Statement of Cash Flows*, AASB 108 *Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors* and AASB 1054 *Australian Additional Disclosures*.

2 Change in Accounting Policy

Revenue from Contracts with Customers - Adoption of AASB 15

The Association has adopted AASB 15 *Revenue from Contracts with Customers* and AASB 1058 *Income of Not-for-Profit Entities* for the first time in the current year with a date of initial application of 1 July 2019.

The Association has applied AASB 15 and AASB 1058 using the cumulative effect method which means the comparative information has not been restated and continues to be reported under AASB 111, AASB 118, AASB 1004 and related interpretations. All adjustments on adoption of AASB 15 and AASB 1058 have been taken to retained earnings at 1 July 2019.

3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue and other income

For comparative year

Revenue is recognised when the amount of the revenue can be measured reliably, it is probable that economic benefits associated with the transaction will flow to the Association and specific criteria relating to the type of revenue as noted below, has been satisfied.

Revenue is measured at the fair value of the consideration received or receivable and is presented net of returns, discounts and rebates.

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3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue and other income

Revenue from contracts with customers

For current year

The core principle of AASB 15 is that revenue is recognised on a basis that reflects the transfer of promised goods or services to customers at an amount that reflects the consideration the Association expects to receive in exchange for those goods or services. Revenue is recognised by applying a five-step model as follows:

1. Identify the contract with the customer
2. Identify the performance obligations
3. Determine the transaction price
4. Allocate the transaction price to the performance obligations
5. Recognise revenue as and when control of the performance obligations is transferred

Generally the timing of the payment for sale of goods and rendering of services corresponds closely to the timing of satisfaction of the performance obligations, however where there is a difference, it will result in the recognition of a receivable, contract asset or contract liability.

None of the revenue streams of the Association have any significant financing terms as there is less than 12 months between receipt of funds and satisfaction of performance obligations.

Other income

Other income is recognised on an accruals basis when the Association is entitled to it.

(b) Income Tax

The Association is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.

(c) Goods and services tax (GST)

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

Receivables and payable are stated inclusive of GST.

Cash flows in the statement of cash flows are included on a gross basis and the GST component of cash flows arising from investing and financing activities which is recoverable from, or payable to, the taxation authority is classified as operating cash flows.

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3 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(d) Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment.

Items of property, plant and equipment acquired for nil or nominal consideration have been recorded at the acquisition date fair value.

Land and buildings

Land and buildings are measured using the cost model.

Plant and equipment

Plant and equipment are measured using the cost model.

Depreciation

Property, plant and equipment, excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight-line basis over the assets useful life to the Association, commencing when the asset is ready for use.

Leased assets and leasehold improvements are amortised over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or their estimated useful life.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable asset are shown below:

Class of Fixed Assets	Depreciation Rate
Leasehold improvements	13%
Office furniture & equipment	5% - 66.6%

At the end of each annual reporting period, the depreciation method, useful life and residual value of each asset is reviewed. Any revisions are accounted for prospectively as a change in estimate.

(e) Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprises cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments which are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of change in value.

(f) Employee benefits

Provision is made for the Association's liability for employee benefits arising from services rendered by employees to the end of the reporting period. Employee benefits that are expected to be wholly settled within one year have been measured at the amounts expected to be paid when the liability is settled.

(g) Adoption of new and revised accounting standards

The Association has adopted all standards which became effective for the first time at 30 June 2020, the adoption of these standards has not caused any material adjustments to the reported financial position, performance or cash flow of the Association.

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4 Critical Accounting Estimates and Judgments

The committee make estimates and judgements during the preparation of these financial statements regarding assumptions about current and future events affecting transactions and balances.

These estimates and judgements are based on the best information available at the time of preparing the financial statements, however as additional information is known then the actual results may differ from the estimates.

The significant estimates and judgements made have been described below.

Key estimates - impairment of property, plant and equipment

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

Key estimates - receivables

The receivables at reporting date have been reviewed to determine whether there is any objective evidence that any of the receivables are impaired. An impairment provision is included for any receivable where the entire balance is not considered collectible. The impairment provision is based on the best information at the reporting date.

5 Cash and Cash Equivalents

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Cash at bank and in hand	712,759	436,047
	<u>712,759</u>	<u>436,047</u>

6 Trade and other receivables

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade receivables	67,859	148,004
Provision for impairment	(2,000)	(5,000)
	<u>65,859</u>	<u>143,004</u>
Unallocated receipts	-	687
Other receivables	-	9,806
	<u>-</u>	<u>9,806</u>
Total current trade and other receivables	<u>65,859</u>	<u>153,497</u>

The carrying value of trade receivables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

The maximum exposure to credit risk at the reporting date is the fair value of each class of receivable in the financial statements.

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7 Property, plant and equipment

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
Plant and equipment		
At cost	116,968	102,596
Accumulated depreciation	(73,793)	(62,258)
Total plant and equipment	<u>43,175</u>	<u>40,338</u>
Leasehold Improvements		
At cost	75,535	67,535
Accumulated amortisation	(24,194)	(17,378)
Total leasehold improvements	<u>51,341</u>	<u>50,157</u>
Total property, plant and equipment	<u>94,516</u>	<u>90,495</u>

8 Other Assets

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Prepayments	5,803	15,224
Accrued income - JobKeeper	24,000	-
	<u>29,803</u>	<u>15,224</u>

9 Trade and Other Payables

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Trade payables	30,753	52,849
Deposits	2,500	-
GST payable	40,984	36,223
Employee benefits	19,247	27,614
Sundry payables and accrued expenses	28,169	43,560
Funds held	32,324	41,861
Other payables	-	18,811
	<u>153,977</u>	<u>220,918</u>

Trade and other payables are unsecured, non-interest bearing and are normally settled within 30 days. The carrying value of trade and other payables is considered a reasonable approximation of fair value due to the short-term nature of the balances.

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10 Other Financial Liabilities

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
CURRENT		
Office of Sport - COVID deferred income	220,649	-
Grassroots funding deferred income	183,000	-
Amounts received in advance	31,191	10,799
Total	434,840	10,799

11 Employee Benefits

	2020	2019
	\$	\$
Current liabilities		
Provision for employee benefits	50,665	55,655
	50,665	55,655

12 Capital and Leasing Commitments

The property at Blacktown Olympic Centre is secured under a Deed of Licence with a twenty one-year term (commenced May 2002), with rent payable monthly in 6 monthly in arrears. Rent payments are determined by a Management Agreement incorporating a contribution fee of \$25,000 per annum plus an incentive fee based on the revenue of NSW Baseball Inc.

13 Contingencies

In the opinion of the Committee of Management, the Association did not have any contingencies at 30 June 2020 (30 June 2019:None).

14 Related Parties

Transactions between related parties are on normal commercial terms and conditions no more favourable than those available to other parties unless otherwise stated.

The following transactions occurred with related parties:

The Committee are not aware of any related party transactions during the year.

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15 Events after the end of the Reporting Period

The financial report was authorised for issue on 26 October 2020 by the Committee of Management.

COVID-19

A global pandemic was declared by the World Health Organisation on 11 March 2020. The New South Wales Public Health Act introduced restrictions that the Association has to comply with for the foreseeable future. These measures are expected to have an ongoing impact on the revenue and profitability of the Association throughout the 2021 financial year however, due to the uncertainty of the pandemic, it is not possible to predict the effect of the matter.

Except for the above, no other matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or could significantly affect the operations of the Association, the results of those operations or the state of affairs of the Association in future financial years.

16 Statutory Information

The registered office and principal place of business of the association is:
81 Eastern Road, Rooty Hill NSW 2766

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Statement by Members of the Committee

The committee has determined that the Association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies outlined in Note 3 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 3 to 13:

- 1. Presents fairly the financial position of New South Wales Baseball League Incorporated as at 30 June 2020 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
- 2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that New South Wales Baseball League Incorporated will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with a resolution of the committee and is signed for and on behalf of the committee by:

Committee member

Ross Morrison

Committee member

Karl Hardman

Dated 26 September 2020



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Independent Audit Report to the members of New South Wales Baseball League Incorporated

Report on the Audit of the Financial Report

Opinion

We have audited the financial report of New South Wales Baseball League Incorporated (the Association), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2020, the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income, the statement of changes in equity and the statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies, and the statement by members of the committee.

In our opinion, the accompanying financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, including:

- (i) giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2020 and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year ended; and
- (ii) complying with the Associations Incorporation Act (NSW) 2009 and Associations Incorporation Regulation (NSW) 2010.

Basis for Opinion

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

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

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Responsibilities of Management and Those Charged with Governance

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act (NSW) 2009 and Associations Incorporation Regulation (NSW) 2010, and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of the financial report is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the Association's financial reporting process.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report

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

As part of an audit in accordance with the Australian Auditing Standards, we exercise professional judgement and maintain professional scepticism throughout the audit. We also:

- Identify and assess the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error, design and perform audit procedures responsive to those risks, and obtain audit evidence that is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement resulting from fraud is higher than for one resulting from error, as fraud may involve collusion, forgery, intentional omissions, misrepresentations, or the override of internal control.
- Obtain an understanding of internal control relevant to the audit in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the Association's internal control.
- Evaluate the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates and related disclosures made by the management.

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- Conclude on the appropriateness of the management's use of the going concern basis of accounting and, based on the audit evidence obtained, whether a material uncertainty exists related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the Association's ability to continue as a going concern. If we conclude that a material uncertainty exists, we are required to draw attention in our auditor's report to the related disclosures in the financial reporter, if such disclosures are inadequate, to modify our opinion. Our conclusions are based on the audit evidence obtained up to the date of our auditor's report. However, future events or conditions may cause the Association to cease to continue as a going concern.
- Evaluate the overall presentation, structure and content of the financial report, including the disclosures, and whether the financial report represents the underlying transactions and events in a manner that achieves fair presentation.

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

We also provide the management with a statement that we have complied with relevant ethical requirements regarding independence, and to communicate with them all relationships and other matters that may reasonably be thought to bear on our independence, and where applicable, related safeguards.

From the matters communicated with the management, we determine those matters that were of most significance in the audit of the financial report of the current period and are therefore the key audit matters. We describe these matters in our auditor's report unless law or regulation precludes public disclosure about the matter or when, in extremely rare circumstances, we determine that a matter should not be communicated in our report because the adverse consequences of doing so would reasonably be expected to outweigh the public interest benefits of such communication.



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Dated this day of 2020