

Baseball NSW 79th Annual Report 2021/22







































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79th Annual General Meeting Agenda

Date: 24th October 2022

Time: 7:00pm

Venue: AFL/Cricket Function Room

Online 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 2021 AGM
- 6. Matters Arising from the 2021 AGM
- 7. Review and Adoption of Financial Report (1 July 2021 30 June 2022)
- 8. Appointment of Auditor for 2022/23
- 9. Notices of Motion
- 10. Review and Adoption of 2021/22 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



NSW Board of Management

BNSW Board of Director	s as of June 30	th, 2022
Member	Status	Portfolio
Ross Morrison	Re-elected	President, BA, ABL, BNSW CEO
Peter Worboys	Re-elected	Country, Coaching, Umpires & Scorers
Scott Tunkin	Re-elected	HP, Technical Committee & Rules
Mark Burns	Elected	State League, Juniors, Pathways
Beth McVicker-Murphy	Elected	Member value, Communication, Women's
James Morley	Appointed	People and Culture, Government, Governance
Jason Chabi	Appointed	Finance, Facilities, Little League International
Belinda Woolford	Appointed	Tools & Tech, Commercial, BVM

Baseball NSW Staff	
Name	Role
Mark Marino	Chief Executive Officer
Grahame Cassel	High-Performance Manager
Melinda Goodrich	Registrations and Member Services Manager
Vassil Vasseleou	Projects and Operations Manager
Adrian Medina Scull	Head of Baseball5
Georgia Marino	Communications Officer
Tyson Crocker	Venue and Competitions Manager



Presidents Report

The COVID-19 hangover and wet weather have created a variety of challenges for our sport across the 2021/2022 year. Hopefully, it won't continue throughout the 2022/2023 season!

As always, 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 deal with these changing circumstances. Without your ongoing support our sport would not offer the opportunities and enjoyment it does for all participants.

Reduced junior registrations have occurred across all sports in Australia since COVID-19. The effects of COVID-19 have allowed/seen parents to reassess priorities. To combat this Baseball NSW is looking to activate communications and participation opportunities across its membership base to assist in the promotion of our sport across all facets of our game.

Apart from developing options to successfully navigate through the recent setbacks from weather and COVID-19, Baseball NSW is excited to see elite NSW players, coaches, teams, and other game stakeholders achieving at all levels whether it be in our Little League teams, overseas colleges players, National representatives, or professional leagues.

I would especially like to acknowledge the Macarthur Baseball League for their tremendous effort in hosting the National Little League Championships at short notice after Lismore Baseball Association were devastated by flood conditions. We also saw great representation at all levels of the Little League National Championships.

Special mention must go to the Sydney Blue Sox organisation for their maintained presence throughout a challenging ABL season and we wish the new owner every success in the 2022/2023 season.

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

- New initiatives for our female participation in events such as the Barclay Cup;
- Innovative introductory programs into schools with our Baseball5 format;
- Greater representation at all levels of the Little League National Championships;
- Increased support, funding and development opportunities to NSW Country Associations;
- Sought a Little League national consensus to BNSW review to incorporate changes to competitions and allow enhanced development plans of the sport;
- Strengthened ties with Baseball Australia to grow the sport and see Australian teams participate at the highest levels;
- Progressed a renewed licencing arrangement, Blacktown Council, to see the Blacktown International Sportspark baseball facility remain the home of our sport,



Presidents Report Cont.

- Successfully advocated and supported the establishment of an 'International Centre of Training Excellence' at Blacktown International Sportspark. With construction finalised before the end of 2023:
- Successfully gained an NSW Office of Sport Facilities Grant for \$2.9M to build a Baseball Training Facility at Blacktown International Sportspark.

Financially, Baseball NSW is in a sound position with the support of the NSW Office of Sport and our existing cash reserves we have been able to whether the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic.

This year has seen a stable Board membership and as its Chair, I would like to personally recognise each Board member for their commitment and considerate active involvement in ensuring Baseball NSW is responsive to membership needs. Unfortunately, Baseball NSW is still awaiting the national strategic plan from Baseball Australia before our ongoing strategic plan can be finalised.

On behalf of the Board, could I thank Mark Marino and his team at the Baseball NSW office for their ongoing commitment and passion for servicing the membership. During the year staffing restructure has successfully seen a variety of changes occur across player/coach development opportunities, competition and venue management, membership protection and registration, and communication and membership interactions.

Baseball NSW is looking forward to leading the sport through the current challenges and assisting all associations, clubs, and their volunteers.

Yours in Baseball Ross Morrison – Chairman Baseball New South Wales



Chief Executive Officer Report

This past year has seen the residual impact of COVID on the entire community fade away only to run into a 'wet season' like no other I have seen. The continued resilience shown by our members has been extraordinary and I can only thank our members for your eternal optimism and tenacity to get baseball on the field wherever and whenever possible. With the constant uncertainty around a lingering pandemic, field closures, suspended competitions and washouts, Baseball NSW made it a priority to keep our members informed and up to date with local, state, and national expectations. I am encouraged by a healthy return to pre-COVID participation at this point of the year, so I feel we are on the upswing.

Communication

Through all of this, our ability to stay connected to our membership was largely in part to Baseball NSW developing and implementing our new Communication Strategy and making a commitment to hiring dedicated staff to deliver on this strategy. We now have a revised website which provides everything our members need to stay informed along with 'app' technology that helps connect players, teams, administrators, parents, and families across our many events and competitions. We will continue to implement 'best practice' technology to deliver our messaging.

With the advent of Baseball Australia's revised Participation Plan and their pending Strategic Plan, Baseball NSW have opted to wait until this has been finalised before we review our strategic objectives. The intent here is to ensure that we align with the National strategy which has included a National Survey on what the membership is looking for in their participation needs. To help us understand what our own local needs are we have continued to reach out to the representative Association delegates monthly across all elements of our competitions.

Collaboration

Throughout the year we have seen substantial support from our State Government of up to \$163,000 which Baseball NSW proactively assisted clubs and associations in benefitting from. This was a focal point of our effort in helping clubs through this tough period.

Baseball NSW was also successful in being awarded a \$2.9M Grant to build an indoor facility at the Blacktown International Sports Park. This will be a major addition to our program given the amount of training time lost to weather this past year. It will also help attract international users from groups such as the Korean Baseball Organisation and the Nippon Professional Baseball League.



Chief Executive Officer Report Cont.

We have continued to develop relationships with organisations that bring greater opportunities to our junior and senior players, such as Baseball5 for our new to-sport and entry-level participants, Perfect Game who will bring high-level USA-based teams into Australia and Legacy Sports where we have partnered with one of NSW's finest, Trent Oeltjen. We are keen to encourage and support our aspirational young players looking to compete in colleges or professionally or simply travel abroad to compete against international talent.

This year also saw the inaugural playing of the Barclay Cup which was held in Queensland and provided an opportunity for our young female members to play teams from across the country. We see this event as an ongoing fixture on our calendar with opportunities to play interstate. We also managed to formulate a partnership with Disability Sports Australia to deliver our new Baseball5 program to a variety of new member groups. Something that has been looked at Nationally as well as Internationally as a potential staple program.

Internationally we have been invited to formulate a Memorandum of Understanding with the Fukuoka, Japan, Prefecture to reciprocate Junior, Senior and female programs, this is an exciting opportunity for NSW members to experience something a little different with inbound and outbound Japanese competition.

Community

To support our aim of providing value to our members we have increased our staffing to dedicate resources to areas such as communication, competitions, school programs and administration. Baseball NSW has also adopted the Sports Australia and Baseball Australia initiative in the National Integrity Framework which should see a more professional and efficient method of dealing with any major disputes or complaints.

It has been unfortunate that a number of our regional areas, notably the Far North Coast, have seen a disastrous impact of weather which has disrupted their competitions. Baseball NSW has looked to assist and support these impacted regions through equipment, financial relief, and development opportunities.

At a grassroots level, we have continued to run our Sydney Cup competition which was well received last year from players and parents who enjoyed the return to a more social interassociation event going as far as Canberra to play their local teams. The feedback from this competition was extremely positive and encourages us to further promote the event.



Chief Executive Officer Report Cont.

An area where we have also seen great improvement is in the schools, who have embraced the Active Schools Program with the Baseball5 format. This has been a hugely successful initiative seeing Baseball being delivered to nearly 100 schools and over 8,000 students year to date.

Cultivation

This past year saw to total transition to our online education system which has since been adopted by Baseball Australia and the other member State Organisations. This is another initiative that BNSW has led out to assist our members in administering and competing in our sport.

Our development programs continue to build with increased numbers in our Winter Development Programs which were delivered around the metropolitan areas. Baseball NSW has also increased our support for our regional members by appointing a Country NSW High-Performance Manager as well as delivering regional umpire and coach accreditation courses. This was highlighted this past year with the BNSW U16 team taking out the National Championship.

We also managed to send two teams to the Perfect Game events in Florida, USA where we were fortunate to take out the Title at the Jackie Robinson Tournament. Our partnership with Perfect Game will hopefully continue to grow, allowing us to send more and more players and teams abroad.

In summing up we have had a very busy year building the underpinning organisational structure and resources to ensure we can provide the absolute best value to our members. Notably, Baseball NSW has led out a number of National initiatives such as online education, Member Protection Management, and a registration/competition management system, reiterating our desire to develop a 'best practice' working environment. Add to this competing successfully at National Championships and managing to send touring teams to the USA has rounded off a very busy year.

Our strategic objective has always been based around recruitment and retention which has been a challenge for most sports of late. Baseball NSW will continue to work towards these objectives to help provide an attractive sporting experience including all facets of the community.

Yours in Baseball Mark Marino CEO – Baseball NSW



2022 has again been a challenging year due to

- the COVID pandemic, State and National competitions and development programs had to be cancelled or adjusted.
- Shocking weather events unprecedented rain across the state has led to fields unavailable still to this day and several facilities so badly damaged they have had to be rebuilt.

With all these disruptions, players, coaches, parents, club officials, and volunteers have been truly tested and they are to be commended on their resilience and willingness to get on with it.

U/23 National Team

The U/23 National Team has qualified for the 2022 World Cup to be played in Taiwan in October. A victory in the qualifier against New Zealand in Canberra in April ensured a berth in the World Cup itself. NSW players to be congratulated are Coen Wynne, Brent Iredale, Jayden Bastow, Zak Elvy and Brad Griffin.

U/18 Australian Youth Championships (AYC)

Baseball Australia's U18 AYC was cancelled and replaced by local Showcases held in each capital city in January.

Out of this Showcase, the following players were selected to attend the National Showcase in Canberra in April.

Chase Chabi	Canterbury	Jarrod Davidson	Blacktown
Luke Hayhow	Baulkham Hills	Tom Stancic	Baulkham Hills
Blake Gooding	Macarthur	Jacob Foster	Macarthur
Lachlan Bojarksi	Blacktown	Adam Bates	Macarthur
Jake Quinlivan	Cronulla	Thomas Jackson	Blacktown
Stephen Courtney	Baulkham Hills	Sam Jackson	Macarthur
Nathan Howarth	Canterbury	Zac Newbold	Manly
Kyan Wallington	Blacktown	Tyler Spiteri	Blacktown



U/16 Australian Youth Championships (AYC)

The 2022 AYC was held at Redcliffe, Brisbane during the July school holidays. NSW secured the Gold Medal with an emphatic victory over Victoria in the Final.

The coaching staff consisted of:

Gavin Fingleson	Manager	Vince Bates	Development Coach
Jack Dormor	Assistant Coach	Stephen Dredge	Executive Officer
Coen Wynne	Pitching Coach		

Players were:

Alasdair Ballantyne	Ryde	Phoenix McFarland	Hills
Luke Donaghey	Manly	Daniel Mills	Manly
Hayden Elliott	Hills	Max Miotto	Cronulla
James Fergusson	Ryde	Zac Morris	Manly
Cal Fingleson	Cronulla	Josh Nati	Ryde
Liam Grant	Cronulla	Miguel Nixon	Ryde
Matt Harris	Ryde	Jacob Palmer	Cronulla
Ben Karakasis	Ryde	Lucas Stancic	Hills
James Lander	Manly	Mikah Targett	Cronulla
Jack Lenton	Ryde	Caleb Tunkin	Hills
Darcy Williams	Hills	Riley McGregor	Hills

Congratulations to all involved and a special thanks to the parents, as the commitment to ferry the kids around, was huge.



High Performance/Player Development Programs

The 2022 BNSW High-Performance/Development programs were conducted over 10 weeks from mid-June to late August. 187 players were selected to take part in 4 levels of our development system: National Performance Pathway Program

- Performance Pathway Program
- Developing Pathway Program
- Emerging Pathway Program
- Women's Developing Pathway Program

All our development programs were severely hampered by the bad weather. We had to use indoor facilities most of the time due to the unavailability of fields.

Special thanks go to Cricket NSW, Canterbury Vikings Baseball Club, and Baulkham Hills Baseball Club.

Special thanks also to the grounds staff of Blacktown Venue Management, who went above and beyond in their efforts to get fields ready for our use when the amount of rain we received was unprecedented.

Performance Pathways Program

This program is comprised of

- 28 players were selected after a trial process in May.
- The 16 players mentioned above, were identified by Baseball Australia to vie for selection in the 2022 World Cup in Florida.

This squad was an U/18 squad that trained 3 times a week for 10 weeks with an emphasis on building up their strength, running speed, arm and bat velocity as well as game awareness.

They have been using development tools such as Driveline, BLAST motion bat sensors, RAPSODO ball flight technology, Speed Development/Mobility, and Strength & Conditioning programs.

I would like to thank the coaches for their commitment to our players' development - Jason Pospishil, Jason Dormor, Brendon Bojarski, Chris Oxspring, Max Brennan, Coen Wynne, Brendon Bojarski, Jack Dormor, Adrian Medina, Mark Shipley.



Developing Pathway Program

This program was comprised of 33 of the best U/16 age-eligible players selected after a trial process.

These players trained twice a week, building up their strength, running speed, arm, and bat velocity as well as game awareness.

They have been using development tools such as Driveline, BLAST motion bat sensors, RAPSODO ball flight technology, Speed Development/Mobility, and Strength & Conditioning programs.

I would like to thank the following coaches for their commitment to our players' development - Phil Hemmer, Garry Everson, Jeff Catt, Phil Gruppelaar, James Sammes, Nick Chappell, James McCallum, Coen Wynne, Adrian Medina, and Matt O'Neill.

Emerging Pathway Program

The EPP was again broken into 3 regions this year with the North running out of Golden Jubilee Field, the West running out of Col Sutton Reserve, and the South running out of Riverside Park. I want to thank the three clubs the Kuringai Stealers, Winston Hills Warriors, and the Vikings for allowing us to use their fields.

For the EPP we were able to provide winter development programs to 85 young athletes with 7, unfortunately, withdrawing from the program for various reasons taking our possible total up to 92. The coaches we used in each program were outstanding and we are lucky to have them dedicate their time to the next crop of young Aussie baseball talent. The coaches for each program are North: Ross Griffiths, Justin Chou, Sebastian Matthews, James Morley, Stephen Dredge, and Jayson Page. West: Jeff Catt, Scott Wright, Garry Everson, Ethan Treble. South: Peter Worboys, Fady Karam, Jackson Campbell, Darryl Turnbull.

Strength and Conditioning

I would like to thank Johnny Freeston, Head Lecturer of Exercise Science at Sydney University, who has provided BNSW with his vast knowledge over the years.

I would also like to thank Steve Smith, formerly of NSWIS, who helped write the S & C programs for all our development programs.

Also, a big thank you to Mitch Fuller, Shane Cassel and Adam Craig for delivering the gym sessions to our squads.



Women's Developing Pathway Program

Our Women's Development Program also made a return this year being held out of Blacktown International Sports Park running the same time as our U18s PPP to create a hub of youth development out of Rooty Hill.

We were very lucky to have the two of the Australian Women's Championships gold medal NSW team coaches a part of this program in the shape of Rodger Morris and Peter Neads. We also gave the young women the chance to work with NSW and Australian Emeralds player Laura Neads who also instructed the program. Finally, we had Stephen Dredge assist the program as a coach with lots of potential in the field helping our women's development program.

Our program ran for 8 weeks and catered to 15 women's baseball players who all have the same goal of getting better and developing their skills. We, unfortunately, had 3 women withdraw from the program which takes our possible total up to 18 for the Women's Development Program.

Women's National Championships

The 2022 Women's National Championships were held in Adelaide at Easter. NSW secured the Gold Medal with an exciting victory over Victoria in the Final.

The coaching staff consisted of:

Peter Neads	Manager	Troy Dimmick	Pitching Coach
Rodger Morris	Assistant Coach	Sheree Fagan	Executive Officer



Players were -

Ticara Geldenhuis	Blacktown	Breanna Green	Blacktown
Violet Gruppelaar	Macarthur	Rachelle Gutteridge	West Sydney Boomers
Maddison Heath	Blacktown	Emma Hooper	Blacktown
Elise Izzard	Blacktown	Mackenzie Jackson	Macarthur
Chloe Jones	Blacktown	Isobel Lambert	Ryde
Lisa Nakashio	Ryde	Laura Neads	Greenway
Claire O'Sullivan	Greenway	Elodie O'Sullivan	Greenway
Jordan Richardson	Greenway	Mahaela O'Neill	Ryde
Maddison Tabrett	Blacktown	Ebony Van Eynde	Baulkham Hills

Congratulations to all involved, you had to survive Covid situations mid-tournament, it's a credit to you all to get through it and take out the Gold!

Sports High School Program

Baseball NSW and the Sports High School Association of New South Wales have continued their MOU into 2022. Baseball NSW is lucky to have coaches of the calibre of Nathan Wright (Hills), Michael O'Neill (Narrabeen) Peter Worboys (Endeavour), Ian Hook (Hunter), and Jack Dormor (Westfields). These coaches do a great job coaching and mentoring the players and we thank them and the schools for their ongoing support.



School Holiday Camps and Clinics

Since December last year, Baseball NSW has conducted 9 separate school holiday camps in conjunction with Sports Camps Australia from the following locations BISP, Castle Glen Reserve, Apsley Field, Rat Park, and Northmead.

These camps were faced with adversity with camps coming back post lockdown with campers not being allowed to attend due to health concerns as well as the massive amount of rain that the Sydney area has experienced this year making fields unsafe and moving camps at the last moment to ensure that we were able to provide this great service to all participants. Through this, we hosted a total of 215 campers broken up into the Advanced Skills Camp (45), Baseball Camp (137), and T-Ball Camp (33).

Throughout these camps, we used some of the best young instructors and players in the Sydney Area to work at these camps. Many thanks to Jack Dormor, Jye Burns, Matt Palmer, Mitch Austin, Ethan Treble, Jeff Catt, Lachlan Bigwood, Zac Newbold, Spencer Williams, Tyler Spiteri, Jarrod Davidson, Jackson Campbell, and Ben Targett.

We wouldn't have been able to do these camps without these instructors and I want to extend my gratitude to them.

Coaching Accreditation Report

Adrian Medina has taken on the role of the administration of our coach accreditation process, while the practical course component is handled by me.

As of September 2022, Baseball NSW has 1,349 accredited coaches (Male – 1,177, Female – 172)												
Level	Males Coaches	Female Coaches	Total									
Level A	354	78	432									
Level B	341	50	391									
Level C	425	32	457									
B5 Level A	43	12	55									
B5 Level B	9	0	9									
WBSC Level	5	0	5									
Totals	1,177	172	1,349									



Sporting Schools / Baseball 5 Program

The Sporting Schools Program is a government lead initiative to introduce physical activity to school students around the country. The Sporting Schools program, led by Adrian Medina, was able to engage with 83 schools with a total student reach of 8,572 kids through a combination of teacher, private provider or BNSW-delivered programs.

Aussie T-ball (ATB) Baseball5 (B5) requests - 80 Declined (unable to provide coaches in the region) - 6 Total delivered - 74

ATB Sporting School Programs delivered - 29 Primary Schools - 29 (Metro 10, Regional 19) children engaged - 3,215

B5 Sporting School Programs delivered - 54 **Primary Schools** - 35 (Metro 25, Regional 10) **High Schools** - 19 (Metro 11, Regional 8) **children engaged** - 5,357

I would like to thank Adrian Medina for his commitment and enthusiasm in organizing and delivering these programs to schools around NSW.

Adrian had help from the following coaches – Chad Jenkins, Ian Hook, Grant Anderson, Alex Palmer, and Ryan Wentzel.

The following 3rd party providers were also used – Ausiso, Gecko Sports, and Exergames.

Yours in Baseball

Grahame Cassel

Baseball Development Manager



NSW State League Report

The 2021-2022 season has seen some truly great games of Baseball across the State League competition even though the league had been impacted by COVID-19 for the second year, the players, supporters and officials of all the Clubs involved managed to complete the season.

Each grade, from 18's to 1st Grade, showed some amazing talent across the board. I would like to thank the volunteers and the coaching staff of each club the dedication and passion you have for the game reflects the way in which the teams play.

The Final Series hindered by weather was eventually played at BISP and saw fantastic baseball played in all divisions. It was great to see so many clubs and their supporters out at the ground during the finals series. A huge thank you to those who assisted during the Finals series, manning the scoreboard, live streaming, running the canteen and volunteering around the ground.

We are unable to take the field week in and week out without the group of volunteers that give up their time for the men and women to play baseball and finals are no exception, we have some of the best volunteers a sport can muster. To Scorers and umpires the game couldn't go ahead without you I would like to thank you both not only for the finals series but for the whole season.

Congratulations to the following Teams: Blacktown Workers Under 18's 3rd Grade Greater Western, 2nd Grade Macarthur Orioles, 1st Grade Baulkham Hills and Club Champions Baulkham Hills.

Congratulations to the following people: Scorer of the year Kim Robertson, Volunteer of the year Paul O'Neill, Umpire of the Year David Brown and State League Coach of the Year Jason Moir.

To the State League Delegates, Club Committee players and supporters as well as the staff and Board of Baseball New South Wales, I would like to thank you for your contribution throughout the year.

To the players that have left our shores to participate in college/university or have been signed, we wish you well as it inspires the juniors to pursue their dreams abroad. To Jason Moir who has retired as the head coach your service to the sport has been exemplary, we hope to see watching around the grounds.



NSW State League Report

2021-22 NSW STATE LEAGUE AWARDS

UNDER 18'S

Minor Premiers: Baulkham Hills

Premiers: Blacktown Workers

Batting Champion: Lucas Stancic - Baulkham Hills

Pitcher of the Year: Jarrod Davidson - Blacktown

Most Valuable Player Under 18's for the

2021 Season

Samuel Jackson - Macarthur

2021-22 NSW STATE LEAGUE AWARDS

THIRD GRADE

Minor Premiers: Baulkham Hills

Premiers: Greater Western

Batting Champion: Cody Packer - Baulkham Hills

Pitcher of the Year: Dylan Wright - Baulkham Hills

Most Valuable Player

Third Grade for the

2021 Season

Kendall Doyle - Greater Western



NSW State League Report Cont.

SECOND GRADE

Minor Premiers: Baulkham Hills

Premiers: Macarthur Orioles

Batting Champion: Kye Hislop-Dewar - Macarthur

Pitcher of the Year: Ashley Roberts - Manly

Most Valuable Player

Second Grade for the

2021 Season

Ashley Roberts - Manly

2021-22 NSW STATE LEAGUE AWARDS

FIRST GRADE

Minor Premiers: Baulkham Hills

Premiers: Baulkham Hills

Batting Champions: Brent Iredale - Blacktown

Pitcher of the Year: Coen Wynne - Baulkham Hills

Most Valuable Player

First Grade for the 2021 Season Lionel

Harris Medal

Brent Iredale - Blacktown

Rookie of the Year – Sebastian Matthews - Ryde

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Club Championship: Baulkham Hills



NSW State League Report Cont.

2021-22 NSW STATE LEAGUE AWARDS

TEAM OF THE YEAR

Starting Pitcher: Grant Piccoli - Ryde

Relief Pitcher: Kurt Eden - Cronulla

Catcher: Quinn Johnson - Macarthur

First Base: James McCallum - Baulkham Hills

Second Base Adam Mustow - Vikings

Third Base Tristan Watts - Manly

Short Stop Brent Iredale - Blacktown

Left Field Nick Chappell - Baulkham Hills

Centre Field Michael Campbell - Cronulla

Right Field Alex Howe - Cronulla

Designated Hitter Ben Martin - Blacktown

Manager of the Year Jason Moir - Macarthur

Richard Harris State League Standing Committee Chairman



NSW Women's League Report

Committee and Volunteers

I would like to start by thanking my fellow Committee members Kim, Fiona, and Mel for all their hard work on behalf of the Women's League. To all the Club delegates thank you for your continued support of the Women's League and for making yourselves available for our regular meetings.

To all the club scorers and our statisticians that decipher the score books each week and upload the information onto the web for the players to analyze a big 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 Women's games a big thank you.

We also need to acknowledge the support and backing of Baseball NSW and its staff for the work they do behind the scenes. A special mention must go to Vassil our competition manager.

21/22 Season

We had 10-Second-grade teams and 6 First-grade teams registered for our 21/22 competition. Once again, we had a delayed start to the season due to the ongoing effects of the Covid 19 pandemic it was decided to play a 12 round First-grade competition and a 12 round Second-grade competition; with First-grade games being played back-to-back each week giving teams fewer home games but making it easier to allocate umpires and set up grounds. The competitions were then further affected by Sydney's poor summer weather and covid isolation protocols with firsts grade teams only managing to play between 6 and 8 competition games with some second-grade teams playing less than 6.

With making 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 for the third year in a row the only thing that can be guaranteed is that it will rain on the pink round. Clubs made the most of it and wore their pink gear when it was possible to show their support for a very good cause.

Once again as we moved into the business end of the season the rains came causing games to be deferred and played mid-week but with the adjustment to the rules during the off-season, all games were played, and no team were eliminated due to their ranking at the end on the normal season.

Congratulations to the West Sydney Boomers for their win in the Second-grade competition over the Blacktown Workers.

Congratulations to the Blacktown Workers Club for winning the First-grade competition over the Greenway Giants, Blacktown's win has broken Greenway's long-running success in the woman's First-grade competition.



NSW Women's League Report

We again had some club rounds where the woman's teams play in conjunction with their club's men's teams this does make for a big Saturday for the club hosting, but general feedback has been positive so thanks to those clubs capable of hosting these Club days.

To all our Clubs and players, thank you for a great season and congratulations on the way you have all played the game.

In closing, I would also like to congratulate the NSW Women's team and their coaching staff headed by Peter Neads on taking out the gold medal at the National Championships this year.

2021-22 NSW WOMEN'S LEAGUE AWARDS

SECOND GRADE

Minor Premiers: Blacktown Workers

Premiers: West Sydney Boomers

Batting Champion: Desiree Edgley – Blacktown Workers

Golden Arm: Jessica Beriotto – Quakers Hill Pirates

Most Valuable Player

Second Grade for the 2021 Season

Jessica Beriotto - Quakers Hill Pirates

FIRST GRADE

Minor Premiers: Blacktown Workers

Premiers: Blacktown Workers

Batting Champion: Ticara Geldenhuis – Blacktown Workers

Golden Arm: Rachelle Gutteridge – West Sydney Boomers

Most Valuable Player

First Grade for the

2021 Season

Ebony Van Eyde – Baulkham Hills

Paul O'Neill Chair NSWWBL



Country League Report

2022 has again proved to be another challenging year for NSW Country Baseball, with La Niña causing flooding and extensive periods of rain and wet conditions. This has resulted in substantial disruptions to summer and winter seasons throughout the Country regions.

Far North Coast Baseball has been the most affected, with the devastating floods in that region severely damaging the Albert Park playing fields. It is a testament to the strength and character of the baseball community in Lismore, with the support of donations of equipment and help from other Country regions and Baseball NSW, that they are well on the way to resurrecting their facility and have restarted playing baseball before the end of the winter season.

Despite the adverse weather events we have been able to hold our Women's, under 18's and Men's championships. The Women's and under 18's Championships were held at Tamworth in July, with ACT winning the Women's Championship and Illawarra taking out the under 18's. The Men's A and B Division Championships were held at Blacktown in early August, with 5 teams competing in the A Division and 7 teams in the B Division. In a high-quality competition, Newcastle was successful in winning both divisions.

The Annual Tamworth Baseball Carnival over the June long weekend was also very well attended and was a resounding success.

Our Junior Country Championships were held at Coffs Harbour over the October long weekend. Team numbers were down on previous years, which is consistent with a loss of junior playing numbers following a 2-year hiatus with the pandemic. Illawarra won the under 12s and 14's age divisions. Far North Coast, despite the devastating floods in Lismore preventing any baseball there this year, took out the under 16's in a commanding performance in the final.

Our under-16 team came together at short notice to compete in a revised 2022 Australian Youth Championship which was held in Redcliffe, Queensland in early July. A big thank you to Ian Hook and the rest of the coaching staff for bringing this team together within such a short timeframe. At this stage, Baseball Australia will still be allowing us to have our Country teams in under 16s and 18s at the 2023 Australian Youth Championships, rather than having to combine with the ACT.

The NSW Country Men's team also competed at the Great Barrier Reef tournament in Cairns in June and was undefeated in winning the tournament. Planning and bookings for the 2023 Europe Tour are now well underway, with the team competing in the Tamworth June Carnival before departing for games in Austria and Germany ahead of the Prague Baseball Tournament.



Country League Report

On a final note, I would like to again thank all our delegates on the CLSC for their help and support. I would also like to pay tribute to one of our longest-serving delegates John Wingrove, who is retiring as the Newcastle delegate and CLSC tournament director this year. John has been an outstanding contributor to Country Baseball over many decades as a player, coach, and administrator. He was rightfully made a life member of Baseball NSW several years ago. It has been an honour and a privilege to learn from you and work with you during my time in this role. I wish you a well-earned retirement although no doubt, given your unending passion for this great game, we will see you at our Championships from time to time.

Bill Langler CLSC Chairman



Sydney Winter Report

The 2022 Season saw 6 teams competing. Castle Hill, Greenway, Petersham, Pirates, Sydney University & the University of NSW.

After 2 massively disrupted seasons, it was great to see the teams back on the field again, and for the first time since 2018, the Final Series returned to Petersham Oval.

2022 NSW WINTER LEAGUE AWARDS

THIRD GRADE

Premiers: Petersham

Grand Final MVP: Dan Mills - Petersham

Batting Award: Nick Tolmie – Castle Hill Knights

Pitching Award: Tom Phelps – Sydney University

Most Valuable Player Third Grade for the

2022 Season – Jim

Hall Trophy

Connor Casey – University of NSW

SECOND GRADE

Premiers: Petersham

Grand Final MVP: Adam Charman - Petersham

Batting Award: Luke Harris - Petersham

Pitching Award: Tim Richards – Castle Hill Knights

Most Valuable Player

Second Grade for the 2022 Season – Geoff Gorman Trophy Liam Grant – Castle Hill Knights



Sydney Winter Report

2022 NSW WINTER LEAGUE AWARDS

FIRST GRADE

Premiers: Castle Hill Knights

Grand Final MVP: Coen Wynne – Castle Hill Knights

Batting Award: Jacob Younis – Castle Hill Knights

Pitching Award: Scott Cone - Petersham

Most Valuable Player

e Player Jacob Younis – Castle Hill Knights

First Grade for the 2022 Season - Jack Rowley Trophy

Rookie of the Year – Brent Iredale – Quakers Hill Pirates

MCDOUGALL TROPHY

Club Championship: Petersham

Castle Hill took out their First Premiership in SWBL on the back of a brilliant pitching performance from Coen Wynne, He threw a complete game to shut down the Petersham offence completely.

First Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	Н	Е
Castle Hill	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	1	4	8	1
Petersham	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1

Petersham proved too strong for the young Castle Hill team and scored late to finish the game in 7 innings. Regardless of the result, the Knights put up a brave fight.

Second Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	Н	Е
Castle Hill	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0	4	6
Petersham	0	0	1	1	1	0	7			10	11	1



Sydney Winter Report

The Third Grade Grand Final was touch and go, with the lead changing throughout the game, and the game finishing with the tying run on 2nd base.

Third Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	R	Н	Е
Castle Hill	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	5	6	3
Petersham	1	0	1	0	0	3	1	0	X	6	8	2

Congratulations to Sydney Uni on hosting the Final Series and their magnificent efforts to enable the Third Grade Grand Final to go ahead on Saturday.

I would also like to thank the Umpires association for their efforts this season, with John Bailey & Jason Spurway at the helm.

The commitment of all members of the committee, Janine Hunt, Kim Robertson, Annette Zagalak & Brad Hawkins especially, and the club delegates is voluntary and contributes significantly to the strength of our administration and the competitiveness of the Clubs making up the 'premier winter league', so thank you again.

The provision of statistics and website information by Janine Hunt was invaluable. Special thanks to the club scorers who have assisted the process by using the scoring software and submitting the information quickly to enable Janine to keep everyone fully informed. The credibility of the stats is greatly enhanced by this method.

Thank you to Luke Eisenhauer for live streaming the Grand Finals on Sunday.

And I would especially like to thank the spectators who attended on Sunday. To see so many familiar faces was wonderful after the past few years.



Kerry Jackson
SWBL Competition Manager

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NSW Scorers Association Report

Even with another year dominated by Covid and extreme weather, our regular competitions began returning.

The major competitions we were involved in included:

- 1. Blue Sox and Canberra Cavalry KO Cup
- 2. Little League State Championships all age groups
- 3. State league
- 4. Women's League
- 5. Sydney Winter League
- 6. Little League National Championships (divisions 1 and 2)

With Lismore being unable to host the Little League Nationals, the competition was re-located to Macarthur. We were able to assist Baseball Australia in numerous ways at this tournament and it was a great experience for those that attended.

More of our training was conducted via Zoom, allowing us to reach a greater number of scorers of different abilities. We were able to teach the basics to those scoring for the first time, as well as advanced topics to those with more experience. Again, we thank BNSW and Vass for helping us with the registration process.

We have also been assisting Baseball Australia with their restructuring of the scorer training and accreditation processes.

I would like to thank the associations, clubs, and umpires for supporting our scorers. I would also like to acknowledge Denise Smith for her service as treasurer of the Scorers Association.

Vera Bonham President



NSW Umpires Association Report

It doesn't seem that long ago since writing my last report, and it certainly doesn't feel like a lot has transpired since then thanks to more Covid-19 lock-downs, and even more weather events hampering the efforts of most to get out on the diamonds in the Summer of 21-22.

Last year I reported that we were looking forward to the Umpire School going ahead, and the same can be said this year after last year's plan went to waste. Again, we have over one hundred registered to attend with students joining us from Victoria, and Canberra to be joined by Instructors from around Australia. It promises to be a great event.

With a hampered and staggered start to the summer season in '21, we didn't conduct the standard amount of Community Umpiring Courses. This year, we'll be aided with the online Community Course delivering the theoretical components for students at their leisure thanks to an investment by Baseball Australia and Baseball NSW. The online platform has great potential and can look to expand in time to provide additional learning experiences at other levels of the game as well.

While we didn't get through the same volume as we normally do, I need to thank those in the Umpire Development Program that help to deliver our Community Courses around the state on a regular basis. While this has been hampered over the last period of time, this dedicated group put in a lot of effort on a volunteer basis. The program teaches hundreds of people each year and delivers a consistent standard of teaching across all of NSW for those wishing to be accredited as an umpire. The Community Course is also the minimum Accreditation requirement for umpires for any affiliated competition of Baseball NSW, and so we look forward to seeing this program being embraced by Associations that have thus far been reluctant to do so.

NSW continues to lead the country regarding its appointments of umpires to major national and international events. David Brodie is leading the charge in this area for us with appointments to both the Australian Women's National Championships and the Under 16 National Championships. Congratulations David. This year also saw my predecessor, Trent Thomas, officiate at the Olympic Games in July 2021 in Tokyo.

This year, we're excited to finally see Mark Gilmour head over to Williamsport for the Little League World Series! Congratulation Mark on eventually getting there!

While all 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 have been challenging in many ways; however, what continues to inspire us is the following 12 months ahead. 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: 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.

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.



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 appoint-

ment 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.



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.



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.



LIFE MEMBERS

Elected: 1936

Name: Harold W. Turner*

Notes 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.

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.

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".



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.



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.



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.



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 to1986. 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.



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.



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.



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.



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: lan 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: 2005

Name: Warren Williams

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.



LIFE MEMBERS

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)

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.

Elected: 2018

Name: John Wingrove

Notes: A second-generation member of a four-generation baseball family, past

president and life member of Newcastle Baseball Association. NSW Claxton Shield player in 1967, longest-serving NSW Country player, longest tenure as player-coach and head coach for NSW Country. Coach of first the NSW Country age team to compete at the Australian Youth Championships in 1987, coach of the Australian team that participated in Oceania Games, Guam 1994, coach first Australian Provincial team to travel to Europe in 1997. Long term CLSC delegate.



Financial Statements For the year ended 30 June 2022

New South Wales Baseball League Incorporated ABN: 56 568 633 609

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Committee's Report

30 June 2022

The committee members submit the financial report of the Association for the financial year ended 30 June 2022.

Committee members

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

Ross Morrison (Chairperson) Re-elected September 28th 2021 Re-elected Septmebr 28th 2021 Peter Worboys Scott Tunkin Re-elected September 28th 2021 James Morley Appointed February 28th 2018 Beth McVicker-Murphy Appointed 26th October 2020 Mark Burns Appointed 26th October 2020 Jason Chabi Appointed 14th November 2020

Belinda Woolford Appointed 19 July 2021

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 surplus of the Association for the financial year amounted to \$8,331 (2021: \$117,414).

Information on committee members

Ross Morrison Chairperson

President, BA ABL, BNSW CEO Special Responsibilities

Peter Worboys

Special Responsibilities Country, Coaching, Umpires, Scoring

Scott Tunkin

Qualifications B Comm, MBA

Special Responsibilities HP, Technical Committee, Rules

James Morley

Qualifications MLLP Employment Law, B.Ec (Soc Sci)

Special Responsibilities People and Culture, Government, Governance

Beth McVicker-Murphy

Qualifications **BFA MBA**

Member Value, Communication, Womens Special Responsibilities

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Committee's Report

30 June 2022

Mark Burns

Special Responsibilities State League, Juniors, Pathways

Jason Chabi

Qualifications BA (Phil), MBA (Marketing)
Special Responsibilities Finance, Facilities, LLI

Belinda Woolford Special Responsibilities

Meetings of management committee

During the financial year, 9 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	9	8
Peter Worboys	9	9
Scott Tunkin	9	7
James Morley	9	5
Beth McVicker-Murphy	9	8
Mark Burns	9	9
Jason Chabi	9	9
Belinda Woolford	9	8

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

Committee member:

Ross Morrison

Committee member:

Jason Chabi

Dated this 30th day of September 2022

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Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income For the Year Ended 30 June 2022

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
Income		
Member receipts	629,495	675,989
Grants received	409,233	407,847
Events & competitions	364,665	324,997
Ground hire	3,295	56,973
Interest received	75	879
Sales & other income	34,238	70,895
	1,441,001	1,537,580
Expenditure		
Administration and other expenses	(303,160)	(235,127)
Audit fees	(6,260)	(5,960)
Contractors	(90,160)	(79,326)
Bank charges & interest costs	(1,074)	(1,120)
Depreciation	(13,336)	(15,885)
Development & country costs	(87,062)	(179,576)
Employee remuneration and associated costs	(630,745)	(720,327)
Events & competitions	(143,391)	(47,460)
Facility & ground hire	(143,391)	(107,685)
Purchases	(52,603)	(26,415)
Finance expenses	(32,003)	(1,284)
Profit before income tax	0.224	· · · · ·
Income tax expense	8,331 	117,415
Profit from continuing operations	8,331	117,415
Profit for the year	8,331	117,415
Other comprehensive income, net of income tax		
Total comprehensive income for the year	8,331	117,415

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Statement of Financial Position

As At 30 June 2022

	Note	2022 \$	2021 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	859,841	562,827
Trade and other receivables	5	279,856	85,097
Other assets	7 _	15,400	43,525
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		1,155,097	691,449
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Property, plant and equipment	6 _	68,368	81,704
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		68,368	81,704
TOTAL ASSETS	_	1,223,465	773,153
LIABILITIES CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	8	632,227	224,667
Employee benefits	10	89,934	62,891
Other financial liabilities	9	112,105	104,727
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		834,266	392,285
NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES			
TOTAL LIABILITIES		834,266	392,285
NET ASSETS	_	389,199	380,868
	_		
EQUITY			
Retained earnings	_	389,199	380,868
TOTAL EQUITY	=	389,199	380,868

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Statement of Changes in Equity

For the Year Ended 30 June 2022

2022

2022	
	Retained Earnings
	\$
Balance at 1 July 2021	380,868
Surplus for the year	8,331_
Balance at 30 June 2022	389,199_
2021	
	Retained Earnings
	\$
Balance at 1 July 2020	263,453
Surplus for the year	117,415
Balance at 30 June 2021	380,868

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Statement of Cash Flows

For the Year Ended 30 June 2022

	Note	2022 \$	2021 \$
CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING			
ACTIVITIES: Receipts from registrations &			
affiliations		629,495	675,989
Receipt from grants		409,233	407,847
Events, development &			
developments		362,618	381,970
Other receipts		(109,858)	129,642
Interest paid		-	(1,284)
Interest received		75	879
Payments to suppliers and employees	_	(994,549)	(1,741,901)
Net cash provided by/(used in)	_		_
operating activities	_	297,014	(146,858)
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES: Purchase of property, plant and equipment		_	(3,074)
Net cash provided by/(used in)	-		(2,21.1)
investing activities	_	-	(3,074)
CASH FLOWS FROM FINANCING ACTIVITIES:			
Net increase/(decrease) in cash and		207.044	(440.000)
cash equivalents held		297,014	(149,932)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of year	_	562,827	712,759
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	4	859,841	562,827
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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 19 September 2022.

Comparatives are consistent with prior years, unless otherwise stated. Minor reclassifications of expenses have taken place between years.

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 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue and other income

Revenue from contracts with customers

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.

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2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(a) Revenue and other income

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.

(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 Leasehold improvements **Depreciation Rate**

13%

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2 Summary of Significant Accounting Policies

(d) Property, plant and equipment

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 2022, the adoption of these standards has not caused any material adjustments to the reported financial position, performance or cash flow of the Association.

3 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.

4 Cash and Cash Equivalents

2022	2021
\$	\$
859,841	562,827

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4 Cash and Cash Equivalents

		2022 \$	2021 \$
		859,841	562,827
5	Trade and other receivables		
		2022	2021
		\$	\$
	CURRENT		
	Trade receivables	281,958	87,097
	Provision for impairment	(2,318)	(2,000)
		279,640	85,097
	Unallocated receipts	214	-
	Sundry debtor - BA & SBS	2	
	Total current trade and other receivables	279,856	85,097

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.

6 Property, plant and equipment

	2022	2021
	\$	\$
PLANT AND EQUIPMENT		
Plant and equipment At cost Accumulated depreciation	120,042 (90,534)	120,042 (83,004)
Total plant and equipment	29,508	37,038
Leasehold Improvements At cost Accumulated amortisation	75,535 (36,675)	75,535 (30,869)
Total leasehold improvements	38,860	44,666
Total property, plant and equipment	68,368	81,704

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7	Other Assets		
		2022	2021
		\$	\$
	CURRENT		
	Prepayments	15,400	43,525
		15,400	43,525
8	Trade and Other Payables		
		2022	2021
		\$	\$
	CURRENT		
	Trade payables	278,019	55,831
	Deposits	-	3,000
	GST payable	15,095	15,868
	Employee benefits	47,095	20,007
	Sundry payables and accrued expenses	28,291	57,571
	Funds held	263,727	72,390
		632,227	224,667

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.

9 Other Financial Liabilities

		2022	2021
		\$	\$
	CURRENT		
	Office of Sport - COVID deferred income	21,014	94,564
	Grassroots funding deferred income	82,000	-
	Amounts received in advance	9,091	10,163
	Total	112,105	104,727
10	Employee Benefits		
		2022	2021
		\$	\$
	Current liabilities		
	Provision for employee benefits	89,934	62,891
		89,934	62,891

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11 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.

12 Contingencies

In the opinion of the Committee of Management, the Association did not have any contingencies at 30 June 2022 (30 June 2021:None).

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

14 Events after the end of the Reporting Period

The financial report was authorised for issue on 19 September 2022 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 2023 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.

15 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 2 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report as set out on pages 3 to 12:

- 1. Presents fairly the financial position of New South Wales Baseball League Incorporated as at 30 June 2022 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	Jason Chabi
Dated this	30th	_{day of} September	2022



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 2022, 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:

- giving a true and fair view of the Association's financial position as at 30 June 2022 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.

Matthew Edwards (CPA)

Partner

Registered Company Auditor (461719)

PDD Advisory Group

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Dated this // day of Pilots 2022