



*2023 LACROSSE VICTORIA*  
**ANNUAL REPORT**



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***BOARD OF DIRECTORS***

<b>Name</b>	<b>Position</b>	<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Tenure</b>
Jessica Symonds	Chair	11/11	
Fergus Stewart	Vice Chair	11/11	
Bruce Freeman	Treasurer & Secretary	11/11	
Sarah Austin	Ordinary Director	5/8	Commenced May
Karen Burns	Ordinary Director	9/11	
Anne Hodder	Ordinary Director	2/3	Resigned April
Jonathan Lowe	Ordinary Director	4/8	Resigned October
Peter O'Donnell	Ordinary Director	5/11	
Don Riddington	Ordinary Director	11/11	
Pam Stone	Ordinary Director	8/11	
Michael Sholly	General Manager	11/11	
Christian Williams	Ordinary Director	1/2	Commenced November

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<b>Group</b>	<b>Chair</b>
Audit & Risk Subcommittee	Bruce Freeman
Marketing & Communications Advisory Group	Jessica Hay
Growth & Competitions Advisory Group	Peter O'Donnell/Fergus Stewart
Commercial Advisory Group	Don Riddington
People & Culture Advisory Group	Karen Burns
High Performance Advisory Group	Pam Stone

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Capt Fearon 19--\*  
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Mr H Volk 1968\*  
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Mr M Taylor 1971\*  
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Mrs M Cheevers 1973\*  
Mr T Allington 1975\*  
Mr R G Holden 1976\*  
Mr H D Miller 1977  
Mr W L Gray 1978\*  
Mr G F Tillotson 1979\*  
Mr K R Waite 1980\*  
Mr D W Fox 1981  
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Mr E A Nicholls 1996  
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*2023 LACROSSE VICTORIA*  
**STAFF**



**MICHAEL SHOLLY**  
GENERAL MANAGER



**NICOLA MILLARD-MICHAELIS**  
FINANCE OFFICER



**BRODY BALFOUR**  
COMPETITIONS OFFICER



**KRISTEN HUTCHISON**  
DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

# CHAIR REPORT

JESSICA HAY

2023 was another busy year of lacrosse in Victoria. Thanks to our hardworking office for their dedication over the last year. Nicola, Brody, Kristen and Michael are a great team, as well as Hayley who works 24/7 as our communications consultant, responsible for all the great social content. Congratulations to Kristen, who has for the second year in a row been nominated for Ally of the Year at the Pride in Sport awards, for her work in 2023 ensuring lacrosse is a safe and inclusive space for everyone.

A particular mention to Brody who sadly departed at the end of the year. His work ethic was felt across the community and a testament to his character were the number of positive comments we received about him throughout his tenure. It's a very difficult role at times, balancing the many needs of the community, and even as a fresh graduate, he managed it well and grew through his tenure with us. We're excited for him to develop in his next role and wish him all the best.

Lacrosse Victoria were proud to host the U15 national tournament in Ballarat. I was able to spend the long weekend assisting the team and witnessed first-hand the huge amount of work that was put into the event. The main ground was a great playing experience for all the young players, and it was great to be able to showcase the sport in the regional city. With six teams entered from Victoria, the future is looking bright. A huge thanks to all the volunteers and supporters, with a special thanks to Pam and Brody for their time.

2023 saw some big changes in both the senior men's and women's competitions. The implementation of State League and State League reserves, continues into 2024 and we hope continues to sustainably build our highest level of competition. 2023 saw the return of five teams in women's state league after a number of years of only three to four teams. This is a great signal that the sport is growing at the top level and we look forward to cementing this in the years to come.

We had a successful year on the national stage, congratulations to all our representatives who donned the blue and white. With the long-awaited return of lacrosse to the Olympics we now work towards a pathway to guiding as many young Victorians as possible into high performance pathway and we recognise the huge opportunity that is now ours for the taking.

This year the board was strengthened by the recruit of Christian Williams and Sarah Austin, both past players who have already begun to make an impact. I thank the board for their hard work over the year, it's difficult to manage this volunteer role and it's been a pleasure to work with you all. We look forward to the implementation of the strategic plan and a key focus moving into 2024 will be financial stability as we contend with a changing state grant structure and finding ways to ensure our sport is sustainable for the future of the sport. After this AGM we bid farewell to Karen Burns who has spearheaded the people and volunteers advisory group and Don Riddington who was a driving force behind our push for Commonwealth Games submission. No doubt both will continue to impact the game in the years to come.

On behalf of the board, thank you for your support in 2023. Here's to a successful 2024, with continued growth.

*Jessica Hay*

# *GENERAL MANAGER REPORT*

*MICHAEL SHOLLY*

The 2023 year saw huge changes in our men and women competitions, a game changing announcement on the international stage and continued success in our National competitions. After consultation with our clubs, there was significant change to our competitions in 2024. The introduction of State League Reserves and Championship Competitions to both our men and women were introduced. Each of our State League teams now fielded their second team in the State League Reserves. The Reserves played prior to their State League team meaning two matches in a row against the same opposition, creating a more centralised, community based afternoon.

This was a great success with the men fielding 11 teams in State League and the women five. In the men, after all clubs played in each other in home and away matches, the competition split into two divisions. Six teams remained in State League whilst five teams along with their reserves were relegated to Championship. The fifth Division was rebranded Community Cup. Lacrosse Victoria created a One Club Policy in line with the State Government's Change Our Game Policy. Fundamentally, this policy is to level the playing field for girls and women in sport. Lacrosse Victoria is committed to increasing participation rates and leadership position for girls and women. We started this with the introduction of senior women's matches to be played on Saturday afternoons alongside our men. Whilst this created some difficulties for our clubs it is our intention to continue to strive to improve conditions for our girl and women players. We rebranded our Division 3 competition to Championship recognising the need to promote our women's teams. All but one of these teams were their clubs first teams and they need to be recognised as such in their community.

There was much anticipation throughout the year about the possible return of lacrosse to the Olympic Games. On Monday 16 October, The Australian lacrosse community celebrated the return of lacrosse to the Olympic Games, for the first time in 80 years, with the International Olympic Committee approving the inclusion of lacrosse in the 2028 Olympic Games in Los Angeles.

The Chair of Lacrosse Australia, Abbie Burgess-Brice stated:

**"This is a dream come true for not only our global lacrosse community but for Australian lacrosse players and fans everywhere. It is such an honour to be able to return to the world's biggest in stage at LA28 and to now be able to compete for what will instantly be the highest honour in our sport. More importantly, I am just thrilled that young Australian lacrosse players will be able to now strive to become Olympians, which I hope will not only inspire our youth to new heights but will attract many more young athletes to our sport".**

High Performance plays a huge part in our sport with National Tournaments at Under 15, 18 and Senior Field and Box. Added to this it is anticipated that there will be a Sixes national tournament in 2024. Accordingly, the Board added High Performance as one of our Key Pillars in the updated Strategic Plan.

The Under 15 Tournament was taken to Ballarat in Regional Victoria. The facility at Morshead Park was outstanding, providing a stadium for feature matches and a synthetic field in case of inclement weather. This was critical as on Finals morning there was torrential rain which left the Stadium pitch unable to be played on until the afternoon. Our thanks go to the Ballarat City Council for supporting this tournament, Brody Balfour for managing on behalf of Lacrosse Victoria and all the volunteers who ensured its success. Victoria fielded seven teams, four boys and three girls. A huge thanks to all the coaches, team managers, parents and friends who supported each of these teams.

Our two Under 18's teams were victorious in the National Tournament in Perth. These teams were expertly coached by Duncan McKenzie in the men and Stephen Bown in the women. These players will hopefully be the future of our senior representative teams and aspire to be a part of the Australian Olympic Sixes team. Thanks to all the volunteers and supporters who went to Perth to support the players. It was a wonderful experience for our players. The seniors play in Adelaide were both defeated in the final against South Australia. Thanks to Meghan Mollison and Lee Davis for their input in coaching these teams. Congratulations also to Meghan who has been appointed the coach of the Australian Women's U20 team to play in the World Championship in Hong Kong in August 2024.

We were delighted to have the coach, 10 players and an alternate selected in the Men's Australian World Cup Squad. The team finished fourth. Congratulations to **Sean Aaron, Callan Gibson, Isaac Cahill, Chris Moffat, Mitchell Baker, Campbell Mackinnon, Lachlan Russell, Tim Graham, Jeff Melsopp, Lucas Parsons-Quintiao, Sean Clarke (Alt) and Glenn Meredith (Coach)**.

The National Box Tournament incorporated the women for the first time and Victoria claimed the title. This team and the men were both coached by Greg Mollison who worked tirelessly through this campaign. The men also claimed the title so the Vics achieved the double.

Our season ending Presentation Night was held in the function room at Bell's Hotel, South Melbourne. Congratulations to all the winners and especially Williamstown Women Lacrosse Club on winning the LV Club of the Year. They reached the final of the State League, won the inaugural State League Reserves Premiership, and the U18 and U16 Junior premierships. I would also like to acknowledge all the other Premiership and Best and Fairest winners which were announced on the night.

I had mixed emotions as Brody decided to move on from Lacrosse Victoria to seek further opportunities. Brody has done a sterling job managing all the complexities of lacrosse and was always there to help. He managed the U18 men team in Perth, was the go to person at the U15 tournament in Ballarat which was all in addition to administering all the Field and Sixes competitions. I am proud that we were also able to provide him with the varying experiences that has allowed him to get a position at the St Kilda Football Club. We wish Brody all the best in his future.

Kristen was nominated for Ally of the Year in the Pride Awards. Kristen has done an outstanding job in this area and although she didn't win she has again been nominated for 2024. Kristen is well respected throughout the sporting community in Victoria.

Thanks also to Nicola Millard-Michaelis for her excellent work in managing the finances of Lacrosse Victoria. Together with the Director of Finance, Bruce Freeman, they ensure our financial reporting at both Board and Regulatory level are expertly handled. We were delighted to deliver a loss of only \$44,487 against a budgetary loss of \$112,000. A huge team effort to keep the LV loss at a minimum.

Finally, a huge thanks to our Chair, Jessica Hay and the Board for their continued support of the staff and me. Jess has an incredible workload and with an under resourced staff has to be included in many of the issues faced by the staff. Thanks also to Vice Chair, Fergus Stewart and the aforementioned Bruce Freeman both contribute an amazing number of hours to ensure the Governance of our Association is maintained.

*Michael Sholly*

# *COMPETITIONS REPORT*

*BRODY BALFOUR*

Following a transformative 2022 season, lacrosse is back with renewed energy for a full-fledged season, embracing innovation and a fresh competition structure. As competitions officer, I'm excited to share the highlights of our dynamic endeavors in 2023.

Lacrosse Victoria spearheaded 19 competitions spanning pre-season and the field season, celebrating 14 remarkable premierships victories across junior and senior competitions. Additionally, we proudly hosted four U12 Lightning Carnivals, amplifying participation and fostering talent at a grassroots level. Notably, we welcomed an innovative competition structural change for our senior competitions resulting in an alignment of our Female and Male competitions and additional premierships to be won.

Our Women's State League Competition was expanded, following the success of the VIC Selects team in 2022, we welcomed Camberwell and Malvern to the premier competition. Similarly, the Men's State League Competition proudly introduced MCC Lacrosse to the fold, enriching the landscape of our sport.

Embracing inclusivity and diversity, we continued the successful Lacrosse Together Cup (formerly Pride Cup) marking a significant milestone in our journey towards a more equitable and welcoming lacrosse community. Moreover, we introduced our inaugural Women's Box Lacrosse Competition in preparation for the 2024 Box Lacrosse Championships and saw an unprecedented number of participants for our Men's Box Lacrosse Competition. As we stride forward, we eagerly anticipate further growth and evolution in the seasons to come. Below, delve into the report detailing our truly extraordinary competitions throughout 2023.

## **SENIOR WOMEN**

In a revolutionary season for our Women, the State League (SL) and newly formed State League Reserves (SLR) proudly welcomed Camberwell and Malvern, creating a far more sustainable five team competition. The Championship League (formerly B-Grade) boasted a competitive six team competition highlighted by Newport Ladies fielding an impressive third senior team, Melbourne University and MCC each having their first stand-alone team since 2021, and only one combined team of the always formidable 'Chadfield'. With no International Championships to contend with, the ladies enjoyed a full season, including finals, spread across 18 weeks rather than a condensed and frantic season as seen previously. The newly introduced competition structure also established Saturday games for SL and SLR, allowing for matches from both gendered competitions to be played on the same day at the same venue where possible, falling in line with our One Club Strategy aspirations. All clubs took the challenge of the changing environment in their stride, working cohesively with us as an association and each other to get the best for the members, a true testament to the community.

## WOMEN'S STATE LEAGUE

It was a dream start to the 2023 'One Club' season as powerhouses Footscray and Williamstown Women (15-12) faced off at Angliss Reserve in a Friday night blockbuster whilst newcomers Malvern and Camberwell (15-14) battled it out at Malvern Town Hall with both games being played prior to their respective Senior Men's teams at the same venue.

Through the first five rounds of games, Footscray, once again, established themselves as the team to beat being undefeated and averaging 19 goals a game. Williamstown Women were hot on their heels, losing their only game to the Bulldogs and averaging 18 goals a game. Malvern quickly found their footing in the new competition, narrowly defeated by the 2022 Grand Finalist's Newport Ladies 10-7 in round 3, reaffirming they belong in the Premier competition.

As the season lengthened, Footscray and Williamstown Women solidified their position of 1st and 2nd respectively as the Bulldogs remained undefeated throughout the home/away season and Williamstown Women's only defeats coming at the hands of Footscray, however, never exceeded more than five goal difference. Malvern demonstrated some truly inspiring performances, highlighted by their three-win season and a narrow four goal loss to Footscray in round 9. Newport Ladies consolidated their spot in third position, cementing a Preliminary Final match up with Williamstown Women.

In a tantalizing match up with stars across the field, both Williamstown Women and Newport Ladies were fighting to create history, as Newport aimed to continue their unprecedented run of SL Grand Finals alive whilst Williamstown looked to secure their first SL Grand Final in over 20 years. Nothing separated the teams at half time, with the scores level at 3-3, however, it was Women of Williamstown who prevailed taking out a 7-5 victory thanks to an inspired performance from captain, Lauren Hunter.

The stage was set for a Footscray vs. Williamstown State League Grand Final. An experienced Footscray lineup demonstrated their class in the first half, rattling their opponents and opening an 8-3 buffer come the main break. Williamstown Women's never say die attitude was evident in the second half, scoring the first three goals of the third quarter, mounting a remarkable comeback. Ultimately, the seven goal second half was not enough as the Bulldogs ran out 15-10 winners as their defence stood tall and the team crowned 2023 State League Premiers. Footscray's Bonnie Yu was named MVP.

## WOMEN'S STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

Similarly to State League, the newly introduced Reserves competition kicked off with Footscray facing Williamstown Women at Angliss Reserve and Malvern battling Camberwell at Malvern Town Hall. Unlike State League,

Williamstown secured a tremendous comeback victory over their rivals and Camberwell outclassed Malvern in a dominant display. After trailing 7-10 at the main break the ladies in blue and gold piled on 11 goals in the second half to the bulldog's five, securing a three goal, 18-15, victory to open their season.

Camberwell led from start to finish against their suburban neighbour, leading 10-0 at half time and running out 18-1 victors. Newport Ladies opened their account with an impressive victory over Footscray in round two, attaining their first four points with a 18-7 win.

As the season progressed, it was evident the Reserves were going to be a tightly contested season with several close results within the first eight rounds. Notably, single goal triumphs to Camberwell and Footscray against Williamstown Women (13-12) and Malvern (7-6) respectively across rounds three and four. Additionally, a two-goal victory for Williamstown over Newport before the Porters avenged their tight lose with a two-goal win against Malvern as the halfway point of the season came and went.

This trend of close games continued as the home/away season concluded with Camberwell cementing themselves as minor premiers after a single goal victory over Williamstown in round 13 with the Seagulls only one game behind them in second place and Newport five games behind in third.

A tantalizing Williamstown and Newport Preliminary Final was set, with the teams facing off three times throughout the season and Williamstown attaining a 3-0 record with a winning average of only four goals, we were set for a terrific Preliminary. The first half did not disappoint with only a goal separating the teams as the scoreline read 4-3 in favour of Williamstown. Following the main break, it was a dominant display from Williamstown as they netted seven goals to Newport's two in the second half, thanks to the prowess of Sophie Coram and Chelsea Patrick scoring nine goals between them. Williamstown secured a 11-5 victory, progressing to the ultimate game.

The Grand Final had arrived, Camberwell taking on Williamstown with the ledger in favour of the minor premiers 2-1, both wins attained by a single goal. It was Williamstown that came out firing in the first half, shocking the favourites, scoring nine goals to Camberwell's one. Despite a rejuvenated Camberwell team in the second half, they were no match for Williamstown's defence and counter attacking ability, with the Seagulls securing the premiership with a 15-4 victory. Again, Chelsea Patrick and Sophie Coram shone on the biggest stage displaying their attacking prowess with eight goals between them.

## WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP LEAGUE

Comprised of six teams, the newly introduced Championship League provided high quality competition from round one. The division opened with a scintillating single goal upset to the 2022 premiers Chadfield at the hands of Brunswick (12-11) whilst Newport showcased their incredible depth with a convincing 17-9 victory over the always tough Eltham.

It was a proficient display from Melbourne University (MU), Brunswick and Eltham through the initial six rounds, establishing themselves as equal threats come finals.

Surprisingly, Chadfield took some time to find their groove, losing their first three games, however, found their footing at the right time of the season, winning five of their last six games.

Very little separated the top four teams as the season ended, highlighted by Chadfield's two goal wins over Brunswick and Eltham in round 11 and 12 respectively, Melbourne Uni's two goal victory against Chadfield in round 13 and Eltham's four goal triumph over Melbourne Uni in the final round. It was truly a mixed bag of results throughout the season, emphasising the competitive balance.

MU solidified themselves as minor premiers with 46pts, followed closely behind by Eltham on 36pts and Chadfield on 32pts. Brunswick rounded out the top four on 28pts. The six-team competition allowed for a pulsating three-week finals series as MU faced Eltham and Chadfield battled Brunswick.

On foreign territory at Western Oval, it was the Panthers who shocked the minor premiers with a dominant 16-7 display and progressing straight through to the Grand Final thanks to an eight-goal effort from Tamara Hoyle. Unlike Semi Final 1, Chadfield and Brunswick were inseparable for the majority of their Final. It seemed another upset could unfold at half time as Brunswick found themselves a goal up. A back and forth second half set up a nail biting final few minutes as Chadfield held their nerve to complete their comeback and win 12-10, highlighted by Erin Mullner and Jennifer Kilsby, scoring eight goals between them.

The Preliminary Final between MU and Chadfield was set, with the winner to face Eltham. Similar to their first final, Chadfield found themselves a single goal down come half time, however, the minor premier's defence seemed to be the point of difference only allowing a further three goals to their six in the second half. MU progressed to the final game of the year, knocking out the 2022 premiers 12-8.

As it had been throughout the season, the Grand Final seemed to be a tight knit affair following a momentum swaying 6-4 opening half in favour of the minor premiers. In true Panther's spirit, spearheaded by Emily Statham, Eltham came out firing and piling on nine goals to Melbourne Uni's five and secured a remarkable 13-11 premiership victory.

## SENIOR MEN

In conjunction with the structural and team changes to our Women's competitions, our Men's competitions also enjoyed an array of transformations in 2023. We introduced a State League Reserves division, welcomed MCC to the premier competition and established a State League/Reserves split which revitalised the finals structure to allow an additional two premierships to be awarded. It was a truly remarkable season for our men, who faced the challenge of structure change head on, taking the first step in creating a more sustainable and equitable association.

### MEN'S STATE LEAGUE

Our structure recalibration saw all teams play each other once across the first 11 rounds with the top six teams following round 11 to remain in SL and the remaining five teams to form the Championship League (CH). All reserves teams played in the corresponding Reserves League as their 'firsts' regardless of their finishing position – State League Reserves (SLR) or Championship Reserves (CHR).

The opening five rounds were filled with tightly contested games, as 13 of the first 25 games were decided by four goals or less, highlighting the competitive balance in 2024. These results included MCC's two goal win over Brunswick in round two (13-11), Williamstown's three goal victory against Camberwell (6-3) in round three, Footscray's two goal triumph over Malvern in round four (9-7) and single goal wins to Williamstown and Caulfield against Malvern and Eltham respectively (9-8) and (5-4). As round 11 approached, the top six positions were still to be played for, with Brunswick, Eltham and Camberwell all competing for the final spot. Despite a heart stopping, double overtime, victory from Camberwell over MCC it was not enough to jump ahead of Eltham due to their slightly higher percentage and Brunswick's two goal victory over Chadstone as they cemented their spot in fifth. The top six teams to remain in SL and SLR were as follows; Footscray, Williamstown, Malvern, MCC, Brunswick and Eltham, whilst Camberwell, Altona, Caulfield, Chadstone and Surrey Park formed the new CH and CHR.

## MEN'S STATE LEAGUE & CHAMPIONSHIP LEAGUE

The recalibration allowed for each team to play each other in their respective league once more before finals commenced. Round 12 of SL opened with some thrillers, highlighted by Williamstown's single goal victory over Footscray (16-15), in addition to a clutch Brunswick win over Eltham (9-6) and Malvern defeating MCC (13-7). Similarly, CH witnessed Camberwell prevail over Altona by a solitary goal (10-9) and Caulfield outclass a determined Chadstone (16-10). The SL competition tightened up as finals approached with several close encounters. Williamstown again prevailed by a sole goal, this time over Brunswick (15-14), MCC overcame Eltham (10-9) and Brunswick (9-8) in successive weeks whilst Footscray secured the minor premiership following their final round win against Malvern (10-7). In CH, Camberwell remained undefeated throughout the Qualifying Rounds and secured top spot for finals. With only one loss, at the hands of Camberwell, Altona took out second place followed by Caulfield in third.

SL Finals commenced with Malvern knocking out MCC (19-6) and Footscray bettering Williamstown (11-8), progressing to the Grand Final. Williamstown and Malvern battled it out in the Preliminary Final on a perfect day at Mont Albert Reserve. In what was a tense back and forth, fiercely competitive match, Williamstown found themselves up by a goal at the main break (5-4), however, in a revitalised effort, Malvern opened the third quarter with a bang and reversed the lead going into the last. The nail-biting quarter kept the spectators off their seats as Malvern's defence stood tall, outlasting the relentless Williamstown attack, and booking their spot in the Grand Final (10-8). As Footscray looked to go back-to-back, Malvern attempted to finish their Cinderella story in the ultimate fashion. A tight first half saw the teams tough to separate with Footscray taking a slender 6-5 lead at half time. In what seemed to be the deciding factor, a three goal to zero third quarter for the Bulldogs proved to be unassailable for Malvern as Footscray claimed the title following a final quarter deadlock. Footscray secured the 2023 Premiership, defeating Malvern 12-8. Footscray's Chris Plumb was named MVP.

The CH Finals could not have asked for a closer Preliminary Final as Altona and Caulfield faced off. It was Caulfield that drew first blood, rattling the favourites with an 8-5 opening half. In another tense climax, Caulfield proved unyielding in their composure despite being outscored in the second half and held on for a memorable 12-11 victory. It was a Camberwell and Caulfield showdown for the newly formed title of Championship League premiers. Caulfield again opened fiercely with a two-goal difference in the first, however, Camberwell responded in style with a three to zero second term, establishing a 3-2 lead at the main break. The class of Camberwell came to the floor in the second half, outplaying their opponents and ultimately proving too good, running out 7-4 victors and claiming the title of Premiers.

## MEN'S STATE LEAGUE RESERVES & CHAMPIONSHIP LEAGUE RESERVES

The Reserves competition began in scintillating fashion. Eltham defeated Altona (11-9), MCC overcame MU/Surrey Park (10-8), Malvern triumphed over Camberwell (14-9), Caulfield conquered Chadstone (12-4) and Williamstown outclassed Footscray (17-3) to close out the opening round. The first six rounds witnessed Williamstown establish themselves as hot favourites, boasting an astonishing 129 goals for whilst only conceding 13 and no defeats. Eltham were relentless in their winning ways, their first loss coming at the hands of Williamstown in round 9. Brunswick displayed consistently positive performances, however, found it difficult to attain successive wins; their best period coming in of a four-game win streak from rounds 9-12. Despite losing their opening two games, the always challenging Footscray won their next seven games as the season progressed to the Qualifying Rounds. As the league split in conjunction with the 'firsts' very little separated 2nd and 5th spot on the State League ladder. The hot streak for Williamstown continued as they remained undefeated for the season as Footscray cemented second spot with only four losses for the season. Thanks to two exhilarating single goal victories to Brunswick over Footscray and MCC respectively in the final rounds, Brunswick snatched fourth spot over Malvern, only behind Eltham by percentage. Similarly to their firsts, Camberwell seemed a class above their opponents and remained undefeated in their Qualifying Rounds, the only scare coming in a narrow 9-8 win over Melbourne University/Surrey Park (MU/SP). After a shaky start, the combined side of MU/SP won their final two games and claimed second place, a game clear of Altona who also managed two wins in the final five rounds.

Following the conclusion of the home/away season, Williamstown vs. Footscray and Eltham vs. Brunswick both faced off in the SLR Semi Finals as MU/SP battled it out against Altona in the CHR Preliminary Final. Williamstown continued their unbeaten run, accounting for Footscray in a comfortable 12-4 win. Similarly, the class of Eltham outshone a valiant Brunswick as the Panthers secured a 12-6 victory. With the ledger squared at one win each, Footscray and Eltham went toe to toe for a Grand Final spot. The bulldogs raced to an early 6-2 lead come the half time break thanks to three first quarter goals from Jay Coster. A one goal apiece deadlock in the third quarter provided an unassailable lead for Footscray, as they secured an 8-5 win and moved on to face Williamstown. The nerve racking first half of the Grand Final was anxiety filled as both teams struggling to find the back of the net with the scores tightly balanced 3-1 in favour of the minor premiers at half time. It was more of the same in the third quarter as Williamstown slightly extended their lead 5-2. The floodgates seemingly opened in the final quarter as the men in Blue and Gold piled on seven goals to Footscray's one. Williamstown's perfect season came to a stunning conclusion, being crowned premiers, defeating Footscray 12-3.

The CHR Preliminary Final between MU/SP and Altona proved to be a riveting, momentum swinging encounter. As the teams traded blows, nothing separated them at half time with the scores tied at 3-3. A two goal to one burst from Altona set up a handy goal lead going into the final quarter, however, thanks to a miraculous three goal to zero turnaround from MU/SP, the combined team snatched victory from the jaws of defeat, conquering Altona 7-5 and progressed to the deciding game. Much of the same could be said about the Grand Final between Camberwell and MU/SP in the final match as nothing could separate the teams after the first quarter with the scores tied at 2-2. In an astonishing second quarter, the combined team netted four unanswered goals and entered the main break full of momentum. The seemingly rattled Camberwell composed themselves in the third, reestablishing the tight back and forth game of the first quarter with a 7-3 scoreline. A clinical display from Camberwell's veteran, Clinton Lander, in the final quarter was not enough to seal a remarkable comeback as Camberwell outscored MU/SP 3-1. MU/SP secured a fairytale finish to what was a trying season for the combined team, defeating Camberwell 8-6.

## MEN'S COMMUNITY CUP

It was a difficult year for our Community Cup division opening with an optimistic five teams, however, Malvern and Camberwell unfortunately withdrew from the competition following the initial rounds. Eltham, MCC/Bendigo and Williamstown rounded out the Community Cup presenting an unsatisfactory three team competition. Thanks to the tireless work of Footscray Lacrosse Club, we were able to welcome a fourth team to the Community Cup following round three and created a more sustainable division. Williamstown established themselves as the team to beat, suffering their first loss in round eight. Similarly, Eltham only inflicted one loss in the opening nine rounds, coming at the hands of Williamstown in round two (5-7). Newcomers Footscray begun slowly, however, shocked the competition with their first win over ladder leaders, Williamstown, in round eight (8-6), kickstarting their campaign towards a final's appearance. The combined team of MCC/Bendigo fought through adversity throughout the season and proudly secured two wins come seasons end. Williamstown were named the minor premiers on 48pts with Eltham closely behind on 36pts and Footscray securing third place on 20pts. The Preliminary Final between Eltham and Footscray commenced with the Panthers scoring the first four goals of the game. A determined Footscray team showed unwavering resolve to claw their way back into the game in the second half. Despite a four goal to zero last quarter in favour of the Bulldogs, Eltham were victorious, defeating Footscray 8-5. The Grand Final presented a fiercely competed game between the top teams of the division. Williamstown continued their in-season form in the opening quarter, netting two goals to Eltham's one, before piling on seven unanswered goals, displaying their attacking prowess. A 9-1 scoreline at three quarter time proved too great for Eltham to overcome despite outscoring Williamstown in the final quarter, going down to the minor premiers 10-4.

## **JUNIOR COMPETITIONS**

### **JUNIOR WOMEN**

Our U18 Women enjoyed an expanded competition as we introduced U16 teams of Footscray and Williamstown Women to the fold due to insufficient U16 Girls teams. This provided the 16 and under females a terrific opportunity to participate against high-quality junior lacrosse, better preparing them for future competitions. The U18 competition proved to be an evenly balanced division with all teams posting impressive victories throughout the season.

Williamstown Women Blue affirmed themselves as favourites for the premiership, securing 44pts come seasons end, followed closely behind by Footscray Green on 36pts in second. Displaying tremendous depth, Williamstown Women Gold solidified 3rd position on 32pts and Camberwell rounded out the top four on 28pts. In an innovative competition, both U16 teams participated in their own Grand Final, opening the door for Camberwell's finals campaign in the U18 competition. In a thrilling Preliminary Final, Camberwell overcame a formidable Footscray Green team by a solitary goal (10-9) despite a six goal to four second half in favour of Footscray.

Williamstown Women Blue and Camberwell came together for the U18 Women's Grand Final and in a blistering opening half it was the Women of Williamstown who established a five-goal lead. Miriam Soares-Jury and Chelsea Patrick were outstanding for the minor premiers, scoring 10 goals between them, as Williamstown continued their hot form in the second half and were crowned premiers following a 16-7 victory over a valiant Camberwell.

The U16 Girls premiership was fought between Footscray and Williamstown Women. Alike their U18 team, Williamstown came out firing, creating a five-goal lead going into the main break. In an almost identical fashion, it was a similar story for the U16 girls compared to their elder team, piling on another seven goals to Footscray three and running out the game in strong fashion. Williamstown Women defeated Footscray 15-6.

The U14 girls division displayed an equally competitive balance throughout their season, with only a handful of games separating 1st and 4th. Footscray were named the minor premiers on 44pts and second was attained by Newport Ladies on 40pts. The combined side of Eastside, made up of Camberwell, Malvern, Caufield and Chadstone, secured third spot with 32pts whilst Eltham established themselves in fourth on 24pts. The first of a three-week finals' series comprised of Footscray vs. Newport and Eastside vs. Eltham. Newport shocked the minor premiers with a 12-8 victory and progressed to the Grand Final, as Eltham also stunned Eastside through a 7-4 triumph, booking their spot against Footscray in the Preliminary Final. A determined Footscray displayed their class and overcame a fearless Eltham team, 13-7, and booked their opportunity for redemption. In what can only be described as a truly heart stopping match, Newport begun slowly as Footscray went into half time ahead 6-3. Nevertheless, the young Newport Ladies came out blazing in the second half, evening the score in the final quarter. Ultimately, it was Footscray who held their nerve to the end, securing a memorable 11-10 victory over the porters.

The carnivals for our U12 Girls were again a great success for our youngest competition, as we enjoyed two carnivals throughout the season. In a remarkable season, it was Footscray Green who claimed both the carnival titles, defeating Newport and Footscray White respectively on each occasion, capping off their perfect and undefeated season.

## JUNIOR MEN

The U18 Men competition had future lacrosse stars littered throughout it. Comprised of six teams, made up of Camberwell, MU, Williamstown and the combined teams of Altona/Footscray, Eltham/Brunswick and Eastside (Caulfield, Chadstone, Malvern, MCC & Surrey Park), the young men displayed outstanding and elegant lacrosse all season. Consecutive wins proved hard to attain given the calibre of opposition, however, it was the star-studded Williamstown who achieved the minor premiership, finishing on 48pts. The combined powers of Altona/Footscray trailed two games behind on 40pts, Eastside secured third on 38pts and Eltham/Brunswick completed the top four on 30pts. The Semi-Finals were set following a tenacious home/away season, Williamstown vs. Altona/Footscray and Eastside vs. Eltham/Brunswick. The minor premiers over-powered Altona/Footscray 11-3 following a scoreless opening three quarters from the combined time whilst Eastside prevailed over Eltham/Brunswick by a single goal (6-5) in the knockout final. Altona/Footscray faced a buzzing Eastside to book their spot in the Grand Final. It was Eastside that led for the majority of the game and despite a tense final quarter comeback from Altona/Footscray, who netted four goals to Eastside's one, the team from the East again prevailed by a single goal (7-6) and moved on to Final. Despite holding the underdog title, Eastside opened the scoring and found themselves in front at the close of the first quarter in the deciding game. A composed Williamstown found their footing in the second, outscoring their opponents four to one and entered the main break with a two-goal buffer. A back and forth second half gave spectators a thrilling show as nothing could separate the two teams with neither team scoring in the third and both scoring three goals each in the final quarter. Williamstown held their nerve to claim the title of U18 Premiers, defeating Eastside 7-5.

The four team U16 Boys competition consisted of Williamstown and the combined teams of Eastside, Eltham/Brunswick and Footscray/Altona. Once again it was the powerhouse of Williamstown who led the division, suffering their only loss for the season in round 11 against Eltham/Brunswick (6-11). The combined team of the panthers and mavericks cemented second spot as their own, recording 32pts for the season and losing four of their six games to the ladder leaders. Eastside finished one game clear of Footscray/Altona on 16 and 12 pts respectively and secured their spot in the finals. Having defeated Eltham/Brunswick once during the season, Eastside were optimistic in causing an upset and was demonstrated with a three to zero opening quarter. An unruffled Eltham/Brunswick regained their composure and hit the scoreboard with relative ease, netting nine goals for the remainder of the game to Eastside's five and secured a tense single goal comeback victory (9-8). A constricted first quarter set the stage for a hard-fought Grand Final between Williamstown and Eltham/Brunswick, as the seagulls lead at quarter time 2-1. The floodgates opened in the second term with Eltham/Brunswick piling on six goals to Williamstown's four and the combined team holding a 7-6 lead. In a quarter like the first, a 2-1 third term in favour of the minor premiers had the scores level heading into the last quarter. The dexterity of Williamstown came to the floor in the last, netting seven goals to two and breaking the hearts of an unyielding Eltham/Brunswick team with the final score of 15-10.

## JUNIOR MEN cont.

The U14 competition mirrored the U16 division in many ways, none more than Williamstown establishing themselves as the team to beat once again. The seagulls were undefeated in their home/away campaign, recording a perfect 13 wins. Again, Eltham, supplemented by a handful of Brunswick juniors, were hot on their tails in second position on 44pts and only lost two games for the season, both to Williamstown. Eastside and Footscray were almost inseparable in third and fourth with just over 3% points separating the teams both on 24pts. Valiant MCC and Surrey Park teams rounded out the competition in fifth and sixth place. A strong opening and final quarter from Eastside proved the difference against Footscray, as the combined team knocked the bulldogs out of finals, 12-5. Similarly, Williamstown continued their unbeaten streak by overcoming a fearless Eltham team 9-6 thanks to a four to one goal opening quarter. A strong two goal opening quarter for Eastside in the Preliminary Final opened the door for a thrilling final, however, the defence of Eltham proved to be a great task to penetrate as Eastside were restricted to a scoreless final three quarters. Eltham secured a 6-2 victory and moved onto the Grand Final against Williamstown. Nerves were high in both camps for the deciding game, as the teams entered quarter time with Williamstown ahead 3-2. A decisive second quarter proved to be the point of difference in the match as the seagulls netted five unanswered goals and established a six-goal lead that was insurmountable despite Eltham's best efforts. Williamstown secured their third junior premiership and capped off their perfect season, defeating Eltham 12-8.

The Boys U12 carnivals were held at Caulfield and Albert Park and provided a terrific finals like atmosphere for our youngsters. In the first carnival at Caulfield, it seemed nothing was getting in the way of Williamstown Fearon winning the title, overcoming Eltham in the final. The second final saw two newcomers in Caulfield and Brunswick shine in the deciding match. Caulfield proved too strong for the Brunswick team as they claimed the second U12 title for the year.

It was a remarkable 2023 season for all teams throughout our association as we took the first steps in rejuvenating the sport we love. A huge thank you to all clubs, committees, volunteers and of course our officials who make this progression possible. We look forward to an even bigger and better 2024 season.

*Brody Balfour*

# *DEVELOPMENT & PARTICIPATION REPORT*

*KRISTEN HUTCHISON*

## **LACROSSE TOGETHER PROGRAM**

The Lacrosse Together program, which was funded by VicHealth through the Future Healthy Big Connect Funding initiative, aims to create safe spaces for young LGBTIQ+ university students to meaningfully connect with their peers and allies. The program saw great growth in 2023 with LV focusing on building strong relationships with new universities. LV worked with 8 universities and campuses across Victoria to run 10 Lacrosse Together programs and events, which saw 163 university students participate.

The Lacrosse Together program was recognised by the sporting industry as an industry leading initiative with multiple award nominations. The Lacrosse Together Program was a finalist in the Victorian Sport Awards for the VicHealth Sport and Active Recreation Initiative of the Year, and the project lead, Kristen Hutchison, was a finalist LGBTQ+ Ally of the Year for the Australian Pride In Sport Awards.

## **LACROSSE TOGETHER CUP**

LV had a very successful year partnering with Proud2Play to run the newly branded Lacrosse Together Cup, previously known as the Lacrosse Victoria Pride Cup, which was held at PJ Lynch Reserve on Sunday, 8 October. The Lacrosse Together Cup is our annual social round robin event designed to celebrate diversity and inclusivity in lacrosse and make a stand against Homophobia, Biphobia, Transphobia and Intersex discrimination in our sport. Even with an extremely busy October schedule with the U15 National Tournament, Victorian Box League, and Uni Nationals, we had 20 teams enter from 9 Field Lacrosse Clubs and 5 University Lacrosse Clubs who competed across 4 Divisions: Family, University, Intermediate, and Experienced. Over 160 people ranging from 6 to 64 years old played the relaxed 3v3 game format which allowed all genders, abilities, and ages to join in on the fun.

In addition to the thrilling on-field action, the day was also successful off the field. We are proud to announce that we raised \$1219 for Proud2Play to help continue their great work in supporting LGBTIQ+ inclusion in sport.

After another fantastic event in the books, the date has already been set for 2024, Sunday 20, October. We look forward to making the event even bigger, more inclusive and fun!

## **LGBTIQ+ INCLUSION STRATEGY**

Lacrosse Victoria developed and implemented the LGBTIQ+ Inclusion Strategy, which was developed in partnership with the LV Board, Staff, and the LGBTIQ+ Advisory Group. The successful implementation of the strategy was recognised by Pride in Sport Australia when they awarded Lacrosse Victoria with the Silver Sport Tier Badge, which placed us in the top 10 national and state sports associations in LGBTIQ+ inclusion.

## **INAUGURAL LV PRIDE ROUND**

As a part of the LGBTIQ+ Inclusion Strategy, Lacrosse Victoria partnered with Pride Cup Australia to hold the Inaugural LV Pride Round on the 19 – 21 May to help celebrate diversity and inclusion in sport for the LGBTIQ+ community.

During the LV Pride Round, Team Captains and club leaders read out the Lacrosse Victoria Pride Round Statement, which was developed by the LV LGBTIQ+ Advisory Group and promoted anti-homophobic, anti-transphobic and anti-biphobic messaging.

## **COACH EDUCATION**

In 2023, LV made a big push to run more coach education courses to support our Victorian coaches. In April and September, LV delivered the LA Club Coach course for a total of 23 coaches. We also ran multiple sessions which saw 21 coaches up-skilled in our social participation programs.

## **SCHOOL PARTICIPATION**

For the second year we partnered with the Northern Special Schools Sports Association to run the TriBall Lacrosse Days. We had 6 special and special development schools participate with 90 students learning the basics of lacrosse across four weeks of lessons and games.

Lacrosse Victoria attended the Girls Sport Victoria (GSV) Year 7 Sport Expo in October. Across the 2 days, 136 students were introduced to the game of lacrosse from 9 different schools. Promotional material was sent to all GSV Schools.

The LV School Sport Victoria (SSV) State Finals saw record numbers in 2023. Thanks to the Sayaka 'Beni' Higa for her support in running the events and for all the club volunteers that helped make the days so successful. The Year 9 – 12 State Finals saw our biggest team number entries with 31 teams, followed by our Year 5 & 6 Primary School Finals with 26 teams, and finally the Year 7 & 8 Finals with 16 teams, which was an increase of 20 teams across the 3 State Finals from 2022.

For the first time, SSV also published our participation data across all SSV lacrosse events. Including Primary and Secondary District through to State Finals, we had 2,387 students participate, which is the second highest participation numbers of the State Sport Association delivered competitions.

## **UNILAX COMPETITION**

We have also seen growth in the UniLax Competition, which sees universities across Victoria compete in a weekly competition for 6 weeks each semester. In 2023 the Competition grew to 10 teams with the new addition of a Deakin and VU combined team. A big thanks to Nick Anthony and his team who have tirelessly run the competition for many years.

*Kristen Hutchison*

# *LV FOUNDATION REPORT*

## *FERG STEWART*

The Victorian Lacrosse Foundation was established in May 1999 to support the sport of lacrosse in Victoria, specifically in the areas of junior development, administration, and publicity and promotion of the game.

The Foundation was charged with the responsibility of raising, holding and administering a trust fund, which has an initial target of \$1 million. Changes to the Trust Deed over the years permitted some distributions from the Foundation prior to the Fund reaching the target.

At the Lacrosse Victoria Inc. (LVI) Annual General Meeting, held on 17 April 2023, the meeting approved a recommendation from the Board that the Constitution of LVI be amended to include the establishment of the Lacrosse Victoria Foundation Subcommittee which would oversee the activities of the Foundation going forward.

To that end the Funds of the Foundation were subsequently transferred into Lacrosse Victoria Inc. and a Subcommittee of the Board was established to oversee its future development.

The subcommittee was duly appointed by the Board in accordance with the new Clause 27 of the Constitution and continues to run the activities of the Foundation. The current members comprise Fergus Stewart (Chair), Doug Fox and Sue Gandy, all LVI Life Members, and Board Representatives, Jess Simmonds, Bruce Freeman and Karen Burns. The sub-committee has met formally on two occasions during the year and is currently considering the allocation of funding to support nominated projects to support the growth of the game in Victoria.

The Accounts show accumulated funds at 31 December 2023 of \$212,900 including a Term Deposit of \$180,000. The funds include a donation from a donor of \$10,000 conditional upon the Foundation undertaking a project directed to achieving growth in player numbers in Victoria in particular, and which also will have relevance nationally.

The invested funds are currently achieving an improved return as interest rates have increased significantly over immediate past years. Thanks are due to continuing contributions from regular donors who are able to take advantage of the tax break on offer by contributing to the Fund through our long term partnership with the Australian Sports Foundation.

There is still a long way to go to the magic million dollar target, but as legendary investor Warren Buffet famously said, "there is nothing more powerful than compound interest at work, spending away your gains will diminish your ultimate gains significantly."

Audit responsibility for the Fund is now undertaken by the LVI Auditors, MVA Bennett. A sincere vote of thanks is due to our long time Honorary Auditor Mr. Ross Melville for his generous support over some 24 years.

*Ferg Stewart*

2023 LACROSSE VICTORIA  
**REPRESENTATIVE TEAMS**

**UNDER 15 GIRLS**

  
**FIRE**



6TH PLACE

**ICE**



3RD PLACE

  
**SPARKS**



10TH PLACE

# UNDER 15 BOYS



7TH PLACE



6TH PLACE

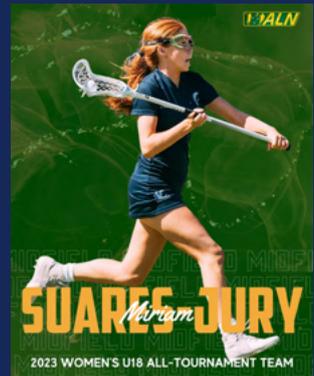
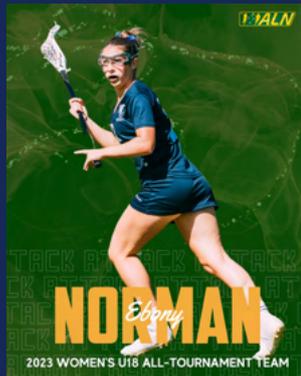


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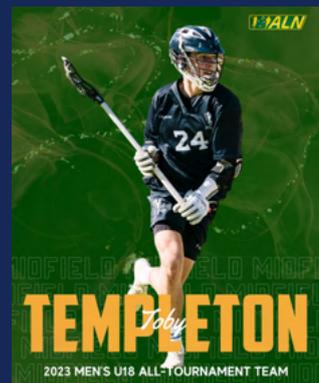
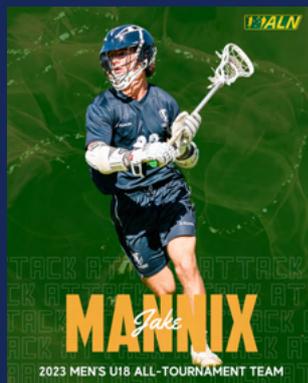
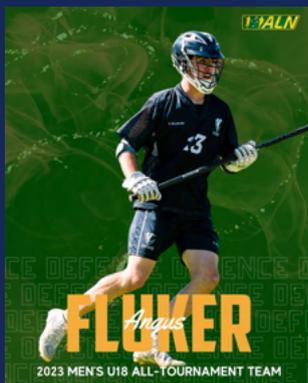
# 2023 UNDER 18 VICTORIAN WOMEN'S TEAM NATIONAL CHAMPIONS



**ALN UNDER 18 WOMEN'S ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM**  
TRINITY MEACHEM, EBONY NORMAN, RUBY PAGLIARO & MIRIAM SUARES-JURY

**LA UNDER 18 WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT MVP**  
MIRIAM SUARES-JURY

# 2023 UNDER 18 VICTORIAN MEN'S TEAM NATIONAL CHAMPIONS



**ALN UNDER 18 MEN'S ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM**  
ANGUS FLUKER, TEDDY FRIEND, JAKE MANNIX & TOBY TEMPLETON

**2023 VICTORIAN MEN'S BOX TEAM  
NATIONAL CHAMPIONS**



**2023 VICTORIAN WOMEN'S BOX TEAM  
INAUGURAL NATIONAL CHAMPIONS**



# 2023 VICTORIAN WOMEN'S TEAM RUNNERS UP



**ALN WOMEN'S ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM**  
NELLY MOLLISON, STEPH KELLY, SARAH SMITH & BONNIE YU

# 2023 VICTORIAN MEN'S TEAM RUNNERS UP



**ALN MEN'S ALL-TOURNAMENT TEAM**  
SAM BOONTJES, TROY BUTSON & CHRIS PLUMB

*2023 LACROSSE VICTORIA*  
***AUSTRALIAN REPRESENTATIVES***



**2023 AUSTRALIAN MEN'S WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TEAM**  
FOURTH PLACE

*2023 LACROSSE VICTORIA*  
**ANNUAL AWARDS**

**CLUB OF THE YEAR**

WILLIAMSTOWN WOMEN'S LACROSSE CLUB

**COACH OF THE YEAR**

STEPHEN BOWN

**OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR**

MARK GRIFFITHS

**REFEREE OF THE YEAR**

ROMY ANSELL

**PAST PRESIDENT'S AWARD**

NOT AWARDED

**NELL RAWLINS AWARD**

MEREDITH CARRE

**SHAPPERE URN AWARD**

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*2023 LACROSSE VICTORIA*  
***BEST & FAIREST***

<b>Men's State League</b>	Steven Stojkos	MCC
<b>Women's State League</b>	Stephanie Kelly	Footscray
<b>Men's State League Reserves</b>	Duncan Hillier Alex Fagan	Brunswick MCC
<b>Women's State League Reserves</b>	Chelsea Patrick	Williamstown Women
<b>Men's Championship League</b>	Tomohiro Tosaki	Surrey Park
<b>Women's Championship League</b>	Jackie Bowyer	Newport
<b>Men's Championship League Reserves</b>	Gabriel Bleed	Altona
<b>Men's Community Cup</b>	Samuel Tonelli	Footscray
<b>Under 18 Women</b>	Miriam Suares-Jury	Williamstown Women
<b>Under 18 Men</b>	Josh Gordon	Williamstown
<b>Under 16 Boys</b>	Sam Boyd	Eltham/Brunswick
<b>Under 14 Girls</b>	Carys Nolan	Newport
<b>Under 14 Boys</b>	Aston Cliffe	Footscray

*2023 LACROSSE VICTORIA*  
***TOP GOAL SCORERS***

<b>Men's State League</b>	Tyler Reynolds	MCC
<b>Women's State League</b>	Miriam Suares-Jury	Williamstown Women

*2023 LACROSSE VICTORIA*  
***FIELD PREMIERSHIPS***

<b>Pre-Season Sixes Women</b>	Williamstown Women def. Malvern, 5-3
<b>Pre-Season Sixes Men</b>	Footscray def. Williamstown Cities, 6-3
<b>Women's State League</b>	Footscray def. Williamstown, 15-10
<b>Men's State League</b>	Footscray def. Malvern, 12-8
<b>Women's State League Reserves</b>	Williamstown def. Camberwell, 15-4
<b>Men's State League Reserves</b>	Williamstown def. Footscray, 12-3
<b>Men's Championship League</b>	Camberwell def. Caulfield, 7-4
<b>Women's Championship League</b>	Eltham def. Melbourne University, 13-11
<b>Men's Championship League Reserves</b>	Surrey Park/Melb Uni def. Camberwell, 8-6
<b>Men's Community Cup</b>	Williamstown def. Eltham, 10-4
<b>Under 18 Women</b>	Williamstown Women def. Camberwell, 16-7
<b>Under 18 Men</b>	Williamstown def. Eastside, 7-5
<b>Under 16 Girls</b>	Williamstown Women def. Footscray, 15-6
<b>Under 16 Boys</b>	Williamstown def. Eltham/Brunswick, 15-10
<b>Under 14 Girls</b>	Footscray def. Newport, 11-10 (OT)
<b>Under 14 Boys</b>	Williamstown def. Eltham, 12-8

*2023 LACROSSE VICTORIA*  
***BOX PREMIERSHIPS***

**2022/23 Box Men**    Rage

**2022/23 Box Boys**    Fury

**2023 Box Men**    Rage

**2023 Box Women**    Thunder

**2023 Box Junior A**    Storm

**2023 Box Junior B**    Thunder

2023 LACROSSE VICTORIA

# LADDERS & MINOR PREMIERS

## MEN'S STATE LEAGUE

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Footscray *	16	13	1	1	223	119	104	187.39	58
2	Williamstown	16	13	2	1	194	117	77	165.81	56
3	Malvern	16	10	5	1	174	123	51	141.46	44
4	MCC	16	8	7	1	147	168	-21	87.50	36
5	Brunswick	16	6	9	1	157	133	24	118.05	28
6	Eltham	16	6	9	1	130	138	-8	94.20	28

## WOMEN'S STATE LEAGUE

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Footscray	15	12	0	3	206	84	122	245.24	60
2	Williamstown	15	9	3	3	211	104	107	202.88	48
3	Newport	15	6	6	3	138	118	20	116.95	36
4	Malvern	15	3	9	3	118	200	-82	59.00	24
5	Camberwell	15	0	12	3	66	233	-167	28.33	12

## MEN'S STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Williamstown	16	14	0	1	317	31	286	1022.5	62
2	Footscray	16	10	4	1	126	87	39	144.83	46
3	Eltham	16	10	5	1	160	96	64	166.67	44
4	Brunswick	16	10	5	1	146	132	14	110.61	44
5	Malvern	16	9	5	1	139	132	7	105.30	42
6	MCC	16	3	12	1	91	215	-124	42.33	16

## WOMEN'S STATE LEAGUE RESERVES

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Camberwell	15	11	1	3	158	80	78	197.50	56
2	Williamstown	15	10	2	3	162	96	66	168.75	52
3	Newport	15	5	7	3	123	112	11	109.82	32
4	Footscray	15	3	9	3	96	144	-48	66.67	24
5	Malvern	15	1	11	3	53	160	-107	33.12	16

## MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP LEAGUE

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Camberwell	16	9	5	2	108	111	-3	97.30	44
2	Altona	16	7	7	2	153	159	-6	96.23	36
3	Caulfield	16	4	10	2	84	145	-61	57.93	24
4	Chadstone	16	1	12	2	88	167	-79	52.69	14
5	Surrey Park	16	2	12	2	83	160	-77	51.88	12
6	Chadstone	2	0	2	0	9	24	-15	37.50	0

## WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP LEAGUE

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Melbourne Uni	12	9	2	0	175	112	63	156.25	46
2	Eltham	12	7	4	0	182	105	77	173.33	38
3	ChadField	11	5	6	0	146	104	42	140.38	32
4	Brunswick	13	6	7	0	152	181	-29	83.98	28
5	Newport	9	5	4	0	115	151	-36	76.16	20
6	MCC	11	1	10	0	79	196	-117	40.31	4

## MEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP LEAGUE RESERVES

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Camberwell	16	8	6	2	151	114	37	132.46	40
2	Melb Uni/ Surrey Park	16	5	9	2	80	117	-37	68.38	28
3	Altona	16	4	10	2	85	152	-67	55.92	24
4	Caulfield	16	3	11	2	56	179	-123	31.28	20
5	Chadstone	16	2	11	2	55	151	-96	36.42	14

## MEN'S COMMUNITY CUP

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Williamstown	14	10	2	2	109	35	74	311.43	48
2	Eltham	14	9	5	0	118	70	48	168.57	36
3	Footscray	11	5	6	0	67	78	-11	85.90	20
4	MCC/Bendigo	14	2	12	0	36	137	-101	26.28	8
5	Malvern	2	0	1	1	0	10	-10	0.00	4
6	Camberwell	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0.00	4

## UNDER 18 BOYS

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Williamstown	14	12	2	0	190	71	119	267.61	48
2	Altona/ Footscray	14	10	4	0	136	59	77	230.51	40
3	Eastside	14	9	4	0	142	72	70	197.22	38
4	Eltham/ Brunswick	14	7	6	0	136	66	70	206.06	30
5	Camberwell	14	3	11	0	93	137	-44	67.88	12
6	Melbourne Uni	14	0	14	0	13	305	-292	4.26	0

## UNDER 18 GIRLS

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	WWLC Blue	11	9	2	0	164	113	51	145.13	44
2	FLC Green	14	9	5	0	172	138	34	124.64	36
3	WWLC Gold	13	7	6	0	179	143	36	125.17	32
4	Camberwell	10	5	5	0	151	130	21	116.15	28
5	FLC White	11	3	8	0	101	161	-60	62.73	16
6	Newport	13	3	10	0	111	193	-82	57.51	12

## UNDER 16 BOYS

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Williamstown	14	13	1	0	167	74	93	225.68	52
2	Eltham/ Brunswick	14	8	6	0	154	106	48	145.28	32
3	Eastside	14	4	10	0	86	133	-47	64.66	16
4	Footscray/ Altona	14	3	11	0	75	169	-94	44.38	12

## UNDER 14 BOYS

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Williamstown	13	13	0	0	245	49	196	500.00	52
2	Eltham	13	11	2	0	217	53	164	409.43	44
3	Eastside	13	6	7	0	75	123	-48	60.98	24
4	Footscray	13	6	7	0	79	139	-60	56.83	24
5	MCC	13	3	10	0	57	140	-83	40.71	12
6	Surrey Park	13	0	13	0	42	211	-169	19.91	0

## UNDER 14 GIRLS

#	TEAM	P	W	L	B	For	Agst	GD	%	PTS
1	Footscray	13	10	2	1	125	61	64	204.92	44
2	Newport	13	9	3	1	130	63	67	206.35	40
3	Eastside Orange	11	6	3	1	97	49	48	197.96	32
4	Eltham	13	5	7	1	105	85	20	123.53	24
5	Eastside White	11	1	8	1	58	102	-44	56.86	12
6	Williamstown	13	0	12	1	32	188	-156	17.02	4

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