



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

2023 Annual General Meeting Agenda

Monday, November 20, 2023
Board Live at Alexanders
Pub & Open ZOOM CALL
7:00 PM

1. Welcome
2. Thank you to Sponsors
3. Minutes of the last AGM
 - Recommendation that the Minutes of the November 22, 2022 AGM be adopted as circulated
4. Consideration of the Financial Statements – Treasurer’s Report
 - Recommendation that the Financial Statements be accepted as circulated
5. President’s Report
6. Executive Reports:
 - Vice-President
 - Registrar
 - Equipment Manager
 - Field Manager
 - Uniform Manager
 - Tournament Director
 - Communications Director
 - Umpire-In-Chief
 - T-Ball Director
 - Tadpole Director
 - Mosquito Director
 - Pee Wee Director
 - Bantam Director
 - Midget Director
7. Questions from the Floor
8. Nominations and Election of Officers
9. Adjournment



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Thank You Sponsors

We gratefully acknowledge our sponsors and the financial assistance of the Province of British Columbia who enable us to "Play Ball"

| Type of Sponsorship | Name | Phone | Email / Website |
|---------------------|---|--------------|---|
| Team Grand Slam | The City of Vernon | 545-1361 | Website Http://www.vernon.ca |
| Team Grand Slam | Funtastic Sports Society | 250-558-7756 | Website http://funtasticsports.ca/ |
| Team Home Run | Tim Hortons | 260-7740 | Website http://www.timhortons.com |
| Team Home Run | Hytec - A Kohler Company | 250-546-3196 | Website http://www.hytec.ca/ |
| Team Home Run | Tolko | 250-545-4411 | Website https://tolko.com/ |
| Team Home Run | SOS Labour Leasing | 250-826-8608 | Website https://soslabourleasing.com/ |
| Team Triple | Kal Tire | 250-558-3200 | Website http://www.kaltire.com |
| Team Triple | Marjak Leasing, a division of Watkin Motors | 250-558-0525 | Website http://www.watkinmotors.com |
| Team Triple | Dairy Queen | 250-542-7573 | Email dq4030dq@icloud.com |
| Team Triple | Sun Dial Lighting | 250-545-7370 | Website http://www.sundiallighting.ca |
| Team Triple | Sun Valley Source for Sports, Vernon | 250-542-2852 | Website https://www.sourceforsports.ca |
| Team Double | Five Star Awards | 275-2600 | Website http://www.fivestarawards.ca |
| Team Double | Prostock Athletic | 604-291-8676 | Website http://www.goprostock.com |
| Team Double | MR MIKES SteakhouseCasual | 236-426-4436 | Website https://www.mrmikes.ca |



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

| | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------------|--------------|---|
| Team Double | Britech H Vac | 250-765-4446 | Website https://www.britechvac.com/ |
| Team Double | Creekside Animal Clinic | 250-549-3533 | Website https://www.creeksideanimalclinic.com/ |
| Team Single | The Castle at Swan Lake | 778-475-4232 | Email fd@swanlakecastle.com |
| Advertising Support | The Morning Star | 250-545-3322 | Website https://www.vernonmorningstar.com/ |
| Printing Services | Wayside Press | 545-2341 | Website http://www.waysideco.ca |
| Field Support | HMP Millworks | 250-308-6943 | Email: HMPMillworks@gmail.com |
| Field Support | Bear Paw Earthworks Ltd. | 250 545-9889 | Website www.bearpawearthworks.ca |
| Field Support | Lavington Turf Farms Ltd. | 250-549-2967 | Website: www.lavingtonturf.com |
| Web Services | Sayvee | 250-717-8855 | Website http://www.sayvee.com |
| Advertising Support | 107.5 Beach Radio | 250-545-7557 | Website https://vernonmatters.ca/radio-3/ |

Please show your support to our sponsors.



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Minutes for November 22, 2022 Vernon Baseball Association AGM

Board Members in-person attendance: Michael Sanfilippo, Matthew Brown, Jennifer Brown, Matt Davyduke, Stephanie Davyduke, Janet Coulter, Jason Coulter, Jason Gilbert, Stu Cleland, Clorissa Herman, Carl Vardon, Dan Braddick, Jeff Stevenson.

Also Joined in person by Ryan Novakowski and Darryl DeKlerk as well as online Zoom by Terista Mazu, Jerry DeVries, Ryan Mains and Rob Holmes.

Meeting called to order by Michael Sanfilippo, President at 7:00 pm.

Review of 2021 AGM Minutes

Questions? No. Michael recommended that the minutes of the November 23, 2020 AGM be accepted as circulated. Motioned by Dan Braddick. All in favor. Minutes adopted.

Financial Statement and Treasurer's report: Jason Gilbert reported we had another successful year financially with registrations up! VMB utilized \$5000 to complete pitching mounds at Marshal Fields. \$30,000 will be held for special projects like Lake View resurfacing, enclosed bullpens that will need to be completed with the next 5 year. Costs for jerseys and umpires were up this year. BC government did provide \$21,000 in the Gaming Funds.

Matthew Brown motioned to recommend the acceptance of the financial statements. All in favor.

President's report. Michael Sanfilippo: Very happy with the increase in registration of 344 kids. T-Bal 77, Tadpole 93, Mosquito 71, Pee Wee 51, Bantam 32, Midget 25. The league made huge steps forward with improving the quality of the fields as well as 4 installed score boards. Again, a big thank you to the executive team, coaches, umpires, volunteers, and sponsors for all their support. Baseball isn't possible without all your hard work and contributions.

Executive Reports

- **Vice-President Jeff Stevenson:** Great to see lots of new faces and leaning the roll. looking forward to another successful year in 2023 as Vice President.
- **Registrar-Shannon Sanfilippo:** Another great year with 344 kids registered up from 273 in 2021 and 159 in 2020. VBA is pleased to continue working the following organizations Jumpstart, Kids Sports, and A4k in the upcoming 2023 baseball season.
- **Field Manager report Matt Davyduke:** Many field upgrades starting with the rebuilding of Marshal Fields, enclosed bull pens for the 18U and potential bull pens in the future for the 15U, a new tractor for Marshal Field. The field closest to the road at Creekside park was a mess after 2 years of no use due to the poor back stop. With the help of city crews and volunteers we were able to get the field playable. We are still waiting and could be for a while to see if the city will raise the back stop or hang a net at the top to prevent foul

Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

balls from going into the homes behind the field. With the new irrigation at Creekside the fields stayed in better shape. Matt made arrangements with the city crew to truck in the same shale as McArthur Park in Kamloops which will be top dressed this spring. Lake View parks were well maintained this season. The old Lawn tractor from Marshal Field will be relocated to the new building for those fields.

Lavington, Armory, and Coldstream Park were good with no complaints. There is talk from the city about making a second ball field at the far end of Coldstream Park for T-ball.

- **Equipment Manager Jason Coulter:** Currently equipment is well situated. Moving forward we will need to purchase bats and some miscellaneous equipment. Currently suppliers are short in sock. This year we purchased a new Hack Attack pitching machine for the outdoor cage at Coldstream that can be used at Creekside as well. 60 dozen Rawlings baseballs which should cover us for the next couple of seasons as well as Level 1 and 5 baseballs for Tadpole and Tadpole summer ball.
- **Uniform Manager Janet Coulter:** We were able to order locally from Source for Sports for the spring and summer teams which consisted of T-shirts and hats that the kids were able to keep. T-ball and Tadpole shirts were provided by Tim Hortons. From this year's budget we pre ordered the bulk of jerseys for next season. We also ordered two sets of jerseys that will be used for the beginning of summer ball to hold over for our summer teams until the custom ones arrive. These jerseys are expected to be returned once the custom ones have arrived.
- **Communications Director report Jennifer Brown:** Registration started early this season. Advertising through radio ads, newspaper, and social media. Vernon Baseball website remains the best and fastest way to access baseball information. This includes registration, camps, academy, umpires and more. Our website team Sayvee is very professional and easy to work with.
- **Umpire-In-Chief report Stu Cleland:** Strong return for umpiring crew. Stu recommends planning for 2 separate clints as number of participants is overwhelming. Special recognition to Leo Gauthier, Pat Balfour, Jack Curry and Clarence Bodden for their dedication and willingness to not only work games but mentoring and shaping our younger umpires throughout the year without being asked. Another special thanks to Clorissa Herman for doing a great job for organizing umpires for games from start to finish. Big thanks again to coaches for directors for adhering so strongly to the "zero tolerance" for abuse policy has profound positive impact on our crew and will make it far more likely that they will return in the future.
- **T-Ball Director report Carl Vardon:** This year was a great year for T-Ball Players. 8 Teams of boys and girls sponsored by Tim Horton's enjoyed a fun season and were able to make friends and develop some fundamental baseball skills with the help from many knowledgeable coaches.
- **Tadpole Director report Jessica Davis:** A changed in our fields this year which received a lot of positive feedback, as the school fields were never popular in the past. We played at Lavington, Armoury and Coldstream Park. There was a summer team again this year that held 13 kids. It was awesome for the kids to play at a more competitive level.

Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

- **Mosquito Director Dan Braddick:** Spring Ball 2022 Mosquito Baseball season saw 71 players on 6 teams. Evaluations were held in Mid-April. The coaches ran different drill stations to help determine the skill of each player so that we could do our best to make the teams as even as possible. The teams played a 10-game season followed by a seeded double elimination playoff. Summer ball this year consisted of an 11U AAA team. This year the team participated in a few tournaments and some weekend double headers which lead them to the Provincials in Cloverdale.
- **Pee Wee Director Matthew Brown:** The Pee Wee group had about 51 players split into 3 Single A teams and 1 AA team. The single A's finished the season in a final double elimination tournament with a fantastic final game held in Salmon Arm with a win by the Vernon! The AA team participated in the Interior Zone game schedule of approximately 40 games including three tournaments. Vernon had a solid winning record heading into the zone tournament but unfortunately came up short in the last game and did not qualify for the provincial tournament.
- **Bantam Director Robert Holmes:** Bantams had two spring teams, we played in an interlock league with Salmon Arm's two teams as well as Enderby/Grindrod and Summerland. The players looking for more ball from the two Vernon teams tried out and formed a competitive summer team. We played games vs Salmon Arm and Kelowna in July as well as playing in Kelowna's famous Valley of the Champions tournament. Vernon qualified for the Provincial tournament held the second week of August in Maple Ridge. We played our first season on the new mound and infield at Marshall. Our fields and mound are the Envy of all the teams we played.
- **Midget Director Dan Braddick:** This season saw 25 players allowing us to form 2 AA teams that were evenly matched and allowed our graduating players to play alongside their closest friends in finishing their youth baseball Career. The teams played in an interior division for the Spring season that saw them face 2 teams from Kelowna, 1 team from Summerland and 1 team from Salmon Arm. Both Vernon teams finished on top of the league. We then held a North and South playoff that saw Vernon win the league. Vernon formed 1 summer team to participate in the Provincials held in Ladner. We unfortunately had no teams in the Interior to play against and went to the Provincials as a team that had only practiced. Another bright side of the Provincials was the invitation of Brennan Braddick and me to participate on the Provincial champion Vancouver Mounties at Westerns in Estavan Saskatchewan. Brennan played 2 roles for the team as both Catcher and Pitcher and I went as the first base coach. The team played well and jelled as a group right away leading them to become the 2022 Western Canadian 18UAA Champions.

Questions from the floor

With the information from the field manager about a second field at the Creekside park Ryan Novakowski pointed out that there is barely enough parking for two teams at the Coldstream park. If there was another field traffic and parking would be impossible. Matthew Davyduke will bring this up to the District of Coldstream.

Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Could there be communication earlier in the season if there will be a summer ball for the Tadpole and Mosquito divisions? This does depend on the number of kids wanting to play AA/AAA as well as coaches. Communicating to parents and kids would help us know if there will be a AA/AAA team so everyone is all better prepared.

Could the schedule to T-ball and Tadpole come out sooner? This also depends on available fields. We are on the list of associations considered to use field that will be created at Kin Race track. This will help with scheduling.

What's the status of the Scoreboards for Creekside? We will continue using the old wooden ones. In previous years the district was opposed to installing new score boards as they were concerned about vandalism. With new council members and Mayor we will continue to communicate with them and work towards this goal of the digital score boards.

Nominations and Election of Officers

- President – Michael Sanfilippo will stand. No other nominations.
- Vice-President – Jeff Stevenson. will stand. No other nominations.
- Secretary – Stephanie Davyduke will not stand. Cheryl Stevenson was nominated.
- Treasurer – Jason Gilbert will stand. No other nominations.
- Registrar – Shannon Sanfilippo will stand. No other nominations.
- Equipment Manager – Jason Coulter will stand. No other nominations
- Field Manager – Matt Davyduke will stand. No other nominations.
- Uniform Manager – Janet Coulter will stand. No other nominations.
- Communications Director – Jennifer Brown will stand. No other nominations.
- Umpire-In-Chief – Stuart Cleland will not stand. No other nominations.
- Umpire Co-Ordinator – Clorissa Herman will stand. No other nominations.
- T-Ball Director – Carl will stand. No other nominations.
- Tadpole Director – Jessica Davis will not stand. Ryan Novakowski was nominated.
- Mosquito Director – Dan Braddick will stand. No other nominations.
- Pee Wee Director – Matthew Brown will not stand. No other nominations.
- Bantam Director – Rob Holmes will not stand. Daryl DeKlerk was nominated.
- Midget Director – Dan Braddick will stand.
- Sponsorship Director – Stephanie Davyduke was nominated.
- Tournament Director – Trista Mazu was nominated.

Thank you to new members and existing members. Thank you to everyone attending.

Meeting adjourned 8:12 PM



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Consideration of the Financial Statements – Treasurer’s Report

Attached are the financial statements for the year ended October 31, 2023.

The organization had another successful year financially. Registrations were up this year and we were able to hold expenses at a reasonable level. We utilized \$15,000 (previously reserved funds) to complete the fencing of the bullpens at Marshall Fields. We also have worked with the City of Vernon to erect a fence to separate the dog park and the ball players at Marshall Fields. We also helped with costs associated with our storage locker at Lakeview Park.

At the VBA board meeting in October the board approved the restriction of \$30,000 for two major projects, the resurfacing of Lakeview Field #1 (\$15,000) and the resurfacing of Lakeview Field #2 (\$15,000). These projects will need to be completed within the next 4-5 years.

We hosted a very successful Mosquito Provincials. Financially it contributed approximately \$2,300 towards our association. Thank you to all the volunteers and participants.

Thank you to the BC Government as they provided \$21,000 in gaming funds to the association. This grant goes a long way to ensuring that baseball remains affordable for all to play.

I am happy to report we ended the season after all the upgrades with a deficit of \$10,479.03 for the year.

Jason Gilbert

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Vernon Baseball Association Statement of Revenue and Expenses Nov 1,2022 thru October 31,2023

REVENUE

| Revenue | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|
| Gaming Grant | 21,513.74 |
| Registration | 90,055.00 |
| Sponsorship | 2,000.00 |
| Tournament Registration | 2,175.00 |
| Interest | 1.74 |
| Cage Donation (Replish Equipment) | 475.00 |
| Provincials Revenue | 12,881.71 |
| Other Income | 8,937.90 |
| Total Revenue | 138,040.09 |

TOTAL REVENUE 138,040.09

EXPENSE

| Expenses | |
|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Advertising expense | 1,121.39 |
| Awards | 1,509.84 |
| AGM | 493.48 |
| Amortization | 8,727.01 |
| Bank Charges | 187.50 |
| Board Expenses | 570.72 |
| Coaching Expenses | 1,538.39 |
| Equipment | 15,945.80 |
| Field Expense | 15,685.74 |
| Field Improvements | 33,886.38 |
| Insurance Expense | 8,439.50 |
| Dues | 40.00 |
| Office Supplies | 647.44 |
| Pictures | 2,571.52 |
| Provincials Expense | 10,584.18 |
| Repairs and Maintenance | 920.01 |
| Signs | 480.49 |
| Tournaments | 5,598.92 |
| Registration Expense | 4,655.63 |
| Umpires Equipment | 2,425.95 |
| Umpires | 20,199.27 |
| Uniforms | 11,260.63 |
| Website | 1,029.33 |
| Total Expenses | 148,519.12 |

TOTAL EXPENSE 148,519.12

Total Deficit -10,479.03

Generated On: 11/06/2023



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Vernon Baseball Association Balance Sheet As At Oct 31,2023

ASSET

Current Assets

| | |
|---|------------------|
| Petty Cash Float | 237.00 |
| Vantage One Main Bank Account | -1,305.04 |
| Vantage One GAMING Account | 22.60 |
| Internally Restricted Cash (Note 1 & 2) | 30,000.00 |
| Investments (GIC's) | 40,000.00 |
| Misc Receivables | 400.00 |
| Prepaid Expenses | 11,703.71 |
| Vantage One Class D Equity Shares | 2.16 |
| Vantage One CU Shares Class A | 25.00 |
| Total Current Assets | 81,085.43 |

Capital Assets

| | |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Batting Cage | 118,161.59 |
| Batting Cage - indoor | 13,127.59 |
| Accum. Depr. - Batting Cage | -72,429.78 |
| Net - Batting Cage | 58,859.40 |
| Batting Cage Funds | -49,375.51 |
| Automotive Equipment | 8,356.41 |
| Accum. Depr. - Automotive Equip | -4,606.89 |
| Net - Automotive Equipment | 3,749.52 |
| Total Capital Assets | 13,233.41 |

TOTAL ASSET 94,318.84

LIABILITY

TOTAL LIABILITY 0.00

EQUITY

Equity

| | |
|-------------------------|------------------|
| Unrestricted Net Assets | 104,797.87 |
| Current Earnings | -10,479.03 |
| Total Equity | 94,318.84 |

TOTAL EQUITY 94,318.84

LIABILITIES AND EQUITY 94,318.84

Generated On: 11/06/2023

Note 1

Internally Restricted Funds - at the board meeting October 16,2022 the board restricted a total of \$30,000. \$15,000 for the the purpose of enclosing the bullpen at the U15 field and an additional \$15,000 to resurface Lakeview Diamond #1.

Note 2

The bullpen at U15 was completed in Aug 2023 leaving \$15,000 internally restricted Internally Restricted Funds - at the board meeting October 10,2023 the board restricted an additional \$15,000 for the purpose of resurfacing Diamond #2 at Lakeview park.

Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

President's Report

The 2023 baseball season saw 351 players playing in our Vernon leagues, a slight uptick from the prior year of 344. Registrations overall were good and matched the support we had for volunteer coaches in our divisions.

Our T-Ball division (7U) had a very solid year with 70 participants coming out to play ball. This level is so often driven and led to success by the parents and volunteers of the kids as coaches and helpers both on field and off. This season was no different with a great group of coaches and Carl's outstanding passion for the game. Tadpole (9U) was able to offer some solid skill building practices and several games for the 86 kids who registered. Tadpole also had a summer ball group that played in several weekend round robins and added some great competitive game level baseball for our young kids. In the Mosquito division (11U), we had 72 kids split up into 6 very competitive teams. A summer ball team was also formed at Mosquito and a great group of parents and volunteers hosted an exceptional Provincials. Pee Wee (13U) had a total of 3 Single A teams and one AA team and totaled 58 kids. Development around balks, leadoffs and pick off moves generated exciting baseball throughout the season. The Pee Wee AA team played a full season with a few major tournaments and a provincial birth in the 13U AA Provincial while the A teams played a 14-game season including a weekend Double elimination mid-season tournament and ended with a wrap up double elimination playoff. Bantam (15U) featured 39 kids and three Single A teams that had a very successful season of development and 12 games and a playoff with a local interlock. A summer ball team was also put together and played a handful of games into the summer and won a birth to their Provincial for some August baseball. The Midget division (18U) had a great season with return to interlock baseball. We had 26 kids in total and 2 AA teams. A lot of hard work and effort by the director and coaches managed to put together some great competitive local games. A summer ball team was pulled together and won a birth to Provincials to extend an already great season. All told we had Provincial level teams at all levels from Mosquito to Midget for the second consecutive year.

I can't say enough about what the community of parents and volunteers did again this year to pull another fantastic season together for the kids. As a board we worked through a number of unique challenges and provided an exceptional year to the kids. As a league we made huge steps forward in the quality of our fields, Lakeview has never looked better and the work put into the fencing at Marshall Field will provide us the opportunity to host a Provincial at 15U and 18U in years to come.

A special thank you to our executive team, coaches, umpires, volunteers & sponsors for their support this past season. Baseball isn't possible without your hard work & contributions.

Michael Sanfilippo
President, Vernon Baseball Association

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Vice-President's Report:

We had a great 2023 baseball season with lots of new faces on the ball field and behind the benches. This year was a success with a great season of ball at all of the divisions, and we saw many new field improvements that will enable us to continue to provide a strong level of skills development as well as enjoyment of game play.

I want to thank all the board members for a great year all around. I am looking forward to another successful year in 2024 as the vice president and getting to be involved in more of the associations needs going forward.

Thanks,

Jeff Stevenson

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Registrar's Report:

VBA had another great season with a slight increase in enrollment, we had 344 kids enrolled last season and according to our online registration system, Karelo we had **351** baseball players registered for the 2023 Spring season. Our summer baseball program included 14 Tadpole, 13 Mosquito, 12 Peewee, 11 Bantam and 15 Midget players.

| | |
|----------|----|
| T-ball | 70 |
| Tadpole | 86 |
| Mosquito | 72 |
| Pee Wee | 58 |
| Bantam | 39 |
| Midget | 26 |

Our online registration system, Karelo, was well received again this year. Manual registrations are only used as necessary to accommodate players that have used a funding resource or are not able to register on the computer. VBA is pleased to continue working with the following funding organizations Jumpstart, Kidsport and A4k in the upcoming 2022 baseball season.

As Registrar, I continue to enjoy my position and plan to continue as Registrar for the 2024 term.

Shannon Sanfilippo
VBA Registrar

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Equipment Manager's Report:

This season saw us do a thorough cleanup of our equipment storage. Old gear was cleared out and donated to smaller surrounding associations thanks to Carl Vardon. We have placed a sizeable fall order that will situate us well for the upcoming season. We will be renewing much of the catcher gear across all age groups as well as further updating Mosquito house with the new larger barrel bats allowed for that age. We have started the process of replacing our Tadpole pitching machines by purchasing 4 new machines that will replace half of our machines this upcoming season. We are well situated for baseballs across all ages. Spring will see us looking for bats for our Summer and Single season teams, new first aid kits and other miscellaneous needs that were not available in inventory this fall.

Looking forward to a new season and enjoying the offseason.

Thank you,
Jason Coulter

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com

Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Field Manager's Report:

2023 Vernon minor baseball was another year for the books.

Had some issues at Lakeview Park to start to season, which moved practices to DND fields for our mosquito players. The City of Vernon did a great job in getting those issues rectified as quick as possible so they were able to play their games and have a great season at Lakeview Park.

T-ball and Tadpole fields were in good shape for the season, as I didn't hear of any major issues at all. They are in the middle of installing a whole new irrigation system at the Lavington fields which we are hoping will be ready for spring.

Creekside Park continued to improve with the work from the District of Coldstream. Again, major issues that were brought forward.

Marshall fields were in great shape for the season. Working with the City of Vernon, we were able to achieve separation from the dog park for both the fields to have a dog free area to play and watch the games.

Thank you for another great season.

Matt Davyduke
Field Manager

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Uniform Manager's Report:

This will be my final year holding the position of Uniform Manager. We continued to order locally from Sun Valley Sports this year, however we may be branching out for next season to get a bigger selection. Uniforms consisted of t-shirts and hats this year which each player was able to keep. T-ball and Tadpole shirts and hats were again provided from Tim Hortons. The pre - ordering of the jerseys did cut down on a lot of last-minute rushing and I would recommend doing that again if possible.

We did get to use the house jerseys which were ordered to be used at the beginning of summer ball until the custom ones came in.

All jerseys are from Tim Hortons and Source for Sports here in Vernon. For next year we may be looking at ordering some stock from Pro Stock.

Janet Coulter
Uniform Manager

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Tournament Director's Report

This year we successfully hosted the u11 AAA Tier 2 Provincials. There was a total of 10 teams in this tournament from all over BC and was well received by all. The tournament included a skills competition the night prior to the tournament where lots of laughs, laughter, and memories were made. It took a lot of volunteers, and I could not be more grateful for not only the team and executive for stepping up but also the community around us.

We did try to host a U13 AA tournament over Father's Day. Unfortunately, with many teams having playoffs that weekend we were not able to get the teams we had hoped for. We did however have 3 local teams come and play a mini weekend. There was some great competition and a skills competition to end the weekend.

Overall, we had a successful year.

Terista Mazu
Tournament Director

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com

Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Communication Director's Report:

The 2023 season was successful. We ran radio ads with Beach Radio 107.5 for registration.

The Vernon Baseball website remains the best and fastest avenue for members and non- members alike to access all things baseball. Parents can access information for registration, camps, academy, umpires, and more. Email inquiries are routed via the forwarding system which makes it easy for people to contact the correct director for a quick response. It is all very efficient. Our website team at Sayvee is very professional and easy to work with. They are always very proactive with meeting our needs.

I continue to be in awe of the commitment from our Board of Directors. Also, we are very fortunate to have Michael Sanfilippo as our president. Thank you, Michael, for the countless hours that you spend making VBA run smoothly. Your dedication to kids' ball is very appreciated.

Thank you to all our sponsors, partners and volunteers who put in their funding, time, and effort in making "Play Ball" happen.

Jennifer Brown, Communications Director

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

Umpire in Chief's Report:

My introduction to baseball in Vernon was at the spring level 1 and 2 clinic held in April at Marshall Fields. I was the new guy there, and really did not know anyone and any process and procedures of Vernon baseball. I literally had to learn on the fly, so to speak.

My intent in taking on the role of UIC was to mentor and train the younger umpires. Unfortunately, due to the shortage of umpires at the senior levels, it became necessary for me to umpire games, leaving me little time to train the younger umpires. My thanks to Jack Curry and Leo Gauthier for their assistance.

A special thanks to our umpire coordinators, Clorissa Herman and Michael Sanfilippo. After having spent this past season and seeing the issues, I would like to implement these suggestions for next year:

We need to designate an umpire "trainer" that strictly works with the younger umpires. This trainer needs to work with the UIC and the scheduler. There were many occasions where the umpires on the field were not performing at their best. I believe this was due to improper training and no on-field supervision. They just didn't know what to do under certain circumstances. That is on us as trainers.

I am also proposing that we conduct additional umpire clinics starting early in the spring, for training these younger umpires. Not just for 4 hours in one day as is currently being done.

Recruitment of younger umpires is another issue that we need to address. I would like to work with some of the schools and some of their athletic personnel or principals. They can help identify people who would be willing to attend the clinics.

I would like to start with that process early in the new year.

Although my beginning here was quite stressful, I did enjoy working with the umpires and especially the board. I look forward to the next year and hopefully with changes the umpiring situation will be lot easier for all of us, especially the umpire schedulers.

Umpire in Chief
Issy Steen

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

7U/T-Ball Director's Report

This year was a great year for T-Ball Players. A total of 8 teams of boys and girls sponsored by Tim Hortons enjoyed a fun season and were able to make friends and develop some fundamental baseball skills with the help from many knowledgeable coaches. The season ended with a wrap up party at Lavington Park.

Carl Vardon
T-Ball Director

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

9U/Tadpole Director's Report:

We had a very successful 9U Tadpole spring season. There were 88 kids registered and divided up into 8 teams sponsored by Tim Hortons. The 8 teams play 19 games which supported player development and the skills of hitting, throwing, catching and fielding were noticeably improved from the start to the end. A total of 8 head coaches, 8 assistant coaches and countless parent helpers made this season a great success.

9U was also able to support a summer program for the 13 very dedicated players and parents. After a rocky start the season took off and was a massive success for this team. The team thrived and came together and never looked back.

The 9U tadpole division was a great success and looking forward to another great year.

Ryan Novakowski
9U Director

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

11U/Mosquito Director's Report:

Spring Ball

The 2023 Mosquito season saw 72 players on 6 teams take to the field. Evaluations were held by the coaches and a draft was held to make the teams as even as possible. We held 2 practices a week for the first few weeks. Once games started the teams were playing twice a week with one practice as well. The season finished up with a double elimination playoff to determine the top team of 2023.

Summer Ball

This year we formed one summer team at the 11U AAA Tier 2. Being the host of the Provincials at this level, the team as well as the whole organization was excited for the season and the event. The team attended a few tournaments where they showed well leading up to provincials. The team played hard but fell short and did not qualify for the semi finals. The provincials went off with out a hitch thanks to all of the volunteers and planning led by our Tournament Director, Terista Mazu.

Dan Braddick
Mosquito Director

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

13U/Pee Wee Director's Report

The Pee Wee group had about 58 players split into 3 Single A teams and 1 AA team. In Single A ball, we played an interlock schedule with 3 teams from Salmon Arm and 2 from Enderby. The eight-team schedule provided 1 month practice and then a fourteen-game schedule bringing the regular season to an end in mid-June.

We also hosted a Vernon-only 4 team midseason double elimination tournament in May as well as hosted the final double elimination tournament. The AA team of 12 players practiced 2 and 3 days per week from April thru July. The players were very dedicated and worked hard throughout the summer. They participated in the Interior zone game schedule of approximately 40 games including three tournaments. Vernon had a solid season heading into the zone tournament but won a berth to the provincial tournament. Thanks to all the coaches and the behind-the-scenes efforts of the VBA executive to support making this season a success.

Michael Sanfilippo
Pee Wee Director

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

15U/Bantam Director's Report:

The 2023 Bantam age had three spring teams and played in an interlock league with 9 other teams ranging from Salmon Arm (2), Enderby, West Kelowna, Summerland and Penticton. Our teams were very competitive, placing in the top half and falling only to Salmon Arm in the week-long playoffs in late June. Most of the season's 18 games/team were exciting to watch for our exuberant fans and good sportsmanship prevailed.

Weekly practices and 2-3 games per week kept everyone hopping and skills growing – including in weekend double-headers vs. out-of-town teams. One of our teams also accepted the invitation to Kelowna's house-league tournament. After an initial loss (blaming field conditions, of course) they came from behind to take the title! We'll see if we're invited back next year.

A competitive summer team began extra practicing in early Spring under Jason Gilbert's seasoned guidance. Rather than forming a AA team that would involve 6-8 trips to the coast (too taxing for most families), the summer ball players were evenly divided among our three house league teams. By July they were playing against Salmon Arm and other regional teams, participating in three tournaments in Kelowna, Kamloops and on the coast. At Provincials on the coast the close games kept everyone cheering loudly. After some thrilling wins we placed a very respectable 5th. Way to go everyone!

In September a group of 5-10 incoming players rounded off the season with some fall-ball practices led by Jerry Mazu. Next year looks promising, with conversations already underway for head coaches.

A big thank you to all the players, parents, coaches, umps, field volunteers and city staff. Notably, an extensive fence was approved and installed around the Marshall diamonds (Bantam and Midget), making for a more pleasant separation of dogs and hotdog-toting fans and players.

Sincerely,
Daryl DeKlerk, Bantam director

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com



Vernon Baseball Association

PO Box 63, Vernon, B.C. V1T 6M1

Email: info@vernonbaseball.com Web: www.vernonbaseball.com

18U/Midget Director's Report

The 2023 Midget season saw 26 players forming two teams take to the field. These two teams practiced twice a week and played two games a week. Both Vernon teams dominated the Interior division, which was made up of Salmon Arm, Kelowna with three teams, Penticton and Kamloops.

We formed a single summer team made up of 15 players. This team faced off against Kelowna for the right to go to Provincials, which we won. Mission hosted the Provincials on the coast. The team played well taking out the second and third place teams in the round robin but we fell short of making it to the semi finals.

This season saw 8 Vernon players finish up their Vernon Baseball careers by attending and putting in a great effort at the Provincials.

Dan Braddick
Midget Director

Please direct questions/concerns to Vernon Baseball Association www.vernonbaseball.com