

Baseball Licenced Hours



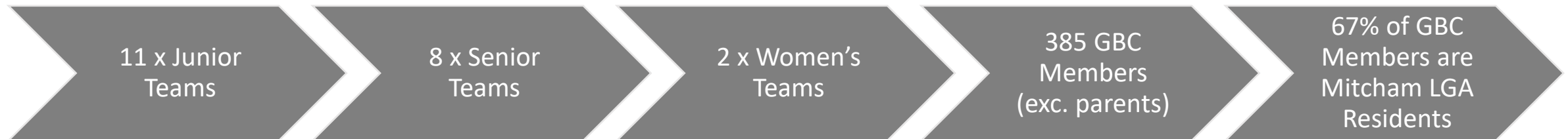
Agenda

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Summary



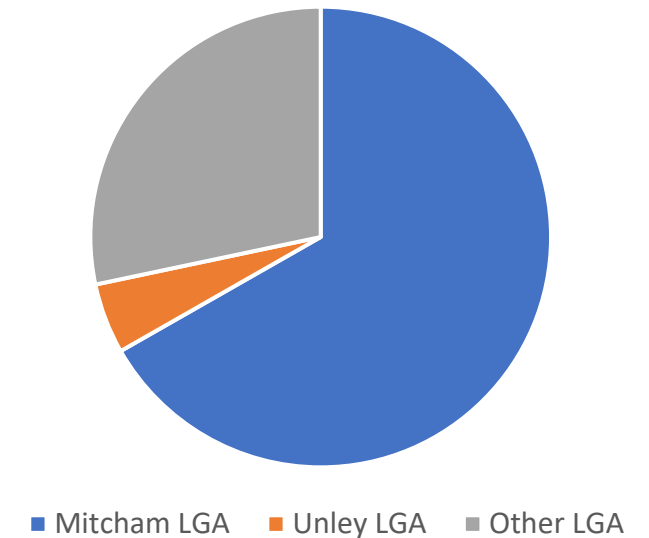
- Licenced hours were reduced from 100.5 hours to 79 hours in 2018 (Goodwood concession).
- We require at least the **current licenced hours** to allow flexibility to accommodate Home & Away fixtures and training across all teams (we are now asking for 81 hours).
- The facility and open space is used by the whole Mitcham LGA community, not just those in 5041
- GBC members are growing, in particular increasing participation in Women's baseball.
- GBC use hasn't increased.



GBC Players & Volunteers by Location

Players & Volunteers by Location	No. of Members	% Members
Live in Colonel Light Gardens	69	18%
Live in Postcode 5041 (but not CLG)	63	16%
Live in Mitcham LGA (not in CLG or 5041)	125	32%
Subtotal in Mitcham LGA	257	67%
Live in Unley LGA	19	5%
Outside Mitcham & Unley LGA's	109	28%
Total Players & Volunteers	385	100%

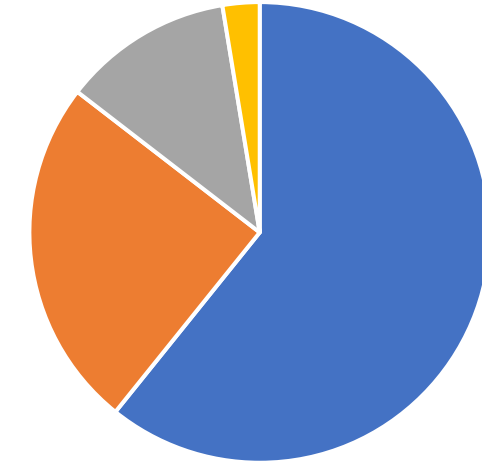
GBC Members Season 23/24



GBC Members by Demographic

Members Type	No. of Members	% Members
Junior Player	234	61%
Senior Player	95	25%
Volunteer (registered)	46	12%
Life Member (non-playing)	10	3%
Total GBC Members	385	100%

GBC Members Season 23/24



■ Junior Player ■ Senior Player ■ Volunteer ■ Life Member

Friday Night Little League Members

Little League	No. of Children	No. Parents	%
Total Mitcham Council (inc. 5041)	75	113	74%
Total 5041	37	55	36%
Total Little League	102	153	

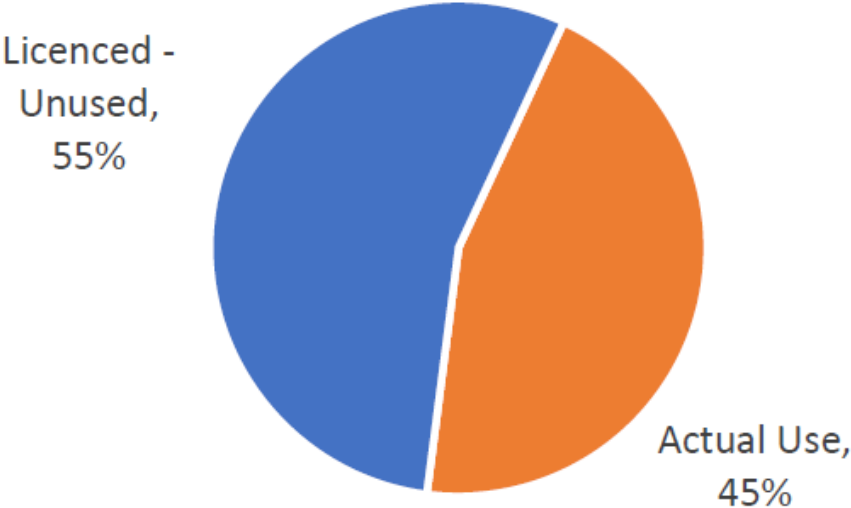
2023/24 Season



ACTUAL USAGE VS LICENCED HOURS

GRAND TOTAL	45%
MONDAY-FRIDAY	48%
WEEKEND	43%

GBC Hours Licenced vs Actual Use



Current Licenced Hours – East (Baseball Field)

Monday: no usage

Tuesday – Friday: 4:30 – 8:30pm

Saturday: 9am – 7pm

Sunday: 8am – 8pm



Current Licenced Hours – South West (Football Field)

Monday & Wednesday: no usage

Tues, Thurs, Friday: 4:30 – 8:30pm

Saturday: 9am – 7pm

Sunday: 8am – 7pm



Current Licenced Hours – Warm up Area

Pitching and Batting Tunnels

Monday - Friday: 4:30 – 8:30pm

Saturday: 9am – 7pm

Sunday: 8am – 8pm



Current Licenced Hours – North-West

Junior's training & warm-up when D2 being used

Tues & Thursday: 4:30 – 6:30pm

Sunday: 8am – 5pm



Additional Hours Requested - 2 hours per week

East

- ~~Monday 5:30 – 7:30pm~~ – no longer requested
- Change to Saturday (8pm)/Sunday finish (7pm) - no nett change

South-West (Footy Oval)

- Wednesday 5:30 – 7:30pm – for Women's training.
- Currently 10 teams utilising Eastern field on Wednesday.

Flinders University – short term arrangements

- Currently use Flinders University Tues/Thurs 5:30pm – 7pm (Oct – December)
- Also utilise Flinders on Friday evenings and Saturdays for some games

'Why are the licenced hours necessary given our <50% usage?'

Simple: fixtures dictate maximum of 50% home games (50% are AWAY)

Weekend Usage:

- Each team/division fixtures are set timeslots across the Baseball League.
- Fixtures dictate **maximum of 50% home games (home & away games)**
- Span of licenced hours are necessary as GBC has no control over home game schedule.

Other Factors Reducing our usage:

- Christmas break (inc. 3 weeks for Juniors)
- Use of Flinders Uni in from October – December limiting use of NW oval (no long-term agreement)
- Not all teams participate in Finals during March, reducing training and game times.

Saturday Example Scenarios

	Week 1		Week 2	
Timeslot	East	SW	East	SW
9am – 11am	Division 4	Warm-up 1 hour	Division 7	Warm-up 1 hour
11am – 1:30pm	Division 3	Warm-up 1 hour	Division 6	No USE
1:30pm – 4pm	Division 2	Warm-up 1 hour	No USE	No USE
4pm – 7pm	Division 1	No USE	No USE	No USE

Sunday Example Scenarios – South West Field

	Week 1			Week 2		
Timeslot	East	SW	NW	East	SW	NW
9am – 11am	U11	U10	Warm-up 1 hour	U11	Warm-up 1 hour	No use
11am – 1:30pm	U13/1	U13/2	Warm-up 1 hour	U13/1	No use	No use
1:30pm – 4pm	U15	U17	Warm-up 1 hour	No use	No use	No use
4pm – 7pm	U14	No use	No use	No use	No use	No use

Use of South West Oval

Tues/Thurs: Junior training

Friday: Women's games and Little League

Saturday: Warm-up only, no organised games

Sunday: Junior games & warm-up

- Unfortunately, **Baseball SA** has and will change the structure and times of competitions.
- Therefore, the span of hours is necessary for GBC to maintain flexibility.
- It is likely that the Women's Divisions 2 & 3 may see some movement, e.g. from Friday night to Saturday or Sunday.



Licensed Hours Options – Reduced Hours

Based on Advisory Group discussions should there be a recommendation of:

‘No increase in hours, and North West space returned to sole community use’

GBC proposes an additional batting tunnel which could be a temporary retractable net adjacent new changerooms/tunnels to cease long range batting practice on weekend on Western Oval.

- Losing the NW impacts Junior training Tues/Thurs from Jan – Mar, when GBC do not have access to Flinders Uni grounds. This is not mitigated with extra batting tunnel.
- Therefore, Mitcham Council would need to identify a new oval/space for Junior team training, including changeroom and toilet facilities.

Licensed Hours Options – Reduced Hours

Some resident's opinions:

'Licensed hours reduced – i.e. no use of Footy Oval'

Mitcham Council would need to identify a new oval & facilities for up to:

- 11 Junior teams (130 children)
- Little League (125 children)

Advertising Schedule

Response to assertion that: 'weekly updates just aren't good enough'

- Fixtures are set for the entire season from October – March.
- GBC can advertise the full season in advance of season opening + a weekly social media update.



A screenshot of a Facebook post from the Goodwood Baseball Club. The post is titled "Field use this upcoming weekend" and lists the schedule for the Eastern and Western fields. It includes links to the full season schedule for both fields.

 **Goodwood Baseball Club**
3 days ago · 🌐

Field use this upcoming weekend

Eastern Field:
Saturday: 9am - 7pm
Sunday: 9am - 1pm

Western Field:
Saturday: warm up 10 - 11am, 12:30 - 13:30pm, 15:00 - 16:00pm (southern side)
Sunday: 9am - 1pm

For those looking to plan ahead the full season schedule can be found here:
Eastern Field: https://websites.mygameday.app/comp_info.cgi?round=14...
Western Field: https://websites.mygameday.app/comp_info.cgi?round=13...

Weekday Schedule

Day	Times	South West Oval	North West Oval	Baseball Field (East)	Batting Cages (Practice Nets)	Ball Pen (Warm-up area)
Monday		No licence	No licence	No licence	No licence	No licence
Tuesday	4.45pm – 6.30pm	U13 Div 1 and Div 2	U17 Div 2	U14	U15	U14 & U15
	6.00pm – 6.30pm	U14 & U15	U17 Div 2	Div 1,2 & 3	Div 1,2 & 3	Div 1,2 & 3
	6.00pm – 7.30pm	U17 Div 1 Red, U17 Div 1 Black & U17 Div 2	U17 Div 2 (to 6:30pm)	Div 1,2 & 3	Div 1,2 & 3	U17 Div 1 Red, U17 Div 1 Black & U17 Div 2 and Men's Div 1,2 &3
		7 teams		4 teams		
Wednesday	4.45pm – 6.30pm	No licence	No licence	U10 Red, U10 Black, U11 Red & U11 Black	U10 Red, U10 Black, U11 Red & U11 Black	U10 Red, U10 Black, U11 Red & U11 Black
	6.00pm – 7.30pm	No licence	No licence	Div 6 Red, Div 6 Black, Div 7 Red, Div 7 Black, Women's Div 2 & Women's Div 3	Div 6 Red, Div 6 Black, Div 7 Red, Div 7 Black, Women's Div 2 & Women's Div 3	Div 6 Red, Div 6 Black, Div 7 Red, Div 7 Black, Women's Div 2 & Women's Div 3
				10 teams		
Thursday	4.45pm – 6.30pm	U13 Div 1 and Div 2	U17 Div 2	U14	U15	U14 & U15
	6.00pm – 6.30pm	U14 & U15	U17 Div 2	Div 1,2 & 3	Div 1,2 & 3	Div 1,2 & 3
	6.00pm – 7.30pm	U17 Div 1 Red, U17 Div 1 Black & U17 Div 2	U17 Div 2 (to 6:30pm)	Div 1,2 & 3	Div 1,2 & 3	U17 Div 1 Red, U17 Div 1 Black & U17 Div 2 and Men's Div 1,2 &3
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Friday	5.00pm – 7.00pm	Little League Program ½ usage	No licence	Little League Program	Nil	Nil
	4.45pm – 8.00pm	Women's Div 2 and Women's Div 3	No licence	Women's Div 2 and Women's Div 3	Women's Div 2 and Women's Div 3	Women's Div 2 and Women's Div 3

Weekend Fixture Times – Senior teams

Current schedule has been consistent for 2 years, however, is subject to change by Baseball SA.

Saturday (Seniors):

9am – 11am: Division 4 & 7

11am – 1:30pm: Division 3 & 6

1:30pm – 4pm: Division 2 & 5

4pm – 7pm: Division 1

East oval used for Senior games

South West oval used for Senior warm-up for 2-3 hours (batting & fielding practice)



Weekend Fixture Times – Juniors & Women's D1

Current schedule has been consistent for 2 years, however, is subject to change by Baseball SA.

Sunday (Juniors):

9am – 11am: U10 & U11 (4 teams)

11am – 1:30pm: U13/1 & U13/2 (2 teams)

1:30pm – 4pm U15 & U17 (4 teams)

4pm – 6pm: U14 & **WD1** (1 team)

East & South West

Used for Junior games

North-West

Used for warm-up when South West Oval being used for games.



Thank you



Western Oval: Saturday 17th Feb @ 10:56am