



2023 Induction

Warren Charles

For continuous and passionate impact on South Australian Baseball through excellence in Umpiring & Baseball Administration

Warren commenced playing baseball for Port Adelaide in 1943 before transferring to Glenelg for 1955 and due to work commitments playing in the Port Pirie League from 1958.

Warren debut for Port Adelaide/Varsity in 1952/53, cap #4; Woodville Magpies in 1953/54 & 1954/55 in the Night Baseball.

Warren transferred to umpiring in the 1960 season, which was the start of his outstanding career in umpiring. In 1961/62 he started umpiring Night Baseball which he continued until the final season in 1967/68, umpiring 88 games & 15 final games.

In the Chrysler Cup series he umpired in 4 series which included 3 games as Chief Umpire.

At Major A/Division 1 level Warren umpired in 15 Grand Finals between 1964 & 1983/84.

In Claxton Shield series Warren umpired in 16 series, 135 games.

Warren spent 6 years on SABL committees and 20 years on Baseball Umpires Assoc. of SA committee, which included 6 years as President.

Warren umpired his 2000th appearance in all levels of baseball – from schoolboys to internationals as at 2nd January, 1980 & continued to umpire until 20th October, 1984, a total of 2,504 games umpired.

Warren Charles – One of the all-time Great Umpires.

South Australia Baseball League

SABL Permit Committee Member (5 years) – 1967, 1968, 1969, 1968/69, 1969/1970

SABL Tribunal Committee Member (1 year) – 1999/2000

Claxton Shield State Selector – 1964, 1965, 1966

Claxton Shield Activities Committee Member – 1966, 1971, 1976 to 1981

Port Adelaide Baseball Club

Player – 1943 to 1954 (12 seasons)

Night Baseball League – Port Adelaide/Varsity

Player – 1952/1953 (1 season)

Night Baseball League – Woodville Magpies

Player – #4, 1953/1954, 1954/1955 (2 seasons)

Glenelg Baseball Club

Major A player #89

1955 to 1957 (3 seasons)

Port Pirie Baseball League

Player – 1958 to 1959 (2 seasons)



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Baseball Umpires Association of SA

President (6 years) - 1970/1971 to 1975/1976

Vice President (2 years) - 1976/1977 & 1978/1979

Committee Member (13 years) - 1962 to 1969, 1977/1978 to 1982/1983

Delegate to SABL (8 years) - 1962 to 1969

Umpires Appointment Board (1 year) - 1987/1988

2 x Umpire of the Year - 1982/1983 & 1984/1985

Umpiring

Claxton Shield series (16 series - 135 games)

1961, 1966, 1967, 1969 to 1972, 1974 to 1978, 1980 to 1982

Claxton Shield - 1967 - Umpires Award for the series

Australian Night Baseball Championship (4 series)

1964/1965 to 1967/1968

Night Baseball (7 seasons)

1961/1962 to 1967/1968

Night Baseball Grand Final (3 series)

1963/1964, 1965/1966, 1966/1967

Major A / Division 1 Grand Finals (15 series)

10 x Chief Umpire -

1964, 1967, 1969/1970, 1970/1971, 1971/1972, 1972/1973, 1973/1974, 1980/1981, 1981/1982, 1982/1983

5 x Base Umpire - 1976/1977, 1977/1978, 1978/1979, 1979/1980, 1983/1984

International games

20 games, Chief Umpire - 14

SA Country Championships in Adelaide

8 Championships, 70 games, 1970, 1972, 1974, 1976, 1978, 1980, 1982, 1984

Australian University Championships in Adelaide

1964, 1968, 1973, 1982, 28 games

Major Awards

1986 Elected Life Member of the SA Baseball League

1972 Elected Life Member of Baseball Umpires Association of SA

2000 Received the Australian Sports Medal for services to baseball awarded by the Governor General