

2015 Hall of Fame Inductee - John Galloway

Category: Playing 1968 to 1988

Club History:

John Galloway was a life-long player, from juniors to masters, in two States, beginning in South Australia. He started playing baseball at Unley Primary Schools under his dad Max, who was the coach, before joining Kensington when he was seven-years-old.

Made his A grade debut for Kensington in 1969/70 as a shortstop, before taking on catching duties the following season (his main position). Played in a league premiership, won club MVP and batting awards, was runner-up for the Todd Medal in 1971/72. In total played 209 baseball games for Kensington, including 88 A grade games.

Played for East Torrens from the 1973/74 season for six years. Played in two premierships, was third in the Capps Medal in 1976/77, and was a club MVP. Played 147 A grade games.

Played with Woodville from the 1979/80 season for three years (as playing coach). Played in a premiership, won the Capps Medal in 1979/80 (runner-up the following season), won two club MVPs, and a batting trophy. Was also the grand final MVP in 1981, and finished with 79 A grade games.

Moved to Victoria to play and coach the Sunshine club from 1982/83 to his retirement from A grade baseball playing approximately 200 games. John was captain-coach of three premierships, won five club MVPs, is a Life Member, member of the club's Hall of Fame, and was inducted as a club legend in 2013. He also played in five Masters premierships with Sunshine. Also coached Upwey Ferntree Gully Baseball Club in 1997/98, and played winter baseball for Werribee and Bacchus Marsh, including playing in the 2000 premiership with his sons Kane and Chad.

State History:

John Galloway started his state representation in 1969 with the South Australian under 18s.

For South Australia, he played Claxton Shield for the state from 1973-82, including two championship teams (1976, 1980).

Won the 1980 Helms Award. Won three state MVP (Bob Finn Award) trophies as a catcher.

Managed the Victorian Claxton Shield team from 1985-86, winning the championships of 1984 and 1986.

In the first year of the ABL (1989/90) Galloway was a coach of the Melbourne Monarchs.

He was named as an assistant coach to the Claxton Shield Diamond Anniversary Victorian All-Star team.

From 1998-2000 coached the Victorian under 18 team.

National History:

John Galloway represented Australia on numerous occasions, including captain once, and coached senior and junior teams.

As a player, he represented his country in 1975 (Asian Series in Seoul), 1977 (against Nippon Korean), 1978 (World Amateur Series in Italy), 1979 (Asian Series in Japan/Korea) 1980 (Honda team and Korea at Norwood Oval), 1981-82 (Korea, Norwood Oval).

He was Australian Senior Assistant Manager in 1985, and Australian senior coach in 1989 and 1990.

Coached the Australian under19 team for three years, 1986-88 (USA, Canada and Mexico).

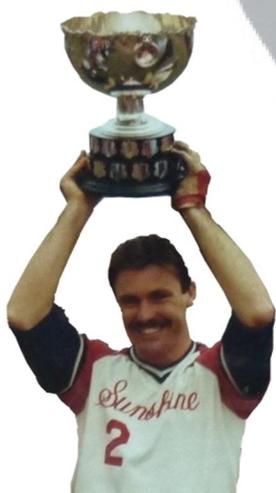
Played four years in the Geelong and Melbourne Masters carnival sides.

International/Professional History:

John Galloway was a baseball scout for the Toronto Blue Jays for nine years.

Awards/Trophies/Recognition:

In 2000 John Galloway was awarded the Australian Sports Medal for services to baseball.



SBC 1982-83 Premiership



1980 Helms Award