



## BBL|10 Team Notes Melbourne Stars

**Squad:** Hilton Cartwright, Jackson Coleman, Nathan Coulter-Nile, Andre Fletcher (WI), Seb Gotch, Liam Hatcher, Clint Hinchliffe, Dilbar Hussain (Pak), Zahir Khan (Afg), Nick Larkin, Nic Maddinson, Glenn Maxwell, Jono Merlo, Lance Morris, Ed Newman, Tom O'Connell, Nicholas Pooran (WI), Will Pucovski, Billy Stanlake, Marcus Stoinis, Adam Zampa **Coach:** David Hussey

**In:** Andre Fletcher, Liam Hatcher (Thunder), Nicholas Pooran, Billy Stanlake (Strikers), Will Pucovski, Zahir Khan (Heat)

**Out:** Peter Handscomb (Hurricanes), Daniel Worrall (Strikers), Sandeep Lamichhane (Hurricanes), Ben Dunk (released midway through BBL 10)

### International availability:

- **Andre Fletcher** – Available until January 24 – has a contract in the Abu Dhabi T10
- **Dilbar Hussain** – Injured and now out of BBL 10 – Was previously available all tournament.
- **Nicholas Pooran** – Departed – was available from 16 December to 10 January
- **Zahir Khan** – Available from 19 December (quarantine) and not selected in Afghanistan's ODI squad
- **Haris Rauf** – Departed - Selected for Pakistan's Test squad v South Africa

### Stars Run Home: Renegades (Marvel), Scorchers (MCG), Sixers (MCG)

- The Stars have won their last two matches, sit in 4<sup>th</sup> on 23 points with 5 wins, 5 defeats, a no result and 6 Bash Boost points
  - Defeated Renegades by 6 wickets (and 5 balls to spare) at MCG on January 17
- Stars lost the BBL 09 Final by 19 runs in a 12 over match against the Sixers at the SCG; having finished 1<sup>st</sup> on the ladder
  - Stars lost The Qualifier by 43 runs against Sixers but won The Challenger by 28 runs against Thunder (both at MCG)
  - It was the 2<sup>nd</sup> time the Stars had finished 1<sup>st</sup> on the table; Scorchers in BBL 06 are the only team to win the title after finishing 1<sup>st</sup>
  - Stars won 10 of their first 11 matches in BBL 09, before losing their last three regular season matches
- Stars have only missed the Finals in one BBL season (BBL 07); but have lost in the Semi-Finals five times and the Final three times
  - Stars are one of only two teams yet to win a BBL title; along with the Hurricanes
- **Jonny Bairstow** had to withdraw after being recalled by the English Cricket Board to prepare for its upcoming tour of Sri Lanka
- **Hilton Cartwright's** Strike Rate of 133.8 (174 runs) in BBL 10 is his highest by BBL seasons; Strike Rate of 126.4 in BBL 09
  - Cartwright has batted at numbers 3, 4, 5 and 6 during BBL 10
- Cartwright faced 10 of the Stars' last 12 balls in their match v Strikers on January 15 – went from 4\* (7) to 30\* (17) batting at number 4 (just the 2<sup>nd</sup> time this season batting in the position)
  - Cartwright had a record 207-run partnership with Stoinis v Sixers at the MCG last season
- **Jackson Coleman** stands at 196cm and played one match for the Stars in BBL 09; taking 3-16 against the Scorchers before suffering a side strain; is yet to play in BBL 10
- **Nathan Coulter-Nile** returns for the Stars; injured his calf when he last played on Boxing Day v Sixers
  - Took 10 wickets @ 7.5 economy for the Stars in BBL 09; but went for 0-22 (2) in the Final against Sixers
  - Took 5 wickets @ 7.9 economy for Mumbai Indians in the 2020 IPL; including 2-29 (4) in the Final against Delhi Capitals
- **Ben Dunk** has left the Stars by mutual agreement with a year and a half still left on his contract
  - Dunk has also been signed by the Lahore Qalanders in the PSL
- Outside **Andre Fletcher's** 89\* (49) v Strikers with 8 fours and 4 sixes, the Grenadian has scored just 106 runs in 10 innings with a strike rate of 111.6
- Has played 25 ODIs and 45 T20Is for the West Indies; made his T20I debut v Australia at Bridgetown in 2008
  - Scored 211 runs @ 128 SR for the St Lucia Zouks in the CPL; as well as taking 13 catches and two stumpings as keeper
    - The 'Spiceman' has played 211 T20 matches worldwide; including in Pakistan, Bangladesh and Canada
- **Seb Gotch** has made just 13 runs in 3 innings in BBL 10
  - scored just 46 runs from seven innings in BBL 09; scored two centuries in his two Shield matches for VIC last summer

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- **Liam Hatcher** was player of the match in the last Melbourne Derby, taking 3-29 (4)
- Taken 13 wickets in 8 matches this season at a strike rate of 14.31
  - Made his NSW debut in the One-Day Cup and Shield last season; was with the Thunder for the past four seasons
- **Clint Hinchliffe** has bowled just 5 overs in BBL 10, taking 2 wickets at a strike rate of 15
  - took 8 wickets @ 8.1 economy bowling left-arm wrist spin in BBL 09
- **Dilbar Hussain** has been ruled out of BBL 10 with a hamstring injury; will be a teammate of Dunk at Lahore Qalanders in the 2021 PSL
- **Zahir Khan** has played just 5 games in BBL 10 and took 2-23 (4) v Renegades
  - Zahir failed to take a wicket in his first 10 overs in BBL 10, before taking 4 wickets in his last 8 overs
- took 8 wickets @ 6.6 economy from eight matches for the Heat in BBL 09 though is yet to play a T20I for Afghanistan
  - Left out of Afghanistan's squad to play Ireland in the ODI Super League
    - Zahir took 8 wickets @ 6.9 economy for the St Lucia Zouks in the CPL
- **Nick Larkin's** 43 (32) v Renegades was his highest score of BBL 10; scored 133 runs (122 SR) in 7 innings this season
- Enjoyed his best season in BBL 09; scoring 297 runs @ 137 SR including 83\* (49) in The Challenger v Thunder
  - Scored 161 against Tasmania in the most recent Shield round
- **Nic Maddinson** has been dismissed just once in three innings this season, making 73 runs @ 123.7 Strike Rate
  - Despite this, Maddinson averages just 13.24 since moving to the Stars in BBL 08, at a Strike Rate of 98.2
  - Maddinson made 1349 runs at a strike rate of 133.3 for the Sydney Sixers
  - Maddinson was the leading run-scorer in the 2019/20 Sheffield Shield; 780 runs @ 86.66 with seven 50+ scores
- Before tonight **Glenn Maxwell** has made 443 Runs @ 36.92, SR 147.7 against the Renegades, making 3 fifties (2 at Marvel Stadium)
  - had his best season in BBL 09; scored 398 runs @ 149 SR and took 10 wickets @ 7.0 economy
    - Was named as captain in the Team of the Tournament for BBL 09
- Maxwell played 6 matches for the Renegades back in BBL 01, scored 24 (24) in only encounter *against* the Stars
- Fast bowler **Lance Morris** has gone for 0-37 across three BBL 10 overs; played five matches for the Stars in BBL 09 but took only one wicket @ 11.9 economy
- Leg-spinner **Tom O'Connell** has bowled just one over in BBL 10, going for 0-15 against Scorchers in Launceston
  - played four matches for the Stars in BBL 08; took 1-17 against the Hurricanes (dismissing Wade)
- West Indian **Nicholas Pooran** made 127 runs in 6 innings before his departure
- Pooran has played 25 ODIs and 24 T20Is for West Indies; currently touring New Zealand
  - Pooran scored 245 runs @ 124 SR for Guyana Amazon Warriors in the CPL; including 100\* (45) against St Kitts Patriots
    - Pooran scored 353 runs @ 170 SR for Kings XI Punjab in the IPL; hit the two biggest sixes (106m and 105m)
- **James Seymour** is a left-hand batsman from Essendon CC; made scores of 142\*, 67\*, 34, 88 and 59 in Premier Cricket this season
- **Billy Stanlake** is enjoying his most successful BBL season, with 12 wickets @ 8.52 economy for the Stars
  - Took 11 wickets in both BBL 07 and BBL 08
  - Stanlake traded by the Strikers in exchange for Daniel Worrall; took just 4 wickets @ 9.0 economy in BBL 09
  - Stanlake took 34 wickets @ 8.0 economy in 39 matches for the Strikers across five seasons
- **Marcus Stoinis** has made 375 runs @ 62.5 (SR 121.8) v Renegades, including three fifties
- Stoinis was the Player of the Tournament in BBL 09; with a record 705 runs @ 137 SR and seven 50+ scores
  - Stoinis smashed a BBL record 147\* (79) with 13 fours and 8 sixes against the Sixers at the MCG last season
- Stoinis scored 352 runs @ 149 SR and took 13 wickets @ 9.5 economy for the Delhi Capitals in the IPL
- **Adam Zampa** has taken 87 BBL wickets (the most by a spinner); 18 wickets @ 12.56, economy 6.8 in BBL 10
  - Zampa took 20 wickets @ 7.2 economy in BBL 09; the most wickets by any spinner for the season
- Zampa was the leading wicket-taker in Australia's recent ODI series v England (10 wickets) and v India (7 wickets)
  - Zampa took two wickets in his three matches for RCB in the IPL; a late replacement for Kane Richardson
- This is **David Hussey's** 2<sup>nd</sup> BBL season as head coach of the Stars; played 48 BBL matches for the Stars (855 runs @ 129.SR)