

Jeff Goolagong, Canberra, AU



Jeff grew up in Canberra, Australia and, like many children he played many sports, however cricket was his favourite, playing every Saturday morning and then watching his sister play softball in the afternoon. It was while watching one of these games that Jeff became attracted to the sport and decided to pick up a bat and ball. He quickly fell in love with softball and it was not long before cricket fell to the way-side. Jeff would go on to represent his state at Australian Nationals the same year.

Jeff's ISC debut was in Kimberley, WI in 2003 where he played for the Brisbane Scorpions. The following year he joined The Bull Townline from Green Bay, WI where he established himself as an elite player and also played for the Denmark Lumberjacks in the ISC U23s and pitched the winning game against Frankenmuth Driving School.

Jeff spent 2005 and 2006 playing for County Materials from Marathon, WI, helping them win two ISC World Championships and earned ISC All-World selections in both years. Lifelong friendships were honed with fellow Aussies Andrew Kirpatrick, Kris Keifel and Zenon Winters.

In 2007, Jeff joined The Farm Tavern from Madison WI, for the first of three seasons. That year, The Farm won the World Tournament and Jeff starred in the final going 3-3 with a HR, triple and a single with 4 RBIs. He was All-World in both 2007 and 2008 and had the Most RBIs in 2008.

Following the 2010 season, which featured a second-place finish with the Kitchener Rivershark Twins, Jeff joined the New York Gremlins. Entering the twilight of his career, Jeff would enjoy another five

successful years, winning many tournaments across the USA and Canada. The Gremlins would reach the ISC final in 2013 but come up short. Jeff would earn another two All-World selections, bringing his final tally to six.

Jeff was known for his versatility and his All-World selections are a testament to this, winning three as an infielder and three as an outfielder. Jeff was a five-tool player; great speed, ability to field anywhere, cannon of an arm, hit for average and hit for power.

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