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I, and the staff of Baseball NSW, would like to wish everyone in our extended baseball family a happy & prosperous Christmas & New Year.

I hope the holidays bring some much needed rest & relaxation for those of you tirelessly making sure your clubs & associations continue to thrive. To our bright up & coming stars participating at the National Championships, good luck & make sure you take time to enjoy the experience. See you in 2020

Mark Marino
CEO Baseball NSW
Congratulations to the BNSW Monthly award winners!

We value all our members and it is for that reason we want to see more of YOU being acknowledged for all your hard work, all year round! Keep the comments and nominations coming in!

Scorer: Vera Bonham
Coach: Claire O’Sullivan
Volunteer: Paul O’Neill
Umpire: N/A

To vote for someone who deserves recognition CLICK HERE

Monthly Game Day Photo Winner

Congratulations to our #NSWGameDayPic winner this month, as voted by you! East Hills Angels, who were the Runners up in the Pittwater cup gala day.

Thanks to Corrine Scott for sending in the winning photo, and thank you to our other entrants as well for submitting their entries. There were so many great photos submitted.

Entries are now open for next months #BNSWGameDayPics. Send in your favourite photo to be in with a chance to win!
#BNSWGameDayPics

Catcher, not just a position an obsession.  
– Photo by Rachel Gale

Never let the fear of striking out get in your way.  
Photo by Rachel Gale

Camden Red Sox Baseball club, high fives – Photo by Nikki Nutman

What an arm, Kings Langley*  
– Photo by David Rowley

This is of the Kings Langley u10s UNDEFEATED Modball team.*  
Photo by David Rowley
#BNSWGameDayPics

Camden Red Sox junior fouling a ball back at the camera – Photo by Mick Goddard

Pick off attempt of a Marlins runner by the Orioles – Photo by Mick Goddard

What a day to play ball. Photo by Nikki Nutman

Camden Red Sox Baseball club have got some awesome girl pitcher/catcher combinations – Photo by Nikki Nutman

Orioles Starting pitcher at Gilchrist Oval Vs Marlins – Photo by Mick Goddard

Pick off attempt of a Marlins runner by the Orioles
Photo by Mick Goddard
#BNSWGameDayPics

This team always has each other’s back, even when it’s a shoelace that needs tying – Photo by Corrine Scott

Angels Baseball Club – Photo by Gregory Chavez

Baulko 12U Phil Leonard Minor LL – Photo by Neil Thomas

Kellyville Kolts in action
Photo by Jo Lawrence Stewart

Angels Baseball Club Huddle – Photo by Gregory Chavez

Angels Baseball Club – Photo by Gregory Chavez

Close call on first at the Kellyville Kolts game
Photo by Jo Lawrence Stewart
Baseball NSW’s inaugural Education Week with special guest Jerry Weinstein finished last week and it was a great success with the US legend spending time with players and coaches alike.

Our pathways night in-particular attracted 110 players, parents and coaches interested in learning more about the pathways you can take to US colleges, while Jerry spent time with a number of players for one on one sessions as well as the group catchers and coaches clinics.

It was fantastic to see so many players and coaches with a growth mindset take the opportunity to work with one of the most experienced and brightest minds in the game.

The feedback we have received has been fantastic. So many participants were subject to current best practice and trends in the game and that can only be beneficial for the individuals and the game in general.
Anthony Brasher Appointment Announcement

Baseball NSW would like to announce that Chairman, Anthony Brasher, has been appointed to the Baseball Australia Board of Directors. As a result, he will be resigning his position on the Baseball NSW Board of Directors effective immediately.

Anthony has been an integral part of the Baseball NSW Board of Management for 7 years, taking over as Chairman in 2017. Under his guidance, Baseball NSW have implemented greater financial security and increased benefits back to the membership.

Baseball NSW would like to thank Anthony for his exemplary service to the organisation, as well as to the greater baseball community. We would like to congratulate him on this new challenge and wish him the greatest of success in this new role.

As a result of Anthony departing, the role of Interim Chairman will be assumed by current Director Ross Morrison. Ross is a life long member of Baseball NSW with a strong grounding in local club baseball and State School Sport Administration.
Australian 2020 League Championships

Dates have been announced for the 2020 Australian Little League, Junior, Senior and Intermediate League Championships.

Australian Junior League Championship
Tuesday 5 May - Saturday 9 May, 2020
Venue: Diamond Sports, West Beach, SA
Host Partner: Baseball South Australia

Australian Senior League Championship
Sunday 17 May – Thursday 21 May 2020
Venue: Albert Park, Lismore
Host Partner: Far North Coast Baseball Association

Australian Intermediate League Championship
Tuesday 26 May – Saturday 30 May, 2020
Venue: Old Aerodrome Sports Park, Mildura, Vic
Host Partner: Mildura Baseball Association

Australian Little League Championship
Thursday 4 June – Monday 8 June, 2020
Venue: Albert Park, Lismore
Host Partner: Far North Coast Baseball Association

Read it all at Baseball.com.au
http://ow.ly/92Ac50xx40M
2020 Australian Women’s Championships

NSW Youth Women Team Announced

Baseball NSW would like to congratulate the following players and staff on being selected to represent the NSW Youth Women’s Representative Team to compete in the 2020 Australian Women's Championships.

Youth Women’s Representative Team

Millie Atkinson
Olivia Bonello
Michaela Bonser
Breanna Green
Violet Gruppelaar
Emma Hooper
Mackenzie Jackson
Eve Kannameyer
Kiera King
Jessica Mitchell
Lisa Nakashio
Taylor Napier
Maddison Newham
Claudia Thomas
Taylor Toni
Lucy Wallace

Staff

Ashleigh Ross – Manager
Dean Head – Assistant Coach
Phil Gruppelaar – Assistant Coach
Our Adverse Air Quality Policy

NSW has recently faced unprecedented conditions concerning its air quality. The situation has not eased and is now at hazardous levels statewide.

There is guidance provided from NSW Department of Health which is consistent with advice from overseas, namely the US Department of Environment and the NCAA.

More information on our air quality is available from the NSW Department of Health website [click here to read more](#).

As a result, BNSW has adopted the Air Quality Index (AQI) measure to determine the risk to its members, which is updated hourly by the NSW Department of Health. The AQI measurement to be used is the Particles PM 2.5 Index.

Based on advice from the NSW Dept of Health – Training and games should be postponed/cancelled when your regional AQI Particles PM 2.5 Index reading reaches 200 or higher.

Please Note – It is possible that the correct data cannot be accessed. If this is the case, then the fitness of the air quality will be decided by the authorities controlling the ground, the team managers, or in the event of the managers disagreeing, by the Umpire in Chief, in that order. The safety of players, officials and spectators shall be the primary concern of the officials.

If games are called off in this situation, then they should be treated as a ‘wash out’.

Members should use the Regional AQI number reading for the local area as appropriate. Any Regional AQI Particles PM 2.5 Index reading beyond 200 is deemed too hazardous to your health.
Baseball NSW and Sports Camps Australia School Holiday Camps

During the Xmas Holidays the SCA Under Armour Baseball & T-Ball Camps are on again. Run in conjunction with Baseball NSW the camps are located all over Sydney.

Don’t miss an opportunity to work with our professional baseball coaches to refine your baseball skills covering hitting, fielding, throwing, base running, game play and much more! No matter your experience, learn more in a fun and encouraging environment.

T-Ball and Baseball Camps will be available.

T-Ball is for ages 4-8
Co-ed All Skills

Baseball is for ages 9-15
Co-ed All Skills

Advanced Baseball is for Division 1 players ages 11-16 years.

For more information visit sportscampsaustralia.com.au or phone 1800 753 127.

Baseball
13th & 14th January – Jannali
15-17th January – Winston Hills
20th & 21st January – Concord
20th & 21st January – Rooty Hill (BISP)
23rd & 24th January – Northern Suburbs

T-Ball
13th & 14th January – Jannali
20th & 21st January – Concord
20th & 21st January – Rooty Hill (BISP)
23rd & 24th January – Northern Suburbs
Baseball NSW, Sports Camps Australia & Under Armour invite you to join us this school holidays...

ADVANCED BASEBALL SKILLS CAMP

WINSTON HILLS – 15-17 JANUARY 2020

The SCA Under Armour Advanced Baseball Camp is a 3 day camp for Division 1 players. It will cover all aspects of the game in the areas of fitness, strength and conditioning to hitting, pitching, base running and fielding.

– SWING ANALYSIS USING VIDEO AND BLAST BAT SENSOR TECHNOLOGY

– SEE HOW HARD AND FAR YOU HIT THE BALL WITH OUR RAPSODO BALL FLIGHT TECHNOLOGY

– HAVE ALL OF YOUR ATHLETIC SKILLS ANALYSED WITH THE LATEST TESTING TECHNIQUES
Calling all Sox Kids

The Sox Kids membership is back for another season!
For just $25, you score a show-bag full of goodies and one General Admission ticket for entry.

Better yet - if your child is a registered junior player (u16), they can upgrade to an Ultimate Fan Junior Membership - still just $25 but includes GA entry to ALL home games! (normally $130)

SOX KIDS:
To purchase click here

JUNIOR MEMBER:
Click here if you’re the Ultimate Fan (promocode JUNIORSRULE)

If your kid already scored a member lanyard at our holiday clinics, you can still upgrade to get them the showbag if you like!

#RiseTogether
2019/20 SYDNEY BLUE SOX

BASEBALL

HOME DRAW

ROUND 2

THU 28 NOV @ 7:30PM
FRI 29 NOV @ 7:30PM
SAT 30 NOV @ 6:30PM
SUN 1 DEC @ 1:00PM

ROUND 3

FRI 6 DEC @ 7:30PM
SAT 7 DEC @ 3:30PM
SAT 7 DEC @ 6:30PM
SUN 8 DEC @ 1:00PM

ROUND 6

FRI 27 DEC @ 7:30PM
SAT 28 DEC @ 6:30PM
SUN 29 DEC @ 4:00PM
MON 30 DEC @ 12:00PM

ROUND 8

THU 9 JAN @ 7:30PM
FRI 10 JAN @ 7:30PM
SAT 11 JAN @ 6:30PM
SUN 12 JAN @ 4:00PM

ROUND 10

THU 23 JAN @ 7:30PM
FRI 24 JAN @ 7:30PM
SAT 25 JAN @ 6:30PM
SUN 26 JAN @ 4:00PM

ALL GAMES TO BE PLAYED AT BLACKTOWN INTERNATIONAL SPORTSPARK

MEMBERSHIPS AVAILABLE

ADULT MEMBERSHIPS FROM $70PP
CHILD MEMBERSHIPS FROM $50PP
FULL SEASON + 5 & 10 GAME FLEXIBLE OPTIONS

SINGLE GAME TICKETS

ADULT FROM $17-$32PP
CHILD FROM $10-$20PP

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#RISETOGETHER
Baseball NSW Clubs Corner and Coaches Corner is here

Our Segment Baseball NSW Clubs Corner continues to grow.

To all Clubs and Associations don’t forget to tag us and use the hashtag to share with us any exciting news or events that will be happening within your club over the next few months.

This could include pictures, videos, events or stories.

Simply use the hashtag #BNSWClubsCorner, tag us or inbox us with a short description of what it is you would like to share.

Another segment we have recently introduced is the #BNSWCoachesCorner.

This segment is aimed at targeting all your member enquiries about training and informative information such as techniques, drills and routines that can be used both on and off the field.

We have had some excellent questions so far so please keep them coming.

Simply inbox us your question or submit your question on instagram when the question feed is live on our story.

CLICK HERE to watch EP 1
CLICK HERE to watch EP 2
Interested in becoming a coach?

**BISP Level 1**
**Coach Education Course**
**Date:** Sunday 15th Dec 2019
8.30am – 12.00pm.
**Cost:** FREE
**Location:** Blacktown International Sportspark,
Eastern Rd, Rooty Hill NSW 2766
Restricted to people 14 years of age or older. Registration cut off date 8th December, 2019.
[Click here to register.](#)

**BISP Level 2**
**Coach Education Course**
**Date:** Sunday 15th Dec 2019
8.30am – 5.30pm.
**Cost:** $120
**Location:** Blacktown International Sportspark,
Eastern Rd, Rooty Hill NSW 2766
Restricted to people 16 years of age or older. Registration cut off date 8th December, 2019.
[Click here to register.](#)

**BISP Level 3**
**Coach Education Course**
**Date:** Sunday 15th Dec 2019
8.30am – 5.30pm.
**Cost:** $130
**Location:** Blacktown International Sportspark,
Eastern Rd, Rooty Hill NSW 2766
Restricted to people 18 years of age or older. Registration cut off date 8th December, 2019.
[Click here to register.](#)

CHECK THE BASEBALL NSW WEBSITE IN JAN 2020 FOR MORE COACHING COURSES AS THEY ARE ANNOUNCED!
Do you want to play Baseball while getting an education?

For the majority of our athletes wishing to advance their careers, the student athlete pathway is the next step through the US collegiate system. Through our partners at Education USA Australia, we have all the necessary information you will require in order to apply and obtain a sporting scholarship through the NCAA or NJCAA.

CLICK HERE for more information
We are excited to announce the new partnership between Baseball NSW and the Australian College of Physical Education. To celebrate, ACPE would like to invite you to attend their FINAL Open Day for Semester 1, 2020!

What’s on at Open Day:
– Meet with academic and student support staff to get answers to all of your study and student life queries
– Chat with current students about their experience at ACPE
– Learn all about our industry-focused courses
– Find out where a qualification from ACPE can take your career
– Take a tour of our purpose built Sydney Olympic Park campus
– Discuss course and study options with our Enrolment Advisors and get a personalised study plan
– Get assistance with applying or enrolment

ACPE Open Day
When: Saturday 1 February 2020, 10.00AM - 1.00PM
Where: ACPE, 10 Parkview Drive, Sydney Olympic Park 2127, NSW

REGISTER NOW

Why not explore our full list of industry specific courses here. We also invite you to contact our Enrolment Advisors on 1300 302 867 ext 1 to further discuss your study options and career goals.

Alternatively apply online now to lock in your studies, and one of our friendly Admissions Advisors will contact you to finalise your application.

APPLY FOR SEMESTER 1

Questions? Enquire now about ACPE or call 1300 302 867 Ext 1
Child Safe Workshops

The Office of Sport is offering Child Safe ‘Free’ Training Workshops for sport volunteers throughout May. This is to promote Child Safe Sport.

Sport and recreation clubs have a responsibility to protect children from harm and abuse.

The Child Safe Sport Workshop will help club committees, administrators and volunteers to understand the practical ways to create safer clubs for children and young people.

The workshop will also provide an overview of Working with Children Check Responsibilities.

Sign up to one of our Free Child Safe Training courses today.

**Date: 18th March 2020**
**Time:** 6:00pm-9:00pm
**Venue:** Central Coast Regional Office
Ourimbah Campus Brush Road
Ourimbah NSW 2258
**Program Number:** 0087646
[CLICK HERE to register]

**Date: 23rd March 2020**
**Time:** 11:00am-2:00pm
**Venue:** Lake Macquarie Regional Football Facility
13 Park Rd
Speers Point NSW 2284
**Program Number:** 0087797
[CLICK HERE to register]

**Date: 26th May 2020**
**Time:** 6:00pm-9:00pm
**Venue:** Central Coast Regional Office
Ourimbah Campus Brush Road
Ourimbah NSW 2258
**Program Number:** 0087647
[CLICK HERE to register]

CLICK HERE to enrol into our programs online or phone 13 13 02.
Sports Club HQ
Registration Portal now LIVE

July saw Baseball NSW go live with our new online registration portal - Sports Club HQ.

We held several training sessions in the Sydney area as well as some Webinars which were well received.

For those interested in further training we have our learning centre on the Baseball NSW website. Here you will find helpful videos and documentation to help guide you through the Sports Club HQ platform.

CLICK HERE to learn more or register

Renew your WWCC

Make sure you renew your Working with Children’s Check, so you don’t get caught out without!

Working with Children Checks expire after 5 years.

If your contact info is up to date, we will email you to remind you to renew three months before your check expires.

You don’t lose any time renewing early.

CLICK HERE to renew
REGISTER FOR YOUR 2ND ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHER BEFORE 31ST DECEMBER 2019

All NSW school-enrolled children are now eligible for their 2019 $100 Active Kids voucher. The voucher can be used with any approved Active Kids provider, to help cover costs towards registration, participation or membership fees for sport, fitness and active recreation.

How to claim your voucher

1. Visit service.nsw.gov.au and login to your MyServiceNSW Account
2. Click on the Active Kids icon found in your SERVICE tab
3. Fill out the requested information (you will need your current Medicare card)
4. Print a copy of each voucher or email it to yourself

How to use your voucher

1. Once you have chosen an activity give the voucher number to your activity provider, or log onto your provider’s website and enter the voucher number
2. If you can’t find a provider you can search https://my.service.nsw.gov.au/MyServiceNSW/ActiveKidsSearchProvider

*Vouchers can always be found in your MyServiceNSW account by looking in the My Applications tab
How to guide for Schools

Sporting Schools is a $1.00 million Australian Government initiative designed to help schools increase children’s participation in sport and to connect children with community sport. The Australian Sports Commission (ASC) has partnered with more than 30 national sporting organisations (NSOs) to extend the delivery of the program across Australia via their networks of aligned organisations and coaches, ensuring a consistent and quality experience for all.

Does this sound like something you would like to be involved in? If yes, then get your school to complete the following steps.

1. **REGISTER**
   - Your school needs to first register with Sporting Schools to be eligible to apply for funding. Find out how to get started on the Sporting Schools website or for information on registration visit our help centre.

2. **APPLY FOR FUNDING**
   - If your school meets the eligibility criteria, you can apply for funding each term to deliver Sporting Schools activity (sport packages) before, during or after school hours using one of our NSO partners. For more information about funding visit our help centre.

3. **BOOK A PROGRAM**
   - Once your school has had their funding application approved you can view, search and apply for sport packages that meet your needs via the online booking system. The booking system will allow your school to administer and manage booking requests including cancellations. NOTE: Schools without approved funding will only be able to view and search for sport packages. For more information about the booking system visit our help centre.

4. **REPORT PROGRAM ACTIVITIES**
   - Sporting Schools values your feedback and your school is encouraged to participate in research and evaluation so that we can evolve the program to meet your needs.
   - In addition it’s vital that your school provides information regarding its activities, so Sporting Schools can measure the impact it’s having on children’s sport participation across Australia. For more information visit our terms and conditions.

5. **SUBMIT YOUR ACQUITTAL**
   - It’s important that your school completes the ASC acquittal process. Acquittal is the ASC’s assurance that your school has used the funds according to the program parameters and terms and conditions. For more information about funding acquittals visit our help centre.

**Watch the video here.**