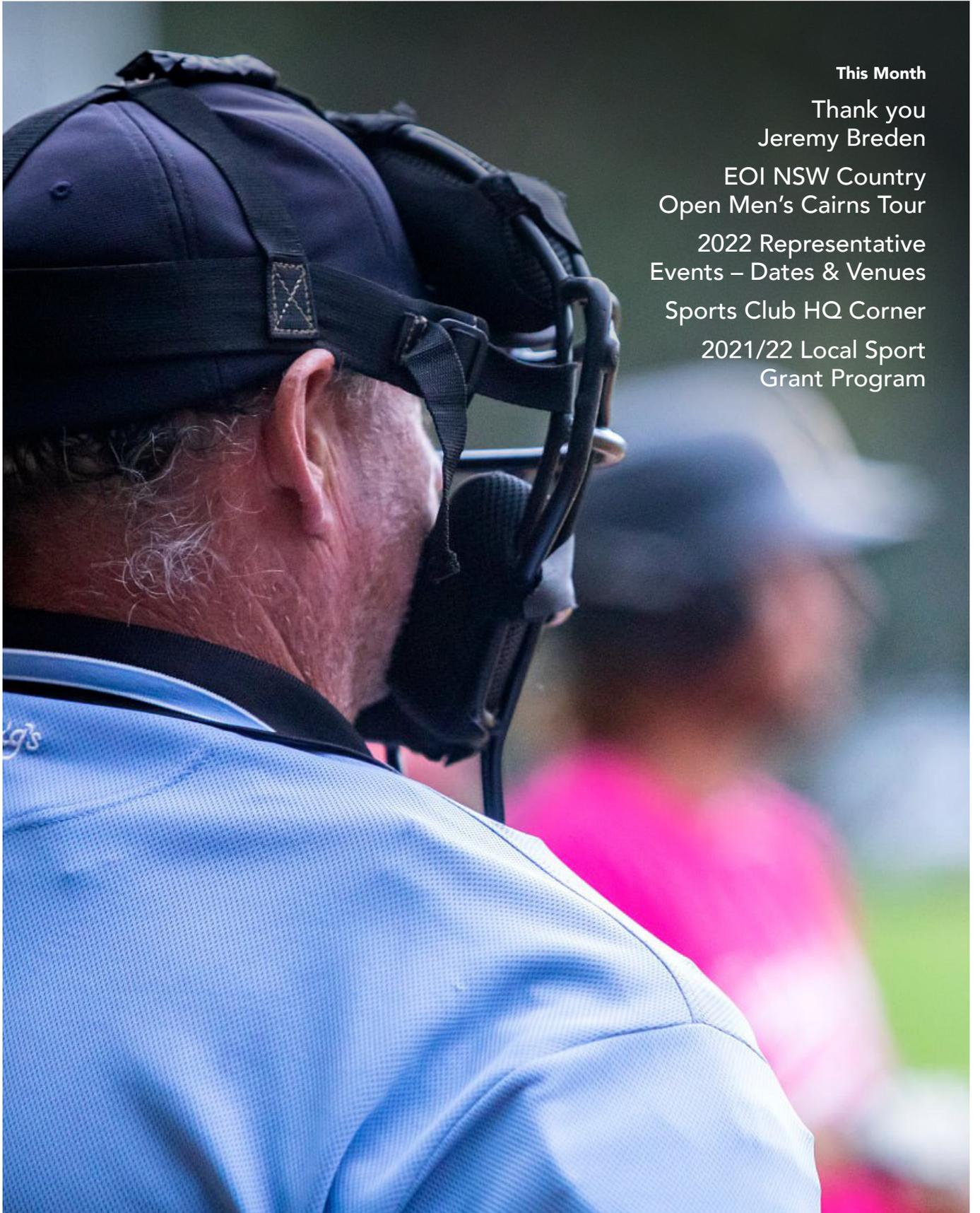




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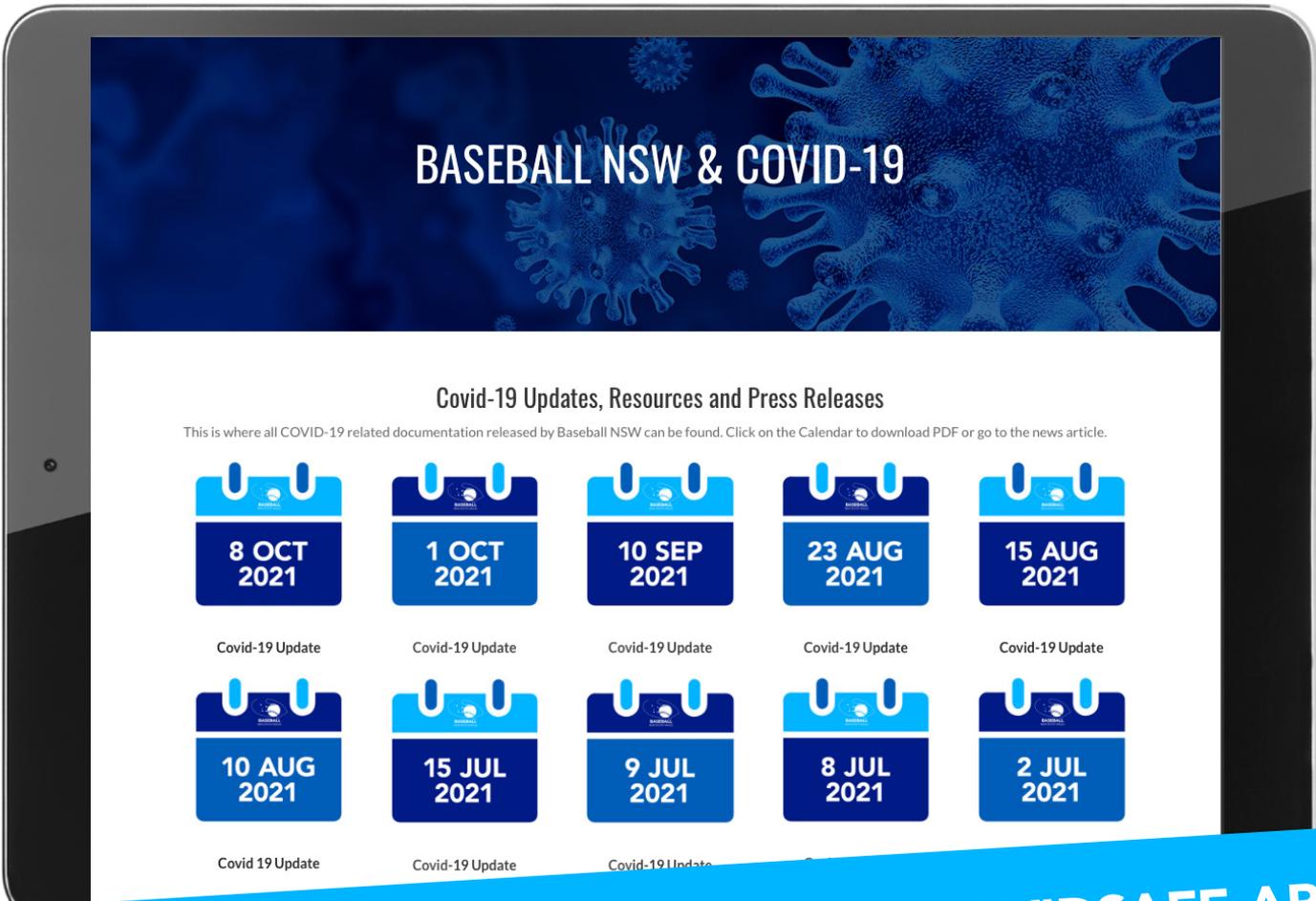
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BNSW COVID-19 Announcement & Resource page

Don't forget that Baseball NSW have put all the latest COVID-19 announcements and resources into one easy to locate place.

It can be found on the Baseball NSW website and is updated whenever there is new news and update.

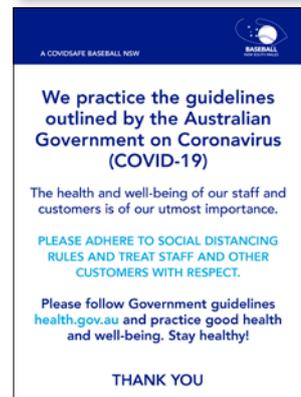
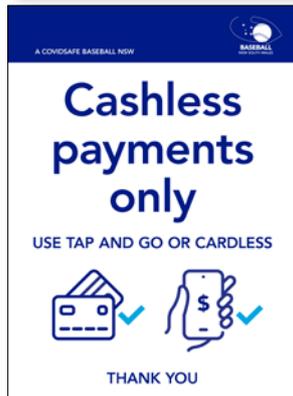
[CLICK HERE TO READ MORE](#)



[CLICK HERE TO DOWNLOAD THE COVIDSAFE APP](#)

Return to activity COVID-19 posters

Baseball NSW have a range of COVID-19 posters available to print for your grounds. [CLICK HERE](#) for printable PDF



Recognising Hard Work

BNSW Monthly Award Nominees



Coaches

Dave Nannes - Ryde Hawks

Coach Dave led 13 twelve-year-old boys to the National Championships, won it and had to sit back and watch the Little League World Series from home instead of taking his team to Williamsport to compete in it.

Scorers

Carleen Bake Smith - Sawtell Dodgers Baseball Club

A hard worker behind the scenes.

Volunteers

Carleen Bake Smith - Sawtell Dodgers Baseball Club

Great job. Doing so much more when needed.

Joe Weller - Forest Baseball Club

Joe has single-handedly managed the process of the upgrades of Aquatic Reserve during the lockdown. He has been up at Aquatic every day ensuring new fields were levelled and grass laid, new fences were erected and has shovelled tonnes of diamond sand by himself in preparation for a potential summer season. Even with no kids in the club, he has ensured our club has upgraded fields for the next generation of Forest baseballers.

Hugh (Stuart) Fowler - Wollongong Cardinals Baseball Club Inc.

Hugh has continued to maintain our field and amenities all year including in lockdown.

Julie Little - Comets Baseball Club

Julie has been our uniform officer for over 10 years. On numerous occasions, she has been called and met club patrons at the clubhouse to fit them. Julie also Manages her son's team along with scoring. I'm blown away by her dedication to our club and always smiling.

Luke Breytenbach - Thornleigh Baseball Club

Luke Breytenbach from the Thornleigh Baseball A Grade squad stepped up several years ago to take on the role of Treasurer and he has dedicated many hours to cheque signing and balancing the books! This is one of the more thankless tasks and we appreciate all his hard work!

Julie and Charlie McIntyre - Thornleigh Baseball Club

Julie and Charlie have been an important part of Thornleigh Baseball Club for over 10 years. Julie has spent many years as Secretary and Charlie has held several positions on the committee over his years of service. We would like to thank them for their hard work and commitment!

BNSW Best Baseball in ISO Pic 2021 October entries



Photo by Jo Lawrence Stewart – ‘...That’s not a wind up ...THIS is a wind up!’



Photo by Michelle Sutter – ‘What mum sees when she checks in on me from work...!’

Congratulations to the BNSW Monthly award winners!

A huge thank you to our nominees and all your hard work. 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!

To vote for someone who deserves recognition [CLICK HERE](#)

Coach: Dave Nines
(Ryde Hawks)

Volunteer: Julie Little
(Comets Baseball Club)

Scorer: Carleen Bake Smith
(Sawtell Dodgers Baseball Club)

Monthly Baseball in ISO Photo Winner

Congratulations to our #NSWGameDayPic winner this month. Photo #1 'What mum sees when she checks in on me from work...' which was sent in by Michelle Sutter.

Entries are now open for next month's #BNSWGameDayPics. Send in your favourite photo through Facebook Inbox to be in with a chance to win!



Thank you Jeremy Breden Thornleigh Baseball Club

Life Member of the PCBL and Thornleigh Baseball Club Jeremy Breden will be making the move to regional NSW leaving a big hole in the northern Sydney baseball league.

Jeremy is one of Thornleigh Baseball's longest-serving committee members having joined the club when his daughter started T-ball more than 17 years ago. He decided to give it a go himself, bringing along with him 20 new players! He has been hooked on the game and Thornleigh Baseball ever since. Serving as Senior co-ordinator for the entire time he has been on the committee, he has also taken on other positions including President.

He has helped recruit, support, and mentor so many of Thornleigh Baseball's players. He has been the man who knows everyone and everything about local baseball and will leave very big shoes to fill at Thornleigh.



Photo: Jeremy Breden and D Grade Manger Ben Fogarty.



Photo: Jeremy Breden and Luis Almenara.

Thank you Jeremy Breden

Continued

Jeremy has a strong sense of duty and an interest in governance. Back when he was new on the committee he identified an imbalance in the fees structure between the grades that undermined the financial viability of the Thornleigh Baseball Club. He worked hard to fix this imbalance and reflect fairness for all players. He then continued to monitor the fees and has contributed to Thornleigh Baseball's good financial position to this day.

Playing in our senior teams for many years he eventually hung up his catcher's gear but he hasn't given up his position behind the plate. He is one of the best and most sought after umpires in the PCBL. He has umpired everything from State League to local junior games and players will always say he is fair, strong and one of the best umpires to have calling the strikes.

He is always willing to get in and help out no matter how big or small the job and his dedication to baseball in northern Sydney has seen numbers grow and the club to become a strong force within both the RHBL and the PCBL.

Having already been awarded life membership from Thornleigh Baseball, he was also acknowledged with the same from PCBL. Life Membership is never given lightly and to receive from both an association and club level is certainly a significant achievement.

Jeremy will remain on the PCBL committee remotely from his new home. He has also offered to continue as Senior co-ordinator for Thornleigh to ensure



Photo: Jeremy Breden in his playing days (not sure he agreed with the call on this one!)



Photo: Umpire Jeremy Breden at Liz McKewin Pink Day.

a smooth start to the already interrupted 2021/22 season.

There is not much about baseball Jeremy doesn't know and his service to the sport can not go unnoticed.

Thornleigh Baseball Club.

EOI NSW Country Open Men's Cairns Tour

BNSW Country Baseball is calling upon players to forward an Expression of Interest to join the touring team to compete at the 2022 Great Barrier Reef Tournament, Trinity Beach, Cairns Queensland.

The tour dates are **Sunday 12th June 2022 until Monday 20th June 2022.**

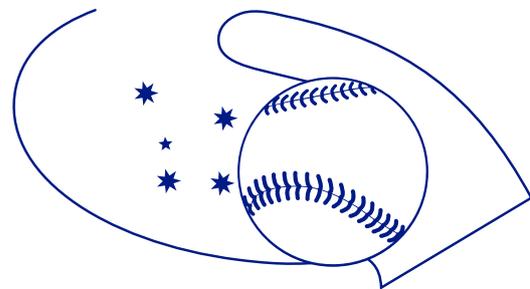
To be eligible for selection, players must be 18 years of age before the commencement of the Tour. You must have been registered in a Country team/ Association or be approved by Country League Standing Committee.

To confirm your interest in the selection you **MUST** send through your details **no later than Friday 5th November 2021;**

Contact: Stephy Thompson,
(Secretary of the NSW Country
Liaison Standing Committee)

Telephone text: 0409 710 459 OR

Email: stephy.1@bigpond.com



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NEW SOUTH WALES
COUNTRY

To **CONFIRM** your **EOI** please contact Stephy by no later than Friday 5th November 2021 with the following details:

- **Full Name:**
- **Current Baseball Club & Association:**
- **3 x Playing Positions:**
- **Mobile Contact:**
- **Email Contact:**

[Click here](#) to download EOI document.

Representative Events 2022 – Dates & Venues Announced

Baseball NSW is pleased to announce the dates and venues for the 2022 Representative events.

We'd like to thank the associations and the host clubs for their continued support and look forward to seeing you around the diamonds soon.



BASEBALL
NEW SOUTH WALES

Event	Date	Host	Venue
Rookies	27/02/2022	Cronulla Sutherland Junior Baseball Association	Kelso Park
Senior League	09/04/2022 - 12/04/2022	Baseball NSW	Blacktown International Sportspark
Junior and Intermediate League	15/04/2022 - 18/04/2022	Manly Warringah District Baseball Association	Aquatic Reserve
Little League and Division II	21/04/2022 - 24/04/2022	Ryde Hawks Baseball League	Greenway Giants Baseball Club

Introducing Sports Club HQ Corner

Baseball NSW are compiling a Sports Club HQ Registrars Distribution list to ensure that we can effectively communicate changes, updates and urgent information directly to the Club Registrars.

To ensure that we have the most accurate mailing list, please complete the 2021-2022 Sports Club HQ User Form by [clicking here](#)

Should you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact us via [email](#)



SPORTS CLUB
HQ



NSW Club Infrastructure Grants



Red Tape Busters

Making Government work for you!

The NSW Government offers grants to communities across NSW to support the building, renovation and fit-out of infrastructure.

Funding is available for sport and recreation and arts and cultural infrastructure as well as projects that assist communities with essential infrastructure and disaster readiness.

What's new?

This year, due to demand the community infrastructure category has been changed to stand alone. It includes multi-use community facilities including halls and meeting spaces, community transport options, improvements to disability or community welfare infrastructure, infrastructure that supports youth, mental health, homelessness, and domestic violence services. In addition, community facilities that support the community impacted by drought and bushfire are also eligible.

Priority

When making funding decisions, consideration is also given to applications that provide benefit to:

- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities
- regional and remote communities

- people with disability
- culturally and linguistically diverse communities
- communities experiencing the adverse effects of drought
- areas likely to have higher rates and impacts of gambling harm.

Eligibility includes infrastructure that is accessible and available to the general public the majority of the time.

Baseball NSW has partnered with Red Tape Busters and is offering the clubs a free resource to assist with their grant funding applications. Fairfield Phoenix Baseball Club has already reaped the reward with Red Tape Buster successfully obtaining a \$15,000 Local Grant.

For more information on Red Tape Busters or assistance with submitting a Local Grant application, please contact Andrew Hamilton at andrewhamilton@redtapebusters.com.au

Infrastructure Grant applications open on **Monday, 1 November and close at midnight on Monday, 22 November 2021.**

To download the Infrastructure Grants Program Guide, [click here](#)

To view the NSW Government article, [click here](#)

2021/22 Local Sport Grant Program Applications Open



Office
of Sport

The Local Sport Grant Program 2021-22 is now open for applications.

The \$4.6 million Local Sport Grant Program is available to eligible organisations to help support initiatives in local NSW communities.

The program will help support projects that:

- Increase regular and ongoing participation in sport
- Increase participation and access for women, girls & population groups with low participation rates
- Address barriers to participation in sport or structured physical activity
- Assist sporting clubs in providing quality service to their members and the local community

Grants between \$500 - \$15,000 are available to eligible organisations. The amount organisations request should reflect the scale of the project/s.



Applications close at 1pm, on Friday the 19th of November.

Please see links below for more information:

[Local Sport Grant Program](#)

[Local Sport Grant Program Guidelines](#)

[Submit an Application](#)

VALO Complimentary LED Lighting Assessment

As the Official LED Lighting Partner of Sport NSW, VALO has the expertise to help sports organisations design lighting and energy solutions that align with grant program guidelines. VALO can deliver lighting design for performance, quality and energy efficiency, and full product data sheets and specifications.

VALO is an Australian advanced technology company with its core in LED lighting. It is committed to accelerating disruptive and sustainable technologies, supported by significant investment in fully automated printed-circuit-board (PCB) manufacturing, and a suite of 3D metal and composite printers.

VALO is also developing commercial drones for maintaining lighting infrastructure.



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Offering a diverse range of LED lighting and LED visual displays, the company was founded in 2014 and has completed several sports lighting and display installs across the country. VALO is transitioning from importer to manufacturer and is planning to export Australian designed and made LED lighting products commencing in 2022, with the Zenith Gen-V, VALO's flagship 1500W Stadium Light.

[Click here](#) to get your complimentary lighting assessment

Coach Accreditation Updated

In July 2020, Baseball Australia revised their coach accreditation system and integrated the USA Baseball Certification courses A, B and C nationally.

As a result, Baseball NSW updated our Coach Accreditation, with the USA Baseball Certification being a component of the BNSW accreditation requirements. Coach Accreditation is an obligatory requirement of both Baseball Australia and Baseball NSW.

There are 3 levels of accreditation – all of which have a practical component.

Level A accreditation

Entry-level baseball, all non-player pitch baseball (T-ball, machine, or coach pitch baseball).

Level B accreditation

All player pitch baseball from Little League minors to senior (adult) baseball.

Level C accreditation

Representative coaches LL Majors up to and including State League, and State Teams.



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Each level has an age restriction – details are outlined on the respective course tabs [here](#).

The courses have an online, written and practical component. For new coaches looking to gain their accreditation, now is a good time to start the process. It would be a good time to upgrade to the current level for coaches who already have accreditation, particularly those whose accreditation expires between now and the end of the year.

Part of the Level C accreditation is now available for completion, however, coaches must have current Level B accreditation, in order to proceed.

For all upcoming practical courses, [click here](#)

SPORT SHORTS

OFFICE OF SPORT

The Office of Sport provides clubs and athletes with several resources which we encourage our members to take advantage of. These resources include:

Return to sport tips for parents

With community sport anticipated to return in the future, now is a good time to think about the role parents play in creating a positive sporting environment for kids.

Funding boost for female sports leaders

A further \$600,000 has been awarded to sporting organisations by the Office of Sport to support the promotion of women to leadership roles.

State of Volunteering report released

The inaugural NSW State of Volunteering Report was released recently, providing an in-depth analysis of volunteers, volunteering and volunteer-involving organisations in NSW.

To find out more, [click here](#)

[Click here](#) for full NSW Office of Sport COVID-19 Information



CLAIM TWO \$100 ACTIVE KIDS VOUCHERS



All NSW school-enrolled children are eligible for **two \$100 Active Kids vouchers** each year. The vouchers can be used with any approved Active Kids provider, to help cover costs towards registration or membership fees for sport and active recreation. **Voucher one is valid January to December** and **voucher two is valid July to December**. After 1 July 2020, the second voucher can be claimed immediately after the first voucher.

HOW TO CLAIM YOUR VOUCHERS



Active Kids

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- 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

Visit sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids for terms & conditions and FAQs

HOW TO USE YOUR VOUCHERS

- 1** Find a provider by visiting our website: sport.nsw.gov.au/activekids
- 2** 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



*Vouchers can always be found in your MyServiceNSW account by looking in the My Applications tab

Sporting Schools is a \$100 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](#)

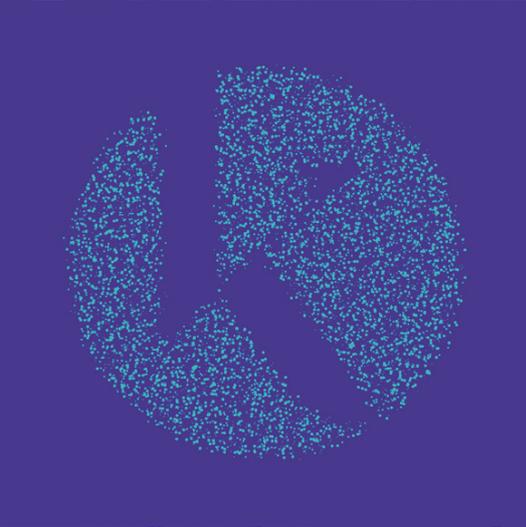
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SUBMIT YOUR ACQUITTAL

It's important that your school completes the ASC acquittal process. Acquitting 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.](#)



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