



The Pitch

This Month

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CEO'S Christmas Message

From Baseball NSW's CEO Mark Marino

Following what has been an amazing 2022, I would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and happy holidays. Considering the disruption during the earlier part of the year and the impact of the weather, it has been great to see our members returning in substantial numbers to the game we all love. Baseball NSW has made a concerted effort this past year to make it as easy as possible for our members to play and participate. We have managed to do this through administrative support, innovative technology, enhanced governance resources as well as our revised competitions and participation programs.

We also have a lot in store for the upcoming year with NSW once again hosting the U16 & U18 National Championships in 2023. We are also sending the three Sydney Cup winners to the USA to participate in tournaments which is an inaugural initiative. Not to forget our increased presence in schools via the exciting new Baseball5 program that is taking the world by storm. Another great opportunity has been the introduction of a women's tour to Japan with a budding relationship with the Fukuoka region in the south of Japan.



All in all, an exciting time to be getting involved with baseball. Something I don't believe we could have envisioned without the extraordinary effort of my team through some very trying times. As an organisation I feel we are only getting stronger with the addition of dedicated competitions, communications and events staff to assist our members along.

On a personal note, I would like to thank Ross Morrison, our retiring Chairman, for his service to the game. He has provided monumental support to me and the Board of Management and will be sorely missed. I wish Ross all the very best in his next adventure.

In closing I only hope that everyone has a safe and joyful break and can take this time to refresh and enjoy the upcoming new year.

Sincerely,

Mark Marino
CEO Baseball NSW

BNSW Game Day Pics

2022 December entries



Photo by Joe Vella – 'Triumph.'



Photo by Mick Goddard – 'Just waiting on a pitcher.'



Photo by Matt Jeff - 'Keep your eye on the ball.'



Photo by Daniel Medd – 'Battle on field, then best of friends off.'

BNSW Game Day Pics

2022 December entries cont.



Photo by Sam CR – 'stttrrikkeeee.'



Photo by Stephen Kelly – 'East Hills at Bluesox Saturday night game.'



Photo by Karen Jeffs – 'Gliding into home...'



Photo by Sean McNally – 'Sunsets on the opposition.'



Photo by Kirsty Tavae – 'Can you see the ball?'

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](#)

Volunteer: Natasha Jankulovski – Arncliffe Scots Baseball
Umpire: AJ Faber – St Pats Baseball
Coach: Stephen Kelly – East Hills Raptors Baseball
Scorer: Trish Chin – Tigers Baseball Club

November Game Day Photo Winner

Congratulations to our #NSWGameDayPic winner this month, photo #8 by Sean McNally - 'Sunsets on the Opposition'

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!



Recognising Hard Work

BNSW Monthly Award Nominees



Coaches

Jules Southwell -

Cronulla Sutherland Sharks Baseball

Jules's approach to coaching allows each player to build confidence in their ability.

Peter Neads -

Greenway Giants Baseball

I nominate Peter Neads for his dedication and tireless efforts in coaching (womens) baseball. He is genuine, encouraging, and a great coach who is well liked.

Stephen Kelly -

East Hills Raptors Baseball

East Hills Baseball Club greatly appreciate Stephen, with 29 nominations for him to receive this month's Volunteer of the Month. Stephen is a great coach; coaching his own team, and the girl's development team. A member of the executive, he is always willing to help where needed and spends a considerable amount of time helping out with the Canteen and ground management. He is very giving of his time and energy which positively impacts the opportunities provided to young people and their families within and beyond the local community. There are so many great things to say about his work ethic and contribution to the club. Stephen is very valued by East Hills.

Scorers

Trish Chin - Tigers Baseball

Trish has been a wonderful volunteer at our very small club for over 6 years, taking on many roles in her time. Trish has been our scoring coordinator for over 5 years and trainer. She also organises majority of our BBQs and is a very active member of the small committee, holding a role as secretary of the club. Tigers couldn't function without her. Thank you Trish!

Umpires

AJ Faber - St Pats Baseball

AJ works with our young umpires each weekend to develop their confidence and skills. The umpires feel supported and educated through each game and AJ always ensures that they learn from each experience. A great asset to the club and the association.

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Volunteers

Matt Saunders - Illawong Marlins Baseball

We recently hosted a double round of Balfour Cup. Matt worked tirelessly in the lead-up to ensure the field was perfect, even creating a mound for our back diamond for the games. He is someone who puts in the effort every week; however, he really went above and beyond for the Balfour Cup games.

Natasha Jankulovski - Arncliffe Scots Baseball

Manages two of our junior teams, chief fundraiser, sponsorship manager and social coordinator, also helps in the canteen and runs the weeknight BBQ for after training. Helps out absolutely any time without hesitation.

Julie Thurecht - Illawong Marlins Baseball

Julie goes above and beyond. Managing a team her daughter is no longer in (as she was moved up). Also organizing events for the newly formed Girl's Development Squad.

Kerry Roper Camden Red Sox Baseball

Having just joined this club coming from another club, we have noticed Kerry is by far the most engaged, helpful, onto-it volunteer at Camden Red Sox.

Brooke Cartwright - Illawarra Baseball

Brooke is the glue that holds Illawarra Juniors together. She runs the canteen, is the Information Officer for the committee, scores when she has to and has even mowed the fields. A tireless worker.

Kelly Tritton - Quakers Hill Pirates Baseball

Kelly does so many roles. From running the canteen, to scoring, to running the under 6 programs. She is an inspiration and motivates others to help.

Travis Stone - Rouse Hill Wildcats Baseball

Works tirelessly for the club, looking after Juniors, all the Umpires, all the Coaches/Managers. Coaches his son's team, umpires and plays seniors.

Thank you Ross Morrison Chairman, Board of Management

Baseball NSW would like to announce the resignation of the Board of Management Chairman, Ross Morrison.

After many years of service, Ross has decided to now take the time to travel and enjoy his retirement. Not only has Ross been an administrator, but he has been a player at the highest level, and was head coach at Macarthur and Auburn Orioles for over a decade as well as coaching junior and senior representative teams at various levels.

As a highly ranked NSW Department of Education Sports Administrator, his contribution to Baseball NSW across all aspects of the game has been immense. Throughout his career, Ross has been a great leader to the Board and has had a huge contribution to growing our sport and creating opportunities for our members.

He will be sorely missed but fortunate for Baseball NSW he will be continuing



to provide support and guidance to the Board and Staff!

We thank Ross for his services to BNSW, his tireless contribution to our sport, and wish him all the very best in his future travels and retirement!

Umpires Corner

Welcome to Umpires Corner where we will feature the latest news and upcoming events for Umpires.

Are you thinking of retiring as a player or coach but would still like to be involved in baseball?

Have you thought about umpiring? You get the best seat in the house and get paid as well. Recruitment of officials in NSW is an ongoing difficulty, not just for baseball but all sports.

If you would like more information on becoming an umpire please reach out to the NSWBUA and send us an [email here](#).

On behalf of the NSWBUA we would like to wish the NSW baseball family a very Merry Christmas and happy and safe New year.

NSWBUA would like to congratulate the following NSW Umpires for their appointments to the ABL & AYC Panels

Australian Baseball League

Trent Thomas

Ben Nash

Jason Spurway

Jerry Cobb

Australian Youth Championships

Steve Bigwood

Ian Boulton (Newcastle)

David Brodie

Michael Bryant

Jerry Cobb

Andrew Clements

Oscar Iredale

Joel Marchant

Tim Peel

Matt Saunders

Coaches Corner

Welcome to Coaches Corner. Here where we will feature notable coaches within the Baseball NSW network.

In the modern game, technological advancements are aiding coaches in player development across the globe. At Baseball NSW, we're dedicated to the goal of ensuring the best possible resources are provided to grow our players. Our coaching team gave us a bit of insight this month into the technology we use and how it develops excellence.

Technology at Baseball NSW:

Here at Baseball NSW, we strongly believe in using technology to help us to develop the future baseball stars of New South Wales. Specifically, the two devices we use the most are Rapsodo for both pitching and hitting and Blast Motion for an extended look into hitting metrics.



Coaches Corner cont.

Preparing for Major Tournaments

At a glance, baseball technologies can be a lot to take in, especially for young athletes and parents who may be diving into it for the first time. It is important to remember that devices like the ones we use will churn out a plethora of data and these analytics help us understand how to best develop the individual player and refine their craft.

Data such as spin rate and velocity for pitchers are usually the first thing to grab the attention of players and parents. However, in terms of adjusting, these numbers alone won't give you an indication of what to work on. Data like spin direction and horizontal and vertical release points are things that you can use to compare and see the improvements that your players are making and in turn, we can see how these correlate to significant data like velocity or spin rate.

Hitting metrics can fall into a similar trap as pitching metrics with data like exit velocity and distance being the big numbers. When you look further into supplementary data like attack angle, plane scores and bat speed or path, this helps develop and adjust the swing to create better numbers in that exit velocity and distance, hopefully resulting in greater metrics.

In our development programs, these technologies help us collate data on players that helps us as coaches direct, build and mould an athlete so they can reach their fullest potential either on the mound or at bat. Without them, this can still be achieved, but at what rate? These metrics are crucial to being able to pinpoint certain elements of a player's craft that require development.

Is technology a Coaches friend or foe?

In the game of baseball today there is a huge push for analytics to help create future stars and there is a growing importance for these metrics to be used. Whilst this is great, we must all remember that the data is there to accompany and assist the coaches who are experienced in adjusting and making small changes in our athletes to create better outcomes for them. The data alone is not the solution, but the data in the hands of capable coaches will create a more well-rounded player who will develop and grow through time and commitment.



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Rapsodo

Baseball NSW are lucky to partner with amazing companies such as Rapsodo, and Blast Motion to give our athletes and our coaches access to these metrics and we are excited to continue to develop ball players within our great state and help them along their baseball journey.

Click the links below to learn more about our technologies:

[Head to the Blast Motion page here](#)

[Head to the Rapsodo page here](#)

Club Corner

Welcome to Club Corner where we will feature our member clubs latest news and upcoming events.

This month, the Macquarie Saints Baseball Club held their "Saints Gala Day". It was a raging success and everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves and had a great, fun day around the diamonds.

The weather was beautiful, food was great, and the T-ball was awesome.

The Saints thank everybody who showed up and played, and they can't wait to run it all again next year.

Huge thanks go out to all the volunteers who helped out on the day, and to Rob and Adrian for bringing the much needed coffee relief!

Special thanks went out to Pieta, Fiona, Wendy, Boz, Chris, Brooke and Adrian. These days couldn't happen without their time and efforts!!



Club Corner cont.

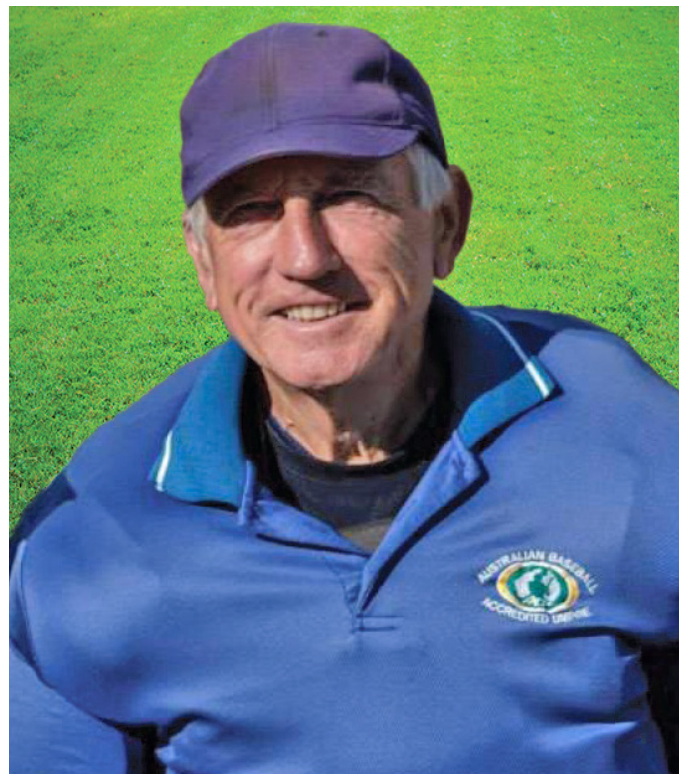
Longstanding Member, Noel Palmer, Retires

At the start of this month, The Pacific Coast Baseball League (PCBL) held a presentation day to recognise longstanding member Noel Palmer and his contribution to the sport of Baseball, at Oakleigh Park, Thornleigh.

Noel announced his retirement this season, after 66 years of participation and service to our great game. The following is the story of Noel and his love for the sport)

Noel Geoffrey Palmer:

Noel was born on the 6th of December 1948 in Glenelg, South Australia, moving to Sydney via Melbourne. At the age of seven in 1956, residing on Sydney's north shore, Noel found baseball - joining the Lane Cove District Baseball Club. Worth noting, this club was one of the eight



founding member clubs of the then NSW Metropolitan Baseball Association, currently the Sydney Winter Baseball, League, which started in 1898.

Noel progressed his baseball life, being selected in the junior local area

Club Corner cont.

Noel Palmer Retires

representative teams for the under 12s, 14s and 16s. He participated in the NSW State Junior Championships and later joined the senior baseball playing ranks.

Noel's coaching career began when he was in his early 20s mostly at the Lane Cove Baseball Club, but also coaching the Hunters Hill High School team winning the NSW school's 'Proud Shield' premiership, taking the team to an unparalleled record with 106 runs for and none against. Noel coached the Under 16's at his club in the years between 1968 and 1974, taking his team to several championships. He then took on the role of Manager for the NSW Under 16 side at two Junior Australian Championships. Noel also was the head coach at Lane Cove between 1968 and 1988, coaching the grade teams for more than 20 years.

Another huge role Noel played was in the baseball administrative side, elected to the Lane Cove Baseball Club management committee as the junior representative, later holding the positions of president, secretary and treasurer, roles that he carried out for over 20 years. Noel also held roles as a community representative at the Lane Cove Council, responsible for



the areas of sporting operations and other alike activities in the community. Noel later joined the Sydney Winter Baseball League committee, responsible for media liaison, and attending to the publishing of the league's weekend results in the press.

Finally, Noel moved his baseball interests into umpiring in the mid-1980s, joining as an umpire for the recently formed Pacific Coast Baseball League (PCBL) in 1985, and later in 1990 became a member of the NSW Baseball Umpires Association. He became the president of the PCBL Baseball Umpires Association, a role he carried out for seven years, and later president of the Sydney Baseball

Club Corner cont.

Noel Palmer Retires

Umpires Association, for another five years. His duties included umpire development, training and co-ordinator on the umpire appointments for all weekend games. In 2009, Noel umpired at the World Masters Baseball games, held in Sydney officiating in the Grand Final, and then again in Auckland in 2017. Noel became a huge contributor for umpire duties to the Sydney-based NSW Major League Baseball, now known as the NSW State League, the Sydney Winter Baseball League (previously the NSW Baseball League) and the Pacific Coast Baseball League.

Noel's interests extended to country baseball championships around NSW, travelling as the principal umpire with the Willoughby Baseball Club, and now the Sydney Deadstars Baseball Club. Supporting the Sydney Deadstars since 1985. Noel and other club members hold the record of attending NSW Country Championships for nearly 30 consecutive years (1994-2022), with over 46 baseball tours.

In 2021, Noel was honoured as a Life Member by the Tamworth Baseball Umpires Association, and in 2022,



Photo: Back Row (left to right) Billy Green NSWBUA Umpire, John Bailey NSWBUA Secretary, Andrew Smuc Sydney DeadStars Baseball Club, Jeremy Breden PCBL Vice President and Umpire, Luis Almenara PCBL President and Umpire, Gary McKewin ex PCBL Committee. Front Row (left to right) Noel Palmer, Barbara Palmer.

Noel was awarded as a Life Member by the Pacific Coast Baseball League.

Noel has extensive experience in the game of baseball, having held Australian accreditations as an Umpire and a Coach. There must be thousands of people in the baseball community that know Noel, as he has always left an indelible mark due to his dedication, professionalism and care in all areas of baseball and knowing people.

Enjoy your retirement.

Noel Palmer – MANY THANKS!

Club Corner cont.

Vale Kendal Binns

Sydney University

Baseball Legend

Baseball NSW and the entire Sydney University Baseball community are mourning the loss of Kendal Binns.

A long-time member of our New South Wales baseball community and a former player who was part of the victorious NSW team who took out the Claxton Shield competition in 1951, undefeated.

A player with an outstanding history, Kendal was a double Sydney University Blue for baseball (1942 and 1943) and a Blue for Cricket. Athletes are awarded a Blue as a student competing in the highest level of a sporting competition, for achieving outstanding sporting excellence in a 12-month period.

He was selected as a member of the best ever University Baseball team covering the 1941-1970 era. This would have been no mean feat given that baseball was a winter sport in those days, and that many top cricketers also played the game in their off season.



Kendal passed away at the ripe age of 99, just three months shy of his milestone 100th birthday. He was always proud of the 1951 team's effort and his trophy always held a special place in his home, standing proudly in his lounge room.

Our condolences to Kendal's family and friends, and may he rest in peace.

Club Corner cont.

Vale

Joey Azzapardi

A beloved Giant of our sport

This month, Baseball NSW and the NSW Baseball Umpires Association lost a true legend. With great sadness, we acknowledge the passing of Joey Azzapardi, who went peacefully, surrounded by his family and friends at his side.

Joey was a funny and loveable character who loved baseball, a good time and his beloved Holroyd Giants. He will be up there drinking with Spence and talking all things Holroyd.

NSWBUA shared some heartfelt words saying, "To Azza, we all love you mate, you may have given us grief on many occasions but on behalf of the New South Wales Baseball Umpires Association we offer our condolences to You, Kim, and your entire family."



Baseball NSW extend those condolences to all the lives Joey touched, and may he rest in peace.

His funeral was held at Pinegrove Cemetery on Wednesday the 21st December, and everyone celebrated Joey's life in style, donning their favourite baseball cap, and or in some South Sydney Rabbitohs colours!

Representative Events 2023 Dates & Venues Announced

Baseball NSW is pleased to announce the dates and venues of our major tournaments taking place in the new year.

Following the Australian Youth Championship will be the Rookies Cup and NSW State Championships, and we could not be more excited!

Be sure to mark your calendars as some of the most exciting junior competitions of the season approaches!

Thank you to the clubs who have volunteered to host these events.
We can't wait to see everyone out there in 2023!

Event	Date	Host	Venue
Australian Youth Championships	12th-17th Jan 2023	Baseball NSW	Blacktown International Sportspark
Rookies	26th Feb 2023	North Ryde RSL Junior Baseball Club	Magdala Reserve
Australian Women's and Youth Women's Championships	7th-13th Apr 2023	To be announced	To be announced
Junior and Intermediate League	7th-10th Apr 2023	Pittwater Baseball Club	North Narrabeen Reserve
Little League and Division II	13th-16th Apr 2023	Pittwater Baseball Club	North Narrabeen Reserve
Senior League	19th-20th Apr 2023	Baseball NSW	Blacktown International Sportspark

NSW State and Women's League Update

The 2022/23 Season for the New South Wales State and Women's league is tracking well, as teams have come head-to-head each week to compete for the top spot in our most competitive leagues.

As we head in the Christmas break Baseball NSW would like to applaud the State League teams on a wonderful first half of the season and we can't wait to reconvene in the New Year for SL Washout Round 2 and WL Round 12. You can find all the upcoming round dates and locations on our website under the competitions page.

We hope everyone has a restful holidays and come back ready to smash it out of the park in the new year!

For all weekly results and updates, follow along on the [BNSW Facebook page here.](#)

Click here for all information related to our State League and Women's League:

[2022/23 State League](#)

[2022/23 Women's League](#)



Blacktown Workers vs Macarthur Orioles 2022 Gallery



Photo by Mick G Photography

Team Australia U18's World Cup Qualifiers

Recently, Team Australia selected the roster for the Under 18's World Cup Qualifiers which just took place in Auckland, New Zealand.

From the 12th to the 14th of December, seven NSW players took part in the tournament to determine whether they go to the WBSC U18 World Cup late next year.

Day one saw Team Australia win 10-0 against Guam in 5 innings. Adam Bates struck out all 9 he faced in 3 innings and Josh Nati's bat was on fire, going 2 for 3 with 2 RBIs. The Australian pitchers combined on a 13-strikeout no-hitter.

On the second day, Team Australia was defeated 10-6 in the first game of the day against the hosts, New Zealand. In Game 3, Australia defeated Guam 11-0 in 6 innings. Our own Liam Grant hit a homer in this crucial win.

A comeback performance was given on day three by Australia defeating New Zealand 10-0.



Adam Bates went 4 innings giving up only 1 hit along with 6 strikeouts. Blake Gooding had 2 hits and an RBI amidst some great offensive efforts across the team to push them ahead.

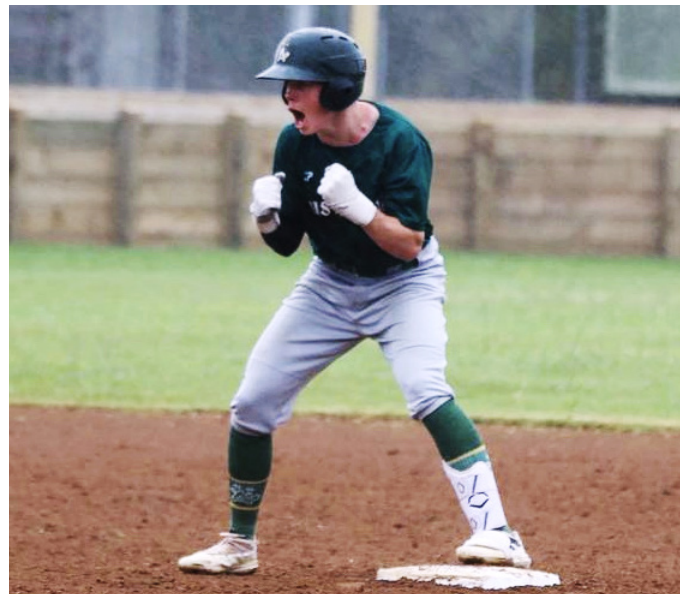
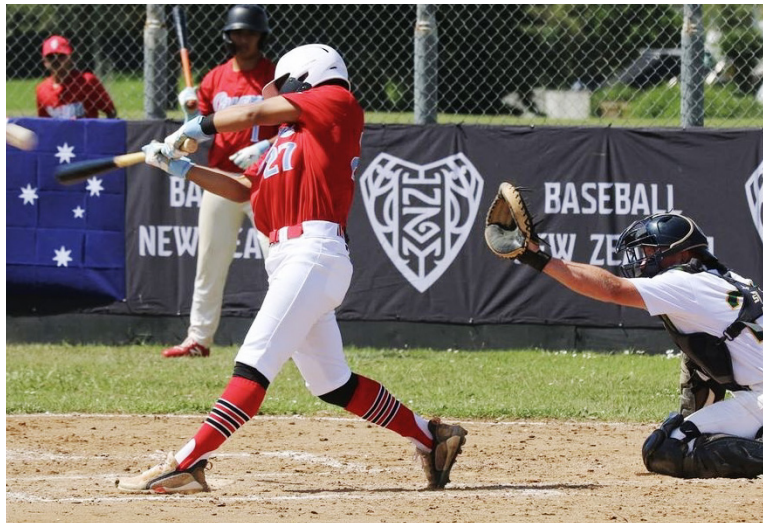
They played the Gold Medal match against New Zealand on the final day and won. Australia successfully qualified for the World Cup with the 4-0 victory over New Zealand! Josh Nati once again had a great batting performance and was 1 for 2 with 2 RBIs in the final match.

Congratulations Team Australia, and we cannot wait to watch them compete on the world stage next year!

Team Australia U18's World Cup Qualifiers 2022 Gallery



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NSW Women's Opens and Youth State Teams Trial Information

Baseball NSW are calling upon players wishing to trial for the NSW Opens or Youth Women's State Teams.

The teams will compete in the Australian Women's Championships scheduled for April 7 – 13, 2023 at a venue yet to be decided by Baseball Australia.

To be eligible to trial for the Women's Opens team, and be eligible for selection, players must be 15 years of age before the commencement of the tournament.

To be eligible for the Women's Youth Team selection, players must be at least 12 years of age before the commencement of the tournament but not have turned 16 years of age as of 31st December of the preceding year.

See the links below to view the Trial Information and Trial Registration links.

Open Women's State Trials [Click here.](#)

Youth Women's State Trials [Click here.](#)



BASEBALL
NEW SOUTH WALES
WOMENS LEAGUE

Registrations for Opens closes
Fri 20th Jan 2023, 5pm.

Registrations for the Youth team
closes **Fri 27th Jan 2023, 5pm.**

Annual Andre Des Jardin Cup City vs Country

On Wednesday the 28th of December, in the midst of the Christmas break, Baseball NSW alongside Newcastle Baseball Association will run the annual Andre Des Jardin Cup, commonly known as the City vs Country tournament.

The event showcases the Under 16 and Under 18's NSW Metro and Country sides, as each age group plays double headers throughout the day to prepare for the upcoming Australian Youth Championships in January of next year.

Thank you to all the volunteers from Newcastle Baseball who will be assisting on the day, during their Christmas time off, and to the players and parents who will be there participating and showing their support on the day!



Baseball5 Baseball NSW Schools Programs

Baseball NSW has introduced Baseball5 to the school programs.

Baseball5 is a fast-paced, dynamic and inclusive game that can be played anywhere, anytime. All you need is a ball, some training equipment such as agility ladders, markers and throw down bases.

Instructor development programs are available to both Primary and High schools, also to Universities, Recreational Centres and Baseball Associations.

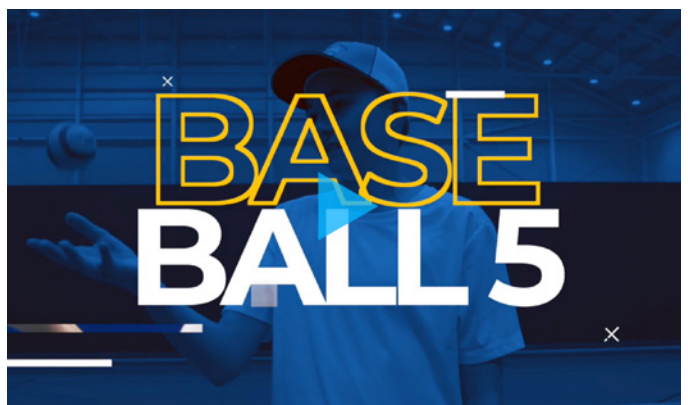
Baseball NSW is a member and contributor of the Federal Governments Sporting Schools program. The program coordinates sporting organisations, coaches, and teachers to deliver sport before, during and after school hours. Schools can apply for [funding](#) to deliver a program each term and is available to both primary and high schools. Parents and guardians are also able to use the \$100 [Active Kids Voucher](#) towards enrolling their kids in the Baseball5 program.

Furthermore, [Sporting Schools Club Connect](#) will enable eligible primary

schools to build on their involvement in the Sporting Schools program by establishing and building upon relationships with local sporting clubs.

For more information contact Adrian Medina, Head of Baseball5 at b5@baseballnsw.com.au or head over to our [Baseball5 Schools Program webpage](#).

Check out our [Baseball5 video here](#).



Sporting Grants Now Open for Application

Each year there are various grants provided by organisations and government departments that can provide much-needed support and funds to nurture sporting talent, help build sports facilities and develop the sports industry as a whole.

Purpose:

As part of Sport NSW's commitment to advocating for and strengthening the sports sector – grants information and updates are a regular feature of the fortnightly Blues eNews newsletter.

Join the network and subscribe to Blues eNews [here](#).



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The full Sport NSW Grants Schedule Summary document is regularly updated and details available grants with the view to making this information easily accessible and in one place.

Bookmark the [Sport NSW Grants page](#) and check back regularly for updates.

The full summary of all grants available throughout the year can be downloaded [here](#).

Shoosh for Kids Encouraging Positive Spectator Behaviour



Shoosh for Kids is a collaborative effort between the Office of Sport and sector partners to promote positive behaviour to their members, clubs and associations. The general rule is, if you can't say anything nice, don't say anything.

Helpful Links:

[NSW Office of Sport – Shoosh for Kids](#)

[Shoosh for Kids Campaign Resources](#)

Shoosh for Kids

Register your club/association for the Shoosh for Kids!

Help us make junior sport a safe, fun and inclusive experience for kids on and off the field.

Sign up today to access and download FREE assets and resources that will help us promote the Shoosh for Kids message and ensure kids keep coming back to junior sport!

[Click here](#) to register today.



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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



- 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](#)

5



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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Signage & environments
Internal communications

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Campaigns
Social media
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