



The Pitch

This Month

Try Baseball Days 2024

Blacktown Council
Family Sportsfest

Nationals Wrap Up

2025 Australian Youth
Championships Trials

High Performance
Programs Team Lists

Barclay Cup Coaches
Announced



Recognising Hard Work BNSW Monthly Award Nominees



Volunteer **Hayley Bullock -** **Cougars Baseball Club**

Hayley is the driving force behind the reforming of Tamworth junior baseball after ten years of no competition. She has found sponsors to cover playing and insurance costs. Due to illness of the TBI president she is running the whole association. She sets up and runs the canteen every Saturday. She is one of the co-organisers of the June carnival and is also president of Cougars baseball club.

Joe Weller - **Forest Baseball Club**

Tireless work 7 days a week, summer and winter, in preparing and maintaining Aquatic Reserve's five fields for both junior and senior levels, plus coaching a senior team.



[Click here](#) to vote for someone in your club who deserves recognition.

BNSW Game Day Pics 2024 June entries

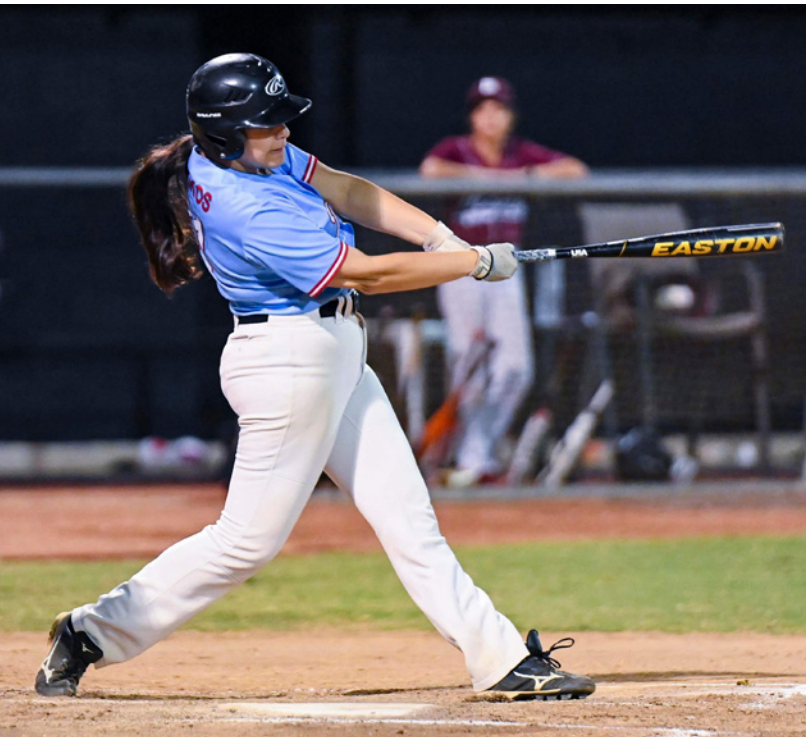


Photo by MickGPhotography (Submitted by Nick Patakos) – 'Strike a pose.'



Photo by Luke Hsieh of Oscar Mok-Smith – 'Welcome to the Jungle.'



Photo by Curtis David – 'Go Girls – supporting team mates at LL Girls Nationals.'



Photo by DCSB Photography (Submitted by Brett Drummond) – Hills IL – National Champions 2 years in a row.

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!

Joint Volunteers: Hayley Bullock – Cougars Baseball Club
Joe Weller – Forest Baseball Club

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

June Game Day Photo Winner

Congratulations to our #NSWGameDayPic winner this month, photo submitted by Brett Drummond: 'Hills IL - 'National Champions 2 years in a row'.

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!



Winner: DCSB Photography – 'Hills IL - 'National Champions 2 years in a row'.

Club Corner

Active Kids Provider Status

With registrations for the 2024/25 season officially opening on Monday, 1st of July 2024 we urgently ask you to ensure your club has applied for the [NEW Service NSW \\$50 Active Kids Provider Status](#).

This status enables you to offer a discount on your club fees, making it more accessible for new and returning members.

If your club has not yet applied for the Active Kids Provider Status, please do so as soon as possible to avoid missing out on this valuable opportunity!

Thank you for your attention to this matter. We look forward to another fantastic season of baseball.

If you have any further questions regarding Active Kids Provider status, click on the link below. Following that, please refer to Baseball NSW Membership & Registrations Manager, **Mel Goodrich** via [email here](#).

[Click here](#) to become an Active Kids Provider.

[Click here](#) for 'How to Apply'.



**Service
NSW**



Club Corner cont.

Try Baseball Days 2024 Coming to you soon

Attention Baseball NSW Clubs!

We have an exciting opportunity to showcase baseball to potential new players.

As part of Baseball NSW' 2024/25 Season Recruitment Campaign, we will be collating and advertising the try baseball days across NSW.

PLEASE read below in order to benefit from this campaign!

With over 200 clubs organising "Try Baseball Days" across the state, those who wish for Baseball NSW to assist in promoting your days, please provide us with the essential information about any upcoming "Try Baseball Days" in an email to our Communications Manager, Georgia.

What to included in your email:

- A blurb/caption of the essential information such as dates, locations, and any specific requirements for the try day.
- Attach a high-quality JPEG/PNG of your club logo.
- Attach a high quality JPEG/PNG of any Try Baseball Day graphics or content your club has created.
- If you wish to submit any images of your club for "Play Baseball" content to be



created for the campaign, as well as a graphic for advertising in our newsletter, then please see the attached screenshot for the relevant specs!

Baseball NSW is happy to assist in promotion through our various channels, including our dedicated [Try Baseball webpage](#) and social media. This is an incredible chance to inspire newcomers and grow the baseball community in New South Wales.

Please send the necessary information to communications@baseballnsw.com.au by Wednesday 12th June, and together, let's make these "Try Baseball Days" a huge success!

Try T-BALL & BASEBALL



GIRLS & BOYS (5-16)

ALL SKILL LEVELS

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10AM

SUNDAY

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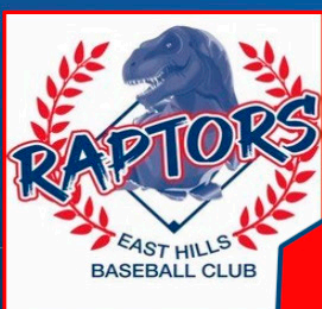
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1.00-3.00pm
Colbee Park
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SATURDAY 3 AUGUST

from 4pm to 6pm

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Playing shirt, training shirt & cap included in the registration for the upcoming 2024-25 season in September



Club Corner cont.

Blacktown Council 2024 Family Sportsfest

Get ready to experience the ultimate family sports extravaganza at the Blacktown City Family Sportsfest 2024 event!

This incredible event is set to bring the community together for a day of thrilling action, entertainment and family fun. From exciting sports tournaments to interactive displays and activities, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Any clubs who wish to be a part of the day... Stallholder expressions of interest for the 2024 Blacktown City Family Sportsfest are open now until 16 August!

We encourage all activations to take an energetic approach to your stall and incorporate activities for guests to participate in.

This could be hand ball targets, mini games, demonstrations, inflatable games, bringing your mascot or a high-profile sports personality, etc.

The more you engage with the community to promote your sport, the better the result!



For more information about Sportsfest and to register your interest, visit the website by [clicking here](#).

Event details:

Noon to 4 pm

Saturday 21 September 2024

Blacktown Leisure Centre Stanhope

Stanhope Gardens NSW 2768

Club Corner Carlingford Baseball Club 50th Anniversary Dinner

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50th Anniversary



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It's a party 50 years in the making

College Catchups

Travis Bazzana - Finalist for Golden Spikes Award

Baseball enthusiasts, especially those in NSW, have a reason to celebrate today as Australian Travis Bazzana has been named a finalist for the prestigious 2024 Golden Spikes Award.

This honor is a testament to Travis's dedication, hard work, and exceptional talent on the field. The Golden Spikes

Award, often regarded as the "Heisman Trophy of baseball," is presented annually to the top amateur baseball player in the United States, highlighting the cream of the crop in collegiate baseball.

Travis's journey to this recognition has been nothing short of inspiring. His remarkable performance this season, characterized by his impressive stats and consistent excellence, has captured the attention of baseball fans and experts alike.



THE
GOLDEN SPIKES
AWARD

2024 GOLDEN SPIKES AWARD

FINALISTS

- ▶ **TRAVIS BAZZANA**
INF OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY
- ▶ **CHARLIE CONDON**
1B/OF UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA
- ▶ **HAGEN SMITH**
LHP UNIVERSITY OF ARKANSAS



Travis Bazzana – Finalist for Golden Spikes Award cont.

Many reports have him going as high as #1 overall in the upcoming draft. His ability to shine in both offensive and defensive aspects of the game sets him apart as a truly versatile and invaluable player.

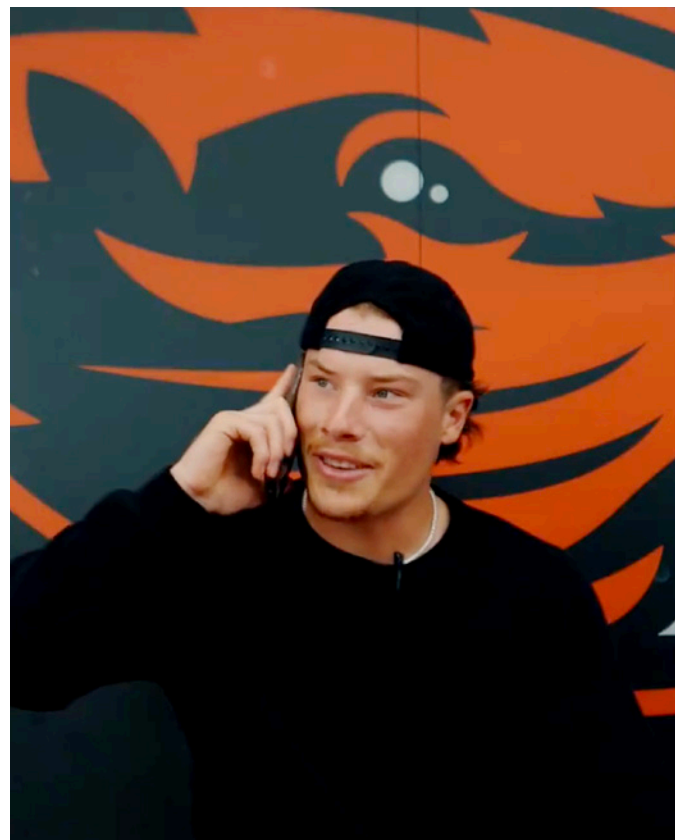
As we celebrate this milestone, it's important to acknowledge the support and training provided by his team at Oregon State and the Baseball NSW community, as a Ryde junior, NSW State and Sydney Bluesox development player. Travis has come such a long way from his home here in Australia. His achievement serves as a beacon of inspiration for young players aspiring to reach the same heights!

We encourage all our followers to join us in congratulating Travis Bazzana on this well-deserved honor. His hard work and dedication are a source of pride for Baseball NSW, and we eagerly anticipate his continued success in the future. For more details on Travis's journey and his remarkable season, be sure to check out the full article below.

[Click here](#) for the full story on Baseball USA.

Watch the moment Travis got the call by clicking [here](#).

The Award will be presented June 22!



College Catchups cont. **Brent Iredale** **All-American** **Team 2024**

The 2024 ABCA/Rawlings Sporting Goods NJCAA Division I, II and III All-America Teams were released this month by the American Baseball Coaches Association and Rawlings Sporting Goods in conjunction with the NJCAA national office!

Congratulations to Blacktown Workers' and Hills Junior, Brent Iredale, who was named to the 2023-24 NJCAA Div. I All-America Second Team. Brent has had an amazing season at New Mexico and has finished his Junior College Career with the following accolades:

- 2024 NJCAA Second Team All-American
- Most homers in school history (42)
- Back-to-Back WJCAC MVP
- 2023-24 All-WJCAC
- 2023-24 All-Region V

Congrats Brent, what a year!



View All-America Teams [here](#).

2024 National Championships Wrap Up

This month Baseball Australia hosted their Australian Championships across the country!

Our NSW teams showed out at each of their events, with a NSW team emerging victorious in 4 of the 5 events! Read all about how our teams went here!

Little League – Division 2

Congratulations to Manly Maroon on winning the Division II Gold Medal – their first top place finish at a charter event and going undefeated throughout the tournament! They defeated the Melbourne Twins 3-0 in an exciting Gold Medal game.

The Macarthur Colts were on the brink of bronze medal playoff on Monday morning but were pipped at the post by a strong Brisbane side. Alongside these two other NSW teams, the energy from Manly White across the duration of the event was outstanding and we are excited to see them grow as many continue into Division 1 next year.

Congratulations to all three teams on their efforts at the Little League Div 2



Australian Championships this year!

Little League – Division 1

Hills Red were crowned champions at the 2024 Australian Little League Championships after winning two games on a hectic final day. They defeated the Adelaide Rays in the semi-finals and the Central Firebirds in the Gold Medal match, 16-3.

2024 National Championships Wrap Up cont.

Ryde Red finished 4-1 in their pool securing a semi final spot but they unfortunately went down to a strong Central Firebirds. They then progressed to the Bronze Medal match where they defeated – Adelaide Rays 11-9!

Cronulla Black finished off their tournament with a win in the consolation bracket! They battled the strong teams from the other states and the weather all week and concluded on a high.

All the best to Hills Red as they now progress to the prestigious Little League World Series event in Williamsport!

A special thank you to the Greenway Giants and the Eastern Suburbs Dolphins Baseball Clubs for their dedicated efforts throughout both the Little League tournaments, ensuring that the events could go ahead through tough weather conditions.

Junior League

Cronulla Black won an all-time great Gold Medal Game, defeating Brisbane North in a high-drama extra innings game by a score of 3-2.



2024 National Championships Wrap Up cont.

They now advance to the Junior League World Series!

They had to come back from two runs down in the final inning just to force the tiebreaker. They scored the tying run while down to the final strike. They even threw out what would have been the Championship-winning run at the plate.

Archie Sampson's RBI double in the top of the ninth proved to be the winner, and some stone cold pitching from Harrison Thomas-McLean closed it out as Cronulla toppled Brisbane to win a championship and advance to the World Series.

You can read all the excitement via [Baseball.com.au](https://baseball.com.au) [here](#).

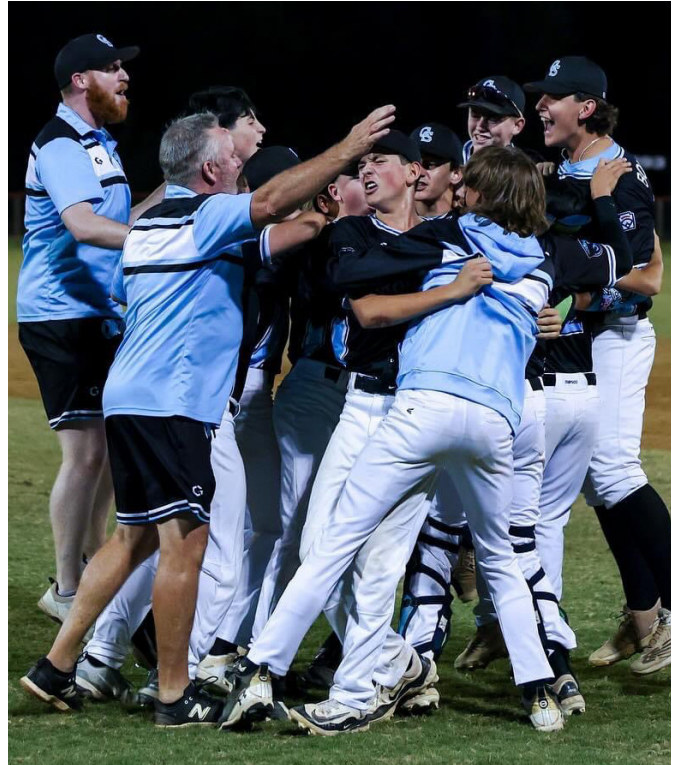
Manly Maroon battled through a tough pool, finishing in 4th after round games and finalizing their Nationals campaign with lots of positive learning experiences! Onto bigger and better opportunities next year.

Intermediate League

Congratulations to Hills – your 2024 Australian Intermediate League Champions. They won the gold medal game over the Melbourne Athletics 12-0 and will advance to the Intermediate League World Series.

Strong team hitting and a sensational pitching performance from Jet Creamer has vaulted Hills to a 2024 Intermediate League Championship.

They will now advance as Australia's representative at the 2024 Intermediate League World Series in Livermore, California later this year.



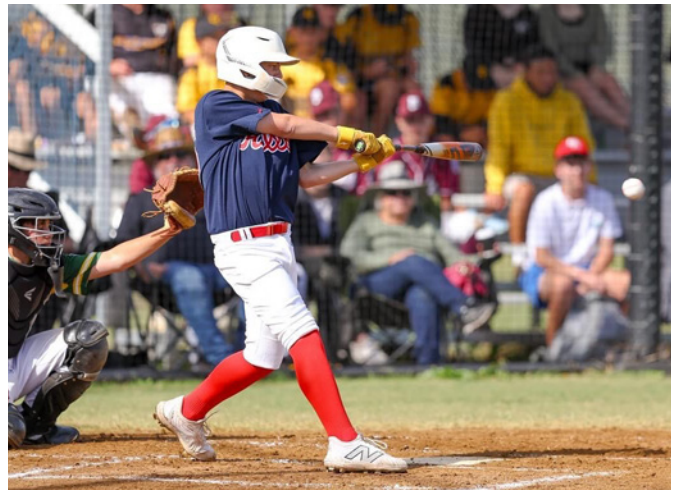
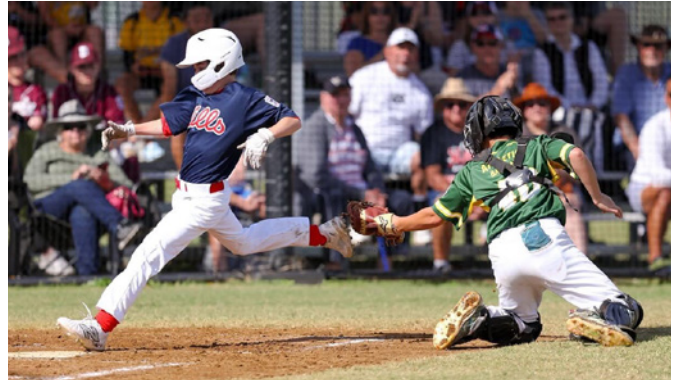
2024 National Championships Wrap Up cont.

In the Bronze Medal Match, Ryde Hawks 7 def Melbourne Mets 2.

The Ryde Hawks used strong pitching and a balanced team offence to claim a Bronze Medal.

Ryde jumped on the board early when Toby Kelman hit a solo shot. Up 2-0 in the third, Kelman added to his RBI total to push the score to 3-0. Aaron Hsieh followed with a 2-RBI single and just like that it was 5-0 Ryde.

A commendable effort from both teams throughout the intermediate league event and best of luck to the Hills team attending the world series. Some of these players have earned themselves "back-to-back" USA World Series trips, with many aging up into IL from Little League last year where they won through to Williamsport.



2024 National Championships Wrap Up cont.

Senior League

Both Cronulla teams got the ball rolling for New South Wales in the Nationals portion of the Little League circuit, as the Blue and Black squads emerged from Pool Play to set up a New South Wales vs. Western Australia Final Four.

Cronulla Blue drew goliath in their semi-final matchup, playing the Wanneroo Giants and despite a valiant fight, fell to the Western Australia squad 9-5. Dylan Bandy did his part, tossing 5 innings allowing 3 earned runs and striking out 5.

All told, the four best teams in the tournament made the final four, but the

WA squads proved too mighty as NSW State Champions Cronulla Black fell to the eventual champion Eastern Phantoms in their semi-final matchup 9-3. It was a tight game through 4 as a Lewis Gardner double scored 2 runs and gave Cronulla Black a 2-1 lead, but Eastern took the lead back in the 5th and never looked back. Both Black and Blue Cronulla teams fought until the end, and despite not advancing to the Gold Medal game, an all-Cronulla matchup was set for the Bronze Medal.

In the Bronze Medal game, mother nature cut the game a bit short, but they were still able to get 4 innings in a competitive matchup. Cronulla Blue's Cameron Crowles



2024 National Championships Wrap Up cont.

put his team up 2-0 in the second on an RBI single, while both team's pitchers, Lucas Gallardo – Blue, and Bailey Doves – Black, kept scores in check. By the time the rain rolled in, Cronulla Blue held their 2-0 lead.

Out of the delay, Cronulla Black came out with something to prove. 6 base hits and a couple bad bounces for Cronulla Blue led to a 7-run inning and that's all Black needed before the weather came back and the game was called in the 4th.

Congratulations to Cronulla Black, the 2024 Senior League Bronze Medalists!

A massive congratulations and thank you to all of the NSW representative across the umpires, scorers and officials who ensured the smooth running of each of the National Championships, including the crew up in the Far North Coast, Lismore and the Softball NSW staff who hosted multiple events in one venue.



2024 Women's Development Program Registrations Open

Baseball NSW are once again running the Women's Development Program (WDP) for 2024. This female focused, winter high performance program will run over eight weeks from mid-July to early September.

The program will once again be set up in two tiers. There will be the Women's Elite Tier and the Women's Futures Tier. Both programs will run on the same dates out of the same venue but will have separate session plans which will better fit the skill level of the individual players.

There is no age range for the WDP, however all athletes must have birth dates in or before 2011.

Baseball NSW wish to inform that the cost of the program will be \$210, including the uniform pack and additional admin fees. We have aimed to keep the cost as low as possible, by subsidising program fees.



Trial dates will be:

Tuesday 25th June

Thursday 27th June (if required)

Trials will begin at 6:00pm

If you would like to register for the Women's Development Program then please click [here](#) and fill out the form.

Registrations close at 11:59pm Sunday the 23rd of June.

[Click here](#) to view the information pack and to register!

Register Now Australian Youth Championships 2025

Registrations are now open for the 2025 Australian Youth Championships!

Baseball NSW invites you to register your child/children to trial for the NSW Under 16 and Under 18 Metro teams to participate at the 2025 Australian Youth Championships.

The Championships will be held at Blacktown International Sports Park and Baseball Australia will be announcing the actual dates in due course.

Our NSW teams have been very successful in past tournaments and the Championships are a great representative experience for our state athletes!

Trials will be held at Blacktown International Sports Park.

[Click here](#) to learn more about dates and times and how to register for the trial!

Please ensure to register before attending trials.



Registrations close at midnight on Sunday 25th August 2024.

High Performance Programs 2024 Squad Selected

Congratulations to the players who have been selected in this years Developing and Performance Pathway Programs.

These dedicated U16 and U18 winter high performance programs are will run over 10-weeks between June 18 and August 22, 2024. They are a great precursor to State selection and lead into the 2025 Australian Youth Championships.

All players will receive the following content:

- Baseball specific skill development
- Arm velocity development
- Running speed development
- Bat speed development
- Strength + Conditioning
- BLAST MOTION bat sensor data
- Professional body screening
- Pre and Post program testing
- Rapsodo pitching + hitting tracking software



BASEBALL
NEW SOUTH WALES

High Performance Programs 2024

Squad Selected cont.

Developing Pathways Program Squad		
Samuel Barden	Owen Hart	Emery Schwartz
Jian Chen	Mitchell Howay	Cooper Smith
Arnhem Coles	Jaden Jang	Parker Willard
Tim Donovan	Hunter Lennox	Tyler Brown
Max Draper	Lachlan Matsunaga	William Hooper
Aiden Farrell	Lachlan Meehan	Hunter McAdam
Malakai Finau	Bradley Merrell	Kenta Shimamoto
Jesse Garnero	Christian Morrison	Bailey Thorne
Harley Gibson	Jack Phegan	Kai Ueki
Jack Hanretty	Daniel Price	Lucas Williams
	Tyler Sams	
Coaches		
Vince Bates	Max Brennen	Nick Chappell
James Sammes	Ticara Geldenhuis	Brad Griffin

High Performance Programs 2024

Squad Selected cont.

Performance Pathways Program Squad		
Leo Turco	Luc Oishi	Lachlan West
Gabriel Tentomas	Ryan Luker	Akira Bastianon
Kai Stacey	Ashton Kennedy	Lucas Gallardo
Lachlan Robinson	Cayde Herbert	Lachlan Heap
Aiden Riddle	Ryley Fletcher	Max Hagger
Bailey Richards	Ethan Clugston	Lincoln Gruppelaar
Aaron Peachey	Hisato Adachi	Christopher Morgan
Nathan Paes	Ryan Mercer	Campbell Harris
Ryan Padovan	Riley Puckett	Tristan Clapham
Coaches		
Phil Hemmer	Gavin Fingleson	Trent D'Antonio
Nathan Willard	Jack Dormer	Coen Wynne
Jason Dormer	David Nannes	

2024 Barclay Cup Coaching Staff Announcement

We are stoked to announce the following Coaching Staff for the 2024 Barclay Cup!

Baseball NSW is extremely privileged to boast a depth of talented female players across the state, who individually have achieved so much in women’s baseball. For these ladies to now be leading our next generation of female baseballers, is very exciting!

Thank you to these ladies for dedicating your time to these teams! Best of luck at the Barclay Cup in September.



BARCLAY CUP
SYDNEY 2024

2024 Barclay Cup Coaches

Katie Gaynor

Tahnee Lovering

Laura Neads

Claire O’Sullivan

Jordan Richardson

Amy Saliba



2024 State Championships Survey

As our 2023/24 Season comes to a close for many, we wish those teams attending Nationals the best of luck and ask our members to reflect on the representative season passed.

We are always looking for ways to improve on our offerings at Baseball NSW and as such invite all members who attended the Championships in 2024 to complete the following survey:

[Click here](#) to complete.

Thank you very much and enjoy your off season!



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](#).

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](#).

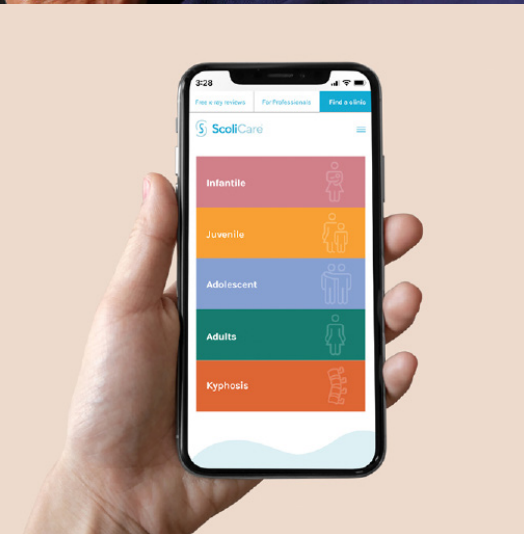
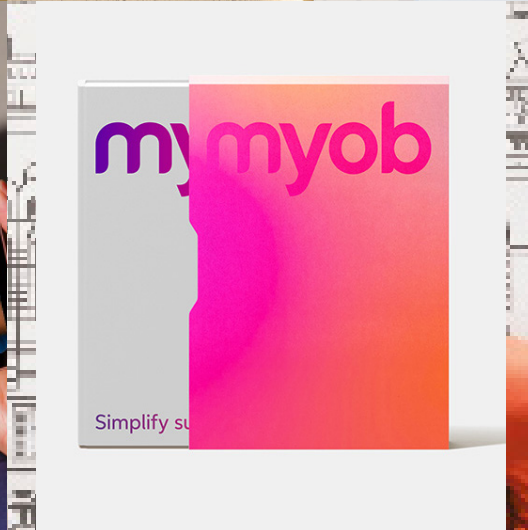
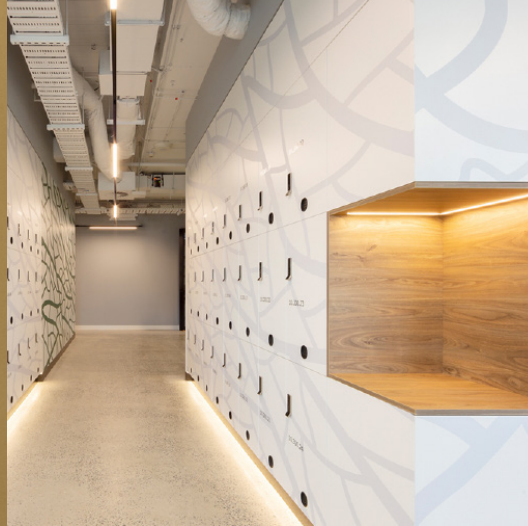


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