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This Month

Congratulations
Matt Cairns

Scholarship Opportunity
2021 NSW Sports Awards

Sport Facility Funding

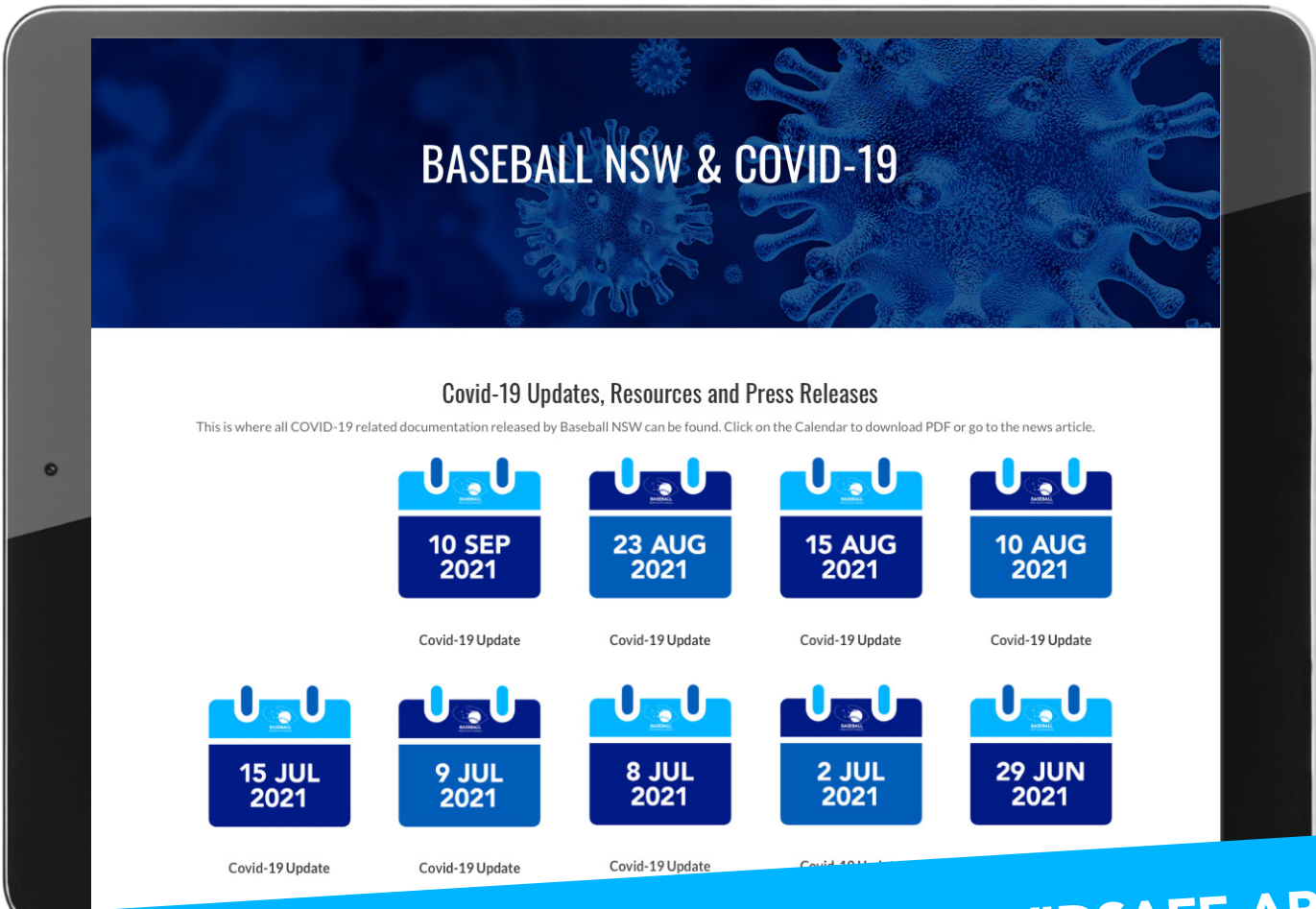
Fast Track for Female
Coaches Course 2021

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](#)

Recognising Hard Work

BNSW Monthly Award Nominees



Coaches

Mark Cannan - Camden Red Sox Baseball Club

Mark is a genuine and enthusiastic coach that always put his best foot forward to the kids no matter what the challenge or weather presents.

Stewart Keen - Camden Red Sox Baseball Club

Stewart brought much knowledge and experience to his role and supported the team's skill growth with enthusiasm and kindness.

Tara Perrin - White Sox Baseball Club

Created great team morale, was always on time and dedicated to baseball.

Scorers

Carleen Bake-Smith - Sawtell Dodgers Baseball Club

Carleen has been the club scorer for many years assisting with scoring in both our senior grades. More recently she has also been scoring for other clubs that are unable to provide scorers. Typically she will spend all of her Saturday during the season sitting in a scorers box.

Umpires

Rob Casey - St George Sutherland Baseball Umpires Association

Rob has found the greatest of pleasure first with playing, then coaching and ultimately, umpiring. He has found great pleasure in helping bring the highest standards he can to the game with mentoring, educating and performing.

Volunteers

Kira Cannan - Camden Red Sox Baseball Club

Kira is a team manager that is diligent and caring that covers every base. Our team was organised and confident in part thanks to her diligent and thoughtful efforts. She is much appreciated.

Jessica Smith - Cronulla Sharks Baseball Club Inc

Jess is our marketing superstar; she works tirelessly behind the scenes getting all the clubs/CSJBA/BNSW information out to our Cronulla Sharks Baseball community.

BNSW Best Baseball in ISO Pic 2021 September entries



Photo by Jackson Long – 'Strike'



Photo by Kellie Bailey – 'Batting practice with dad'



Photo by Kate Salmon – 'Working on the swing in lockdown'

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: Stewart Keen
(Camden Red Sox Baseball Club)

Volunteer: Jessica Smith
(Cronulla Sharks Baseball Club Inc)

Scorer: Carleen Bake-Smith
(Sawtell Dodgers Baseball Club)

Umpire: Rob Casey
(St George Sutherland Baseball Umpires Association)

Monthly Baseball in ISO Photo Winner

Congratulations to our #NSWGameDayPic winner this month. 'Strike' which was Photo #3 by Jackson Long.

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!



Nominations Now Open 2021 NSW Sports Award



Sport NSW is proud to launch the NSW Sports Awards for 2021.

The Sports Awards have been running since 1994, and serve to celebrate the achievements of NSW athletes, coaches, officials, administrators and organisations on an annual basis.

Members are invited to nominate individuals, teams and organisations, after which an independent selection panel will determine the finalists and winners of each award.

Nominations must be endorsed by a Sport NSW member organisation and are for achievements from 1 October 2020 to 30 September 2021.

Nominations close 11:59pm Tuesday 5th October 2021.

[Download 2021 Award Guidelines](#)

[Submit Nomination Now](#)



Baseball – The Game For Everyone



As a 10-year-old, Richard Leach’s neighbour paid him 1c each time he hit a target on the barn door in Massachusetts - but he didn’t play baseball.

Later in Australia, he played a little softball in Adelaide, but not baseball. Having lived in Sydney for 20 years, Richard started playing baseball 3 years

ago at Arncliffe Scots, and now he pitches 2 innings each game. By the way, did we mention that he turned 80 a couple of months ago!

Grahame Cassel sat down with Richard to discuss life, baseball, and everything in between. A truly fascinating and inspiring story, proving yet again that Baseball is the game for everyone.

[Click here](#) to watch the full interview.



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.

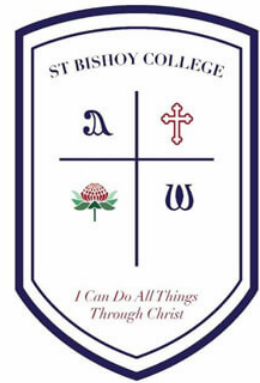
Each level has an age restriction – details are outlined on the respective course tabs [here](#).

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](#)

Exciting Scholarship Opportunity St Bishoy College



St Bishoy College, Mount Druit have been kind enough to offer a huge opportunity to work collaboratively for the benefit of primary and secondary students in the Blacktown LGA.

The College is a K-12 independent school in the Mt Druit area and with a student population in the mid 300's, it prides itself on being focused on the student experience in all that it does.

This year, the College has been listed for a fifth year in a row in the top achievers' list for NAPLAN results in NSW. The college is offering students who identify as excelling in sports and fitness an opportunity to apply for a full-tuition subsidy at St Bishoy.

Candidates are invited to complete the attached application form and attach a supporting reference from the sporting organization that attests to the student's sporting success and attitudinal competencies that would support their success at St Bishoy.

Download the full application form [here](#).



Congratulations Matt Cairns ASTMA 2021 Award Winner



Blacktown International Sportspark has long been recognized as the best baseball facility in the country.

It is only fitting that Matt Cairns, grounds and operations coordinator has been presented the inaugural ASTMA Excellence in Sportsfields and Grounds Management Award.

Matt and his team work tirelessly to maintain a pristine sports park that hosts numerous sports including Baseball, Soccer, Cricket, AFL, and Softball.

Congratulations Matt on this thoroughly deserving award.



NSW Players Announced – Team Australia U-18 Squad

Baseball NSW would like to congratulate the 12 players from New South Wales that have been named in the 38-player squad, despite Team Australia withdrawing from the 2021 WBSC U-18 Baseball World Cup due to health risks and logistical challenges.

Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, the final selection camp had to be cancelled. However, it is important to recognize the efforts of the players who dedicated themselves to Team Australia under difficult circumstances. The players will continue their development with Baseball Australia in readiness for future opportunities.



[Click here](#) for 2021 Team Australia U-18 Squad

[Click here](#) for Baseball Australia Announcement

Fast Track for Female Coaches Course 2021



Sport NSW has announced the return of the Fast Track for Female Coaches Course.

Although separate from the BNSW Coach Accreditation Courses, Fast Track aims to connect aspiring female coaches, provide exclusive insight and further develop their coaching and leadership behaviours and competencies – building capability and readiness as they fast track through the coaching talent pathway.

The course will commence on:

- Tuesday, 12 October 2021 and runs for six weeks with the final session held on Tuesday, 16 November 2021.

The online workshops:

- Runs weekly on Tuesday evenings from 6.00pm – 8.00pm and will be delivered by ACPE academics plus industry-leading experts and experienced coaches from a variety of backgrounds.

Places are extremely limited and expressions of interest are now open.



[Download the flyer](#)

[Register your interest](#)

[Fast Track for Female Coaches](#)

Greater Cities and Regional Sport Facility Funding

Grant applications for round 2 of the Greater Cities Sport Facility Fund and Regional Sport Facility Fund are now open.

The NSW Government has committed \$50 million to each Fund over two years for sport facility projects, providing clubs and associations with a great opportunity to design and construct quality new facilities and upgrade and expand existing facilities.

The Fund provides grants between \$100,000 and \$1 million.

BNSW has partnered with [Red Tape Busters](#) to assist clubs and associations with their grant applications.

The service is free, and we encourage our members to contact Andrew Hamilton andrewhamilton@redtapebusters.com.au should you require further information or wish to submit an application.



Red Tape Busters

Making Government work for you!

- [Greater Cities Sport Facility Fund](#)
- [Regional Sport Facility Fund](#)
- [Greater Cities and Regional Sport Facility Fund Guidelines](#)
- [Submit an application](#)

Applications close 12pm 8th October.

2021/22 ABL Schedule



	1 NOV 18 - NOV 21	2 NOV 26 - NOV 29	3 DEC 2 - DEC 5	4 DEC 9 - DEC 12	5 DEC 16 - DEC 19	6 DEC 26 - DEC 29	7 DEC 31 - JAN 3	8 JAN 6 - JAN 9	9 JAN 13 - JAN 16	10 JAN 20 - JAN 23
AG ADELAIDE GIANTS	BNE NOV 18-21	CBR NOV 26-28	SYD DEC 2-5	MEL DEC 9-12	PER DEC 17-19	BNE DEC 27-29	SYD JAN 1-3	CBR JAN 6-9	MEL JAN 13-16	PER JAN 20-23
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PERTH HEAT	SYD NOV 19-21	MEL NOV 26-29	MEL DEC 3-5	SYD DEC 10-12	ADL DEC 17-19	CBR DEC 27-29	BNE DEC 31-JAN 2	BNE JAN 7-9	CBR JAN 14-16	ADL JAN 20-23
SYDNEY BLUE SOX	PER NOV 19-21	BNE NOV 26-28	ADL DEC 2-5	PER DEC 10-12	CBR DEC 16-19	MEL DEC 26-28	ADL JAN 1-3	MEL JAN 6-9	BNE JAN 14-16	CBR JAN 21-23

KEY | **HOME** **AWAY**


The ABL Schedule is subject to change and government COVID-19 guidelines. Visit theABL.com.au for the most up-to-date information. #ABL | theABL.com.au



[Click here](#) to download full schedule poster

Sydney Blue Sox 2021/22 ABL Schedule



ROUND 1 AWAY
 **19-21 NOV**

ROUND 2 HOME
 **26-28 NOV**

ROUND 3 AWAY
 **2-5 DEC**

ROUND 4 HOME
 **10-12 DEC**

ROUND 5 AWAY
 **16-19 DEC**

ROUND 6 HOME
 **26-28 DEC**

ROUND 7 HOME
 **1-3 JAN**

ROUND 8 AWAY
 **6-9 JAN**

ROUND 9 AWAY
 **14-16 JAN**

ROUND 10 HOME
 **21-23 JAN**

LEAGUE PLAYOFFS
 **28-30 JAN**

CHAMPIONSHIP SEIRES
 **4-6 FEB**

[Click here](#) to download the Blue Sox full season schedule poster

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:

Child Safe Sport training

The Office of Sport will host a number of Child Safe Sport webinars, outlining how clubs can create safer sporting environments for children and young people in line with the new Child Safe Standards.

Member protection training

The NSW Office of Sport will deliver webinars to help sporting organisations protect club members from issues such as harassment, discrimination and abuse.

New Working with Children Check policy

The Office of the Children's Guardian has released a new Compliance and Enforcement policy about the expectations of organisations that work with children.

To find out about the webinars, policy updates and 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](#)

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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