



## *CONCORD COMETS RETURN TO BASEBALL UPDATE*

The Concord Baseball Club Committee wish to ensure a safe return to baseball for all our players, families and officials and have prepared the following pre-season update and CovidSafe Policy in consultation with Baseball NSW Guidelines and NSW Health advice which will be applied for a return to play in the RHBL Junior Competition for summer 2020-2021 including Try Baseball Days

### *KEY DATES*

#### *TRY BASEBALL DAYS \*\*NEW DATES\*\**

SUNDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST, 12:30-2:30

SATURDAY 5<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER, 11:30-1:30

Open to all age groups from 4 years and up. Activities, and prizes. Free admission.

Bring a friend or two!

CovidSafe "check-in" on the day will be required for all participants and visitors

#### *PRESENTATION DAYS FOR 2019 SEASON \*\*CANCELLED\*\**

OFFICIAL PRESENTATIONS HAVE UNFORTUNATELY BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO UPDATED ADVICE FOR COMMUNITY SPORTS FROM THE CMO AND OFFICE OF SPORT ON TUESDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST -

<https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/cho-advice-sports.aspx>

Medals, Trophies and photo packs will be available for collection during our Try Baseball Events listed above.

#### *2020 AGM*

Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> September, 7:00pm – The Family Bistro, Massey Park Golf Course

The Concord Baseball Club AGM is open to all club members.

Please RSVP via the [AGM event](#) link which can also be found in your TeamStuff schedule calendar and in the email invitation sent out previously.

All positions on the committee officially become vacant and are re-elected at the AGM but we are specifically looking to fill the role of Canteen Coordinator.

If you would like to join the committee and get involved in the running of our great club please email

[concord.baseball@gmail.com](mailto:concord.baseball@gmail.com) for more information.

#### *JUNIOR CLUB REGISTRATIONS*

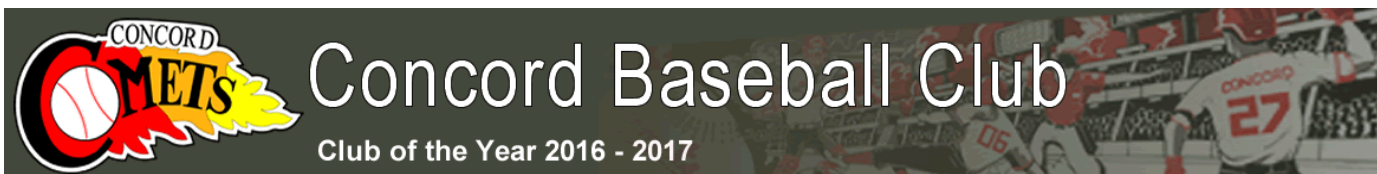
Close Friday 18th September

Online registrations are now open via the link on the website or by clicking [here](#)

Active Kids Vouchers can now be redeemed online during the registration process – please ensure to follow all instructions in SportsTG and if the voucher amount is not showing as deducted from your total before making payment please DO NOT proceed. Contact [concord.baseball@gmail.com](mailto:concord.baseball@gmail.com) for assistance.

In order for us to organize teams, coaches, managers and a myriad other pre-season requirements we need players to register as soon as possible. **Online registration will close on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> September.** Late registrations should contact the Registrar at [concord.baseball@gmail.com](mailto:concord.baseball@gmail.com)

Should the season not commence as planned Club Registration fees will be refunded.



### ***SHAKE OFF THE COBWEBS***

**Thursdays 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> September, 6:00-8:00pm**

Our annual Shake of the Cobwebs pre-season training is back!

Cobwebs is open to ALL live ball players. Sessions will incorporate fielding and batting skills and will run on Thursday evenings from 6:00-8:00pm for four weeks in September commencing Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

**Players must register to attend Concord Shake off the Cobwebs via the online registration form in the link below.**

[CONCORD COMETS COBWEBS AND D1 GRADING REGISTRATION FORM](#)

CovidSafe "check-in" on the day will be required for all players and spectators

WE ASK THAT ONLY **ONE** PARENT OR PRIMARY CARER ATTEND WITH THE PLAYERS AND EITHER WAIT IN THEIR CARS OR MAINTAIN AT LEAST 1.5m PHYSICAL DISTANCE FROM OTHER ATTENDEES

### ***DIVISION ONE GRADING***

**Thursdays 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> September, 6:00-8:00pm**

The RHBL Division 1 competition is run on Friday evenings with away games being played from Hornsby to Leichardt and everywhere in between.

Trials for D1 teams in LL Majors (U12); LL Juniors (U14) and LL Seniors (U16) will be held during the last three Cobwebs sessions.

Players will be graded in their correct age group by a panel of independent selectors in consultation with team coaches and the Club Coaching Director.

Attendance at each session is mandatory for all players wishing to play in one of our D1 teams.

If a player is unable to attend due to illness, injury or extenuating circumstance, prior arrangements must be made with the Club Coaching Director in writing to [concord.baseball@gmail.com](mailto:concord.baseball@gmail.com)

**Players must register to attend Concord D1 grading via the online registration form in the link below.**

[CONCORD COMETS COBWEBS AND D1 GRADING REGISTRATION FORM](#)

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### ***COACHES AND MANAGERS MEETING***

**Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> October, 7:30-8:30pm – to be confirmed**

We all well know that, thanks to Covid19, this year will look like no other and, with additional hygiene and contact tracing protocols to be managed, we want to ensure that our coaches and managers are fully informed and supported in keeping our club and our sport safe.

A coaches and managers meeting will be held prior to Muster day during which we will cover TeamStuff use, CovidSafe protocols and all other aspects of managing a baseball team.

If you are interested in coaching please send your expression of interest to the Club Coaching Director at

[concord.baseball@gmail.com](mailto:concord.baseball@gmail.com)

If you are interested in managing a team please send your expression of interest to the Club Manager's Coordinator at [marcel.andrieux@icloud.com](mailto:marcel.andrieux@icloud.com)



## ***MUSTER DAY***

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October, 2pm – to be confirmed**

Traditionally Concord Baseball Club has held an annual muster day where team kits are collected, players meet their new teammates, coaches & managers and we provide information on training and the season ahead

This has been tentatively scheduled for Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm but may need to be changed or have teams staggered depending on Covid restrictions at the time.

Please keep an eye out on Facebook, our newsletter and, of course, TEAMSTUFF for updates.

CovidSafe “check-in” on the day will be required for all players and spectators

AGAIN WE ASK THAT ONLY **ONE** PARENT OR PRIMARY CARER ATTEND WITH THE PLAYERS

## ***SEASON COMMENCEMENT***

**BATTER UP! BASEBALL IS BACK ON TUESDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER**

We are working hard towards an October commencement for the RHBL Summer Juniors competition. Of course this is dependent on Covid19 restrictions which can change on short notice but we are planning for it to go ahead.

Team training will start on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> and Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October (the week school goes back for term four). Training times and allocations will be advised once teams are finalised.

RHBL Summer competition will commence on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> October (D1 comp) and Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> October (Pre-Live, D2 and D3 comps)

CovidSafe “check-in” on training and game days will be required for all spectators and visitors

## ***UNIFORM SHOP***

**PLACE ORDERS BEFORE FRIDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER**

Due to the confined space in the uniform shop and current Covid physical distancing requirements, uniform orders this year will be managed with online ordering via the link below. ***Please place your order before Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September.***

[CONCORD BASEBALL UNIFORM ORDER](#)

Orders will be packed and available in the canteen for collection and payment at team training sessions prior to season start.

We will not be accepting cash payments this year and eftpos will be available in the canteen on order collection.

## ***CANTEEN***

**LIMITED SERVICE**

At this stage, the canteen will NOT be open to purchase food or drinks. This may change in the leadup to season start and we will keep you notified of any changes.

WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR A CANTEEN COORDINATOR SO IF YOU'RE KEEN TO GET MORE INVOLVED WITH THE RUNNING OF THE CLUB AND WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION PLEASE LET US KNOW. EMAIL

[CONCORD.BASEBALL@GMAIL.COM](mailto:CONCORD.BASEBALL@GMAIL.COM) FOR MORE INFORMATION.



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## **CONCORD COMETS RETURN TO BASEBALL COVIDSAFE PROTOCOLS FOR RHBL JUNIOR COMPETITION**

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The Concord Baseball Club Committee wish to ensure a safe return to baseball and have prepared the following CovidSafe Policy in consultation with Baseball NSW Guidelines and NSW Health advice which will be applied for a return to play for summer in the RHBL Junior Competition for summer 2020-2021 including Try Baseball Days

Our return to baseball policy has been written to ensure the safest possible return to our sport for players, families and officials alike and Concord Baseball Club will follow NSW Health and NSW Government Guidelines in relation to notification of any COVID positive participants in any Club event.

MyGuestList QR code attendance check-in will be required at all club events, training sessions and games.

Please exercise social responsibility and, if you are feeling at all unwell or considered in a high-risk category, please stay at home and stay up to date with the latest Government advice.

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### **HYGIENE AND PHYSICAL DISTANCING**

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By now we are all aware of the hygiene protocols around avoiding the spread of COVID-19. The following must be adhered to for all players, officials and spectators involved in baseball at Concord Baseball Club

#### **GENERAL HYGIENE**

- ✘ Wash your hands regularly with soap and water especially after eating or using the bathroom
- ✘ Use alcohol-based hand sanitiser when soap and water are unavailable
- ✘ Avoid touching your eyes, nose and mouth
- ✘ Cough or sneeze into your elbow
- ✘ If you or anyone in your home are unwell, please stay at home.
- ✘ If you have visited Victoria or any of the NSW Govt identified hotspots, please stay at home.

#### **ADDITIONAL HYGIENE FOR BASEBALL**

- ✘ A covid safety officer is to be nominated from each team and will be responsible for ensuring all team spectators have checked in and sanitising game balls and any shared team equipment after each use.  
*This role needs to be separate from Coach and Manager*
- ✘ Gloves to be worn when sanitizing equipment
- ✘ Hand sanitizer will be available for visitors and Team kits will contain sanitiser, disinfectant wipes and spray
- ✘ Santiser stations will be provided in each dugout for team use only
- ✘ Teams are to retrieve their own foul balls and disinfect them before returning them to play
- ✘ Umpires will not handle game balls
- ✘ Players should have their own hand sanitiser and disinfectant wipes in their kit
- ✘ No seeds or spitting
- ✘ No sharing of equipment or other personal items such as drink bottles, towels, clothing or food
- ✘ Personal bats should not be piled up together
- ✘ Team bats and helmets are to be sanitised with disinfectant spray after each use
- ✘ **Helmets are provided in each team kit but we strongly encourage all live ball players to have their own helmet if possible**
- ✘ Dugout benches are to be sanitized before vacating dugout and before putting away
- ✘ Personal equipment should be wiped down after training and games ready for next use
- ✘ No uniform fitting or measuring will be conducted



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## **COMMUNITY PHYSICAL DISTANCING**

- ✘ Avoid close contact – no high-fives, handshakes or huddles
- ✘ Where possible, maintain 1.5 physical distance
- ✘ Please don't linger at the ground after training and games – remember: Get in, train/play and go

## **ADDITIONAL PHYSICAL DISTANCING FOR BASEBALL**

- ✘ Groups will be limited to 20 participants including officials
- ✘ If group/pair work is required, pairs to be consistent across the event.
- ✘ Players are to arrive dressed and ready to take the field – no access to change room
- ✘ Players' Kits and equipment (including personal bats) to be placed 1.5m apart
- ✘ Only team officials and players within the marked-out perimeter of dugouts, training areas and batting shed
- ✘ Batting cages are available for use by one team at a time under the Four Square Metre Rule and players are to maintain 1.5m distance at all times within the shed
- ✘ Parents and carers are asked not to wait inside the batting shed

## **ADDITIONAL PHYSICAL DISTANCING FOR SCORERS**

- ✘ Results Sheet do not need to be signed – Umpire to sight and approve
- ✘ No sharing of pens or pencils
- ✘ Where possible Scorers to maintain 1.5m physical distance from one another
- ✘ Where 1.5m distance cannot be maintained, we ask scorers to wear a mask

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## **SPECTATORS AND RECORD KEEPING**

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### **BASEBALL SPECTATORS**

- ✘ **Please limit spectators to ONE parent or primary carer only**
- ✘ All spectators are required to check in via our MYGuestList QR code
- ✘ Spectators are to remain outside training and game zones including marked perimeter of dugouts and inside the batting shed
- ✘ Spectators should bring their own chairs and maintain 1.5m distance
- ✘ Covid safety officers will be monitoring physical distancing at all Try Baseball events, training and home games
- ✘ If you are unwell please stay at home

### **RECORD KEEPING**

- ✘ We are required to keep accurate player and spectator attendance records
- ✘ Player attendance in TeamStuff MUST be kept up to date – managers are to confirm at all training sessions and games
- ✘ Spectator attendance must be registered via the MyGuestList QR code or SMS – Club and team Covid Safety Officers will be provided with a copy of the QR code and it will also be available in front of the canteen, in the batting shed, on dugouts and diamond nets
- ✘ Concord Baseball Club recommends downloading the Covidsafe App





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## *EXCLUSION*

- Any participant who has recently been to the State of Victoria should not participate in any training session or game
- Any participant who has been to one of the places identified by the NSW Government at <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/latest-news-and-updates> should not attend any training session or game. They should follow the Government instructions on isolation & testing and provide notification to Concord Baseball Club. Keeping us informed helps us to keep our members safe and will be treated with confidentiality to the extent possible
- Any participant identified during a club event, training session or game, as being unwell with a fever or flu like symptoms will be removed from the event and isolated at a safe distance from other participants until they can be collected by a parent or care giver

## *MYGUESTLIST COVID CHECK-IN*

### *Scan QR Code*

Scan the QR code below to be taken to a secure online form allowing you to check-in to Major's Bay Reserve  
Check-In data is automatically removed after 28 days



### *Check in by Text Message*

SMS the word *UPC* to the number below together with your full name and email address

***0459 600 600***