



## Frequently Asked Questions- Interclub baseball

### EASTERN SUBURBS JUNIOR BASEBALL LEAGUE

#### SUMMER JUNIOR BASEBALL

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Baseball is a great game with mixed boys and girls teams. Children can 5 years 9 months and up to 7 years of age play T-Ball where all games are at our home field [refer to the T-Ball FAQ]. Children aged 8 and 9 years old play inter-club games, starting with minor (machine pitch), followed by 10, 11 year olds playing Minor & Major player pitch. Then Junior League (13, 14 years) and Senior League (15, 16 years). Eastern Suburbs Junior Baseball League ("*Dolphins*") is non-profit and volunteer run. Please consider helping us provide your child with access to this exciting sport by becoming an administrator or qualified coach, manager or scorer or other volunteer. We will help you! Our club has a COVID19 Safety Plan to help ensure a safe playing and training environment.

- **Q1-WHERE DO WE PLAY?**

We are part of the Cronulla Sutherland Junior Baseball Association. Our home ground is Chifley Sports Reserve, Bunnerong Rd Chifley (opposite Botany Cemetary). Approximately half the games are played at Chifley, with the remainder played at fields throughout Cronulla-Sutherland so some travel is required.

- **Q2-WHEN DO WE PLAY?**

Each age group plays at different times. The Association plays the summer season on Saturday. Minor (Zooka machine pitch) teams play from 9.00-10.15am or 10.45-12.00 noon. Minor teams (player pitch) play 8.30-10.00am or 10.45-12.15. Junior League teams play from 8.30-10.15am or 10.45-12.30pm or 1.00-2.45pm. Senior League teams play at 1pm or 3.30pm. Players are expected at the field at least 30 minutes prior to start time.

- **Q3-HOW LONG IS THE SEASON?**

Training starts in late August/early September. Inter-club competition games commence in early September and continues through until early March. [Due to COVID19 the 2020/21 season start date has been delayed roughly 4 weeks but has the same number of games as normal].

- **Q4-WHAT ABOUT EQUIPMENT?**

Each player must have a baseball glove. All other equipment (bat, balls etc) is provided by the club. Footwear for Minor Machine pitch levels and up we recommend plastic stud baseball running shoes or soccer/footy shoes. Plastic studded boots are mandatory for all teams above minor machine level, with metal studs permitted for Senior League only. Your own bat can be used but must meet NSW latest Baseball bat standards. Check ESJBL's website or talk to a club coach.

- **Q5 CLUB UNIFORM?**

Players purchase their uniform (pants, socks, cap, and shirt) from the club on a nominated date in late August. Registered Players are advised of the date by email. The cost of uniforms for the season are shown on the club's web site closer to the date on the JUNIOR UNIFORM page. Payment is by card.

- **Q6-HOW TO REGISTER A PLAYER & THE COST?**

Registration is on-line using the Baseball NSW system. Players on the club's mailing list will be notified via email to register when the system open for summer registrations. Player Fees are set by the LEAGUE AGE date of birth of the player (based on 1<sup>st</sup> September of the playing season).

Registration process and costs are listed on our web site JUNIOR REGISTRATION page. Registrations are opened in early/mid July each year. Every attempt is made to accommodate all those who register, but this depends on the number of teams that can be formed and number of coaches available. Early registration is encouraged to avoid missing out.

- **Q7-WHAT IS THE CLUB PHILOSOPHY?**

Our Club's primary aim is to help young players to learn baseball skills whilst having healthy fun, as well as developing teamwork, sportsmanship, respect for self and others and giving their best!