

December 2014

To All RCBC Members:

We wanted to take this opportunity to wish you happy holidays and thank you all for a very successful 2014. The Richmond County Baseball Club has reached new heights, and thanks go to all of the coaches, staff members, parents and players.

2014 was a milestone year for RCBC as we celebrated our 10 year anniversary. Members partied at the Vanderbilt in October at a dinner dance to commemorate the event.

The RCBC baseball program continued to grow and we now have over 250 players on 19 teams ranging from ages 9 through 18. Outstanding play was the order of the day as we brought home 23 tournament championships and reached the championship game in 39 events. No one gets to more championship games than RCBC.

Our "graduating seniors" are off to play college baseball, and the number now tops 150 RCBC players who have gone on to play at the collegiate level with over \$15 million in scholarship money.

We continued to expand the tournaments hosted at the complex, increasing the number to over 40 this year. These events continue to provide convenient and economical play for our teams, against some of the best competition from NYC, Long Island, New Jersey and beyond. We also partnered with Perfect Game, Blue Chip Prospects and the NYC Borough Cup to host games for those venues.

We hosted our spring Patriot League for the second year, with RCBC teams coming out on top.

We hosted our second annual Future College Prospect Showcase Camp, giving our players direct access to some of the best colleges in the area.

We continued to provide opportunities for players to advance their development year round, hosting our Winter Workouts at CSI for the 7th year, and running summer baseball camps in collaboration with 5 Tool Baseball.

We hosted the 3rd annual Johnny Ray Memorial Fall Classic tournament for high school baseball programs. Proceeds benefited the Johnny Ray Foundation which provides tuition assistance for deserving local student-athletes.

We continue to make improvements to the Richmond County Youth Complex and believe it to be one of the truly great baseball facilities in the tri-state area. We recently completed our 3 year infield renovation project with the installation of a new grass infield on field 3 in the back. Now all four 60/90 major league size fields boast beautifully manicured grass infields. Look for additional enhancements this spring. The RCYC is a major draw to attract players to our program as well as visiting teams to play in our tournaments and leagues.

The RCBC website has now recorded over 300,000 visits and we expanded our communication and social media channels with our Facebook page, Twitter, monthly Newsletter and text message alerts.

And, we continued our support of the community via our involvement with a number of local programs and businesses.

We want to wish you and your families a very happy holiday season and best wishes for a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year. Here's looking forward to another great season in 2015!

Nick and George