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Baseball Club**

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# RCBC Newsletter

## 2016 Showcase Camp Dates Announced



## 2016 Future College Prospect Showcase Camp August 17-18

For 2017, 2018 and 2019 grads

Over 20 colleges expected to attend

Only \$399 for the 2 day camp

Go to [www.rcbclub.com](http://www.rcbclub.com) to register

## RCBC On Social Media

As a reminder, RCBC has engaged PostGradCreative, a local social media marketing firm to increase awareness of our social media channels and to help us utilize them more effectively in marketing our organization and events. Check out our new promotional video of our tournament business on Facebook which includes many spectacular aerial shots.

Follow RCBC on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram. Get the word out. Share with your friends. For the links, go to [www.rcbclub.com](http://www.rcbclub.com).

## Tournament Update



This month, we hosted the Summer Showdown tournament with the Jersey Giants winning the 17U division and the Eagles Select taking the title in 15U. In the Summer Slam tournament, the D1 Renegades won out in 15U, Hard Core Ducks in 13U and Diamond Jacks Super12s in 12U. And in the Mid Summer Classic, the 9ers Prime won the 16U division while our 14U Nationals took honors in 14U.

Here's our upcoming lineup for the rest of the summer:

Summer Slugfest (7/29-7/31) - 12U, 15U, 17U

Summer Sizzler (8/5-8/7) - 13U, 16U

Battle Of The Island (8/12-8/14) - 10U, 12U, 14U, 15U

Summer Finale (8/19-8/21) - 9U, 11U, 13U, 17U

Visit [www.rctournaments.com](http://www.rctournaments.com) for more information and to view the full year schedule, including our fall Perfect Game events.

Parents - make sure you wear your RCBC wristbands for free daily admission to each Richmond County summer tournament.

Children under 18 are always free. Please contact your coach if you did not receive yet.



## July Tournament Champs



15U Nationals

Blue Chip  
Prospects Great  
American Classic

14U Nationals  
Sports At The  
Beach Clash Of  
The Titans





## July Tournament Champs



17U Nationals

Diamond Nation

Super 17

World Series



14U Nationals

RCBC

Mid Summer

Classic



Coach Mike Lopiparo  
College Placement  
Coordinator  
Quality Control Coach

This month's  
baseball quote:

Michal Jordan, who knew  
something about winning,  
once said:

*"Talent wins games, but  
teamwork and intelligence  
wins championships."*

If you want to voice a  
comment on anything I  
write, email me at  
mikelope19@aol.com



## Coach Lope's Baseball Thoughts

### THE TRIP

It was the best trip any RCBC team had ever taken when you consider where and who you play. Every year, the 17U Nationals travel to Atlanta, Georgia to take on some of the best competition in America. Coach DeFendis' team had always been respective during the dead long trek to the prestigious East Cobb tournament which has seen high school All Americans like Buster Posey take part. But this year, the Richmond County Nationals reached the playoff round for the first time ever. In a field that has ballooned to 384 teams, our 17U squad finished 27th, as it saw 357 teams eliminated before the Nationals. We lost just one game in the 8 games played in the bracket and playoff. And the defeat came on that dopey Texas Rule which occurred after only 5 innings of play because of the weather.

Coach DeFendis put together a first class pitching staff and it showed its ability in this event. Vin Vitacco, Nick Lepre, Vin Zappulla, Michael Flynn and Marc Guglielmo all turned in first class performances to help RCBC advance in the bracket. Lepre tossed a complete game gem against the top rated Orlando Scorpions, allowing just one run in 7

innings. Vitacco had a brilliant relief effort earlier vs. the Dirtbags, another top southern squad. Offensively, outfielders Hayden Gumb and Travis Zurita both had timely hits, while Gumb wowed the recruiters with his blazing speed. Also hitting the ball hard were Shamus Connolly, Chris Ciancimino and the player they call CT...Chris Taliercio. Jayden Ojeda had a game winning single in a key victory. The trip had a warm up....6 contests in Nashville, Tennessee. After starting with 2 losses and a tie, the Nationals woke up and won its last 3 games to set up the successful results in Atlanta. Of the 14 games RCBC took part in during the trip, 13 were what I call "white knuckler" games, which means close games where late inning toughness is needed. RCBC passed the test with flying colors. What's next for the surging Nationals....no rest, that's for sure. Its back on the road; this time the compass points to the Midwest...the annual tournament in Cincinnati, Ohio. But the Perfect Game 17U World Wood Bat Classic at the beautiful East Cobb complex in Atlanta will be long remembered as the sign that Richmond County Baseball has earned nationwide respect.



## The Trip — 17U Nationals



**Congratulations on a great trip!**





# RECRUITMENT & HIGHLIGHT VIDEOS



JOHNNY D'S 5 TOOL BASEBALL AND POSTGRAD CREATIVE ARE COLLABORATING TO PROVIDE YOU WITH HIGH QUALITY RECRUITMENT AND HIGHLIGHT VIDEOS FILMED IN STATEN ISLAND, NY. WITH THE EXPERTISE AND KNOWLEDGE OF 5 TOOL, ALONG WITH THE CREATIVITY AND PERFECTION OF POSTGRAD CREATIVE, YOUR VIDEO WILL THOROUGHLY SHOWCASE YOUR SKILLS. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT JOHNNY DEFENDIS AT [JOHNNYD5TOOL@LIVE.COM](mailto:JOHNNYD5TOOL@LIVE.COM) OR (917) 578-1908.

<b>\$450 PER PLAYER</b>		<b>\$400 PER PLAYER</b>
1 HOUR INDIVIDUAL SESSION		GROUP DISCOUNT (5-10 PLAYERS)



**If Interested, go to:**

**[www.rcbclub.com](http://www.rcbclub.com) or**

**[www.my5toolbaseball.com](http://www.my5toolbaseball.com)**

If you still need tickets, you can pick up at the RCBC complex on Saturday, July 30 between 8-11 am

Join One on One Physical Therapy  
at Richmond County Bank Ballpark at St. George for the

**Met** **HIGH SCHOOL BASEBALL SENIOR GAME** **North Star III** Staten Island University Hospital  
& Autism Awareness Fundraiser

**COME ON ONE**  
physical & occupational therapy  
sports rehabilitation

**Saturday, July 30**  
**Doors Open: 12pm**  
**Game Time: 1pm**  
*Honoring two local Staten Island children*  
**Julianna Russo**  
**Anthony Dimasi**

**Bring the whole family!**  
Raffles, prizes, 50/50 and FUN ZONE for kids!  
\$10 per ticket, kids free (10 & under)  
For pre-sale tickets call:  
• Mike Mauro (One on One PT) at 347.288.5609  
Tickets will be available day of game at the main gate

**A \$2500 SCHOLARSHIP** will be  
awarded to one high school player  
from the game!





## THERE'S STILL TIME TO BE A CORPORATE SPONSOR



### 2016 Annual High School Senior Baseball All Star Game & Autism Awareness Fundraiser (Sponsored by THE ONE ON ONE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION)

On Saturday July 30th, 2016, the One On One Physical Therapy Charitable Foundation will host the Annual “Senior” Baseball All Star Game at the home of the Staten Island Yankees – Richmond County Bank Ballpark. The game involves recently graduated Seniors of both the Public and Private School’s Baseball teams on Staten Island. One Player is awarded a \$2,500 College Scholarship from the One On One Physical Therapy Charitable Foundation based upon a life-experience essay. The game is also an Autism Awareness Fundraiser, and 2 families that experience the challenges of having children with Autism will be honored at the event. All proceeds of the event go to Autism Awareness. Any assistance you can give in making this event a success is greatly appreciative.

#### Sponsorship Levels

“GOLD” Sponsor - \$5,000 \_\_\_\_

“SILVER” Sponsor - \$3,000 \_\_\_\_

“BRONZE” Sponsor - \$1,500 \_\_\_\_

Other amount \$\_\_\_\_\_

All Sponsorships / Donations are Tax-deductible contributions.

Please make Checks out to: THE ONE ON ONE CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

A not-for-profit organization (501C3 ID # 46-2793602)

Additional Information: Mike Mauro (347) 288-5609