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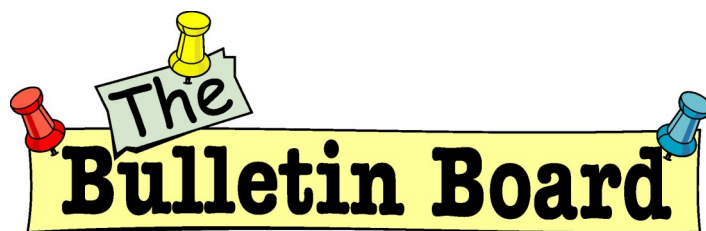


RCBC Newsletter

Dates For 2021 Marucci World Series



The 2021 Marucci World Series will be held on July 24-28 in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. This is one of the most exciting and entertaining tournaments of the year. This exclusive invite only event is only open to Marucci Franchise Club teams like RCBC, ages 14U through 17U. As they say in Louisiana, "laissez le bon temps rouler" (let the good times roll).

A graphic of a yellow bulletin board with a black border. The words "The Bulletin Board" are written on it in a bold, black, serif font. The word "The" is on a small white tag pinned to the top left with a yellow pushpin. The word "Bulletin" is on the top line and "Board" is on the bottom line. A red pushpin is on the left edge and a blue pushpin is on the right edge.

The Bulletin Board

- 2021 registration will begin soon for our non-HS age teams. At the onsite meetings, players will be sized for our new 2021 uniforms. Look for details shortly regarding date and time for your team.
- Our final event of the year, the PG Super25 Northeast Fall Super Qualifier was held November 6-8, featuring 13U and 17U divisions. In 13U, Grit Black scored a walk off win over the NJ Renegades while in 17U, East Coast Ghost defeated the Boston Blue Jays to take the title.
- We released our preliminary 2021 Perfect Game tournament schedule featuring events from April through August. For more info, visit our Tournament website at www.rctournaments.com.
- The Perfect Game National Underclass Showcase will be held in Fort Myers, Florida December 26-28. RCBC high school players can sign up directly via the Perfect Game website.
- Congratulations to Johnny DeFendis and Jackie DiSarle on their wedding this past month. Best wishes to the happy couple.

Announcing 2021 Winter Workouts For 13U-17U

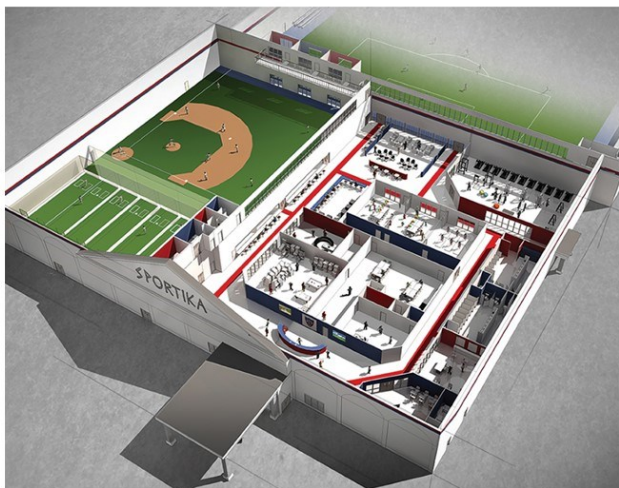


Richmond County Baseball 2021 WINTER WORKOUTS Ages 13U-17U

Only \$299 per player for 6 weeks of drills and instruction

**The workouts will be held at Sportika Sports
150 Woodward Road, Manalapan NJ 07726**

An all-turf indoor facility with batting cages and bullpens



Sportika Sports

Sunday dates:

January 17

January 24

January 31

February 14

February 21

February 28

3 pm to 6 pm

**Open to both RCBC
and non-RCBC players**

**Register at
www.rcbclub.com**

NY Yankee In The House

RCBC alumnus and NY Yankee Zack Granite came back home to Staten Island to work out with some of our teams and players this fall.



A graduate of Tottenville High School and Seton Hall University, Zack was drafted by the Minnesota Twins in 2013 and made his MLB debut with them in 2017. The speedy, left-handed outfielder also played in the Texas Rangers' organization before signing with the Yankees last fall.

Stressing the fundamentals, Zack impressed upon our young players competing to win and having fun doing it.

Zack with RCBC's Anthony Belisario

Coach DeFendis Joins Pirates Scouting Team



We are pleased to announce that Coach DeFendis has signed on to be an Associate Scout for the Pittsburgh Pirates organization (MLB).

In his new role, Coach DeFendis will be responsible for identifying local talent and providing information and introductions to the Pirates' scouting staff.

Formed in 1881, the "Bucs" are a storied franchise, having won 5 World Series and 9 National League pennants. The annual award for the MLB player who exhibits extraordinary character, community involvement and philanthropy is named after Pirates' legend Roberto Clemente.

Coach DeFendis will also continue in his current roles as Executive Director of the Richmond County Baseball Club (Staten Island, NY) and Perfect Game Affiliate Director in the Northeast.

Wishing him the best of luck in his new role.

College Commitments

We hosted our annual College Commits dinner to celebrate the achievements of those players going on to play at the next level. This year's attendees included Gregory Bruno (Stetson), Michael Alongi (Montclair State), Jackson Tucker (St Johns), Michael Doyle (NJIT), Joseph Dimino (NJIT) , Chris Corchado (Post) and Patrick Burns (Belmont Abbey). Congratulations to all the players and their families and best wishes for continued success.



College Commitments

National Letter Of Intent Signing Day



Jackson Tucker - St Johns



Michael Doyle - NJIT



Chris Corchado - Post



Patrick Gardner - CSI



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Coach Lope's Baseball Thoughts

In This Issue - RCBC's College Celebration!!!

Quote of the Month - From a mother who wrote a Baseball Prayer: *"Dear Lord. My son's baseball talent is a gift from You."*

At Max's Es-ca, the food, as usual, was delicious. But that was over-shadowed by an emotional evening full of pride and achievement!!! It was an RCBC event where 10 players were honored for being recruited to play college baseball. In less than two decades, RCBC, armed with a top rate facility to develop baseball players, along with an incomparable set of coaches, has gone above the 200 mark in RCBC talent moving on to compete in college baseball. And....since our players' parents snap the whip when it comes to grades. And we salute you for that!!!

Here is the 2020 class of RCBC players who have given commitments to play at the next level. And....they did it in the "Year of Covid," which was more challenging than pitching to Mike Trout!!! Drum roll please!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

MICHAEL ALONGI - The star 3rd baseman will be at Montclair State University next fall.

JASON ALBERT - The catcher will follow in his brother Matt's footsteps and get his education at Mount Saint Vincent. By the way, Matt is also a catcher that was developed at RCBC.

GREGORY BRUNO - Greg is still a long ways off from finishing high school at St Joseph By The Sea. But the pitcher/3rd baseman has verbally agreed to attend Stetson University in Florida.



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PATRICK BURNS - The shortstop/3rd baseman is also heading down south to North Carolina to play at Belmont Abbey.

CHRIS CORCHADO - The slugging outfielder/1st baseman will take his potent bat to Post University in Connecticut.

JOSEPH DIMINO - The hard throwing lefthander has said yes to the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT).

MICHAEL DOYLE - The star at 3rd base, shortstop and 2nd base, along with a 99 grade average, will also play baseball at NJIT.

PATRICK GARDNER - A lefthanded pitcher that also plays outfield, Pat will attend the College of Staten Island (CSI). Oh yes, I almost forgot, Pat is a also a basketball star who will play at CSI.

COLLIN KRATZER - Please rise and salute. The pitcher/infielder will attend West Point!!! How proud is RCBC of Collin!!!!!!

JACKSON TUCKER - Jack used his 6.5 speed in the 60 to race and sign with St. Johns. The centerfielder is the latest RCBC star to attend St. Johns or another Big East school to play baseball.

As the mom who wrote the Baseball Prayer says *"Dear Lord. Everything my son achieves is for Your Glory."* Amen

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Happy Thanksgiving From RCBC



From Our Family To Yours!