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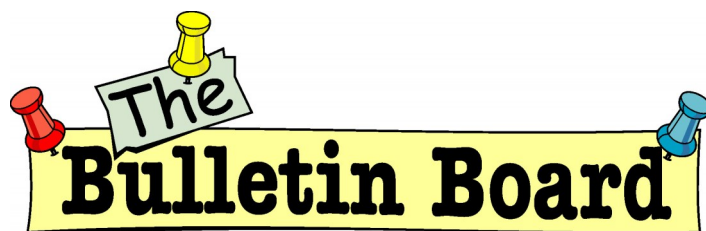


# RCBC Newsletter

## Rutgers Team Camps

The 17U Nationals, 16U Nationals and 15U Nationals all had an opportunity to participate in the Scarlet Knights Team Camps hosted by Rutgers University. Each three-day event featured drills and instruction by the Rutgers staff along with games in front of a number of local college coaches.





- The 8th annual RC College Showcase Camp takes place at the RC Complex on August 2-3. RC players 14U-17U will have the opportunity to showcase their skills in front of 20+ D1, D2, D3 and Juco colleges. The event will be featured on SportsRecruits' Event Beacon platform.
- Congrats to the July tournament winners at the RC Complex:
  - PG 15U Mid Atlantic Elite Championship - Allstars Academy
  - PG 16U Mid Atlantic Elite Championship - West Jersey Wildcats
  - PG 13U Mid Atlantic World Series (AAA) - FB Braves
  - PG Super25 16U National Championship - Team Francisco Notorious 9
  - PG Super25 13U National Championship - Tri State Arsenal
  - PG 17U Mid Atlantic World Series - Sportika Baseball
  - PG Super25 17U National Championship - The Clubhouse 2023
- Upcoming August PG tournaments at the RC Complex:
  - July 29-August 2 - PG Northeast World Series (14U, 16U)
  - August 26-29 - PG Northeast Summer Finale (13U, 14U, 15U, 16U, 17U)
- The RC Complex and surrounding Staten Island Little League fields will be the host sites for the 2022 PG Northeast All-State Games in ages 9U-13U. The action begins on Friday, August 5.



## July Tournament Results

### USABL Jersey Battle Champions



10U Nationals

12U Nationals



14U Americans



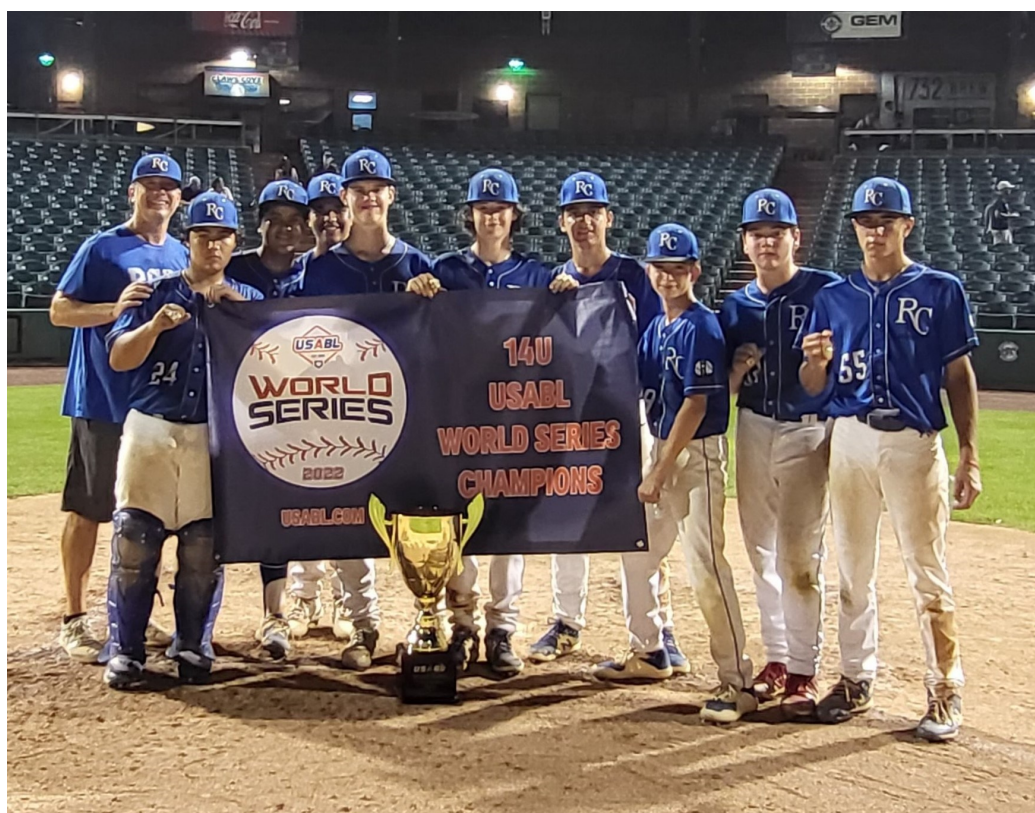
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14U Nationals  
PG Mid-Atlantic  
Elite  
Championship  
Champions



14U Nationals  
USABL  
World Series  
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## **July Tournament Results**

Congrats too to the following teams who finished  
Runner Up in their respective tournaments:

17U Nationals - PG New England World Series

13U Americans - USABL NJ Mayhem

7U Nationals - USABL Stars & Stripes Classic

## **2022 RCBC Marucci Tournament Tracker**

**33 Championship Game Appearances**

**20 Tournament Championships**

**13 Runner Ups**



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## Marucci World Series

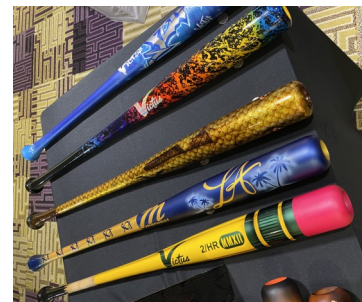
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## RCBC Players In The News



Congrats to Rob Rispoli on being  
named 2022 Most Outstanding  
HS Player by Staten Island  
Oldtimers Baseball

Congrats to Joe Mennella on  
winning the Metro United  
Baseball High School All Star  
Game Home Run Derby

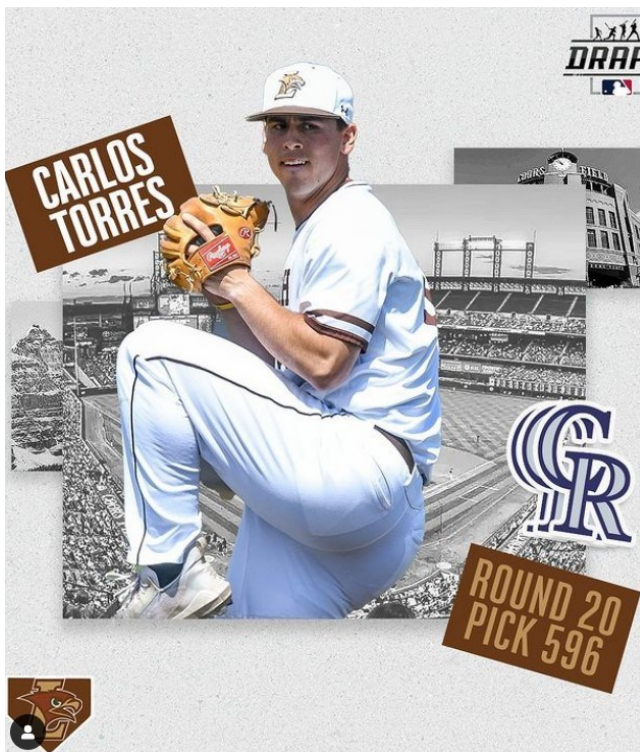




## RCBC Players In The News



Congrats to former RCBC players Gus Sosa and Carlos Torres on being selected in the 2022 MLB Draft.



Gus was drafted in the 10th round by the Philadelphia Phillies while Carlos went to the Colorado Rockies in round 20. Best of luck as you both pursue the next chapter of your baseball careers.



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## Coach Lope's Baseball Thoughts

### In This Issue - Certain Players: Respect

Quote of the Month - Hall-of-Famer and former Mets announcer Ralph Kiner on why he drove a Cadillac: *"Let's face it, homerun hitters drive Cadillacs while singles hitters drive Fords."*

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Having been a baseball fan, seemingly forever, you develop respect for certain players I would see on a regular basis. But since I have always read baseball history, certain achievements catch my attention.

**JOE DIMAGGIO:** Joe D's 56 game hitting streak boggles the mind. No player has come within 10 games of the streak....Pete Rose came the closest. I ask our players and parents at RCBC to see how many consecutive games they ever hit safely in. However, DiMaggio did something else in that 1841 season. The star centerfielder hit 30 homeruns while striking out ONLY 13 TIMES. This is the only time in MLB history that a player hit 30 homeruns and struck out less than 20 times.

**BOB GIBSON:** The Hall-of-Fame righthander for the Cardinals did something that WILL NEVER be done again....and it was in the post World War II era when relief pitching became important. Gibson pitched 7 CONSECUTIVE World Series game victories. In the 1964 Series, he beat the Yanks twice including the 7th and deciding game. In 1967, Gibson won 3 Series games vs. Boston, including the 7th game. In 1968 he beat the Tigers twice and then lost game 7 only because the centerfielder misjudged a fly ball and two runs scored.





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**PETE GRAY:** Pete Gray had an excellent minor league career. He was a lefty hitting outfielder. But he could never get a chance. Why? Pete had just ONE ARM. He had his other arm removed after an accident. Imagine swinging a bat totally in one arm....facing pro pitching no less. Finally in 1945, he got a chance to play a half season with the old St. Louis Browns (now the Orioles). Gray batted only .218, but he had 8 extra base hits, and struck out just 11 times in 250 at-bats. That was the only season he played.


**JOSE ALTUVE:** The star second baseman for the Astros is only 5' 6", playing in an era with players who, in some cases, are a foot taller. And yet, he is one of just a few major leaguers to win the MVP, a batting title and a World Championship in the same season. Altuve also has hit 30 homers in a season, also won the batting title in 2014 and 2015 and has led the AL in both stolen bases and base hits. On yes....he hit the playoff winning homer vs. the Yankees. That homer by the 5 foot, 6 inch Altuve came against Chapman who is 10 inches taller.

We'll do this again.

## **Marucci Featured Item**

### **July Deal Of The Month**

Stock up on extra game or practice pants. While supplies last.



**DEAL OF THE MONTH**

**PANTS**

**TAKE UP TO  
\$20 OFF PANTS**

Confidently run, steal, and slide in pants made to fit your game and style. Available in short and full length options, these pants are tapered through the leg and thigh and reinforced at the knee for durability.

For all your equipment needs, visit our Marucci Locker Room online store where RCBC members always get a discount.

