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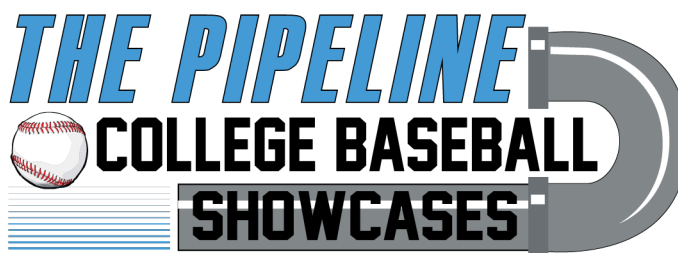
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RCBC GHOST



Monthly Newsletter

Introducing The Pipeline Showcases



RCBC and PRD announced the launch of The Pipeline: College Baseball Showcases. It's not just another showcase venue. The Pipeline will feature unique events that combine instruction from college coaches, scrimmages with live pitching, high tech metrics, and options for in-depth evaluations by professional crosscheckers and personalized highlight videos.

The first scheduled event is June 13-14, 2023 at the Richmond County Youth Complex. A summer event is also scheduled for August 8-9.

D1, D2 and D3 schools will be in attendance.

You can't get noticed if you're not in the pipeline!

Website: www.thepipelineshowcases.com

[Instagram.com/thepipelineshowcases](https://www.instagram.com/thepipelineshowcases)

[Facebook.com/thepipelineshowcases](https://www.facebook.com/thepipelineshowcases)

Welcome From Coaches DeFendis And Quinn

IF YOU LOVE BASEBALL, WE ARE FRIENDS.... IF YOU LOVE RCBC, WE ARE FAMILY

Happy New Year to all. Our traditional start of the year welcome letter. Baseball and family....they go together like a 6-4-3 double play win to end a championship game.

FAMILY: A group consisting of parents and children living together in a household.

RCBC: A group consisting of coaches and players living together at the baseball field.

A special RCBC welcome to the newest members of our family, including our partners at PRD Baseball as we move forward as RCBC Ghost. At Richmond County Baseball, the message we want to deliver each and every day is "we are family." That phrase goes both ways - it starts at the program level and ends at the families that play for us. What we're trying to say is it's a two way street. Without the cooperation from the players and their families, we just become another ball club.

This year marks 19 years as a program. We want to continue to get better each year and to do that, we need the full cooperation of our families. We ask you to support our ideas, to cooperate with your son's coach and to make the season a fun-filled and great experience.

Welcome From Coaches DeFendis And Quinn (cont'd)

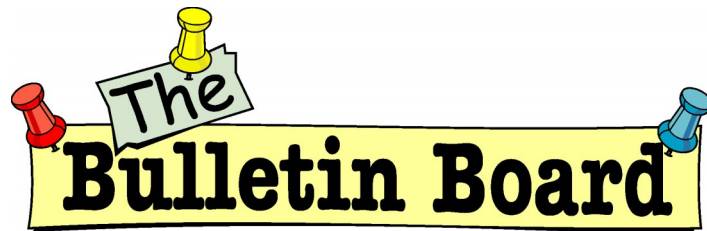
We have assembled a great group of coaches and are helping prepare them for the upcoming season. Our Winter Workouts are in full swing. We continue to create better competition for our teams via our partnership with Perfect Game, hosting tournaments here on Staten Island, and offering teams from all around the county to come here to play at RCBC. And our new Pipeline Showcase experience will be second to none.

We can't wait to see you in your fresh new Marucci RCBC Ghost uniforms. We can't wait to get out on the field and start coaching. We can't wait to start grooming the fields. It's what we love to do and we are looking forward to doing it. We have a lot of great things planned for 2023 so get excited; baseball season is just around the corner.

We'll leave you with this message.....there comes a point when teammates become friends and when friends become FAMILY.

Coach Nick DeFendis

Coach George Quinn



A Reminder Regarding Our Communication Channels

Email - Emails are sent out to members via our vendor Constant Contact to communicate announcements and upcoming events. Please make sure we have your correct email address. If you want to add an additional email address, contact info@rcbclub.com.

Our websites (bookmark and check regularly):

Richmond County Baseball Club - www.rcbclub.com

Richmond County Tournaments - www.rctournaments.com

The Pipeline Showcase - www.thepipelineshowcases.com

Our Facebook pages:

Richmond County Baseball Club - www.facebook.com/rcbaseball

Richmond County Tournaments - www.facebook.com/rctournaments

RCBC on Instagram: www.instagram.com/rcbc_theclub_

The Pipeline on Instagram: www.instagram.com/thepipelineshowcases

Our YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCON-uX9ZKolCm9Oqtxd3c5A>

Coach DeFendis on Twitter: www.twitter.com/nickdefendis

Our monthly Newsletter - Published each month and emailed to all members and posted on the RCBC website under RCBC In The News.



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Coach Lope's Baseball Thoughts

In This Issue - The Return Of Frap!!!!!!

Quote of the Month - Legendary Alabama Coach Bear Bryant on winning: *"Show class, have pride and display character. If you do, winning takes care of itself."*

RCBC has a collection of winning coaches. So adding to this stack of success is Anthony Ferrante, commonly called Frap. Anthony, who was at RCBC in the past, and is currently a coach at Monsignor Farrell, has made the rounds.

Frapper is like a guardian angel, sprinkling success wherever his latest stop is. And he should be thankful God gives you ten fingers. Frap needs all ten to wear his championship rings.

You see Anthony wins....and wins....and wins....from being on the right side during post-game handshakes to being a part on occasions in the championship contest of whatever team he's on that season.

I asked him, so Frap, did you always have a desire to coach baseball? "I was a teenager when my CYO coach attacked an umpire, got thrown out of the league and put me in charge." he said. "That got me interested in coaching, but taught me to stay in control." When you see Ferrante in action, he appears easy going and calm with an easy laugh. But players should not mistake that under control demeanor and try to take advantage of it. "I take no nonsense from players and I command respect. I am patient with young players and tolerant of mistakes expected from teenagers." But Ant makes it clear, "If I see a lack of concentration and a lack of effort, I'm not so nice!"



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It's time to review the Ferrante balance sheet. Frap had one CHSAA title with Xaverian in 2008. Then he joined Poly Prep and helped the Blue Devils become a powerhouse, winning private league titles in 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2016, 2017 and 2018. WAIT. There is more. In 2011, not only did he win with Poly, but Frap helped the college summer team, the Staten Island Tides, capture the Atlantic Collegiate Baseball League title.

You've won with high school talent, with college talent; how about trying the Little League. Frapper did and in 2018, he and Joe Calabrese took the Mid Island team to the Little League World Series after winning the Mid Atlantic Regionals. "What a thrill that was," says Ferrante, "seeing how the kids played their hearts out and helped the Staten Island baseball reputation. I now see many of the players from that team playing at their respective high schools"





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Frap says working with other coaches has enhanced his career. "Being with top coaches such as Nick DeFendis, Matt Roventini, Joe Calabrese, Tommy Webber, Dennis Canale and currently Bobby Mulligan only helped me improve my knowledge of the game and my managing style." Frap has coached Anthony Prato, one of the top RCBC players ever, who may be in Triple A this year. He had Zack Granite who had a brief stay with the Twins and many other high school and college stars.



Little League, High School and College success. Did I leave anything out Frap? "Well, I have helped Brothers Pastry in the Mid Island Men's League."

But Frapper says he can't wait to be coaching at RCBC this summer which he says is "the top summer organization around in practicing, preparing and showcasing players."

And now Ferrante is back!!!!!!

Another Effective Communication Channel



One of the features of our LeagueApps platform is the ability to send text messages to our members. While we have multiple communication channels, sometimes a text message is the quickest and most effective way to get important information out to you.

As is the case with email, SPAM regulations require that we have your permission to send group text messages. We ask that all members log into their LeagueApps account, go to Text Message Settings and make sure you “opt-in” to receive our text messages. Note that any text messages sent from our LeagueApps interface will come from telephone number 917-456-8847 so please label it on your phone so you will recognize it when messages come across.

RCBC Ghost On Social Media



RCBC Ghost has expanded use of our social media platforms and we have set up a special “in-box” for members to directly share their info, pictures and videos. These can include workouts, game action, rankings, awards and other achievements throughout the year.

Parents/players can send to us at media@rcbclub.com or DM the RCBC Instagram account at [rcbc_theclub](https://www.instagram.com/rcbc_theclub). Please include the player’s name, RCBC team, Instagram # tag and a brief description of the activity.

While our objective is to promote as much about our players as possible, please understand that not everything you submit will automatically be selected for publication.

RCBC Ghost 2023 Team Lineup

8U Nationals (Porto)	13U Royals (Myers)
11U Nationals (Yaverbaum)	14U Nationals (Quinn)
12U Americans (Quinn)	15U Americans (Scotti)
12U Nationals (Napolitano)	15U Nationals (Grippe)
12U Royals (Giordano)	15U Royals (Rubino)
13U Americans (Renna)	16U Nationals (Monteforte)
13U Nationals (Nichilo)	17U Nationals (DeFendis)

More to come!

2023 RCBC Player Package



RCBC Players In The News

Congratulations to the following players on their college commitments.

Andrew DeAngelis
Post University Ct.



Joe Dionisio
St. Peter's University



RCBC Players In The News

Congratulations to Andrew DeAngelis (17U Nationals) on being named to the 2022 Perfect Game 17U Tourney All-American Team (2nd Team Hitters).

Andrew posted a .463 batting average and a 1.151 OPS over his 63 PG at bats this past season. The speedy OF also had 18 doubles, 2nd best among all PG 17U All Americans.

Great performance Andrew!



Pos.	Player	ST	Travel Team	PA	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SB	AVG	OPS	ATT
OF	Maxwell Clark	IN	Indiana Bulls	30	9	1	0	2	9	6	4	0.391	1.196	2
OF	Andrew Duncan	FL	FTB/Philadelphia Phillies ST 2023	76	22	6	2	2	18	7	1	0.344	1.034	2
OF	Chase Krewson	PA	US Elite 18U National	68	22	6	2	0	12	9	8	0.400	1.067	2
OF	Raudi Rodriguez	GA	GBSA Rays 17U Premier Scout	141	38	9	0	9	37	26	18	0.336	1.123	5
OF	Andrew DeAngelis	NY	RCBC Marucci 17U Nationals	63	25	18	1	0	15	9	6	0.463	1.151	4
OF	Jeff Zachry	AR	3n2 Sticks Baseball 17U Moyer	100	31	8	5	4	37	12	1	0.373	1.195	5
OF	Logan Pedretti	GA	Service Baseball	57	25	9	2	3	24	14	2	0.439	1.396	3

RCBC In The News

RCBC made the lists of the top travel programs as rated by Perfect Game based upon the number of PG tournament titles and number of tournament game victories in 2022. Congrats to all of our teams that contributed to this achievement.

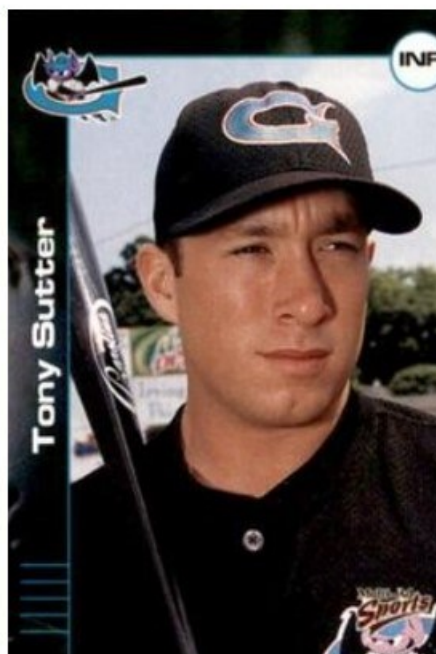
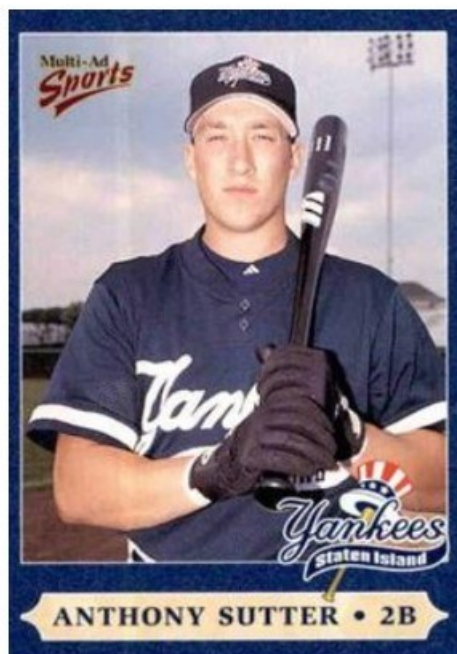
MOST PG TITLES

81	SWFL Baseball	7
81	Peninsula Rays Baseball Club	7
81	RCBC Ghost	7
81	Hardknox Baseball Development	7
81	Gold Culture	7
81	Crew Baseball	7

MOST PG WINS

110	Prospect U Houston	162
110	Slammers	162
112	Lake Travis Outlaws	160
112	RCBC Ghost	160
114	Power Baseball	159
115	GBSA RAYS	158

In Memoriam - Anthony Sutter (1978-2023)



2023 Spring/Summer Event Schedule (at the RC Complex and Staten Island Little Leagues)

April 7-8 - RCBC/PRD Invitational Tournament (11U, 12U, 13U, 14U)

April 21-23 - PG Super25 Northeast Spring Super Qualifier (10U, 11U, 12U, 13U)

May 12-14 - PG Northeast Super NIT/PGI Qualifier (9U, 10U, 11U, 12U, 14U)

May 19-21 - PG Super25 Mid-Atlantic Regional (13U)

May 26-29 - PG Super25 Northeast Super Qualifier (9U, 10U, 11U, 12U, 13U, 14U)

June 2-4 - PG East Coast Elite Championship (15U)

June 9-11 - PG Super25 Mid-Atlantic Regional (17U)

June 9-11 - PG Northeast World Series (9U, 10U, 11U, 12U)

June 13-14 - The Pipeline: Spring Mid-Atlantic Showcase (2024, 2025, 2026 grads)

June 16-19 - PG WWBA Northeast Championship (14U)

June 23-27 - PG WWBA Northeast Championship (17U)

June 30 - July 3 - PG Mid-Atlantic Elite Championship (15U)

July 7-11 - PG Super25 National Championship (16U)

July 14-18 - PG Mid-Atlantic World Series (17U)

July 14-18 - PG East Coast World Series (13U)

July 21-25 - PG Super25 National Championship (17U)

July 28 - August 1 - PG Northeast World Series (14U, 16U)

August 8-9 - The Pipeline: Summer Mid-Atlantic Showcase (2024, 2025, 2026 grads)

Scenes From Our Winter Workouts



RCBC Alum
Anthony Prato
Minnesota Twins



Marucci Featured Item

Alternate White Jersey

For RCBC teams looking for a third jersey option for extended tournament play or scrimmages, we offer the alternate white jersey. The cool new design for 2023 prominently features our Ghost logo.

Players can order individually or coaches can order for the team. Look for it under the Uniform Items section of the Locker Room.



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



Marucci Featured Item

January Deal Of The Month

Metal Bat Sale - Unbelievably Low Prices On
CAT 9, CAT 9 America's Pastime and Posey28 Pro Metal



Available in USSSA -5, -8, -10 and BBCOR -3.
CAT 9 also available in Connect and Composite.

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