Registering for Baseball in NSW for 2018/19

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Announcement

The Executive Committee is pleased to announce that registration for Summer 2018-19 is now open

- the registration system is the Baseball Australia system
- should be quick if you are informed of what works & what to check for & will be quicker still next year
- you will see three itemised fees for BA, BNSW & Macquarie Saints and pay them in one transaction (screenshots below)
- it accepts online payments using MasterCard, Visa or PayPal
- Junior players attending Grading Day 5 Aug are requested to register beforehand
- 2018/19 Registration Fee for Seniors is \$340, an increase of 5% after no change previous 2 seasons
- 2018/19 Registration Fees for Juniors are generally no increase (small increase for Hawk Ball & T-Ball)
- Earlybird registration discounts are not being offered
- to keep the club financial this year will require your active participation in fundraising activities
- we are still seeking a small number people to assist the Committee
- we are also very keen to hear from anybody keen to Coach & accreditation fees are covered

Registration process

- do NOT use Internet Explorer (IE)
- also do NOT use older versions of iOS (iOS 9 on iPad) & MacOs
- do use Windows (Chrome, Edge, Safari or Brave) or Mac or iPad (Safari) or Android (Chrome, Brave)
- page 1 ('Baseball Australia, please signup') *you* are creating *your* login to SportsTG
- if you have done this before, just login by clicking word 'Login' below green Create Account button
- it is possible to use Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter or a an email account; no major harm if you use different credentials at different times but they each create a separate SportsTG login & independently remember your preferences & details of who you registered (so try to use only one)
- club officers please use personal email accounts or social media credentials, not club email accounts
- page 2 ('Macquarie Saints Baseball' at top) onwards is about the PLAYER being registered
- page 3 confirms the THREE fees: if only TWO fees it is a mistake in form setup; please do not proceed
 - o if you will be using an Active Kids Voucher, select the optional Active Kids Voucher Product
- page 4 is more questions & declarations including a place for team placement requests
 - o if you have an Active Kids Voucher to be claimed, enter number & Club will reimburse you
- page 5 is Summary page, totaling up the fees (which for Mac Saints Juniors should always be an exact multiple of \$5; if you see a funny amount such as \$266.35, please stop & contact Registrar
- page 6 is payment
 - o to pay by PayPal, press the uncoloured 'Pay with PayPal' button at bottom of page
 - o it opens a small form for you to enter PayPal credentials; when successfully entered it returns you to the SportsTG form where you must press 'Pay Now' to complete the payment
 - o it now clearly identifies that only MasterCard, Visa & Paypal are accepted
- after you have paid, you will receive for each registration FOUR emails, being 1x Payment Confirmation and 3x Welcome Letters (one each for BA, BNSW & the club)
 - o if you do not get these, please contact Registrar
- shirts & caps are still purchased through club website

Possible registration system access errors

- if you have any issue actually registering & are getting a page saying 'system is in maintenance mode', clear Browser History (especially cookies) & try again
- if on Page 1 you get error 'Can't create new SportsTG account Your request cannot be processed at this time' it means the email account you are using is already in use
 - o if it is yours then use 'Forgot your password' to have it resent to you
 - SportsTG operates this system for a number of sports; if you have registered in ANY of those sports, you may have this problem as your one account is shared across them all
- if on page 3 you only see TWO fees, then this is a mistake in form setup; please do not proceed
- for assistance contact <u>macquariesaintsregistrar@gmail.com</u> (send Payment Confirmation if received or say 'none received')

Checklist

- the system prevents you wrongly registering & paying same fees twice
- if possible, use Credit Card instead of PayPal
- if you want to use PayPal ensure Popups are unblocked
- if using Paypal & not successful, check account & let Registrar know if account debited but no Payment Confirmation emailed to you
- on Page 5 although it is possible to Register multiple players in a single Order, it is simpler for Treasurers if you only register a single player per Order

Why change?

Previously club Registrars would update the BNSW system. Ongoing, Baseball Australia is requiring *all* players (or legal guardians) to register directly in the SportsTG Platform. The benefit to you is that you have absolute certainty that the registration has been completed. Any unregistered player invalidates the insurance coverage of ALL participants in that game. BNSW will be auditing match teamlists against registration records.

BA are requiring everybody to register directly so you have given consent for the collection of your details, inline with Privacy Legislation. This is why old records are not available for you to access SportsTG with.

Why Online payments only?

BA & BNSW have selected online payments as the only way any player in Australia can pay fees. We have chosen to also only accept online payments for the club registration fee as it is no extra burden imposed by us doing so. Prepaid Mastercards are available at supermarkets. It has not been checked if Debit card payments are allowed yet.

Seniors Fees \$340

The fees (Summer & Winter) are increased 5% after no change in the previous 2 seasons.

Juniors Fees \$135 - \$240

In 2018/19 fees are only increasing for Hawk Ball & T-Ball age groups in line with a common price being set for these age groups with RHBL clubs.

Fees for all other age groups are the same as last year.

The financial viability of the club again needs the players & parents to continue making fundraising a success by being both generous & in assisting to run it successfully.

Active Kids Vouchers

If you have ab Active Kids Voucher, please provide the number when registering & the club will claim it & reimburse you. In 2019/20 the BA Registration system will provide support to automatically validate it & deduct it from the payment.

League Age

BA calculates 'League Age' in accordance with international Little League guidelines, 1 September to 31 August. . Players born after 1 September are assigned as one year older & hence the National League Age is one year bigger than you expect. For most age groups this does not result in any difference the fee you pay & if it does, generally it is small.

For easier setup of this in future years the Macquarie Saints Club fees are now also based on League Age.

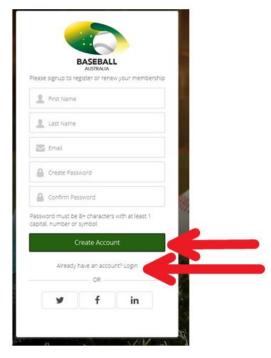
Welcome Email formatting in MS-Outlook

If you use Outlook as email reader, the Welcome Email does not layout neatly. This may be related to issue disabling support for browsers IE & MS-Edge.

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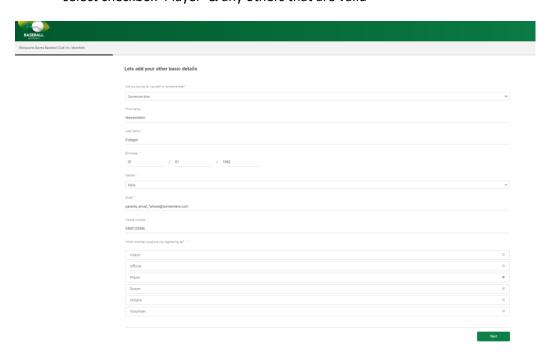
Appendix A: Screenshots

Page 1 - Logging in to SportsTG



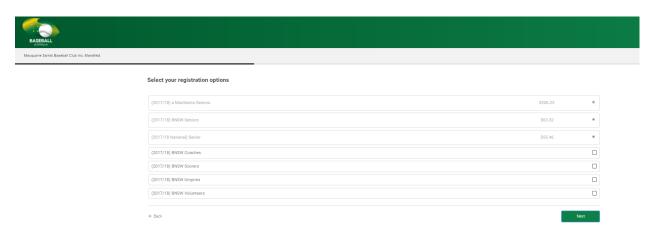
Page 2 - Basic Details

- this will have your club name at top left corner of page
- if you are a parent, enter CHILD's information
 - o EXCEPT for EMAIL & MOBILE NUMBER (which should be yours)
- select checkbox 'Player' & any others that are valid

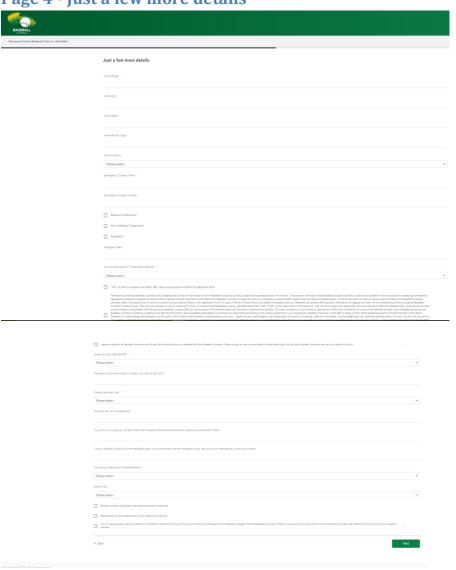


Page 3 - Registration Options (Fees)

- should show 3 fees selected (Club, State & National)
- optional to select others

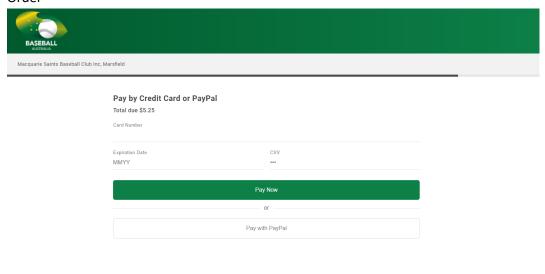


Page 4 - Just a few more details



Page 5 - Payment Summary

- should show 3 items (if not, contact your club Registrar)
- & show total payment
- ALTHOUGH it works to register more than one person at a time it might is more clear for Club Officials reconciling things in 2018 if you limit yourself to only one Registration per Order-



Page 6 - Payment



- if you selectedf Paypal you entered credentials & are then RETURNED to this Page where you must press 'PAY NOW'
- if After pressing PAY NOW you do not get a Payment Confirmation, check Paypal account & if it was debited, contact your Registrar

