



*The
Modernisation
of Senior Baseball*



BASEBALL
VICTORIA



Our Club Plan:

- “GROW THE GAME” (not just the club).
- Increase VALUE for all members.
- Understand and deliver on what members want from the Club and Baseball in general.
- Increase Development Opportunities.
- Make Baseball FUN!
- Build on our “EBC Love” DNA, and create and deliver on a Baseball Culture/Philosophy.

Important Historical Notes:



- Grown quickly over the past 10 years, particularly in the Junior Program driving increased seniors.
- Incredible success in the Juniors in the modern era, leading to a group of players who want to develop, and seek more success within the game.
- A history of consistent success at the Top Level.
- Aus, State & Charter - unmatched representation
- College Pathway

What does Success look like:

- Organic Growth of Members/Players
- Achieving Players Goals:
 - 1's
 - AUS
 - State
 - College
 - Development
 - LOVE FOR THE GAME!
- Benchmark for player development
- Winning culture



Challenges with OLD delivery:



- All Programs training together:
 - 80-90 players/impact reps
 - Each player needs different development
 - Too much inefficiency
- Players get lost in the system/session (Particularly the 14-17yo's, and more Social Players).
- The Gulf/Gap between the Experienced Senior and New Senior widens...
- 14yo players starting in lower grades with more social players, and less developed/experienced coaching.

Our Players/Sections:

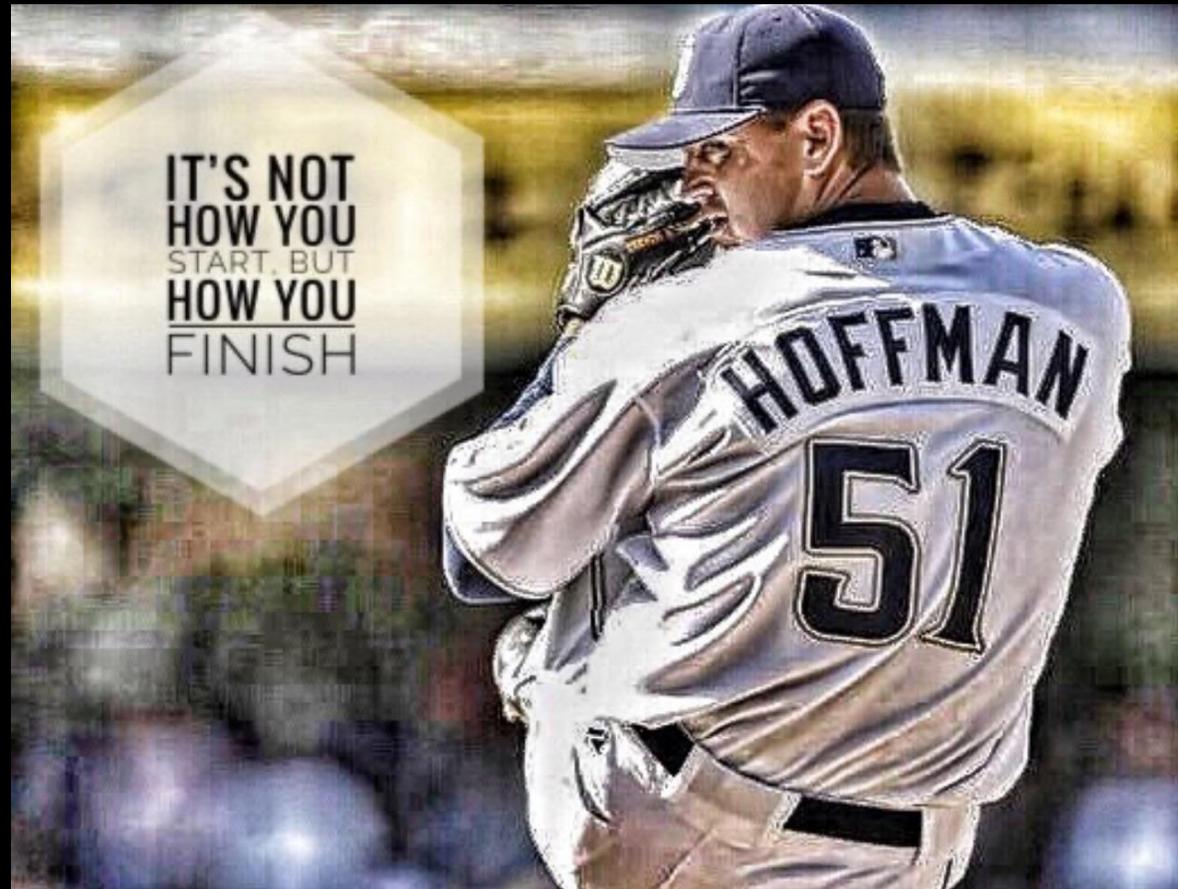
- Experienced/Developed Players
 - Looking for Reps
 - Specialist Development
 - Responsibility to assist growth others/club.
- Developing Players/Junior to Seniors
 - Learning the Game/Playbook
 - Developing their key positions
 - Striving for Goals within the game.
- Social Baseball
 - Don't be fooled, still here to win
 - Comradery and Fun is the key



Proposed Structure:

- High Performance (40-50 players)
 - Specialised training
 - High impact
 - More Reps
- Development Pathway (40-50 players)
 - Individual Development Plans
 - Same Resources as High Perf.
 - Measurement of growth and dev
- Social Baseball (20-40 players)
 - Include Masters





Development Pathway:



- Led By - Aaron Whitefield
- BL is a Senior Program!!!!!!!
- Consistent Baseball Philosophy/culture
- SL80/SL90/BL Players
- New to game players wanting to grow
- Support club through:
 - Grounds
 - Umpiring
 - Canteen
 - Coaching LL/SL70 midweek/clinics
 - Etc.

High Performance:

- Led by Luke Hughes
- Prem, Prem Res, State 1
- Selected Players (Reward/Development)
- Support the club through:
 - Clinic Development with IDP Players
 - Coaching/Sessions Women's Program
 - Umpiring (only if not part of above)

Social Baseball:

- Led by Experienced Baseballer (TBA)
- State 2, State 3, State 4 & Masters
- Players of any eligible age can join if best fit
- Make Club land FUN!
- Serious training and games with like minded team mates



Selection Priorities (up to SL90 age):

1st Game:
SL80/SL90



2nd Game (as wanted):

Premier

BL

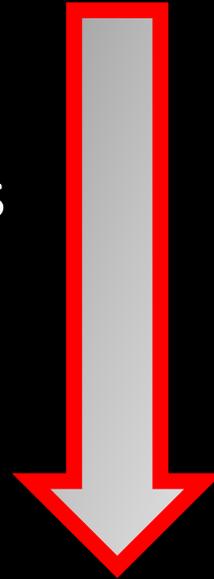
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State 1

State 2

State 3

State 4



Benefit:

- Coaching Style
- Playing with like minded players
- Development and Growth focussed
- Not exposed to the lower senior grades in your first year.

Selection Priorities (BL Age):

1st Game:

BL

2nd Game (as wanted):

Premier

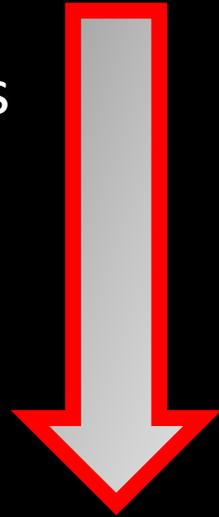
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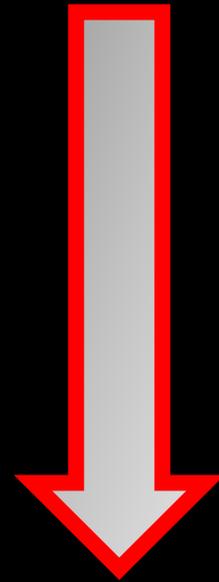


Benefit:

- 1st Game a chance to be more of a leader.
- Focussed on Primary Position development (unless in Premier)
- Will play with similar age groups/mates



Selection Priorities (Over BL Group):

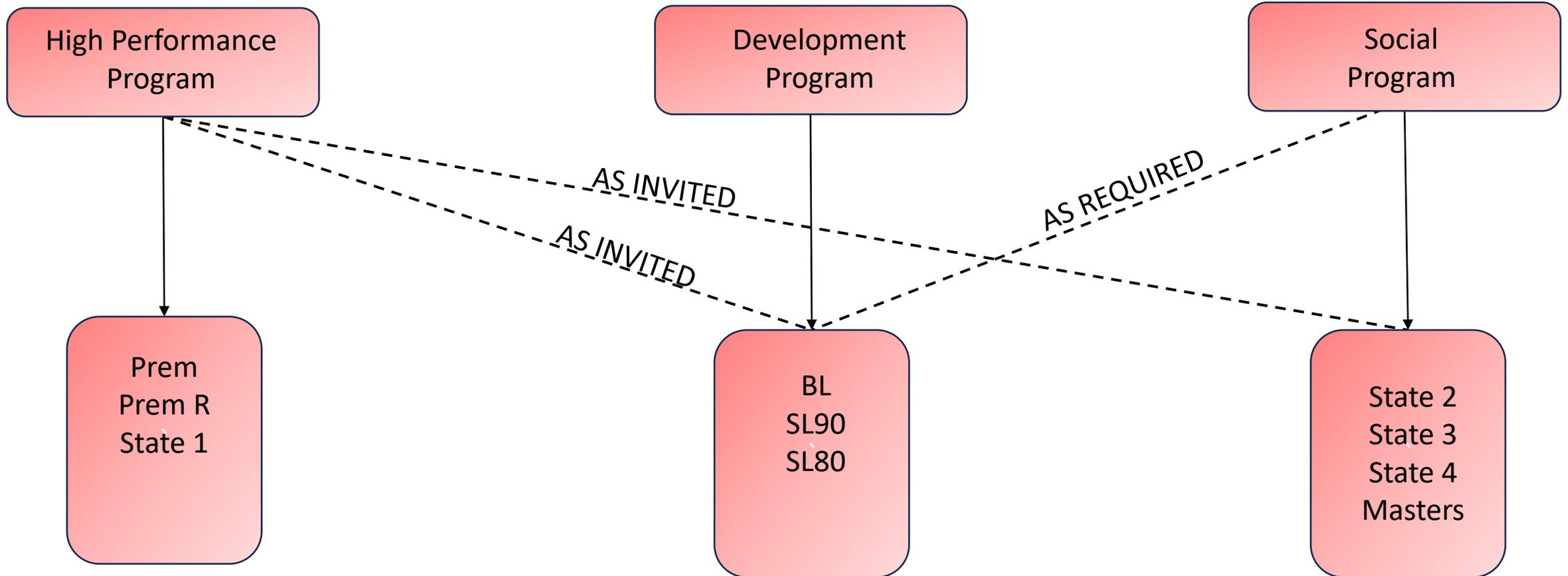


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Benefit:

- Keep the games Fun, with less focus on lower grade game day coaches to develop and manage Juniors.
- More game time for players with only 1 game.

Senior Program Training/Development Flow Chart



Exceptions/Special Consideration:

- Recovery from Injury
- Pitchers are not selected based on the criteria. Selection will be based on Development, long-term plan for the individual and club/team needs.
- IDP/Development related
- Etc.

How do I get selected for a training group:

- Initially it will be based on history and player understanding
- Coaches will put players forward for different assignments or opportunities.
- Training groups are based on achieving the best outcome for the individual.

