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Hello SUBC members and supporters.

## SECURING THE FUTURE OF THE SYDNEY UNIVERSITY BASEBALL CLUB

In terms of national representation and major premierships won, the last two decades have seen unprecedented sporting success at Sydney Uni.

This golden era for sport at Sydney University has been anchored by the Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness (SUSF) sporting scholarship program, which commenced in 1990. The very first Sydney Uni sporting scholar was none other than SUBC's David Hynes, who graduated with an Economics/Law degree before gaining selection as an Australian Baseball Olympian at the 1996 Atlanta Games.

SUSF's Elite Athlete Program has now evolved to the point where ... in 2017 ... approximately 400 elite student-athletes will receive sporting scholarships, which will enable them to pursue their ultimate sporting objectives without compromising their academic goals.

The Elite Athlete Program (EAP) relies very heavily on the good graces of the University and its Senate, Sydney Uni Sport & Fitness, some of the academic faculties and on-campus residential facilities to fund the program.

It is only in recent years that SUSF has promoted individual endowment of named sporting scholarships. All contributions to sporting scholarships are fully tax deductible and they can also be made in annual instalment payments over two, three or even five years.

Named sporting scholarships are awarded as soon as sufficient seed capital has been pledged or donated, but they become perpetually named sporting scholarships on payment in full of the \$30,000 asking price. So, if you happen to be in a position to do so, please give consideration to endowing a Baseball Scholarship in your own name.

There are currently 26 named sporting scholarships (refer the attached list) and you will note that the Ron Rushbrooke Scholarship (funded by members of Ron's family and his SUBC teammates) is the only named sporting scholarship for Baseball.

This at least guarantees that one of the 400 EAP scholarships will be for Baseball every year, provided that the criteria associated with the Ron Rushbrooke Scholarship are met. Most of our Baseball sporting scholars to date (refer the attached list) have been recipients of the Ron Rushbrooke Baseball Scholarship.

To secure the future of the Sydney Uni Baseball Club, we'd like to see two additional named Baseball Scholarships in the short term and many more over the years ahead.

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So, this letter to all SUBC members and supporters is launching a campaign to raise tax deductible funds for two new named Baseball Scholarships in the short term. In doing so, we will also honour two of the SUBC's favourite sons and outstanding players.

Those of you who played or supported the Sydney University Baseball Club in the years prior to 1990 are encouraged to make tax deductible instalment payments over the next five years to the ***Ron & Jenny Finlay Baseball Scholarship***.

Those of you who played or supported the Sydney University Baseball Club in the years after 1990 are encouraged to make tax deductible instalment payments over the next five years to the ***David Hynes Baseball Scholarship***.

Alternatively, you can tick the box on the attached tax deductible donation form which gives the SUSF/SUBC discretion to allocate your donation to either one of these new Baseball Scholarships.

We look forward to learning of your donation intentions, if you are in a position to make a contribution to this campaign to fund two new named sporting scholarships for Baseball.

In that event, please complete the attached tax deductible donation form and forward it to either the email or postal addresses printed on the form.

We will keep you informed of this campaign's progress until its goals are achieved.

Best regards.

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