



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

2023 Annual General Meeting

Dear members,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, it is my pleasure to present The Baseball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited (formerly known as The Hong Kong Baseball Association Limited) 2023 Chairman's Report.

28 October 2022, the board elections conducted by the Association every two years according to its Articles of Association, resulted in the election of myself as Chairman and Mr. Andrew FAN, JP as President. The following directors were elected as board members:

Mr. AU Hok Leung, Vice-chairman (Sports Development)
Mr. LEUNG Tak Kwong, Vice-chairman (Members & Internal Affairs)
Mr. NG Kwong Yuen, Vice-chairman (Games)
Mr. CHONG Ki Ming, Secretary-General
Dr. LAM Ho Yi, JP, Treasurer
Mr. LUI Chun Pong, Financial Controller
Mr. AU Wing Leung, Director of Coach Development
Mr. CHAN Tsz Yeung, Director of Men's Development
Mr. CHIU Chi Kam Kenneth, Director of Youth Development
Mr. LEUNG Ka Ho Sam, Director of Women's Development
Mr. LEUNG Wai Hung, Director of Open League
Mr. MAN Chin Wing, Director of Schools Sport Promotion
Mr. TO Hin Wing Charles, Director of Facilities Management
Dr. WAN Man Ho, Director of Elite Training Science & Technology
Mr. WONG Ki, Director of Umpire Academy (Umpire-in-Chief)

Following the guidance from the Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China (SF&OC) regarding the use of “Hong Kong, China” in the Association Name. The company name was changed to The Baseball Association of Hong Kong, China Limited (中國香港棒球總會有限公司) and adopted a new company logo on 7 March 2023.

For the past year, Hong Kong and the world have gradually returned to normalcy, the relaxation of social distancing measures and travel restrictions allowed us to implement our baseball activities locally and worldwide as planned.

In addition to the baseball events in the Asia/Asia-Pacific zone, our national teams played in world-class events and events in the Greater Bay Area. Our elite athletes have been trained intensively to strive for the best performance in major events such as the Asian Games, World Cup, and Asia Cup. From the latest baseball world rankings (see the report in item (I) Performance of Hong Kong Teams below), I believe our hard work paid off.

The Association is committed to promoting sports in the community, supporting elite sports and organizing international baseball events to promote Hong Kong as a centre for major international sports events. Baseball5 is a new discipline promoted by the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) since 2018, the inclusion of Baseball5 as a medal event in the Youth Olympic Games showcases the sport’s youth appeal and is an unprecedented development opportunity to grow the game across the world. The Association has been actively promoting and publicizing Baseball5 locally. To provide sports trial sessions with schools/community, regular training programmes with clubs/organizations, local competition, squad training scheme, and preparation for major events; let our Hong Kong athletes perform on the world stage.

During the reporting period, the Association celebrated its 30th anniversary in March 2023 with 360 guests including local members, international organizations’ representatives, overseas teams, sponsors and HKSAR funding bodies. We organized several fun day events, such as the 66th Festival of Sport: Hong Kong Baseball Carnival, Active Start – Baseball for All Fun Day, 2023 Olympic Day – Hong Kong Baseball5 Exhibition Game, and Summer BaseballFest@SummerFest 2023, to help spread awareness of baseball and Baseball5 to the public in Hong Kong.

Regarding the 2023 Olympic Day – Hong Kong Baseball5 Exhibition Game, we invited China Youth Baseball5 Team, the 1st runner-up in the Baseball5 Youth Asia Cup, to play with our Hong Kong Team in the Hong Kong Baseball5 Exhibition Game. Mr. Alvin M. L. CHIU,



Political Assistant to the Secretary for Culture, Sports and Tourism, Mr. Tony K. L. YUE, BBS, JP., Vice-President of SF&OC, and Dr. Simon S. F. FUNG, member of Olympic Day Organizing Committee officiated in the kick-off ceremony.

We anticipate promoting baseball in the community and increasing exposure by using social media. This year, we put more effort into the development of Baseball5, a new discipline in the 6th Asian Indoor and Martial Arts Games and the next Youth Olympic Games.

To expand the interests of baseball across various demographics, we are also working with other media channels to create a new Facebook page and Instagram account for Hong Kong Baseball Fans Club and Baseball5@Hong Kong to promote sporting events to increase popularity and engagement locally and globally.

I. Performance of Hong Kong Teams

During the pandemic, the Hong Kong men's squad and women's squad stayed positive and kept regular training to prepare for upcoming tournaments. With the subvention from the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) for squad training programmes and attending events held outside Hong Kong. The Hong Kong Men's Team (Men's Team) and Hong Kong U15 Team were awarded the 1st runner-up and 6th place respectively in the XIII East Asian Baseball Cup 2023 in Thailand and the 2023 XI BFA U15 Asian Baseball Championship in Weihai, China. The 1st place team in the Hong Kong Youth League represented Hong Kong in the PONY Asia-Pacific Zone Tournament in the divisions of Bronco (U12), Pony (U14) and Colt (U16) this summer.

Delegation of XIII East Asian Baseball Cup 2023, 29.4 – 4.5, Bangkok, Thailand

Delegate Leader	Dave HO 何迪夫
Head Coach	AU Hok Leung 區學良
Coaching Staff	CHEN Po-Cheng 陳柏丞 CHEUNG On Kiu 張安橋 TSANG Kin Chung 曾健忠 YEY Ming-Huang 葉明煌
Physiotherapist	YUEN Chun Hei 袁俊希

Players:

CHAN Alexander Cheuk Hei 陳卓希	CHEUNG Cheuk Hei 張卓熙
CHAN Cheuk Kiu 陳卓喬	CHEUNG Chun Yiu Ryan 張竣堯
CHENG Hoi Ting 鄭鎧霆	FUNG Anson 馮安生
CHENG Yu Hin 鄭宇軒	LAM Lai Him 林禮謙



LEE Ho Chi 李浩誌
LEUNG Chung Hei 梁仲熙
LEUNG Ho Nam 梁皓男
LEUNG Ka Ho Sam 梁家豪
LO Ho Lam Andy 盧灝霖
MA Hon Man Ashley 馬翰文
MOK Chun Lam 莫竣林
MOK Chun Pui 莫竣楷

NG Yau Pang 吳有朋
SZE Long Ho York 施朗皓
TAM Ho Ki Bryan 譚浩其
TAM Ho Yin Benny 譚浩賢
TSANG Kin Nam 曾健南
WONG Yui Fung 黃睿鋒
WU Tsz Tung 胡子彤
YUNG Tsun Wai 翁浚暉

Delegation of 2023 XI BFA U15 Asian Baseball Championship, 20.8. – 26.8, Weihai, China

Delegate Leader CHONG Ki Ming 莊岐鳴
Team Manager AU Hok Leung 區學良
Head Coach CHEUNG On Kiu 張安橋
Coaching Staff CHEN Po-Cheng 陳柏丞
YEH Ming-Huang 葉銘煌

Players:

CAI Junxi Kevin 蔡俊熙
CHAI Andes 蔡文韜
CHAN Cheuk Long 陳卓朗
CHAN Yui Chit 陳睿哲
FONG Chun Hei 方潛希
HAR Lok Hin 夏樂軒
HO Tsz Long 何梓朗
KU Hoi Lam 古凱琳
LAI Kwan Yue Cedric 賴均譽

LAM Jeffrey 林靖朗
LUI Kin Hei Steve 呂健希
OR Hau Yat 柯孝一
POON Kai Pong 潘啟邦
TO Pak Kiu 杜栢翹
TSE Yat Chak 謝壹澤
WANG Yun Hao 王昀皓
WONG Cham Hei Isaac 黃湛偉
ZHANG Wen Xi Samuel 張文希

Qualified teams to PONY Asia-Pacific Zone Championships

- ♦ PONY Asia-Pacific Zone Bronco (U12) Championship, 7.6 – 10.6, Manila, Philippines
Dodgers, Aberdeen Baseball Club
- ♦ PONY Asia-Pacific Zone Pony (U14) Championship, 26.6 – 30.6, Fukushima, Japan
Phoenix Black, Sham Shui Po Baseball Club
(TTBC Eagles, the winning team in the qualifier, withdrew from participation; Sham Shui Po Baseball Club, the 1st runner-up in the qualifier, replaced the winner)
- ♦ PONY Asia-Pacific Zone Colt (U16) Championship, 26.6 – 30.6, Fukushima, Japan
Unicorns White, Sham Shui Po Baseball Club



The Association applied for additional funds from the Arts and Sport Development Fund (ASDF) to support the Hong Kong Team in preparing for and participating in major events, such as Asian Games, World Cup, and Asian Championship. The Men's Team also received funding support from the scheme "Development Programme for Team Sports" administered by the Hong Kong Sports Institute and sponsorship from S&C Medical Limited to prepare for the Asian Games.

In addition to the part-time coaches, the Association engaged full-time contract coaches namely Coach YEH Ming-huang, Coach CHEN Po-cheng, Coach KUO Chun-wei to prepare for the Hangzhou 19th Asian Games, 30th Asian Championship and the 1st Student (Youth) Games in Guangxi. They transferred their experience of pitching, fielding and hitting in professional baseball league to the men's squad and also supported the training with the other squad players.

We appreciated the consistent hard work of the Men's Team, a pool with more than 40 players, and kept training six days a week to prepare for the Asian Games. During the group gathering restrictions, all training venues were closed, they trained two in a group at any available space and never gave up. Though Team Hong Kong, China retained 6th in the Asian Games, their performance won recognition from competitors and top-tier baseball organizations. Our pitchers threw shutouts in the game with Thailand and Laos; the Men's Team performed so well and made the game with the Philippines so close until the bottom of the 7th inning. The coaching staff and players learn from the experience, reflect and prepare for the next challenge.

Delegation of Hangzhou 19th Asian Games, 1.10 – 7.10, Hangzhou, China

Head Coach AU Hok Leung 區學良
Coaching Staff CHEN Po-Cheng 陳柏丞
TSANG Kin Chung 曾健忠
YEH Ming-Huang 葉銘煌

Players:

CHAN Alexander Cheuk Hei 陳卓希	LEUNG Ho Nam 梁皓男
CHAN Cheuk Kiu 陳卓喬	LEUNG Ka Ho Sam 梁家豪
CHEUNG Hoi Ting 鄭鎧霆	LO Ho Lam Andy 盧灝霖
CHEUNG Chun Yiu Ryan 張竣堯	MA Hon Man Ashley 馬翰文
CHIU Chi Kam Kenneth 趙嗣淦	MOK Chun Lam 莫竣林
FUNG Anson 馮安生	MOK Chun Pui 莫竣樅
KWOK Ching Connor 郭靖	NG Yau Pang 吳有朋
LAM Lai Him 林禮謙	SZE Long Ho York 施朗皓
LEE Ho Chi 李浩誌	TAM Ho Yin Benny 譚浩賢
LEUNG Chung Hei 梁仲熙	TSANG Kin Nam 曾健南



WEN Tsz Yin Jordan 溫子賢
WONG Yui Fung 黃睿鋒

YUNG Tsun Wai 翁浚暉

Delegation of 1st Student (Youth) Games, 25.10 – 1.11, Guilin, China

Delegation Leader CHONG Ki Ming 莊岐鳴
Team Manager AU Hok Leung 區學良
Coaching staff CHEN Po-Cheng 陳柏丞
KUO Chun-wei 郭峻偉
NG YUK MING 吳毓明

Players:

AU YEUNG Tsz Hin 歐陽梓軒

CHAN Kar Yui 陳嘉睿

CHAN Shing Hei 陳承希

CHAN Wang Kit 陳弘傑

CHEUNG Yu Hin 鄭宇軒

CHEUNG Lap Keung 張立強

CHIU Chuen Yu 趙存諭

HAU Pak Tung 侯柏彤

LEE Long Ching 李朗晴

LEUNG Sum Lap 梁琛崑

LI Hon Tin Hayden 李瀚天

LI Wing Hin 李榮軒

NG Tsz Ting 吳子霆

SEETO Wang Hin Ryan 司徒泓軒

SO Yeuk Chun 蘇曰駿

SZE Hiu Chun 施曉臻

TSANG Kin Nam 曾健南

WONG Wing Sum 黃泳森

YIP Aidan Chun Kiu 葉雋翹

According to the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC)'s latest release, the Hong Kong Men's ranking in Asia was promoted from 8th to 6th and the world ranking climbed to 32nd from 53rd after finishing the Asian Games this October.

Thank you for the assistance from the Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China (SF&OC) in the participation; and the support from the players' friends and family in the preparation. Heartfelt thanks for the warm hospitality from the Hangzhou 19th Asian Games Organizing Committee, from the arrival to the departure from Hangzhou, the volunteers were with us and provided prompt assistance.

The last participation of the Hong Kong Women's Team (the Women's Team) was the 2019 II BFA Women's Baseball Asian Cup. This year, the Women's Team participated in the BFA III Women's Baseball Asian Cup 2023 that hosted by the Association and advanced to the IX Women's Baseball World Cup 2023 - Group A in Canada. The Women's Team is comprised of senior and youth players, a great opportunity for the youth players to face the youth-to-senior transition period with support from the seniors.



Hong Kong Team Roster for the 2023 III BFA Women's Baseball Asian Cup, 25.5 - 1.6.

Qualifier

Head Coach: AU Wing Leung 區穎良
Coach: Leung YU Chung 梁宇聰

Players:

AU Kit Yi Kitty 區潔儀
CHAN Hoi Kei 陳海琪
CHAN Lok Io 陳樂嬈
CHAN Tak Yin 陳德彥
CHEUNG Ting Wai 張婷惠
CHOI Shee In 蔡抒絃
HO Ho Lam Hayley 何灝藍
HUNG Lok Yi 洪樂怡
HUNG Tak Wing 孔德穎
KU Hoi Lam 古凱琳
LAM Wai Yin Michelle 林惠賢
LEUNG Yuen Natasha 梁琬
MAK Debby Su-Yee 麥雪兒
WAN I Man 尹漪敏
WONG Chor Kwan 黃楚筠
WONG Ka Shuen 王嘉璇
WONG Ying Huen 黃滢瑄
YAU Sei Ming Samantha 尤思明

Game Stage

Head Coach: AU Wing Leung 區穎良
Coach: Leung YU Chung 梁宇聰

Players:

CHAN Lok Io 陳樂嬈
CHEUNG Wai Yee Vivien 張慧怡
CHOI Shee In 蔡抒絃
CHUNG Wing Lam 鍾穎琳
HUNG Tak Wing 孔德穎
HUNG Yik Shan 洪亦珊
KWONG Yin Sum 鄺彥琛
LAM Wai Yin Michelle 林惠賢
LAU Janice Chi Kay 劉旨琦
LEUNG Hiu Tung 梁曉桐
LUI Chee Ar 雷芷雅
MAK Debby Su Yee 麥雪兒
MUI Wing Ki 梅詠祺
NG Wing Hin 吳詠軒
TAM Wai Yin Kandy 譚慧妍
WAI Tsz Yan 韋芷茵
WONG Hiu Tung Avis 黃曉彤
WONG Ying Huen 黃滢瑄
YIP Wai Yan 葉維欣
YUEN Chugn Yan 阮頌恩

**Delegation to the IX Women's Baseball World Cup 2023 - Group A,
8.8 – 13.13, Thunder Bay, Canada**

Delegation Leader Dave HO 何廸夫
Team Manager Dr. William WAN 溫文灝醫生
Head Coach AU Wing Leung 區穎良
Coach LEUNG Yu Chung 梁宇聰
Physician CHEUK Woon Yee Sinney 卓莞爾

Players

CHAN Hoi Kei 陳海琪	LEUNG Hiu Tung 梁曉桐
CHAN Lok Io 陳樂嬈	LUI Chee Ar 雷芷雅
CHEUNG Wai Yee Vivien 張慧怡	MAK Debby Su Yee 麥雪兒
CHOI Shee In 蔡抒絃	MUI Wing Ki 梅詠祺
HUNG Yik Shan 洪亦珊	NG Wing Hin 吳詠軒
KWAN Man Hoi 關文凱	TAM Wai Yin Kandy 譚慧妍
KWONG Yin Sum 鄺彥琛	WAI Tsz Yan 韋芷茵
LAM Wai Yin Michelle 林惠賢	WONG Hiu Tung Avis 黃曉彤
LAU Hei Ting 劉晞庭	WONG Ka Shuen 王嘉璇
LAU Janice Chi Kay 劉旨琦	YUEN Chung Yan 阮頌恩



The participation of BFA III Women's Baseball Asian Cup 2023 and IX Women's Baseball World Cup 2023 - Group A, Hong Kong Women's ranking climbed to 3rd in Asia and 7th in the world.

Hong Kong Baseball5 Team participated in the first Asia Cup Baseball5 2022 in Malaysia awarded 4th place out of nine participating teams and advanced to the Baseball5 World Cup 2022 in Mexico as a replacement team. Hong Kong Baseball5 Youth Team played in the first Baseball5 Youth Asia Cup in Malaysia this February and got 6th place out of seven countries/regions. Participation in the above three events earned 718 points as of 18 October 2023, ranked 6th in Asia and 18th in the world.

Delegation to the Asia Cup Baseball5 2022, 17.8 – 19.8, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Coaching Staff AU Wing Leung 區穎良
NG Wing Kei 吳榮基

Players:

CHING Chun Kwan 程雋鈞
LAW Ka Wai 羅嘉慧
LIU Tsz Yan 廖紫欣
MOK Chun Lam 莫竣林

TAI Man Kwan 戴文君
TANG Chi Ching Catherine 鄧旨晴
TANG Chi Chun Alvin 鄧旨進
YIU Yik Shun 姚亦信

Delegation to the Baseball5 World Cup 2022, 8/11 – 13/11, Mexico

Delegation Leader Dave HO 何迪夫
Coaching Staff AU Wing Leung 區穎良
NG Wing Kei 吳榮基

Players:

LAW Ka Wai 羅嘉慧
MOK Chun Lam 莫竣林
NG Chun Man 吳駿民
TAI Man Kwan 戴文君

TANG Chi Chun Alvin 鄧旨進
WONG Chin Woon 黃千桓
WONG Hiu Tung Avis 黃曉彤
YIU Yik Shun 姚亦信

Delegation to the Youth (U18) Baseball5 Asia Cup 2023, 8.2 – 11.2, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Coaching Staff LAM Chun Kei Billy 林鎮基
NG Wing Kei 吳榮基

Players

CHEUK Ching Kiu 卓政蕎
CHI Hong Yau 池康佑
HAR Lok Hin 夏樂軒
LAM Ki Yan 林琪欣

LEE Wing Si 李穎鏗
TSANG Ching Yan 曾晴忻
TSE Hoi Kiu Hilda 謝凱喬
WU Hoi Man 吳凱文



Team Hong Kong, China Rankings

Division	Asia Ranking		World Ranking	
	Latest Release	Previous Report	Latest Release	Previous Report
Men	6 th / 16 As of 05/10/2023	8 th / 13 As of 31/12/2022	32 nd / 79 As of 05/10/2023	53 rd / 81 As of 31/12/2022
Women	3 rd / 12 As of 22/09/2023	4 th / 8 As of 31/12/2021	7 th / 25 As of 22/09/2023	11 th / 20 As of 31/12/2021
Baseball5	6 th / 11 As of 18/10/2023	N/A	18 th / 47 As of 18/10/2023	N/A

Sources: <https://rankings.wbcs.org/en>

Hosting Local International Events & Major Local International Events

Hong Kong International Baseball Open 2023 (HKIBO) cum "Phoenix Cup 2023" Hong Kong International Women's Baseball Tournament

To celebrate the Association's 30th anniversary, we organized the Hong Kong International Baseball Open 2023 (HKIBO) and the "Phoenix Cup 2023" Hong Kong International Women's Baseball Tournament in the same period from 24 March to 26 March 2023, let the teams joined the celebration. The combined event was sanctioned by the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC), and subvented by the Arts and Sport Development Fund under the Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau (CSTB) and the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD).

Men's teams from Indonesia, Singapore and Thailand, and women's teams from Guam, Japan, Shenzhen and Chinese Taipei joined our Hong Kong teams to play in the respective competitions. Hong Kong Men's Team won over all teams as the champion while Hong Kong Women's Team got 4th place.

BFA III Women's Baseball Asian Cup 2023 in Hong Kong

The Association hosted the BFA III Women's Baseball Asian Cup 2023 Qualifier and the championship game in May, a qualifier to the WBSC Women's Baseball World Cup – Group Stage.

There were seven teams in the Qualifier; three teams advanced to the championship game and joined the top five teams in Asia to compete for four spots in the WBSC Women's Baseball World Cup.- Group Stage.



Japan (ASIA 1) and the top finishers of the qualifier, Chinese Taipei (ASIA 2) included in Group B together with World No. 5 Venezuela, No. 7 Cuba, No. 9 Puerto Rico and No. 16 France played in Miyoshi City, Japan, 13-17 September.

The other two teams qualified through the Asia Cup, Korea (ASIA 3) and Hong Kong (ASIA 4) included in Group A together with No. 3 Canada, No. 4 USA, No. 8 Australia and No. 12 Mexico played on 8-13 August in Thunder Bay, Canada.

Final Standings

1	Japan	5	Philippines	9	Pakistan
2	Chinese Taipei	6	China	10	Thailand
3	Korea	7	India	11	Malaysia
4	Hong Kong, China	8	Indonesia	12	Sri Lanka

Women's baseball is growing fast in Asia, from six teams in 2017 to eight teams in 2019, and this year we had 12 teams played in the Asian Cup. The Baseball Federation of Asia and the WBSC Women's Baseball Development Commission conducted the first Women's Baseball Summit in Hong Kong during the Asian Cup to understand the development in the respective countries/regions. There were around 30 participants (25 in person and 5 on Zoom) attended the Summit and shared their problems and solutions for promoting women's baseball.

WBSC Baseball5 World Cup 2024 in Hong Kong

We are proud to announce that WBSC awarded the Association to host the second WBSC Baseball5 World Cup in Hong Kong, 7-12 October 2024 at the Central Harbourfront Event Space, the heart of the city.

We are going to organize various pre-events and cooperate with different parties to provide opportunities for teenagers and any interested parties to experience the joy of playing baseball and be a supporter in the second WBSC Baseball5 World Cup.

Given the importance of hosting the second WBSC Baseball5 World Cup in 2024, to raise public awareness of the sport, the Association has launched several promotional campaigns on our social media channels. We are also closely collaborating with local and sports media to publicize our events and program highlights.



II. Local Leagues

For local leagues, the Association is reviewing the game format for the Hong Kong Youth League (HKYL), a qualifier for PONY Asia-Pacific Zone Tournaments; and the Hong Kong Baseball Open League (HKOL) for men and women. We aim to maximize the effectiveness, be more productive, with limited resources; allow the participants/players to convert between different levels and let baseball be a lifetime sport participation.

The Association planned to organize the Hong Kong Baseball5 Competition and Hong Kong Baseball SIX Competition as a goal/milestone in the participation path; and encourage higher standards of achievement. Both simplified games can be played in a smaller venue such as a half soccer field, or any hard ground (indoors and outdoors), with playtime in or around 30 minutes.

Due to COVID-19, the enrolment of the Hong Kong Baseball Six Competition was too low; the competition was cancelled.

League	Division	Teams	Players
HKOL	Men A	6	113
HKOL	Men B	7	113
HKOL	Men C1	9	151
HKOL	Men C2	10	162
HKOL	Women	6	90
HKOL	Mixed	6	108
HKOL Novice	(Youth & Adult, Women)	5	76
HKOL Novice	(Children)	6	96
HKYL	U11	3	40
HKYL	U14	4	54
HKYL	U16	5	56
Baseball5	Youth/4, Open/4, School/4	12	144
Total:		79	1203

III. Squad Training Programmes

The Association keeps organizing squad training programmes throughout the year for U12, U15, U18, men, women, and Baseball5 as well, to enhance technique skills, monitor improvement, raise the endurance to prepare for the next level, be ready to be selected as one of the representatives in the international competitions.

To improve elite athletes' competitiveness in a baseball competition, we also arranged additional training with ASDF preparation fund or at the players' contribution in Shenzhen or Zhongshan and played friendly matches with local teams to gain solid experience, improve their endurance, and try out different strategies.



IV. Development Programmes

District Promotion Programmes

The Development Programme, under the subvention of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD), provided professional training and competition opportunities for the public. This programme targets beginners between 5 to 64 to introduce baseball to them during the three phases with elementary level and intermediate level, the programme will start with the basics, then focus on different skills. The Association organized 55 courses with 1,601 participants enrolled in the promotional training programme.

Division	Courses	Participants
Kids & Parents	8	206
Children	13	277
Youth & Adult	29	1031
Baseball 5 & Baseball SIX	1	21
Baseball 5 Young Athletes	4	66
Total	55	1601

School Sports Programme

The School Sports Programme (SSP) provided baseball activities for students of primary, secondary and special schools, to encourage them to participate in sports regularly. As the epidemic trend continued to stabilise, all schools resumed their face-to-face classes, there were 23 training programmes and one competition conducted during the year.

Programme	Courses	Participants
Sport Demonstration	14	560
Easy Sport Programme - Baseball Six, Baseball5	1	20
Outreach Coaching Programme (Non School Team)	3	64
Outreach Coaching Programme (School Team)	5	92
Easy Sports Competition - Baseball Competition	1	35

V. Official Training Programmes

Given the rising potential risks in delivering baseball coaching programmes, starting from 1 April 2022, the Association requested a registered coach to insure for Professional Indemnity insurance. In the reporting period, 73 registered coaches provided their services in the training classes with players in local baseball activities and school teams at different levels. In addition, 44 umpires and 25 scorers provided their professional services in local competitions. We also keep organizing continuous professional development (CPD) programmes to enhance their skills and qualifications.



The Association organized Baseball5 Coach Certificate Programme to train more qualified Baseball5 coaches to cope with the expansion of Baseball5.

We nominated Mr NG Kwong Yuen and Mr. LENG Wai Hung to participate in the first WBSC-Asia Baseball5 Seminar for Technical Officials/Scorers/Umpires, a joint seminar for Game Officials.

VI. Training Facilities

Appreciate the great effort of President Andrew FAN to lead the Association in successfully applying a surface deck. In May 2022, the Lands Department offered the Association a short-term tenancy in respect of the Government land at the surface deck of Tsuen Wan No.2 Fresh Water Service Reservoir (the Site) for a non-profit-making baseball training ground and competition venue. The Site was opened for booking in February 2023, check the link below:

https://www.hkbaseball.org/su/1r4LAEhISs_G

Opening hours and allocation:

Day	AM session (0900-1300)	PM session (1300-1700)
Mon	Closure for weekly maintenance	
Tue	BAHKC Programmes	Affiliated Club Members / Individual Members
Wed	Organization / Public	Schools
Thu	BAHKC Programmes	Affiliated Club Members / Individual Members
Fri	Organization / Public	Schools
Sat	0900-1100: Schools 1100-1300: Affiliated Club Members / Individual Members	BAHKC Programmes
Sun	Organization / Public	BAHKC Programmes

VII. Co-organizing Events

CHUHK Sports Medicine Smart Fun Day2023

Over the past weekend, we attended the "2023 CUHK Sports Medicine Day SMART Fun Day" on two consecutive days (14-15 October) to set up a booth for the sports trial. The event was organized by CUHK Sports Medicine, the sports medicine team of CUHK. In addition to the baseball league, there were also many different sports organizations



setting up stalls. The conference also had many lectures and experiential workshops for participants.

In addition to the basic Baseball5 rules and gameplay, we also have hundreds of participants learn and experience the basic serving and passing movements of Baseball5.

School Sports Programme – 2022/23 iSmart Fitness Scheme

The Association was invited to participate in setting up the "Baseball Sports and Fun" booth to promote Baseball Six and the emerging sport Baseball5 to teachers, students and parents from different primary schools!

Using gamification to attract visitors, coaches provided demonstrations and sports trials, to get a souvenir.

A sincere heartfelt thank you to our staff, Board of directors, coaches, umpires, scorers, volunteers, and the Hong Kong Men's and Women's team! Great atmosphere and spirit for this rewarding event and glad to see the crowd turnout with many smiling faces.

VIII. Administration and Publication

As of 20 September 2023, there were 555 Full Members, 413 Associate Members, 1,515 Student Members, and 23 Affiliated Club Members.

The Association hosted monthly executive directors' meetings, quarterly director meetings, and monthly staff meetings to ensure the activities are planned, executed, and reported with a high level of excellence. Respective executive committee meetings are also held regularly; members can attend the meeting physically or online.

The Association encouraged the administrative staff to attend Certificate Programme on Corporate Governance for National Sports Associations (NSAs) that offered by the LCSD. Our senior staff and accounting staff attended the Certificate Programme in Corporate Governance for Officers of NSAs to pursue and further advance their careers as a staff of NSAs.

The Association has been publishing our self-funded biannual publication "RUN"; a digital copy is available on our website. In addition, We distributed this to related parties, members, and the public to raise public awareness, share league, and club activities, and update the association's baseball activities' progress. In addition, we also utilized our social media platforms for public engagements and promotions; we look forward to reaching out more to the public and baseball fans through our prints and online network.

IX. Nomination of Cathay 2022 Hong Kong Sports Stars Awards

We nominated the Hong Kong Baseball5 Team who awarded 4th place in the Baseball5 Asia Cup to run in the voting.

X. Appointment in the Baseball Federation of Asia and the World Baseball Softball Confederation

It is our honour to be appointed as a member of the Baseball Federation of Asia and the World Baseball Softball Confederation, to contribute to the baseball development in Asia and the respective commission.

President Andrew FAN

- ◆ Member at large of the Baseball Federation of Asia (BFA) Executive Board
- ◆ Member of the World Baseball Softball Confederation (WBSC) Diversity & Inclusivity Commission

Chairman Dave HO

- ◆ Member of the WBSC Paralympic Commission

Ms. CHAN Sin Yee, Secretary of BAHKC Umpire Academy and Scoring Director

- ◆ Member of the WBSC Scoring Commission

Ms. MUI Wing Ki, Hong Kong Women's Team Player

- ◆ WBSC Women's Baseball Athlete Representative

Ms Nicky TO, Senior Sports Manager, BAHKC

- ◆ Member of the WBSC Women's Baseball Commission

XI. Appreciations

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I would like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank our in-kind sponsors, Telford International Company Limited, Banitore, Suntory Beverage & Food Hong Kong Limited, Garmin, DAFU HONG KONG, New Era for their collaborations and support, as well as all Honorary Presidents for their donations and guidance from Honorary Life Presidents and advisory members over the years. We are also appreciative to the Culture, Sports and Tourism Bureau (formerly known as Home Affairs Bureau) and the Leisure and Cultural Services Department for their subvention and continuous support; and thanks to the Lands Department, the Water Supplies Department, Sports Federation & Olympic Committee of Hong Kong, China, Hong Kong Sports Institute and the relevant District Councils for their advice and guidance.



Last but not least, I wish to thank all directors, committee members, and volunteers for their continuous support and the office staff of the Association for their dedication and commitment to excellence.

Dave HO
Chairman

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