



## International Sports Group and Baseball Canada Coaches

### Super Clinic

March 16-18, 2018

Saskatoon

#### Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Number: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ ***I am only attending the clinics on Friday and Saturday and will require NCCP PD points for baseball*** PD points are for coaches who already have their certification but require PD points in order to maintain certification. In order to receive PD points please go to <http://nccp.baseball.ca> and register for PD points.

**Cost: \$20**

\_\_\_\_\_ ***I am attending the clinics on Friday and Saturday and require the NCCP certification modules on Saturday and Sunday***

If you answered yes for NCCP certification please indicate below which modules you require:

- \_\_\_\_\_ Strategies (\$25)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Pitching and Catching (\$25)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Baseball Absolutes \$25)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Planning Module (\$25)

Each module is \$25 for NCCP Certification. The cost for taking all modules plus the sessions on Friday and Saturday is **\$120**. Please note, if you require NCCP certification you must attend the sessions on Friday and Saturday. Cheques can be made payable to Baseball Sask. Please email your registration form to [greg@baseballsask.ca](mailto:greg@baseballsask.ca) and mail or drop off a cheque to:

#### Baseball Sask

1902 Alberta Ave

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office is within the Going Yard Baseball Warehouse

Questions? Call Greg Brons at (306) 220-6953

**Registration deadline is March 12<sup>th</sup> !**

For information on what coaching clinics you need for your age division please visit our website <http://www.baseballsask.ca/programs/nccp-coaches>



## ISG / Baseball Canada Super Clinic Schedule

**Friday, March 16<sup>th</sup>** at **Gordie Howe Sports Centre Banquet Room** (the building beside Saskatoon Minor Football Field)

5:45 – 6:15 PM	Check in
6:15 PM	Introductions
6:25 PM	Infield Play – <i>Jim Jones</i>
7:25 PM	Hitting Concepts – <i>Eric Campbell</i>
8:20 PM	Pitching Mechanics – <i>James Avery</i>

**Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>** at **Going Yard Baseball Warehouse** – 1902 Alberta Ave, Saskatoon

8:30 AM	Hitting Drills – <i>Eric Campbell</i>
9:25 AM	Pitching Drills – <i>James Avery</i>
10:15 AM	Infield Drills – <i>Jim Jones</i>
11:35 AM	Lunch – lunch is provided to all participants
12:05 PM	Catching Fundamentals – <i>Eric Campbell</i>
1:05 PM	Bunt Defense / Run Downs – <i>Jim Jones</i>
2:05 PM	Split Group - Outfield Play / 1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Defense – <i>Campbell/Jones</i>
3:05 PM	Strategies (for those that require this NCCP module) – <i>Greg Brons</i>

**Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>** at **Gordie Howe Sports Centre Banquet Room**

8:30 AM	NCCP Pitching and Catching Module
10:00 AM	NCCP Baseball Absolutes
12:00	Planning Module

**\*\*Participants who require the above modules must attend Friday and Saturday\*\***



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## Clinic Presenters

### Jim Jones



Jim Jones has over 50 years of baseball coaching experience at the youth, high school, college, semi-pro and international levels. He served as assistant coach at Stanford University before becoming head coach at the University of Wyoming and St. Mary's College (CA). Presently he is retired from teaching and is presently an assistant golf coach at Oregon Tech. Jim is a Past- President of International Sports Group, Inc.

In 1991, Jim began his international experience by becoming coach in residence in Czechoslovakia as part of a joint **IBA-MLBI** program. Following that "Lone Ranger" assignment, he served with Bill Arce as **MLBI's** Co-coordinator of Game Development in Europe. His duties there allowed him to over-see the selection and evaluation of Envoy Coaches assigned to various European federations as well as overseeing many of **MLBI's** winter coaches' clinics.

When his **MLB** duties took him further away from the baseball field and into the administration offices, Jim decided he wanted to return to activities that allowed him to work directly with European coaches and players. That desire allowed him to take a new path in international baseball. Since that return to the field, he has worked with baseball federations in the Czech Republic, France, Spain, Holland, Croatia and Portugal. He has served as an instructor, manager and assistant coach at all levels from Cadets through the Senior level of play.

At the 2006 European Baseball Coaches Association's winter convention, Jim received **EBCA's** Achievement Award in recognition of his work in European Baseball since the early 1990's. He also has received **MLB's** Julio Puente Award for his outstanding work as an **MLB** Envoy Coach

From 2005 to 2009, Coach Jones worked with the Spanish Baseball Federation working with coaches and players in clubs and camps - as well as serving as the pitching and catching coach from the Cadet, Junior and Senior National Teams. Following his work in Spain, Coach Jones worked 5 years with the French Baseball Academies in Toulouse, Rouen, Montpellier, Bretagne and Talence, helping them prepare for various up-coming international tournaments. During June 2010, while back in the USA, Jim served as head coach of the Armed Forces team, US9, during an exhibition tour in Western Wisconsin.

An additional international opportunity arose in 1998 when he joined with Bill Arce and **International Sports Group** to take over the administration of the winter baseball and softball clinics. The demand for coaching clinics remains high in Europe and **ISG** is committed to fulfill that game development need with the help of outside sponsorship. Jim served as **ISG's** president until he chose to step back on his administrative duties. He remains as an active board member of this important organization.

Jim has had the opportunity to work with players of all ages and coaches from many European countries, Canada and Curacao as well as staging baseball camps in New Zealand. These experiences combine with his USA coaching to give him a strong background to help game development programs in those federations desiring outside assistance.

Jim and his wife, Sally, have two grown sons, Don and Mickey and grandsons Kalliah Creek and Jeremiah.





**Eric Campbell**  
**General Manager, National Teams, USA Baseball**



A 1980 graduate of Omaha Burke High School and a 1986 graduate of Creighton University, Eric Campbell has spent twenty-six years in the sport industry as a professional player, a college coach, a college administrator, a college instructor and currently as an administrator for programs at USA Baseball.

Campbell helped lead Burke to the 1979 Nebraska State High School Championship. As a player at Creighton from 1981-1984, Campbell played a variety of positions and played all nine positions in a college baseball game. After being drafted by the Chicago White Sox as a pitcher and catcher, Campbell was released from professional baseball in 1985 and began his coaching/administrative career. After serving nine years in assistant coach roles at Creighton, St. Thomas University and the United States Air Force Academy, Campbell served as the head baseball coach at the Air Force Academy from 1995-1998. Campbell's 1995 AFA team posted 29 wins.

In addition to coaching, Campbell served in athletic administration roles at Creighton and at St. Thomas. Campbell instructed combat and other physical education classes at the Air Force Academy for nine years. Campbell's teaching assignments gained him many teaching awards including Instructor-of-the-Year honors for the 1993-1994 academic year. In 2018, Campbell will complete his fourth clinic for the ISG.

After serving as a volunteer administrator to two United States Olympic Committee Olympic Festivals and serving as an administrator and coach to various USA Baseball events, Campbell joined the staff at USA Baseball in January of 2000. After serving four years as the primary administrator for the junior national team program and various professional level programs, Campbell now serves as an administrator for the collegiate national team program and the professional national team program.

In his seventeen years at USA Baseball, Campbell has served as the primary and/or assistant team administrator for thirty-four national teams. USA Baseball's Collegiate National Team won the silver medal in 2010 and gold medals at the 2004, 2006 and 2008 FISU World Collegiate Championships. Campbell assisted Bob Watson and Paul Seiler with the administration of both legs of the 2008 Olympic Games qualification process. Campbell served as the Team Leader of the bronze medal baseball team at the 2008 Beijing Games. The 2007 USA Baseball Collegiate National Team earned the silver medal at the Pan American Games while the 2007 and 2009 USA Baseball World Cup Team won the gold medal at the IBAF World Cup. Campbell served as the Team Leader for silver medal finishes in the 2011 and 2015 Pan American Games.

In 2015, Campbell served as a team administrator for USA Baseball Professional National Team that won silver at the inaugural WBSC Premier 12 World Championship. In 2017, Campbell assisted GM, Joe Torre, and Manager, Jim Leyland in the championship of the World Baseball Classic.

Campbell's coaching stops includes two assistant coaching positions with Paul Mainieri-Head Baseball Coach, Louisiana State University, and two assistant coaching positions with Jim Hendry, Special Assistant, and New York Yankees. Even though Campbell had left Creighton in 1990, CU awarded Campbell a ring for Creighton's regional victory and third-place finish in the 1991 College World Series. Mainieri joined Campbell in the summer of 2018 as the manager of the collegiate national team.

Campbell is married to the former Janette Bushyager and they have two children-Tillie (19) and Lucy (17). The Campbell's live in Raleigh, North Carolina.



James Avery



James Avery is originally from Moose Jaw and played midget AAA baseball for the Moose Jaw Cardinals. James was a member of Team Sask that competed at the Canada Cup in 2000 and 2001. He was a member of Team Canada's National Youth team that competed at the World Youth Tournament in Sherbrooke, Quebec in 2002 where Canada finished 4<sup>th</sup> after the bronze medal loss to Team USA. That year James was drafted by the Minnesota Twins in the 29<sup>th</sup> round but decided to play NCAA baseball for Niagara University. After 3 years of successful college baseball and playing in the prestigious Cape Cod League which is the best summer collegiate league in the United States, James was selected again in the MLB draft where he was selected by the Cincinnati Reds in the 5<sup>th</sup> round. In the Reds organization, he played as high as AAA with the Louisville Bats and pitched in big league spring training for the Reds. In 2008, he was selected by Baseball Canada to pitch in the 2008 Summer Olympics in Beijing. At the Olympics, James pitched 5 innings giving 2 runs against Team USA in round robin play where Canada lost a tight 5-4 game to the powerhouse Americans. James continues to be involved in baseball as he has worked with numerous youth pitchers in Saskatchewan and has been involved as a coach with Team Saskatchewan for various events including a silver medal at the 2017 Pee Wee National Championship. James resides in Saskatoon where he works at Ernst and Young LLP.

