

KEVIN CANTWELL

I would like to put forward Kevin Cantwell's name as a possible inclusion into the Hall of Fame for this year.

There has been some thinking by Members over the years that KC is a new South Welshman but really he is 80 years old now and has been in Queensland for over 40 years so I believe it is time.

A quick summary of KC

He was brought to Qld by the then equivalent of BQI to be the coach of the Qld Claxton Shield of which he coached for 3 years in 1975, 1976, 1977, he was the inaugural Qld U23 coach in 2004.

He is I believe the father of Masters Baseball in Queensland and perhaps Australia (also winning many of these tournaments over a period of approx 15 years) and his influence in these events has gone on to encourage the concept to grow in Qld.

During that period of time as the coach of the Interport team he implemented a team policy that competition that they played in no matter where that was the team would hold half day coaching clinic for the local junior baseballers.

He is currently used by the Australian baseball coaching staff as a historical and motivational speaker at the Australian Baseball Academy each year.

He has been the baseball coach, being used in cricket camps around the country for over 20 years that I know off

He was very influential in helping out at the Sunshine Coast during that leagues operations in the late 90's to early 2000's.

He is always ready to lend a hand in any baseball operation when asked, he is a champion of the game!

He is also a Helms Award winner and was an inaugural inductee into the Australian Baseball Hall of Fame and is highly respected and regarded around the country.

Regards, Greg Wade