

# Future Softball Champions Receive Funding Boost

South West Sydney Academy of Sport's (SWSAS) future softball champions have received a significant funding boost, thanks to the generosity of Elderton Homes. Elderton Homes has agreed to sponsor the 25 member softball squad. The funds will be used to purchase new tournament jerseys and provide essential training equipment for their 2018 campaign.

Academy Executive Director Gerry Knights, said he is very pleased that a well-respected community focused organisation like Elderton Homes, has joined the academy and provided valuable financial assistance. "The softball team is one of our strongest representative groups. Blake Jackson, Jorja Barrett, Harrison Pudner and Breanna Evans have all worn green and gold jerseys for Australia." "Nine members of the current squad will play at the National Championships early in the new year and then return to prepare for the prestigious Waverly Easter Tournament in Victoria, followed by Clubs NSW Academy Games Challenge in the Hunter region," he added.

John Castellano, General Manager - Sales and Marketing for Elderton Homes comments, "SWSAS this year celebrates its 20th anniversary as one of the premier sports academies in New South Wales, an achievement the Macarthur region should be very proud of.

"We are delighted to support the academy's important endeavours in developing future champions. Sport plays a significant role in the growth and development of young people. We look forward to watching the softball team's progress throughout the 2018 season."

SWSAS has a rich history of developing representative softballers. The program focuses on providing individuals with the technical skills and sports education required to join an elite group of representative athletes.

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