ATLANTA BRAVES SUNTRUST PARK–AIRPAT / Atlanta, Ga.

Professional sports venues require the utmost attention to detail—and that’s exactly what the Atlanta Braves received with the new SunTrust Park. The full-field construction included heavy attention to drainage, irrigation and water collection and recycling. The result was a unique ‘AirPAT’ system (for Prescription Athletic Turf) that includes the ability to aerate the rootzone by both pulling air down and pushing air up. Included in the new design was installation of a geothermal pipe loop that uses ground temperatures 10 feet below the field to modify ambient air—cooling the air in the summer and warming it in winter. The result is a ball field worthy of champions.

SILVER AWARD

Activitas Inc.

BRONZE AWARD

Millikin University Workman Family Softball Field / Decatur, Ill.
Byrne & Jones Construction

DISTINGUISHED SINGLE-FIELD FACILITIES

Carter High School / Strawberry Plains, Tenn.
Baseline Sports Construction

Clarkston High School / Clarkston, Mich.
GMB Architecture + Engineering

Daytona Beach Municipal Stadium / Daytona Beach, Fla.
Nidy Sports Construction

GMB Architecture + Engineering

Gonzalez Field / Dedham, Mass.
Activitas Inc.

Hampshire Field at Blair Academy / Blairstown, N.J.
Sasaki Associates Inc.

Horace Greeley High School / Chappaqua, N.Y.
Woodard & Curran

Marlborough Middle School / Marlborough, Mass.
Activitas Inc.

Mercedes-Benz Superdome / New Orleans, La.
Act Global

Murphy-Mellis Field at Kent State University / Kent, Ohio
SCG Fields LLC

Northmen Stadium–Petoskey Public Schools / Petoskey, Mich.
GMB Architecture + Engineering

Oriole Park at Stanley-Boyd School District / Stanley, Wis.
Rettler Corp.

Warrior Stadium–Merrimack College / North Andover, Mass.
Huntress Associates Inc.

Waunakee Warrior High School / Waunakee, Wis.
Rettler Corp.

Waupaca Comets High School / Waupaca, Wis.
Rettler Corp.

Wilmington-Yentile Farm Recreational Facility / Wilmington, Mass.
Stantec’s Sport Group

With deteriorating asphalt competition courts, the University of Michigan decided to move forward with a post-tensioned concrete solution for all 12 courts, which are arranged in four batteries of three courts each. The courts are tiered in two substantially different elevations, and combined with poor soils and potentially blocked drain pipe, the decision was made to install new subsurface drainage for each court battery. New fencing, walkway connectors, court equipment and windscreens complete the award-winning result for the Wolverines.

- SILVER AWARD
  Aberdeen Golf & Country Club / Boynton Beach, Fla.
  Welch Tennis Courts Inc.

- BRONZE AWARD
  Roxbury Latin School / West Roxbury, Mass.
  Stantec’s Sport Group

- DISTINGUISHED OUTDOOR TENNIS FACILITIES
  Apex Tennis Center / Arvada, Colo.
  Renner Sports Surfaces

  Cedarburg School District / Cedarburg, Wis.
  Fred Kolkmann Tennis & Sport Surfaces LLC

  East Kentwood High School / Kentwood, Mich.
  GMB Architecture + Engineering

  Village of Greendale / Greendale, Wis.
  Fred Kolkmann Tennis & Sport Surfaces LLC

  Guilford Tennis Center / Rockford, Ill.
  Fred Kolkmann Tennis & Sport Surfaces LLC

  Seven Hills School / Cincinnati, Ohio
  Sportworks Field Design

  Stonegate Community Association

  Racquet Center / Scottsdale, Ariz.
  Elite Sports Builders

  Wheeling High School / Wheeling, Ill.
  Fred Kolkmann Tennis & Sport Surfaces LLC
OUTSTANDING OUTDOOR TRACK FACILITY OF THE YEAR
Crusader Athletic Complex at Helias Catholic H.S. / Jefferson City, Mo.

For more than 60 years, the student-athletes at Helias Catholic High School have had to borrow the stadium at nearby Jefferson City High. But now, the Crusaders have their own brand-new, award-winning athletic complex, able to handle all track and field events in and around the new, 2,900-seat football stadium. (The new 17-acre complex also has a separate soccer field with 300 seats and an eight-court tennis pavilion.) An underground detention system was installed for drainage, with an emergency overflow route to handle heavy rainfall.
USSSA Space Coast Complex / Melbourne, Fla.

Designed to accommodate baseball and softball for high school, college and professional players, the USSSA Space Coast Complex has 15 all-synthetic turf fields, including three championship stadiums. The new construction, featuring 225-foot, 325-foot and 385-foot diamonds, has more than 1.3 million square feet of turf, spread over 85 acres. With about a dozen subcontractors working on the complex at any one time, coordination and timing was essential for the smooth completion to a top-notch project.

- **SILVER AWARD**
- Paul Goode Field / San Francisco, Calif.
  Verde Design Inc.

- **BRONZE AWARD**
- Lovell Playground Athletic Field / Weymouth, Mass.
  Activitas Inc.

- **DISTINGUISHED MULTI-FIELD FACILITIES**
- Attanasio Family Field at Murray Stadium
  Brown University / Providence, R.I.
  Gale Associates Inc.

- Indian Creek School / Crownsville, Md.
  Gale Associates Inc.

- Missouri Rush Soccer Complex / O’Fallon, Mo.
  Byrne & Jones Construction

- Portland Sports Complex / Portland, Texas
  Hellas Construction Inc.

- Roger Glass Stadium / Dayton, Ohio
  The Motz Group

**USSSA Space Coast Complex** Melbourne, Fla.

Nominated By: AstroTurf Corp.
Specialty Contractor: Florida Carter
Surface: AstroTurf Corp.
Suppliers: Liberty Tire, Target Technologies
Bases, Mounds: Sportsfield Specialties
OUTSTANDING RESIDENTIAL TENNIS FACILITY OF THE YEAR
Watkins Residence / Birmingham, Ala.

To accommodate the sports needs of an active family of five, the new asphalt tennis court was cut into the side of a hill, with a retaining wall on three sides, so that there was enough room on the property to add a swimming pool. The owner chose an attractive wood frame fence with welded wire fabric, and light pole locations were incorporated into the 8-inch members of the fence system for a clean look. Blended lines for pickleball also were added to the court, along with two extra anchors installed 22 feet apart to lower the tennis net to pickleball height.

SILVER AWARD
Rollings Residence / Radnor, Pa.
Pro-Sport Construction Inc.

DISTINGUISHED RESIDENTIAL TENNIS FACILITY
Fenner Residence / Chester Springs, Pa.
Pro-Sport Construction Inc.

Watkins Residence
Birmingham, Ala.

Nominated By: Lower Bros. Co. Inc.
Specialty Contractor: Lower Bros. Co. Inc.
Surface: California Sports Surfaces
Lighting: Frasure Reps/LSI Sports Lighting
Net, Posts: Putterman Athletics
Hayward High School / Hayward, Calif.

Perhaps unique to this part of the country, the design of this award-winning facility—carved into a hilltop overlooking the bay area in East Hayward—was influenced by the site’s close proximity to an earthquake fault line. Adding to the challenge was the field area of the “bowl,” which was made up of half native and half fill soils. The site work needed to incorporate challenging storm-water management, along with a unique drainage system. But the result of this complete reconstruction of a 1950s-era field is a solid facility that the school and community can be proud of.

Silver Award
Saguaro High School Stadium / Scottsdale, Ariz. / Elite Sports Builders

Bronze Award
Weston High School–Proctor Track & Field / Weston, Mass. / Activitas Inc.

Distinguished Track & Field Facility
Christian Home and Bible School / Mount Dora, Fla. / American Athletic Courts Inc.
Cunningham Residence / Birmingham, Ala.

The new, cushioned pickleball court, with LED lighting, replaced a swimming pool, which was filled in and compacted. For extra protection against possible settling, the post-tension concrete sub-base included additional reinforcement over the filled pool location. Access to the site was limited and required a temporary road around one side of the house, but supplies still needed to be brought in by small vehicle or hand, while concrete was pumped over the top of the house. The additional space beside the court accommodates a bocce court and shaded seating area.

**Cunningham Residence**
*Birmingham, Ala.*

- **Nominated By:** Lower Bros. Co. Inc.
- **Specialty Contractor:** Lower Bros. Co. Inc.
- **Surface:** California Sports Surfaces
- **Lighting:** Frasure Reps/LSI Sports Lighting
- **Net, Posts:** Putterman Athletics

- **DISTINGUISHED RESIDENTIAL PICKLEBALL FACILITY**

K. Cove Court / Austin, Texas / Ace Surfaces North America Inc.
Apex Indoor Tennis Center / Arvada, Colo.

The new, 36,000-square-foot climate-controlled tennis center features four post-tensioned concrete courts, with LED lighting, in two batteries separated by a central viewing area. (A large storage room also is located between the court batteries.) The main entry features a large control/check-in desk with an outdoor service window for exterior court player check-in (the Apex center also has eight outdoor courts), two staff offices, a lounge/social area and rest rooms. A large covered patio for social gatherings, accessible to both indoor and outdoor court users, is located on the north end of the building.
OUR WINNERS ‘BUILD IT RIGHT’

On behalf of the American Sports Builders Association, I would like to congratulate the 2018 Outstanding Facilities of the Year Award winners and the team effort that these projects represent. The ASBA Awards Program has the goal of promoting the highest standards of construction excellence.

Since 1996, ASBA has been honoring the award winners and recognizing their outstanding construction projects at the December Technical Meeting, our annual gathering. A complete listing of this year’s winners of awards, along with the winners from the past three years, can be found on ASBA’s website at www.sportsbuilders.org.

ASBA’s theme—“Build it Right”—is exemplified by the ASBA Awards Program. Each project represents a team effort between designers, builders and suppliers who have collaborated to produce the highest quality in sports construction. ASBA’s programs are built around educating the professionals in our industry, and providing networking and collaboration opportunities for our members. The strong partnerships that exist within ASBA among its builders, designers and suppliers are at the heart of this success.

Any ASBA members contributing to the design and/or construction of an outstanding project or facility are encouraged to submit an application for one of several industry awards.

Congratulations to this year’s award winners and thank you for continuing to set examples for others to follow.

ABOUT THE ASBA

The nonprofit American Sports Builders Association (ASBA) is a national organization for builders, designers and suppliers of materials for tennis courts, running tracks, natural and synthetic turf fields, and indoor and outdoor courts and recreational sports surfaces.

The ASBA works to raise professional standards and ensure that consumers receive services of the highest quality. As part of its work to achieve this goal, the Association sponsors a certification program that permits experienced tennis court, running track and sports field builders to demonstrate their competency by completing an examination on all areas of construction.

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On the left side of the homepage, select “Find a Builder/Designer/Supplier.” That link will allow you to sort by company name, state, product name and more. You’ll find full contact information, including address, phone and fax numbers, e-mail, web addresses and company personnel.
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