

Sports Photography

Education Night January, 2012

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Shooting Who, What & When

- Youth League
- High School
- College
- Minor League
- Pro

- Spring/Summer
 - Lacrosse
 - Baseball
 - Track
 - Tennis
- Fall
 - Soccer
 - Football
- Winter
 - Basketball
 - Hockey
 - Volleyball

- Access to field of play
- Lighting
- Equipment
- Knowledge of the Game

Issues to deal with Access to field of play

Easier at the lower levels

Get as close as legally possible

Access to field of play



VS



Close: sidelines

Far: stands

Issues to deal with Lighting

- White Balance
- Amount of available light
 - Usually no flash is allowed
- Is a monopod/tripod allowed?

Issues to deal with Lighting



VS



1/1600 & f/2.8 300mm ISO 200 1/200 & f/2.8 115mm ISO 1600

Issues to deal with Equipment

- Fast lens
 - Minimum f/2.8
 - Image Stabilization
- Monopod or tripod
- Fast memory cards

Lenses for Sports Photography



70-200mm f/2.8 \$2400



105mm f/2.0 \$1100



200mm f/2.0 \$\$4900



24-70mm f/2.8 \$1900

Equipment



VS



300mm with Monopod

80mm handheld



Knowledge of the game

What's about to happen??











Camera Settings

Continuous Autofocus



















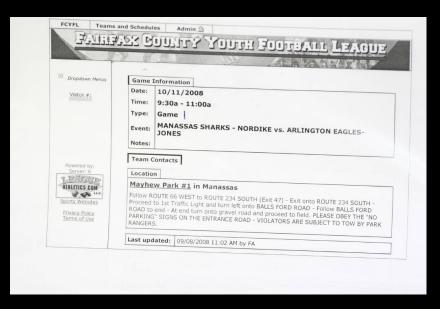
Camera Settings

- Exposure = Manual or Aperture Priority
- Custom White Balance
- Aperture = f/2.8 or faster
- Shutter = As fast as possible
- ISO = 800, 1600, 3200 +
- File = jpg for fast burst rate
- Focus = Continuous AF
- Frame rate = Continuous high





Shoot a slate



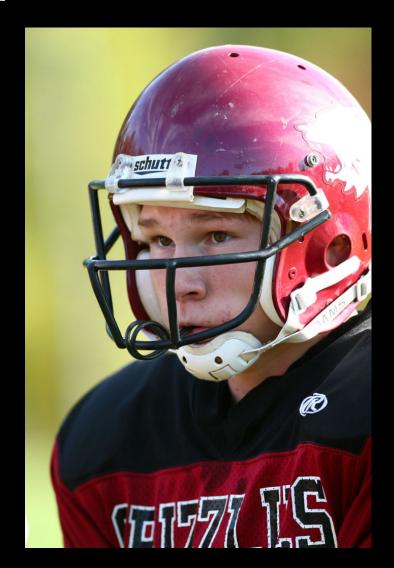
Show the face

Focus on the eyes



Limit Depth of Field

Sidelines are great opportunities



Stop the action





Look for emotion





Things you need to know:

- Indoor lighting; no flash
- Constant lighting for exposure and WB



Things you need to know:

- Action near the basket
- Best spot is to the right or left of the basket



Things you need to know:

- Learn tendencies of position players
 - Forward -rebounds
 - Guard ball stealing
 - Foul shots







Things you need to know:

• 80-200 lens is optimal





135mm

200mm

Don't Forget!!

January 21 Field Trip
Basketball Game at Johns Hopkins University

We'll be heading north on Route 95 to Baltimore to shoot the Johns Hopkins basketball teams in competition with Dickinson College.

The women tip off at 1pm, and the men begin at 3pm.

The carpool brigade will meet at 11am at the Giant Food parking lot at the corner of Arlis and Flower Streets in Silver Spring.

Questions????

Thank You!!