



**SPRING BALL 2013 NEWSLETTER May 27th, 2013 – Please read all the way to the bottom**

-Dryden Dairy Day is Saturday, June 8th. Tradition has been that Dryden Kiwanis Ball Players march in the parade. This year, I would like to see the greatest turnout we have ever had. Please plan on having your ball player march this year in the Dryden Dairy Day parade. The Dairy Day organizers would like to see children, parents and coaches getting in line shortly after 8:45 AM. The line-up starts at a new place this year. Kiwanis Ball players have been asked to organize at the old Town Hall, current Town of Dryden DPW Offices on East Main St (Virgil Rd).

I have been told that East Main St. will be shut off on the morning of the parade. It is recommended that you park at Dryden Elementary School and walk over to the line-up site. The parade starts at 9:30 AM sharp and ends at the back entrance (Elm Street side) of Montgomery Park. If you are not walking in the parade with your children, this is where you would pick them up.



*-The 2013 Kiwanis Club of Dryden Aquafina Pitch, Hit and Run competition was held on Friday night May 10<sup>th</sup>. The winner for age 7-8 was Nolan Weik for Pitching, Hitting and Running and also the overall winner for age 7-8. For the 9-10 age group the Pitching and Hitting competition was won by Bradley Perry, the Run was won by Kyle Hamilton and the overall winner was Bradley Perry. The 11-12 age group overall winner was Wesley Floor as he won all 3 components of the competition's Pitch, Hit and Run. Delaney Hawkins won the overall 7-8 Girls competition as she was able to win all 3 competitions for her age group. No girls competed at the 9-10 or 11-12 age groups this year. A good job was done by all players who attended and the Champions now move on to the Sectionals in Syracuse.*



*2013 Pitch, Hit and Run Champions*

-As we have in the past, Dryden Kiwanis plans to offer Summer Ball again in 2013. We will offer summer Softball play at both 12U and 10U with games against towns very similar to towns in the Cathy Stage League. Kiwanis will sponsor both 10U Travel Baseball and an age 9-11 developmental baseball teams. The U10 Travel baseball program (up to 14 players) will play against local Town team. It will meet 3 times (2 games and 1 practice) a week on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday mornings. The summer developmental baseball program is intended for 9-11 year olds and is designed for those ball players/parents not wanting the rigors of travel ball. Currently Lansing is working on similar 9-11 age group Developmental team to play the Dryden Kiwanis' team. I am also looking to see if there is interest in a summer T-Ball season. Summer ball's success is contingent upon a large number of participants showing interest in playing. Summer Sign-up forms will be emailed under separate cover.

- Please remember that players in the **Triple A and Major League Baseball program must wear baseball pants or long pants.** These players are expected to slide at the bases, so for safety reasons shorts are not allowed.

-Just a reminder to parents and spectators that the local School Grounds and Municipal Parks that we use do not allow the consumption of any type of tobacco or alcohol products on premises. They also do not allow animals - wild or domestic (dogs), to be brought to sporting events. Please respect their rules so we may play there next year, particularly at the High School. Kiwanis members love dogs and we sponsor the Dog for Honorary Mayor of the Town of Dryden program, however because of an incident at a game a few years back, dogs are discouraged at all ballgames.

-After the game Players and Parents should not leave the playing area until the bench or dugout area has been cleaned of all bottles and garbage.

-As our fields are maintained by community support the home team parents and players are responsible to hand rake the home-plate area and drag between 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> base; using the mats at the ball diamonds.

-If you see the following people, please thank them for coaching Spring Ball this year:

Major League Baseball- 3 Teams: Auto Works: Sandy Drumluk, Jim Mailer, John Buckholz and Aaron Strickland; Bell's Auto Care: Jen Maza; Brecht's Towing: David Peck, Ron Senecal and Jim Solomon

Triple A League Baseball- 4 Teams: Chili's Sky Chiefs: John Pascarella and Ed Dow; John C Lowery, Inc Paw Sox: Eric Hicks and George Malepe; Zhe Fm Solutions, LLC Mud Hens: Jim Wisner and Todd Willson; Cayuga Xpress.Com Red Wings: Pete Chapman and Jeremiah Iacovelli

Double A League Baseball- 4 Teams: Countryside Veterinary Hospital Phillies: Jim Wisner, First National Bank of Dryden Navigators: Fred Casterline and Aaron Strickland, Carina Construction, Inc Sea Dogs: Matt Haney and Fred Bachner, CFCU Community Credit Union B-Mets: Mike Hayes and Jeff Bennett

Single A League Baseball- 5 Teams: A & B Awards Scrappers: Chris Sidle and Karl Bergman; Cyclones: Eric Brown and Tim Jett; Lug Nuts: Don Davis and Pete Chapman; Expos: Bill Morrow and Katie Weekie; Cross Cutters: Daryl Nydam and Bob Brotherton

Major Softball (U12) - 1 team: Creative Touch Hair\* Nail\*Wax Purple: Pete Takach, Egon Wendel and Rachael Jackson

Minor Softball (U10) - 2 Teams: Dryden Purple: Lynn Day and Keith McKnight; Village of Dryden Historian Elsie Gutchess White: Rachael Jackson, Craig Sicina, Theresa Kromer, Steve Stupke

-Dryden Kiwanis is always looking for new members to help out in the community to change the life of a child, one child at a time. To see what we're all about check out our website at [www.drydenkiwanisonline.com](http://www.drydenkiwanisonline.com) or visit us at facebook. If you think you might be interested in joining Dryden Kiwanis please let us know by emailing us on the website's contact page.

-If you have photos you would like to send into us via email related to Dryden Kiwanis Spring Ball 2013, I will try to post some of them to future newsletter or to the [www.drydenkiwanisonline.com](http://www.drydenkiwanisonline.com) website.

-Check out the following youth summer camps:

[www.tc3.edu/panthers/camps.asp](http://www.tc3.edu/panthers/camps.asp)

[www.athletics.edu/camps/baseball.html](http://www.athletics.edu/camps/baseball.html)

[www.lemoynebaseballcamp.com](http://www.lemoynebaseballcamp.com)

[www.cortlandreddragons.com/sports/2009/1/16/sportscamps.aspx?tab=summersportscamps](http://www.cortlandreddragons.com/sports/2009/1/16/sportscamps.aspx?tab=summersportscamps)

[www.ithaca.edu/saclsummercamps/baseball](http://www.ithaca.edu/saclsummercamps/baseball)

[www.baseballcamps.com](http://www.baseballcamps.com)

Thank you for your help in making this an enjoyable experience for our children to remember.

Keep swinging for the fences!!

Don Scutt  
Dryden Kiwanis

