



SPRING BALL 2011 NEWSLETTER May 30, 2011 – Please read all the way to the bottom

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

Major League Baseball- 3 Teams: Sandy Drumluk & Robert Burvee, Pete Tyler & Marty Gardner, Jessica and John Carpenter & Kevin Cowen & David Peck

Triple A League Baseball- 4 Teams: Deanna Madigan & Jen Maza & Joe Mack, Ron Senecal & Garnet Weaver, Calvin Matthews & Jim Solomon, John Buckholz & Aaron Strickland

Double A League Baseball- 6 Teams: Jeff Humphrey & George Malepe, David Huff & Scott Garrow, James Wisner & Calvin Matthews, Theresa Kromer & Matt Ouellette, John Pascarella, Stephen Stupke & Pete Chapman

Single A League Baseball- 5 Teams: Fred Casterline, James Wisner & Michelle Kern, Kori & Charles Post, Matt Haney & Fred Bachner, Audrey Terry & Eric Brown

Major Softball- 1 team: Jerry Goodenough, Jennifer DePaul, Kelly Daley, Tina Philips

Minor Softball- 3 Teams: Jeff Humphrey & Kevin Harris, Pete Takach, Sharon Tuttle

-We have about 30 more ball player in Spring Ball then last year and will no longer be accepting sign-up forms for any league levels.

-Once again one of the main Coaching goals this year is focusing on the game within the game. Basically what this means is that the little things can turn into big things to Baseball and Softball skills development. These can range from the proper way of running off the field, sitting on the bench with your team, learning to grip the bat, to not calling safe or out prior to an umpire making a call. The single biggest thing parents can do to help your coach is to allow him/her to work with their team as a unit on the bench or in the dugout. Keeping this thought in mind please do not sit behind the player benches at your assigned field. Please support our volunteer coaches in their endeavor.

-The Dryden Dairy Day parade is Saturday, June 11th. Please plan on having your ball player march this year in the parade. This is a long standing tradition for Kiwanis ball. More information to follow.

- Dryden School's Modified (7th& 8th grade) Baseball and Softball teams are still playing games, take your child to one of these games to help them learn the sport and to support your local school. Dryden School Athletics website is: www.dryden.k12.ny.us/Athletics

- If you have photos you would like to send into us via email related to Dryden Kiwanis Springball 2011 I will try to post some of them to future newsletter or to the www.drydenkiwanisonline.com website.

- Please remember that players in the Triple A and Major League Baseball program must wear baseball pants or long pants. For safety reasons shorts are not allowed.

-Every now and then I see cars parked in a way that I would consider too close to a ballfield to be assumed safe from flying balls. Please remember that parking at these fields is at your own risk.

-This year's game rainout number is 216-4959. At 4:50 pm If I decide to cancel games, due a full day of rain, I will announce on this phone line whether games will be played on that night or not. However a home teams coach may cancel games prior to game start if I do not.

-Below are Recent Photos of Dryden Kiwanis' "Second Annual Clean Up The Field" and "Give back to the Children Day" An extra special thank you to Aaron and Tiffany Stickland for going above and beyond by helping us out.



-The 2011 Dryden Kiwanis Aquafina Pitch, Hit and Run Competition was held on Friday Night May 13th at the ball fields at the Groton Ave Park in Freeville. We had a good turn out for this year's event. The winners for 2011 are:



Boys age 7-8, Bradley Perry – Hitting, Jacob Babcock – Pitching, Running and overall winner.

Boys age 9-10, Troy Sornberger – Pitching, Garret Rushlow – Running, Sean Peck - Hitting and overall winner.

Boys age 11-12, Brandon Stamp – Pitching, Hitting, Running and overall winner.

Boys age 13-14, Allen Davies – Pitching, Hitting, Running and overall winner.

Girls age 11-12, Bailey McOwen – Pitching, Hitting, Running and overall winner.

-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 product on premises. They also do not allow animals - wild or domestic, to be brought to sporting events. Please respect their rules so we may play there next year, particularly at the High School.

-The following are some useful Internet links for summer ball camp options. If the links don't work, copy and paste in the address line of your Internet browser and they should work fine.

www.athletics.cornell.edu/camps/baseball.html
www.lemoynebaseballcamp.com/
www.cortland.edu/sportsschool/
www.ithaca.edu/sacl/summercamps/baseball/
www.midwestbaseballacademy.com/baseball/register/index.aspx
www.baseballcamps.com

-Dryden Kiwanis is always looking for new members to help out in the community to change the life of one child at a time. To see what we're all about check out our website at 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.

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