



SPRING BALL 2010 NEWSLETTER APRIL 28, 2010 – Please read all the way to the bottom

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

The Major League Baseball:

Sandy Drumluk and Bryan Chambala, Tim Newton and Bill Hughes, Pete Tyler, Mike Marsh & Scott Ponton

Triple A League Baseball:

Steve Kucerak and John Arsenault, Steve & Deanna Madigan, Jen Maza and Fran Speight, Ron Senecal and Dave Peck, Calvin Matthews, Joe Mack and Jamie Arnold

Double A League Baseball:

Jim Solomon and Dave Peck, Paul & Vickie Best and Tim Newton, John Buckholz, Dan Gonzales and Bobby Rose, Jeff Humphrey

Single A League Baseball:

Gian Dodici and Amy Crans, Fran Speight and John Buckholz, Fred Casterline and Jason Leifer, William Morrow and John Pascarella

Major Softball:

Bob Patte, Jerry Goodenough and Tina Philips, Sharon Tuttle and Bobby Rose

Minor Softball:

Jennifer DePaul and Kelly Daley, Jeff Humphrey and Val Salerno, Tricia Shigley and Peter Takach

-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 anything like 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. Please support our volunteer coaches in their endeavor. The best motor skills development for a young player is actually playing catch with them in your own backyard.

-Dryden Kiwanis Chicken BBQ will be held on Saturday, May 15th at Clark's Food Mart in Dryden. This BBQ is a direct fundraiser for Kiwanis Ball, please support it.

-Dryden Dairy Day is Saturday, June 12th. 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 8:30 AM. The line-up starts at the Cattle Sale Barns next to the old town hall 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.

-I have seen a few players wearing shorts for ML & Triple A practice. This is a safety hazard; long pants are a must. We also recommend long pants for Double A. Major and Minor Softball may wear shorts. All shirts should be tucked in.

-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 277-5052. By 5:10 it will be announced on this phone line whether games will be played on that night or not. Prior to 5:05 you will receive a fax tone at this number as it doubles as a fax machine during normal business hours.

-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 . If you think you might be interested in joining Dryden Kiwanis please let us know by emailing us on the website's contact page.



-Special thanks to those volunteers that helped to clear out the brush at the Groton Ave fields in Freeville last Saturday, April 24th. See how hard Mark Bell and Tom Harkenrider worked in the photo above. What a difference we all made on Saturday!

-Check out the following links:

www.tc3.edu/Panthers/camps.asp

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

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

On behalf of Dryden Kiwanis, I wish you all a wonderful and safe Spring. Keep swinging for the fences!!

Don Scutt
Dryden Kiwanis