



Hooksett Little League

Parks And recreation Meeting

Tuesday May 17, 2010



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- The overall Goal of Hooksett league is to offer a fun and competitive baseball experience at an affordable cost to the families of Hooksett.
 - In the last two years HLL has expanded their baseball experience by offering free clinics, more exposure to tournaments and summer and fall baseball and now a U14 wooden bat team and U5 Blastball.
 - The response is great and enrollment into the league has increased the last two years.
 - We need to expand our facilities to support a better baseball experience.



- Enrollment:

- 2009: 301 registered players

- 2010: 304 registered players

- + 24 Blast Ball Player

- + 14 U14 Players

- 332 Total registered players

- Cost to play:

- \$65 for one player per family

- \$90 for two or more players per family



- Board of Directors:

LEAGUE OFFICERS	
President	Chris Pearson
Treasurer	Jeff Cohen
Vice President	Chris Duffy
Secretary	Kevin Bowen
Information Officer	Ray Miclette
Safety Officer	Jeff Lewis
Umpire Director	Matt O'Hara
Coaching Coordinator	Scott Evans
Player Agent	Stacy Howe
BOARD MEMBERS	
Major League Coach rep	Brendan Perry
Concession Director	Jeff Labrecque
League Marketing Director	Brad Dupruis
Equipment Manager	Jim Cooney
TEE-BALL	Mike Downer
"A" Director	Rich Salcito
"AA" Director	Dave Ryan
"AAA" - Baseball	Ray Miclette
Major League Director - BB	Chris Pearson
Fundraising	Ray Miclette
Team Mom Director	Pam Cohen
Field Director	Donald Pare



- Divisions / Programs (30 Total teams plus Blastball)
 - Blast Ball
 - (Ages 4 and 5)
 - T-Ball - **8 Teams**
 - (Ages 5 and 6)
 - Single A - **9 teams**
 - (Age 7 Typical / Instructional)
 - Double A – **4 Teams**
 - (Age 8 Typical / Kid Pitch – Coach Pitch)
 - Triple A – **4 Teams**
 - (Age 9-10 Typical / LL Baseball rules open substitution)
 - Majors – **4 Teams**
 - (Age 11 – 12 Typical / LL Baseball rules with substitutions)
 - Wooden Bat League – **1 team**
 - (Age 13 – 14 / Played on 90 foot diamond – Baseball Rules)



- Clinics

- Hooksett Little League offers a comprehensive clinic program in conjunction with Hooksett Based MVP/Frozen ropes)
- This program runs from March through June
- Frozen ropes has a dedicated professional baseball staff.
- Clinics at Frozen ropes are offered at a reduced fee
- Clinics at Donati field are free to players as HLL incurs all the costs.
- Outdoor free clinics are offered once a week. Indoor clinics at Frozen Ropes are offered daily.



- Fundraising:
 - In order to keep costs down and allow free programs like the clinics HLL diligently fundraises.
 - Calendar Sales: \$5,950.00
 - Fifty-Fifty Raffle: \$401.00
 - Misc Donations: \$3,011.00
 - Golf Tournament: \$4,513.00
 - Registrations: \$15,205.00
 - Concessions: \$ 14,533.00
 - Sponsorships: \$11,590.00



- Support:
 - The league has worked closely with Parks and Recreation and is very grateful for the support we've received.
 - Hooksett fields are in top shape and are some of the nicest fields in our LL district
 - HLL also received a lot of great support building two fields at Memorial School. One for Softball (at the time part of HLL) and one for Baseball. The fields were possible through 100% volunteer and donations.



- Current Needs:
 - Field Availability
 - HLL currently and traditionally is allowed on the fields on or around April 15th. Before this time we are regulated to indoor gym use which is shared by the schools, Softball, Basketball and Lacrosse
 - Current Fields:
 - 1 T-Ball (Donati)
 - 1 Single A (Memorial)
 - 1 Double A (Donati)
 - 1 Triple A (Donati)
 - 1 Majors (Donati)
 - WBL (TBD / Donati)



- **Field Availability Continued: (All data from LL Presidents)**
 - Competing and surrounding Leagues
 - Goffstown – Outdoor Practices Start April 1st . Opening Day on or around May 1st
 - Manchester Central – Outdoor Practices Start March 29th Opening Day on or around April 17th.
 - Manchester North - Outdoor Practices Start End of March. This year March 15th. Opening Day April on or around April 17th.
 - Bedford Little League – Outdoor Practices Start April 1st. Opening Day on or around May 1st.
 - Manchester East - Outdoor Practices Start End First Week of April. Opening Day on or around April 24th.
 - Manchester South – Outdoor Practices Start End On or before April 1st. Opening Day May on or around May 1st.
 - Auburn Little League – Outdoor Practices Start first week of April. Opening day during last week of April.
 - Hooksett Little League – Outdoor Practices start April 15th. Opening Day May 8th. Last year Outdoor Practice start April 14th. Opening Day May 9th.



- Fields:
 - What we would respectively request is that our fields be open to us April 1st.
 - Parks and Recreation would set this as the date for all work completed on fields.
 - The nature of baseball is low impact to grass surfaces with majority play on the infield dirt.
 - This would be a major step towards a more successful little league program.
 - It mirrors Goffstown and Bedford. Two of the states best programs. Two programs that have sent teams to the little league world series.



- **Bullpens**

- Another key element to the leagues success are bullpens. Hooksett is one a a very few without dedicated pitching bullpens.

- The lack of which hurts pitching development
 - It also keeps Hooksett from hosting tournaments
 - Tournaments bring revenue to a program and recognition to a town.

- HLL is willing to incur all the costs for installing bullpens.

- We need a location and approval



- Lights:
 - HLL is working with HYAA to investigate lights for our fields.
 - HLL is also actively fundraising to this goal. This will increase playing time and more importantly practice time for our players