



## TAPPLY-THOMPSON COMMUNITY CENTER

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### Frequently Asked Questions

#### When will I know what team my child is on?

- Coaches will get their team rosters at the coach meeting on 4/13 and will reach out to the players on their teams via group email / text. We will send out league-wide emails & rosters will also be posted online.

#### When can we get the Practice & Game schedules?

- The schedules should be available soon after teams are selected. Practices are dependent on the availability of the fields as well as the Manager's & Coaches. As soon as schedules are ready, we will send out league-wide emails & post them online as well.
  - **Typical schedules, subject to change:**
    - TBALL – 1 practice per week, 6-7pm, plus a game on Saturday
    - ROOKIE / 8U – 2 games per week, plus 1-2 practices per week
    - MINOR/10U – 2-3 games per week, plus 1-2 practices
    - MAJOR/12U – 2-3 games per week, plus 1-2 practices
  - Locations vary! We use all fields available for practices – Kelley Park, New Hampton Community School (NHCS), High School (NRHS), Bridgewater-Hebron Village School (BHVS), Wells, etc... Games will be played locally and some travel may be required.

#### Who is the Baseball & Softball Commission?

- Our Newfound Babe Ruth Board (NBR) is made up of parents of players, community members, and people that have a love of the game and, more importantly, a love for our area children. This is a very dedicated group of volunteers that give countless hours throughout the year to make this program successful. The full Board will be listed in your Program Guide that you receive at Opening Day. They meet regularly during the season and typically once per month (at the least) during the off season. This program could not be run without their dedication and belief in giving all local youth a positive sports experience. We are in need of volunteers to help – please consider joining the board!

#### Why do we have to sell cash calendars in addition to the fees?

- The baseball & softball program is extremely expensive to run. Registration costs actually only cover about 25% of the costs. This means that we need to raise a significant amount through sponsors & fundraising. The cash calendars have been a successful way to do this in a fairly painless manner. It is important that everyone sell their five calendars as you are truly helping the program! For those that want to sell more – we offer great incentive prizes & have plenty of extras at the TTCC office.

#### What is the Volunteer Component of the Program?

- We ask that all families with players in the league give at least 2 hours of volunteer time during the season. This can be accomplished in many ways such as staffing a concession, helping with field clean-up days, helping at our tournaments, helping at Home Run Derby, coaching or selling extra cash calendars. To opt out of the volunteer component you can pay a \$20 buy-out fee.

### **What should I do if I have questions?**

- You can always call or email the TTCC office – 603-744-2713, [ttcc@metrocast.net](mailto:ttcc@metrocast.net). Once the season is underway you will be able to contact your coach directly & contact info for Board members is also listed in the program guide.

### **You may be asking what is the Program Guide?**

- This booklet is produced yearly with all teams & player's names, game schedules, sponsor info, contact info and more.... They are distributed at Opening Day to all teams and extra copies are available at the TTCC & concession stand at Wells. Let us know if you want to place your own ad in this year's program guide!

### **How do I handle a concern or complaint?**

- Please use the following process when filing a complaint:
  - Discuss the issue with the team manager first – they should be given the opportunity to address your concern.
  - If you are still not satisfied, then discuss the issue with your Player Representative. They are listed in the Program Guide and there is one for Baseball & one for Softball.
  - If you do not feel the issue has been resolved please complete the Complaint Form that is included in this parent packet or is available on the website at [www.ttccrec.org](http://www.ttccrec.org) . You will be contacted by a Disciplinary Committee member confirming receipt of your form and they may request more information or ask for your attendance at a hearing.

### **What do we mean by Equal & Fair Play time?**

- It means that not only do all players get a certain number of innings in the game but also that all kids get the same play time throughout the season. For example: the goal is to have all players play the same amount of innings in each game. This is not always possible as games don't always go the full amount of innings; players are out sick, players arrive late, injuries, etc. In order to keep this fair the coaches strive to balance this over the season so that by the end of the season players have played in the same amount of innings overall.

### **Tournament Team Selection Process**

- The Baseball & Softball Commission will select Tournament Team Managers prior to the season.
- Prior to the selection of Tournament Team players there will be 'Open' Practices (schedule TBD). These practices are open to any player interested in being considered for the tournament team. This gives each player multiple opportunities to show their skills and be considered for the final roster.
- A final roster will be submitted to the Commission two weeks prior to the start of District level play (specific dates for tournaments TBD – most occur after regular season play has finished)
- Tournament Play has a high level of commitment of time and players need to be available throughout the entire tournament trail. There is also an **additional charge of \$60** for those chosen to be on the Tournament teams. Playing time is not guaranteed at the tournament level.

**The Newfound Babe Ruth League Commission meets regularly at the TTCC prior to the start of and throughout the season. We welcome you to attend meetings and become more involved in the leagues.**

**Our common goal is to make your child's sports experience the best it can be. Let us work together to achieve this goal😊**