



Deep Run Baseball - April 2021 Meeting
Tue, Apr 6, 2021

Attendees: Aidan Campbell, Chris Boyd, Chris DiDonato, Dan Shollenberger, Evan Lowery, Michelle Bogle, Ryan Alderfer, Ryan Mulford, Steve Sabol, Todd Montigney, online participants

COVID Guidelines

- We continue to follow Bucks County DOH guidelines which are outlined <https://www.leagueathletics.com/Page.asp?n=159981&org=deeprunbaseball.org>
- We are documenting all close-contact or positive cases that occur and being transparent with all affected teams via a team email from the baseball board
- We have been in contact with the Bucks County Department of Health as well as several other medical experts

Opening Day Plan

- No Opening Day Ceremony (avoid large gathering)
- National Anthem will be sung by Cara Alderfer. Small fireworks will be set off in Connie Mack after the Anthem.
- Opening Day Script will be distributed to all fields and coaches. Script will be read and players will be announced before the start of each game across all Divisions
 - Additional battery powered speakers purchased

Blooming Glen Park & Supplee Park Field Prep

- Chris Boyd and Evan Lowery have dragged fields and removed weeds.
- Fields are being utilized by all Divisions MWF (Supplee Park) and M-F (Blooming Glen)
- Supplee - \$200 for season + security deposit, Blooming Glen - free

Pitchers Tracking Sheet

- Ryan Mulford and Chris Boyd created/shared pitchers tracking sheets (Google doc)
- Purpose is to communicate between little league and travel coaches to ensure players arms are properly rested

Intramural Update

- **Rules Changes**
 - AA - coach pitch first 3 games. Many players have not touched a ball or bat in two years and need more time to prepare.
 - Mercy rule updated in AA, AAA, Majors
 - Many small changes
 - Division rules will be posted at every field (Ryan Alderfer)

- <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1RCsvgq81ww-yxq5fXuQ1w211ubTN0hueqg5K080DytA/edit?usp=sharing>
- **Schedule & Interleague Play with Plumstead & Lenape Valley**
 - Plumstead (Majors on Tuesdays and AA on Saturdays)
- **AA Play-Ups**
 - AAA teams have 10-11 players
 - Coaches will share a list of AA players who can play up with AAA players
- **Background Checks**
 - Ryan Alderfer is managing Little League's background checks

Weekly Game Recap & Social Media

- Each week this Spring Morgan Roller will collect pictures and game summaries from 3-4 Little League teams
- Pictures will be posted on Facebook / Instagram and game summaries will be added to the website

Special Events

- **Marathon Day Tournament**
 - Ryan Mulford is planning a Majors, AAA, and possibly AA Marathon tournament
 - Tournament will be limited to one Division at a time to avoid large crowds congregating
 - This will be a large baseball fundraiser to help us make additional improvements to our facility and program
 - Fundraising goals (Covered and lighted batting cages and backstop pads)
- **Phillies Youth Day for Deep Run**
 - Dan Shollenberger and Ryan Alderfer will be contacting the Phillies, Iron Pigs, and Reading Phillies to see if there are any opportunities this year
- **Phillies Home Run Derby / Skills Fest**
 - Chris, Dan, or Ryan Alderfer will reach out to John Bradley to plan this event

Travel Baseball Update

- Suburban League (12 Blue, 11 Blue, 10 Blue)
- Fri/Sunday Select (9 Blue)
- Sunday Select (11 White, 10 White)
- Practices and scrimmages (8U)
- 8U Tryouts May 1 on AA Field (evening)
- Several tournaments played before the Spring season

Little League Districts

- **Tryouts & Evaluation Process**
 - 10U and possibly 11U
 - Incorporate outside evaluators and/or non-affiliated coaches
 - Debated selecting players first, then coach VS coach first, then players.

- invite anyone who would like to manage a district team the opportunity to submit their name
- put out public player signup for district teams
- Baseball board selects District team manager(s) - decisions should be made by May 15th
- District Manager(s) + outside (ex. Connie Mack) + non-affiliated (ex. coaches with players not trying out) evaluators brought in for tryouts - Mon, May 24
- Team(s) announced Sat, June 1
- Team(s) can begin practice in June
- **Tryout Date?**
 - May 24 tryouts on AA and AAA fields
 - Chris Boyd will draft email to coaches and families communicating process and date/time