

BC Baseball

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Coaches Meeting Agenda

Sunday, November 23, 2008; 6:00 PM
At Twin Oaks Concession Stand; Columbia, MO

1. Welcome and Introductions

2. What's Up For 2009 Season

- A. Deposit or prepayment due by December 8, 2008.
- B. If use prepayment option, League Fees will stay the same (\$1700 for 11U, 12U, 13U and 14U and \$1500 for 9U and 10U) and (\$1100 for 8U). If not, League raise for first time in four years (\$1800 for 11U, 12U, 13U and 14U and \$1575 for 9U and 10U).
- C. Team insurance is included with your league fees again this year.
- D. USSSA registration is included with your league fees again this year.
- E. League Teams again will pay no gate fee for the 2008 BC Spring Classic.
- F. League Teams will receive a \$35 to \$50 per tournament entry fee discount for 2008, provided fees are paid by March 9. Only other discount allowed is The Great America's Game Discount (another \$50). Other discounts will not be allowed!
- G. League Teams again will not pay a Work Deposit Fee. Teams will be asked to have (2) people at one of two scheduled work days.
- H. The 14U division will play with 90-foot base distances and a 60-foot-6 pitching.
- I. League games will be played at Twin Oaks, Boone County Fairgrounds/Atkins Fields (yes, they are done), Field of Legends (in Jeff City) and Taos Fields. Other fields are possible.
- J. League teams will be divided into a BC North and a BC South for scheduling.
- K. Most league games will be scheduled on Tuesday and Wednesday nights.
- L. Plans are to use Thursday nights at Twin Oaks for tournaments and rainouts.
- M. League scheduling will begin in January following the January meeting.

3. Items for Discussion / Announcements

Coaches Advisory Committee To Be Appointed

- A. Scheduling Template; league issues; 1-2 meetings per year; recommendations to board
- B. Five members, four of which must be coaches, one of which will be league president
- C. Volunteers will be accepted tonight; need to meet prior to January meeting
- D. Player clinics and Hitting/Pitching/Catching instruction available through BC Academy

4. Review Of Registration Procedures

- A. Team Applications & Deposits and/or Prepayment due by December 8, 2008.
- B. Deposits or Prepayment -- will accept 40 guaranteed; rest non guaranteed
- C. Team Application Form is a must!
- D. Review of 2009 Team Information Packet
- E. League Registration Packet in January; new Parents Code of Conduct
- F. League Fees — 50 percent at January meeting; 50 percent at February meeting
- G. Schedule Info — due at January meeting (graduations; band concerts, etc.)
- H. Tournament Reservation Form — due at January meeting, if possible
- I. BC Spring Classic entry fee — due at February meeting
- J. Tournament Fees — due at March meeting



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2009 SPRING/SUMMER SEASON TEAM INFORMATION PACKET

The BC Baseball League, in its 16th year, is an organization of coach-picked teams playing USSSA Baseball with games scheduled in Columbia at the league's Twin Oaks Sports Complex, in Columbia at the Boone County Fairgrounds Atkins Fields, in Jefferson City at Field of Legends, in Taos and, potentially, other locations. Teams and players in this league come from all over Central Missouri, but mostly from Boone, Cole, Callaway and Audrain counties.

The purpose of the BC Baseball League is to organize and promote youth baseball, to perpetuate the interest and the love of the game and to provide an opportunity for teams to compete in baseball at a higher level. The affiliation with USSSA Baseball provides an opportunity for league members to qualify for state and national championship play. The league members qualify as teams, not as end-of-the-season all-star squads, for this post-season play.

For the 2009 Spring/Summer Season, the league will offer divisions/games in the following age groups: 14 & Under, 13 & Under, 12 & Under, 11 & Under, 10 & Under, 9 & Under and 8 & Under Player Pitch. Again, the 2009 season, will have individual age group scheduling (with as few crossover games vs. the younger/older age group as possible, providing there are enough teams for each age group). Again for 2009, the 14 & Under age group will play with 90-foot base distances and 60-foot-6 pitching distance.

League games for all age groups, except the 8U division, will begin in the first week of April (the week of March 30-April 3). The 8U Player Pitch Division will start with a May tournament with league games beginning the next week.

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14 & Under Division: Teams will play in a separate 14 & Under age group with no crossover games versus 13 & Under teams. Teams will be scheduled for a total of 20-22 games. Again for 2009, 14U teams will play on fields set with 90-foot base and 60-foot-6 pitching distances. Portable mounds will be used for games in this age group. Games will be seven innings in length and will be played with a 1 hour, 45 minute time limit. Game times will be 6PM and 8:10 PM with teams playing mostly doubleheaders. This division will begin play in the first week of April. Players in this age group will be allowed to wear metal cleats. USSSA Baseball rules, with BC Baseball Modifications, are used for this division. **2009 League Fee: \$1,800 per team (\$1,700 if paid by Dec. 8).**

13 & Under Division: Teams will play in a separate 13 & Under age group with no crossover games versus 14 & Under teams. Teams will be scheduled for a total of 20-22 games. Teams will play on fields set with 80-foot base and 54-foot pitching distances. Portable mounds will be used for games in these age groups. Games will be seven innings in length and will be played with a 1 hour, 45 minute time limit. Game times will be 6PM and 8:10 PM with teams playing mostly doubleheaders. This division will begin play in the first week of April. Players in this age group will be allowed to wear metal cleats. USSSA Baseball rules, with BC Baseball Modifications, are used for this division. **2009 League Fee: \$1,800 per team (\$1,700 if paid by Dec. 8).**

12 & Under and 11 & Under Divisions: Teams will play in separate age groups (provided there are enough teams) with limited crossover games vs. the older/younger teams. Teams will be scheduled for a total of 20-22 games. Teams will play on fields set with 70-foot base and 50-foot pitching distances. Portable mounds will be used for games in these age groups. Games will be six innings in length and will be played with a 1 hour, 45 minute time limit. Game times will be 6PM and 8:10 PM with teams playing mostly doubleheaders. This division will begin play in the first week of April. Players in these age groups will NOT be allowed to wear metal cleats. USSSA Baseball rules, with BC Baseball Modifications, are used for these divisions. **2009 League Fee: \$1,800 per team (\$1,700 if paid by Dec. 8).**

10 & Under and 9 & Under Divisions: Teams will play in a separate age groups (provided there are enough teams) with limited crossover games vs. the older/younger teams. Teams will be scheduled for a total of 14-16 games. Teams will play on fields set with 65-foot base and 46-foot pitching distances. Portable mounds will be used for games in these age groups. Games will be six innings in length and will be played with a 1 hour, 45 minute time limit. Game times will be 6PM and 8:10 PM with teams having an option to play mostly doubleheaders or mostly single games. This division may begin play in the first week of April. Players in these age groups will NOT be allowed to wear metal cleats. USSSA Baseball rules, with BC Baseball Modifications, are used for these divisions. At these age groups, player pitching and full stealing rules are in effect, although there is a large amount of leniency concerning balk rules with the pitchers. **2009 League Fee: \$1,575 per team (\$1,500 if paid by December 8, 2008).**

8 & Under Player Pitch Division: The rules for the 8 & Under Player Pitch Division are the same as other divisions, with the exception of no leadoffs and no advancing on passed balls or dropped/missed third strikes. Teams will play on fields set with 60-foot base and 40-foot pitching distances. The rules of this division provide for a continuous batting order (everyone is in the batting order, even though they may not be playing defense at that time). Games will be six innings in length and will be played with a 1 hour, 30 minute time limit. This division will play a 12-game season, which includes one league-sponsored tournament in May. Game times will be 6PM and 8:10 PM with teams mostly single games, although a doubleheader may be scheduled. This division will begin play in May in a league tournament. This tournament will follow a four-week pitching clinic for all coaches and players. Players in these age groups will NOT be allowed to wear metal cleats. USSSA Baseball rules, with BC Baseball Modifications, are used for this division. **Approximate League Fee: \$1,100 per team.**

NOTE: Individual players looking to be placed on an 8 & Under Player Pitch team should contact the BC Baseball League office at (573) 445-8999 via phone or via e-mail to sreller@bcbaseball.org.

2009 SPRING/SUMMER SEASON INFORMATION

COACHES MEETING DATES / REGISTRATION INFORMATION DATES

Sunday, November 23, 2008, 6PM, at Twin Oaks Concession Stand, Columbia

2009 Informational Meeting

NOTE: Team Deposit and Team Application must be submitted by Monday, December 8, 2008

Sunday, January 11, 2009, 6PM, at Twin Oaks Concession Stand, Columbia

Coaches Meeting; Team Information and 1/2 League Fees Due

Sunday, February 8, 2009, 6PM, at Twin Oaks Concession Stand, Columbia

Coaches Meeting; Practice Signups, Work Signups, Remaining League Fees Due;

Sunday, March 8, 2009, 6PM, at Twin Oaks Gymnasium, Columbia

Coaches Certification Meeting (Mandatory Meeting For All Coaches); Tournament Fees Due; Schedules Handed Out ()*

Saturday, February 21, 2009, 9AM-1PM, at Twin Oaks - Work Day #1

Saturday, March 14, 2009, 9AM-1PM, at Twin Oaks - Work Day #2

Teams will be asked to provide two (2) people on one of the work days at Twin Oaks

** - League Schedules will be distributed for review at this meeting to be released the following week.*



USSSA Age Eligibility/Classification

The BC Baseball League follows the age rules utilized by the USSSA in determining age eligibility. According to USSSA rules, a player's age group is determined based on their age as of April 30 of the season.

The BC Baseball League will follow these same rules for determining ages for league teams. Thus, all teams in every classification must meet the USSSA rule book rule which determines a player's age group by the player's age on April 30 of the season. (ex: A player who turns 11 on February 21 will be 11 on April 30; thus, that player's age group is 11 and Under.) Players are allowed to play up, but not down.

In classifying teams, the strength of a team determines the team's classification. This classification is done by the USSSA state office in Kansas City. Thus, a team registering AA could be moved up to AAA and a team registering AAA could be moved up to Major. Teams are allowed to petition to have classifications changed; however, this petition must go through the USSSA state office.

BC North/BC South for 2009

Again for the 2009 season, the BC Baseball League will allow teams to designate, for scheduling purposes, whether they are a BC Baseball League North team or a BC Baseball League South team.

This information then will be used for scheduling purposes as North teams will play most of their games at the Twin Oaks and Boone County Fairgrounds complexes and South teams will play most of their games at the Field of Legends, Taos and other Jefferson City area locations.

Present plans call for all teams to play each other in league play.

Volunteer Time/ Work Deposit

For the 2009 season, teams in the BC Baseball League will be requested to provide 2 or more people at one of two work days (Saturday, February 21 or Saturday, March 14) to assist in preparing the league's Twin Oaks Complex for the upcoming season. Typically, work days consist of clean-up and projects requiring manpower.

In previous years, teams were required to work 24 hours and pay a \$300 work deposit to assure this was accomplished. The same as the 2008 season, teams will NOT be required to pay a work deposit in 2009.

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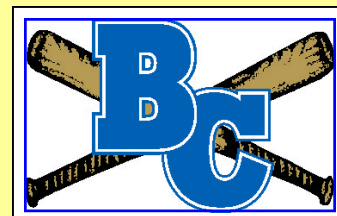
BC Spring Classic World Series NIT Again in 2009; USSSA Double Points Weekend Likely Again

Dates set for Thursday, March 26 through Sunday, March 29, 2009

Tournament Again To Be Open To Non-League Teams for 2009

League Teams Will NOT Pay Gate Fee For Former League Pre-Season Event

The BC Baseball League will host its fourth league pre-season tournament in 2009, although the tournament again will be called the BC Spring Classic. In 2006, the league first began allowing non-league teams to enter the tournament for the first time. The name change, which was first used in 2007, accomplished its goal of attracting more non-league teams to enter. In 2008, the tournament saw a record 47 entries.



This tournament will be played on Thursday, March 27, 2009 through Sunday, March 30, 2009, with only local teams playing on Thursday. The tournament again will be a USSSA World Series Qualifier for all levels - Major, AAA and AA, with state berths also available for all three classifications. And, the weekend likely will be designated a Missouri USSSA Double Points Weekend; thus, teams entering this tournament will receive USSSA points equivalent to four times that of a state qualifier, as the World Series NIT status doubles points and the double points weekend doubles those points!

An entry fee of \$325 and a gate fee of \$175 will be charged to non-league teams. Participating league teams will pay only the entry fee and no gate fee to play in this tournament. This tournament will serve as a kick-off to the BC Baseball League's 16th Season. All participating teams will play together in one tournament - AA, AAA and Major as the league kicks its season off with a tournament to see what's happened since the previous year! Also, teams will be able to accrue BC Interstate 70 Series points and participation by playing in this tournament (see below for more information).

I-70 Series Includes More Than 30 BC Baseball events in Columbia and St. Louis

BC Baseball again will administer its I-70 Series, using the same criteria as was used in 2008; that is to include all of its 2009 spring, summer and fall tournaments, which for the 2009 calendar year will consist of more than 30 different events in Columbia and St. Louis.

This series is an opportunity for teams which play BC Baseball tournaments to earn points towards awards in 2010 BC Baseball tournaments. The top team in each age group will receive a paid entry fee and gate fee; the second place team will receive a paid entry fee; and the third place team will receive a paid gate fee. (NOTE: For the 14U division, points will accumulate through the Metro Championship and awards will be given for the 2009 End of Summer Sizzler.)

For the 2009 season, teams will be required to play four BC Baseball tournaments to be eligible in the series. Standings for the I-70 Series will be posted/updated on the BC Baseball website.



I-70 Series Point System

<i>1st Place</i>	75 points
<i>2nd Place</i>	55 points
<i>3rd Place</i>	45 points
<i>4th Place</i>	40 points
<i>5th-6th Place</i>	30 points
<i>7th-8th Place</i>	25 points
<i>9th-12th Place</i>	10 points



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2009 TEAM APPLICATION



A Team Application must be completed by the team's Manager and submitted along with a deposit check of \$400 or a complete prepayment of fees in order to join the BC Baseball League and, thus, secure a spot in the league for the 2009 season. This form is due by December 8, 2008. By completing this form, the Manager is committing the team to paying the remaining league fees as stipulated by the league in January and February. The BC Baseball League reserves the right to accept or reject team applications. The information you provide below will be used to communicate with you as plans for the 2009 BC Baseball League season are finalized.

(NOTE: An e-mail address is VERY IMPORTANT, as almost ALL league communication is done via e-mail.)

TEAM NAME: _____
 (If your team name is not finalized or picked leave this blank.)

HEAD COACH: _____

HOME ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

HOME PHONE: _____

WORK PHONE: _____

CELL PHONE: _____

2008 SEASON: Did this team play in the BC Baseball League in 2008?

Yes – Team Name: _____

No

AGE GROUP: Please check the Age Group for your team in the BC Baseball League for the 2009 season. Teams which pay their fees in full by December 8, 2008 will receive a prepayment discount as listed below:

AGE GROUP	TOTAL FEE	PREPAYMENT FEE
<input type="checkbox"/> 14 & Under Age Group.....	\$1,800.00	\$1,700.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 13 & Under Age Group.....	\$1,800.00	\$1,700.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 12 & Under Age Group.....	\$1,800.00	\$1,700.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 11 & Under Age Group.....	\$1,800.00	\$1,700.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 10 & Under Age Group.....	\$1,575.00	\$1,500.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 9 & Under Age Group.....	\$1,575.00	\$1,500.00
<input type="checkbox"/> 8 & Under Player Pitch Age Group.....	\$1,100.00	\$1,100.00

DIVISION: Again for 2009, the BC Baseball League will have a BC North Division and a BC South Division. Teams are requested to indicate which division they prefer for scheduling purposes. Teams also can indicate that either location (North or South) will work for them for scheduling purposes:

- Use the BC Baseball League North Division as our team's scheduling preference.
- Use the BC Baseball League South Division as our team's scheduling preference.
- Use either division as our team's scheduling preference.
- Other: _____

2009 BC Baseball Tentative Tournament Schedule

DATE	TOURNAMENT	MAIN LOCATION	CITY	AGES	LV	TYPE
March 19-22	Gateway City Opener	Ozzie Smith Complex	O'Fallon, MO	9u-14u	SQ	Open
March 26-29	First Pitch Classic	Ellisville Athletic Association	Ellisville, MO	9u-14u	SQ	Open
March 26-29	BC Spring Classic	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	9u-14u	WS	Open
April 2-5	Bring The Heat	BMAC	Bridgeton, MO	10u-14u	SQ	Open
April 2-5	Eye Of The "Siberian" Tiger	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	10u-14u	SQ	Open
April 10-11	FRI/SAT OF EASTER WEEKEND	LEAGUE WEEKEND - Far NORTH vs. Far SOUTH and OTHER GAMES				
April 16-19	Throwin' Leather Open	Woodland Sports Complex	St. Peters, MO	10u-14u	SQ	Open
April 16-19	Frozen Rope Classic	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	9u-14u	SQ	AA
April 23-26	Battle at Bridgeton	BMAC	Bridgeton, MO	9u-14u	SQ	Open
April 23-26	Hardball Classic	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	10u-14u	SQ	Open
April 30-May 3	Duel At The Diamonds	Woodland Sports Complex	St. Peters, MO	10u-14u	SQ	Open
April 30-May 3	Cowhide Classic	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	10u-14u	SQ	Open
May 7-10	Mother's Day Classic	Ellisville Athletic Association	Ellisville, MO	9u-14u	SQ	Open
May 7-10	Mother's Day Classic	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	9u-14u	SQ	AA
May 14-17	River City Challenge	River City Athletic Association	St. Peters, MO	10u-14u	SQ	AA
May 14-17	Columbia Classic	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	10u-14u	WS	Open
May 22-25	Let's Play America's Game	Ozzie Smith Complex	O'Fallon, MO	9u-14u 16u	WS	Open
May 28-30	School's Out At The Lake	Founder's Park	Lake St. Louis, MO	10u-14u	SQ	Open
May 28-30	School's Out In Columbia	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	9u-14u	SQ	AA
June 4-7	June Jam	FAAA	Florissant, MO	9u-14u	SQ	AA
June 4-7	TBN World Qualifier	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	10u-14u	WS	Open
June 11-14	Baseball At The Oz	Ozzie Smith Complex	O'Fallon, MO	9u-14u	SQ	Open
June 11-14	Mid-Missouri Grand Slam	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	9u-14u	SQ	AA
June 18-21	June Spectacular	BMAC	Bridgeton, MO	9u-14u 16u?	SQ	Open
June 18-21 or June 25-28	11U AA USSSA State	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO			
June 25-28 or July 2-5	9U East USSSA State 11U AAA USSSA State 13U AAA USSSA State	???	???			
June 25-28	Wood War II	Pond & River City		9u-14u	SQ	Open
July 2-5	Metro Championships	Ellisville & Pond - ???		9u-14u	SQ	Open
July 2-5	Mid-Mo Wood Bat	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	9u-14u	SQ	Open
July 9-12	All-Star Game Extravaganza	???	???	9u-14u	SQ	Open
July 9-12	Mid-Mo Wood Bat	Twin Oaks Complex	Columbia, MO	9u-14u	SQ	Open
July 16-19	End Of Summer Sizzler	BMAC	Bridgeton, MO	10u-14u 16u		Open
July 18-25	9U Open World Series	Ellisville Athletic Association	Ellisville, MO			
July 24-26	Metro HS Championships	Founder's Park	Lake St. Louis, MO	15u,16u	SQ	Open
July 30-August 2	???	???	???	???		
	2009 Tournament Fees:	State Qualifier -- \$295 Entry Fee; \$180 Gate Fee World Series Qualifier -- \$335 Entry Fee; \$180 Gate Fee				



BC Baseball Gateway to St. Louis Promotion **Travel Teams Play for Free in St. Louis!**

BC Baseball, courtesy of the Sheraton Westport, Doubletree and Quality Inn Westport, is offering teams a unique opportunity – **a free entry fee*** into a BC Baseball St. Louis area tournament! These hotels will pay the team's entry fee to BC Baseball for the following tournaments:

- March 19-22: Gateway City Opener at the Ozzie Smith Complex
- March 26-29: First Pitch Classic at the Ellisville Athletic Association
- April 2-5: Bring The Heat at the Bridgeton Complex
- April 16-19: Throwin' Leather Open at the Woodlands Sports Complex
- April 23-26: Battle at Bridgeton at the Bridgeton Complex
- May 7-10: Mother's Day Classic at the Ellisville Athletic Association
- May 22-25: Let's Play America's Game at Ozzie and Bridgeton Complexes
- June 19-21: June Spectacular at Bridgeton Complex

* **Requirements:** Teams must stay at one of the host hotels for a minimum of 2 nights with at least 8 rooms per night. Also, gate fee must be paid in advance and hotel reservations must be confirmed to guarantee team entry. This opportunity is offered on a first-come basis dependent upon hotel space availability.



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