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Oakville Little League Newsletter - Feb 2019

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Our Mission Statement:

The mission of Oakville Little League is to provide the youth of Oakville with opportunities to develop citizenship, discipline, teamwork, and physical well-being through baseball. Our goal is the all-round development of young people not just baseball players. Baseball just happens to be the vehicle used to develop life skills that extend beyond the game.

Challenger Division Registration

The Little League Challenger Program is Little League’s adaptive baseball program for individuals with physical and intellectual challenges.

Any individual with a physical or intellectual challenge may participate.

For further information and to register online visit our webpage at:

http://oakvillelittleleague.com/?page_id=416

Friday March 1: Deletion of all “Payment Owing” Registrations

This is a reminder that on Friday March 1, the league will start removing all player registrations in the registration system that are not active i.e. payment has not been made.

Family accounts will remain in the system and can be accessed for future use.

If you need additional information or assistance to complete the payment process, please contact the Registrar at ollregistrar@gmail.com

OAKVILLE LITTLE LEAGUE WHITECAP FAIR

Oakville Little League is hosting it's annual Whitecap Fair. The Oakville Whitecap program gives players in our League an opportunity to play a higher level of baseball outside of their House League commitments.

Date: Friday March 1

Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm (Registration - 7:00 pm, Presentation- 7:30, Break out with Individual Coaches - 8:00 pm.

Location: Holiday Inn Bronte, 2525 Wyecroft Rd, Oakville, ON (QEW and Bronte Road).

The purpose of the Fair is to give all prospective families and players an overview of the Whitecap program, potential tournament, budgets, and time commitment involved. After the presentation, you will get an opportunity to chat with the coaches at your son or daughter's Whitecap level.

To become familiar with the Whitecap program, including the selection process and required Player/Parent commitment, please go to this link:

http://oakvillelittleleague.com/?page_id=424

Join Our Team of Volunteers

Oakville Little League is Canada's largest Little League. Our ongoing success is based on the willingness of volunteers to step up and assist in running the league both on and off the field. Throughout the season the league receives strong on field support from many volunteers willing to help out with team management and with our numerous special events.

The league has and needs to maintain a significant cadre of volunteers who help run the league year round in a number ongoing administrative and support functions through the regular season and off-season.

There are currently a number of positions available for individuals who would like to become part of the Oakville Little League support team on an ongoing basis, throughout the year. Additional details will be provided to those who are interested in any of the positions listed

Office Manager: Respond to or redirect queries received via voicemail and email.

Registrar: Respond to queries related to player registrations.

Convenors: working with a Division Coordinator, convenors are responsible to run and organize their individual divisions. Division Coordinators work in conjunction with the Vice President of Baseball Operations to ensure a successful season in their respective divisions.

Tournament Director: Working with the Volunteer Coordinator, coordinate all activities including for locally run tournaments such as the Canada Day Classic.

If you want to become part of our team please send a quick email to communications@ollb.org and we will get in touch with you to provide additional details.

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2019 Sponsorship

Sponsorship plays a very important part of delivering our baseball programs. It supports our efforts to keep programs affordable, improve facilities and replace old equipment. It also provides great company visibility to our 1,200 strong membership. Sponsorship can take the form of a "team sponsorship" with a company name on the uniform, or a team sponsorship plus a 4'x6' company sign on the outfield fence at the Cornwall facility plus other levels of sponsorship as well.

We appreciate and thank all past sponsors for their support of our League and also appreciate those sponsors who have already stepped up for 2019. For other member families with company connections, such as company customers or suppliers or who may know of a company who might be interested in sponsorship, please contact our Sponsorship Coordinator John Sinclair who will be pleased and able to provide any additional details, at:

jsinclair40@cogeco.ca

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Town Cost Recovery Plan for Field Maintenance

As noted on page 59-60 of the "Approved 2018 Town of Oakville Rates and Fee Schedule", current rates for most field permits are substantively below approved cost recovery ratios. Consequently, the Town is implementing an approved 7-year phase-in pricing strategy starting in 2018 for outdoor sports fields which the Town anticipates will bring them to 50% recovery of their costs.

The Town's cost recovery policy will result in field permit fee rate increases that are significantly higher than the rate of inflation in the coming years. These increases are beyond the control of Oakville Little League and will impact all sports organizations in Oakville. While OLL will need to increase registration fees to offset these additional cost increases, the League is committed to minimizing the impact on fees, while continuing to provide top-quality community baseball programs.

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