

Notes from 11/24/2013 fastpitch meeting:

1. **Coaching Clinic** - Mike Nelson and Don Bross will put on a coaching clinic for all SBAA head coaches, assistant coaches, and any parent that you think will be involved in your team. The first time I sent this out I said the dates would be January 5<sup>th</sup> and February 2<sup>nd</sup> and then realized the Super Bowl is February 2<sup>nd</sup>, so they have changed it to **be Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup> and Friday, January 31<sup>st</sup>; both at 6pm and both at the SBAA building.** Coaches – please tell your assistants and any parents you feel would benefit from this that they are welcome to attend. This is more of a clinic for SBAA and to teach our philosophy so it will be quite a bit different than the clinics some of you are attending for MMFL and the NSC clinic; so both are good to attend.
2. **Catching clinics** – they are trying to get some catching clinics together but nothing has been set yet.
3. **High School Clinics** – the dates for the clinics at the high school have been set but Don has not done a flyer yet so that will come out soon. 10U and under will be 8-9:30 and 12U and older will be 9:30-11. Dates are 1/5, 1/12, 1/26, 2/2, 2/23, 3/2, 3/9. Tell your players and I will also send a flyer when I have one.
4. **Building use** – for the building this year Nancy will post a spreadsheet online so you can see what is open for building times. Remember since fastpitch uses the building T/Th night for pitching then only Friday-Sunday are open and baseball will also be using it on the weekend so there are not a ton of times available. We discussed that Nancy will do her best to keep it fair for all that want to use it but also does not want to make building scheduling a full time job so will just do the best she can. If someone has it a lot and another coach can't find a time to get in then we will ask that coach using it a lot to scale back on their use. I will send a separate email with who has scheduled already and more instructions so watch for that to come. Chris encourages teams to not do much practicing before January as he feels October-December should be "off" months for fastpitch to give kids and parents a break. And remember it is \$1 per kid to use the building. And Chris also suggested using Grand Slam with your team every other week instead of trying to get in the building every week to make it easier for scheduling and Don Bross suggested using space at the National Sports Center and he thinks you can call and reserve space for a team there too.
5. **Coach roster** – coaches were asking for a coach roster and Nancy said it is on the website but she will put it in a better spot, or have it in more than one spot and will send it out to everyone.
6. **8U fastpitch** – if you know anyone that has 6-8 year old girls help us get the work out about playing in our 8U league and coming to our 8U clinic day on May 18<sup>th</sup>.
7. **Tournaments** – remember that fastpitch pays for each Moose and A and B (not C) team to attend 2 tournaments besides the Qualifier and State. Go through Craig Weston to get those paid for. If you want to do a 3<sup>rd</sup> tournament that is up to you as a team to pay for.
8. **Spring Hitting** – Bob Miller will be in charge of getting the 8 week spring hitting set up at Complete Game again but this year he will have the coaches pick a couple time slots and let the coaches fill in the spots with their team members. He will have Nancy send a flyer out with more information when it is ready.