



California District 4

Little League – Junior League – Senior League – Challenger

April 17, 2018 District 4 Meeting



Meeting Called to Order: 7:35pm, UCCE, 75 Santa Barbara Rd., 2nd Floor, Pleasant Hill.

Staff Attendance: Ted Boet, Geoff Shiu, Don Waddell, Liz Berg, Marco Rosen, David Preuss, Stephen Mohammed, Carla Moore

League Attendance: Albany, Antioch, Clayton Valley, Concord American, Continental, East County, North/South Oakland, Pinole Hercules, Pittsburg, Richmond, Walnut Creek

Assistant District Administrator, Geoff Shiu:

- **Giant's Little League Day** – Clayton Valley attended, said it was good and the kids had FUN!
- **Oakland A's Little League Days** – Sundays: April 22nd and May 6th
Group (15 or more) **Ticket Seating** – contact Alissa Perischetti, info in newsletter
Uniforms – Little league players wear their uniform w/correct patch, **it distinguishes them from other organizations**
- **Post Season Helpers** – start thinking NOW about who would be good helpers for Scorekeeping, Field Prep, and Snack Bar. Look for these people and get them signed up. So when Closing Day comes and they think that they are done till next season.
- **Post Season Rules** – make sure your managers understand the Mandatory Play Rule and that there are consequences for not following the rule or trying to manipulate it. They will be gone sight and sound if they don't follow the rule. There is NO basis for protest, the manager will not be replaced.

Chief Umpire ADA, Don Waddell:

- **Bats** – I have received reports of bats being damaged, at least one bat came apart. If you have issues contact the manufacturer, these bats are under warranty. Dents are being reported.
- **April Newsletter** – Several important items. Please read it.
- **Rule Inquiries** – I have received some about rules:
Try to work out the issues within your league first, I'm not there so I may not give the correct information for the issue. **Do Not Call** Western Region Headquarters – they will just read the rule book to you.
- **Tournament Umpires** – I passed out a paper tonight that I had sent to each league's Chief Umpire. It contains a breakdown of game and how many umpires each league needs to provide. The schedule will be completed with all info following the May district meeting. Tournament umpires do not get paid. They **MUST** know the rules. They need to have completed the CDC Concussion Training (need to have proof with them), and Volunteer Background Check.
- **Youth Umpires** – There **MUST** be a Game Coordinator when youth are umpiring. The coordinator is to oversee **ONLY** that game so they can focus on what is happening.
- **C-Flap Helmets** – I have discussed them with the Western Region Director. They are **NOT APPROVED**, they do not meet regulations. The helmet is being altered when attaching the C-Flap. High school and colleges are not allowing the C-Flap.

District Administrator, Ted Boet:

- **TOC and All Star games** – there will be 250 games over 4 weeks, 65 TOC and 185 All Star
- **TOC** – will begin Saturday, June 9th, Championship games will be Friday, June 15th.
- **Verification Day for All Star teams** – Saturday, June 16th
Last year four leagues did not show up at their assigned time or any other time that day. They showed up on Make-Up Day. This year there will be **MONETARY** consequences for doing this. The district board members are there for 8 hours to take care of the binders. Make-Up Day is



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ONLY for those few players that did not have the correct paperwork on Verification Day, not entire teams.

- **All Star games** - will start either June 19th or 20th
- **Baseball Championship games** – July 7th, If Needed Games, July 9th.
- **Section games** start July 13th.
- **Futures Tournament** – starts June 24th

LL Baseball ADA, Marco Rosen:

- **Interleague Play** – Umpires are finding illegal bats and removing them. Presidents please get rid of them. Direct your managers, coaches and parents to the D4 website for information about bats. The illegal bats are being found at all levels of play, not just Little League.

Softball ADA, Phil Raines:

Little League Urban Initiative Northern California Softball Jamboree

- April 20th – April 22nd, hosted by Richmond LL
- Participating Teams – Richmond LL, San Bernardino, Sacramento (Airport LL), and Stockton (Eastern LL)

Challenger ADA, Stephen Mohammed:

- **Challenger Jamboree** – Sunday, April 29th at Heather Farms Park in Walnut Creek. 23 teams are participating.
Walnut Creek Elks will help with parking. Volunteers from Lafayette.
Alhambra High Baseball, De La Salle High Baseball and North Gate High Softball will be volunteering.
Umpires are needed for the games. At this time there are only 4 signed up. Had 20 last year.
Helpers to prepare the food are needed.
Donations are still needed – Thank you to Albany, Lafayette and Martinez - \$1000 each, and Concord American, Continental and Pinole Hercules - \$500 each.
Shirt Sizes – please get the player's info to Ted Boet.
- **Activity Booths** – leagues Please put together a activity booth for when the kids aren't playing.
Ex: Shoot Hoops, Bean Bag Toss, coloring, painting, popcorn, cotton candy too!
- **Game Times** – an email will be sent to the leagues
- **Regular Season Games** – No Make Up games for Rain Outs since games are only played on Sundays. Teams have played only 2 regular season games so far.
- **Oakland A's Challenger Day** – Saturday, June 9th, afternoon game, \$20 per person, sitting in the first deck. Only 47 tickets have been sold to Albany Little League. We may have to cancel. I will be talking to teams at the Jamboree.

Safety Officer, Liz Berg:

- **Injuries** – 4 broken bones and one possible abuse by a parent to their child.
- The child had struck out, when returned to the dugout was crying, says to coach his dad hit him. No one saw it happen. I have contacted Risk Management to see what our position is the incident.
- A Tee Ball Player who had been hit in the head is doing ok.
- Please continue to send incident reports
- I will follow up with Little League Headquarters for those parents that have filed the forms for LL insurance coverage in incidents.



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Intermediate/Jr/Sr Baseball ADA, David Pruess:

- **DA Ted Boet** - This will be David's last meeting with District 4, he will be moving to Tennessee at the end of the season. He looks forward to starting with Little League there. David was the first person I asked to join the board after I became the DA. Thank you for years of service and friendship.
- **Phone Calls** – I have received only two.
- **Bats** – Information about Bats can be found on the D4 website. PLEASE look at the website prior to calling or emailing me. You may find the answer you are looking for.
- **Make-Up Games** - Teams are to do their own rescheduling. This was announced at the scheduling meeting.

District Administrator, Ted Boet:

- **Combined Teams and Interleague forms**
 1. There have not been any Interleague forms completed for Softball
 2. Interleague – Forms have been completed for the following leagues for Baseball Clayton Valley/Walnut Creek; Continental/Concord American; Clayton Valley/Continental; Continental/Walnut Creek; Albany/North Oakland; Albany/South Oakland; D53 – some have been approved
 3. Combined Teams – Forms completed for the following leagues: NOLL/SOLL – all levels Baseball; Continental/Walnut Creek – Softball
 4. If a league is playing another league(s) that is a combined team in interleague play (A vs B and C) must league A register on the Data Center that they are playing against both B and C or just either one? **Whatever league involved in the combination that is listed as the host league.**
 5. Same scenario but two combined teams (A and B vs C and D)? **Same, both host leagues.**
 6. For All Star online registration must all leagues that make up a combined team enter into the tournament (A and B) or just one of them? **All must enter into tournament. The largest combination is a three league combo.**
- **Data Center** – headquarters will be opening a tab in the next few weeks for All Star Verification forms
Do NOT enter your Future Team into the Data Center otherwise you will pay for them.
Future Teams – use the TOC Roster form and Medical Releases.
- **Substitution Rule** – If your league is having problems with the new rule, PLEASE write a letter saying as how it is detrimental to your league. I will send it to Western Region and then we can also take it to the Round Table session.

May Meeting traditionally a Draw is performed for the seeding of teams for TOC and All Stars

Motion by Steve Harris, President of Continental LL – District Administrator, Ted Boet pre-populate the tournament schedules rather than having the draw at the May meeting.

Second – Phil Davis, President of East County LL

12 Leagues present tonight voted – Motion Passed

Next Meeting: May 15th, 2018 – TBD, 6:30pm – Dinner, 7:30pm - Meeting