



Tri-Town Little League

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2011 Fall Newsletter

It's Time to Register For Little League Baseball and Softball

Baseball - 5 years of age by **April 30, 2012** and cannot turn 16 prior to April 30, 2012.

Softball - 5 years of age by **December 31, 2011** and cannot turn 17 prior to Dec. 31, 2011.

Teeball - **Boys:** 5 years of age by **April 30, 2012**. **Girls:** 5 years of age by **December 31, 2011**.

Note: Only players 14 years old and younger can participate in the post season All Stars

***** 2012 ON-LINE REGISTRATION WITH CREDIT CARD PAYMENT *****

Registration can be done on-line at our website - WWW.ETEAMZ.COM/TRITOWNLL.

GO TO OUR WEBSITE TODAY & CLICK ON THE REGISTRATION LINK.

2012 Registration fees received before January 31, 2012 are \$75 per player, with a family maximum of \$190.00. **All Registrations after January 31, 2012 will be at a premium of \$125.00 per player with no family maximum and will be placed on a waiting list.** Although we will try to place all children on a team, we can't guarantee that late registrations will be accommodated. **Penalties do not apply to Teeball players.**

So by **REGISTERING TODAY**, you will ensure that your child will be assigned to a team, and you will also avoid having to pay the higher fees. **DO IT NOW!**

NOTE: If you don't have access to a computer, call the league office at 973-299-1335 (option #1) and someone will call you back and make arrangements to register your players.

Recap of the 2011 Season:

Regular Season: This past spring saw weather that was less than perfect. We had a tremendous amount of rain in April & May, yet we still managed to get most of our regular season games in. I personally want to thank all the volunteers that helped with field preparations this past year! We could never have pulled it off without your help.

Our Photo ID Badge system for all league personnel, umpires & coaches is now permanent. This insures that all volunteers go through the proper Little League screening process and has proved to be very successful. No badge = No field access!

All-Stars: On the baseball side, none of our Williamsport teams advanced out of play pool this year. However, our 9 year old All Star team won the Mendham Tournament for the first time! Congratulations to the 9u players and coaching staff for a great year! Keep an eye on these kids as they progress in the future.

Section 1 Finals: Tri-Town had the honor of hosting the NJ Section 1 - 9/10 softball finals at Fanny Field this past summer. We received numerous accolades from the coaches & parents of towns involved as well as the District 1 staff. Thanks to all the volunteers that helped us in that effort.

All-Star Reminder: Little League All-Star Tournaments give our league an opportunity to have our best players compete against the best players from other leagues. Tournament games are **very** competitive. Our All Star Committee carefully selects the most qualified managers, coaches and players. If your child is interested

in All-Stars, you should plan your vacation until after August 1st and **understand that being selected to an All-Star team is a privilege, not a right.**

Conduct: Let me reiterate that we have a **Zero Tolerance Policy on behavior.** Arguing is prohibited at all Tri-Town facilities and Tri-Town sanctioned events. No one is allowed to argue with the umpires, period! Any parent, player, coach, manager or fan that enters into an argument or is verbally abusive with another player, coach, parent, spectator, league official or umpire will be removed from the game and the facility. LLB-Williamsport Rules state that any person ejected from a game, must leave the site immediately **and** will serve a **mandatory minimum of a one game suspension.** The League President and/or Board of Directors can impose further penalties including season long expulsion from the field, team, or league. Umpires, as well as Tri-Town Board Members, have the authority to remove players, coaches and spectators from the facility. Local police **will be called** to assist with escorting anyone who fails to promptly leave the facility.

Looking Forward to the 2012 Season:

Fanny Road Complex: If you've driven by the Fanny Road complex recently, you'll notice more improvements. We have and will continue to invest major capital to improve the facility. We placed all the bricks that were purchased last year in the new park area around the scoreboards. You can purchase an engraved brick and have it placed as a lasting memorial. We have purchased & installed a new storage shed at Fanny Field; we are rebuilding the Fanny Field batting cage and have re-graded the area around Scerbo Field to help divert the water runoff after major storms which will help the field dry faster.

Softball: Our numbers on the softball side have been declining for the last few years. In order to continue to provide a quality program, the Tri-Town Board is investigating options for combining our softball program with the Parsippany East Little League. All the details haven't been worked out yet, but we feel this move will strengthen both of our programs & provide better instruction and competition for our girls. Watch for an email with details when this is finalized.

Volunteers: The Tri-Town Little League **needs your support.** Due to the fact that we are experiencing difficulty getting an adequate number of volunteers, starting in 2012, we are requiring each family to volunteer a small portion of their time during the season. A \$50 per family volunteer fee for the season will be added on your 2012 registration form. When you fulfill your volunteer commitment, you can fill out a form, send it in and receive your \$50 back. There will be lots of opportunities to volunteer throughout the season.

President's Corner: I'm entering my 13th year as President. Wow, where has the time gone! During my tenure, our program has continued to improve, grow and prosper as we provide quality instruction for all players. Last year, we offered several training seminars to improve the instruction to our coaches. I'm committed to constantly improving the level of instruction, equipment, training aids and our facilities. Our local high school baseball & softball coaches have applauded us for providing them with quality athletes.

Tri-Town hosted our annual wine tasting in June which was a huge success and a great fundraiser. Watch for the date in 2012. Thanks to our wine tasting fundraising efforts, we're continuing to do some major improvements at Fanny Road and Pepe Fields. We added a new "Wall of Fame" on the Fanny Road concession stand honoring our championship teams. I thought it would be nice to acknowledge our All Star teams from past years that have won district and/or sectional titles. Check it out, next time you're at Fanny Field. I would like to personally thank all of the league officials, parents & volunteers who help make our regular season games & post-season tournaments a rousing success for our league.

I am looking forward to continued growth & another successful season in 2012. Please do not hesitate to contact us via email at TRITOWNLL@aol.com or call (973) 299-1335 with any questions or concerns you may have. I will do everything I can to insure that our children have fun while learning the game of baseball or softball. When you are watching your son or daughter play, please remember that they are not professional athletes. Young children **are** going to make mistakes. Try to be a good role model for our children.

Sincerely,



Rick Perrotty
Tri-Town League President