

Tipp City Junior Baseball & Softball

Baseball and Softball Registration

Baseball and softball registrations for the 2010 season will be accepted from January until February 28, 2010. You can register your player(s) in person at the Tipp-Monroe Comm. Service Bldg on **Saturday, January 30th** from noon to 3PM, or at Bethel High School on **Saturday, February 20th** from 10AM to noon. Registrations can also be turned in at Tipp-Monroe Community Services or mailed to TCJB, P.O. Box 201, Tipp City, OH, 45371.

Late Registrations: Registrations will be considered late if they are not received by February 28, 2010. A late fee is not applicable for **E-League and Senior League boys and U-14 & up girls**. Late registrations are subject to space availability a \$10 late fee and a \$15 fundraising fee. **Late registrations must be mailed to the PO Box.**

Bethel/ Non-Tipp City School District Fee: Due to rising maintenance costs the City of Tipp City and Tipp-Monroe Community Services is requiring TCJB to collect a \$10 fee per player from all non-Tipp City or Monroe Twp Residents. The City will use this money for maintenance and upkeep of fields at Kyle Park. This fee can be waived if a parent/ guardian works within the City of Tipp City (See Registration Form for details).

Multi-Player Discount: If a family is registering more than one player, the oldest player will pay the normal league fee for his/her age group, and each additional player will receive a \$5.00 discount off of his/her league fee.

Spring Work Session Planned

The annual spring work session has been planned for **Saturday, March 20th** (rain date is Sunday, March 21st). All rec and select teams are required to provide workers.

Uniforms

T-Ball players receive a team hat and shirt (no pants). Baseball players receive a team hat, shirt and a pair of pants. Softball players in U10 and younger receive a team shirt, visor and grey pants. The U12 PP and older softball leagues receive a team visor, shirt, and a pair of black shorts. The Jr. Acme and Acme uniforms pants are reused each year and must be returned at the end of the season. All other leagues get to keep their uniforms at the end of the season.

TCJB Website

Additional information regarding TCJB and Registration Forms can be found on our website www.tcjb.org. The website can be used to obtain information regarding important events, dates, game schedules for leagues and teams, as well as, field conditions for each field. Take a look and let us know what you think about our website. As always, feedback is welcomed and encouraged.

TCJB Board Positions

The TCJB board needs volunteers as soon as possible to fill the following open positions.

- **Secretary**
- **T-Ball**
- **Girls U12 & U14**
- **Jim Mohr Tournament Dir**
- **Spano Tournament Dir**
- **Fall Hitting League**

The drafts for each league are scheduled to begin the week of March 15th, 2010 – **the draft will not be held for a division without a commissioner.** So, if you know of anybody that may be interested, please contact us at president@tcjb.org or 667-1107 as soon as possible.

Midwest Baseball Academy

Tippecanoe High School and its head baseball coach, Bruce Cahill, are honored to be hosting one of the 2010 Midwest Baseball Academy's Spring Training

programs. Coach Cahill encourages all players in grades 2 through 12 who are

interested in improving their hitting and/or pitching mechanics to seriously consider signing up for this year's Midwest Baseball Academy Spring Training program being held at Tippecanoe Middle School. The program lasts for six weeks and costs \$109 for individual sessions. More information regarding this program can be found by calling (866) 622-4487 or at <http://www.midwestbaseballacademy.com/baseball/register/register.aspx?campid=114>. Don't miss out on this chance to get top notch instruction from many of the areas top high school and college coaches.

Sponsors Needed for 2010 Season

TEAM SPONSORSHIP - Sponsors continue to be a vital part of our organization. Sponsorship fees provide for the purchase of uniforms for each team. In 2009, we had approx. 65 teams outfitted by our sponsors. While TCJB is fortunate (and thankful) to have businesses that sponsor a team every year, we are always looking for new sponsors each year. A business may choose to sponsor a particular team or let TCJB assign a team for them. Sponsors are allowed to choose the colors for their team as well as have their company name and/or logo printed on the shirt. As a token of our appreciation, TCJB provides all sponsors with a plaque that includes a picture of their sponsored team. We will also be offering 36" X 48" full color vinyl fence signs to help show your support for the league. For more information regarding team sponsorships, contact **Brad Crow** at **667-1107** or uniforms@tcjb.org

Coaches Training

March 21st 4PM - 8PM

Location: TMCS

TCJB requires that every head coach be certified by the National Youth Sports Coaches Association ("NYSCA"). TCJB sponsors NYSCA coaching clinics in Tipp City in hopes that this will encourage more people to become certified and learn the skills and values TCJB encourages in its

coaches and players. Again this year, head coach certification by NYSICA will be **strictly enforced**. TCJB also encourages assistant coaches to become certified, but it is not required. ***TCJB pays all fees associated with the certification of head and assistant coaches.*** Each league commissioner will be verifying before the season starts that each head coach has been certified. The NYSICA certification includes four hours of classroom instruction. Once certified, there are no additional instructional requirements to remain certified from year to year. TCJB will pay for certification renewals as long as a person remains a coach within the TCJB program – just provide your renewal form to your league commissioner.

Softball Clinics

Varsity Softball Coach Charles Tackett and the Tippecanoe High School fast pitch softball team will be conducting a **Hitting & Fielding** clinic on **Saturday, February 27th** and a **Pitching & Catching** clinic on **Saturday, March 6th**.

Both clinics will be held from 11-1 PM at LT Ball and is for girl's age 7 to 14. The cost of each clinic is \$10.00. Coach Tackett will collect payment prior to start of the clinic. **Please call Coach Tackett at 667-8448 to register.**

Umpires

Last year's umpires will be receiving a letter from TCJB encouraging them to join us again for the 2010 season. Any new candidates that are interested in becoming a TCJB umpire and are at least 12 yrs, should contact any board member or visit our website. Please inquire before March 15th. E-mail Tim Wampler at: umpires@tcjb.org

Post-Season Division Tournaments

TCJB will continue to host post-season tournaments this year for all baseball and softball divisions. Each division will host a tournament containing a minimum of four teams and a maximum being the number of teams in the division. The league commissioner of each division will decide the number of teams that will play as well as the format of the division tournament. Post-season division tournaments will start around the week of June 19th and end by June 30th.

All-Star Teams and TCJB Sponsored Tournaments

In 2010, TCJB will sponsor at least one all-star team from each league to play in up to two local tournaments plus the Jim Mohr or Elizabeth Spano tournament. Unlike in previous years when league coaches nominated players for the all-star teams, this year all-star teams will be formed based upon scouting reports developed by the all-star team coaches themselves during the months of May and June.

TCJB sponsors the Jim Mohr Tournament and the Elizabeth Spano Memorial Softball Tournament during the month of July. The Jim Mohr Tournament will be held from July 10th through July 13th and the Elizabeth Spano Memorial Softball Tournament will be held July 17th through July 20th.

2010 Calendar

January

30th - Register @ Tipp-Monroe Community Services Noon – 3PM

February

20TH - Register @ Bethel School

10AM – Noon

27th – Softball Hitting & Fielding Clinic

11 – 1PM

28TH - Late Registration Begins - Late Fees Apply

March

6th – Softball Pitching & Catching Clinic

11 -1PM

20th - Field Maintenance Day

22nd –Practices Can Begin

May

1st – Opening Day and Picture Day

June

23nd – 30th –League Division Tournaments

July

8th - 11th - Jim Mohr Tournament

15th - 18th - Elizabeth Spano Tournament

September - Start of Fall League Season

Select Teams

In an effort to gain some type of control and manage the ever growing issue of select teams within Tipp City and the use of Tipp City fields, TCJB will offer field time on a case by case basis. The use of these fields must be dedicated first to the TCJB program. This is defined most specifically as Tipp City, Monroe and Bethel Township community players. We certainly do not want to discourage select teams, but there is only so much field time available. Select teams that want to use the Tipp City fields, must be from **“Tipp City”**, or within

Monroe Townships, and must be comprised of **80%**

Tipp City/ Monroe Township players.

Almost all of the players and coaches from these areas most certainly have played and participated in the TCJB program. Each Select Team must provide the following:

- Roster with Addresses and School District
- Copy of Insurance Policy
- Liability Release Forms
- Field Use Needs

TCJB will perform background checks on the select team's Head & Assistant Coach at the team's expense. E-mail this information to select@tcjb.org or drop off at Tipp-Monroe Community Services, attention TCJB president. The field time cost will be structured depending on the intended use. Coaches and representatives of select teams must be pro-active with maximum efforts in taking care of, and maintaining their respected fields when they use them. Coaches should also be flexible, and must communicate with TCJB, thus to insure efficient use of field time.

Fall Baseball League

The Fall Baseball League is a secondary league that starts in mid-August and runs through the middle of October with games played on Saturday or Sunday to avoid conflicts with Peewee Football. The emphasis of this league is to develop improved hitting and fielding skills and not on winning games. A pitching machine acts as the pitcher, with the players fielding all positions except pitcher. Teams are run by “player coaches” and are divided into two age groups - 9-11 year olds and 12-14 year olds. At the end of the Fall Season, we hold a homerun derby with awards presented to the top hitters. For more information regarding Fall Baseball contact us at 667-1107 or can be found on our website www.tcjb.org.

Indoor Training

A new indoor training facility recently opened in Troy. Extra Innings located at 958 S. Dorset opened in December with 12,800 sq ft of indoor training space and pro shop. They have 8 hitting/ pitching tunnels with pitching machines and mounds.

We have arranged for a special tunnel rate (coach/ team responsible for payment) for TCJB coaches to take our players to Extra Innings. This will give you the opportunity to get in some hitting or pitching when it is cold and rainy outside. This rate will only be available to **approved 2010 TCJB**

coaches. Additional information will be distributed at the drafts.