

Western Branch

January - February 2005 News

Little League

HAVE YOU REGISTERED YET?

If you have not registered yet for the spring season, it's time to do it!!! With practices starting in early March, the spring ball season is right around the corner. You can register in these ways:

- Send in the attached application form with your check to: WBLL, P.O. Box 9784, Chesapeake, VA 23321. Envelopes must be postmarked by 1/31 for the January discount.
- Download extra copies of the form at www.wbll.org and mail them in.
- Register in person at these times:
 - **Saturday, January 22 at Russell Memorial Library on Taylor Road from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.**
 - **Thursday, January 27 at Russell Memorial Library from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**
 - **Saturday, February 12 at softball fields at Western Branch High School from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.**

For Coach Pitch players and older, the registration fee is \$45 during January and \$55 starting February 1. T Ball fees will be \$25 through January and then increase to \$35. Remember, after the second child in the family, registration for other children is free!

All girls, residing in ZIP code area 23321, who will be league age 5-18 (age as of 7/31/2005), are eligible. New players must bring a copy of their birth certificate.

Do you have friends who might be interested in fast pitch softball? Please help us to pass on the word to others in our area! Encourage your friends and past teammates to sign up!

NEW UNIFORMS!!!

This spring we have all **NEW** uniform shirts that were chosen after receiving input from the players during the Fall Ball season and the Board.

The unanimous choice was **v neck sleeveless** shirts. The shirt will include the team name and Little League patch on the front, with the number on the back. These shirts may be worn with a short sleeve or long sleeve shirt underneath or sleeveless as the weather changes. We are excited about the new look for WBLL and will match the shirts up with black shorts or gray softball pants supplied by the players. We will not be handing out the gray pants any longer after player and parent input. We will ask that each player provide their own black shorts or gray pants. As an added convenience we will be taking orders



COME OUT FOR FIELD DAY FEBRUARY 12!

Your help is needed! Please help us get the fields ready to play on February 12. For info, contact Randy Morgan at 465-6020.



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The next Board meeting will be Sunday, 20 February, starting at 7 p.m. Location to be determined.

All Board members, managers, coaches, and other volunteers who work with the players and teams need to complete the Little League Volunteer Application. This is a part of the national Little League Child Protection Program. The application can be downloaded at <http://www.littleleague.org/programs/asap/2005safetymanual/volunteerapp1.pdf>. The completed application should be given to Woody McLeod or mailed to the League's P.O. box.



DO YOU HAVE PHOTOS FOR THE WBLL WEB SITE?

Webmaster Denise Conter is looking for photos for our web site, www.wbll.org. If you have some, please email them to her at deniseconter@wbll.org.
FROM WOODY...

Yep, it's still cold but softball season is just around the corner. I hope everyone had a wonderful and safe holiday and stayed warm through the snow storm. Our numbers are looking good and we are looking forward to having all of our girls return this spring (as well as adding a lot of new faces). It promises to be a great season. If you haven't signed up yet, shame on you... you could have saved \$10. In January, fees are \$45 for CP, majors and seniors and \$25 for t-ball. Prices go up again on February 1st so don't delay and remind all your friends and neighbors that they need to get signed up and come play ball with the league where "**Girls Come First**". We'll see you soon at the fields!!

INFO FOR SPRING BALL...

- Tryouts for majors and seniors will be February 26 and 27.
- Team practices will start in early March.
- OPENING DAY is April 9.
- **We will be selling**

WINTER SOFTBALL CLINICS

The 17th Annual Tidewater Girls Softball Winter Clinics will be offered at the Chesapeake Bay

Academy/Virginia Wesleyan Softball Complex on February 12 and at Smithfield High School on February 19. Each clinic will run from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and is designed for girls ages 7-18. Cost is \$50 per clinic. For information please contact Coach Bobby Wills at 851-2442 (H) or 864-1710 (W).

NEWSLETTER SUGGESTIONS ???

Please contact Deb Anderson, Publicity Chair, at 483-0234 or debanderson@wbll.org.

