

2010 KAA Baseball Newsletter and Registration Form

The board of KAA sincerely thanks all the teams from 2009 players, parents, coaches and managers. It was a difficult year but all games scheduled were eventually played or at least room for the rescheduling of games lost to weather was provided. We desire all of our existing teams to return and welcome the opportunity to serve new teams making inquiries for league play in 2010. Be assured that any change we make or contemplate is in the best interest of the facility or the teams playing at the complex. It is our intent to schedule all games within the confines of the complex proper, ergo no league games will be played on diamonds 13 and 14. These fields will be used for practices by teams, rainout make ups and tournament play only.

Returning teams have the first right of refusal, **that being said all cut off dates will be strictly enforced.** The cost of the league for 2010 will be \$1,650.00 with a \$450.00 deposit fee and registration form due in the office by Monday, November 9th, 2009. The balance of \$1,200.00 will be due no later than Friday, January 8, 2010. Payment in full of \$1,650.00 prior to January 15th will allow you to schedule practice fields during the month of March with a better choice of fields and times available to the early bird. **All payments are to be sent to KAA, 2377 Marshall Road, Kirkwood, Missouri 63122.**

Parking is available in our parking lot and also at Family Golf Center on Treecourt Industrial Drive. Do not park on the grass across the street from the complex. **Within the confines of KAA no outside food or drink may be brought in, the concession stand is the life blood of the complex.** All capitol improvements come from this revenue. At this time we have 2 major projects in the planning stages: renovation of the restroom facilities and a new lighting system for the complex. Other rules of the park state no pets, roller or skate boarding or bicycling. This is for spectator safety reasons.

For new teams or “splinter teams” making application to the league for the first time your check and registration form must be received in the office by Monday, November 9th.

Teams will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis as needed beginning Tuesday, November 10th. The managers meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 9th, 2009 at 7:00 p.m. Kirkwood High School in McCallie Hall A

Essex and Dougherty Ferry Road
Kirkwood, Missouri 63122

This meeting is for new and returning teams. If you are not accepted into the league your check and registration form will be returned prior to the managers meeting. Every effort will be made to place your team in the bracket desired **but** no team is guaranteed their request will be honored as we have the overall size of the league, the division and the bracket of play to be considered. The cost of the league does include a secondary medical policy for the team, in force both home and away for 365 days a year. We do not provide liability insurance for property coverage away from this complex.

The league consists of a 12 game schedule; the completion of 9 games constitutes a season. Divisional supervisors will provide rain out make up dates and assist in the reschedule of any games lost to weather. If a game is forfeited, not notifying the opposing

manager, the office, the divisional supervisor 72 hours in advance of the game a \$100.00 forfeit fee will be assessed. League games are played on Monday, Tuesday and Friday evenings; in addition they will be played on Saturday, April 3rd, 2010 and the weekend of April 24-25, 2010. This scheduling will allow us to have open game slots for the reschedule of games later in the season. The season will commence on Monday, March 29th with a targeted ending date of Sunday, July 18th. The March 29th date will open the season for age 8u through 14u; Atom 1 through Juvenile 1. The 7u Atom 0 will start slightly later due to potential cold weather. The boys ages 5 and 6 Atom 00 and 000 will commence the weekend of April 24th-25th.

Division	Name	Birth date	Game Length	Distances	Supervisor
14u	Juvenile 1	5/1/95-4/30/96	2 hours	84-56	Eric Hooper
13u	Midget 2	5/1/96-4/30/97	1:45	80-54	Mike Stephens
12u	Midget 1	5/1/97-4/30/98	1:45	70-50	Pat Conley
11u	Bantam 2	5/1/98-4/30/99	1:45	70-50	Rich Phillips
10u	Bantam 1	5/1/99-4/30/00	1:45	65-47	Mark Cisneros
9u	Atom 2	5/1/00-4/30/01	1:45	65-45	Jeff Cleveland
8u	Atom 1	5/1/01-4/30/02	1:20	60-42	Andy McDowell
7u	Atom 0	5/1/02-4/30/03	1:20	60-40	David Drury
6u	Atom 00	5/1/03-4/30/04	1:20	50-35	
5u	Atom 000	5/1/04-4/30/05	1:20	50-35	

NOTES: Bat restrictions are under review. For teams on the pitching machine ages 5-8 the distance away from the plate is not the question but rather the speed of ball exiting the machine. It is suggested a speed of 25 for Atom 000, 30 for 00, 35 for 0 and 40 for Atom 1. The balls accepted for play at KAA for Atom 2 age 9 through Juvenile age 14 is the Rawlings R200 or USSSA R 200, for the teams on the pitching machine age 7 and 8 the Wilson A 1035 BP or Rawlings ROT B PM and for age 5-6 on the machine the ATEC dimpled ball. It is possible the Juvenile 1 age 14 may go to 60'6" and 90' distances.

MAJOR CHANGE FOR TEAMS ON THE PITCHING MACHINE: In an effort to create a better teaching environment it has been discussed that we remove the umpire from these games. Currently the offensive coach feeds the ball into the machine for a total of 5 pitches or until the ball is hit, 2 defensive coaches are allowed on the field to instruct the players, there is no stealing, no lead offs and only a single base may be taken ergo the only outs recorded by the umpire per se is a force out. The defensive coaches are in a better position to call safe or out as they direct the play rather than having an umpire possibly out of position.

We offer 3 brackets for competitive play National, American and Minor. National is Select, highly competitive and plays on Tuesday; American is competitive and plays on Monday with Friday being for Minor or more recreational teams. These brackets are available for live pitch teams. When on the pitching machine or at Atom 1 where we offer live and machine pitch, the teams are generally placed by experience, therefore a second year team at 6u would be placed in a stronger bracket than a first year team. At 7u the team with 2 years "under their belt" would tend to be stronger than a team with but a single year.

Awards are given to all participants playing on the pitching machine. Trophies of choice are awarded the bracket winners within each division of play when live pitch is played. The awards are distributed by Johnny Macs Sporting Goods with a dollar amount awarded each team. For those teams that pitch the dollar amount is \$100.00 per team and for the participation awards \$50.00 per team.

The initial team equipment and uniform is given to all first year teams age 5-6 formed by or coming into the association. The equipment is supplied by Johnny Macs and the uniforms by S & S Screen Graphics.

KAA no longer requires birth certificates however managers should always have in their possession and part of their records a approved roster and copy of birth certificates in case they are questioned. Many tournaments do require that they view a birth certificate and many request a copy of same.

As mentioned previously the league purchases a team secondary medical insurance policy, it will be available through the office by mid January. **If an injury occurs it must be reported to the office within one week of the accident.** Each manager should make sure he/she has a copy of the team insurance with the policy number, carrier and reporting procedures.

Tournaments and Camps: KAA will host the Boy's May Madness and June Classic tournaments on May 1-2 and June 5-6 respectively, we will be the host site for Super Series April 17-18 and June 19-20. We will host the St. Louis Hammers, All Star Performance as well as the Bucky Dent baseball camps. Check our web site www.kwdaa.com for information.

The office is open on a daily basis Monday-Friday from 10a.m.-3 p.m. the phone is 314-822-3686, the rain out line 314-822-7385 is updated on a daily or event basis, the fax line 314-822-1823 and the e mail address is gkatinas@kwdaa.com.

KAA is a recognized Non-Profit 501C entity, governed by a volunteer board of directors. We receive no tax or municipal help from any government agency. Our ability to continue operations begin with our players, our teams, our managers and coaches. We thank you for your support and be assured we do all we can to support you. Thank you for selecting KAA as your choice for play.

2010 KIRKWOOD ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION
TEAM REGISTRATION FORM
PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION REQUESTED

Team Name _____

Manager's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Cell phone _____

Office phone _____ fax _____

E mail address _____

Division of play desired please circle: 5u 6u 7u 8u live pitch 8u machine pitch

9u 10u 11u 12u 13u 14u
Bracket of play desired please circle: National American Minor

Please check all appropriate: _____ Returning team, returning manager
_____ Returning team, new manager
_____ New team, new manager
_____ New team, returning manager

Additional information helpful to the league: _____

**Please mail the deposit of \$450.00 by the cut off date of November 9, 2009 or
\$1,650.00 in full to:**

**Kirkwood Athletic Association
2377 Marshall Road
Kirkwood, Missouri 63122**

This deposit is due for all teams, new and returning. If not accepted check will be returned by, December 9, 2009.

THANK YOU FOR SELECTING KAA AS YOUR CHOICE TO PLAY FOR 2010