BEDEQUE AND AREA MINOR BASEBALL ASSOCIATION PEEWEE (13U) AA - SEASON INFORMATION 2020

Peewee AA Team Roster: Alex Gaudet • Hunter MacDonald • Thatcher MacKay • Vance Lawless • Karson Webster • Cole Schofield • Caden Gallant • Maddy Arsenault • Alex MacLeod • Mason Muttart • Brandie Warren • Bennett Boyle

Head Coach: Andrew MacKay
Assistant Coaches: Daryle Arsenault & Brian Warren
Team Manager: Robyn MacKay

We are all looking forward to a fun filled season where our players will learn and improve their skills as well as the values of teamwork, sportsmanship & fair play. With over 30 years of experience as a player and coach, my goal is to create a positive and supportive environment where every player has a great experience fostering a love of the game. Baseball, like any sport, is a great way to teach kids about life lessons. Life provides both successes and failures, just as the game of baseball does. I want players to personally grow and learn how to act when things go well and when things do not go exactly the way they want.

Each player is expected to be an *exceptional* teammate. **We expect players to support each other and use encouraging words.** Over the summer, we may encounter questionable plays by other teams or calls from umpires that we don't necessarily agree with. We expect our parents, players & fans to act accordingly and show respect at all times. Players on opposing teams & young umpires are someone else's child. They, like us, are not perfect! Let's keep things in perspective. Please discuss these expectations at home with your child. Thank you.

It's going to be a great season! Lots of skill development & fun ahead. We are excited and look forward to working with all our players. If you have any questions or concerns, please never hesitate to reach out! - Andrew

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TEAM COMMUNICATION:

We will be using the Peewee AA Facebook Page as the *only* form of team communication. Team announcements, schedule changes. weather updates will all be posted on this page. Weather updates will be posted by 4pm day of. Naturally, if you have a concern, question etc. feel free to email a member of the coaching staff directly or the team manager.

For general association information, we ask that you also follow the BAMBA FB page. This page is where general announcements that pertain to all players/teams will be posted.

FIELD TIMES:

- WEDNESDAYS @ 6:00PM (Rink Field, Bedeque)
- SATURDAYS @ 8:30AM (Reg Rodgers Field, Borden-Carleton)

^{*} Most of our home games will fall on Wednesday evenings, however when there is not a game scheduled on Wednesdays, we will always practice if no game is scheduled.

^{**} There will be some additional practices added as the season progresses, especially as we draw closer to Provincials.

PLEASE BE ON TIME!

Players are expected to arrive at least <u>30 minutes before game time</u> so we have ample opportunity for a quick team meeting and solid warm-up. When players arrive at the field it is expected they begin stretches & warm up. For practices, players are expected to arrive <u>15 minutes</u> prior to start time.

MISSING A GAME OR PRACTICE:

From time to time, things come up and plans arise over the summer. We get that. If your child will not be at a game or practice, please notify us as early as possible, especially for a game so we can call up one of our affiliate players.

NEED A RIDE?

• If there is ever a time when your child needs a ride to practice or a game, please don't hesitate to message. Please text/call Andrew (902.393.9634)

EQUIPMENT & UNIFORM:

All players are required to have:

- 1. Helmet all players must have their own. Please ensure it is a safe and proper fit.
- 2. Baseball Glove
- 3. **Baseball Pants GREY** (preferably with elastic leg cuffs, if they are not elastic please make sure they are not too long)
- 4. Baseball Socks and a belt (RED)
- 5. Cleats (no metal permitted)
- 6. Water Bottle (this is the only consumable permitted during games and practices due to COVID 19. Sunflower seeds, gum, etc. are not permitted during this phase of Renew PEI. No exceptions.)
- 7. **Instant Ice Pack** Players should tuck an "instant cold pack" (the kind you crack to activate) in their personal equipment bag. The coaches have a first aid kit for the team but would like each player to have one of these as a proactive measure.
- 8. **Bats**: The team will provide a couple of great bats for all players to use. However, we know some players wish to have their own which is great but not mandatory. Before you purchase your own bat, please reference sizing and buying guide. Sizing is extremely important when it comes to baseball bats, they are expensive, so it is important to do your homework.
- 9. Batting Gloves are optional
- 10. **Jerseys** Team jerseys will be collected at the end of the season.

TEAM FUNDRAISER:

We will not be holding a team fundraiser this summer.

TEAM PHOTOS:

Team photos will be held Wednesday, July 8 @ 6PM. Players should arrive at 5:30pm in full team attire. The cost of the photos is \$20.00 This includes a few team shots and some candid player action shots. Images will be sent from the photographer digitally (Dropbox files) to the team within 2-3 weeks.

2020 GAME SCHEDULE:

**Baseball PEI will release the game schedule in the next week or so. We will share it on our team page when it is finalized.

PITCH COUNTERS, SCORE KEEPERS & FIELD PREP:

Pitch Count: Michelle Gaudet & Crystal/Christopher Gallant

Score Keepers: Brian Warren & Dave MacDonald

Field Prep/Drag: Daryle Arsenault

HUGE thank yous to our parent volunteers for helping with pitch count, score keeping and field preps. Thank you for taking on these important team tasks, it is a tremendous help!

EXHIBITION GAMES:

We will play several exhibition games throughout the season. The first two have been posted on our team FB page.

- Friday, June 26 @ 6PM vs. Western Mariners. Location: Reg Rodgers Field, Borden
- Monday, June 29 @ 6PM vs. Western Mariners. Location: Ellsworth Field, O'Leary

SUMMER TOURNAMENTS:

There are no scheduled tournaments for 2020 season due to COVID-19 restrictions.

EASTERN BASEBALL ACADEMY:

(85 Maple Hills Avenue, Charlottetown)

We will be holding four instructional field times at Eastern Baseball Academy in Charlottetown. Some of our players are familiar with the facility. Their elite programming is nothing short of amazing and will help our AA players work on a variety of aspects of their game. Hitting, pitching and fielding will be the instructional focus.

Two of the sessions will be full team. The other two sessions will be groups of four players at staggered times for more focused instruction. Times and groups will be announced closer to the July 6. Due to COVD 19 restrictions, parents are not permitted to attend these sessions. The cost of each field time at EBA will \$20 per player. This is a part of the team fees for the 2020 season.

EASTERN BASEBALL ACADEMY DATES:

- 1. **July 6, 2020** (semiprivate group sessions)
- 2. **July 13, 2020** (full team session)
- 3. **July 20, 2020** (semiprivate group sessions)
- 4. **July 27, 2020** (full team session)

* These dates are subject to change once Baseball PEI releases the game schedule. We will cross that bridge when we come to it and if a conflict arises we will shuffle dates around accordingly.

TEAM FEES BREAKDOWN:

1. Team Photos: \$20

2. Eastern Baseball Academy: \$20/session x 4 sessions TEAM FEES TOTAL: \$100 (Due by Saturday July 4, 2020)

*Please pay team manager – cash at the field or e-transfer to robyn.walsh@gmail.com Please use the question: "What is your fave summer sport?" Password: baseball

2020 PROVINCIALS:

- August 20, 2020 Last day of regular season
- August 22-23, 2020 Baseball PEI Provincial 13U "AA" Championship Round-Robin
- September 6, 2020 Baseball PEI Provincial 13U "AA" Championship Semifinals and Final
- Baseball Atlantic 13U "AA" Championships (cancelled due to COVID-19)

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