



February 2017 Newsletter

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS IN FEBRUARY

Question: When will I find out what team my child is on?

Answer: Leagues have begun drafting. Once teams are finalized, you will receive an email from your team's manager.

Question: When will we have a schedule of practices and games?

Answer: Once we see how bad of a winter we are having, we are able to put the schedule together. Our goal is to start practices in mid-March and to finalize the schedule towards the end of February.

Question: Once games start, will they be the same time and day each week?

Answer: A lot of the scheduling process will depend on the number of teams per league; we try our best to stay as consistent as possible.

Interested in Helping Coach your Child's Team?

Things you Need to Know

- You must be Rutgers Certified and upload your card to the HBL website. Not certified yet? HBL is offering this course on February 28th. [Sign up here](#). Can't make it that evening? [Check the Rutgers Safety site for more offerings](#).
- You must pass a yearly background check. Yes, you need to pay, but our kids' safety is worth it.
- You must take your concussion training course.
- [Register](#) as a Manager/Coach on the HBL website.

NEWS TO KNOW:

BAT SPECIFICATIONS

BASEBALL BAT SPECIFICATIONS ARE CHANGING in 2018

Read more at [USA Baseball](#).

**Rutgers Safety Clinic
February 28th, 6:30p**

ARIS Cafeteria

[Sign-up here](#)

**DATES TO REMEMBER:
February 27th: Manager Meeting**

March 7th: Parent Meeting

7:30 HES Cafeteria

7U TRAVEL

If you have a child who is either 7 years old or playing in the Pioneer League and interested in playing travel baseball this spring, please let us know. HBL is working on a program where you can go out and practice before the season starts. If interested, please email:

stt@hillsboroughbaseball.org



RECREATION BASEBALL REGISTRATION

Registration is still open but will be closing soon.

[Register today.](#)

PARENT MEETING

HBL's Annual Parent meeting will be held on Tuesday March 7th at 7:30pm in the HES Cafeteria. Please come out to meet the HBL Board and learn about the many changes to HBL in 2017. This is your opportunity to ask any questions that you may have.





HBL's ceremonial Opening Day will be held on Saturday April 22nd at Mountain View Park.

Mark this day on your calendar as we officially open Mountain View Park.

HBL Welcomes Your Thoughts and Ideas

Have an idea that you think would make HBL a stronger organization? See something that you would do differently? Let us know! You can express your opinions, thoughts and concerns via email by reaching out to any of our Board Members. Want to come to a meeting? We have thirty minutes set aside for Open Forum before each and every scheduled board meeting. Check the HBL site for our next meeting date and please email secretary@hillsboroughbaseball.org and president@hillsboroughbaseball.org to let us know you are coming.



Looking to fulfill your 2017 work bond obligation? We have hourly opportunities for you to help out as well as more involved opportunities, such as Tournament Committee Chair, League Coordinators and more. Check our [volunteer zone](#) for more information as the season gets under way.

Support HBL and Our Travel Teams

Throughout the year our travel teams will run fundraisers to help defray the costs of playing in tournaments. These fundraisers mutually benefit the travel teams and the HBL community as a whole. We encourage you to support these exciting fundraisers. Be on the lookout for:

8U Gold Scratch Off Tickets

8U Gold Joe Corbi Pizza Kits (on sale from 3/12 to 4/22)

8U Gold Clothing Drive (coming in April)

10U Gold and 10U Maroon Joint Cornhole/Kan Jam Tournament (coming in May)

And many more fundraisers throughout the season. . .

