



March 2, 2019

To my fellow softball colleagues.

I hope that you have all had a good winter and have maintained your training throughout the winter months. With registration now complete, I am excited to report that we have a lot of “new blood” in our league this year, with the introduction of 15 new players.

With the draft just around the corner (April 28, 2019), captains have begun their strategic planning, with the hope of ending Emmis’s domination in the playoffs. With each captain’s objective of capturing the coveted “prize”, captains like the Schwartz’s and Luigi/Bloom have set their goals on just making the playoffs in 2019. With the return of several captains, and several rookie captains Emmis’s task could be daunting. Time will tell if new captains, Jkor/Rodney; Freidberg/Ash and , Perlman/ Azoulay, possess the experience, the knowledge and skill to un-seed Emmis.

As we move forward towards the 2019 season, we continue to explore some of the challenges we faced last year, such as the record set for home runs in a single season and some of the rules and processes that led to confusion. With that in mind, we are in the process of exploring a new model for balls and bats. Stuart Schwartz along with his committee will be

reviewing the rules and in the next few weeks, rankings for the captains will be set and the creation of the new DC will be formed.

As we approach opening day, I want to bring to your attention our **AGM on April 2, 2019 at 6:30pm at the Civic Centre in the Reception Hall downstairs**. This will be followed by the **Captains Meeting**, which will set out the draft order and the beginning of all the strategic planning by the captains, leading to the **draft on April 28, 2019**. Please visit our website (<http://ddosoftball.com/>) as our "GEEK SQUAD" (Berky) continues to update and add new information as we get closer to game day.

That's it for now. Its been a long cold winter, and with opening day less than 2 and half months away, its time to come out of hibernation and let the "games begin"

Harley Schwartz

President