

## Marlborough BR Coaching Information - 2014

- Rosters
  - All rosters must be submitted and posted before the season starts
  - First Name, Last Name, email (min)
- Call Up or Call over policy (No call downs)
  - Can't pitch
  - Must bat last
  - Cannot play more than a permanently rostered player
  - Must wear uniform of regular team
- Minimum play
  - All players must play three (3) or more innings in the field in the first six (6) innings.
- Pitching
  - Free substitution
  - 7 innings in 2 consecutive games
- Game cancellation policy because of weather
  - The HOME team is responsible for cancelling a game for bad weather
  - Every effort should be made to get the game in (within reason)
  - If a game needs to be cancelled because of weather, the Home Team coach should call the opposing coach, the umpires scheduled for the game, and the scheduler (Mike Whitman)
  - Games will be rescheduled the following Sunday.
  - If we run out of Sunday time slots, it may be necessary to carry over to the following week.
  - Once the game has started, the umpires will make any cancellations
- HOME TEAM Responsibilities – **Stevens Lower Field** – (*See Field Care Sheet*)
  - Home team needs to drag and line the fields before each game. Plan to arrive early to prepare. Ask a few parents to help out, you don't have to be a "baseball person" to rake, drag, or line.
  - Home team puts bases on the field before the game
  - Home team puts the bases in the connex box after the last game of the day and makes sure the doors are closed and locked.  
NOTE: If the lock is missing or there is a problem, please contact the field director ASAP. (Joe DelGenio – see contact info below)
  - Home team empties the trash cans from the dugouts and around the field after each game. The dumpster is behind the backstop.
  - If 2 Marlboro teams are playing, each team should empty their own trash from their dugout. If you empty the barrels after each game, it is easy. This is our park, please take pride in keeping it looking nice.
  - Snack Shack
    - People need to be scheduled to cover each game.
    - People covering should arrive 15 minutes early to set up.
    - Upon completion of the game, please follow "Clean-Up" procedures.

- If there is another game immediately following your game, you do not need to close the shack for the day, but please wait until a parent comes in before you leave. See the HOME team manager if there is a problem.
  - If you are working the last game of the day, do not waste food by preparing too many items at the end of the game. Items should be cooked to order after the 5<sup>th</sup> inning of the last game.
- HOME TEAM Responsibilities – **Stevens Upper Field**
  - Home team needs to drag and line the fields before each game. Plan to arrive early to prepare. Ask a few parents to help out, you don't have to be a "baseball person" to rake, drag, or line.
  - Home team puts bases on the field before the game
  - Home team puts the bases in the field storage box after the last game of the day and makes sure the covers are closed and locked.  
NOTE: If the lock is missing or there is a problem, please contact the field director ASAP. (Joe DelGenio)
  - The city will empty the trash from the barrels on Upper Field
- Team Web Site
  - It's the managers responsibility to make sure the team web page is accurate and up to date (rosters, contact info, etc.)
  - The Home team is responsible for entering the score of the game ASAP
  - Comments can be added by both teams
- Game Schedules
  - Posted on the 495 site (<http://495baberuth.org/>)
- Practice Schedule
  - Preseason practices will be scheduled if the City has released the fields
  - Regular season weekly practices will be scheduled on days that teams do not have games. It will be hard to have a set day and time for practices.
  - Regular Season weekend practices will be scheduled for Sundays. Each team will have a set time and field that they can use for practice each week. REMEMBER: Sundays are used for make-up games, so Games will always TRUMP practices. We will make every effort to not interrupt practices, but sometimes it is necessary.
  - If you notice an open time slot on the schedule, you may request a practice for that time slot. The scheduler will confirm the practice and schedule it.
- Uniforms – Each player will get the following items:
  - Shirt, hat, pants (enough for coaches, players and 1 or 2 extra)
    - We use gray pants for all teams. Players have a choice of borrowing a pair from the league or purchasing their own.
  - Socks – We no longer provide socks, managers should decide on a color and all players should purchase the same color
  - Returns - All players are responsible for returning their uniforms at the end of each season. The managers should coordinate a collection day (last game is best) \$25 fee for lost uniforms
  - It works best to have players bring a change of cloths to the last game and change out of their uniforms after the game. The league with wash them

- Baseballs
  - Each team will be given 4 dozen new game balls
  - The HOME team should supply 5-6 game balls per game
  
- Lights
  - Location – Field lights are located in the fenced in area just beyond the right field fence of Stevens Park. The keys are in the snack shack hanging on the wall. It takes a few minutes for the lights to turn on, so plan accordingly.
  - Keep in mind: If you turn the lights off, they must cool for 15 minutes before they will turn on again
  
- Keys
  - Lock Boxes, connex boxes and snack shack – all use the same key
    - Very important we lock everything EVERY NIGHT.
    - Lots of theft and damage
  
- CORI Forms
  - Any parent who will be in the dugout during a game must fill out and submit a CORI form prior to them coaching. This included scorekeepers who will reside in the dugouts. See your League Director if you need assistance.
  
- Umpires
  - The UIC will send the list of umpires for each game to all the managers on a weekly basis
  - The UIC will supply all managers with an umpire contact list before the season starts
  - If no umpires show up to your game, immediately call the UIC (Bob Levine) He will try to find someone on short notice
  - If no umpire can be located for the game, the game must be rescheduled.
  - If only 1 umpire shows up, play the game as usual and contact the UIC after the game
  
- Babe Ruth Director (President): Bob (Bobo) Hathaway – 508-485-9597
- UIC: Bob Levine – 508-480-9551
- Scheduler: Mike Whitman – 774-249-4853
- Field Director: Joe Delgenio – 508-868-4875
- Jr. Babe Director: Mike Daly – 508-498-0634
- Sr. Babe Director: Jim West – 508-303-3280
- Fundraising Director: John Maenhout – 508-808-2260

# Marlboro Babe Ruth Field Care

## Mound Tarps

- This year we will have two brand new mound tarps, one for each field.
- They are perimeter weighted with a chain in the hem so there is no need to put blocks or rocks on them, doing so could actually damage them.
- They cost over \$400 each, so please do not let anyone walk on them with metal cleats
- Put them on the mounds after EVERY last game/practice of the day. They keep the rain from spoiling the mound, but also keep the sun from drying it out. On really dry days, soak the mound with the hose before you cover it.

## Mounds, batters boxes, on deck area and batting cage batters boxes

- After each game/practice rake these areas to fill in any holes. If holes are left after a game they fill with water when it rains and make the fields unplayable for a couple of days.
- Inform players and out of town coaches that pitchers are not allowed to dig the clay down to the stop on the pitching rubber. This defeats the entire purpose of having the mound 10 inches above home plate

## Outfield

- Please DO NOT let the players dig holes in the outfield.

## Dugouts

- Pick up trash and empty it each day. A 1/4 full trash can is very easy to empty, don't wait for them to be over flow. Each team should empty their own trash.

## Connex box

- Everything has a place, and is labeled accordingly. Please put things back where they belong and don't just throw the stuff on the floor.

## Fields

- After rain storms remove all standing water with hand pump or broom.
- Turface is not Speedy Dry, it should not be placed in standing water.
- Aerate clay with rake or Sand Pro
- Only then rake in Turface to areas that are still slimy. You should only need 1-3 bags of Turface on a really bad day
- Do not use lime on outfield grass, I will spray paint it occasionally. This way the foul lines will not get built up over time.

If you break something... it happens, just let us know, so we can fix it

Thank you for all your help! - *MBR*