

LOVELAND TITANS LACROSSE



Welcome Parents!

Welcome to our Titan's Family! In this packet you will find all the information you will need to navigate thru our 2014 season!

Our season goals are SAFTEY, first and foremost; SPORTSMANSHIP; FUN, if its not fun, your player won't remain interested; SKILLS, we are here to teach your player more about lacrosse and how to act as young men on the field of competition.

Our philosophy is for all players to learn to love the game of lacrosse. If the kids have fun while learning how to play lacrosse, they'll come back for more for years to come!

We have the expectations that each player respects his/her coaches, referees, teammates and opponents. That your player tries his/her BEST; strives to meet season goals set by the coaches; arrives at practices and games on time. Coaches will respect players, referees, parents and opponents; keep players safe; teach both sportsmanship and skills; make the game fun. Parents will respect all players, coaches, referees and opponents; **positive cheering** for players and good plays; talks directly to coaches about issues; leaves coaching to the coaches, especially during games.

Please visit our website for current information – www.titans-lacrosse.com. Or use titans_lacrosse@yahoo.com to ask questions!

Overview of Spring Season 2014

- **9 Game Season:** Expect 8-9 regular season games. Games are played on Saturdays (in the Fort Collins/Loveland/Denver area) April-May. You may have one Sunday game and one double header weekend. Game schedules are not released until third week of March.
- **Tourney Weekends:** Championship Weekend is May 17-18th 2014 at Dick's Sporting Goods Park in Commerce City. All teams will be playing at least 2 games that weekend. The end of season tournament – the Jamboree – is May 31-June 2nd 2014. Each team usually plays 2 games during that weekend. Dick's Sporting Goods Park usually hosts the older team games, while the Stenger Soccer Complex in Arvada hosts younger team games.
- **Practices Times and Locations:** Practice will start the week of March 3rd. Coach Jeff Egle or Coach Bill Griffith will send out cancellation notices via email/text no later than 3pm on practice days. The email addresses and text nos. you provided on the registration form will be used for these notices, so please make such to keep that information up-to-date.
Practice days/times and locations for each team are as follows:
 - U9 – Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 4:30-6pm @ Winonna (M)/Loveland (W/TH)
 - U10 – Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 4:30-6pm @ Winonna
 - U11 – Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 4:30-6pm @ Winonna
 - U12 (Steve) – Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays @ Loveland
 - U12 (Jeff) – Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays @ Winonna (M)/Loveland (W/TH)
 - U13 – Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays @ Sunny Side (East 5th Street)
 - U14 – Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays @ Loveland

• Each team will have 2 practices at Loveland Sports Park in March to prepare for games from 4:30-6:30pm. This field is plowed, so even in the event of snow, we will likely have practice on these dates:

March 5th (Wednesday) – U11 and U10

March 12th (Wednesday) – U12 (Jeff and Steve) and U9

March 14th (Friday) – U11 and U10

March 19th (Wednesday) – U14 and U13

March 21st (Friday) – U12 (Jeff and Steve) and U9

March 28th (Friday) – U14 and U13

• Home games are played on the end field at the Loveland Sports Park.

• **Age Classification:** In case you need to know the new age classification to determine your players' team the following are the new brackets:

U9 born between 6/1/2004 and 5/31/2005

U10 born between 6/1/2003 and 5/31/2004

U11 born between 6/1/2002 and 5/31/2003

U12 born between 6/1/2001 and 5/31/2002

U13 born between 6/1/2000 and 5/31/2001

U14-15 between 6/1/1998 and 5/31/2000

• **Costs:** The cost to register for the season is \$230 per child (\$200 early bird until February 28). This fee is to pay for many things, including, game referees, tournament fees, and field rental fees. There is also a fee to US Lacrosse of \$25 per year to be paid when you register with the Titans. Please note that **you cannot complete registration until you have paid your USL fee.** Uniform fees are a one time cost of \$85 per uniform for *NEW* players and are yours to keep and wear every year. Practice reversible t-shirts will be available in the next few weeks for \$15.

• **Equipment Required:** Helmet and mouth guard, lacrosse stick, shoulder pads, arm/elbow guards or elbow pads (ask your coach if you have questions), gloves, cleats (soccer cleats are ok), and athletic cup. Red/white reversible shirts will be required for practices, and uniforms for games. Some donated used equipment is available at the Open House or at Play It Again Sports in Longmont. Our website has a "for sale" link to used equipment that parents are selling. Dick's Sporting Goods is our Corporate Sponsor and provides us with coupons for equipment purchase. *On February 22, 2014 Dick's will have a Titan's shop day to provide our players with 20% off on ANYTHING you buy there! Mark your calendars to shop at Dick's on 2/22!*

• **Fundraising:** We now have King Sooper's cards for fundraising! We have an initial 40 cards to hand out today. If you are interested, please see Wendy Bretches, our Executive Committee Parent-at-Large member. If you do not pick up a card today, you can contact Wendy to request a card, see the end of this for email address. The cards have a one-time cost of \$5 for the initial set-up balance. Here's how they work: load the card with grocery or gas funds at the cash register before you check out or at Customer Service; and then purchase your groceries or gas, and receive 5% back to be used for Titan's dues and uniform costs! Because we are starting this at the beginning of the season, your balance will be reimbursed to you June 1st to be used for this season's registration dues and uniform costs. Our organization will keep track of your balance and send out monthly statements.

• **Online Spirit Wear:** Our website will have a link for an on-line spirit wear store! Look for the link soon – and the dates when you can shop! All merchandise will be shipped to your door within 6 days of your order, with the exception of embroidered items-which will take longer.

Titans Lacrosse Club Executive Committee Members:

- Jeff Egle – Executive Director and U11 coach
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- Machelle Egle – Chief Operations Officer
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- Mitch Johnson – Vice President and parent of U13 and U10 players
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- Craig Ogawa – Treasurer and parent of U13 and U14 players
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- Wendy Bretches – Parent Representative and parent of a U13 Player
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- Michael Huss – Parent Representative and parent of a U11 Player
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Titans Lacrosse Club Board of Directors:

- All of the Executive Committee Members listed above
- Steve Payton – Coach for U12
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- Lou Bush – Coach for U14
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- Josh Egle – Coach for U9
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- Julia Cherry – Parent Representative for U14
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- Deann Lubiani – Parent Representative for U9
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- Cory Ramsden – Parent Representative for U12
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Team Structure: Your coach will determine your team's Parent Representative(s) and the Parent Rep(s) for each team will assign committees for snacks, ride-share coordination, and any further fundraising events for your team.