2018 Glastonbury Little League Minor League Division

The Home Run Card

The League continues its *Field Improvement Fund* to support the refurbishment of several fields. *The Home Run Card* is a major fund-raiser for this Fund. Each player will purchase two \$5.00 Cards included in the \$100 registration fee. (early bird \$10 discount for January live registration payment). The player may sell these valuable discount cards and keep the proceeds of the sale. This provides each player the opportunity to participate in the development of facilities which all will enjoy.

Minor League Program: How it works

The Minor League Program is generally for 9 and 10 year old players. Players who are not selected for the Major Leagues this season will be assigned to a Minor team. Players who are 8 years old and wish to play at this level may request to do so. Approval will be based on mutual consent of the player's parent and the League President. This division uses a standard baseball with players pitching. Players are assigned to teams with consideration given to balance of ages, special request by the players and school district. Siblings will be assigned to the same teams. There will be a 14 game schedule played preceded by two weeks of practices beginning early April. The season ends at the end of the school year. Two games a week are played, starting at 5:45 pm on weekdays(5:15pm at Ross with 6:55pm curfew) and on Saturday at 9:30am, 11:30am or 1:30pm. Butler Fields, Gideon Welles, Rotary, Welles Village, Nayaug and Ross Field will be used.

Important Minor League Playing Rules

In an effort to provide safe play and equal baseball experience to all Minor League players, the following apply. Players, *parents* and coaches are urged to take note of the playing rules.

- 1. No player shall play one inning more than any other player in a game. Please advise your coach if you are going to miss a game as this rule requires pre-game planning
- 2. All players are placed in the batting order regardless of whether they are playing a defensive position
- 3. The batting order will be set for the season. Players will move up one batting order position with every game with the lead off batter batting last in the next game. This progression continues even when a player may be absent for a game.
- 4. No player shall sit on the bench for consecutive innings.
- 5. Every player shall play at least one defensive inning(3 outs) at an infield position. The Pitcher and Catcher positions shall be considered infield positions.
- 6.A pitcher is limited to 10 batters/game or 2 innings/game and 4 innings/ week with 3 calendar days rest/game. One pitch in an inning constitutes one inning

Little League Age Defined

A Little League player's age is defined by the age a player is on August 31, 2018

Volunteers Needed

Glastonbury Little league is a community activity. It is operated totally by the efforts of volunteers, donations from sponsors and registration fees. Please help your baseball program by volunteering for coaching, umpiring, publicist, special events, fund-raisers and by attending games

Equipment Players will be supplied tee shirts, hats and baseball pants (if needed). The shirts and hats will be kept by the players. GLL will supply helmets, balls, catching gear and bats. **Bats for this Division are to be to the new USA Bat Standard**

A Special Note to Players and Parents

Sportsmanship is the essence of the program, both on the field and in the stands. Positive cheering is encouraged, negative cheering is out of place. More baseball is learned during practices than in games. Players are encouraged to attend all practices scheduled by the League and the by the coach.

Glastonbury Little League Baseball Summer Camps in July and August

The League provides two baseball camps for Minors players 8, 9 and 10 years old, one from July 6-20 on Mon, Wed and Fri evenings. Fundamentals are taught and games are played. Online GLL registration will be announced on our web site and commence on May 10. For further information, please email Don Longtin, League President s at little.league01@cox.net or visit our web site www.glastonburylittleleague.org.

