

# Arrowhead Fastpitch League

## 2018 Coaches Meeting – Sunday, April 8, 2018

Distribute Rule & Score Books, Review Rules and Communicate Important Dates

5:00-6:30pm 8s, 10s and 12s - PACC/Proctor Area Community Center

6:30-8:00pm 14s, 16s and 18s - PACC/Proctor Area Community Center

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1. **Meeting:** Board members will be present to answer any questions. [Collect league fees](#)

### 2. League Play

8-U starts **June 4<sup>th</sup>**

6 weeks of single games on Mondays

10-U starts **May 30<sup>th</sup>**

Double-Headers on Wednesdays

(7 weeks of regular season play + 1 week of playoffs: Week of July 16<sup>th</sup> through July 19<sup>th</sup>: Mon - Thurs)

12-U starts **May 29<sup>th</sup>**.

Double-Headers on Tuesdays

(7 weeks of regular season play + 1 week of playoffs: Week of July 16<sup>th</sup> through July 19<sup>th</sup>: Mon - Thurs)

14-U starts week of **June 6<sup>th</sup>**.

(7 weeks of regular season play + 1 week of playoffs: Week of July 23<sup>rd</sup> through July 26<sup>th</sup>: Mon-Thurs)

Generally playing on Wednesdays and Thursdays, however games may be scheduled on Mondays and Tuesdays as needed.

16-U starts week of **June 4<sup>th</sup>**.

(7 weeks of regular season play + 1 week of playoffs: Week of July 23<sup>rd</sup> through July 26<sup>th</sup>: Mon-Thurs)

Generally playing on Mondays and Tuesdays, however games may be scheduled on Thursdays as needed.

18-U starts week of **June 4<sup>th</sup>**.

(7 weeks of regular season play, no playoffs)

Generally playing on Mondays and Tuesdays, however games may be scheduled on Thursdays as needed.

**8s, 10s and 12s:** All games will be scheduled as double-headers. Home team is responsible for providing a field and an umpire unless agreed upon by both coaches. Coaches are responsible for reporting scores. t on website to report scores - Date scheduled, location, age level, team names & scores. Umpire training May 20<sup>th</sup>.

**14s, 16s and 18s:** The present plan is to have all teams play one double header each week. On occasion, a team may have their 2 games on 2 separate nights in a given week. Games could be played at **Wheeler** or Wade Field in Duluth, Braun Park in Cloquet, Proctor or Hermantown. The league will designate someone to set up, disassemble and stack the outfield fences at Wade.

### 3. League Registration Cost:

**8U:** This year the cost is **\$150** per team and it DOES include USSSA insurance.

**10s and 12s:** This year the cost is **\$250** per team and it DOES include full year of USSSA insurance.

**14s:** This year the cost is **\$875** per team and it DOES include full year of USSSA insurance.

**16s and 18s:** This year the cost is **\$900** per team and it DOES include full year of USSSA insurance.

**Registrations and all league coaches' information and fees are due by FRIDAY, APRIL 20th.**

You will be able to roster the players on your team once USSSA has accepted your registration thru our website. That is why it is very important to get your teams registered with the league ASAP, so you have insurance coverage before you start practicing. We are asking that you have your team registered on our website by April 20<sup>th</sup> so we can get you your rulebooks and scorebooks.

#### 4. Lead-Off Tournament

Arrowhead Fastpitch League will be holding a lead off jamboree, for the 14-U teams on June 2<sup>nd</sup> with a rain-day of June 3<sup>rd</sup> at Braun Park in Cloquet.

#### 5. Rule Changes and Rules Review - Does everyone understand a Select Team definition?

#### 6. Local Tournaments

Registration details for tournaments can be found on [www.arrowheadfastpitch.org](http://www.arrowheadfastpitch.org). More tournaments can be found on <http://www.josoftball.com> and <http://fastpitchmn.com/>

#### 7. USA State Tournaments (ASA has changed its name) The registration fee is **\$210.00.**

Information on USA State tournament can be found on <http://www.josoftball.com>. We will not be registering any teams with USA (ASA) this year. You need to do this on your own if playing a USA tournament.

#### 8. USSSA State Tournament

Played at Braun Park on July 14-15, 2018. Three game guarantee. The registration fee is **\$275.00.**  
[https://ussa.com/fastpitch/event\\_home/?eventID=306011](https://ussa.com/fastpitch/event_home/?eventID=306011)

#### 9. ZERO TOLERANCE

Coaches are responsible for parents and team. If it is observed that an umpire is being bullied, please contact Dennis Peterson. If unacceptable behavior is displayed at a playoff game, the team will be disqualified.

#### 10. CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM

Under the "Contacts" page of [www.arrowheadfastpitch.org](http://www.arrowheadfastpitch.org), coaches can send a message that will be reviewed by the board at their next meeting.

#### 11. MANDATORY CONCUSSION TRAINING

All coaches and adult volunteers in the dugout must complete Concussion Training prior to the start of the season. These are good for three years. **These certificates must be available in the dugout, if requested.** This training can be found online on the front page of our website [www.arrowheadfastpitch.org](http://www.arrowheadfastpitch.org), or at <http://www.cdc.gov/concussion/HeadsUp/Training/index.html>

#### 12. 2018 BACKGROUND CHECKS

All communities are being asked to run background checks on all volunteer coaches.

#### 13. MAKE-UP GAMES

Coaches are not allowed to schedule extra league games. If it was not an originally scheduled game against the same team, coaches are responsible for paying the umpire and game results will not be recorded with the league.

#### 14. Keep your eyes open to "like us on Facebook!"

#### 15. ROSTERS

USSSA official team rosters (all age groups) need to be submitted online by **May 18, 2018.** Every team needs to complete their roster to be insured. Watch your email for the link and instructions.

Once we have all teams registered and paid, we will forward all information onto USSSA. We need to do this quickly so all teams have insurance coverage. Once this information has been submitted, you will receive an email with directions on how to roster your team. The link is on our website home page.

**Coaches must make copies of their state roster and are responsible for bringing a copy to their state tournaments.**