



SYOSSET LITTLE LEAGUE



FALL 2023

SAVE THE DATE!

SLL AWARDS DINNER

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23, 2024

We will return to Crest Hollow Country Club on 1/23/24 for our annual awards dinner. As you may recall, Jeff McNeil of the New York Mets was our special guest speaker for 2023. We are in the process of inviting another exciting special guest for the January 2024 event.



Registration for the event will open in mid – December, stay tuned.

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WELCOME TO THE SYOSSET LITTLE LEAGUE NEWSLETTER

Welcome to the inaugural Syosset Little League (“SLL”) Newsletter. With each Newsletter, we will keep SLL families (and prospective families) up to date as to league happenings during the past quarter as well as future, planned events.

FALL 2023 BASEBALL / SOFTBALL

Despite the wet start to the Fall, we have been operating our Fall Baseball Clinics, and our Fall Softball Intramural and Travel Programs and Fall Baseball Programs.

Fall Baseball Clinic

With the leadership of Coach Roger Mischel and his staff from PEGS, SLL is providing players from 1st Grade through 4th Grade an opportunity to develop and enhance their playing skills through a series of Clinics. Based on the positive feedback we have received from participants in these programs, we are considering additional (indoor) clinics during the late winter which will get our players ready for the Spring baseball and softball seasons.



Softball Update

In January 2023, the SYAC (softball) program merged with the Syosset Baseball Association. Both programs have been operating as the Syosset Little League since then.

When not navigating the weather, our softball players have been out on the field having fun and learning new skills.

The 1st and 2nd grade girls have been enjoying a clinic style program run by trainer Callie Osbourne. Our 3rd grade girls have been participating in a machine pitch division and playing games with our neighbors from Bethpage and Plainview. 4th grade girls are now participating in player pitched games as they have moved up into our 10u division and are playing with our 5th graders. For the fall, we are also running a 12u division where our 6th and 7th graders are enjoying playing with friends and having some friendly competition. The season will run until the end of October and hopefully the weather cooperates so we can reschedule some of the games that have been postponed. The 7th and 8th grade girls are participating in fall clinics with the Syosset HS coach as he prepares them for the spring softball season.


The Cyclones 8u-14u travel softball teams are currently in the middle of their fall seasons as well, and are seeing significant success across all age groups.

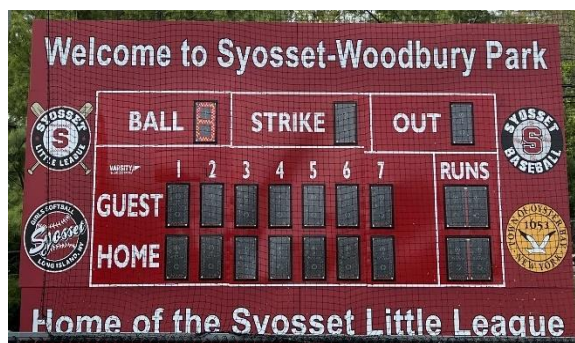
BASEBALL UPDATE

In addition to the Fall Baseball Clinics, several of our Syosset Travel Baseball Teams (ranging from our youngest 7u players through our oldest JV [16u] team) are playing this fall. Please come out and support our teams which often play weekends at Syosset-Woodbury Park and Stillwell.

Travel evaluations for 8u-10u teams (beginning Spring 2024) will take place during the week of October 23, 2023. Please [click here](#) to register for the evaluations.

FACILITIES

-  **Syosset-Woodbury Park (SWP):** This past Spring, SLL, in conjunction with the Town, installed a new scoreboard at the SWP 60' baseball field (to match the scoreboard at the SWP softball field).




The Town has also announced that in 2024 (date TBD), new artificial turf will be installed on the infields of both the SWP 60' Baseball Field and the SWP Softball Field. We look forward to this much needed improvement which will reduce the number of rainouts.



This past fall, field distance markers were installed at the various fields at SWP (including, for the first time at the SWP turf field).



 **Stillwell Park:** SLL continues to invest in improving the experience at Stillwell while the Town and County work towards a formal agreement concerning the future of the park. Our leadership is in regular communication with the Town and County, and we expect a public announcement regarding Stillwell before our Spring 2024 season, if not sooner.

During 2023 SLL made several infrastructure improvements and equipment upgrades at Stillwell including, but not limited to:

- New SLL Signage throughout the SLL portion of the park;



- Purchase of new ATV to assist with field maintenance;



- Installation of a “Fenway” style manual scoreboard




- Repainting the Storage Containers




- Additionally, an outfield fence will be installed at Field #4 this offseason, mirroring the dimensions of the fence at Field #5.

You will also notice at Stillwell that in the coming days the Nassau County Police Department will be placing a temporary structure at the park (near the soccer fields) which will serve as a facility for the police department while the main 2nd Precinct is rebuilt following last November’s fire.

2023 WILLIAMSPORT TOURNAMENT & COOPERSTOWN TEAM RECAP

 **Williamsport Tournament:** Both our baseball and softball programs entered teams in the Little League Williamsport Tournament. Our 10u Boys Williamsport Baseball Team won the Little League District 32 Championship this summer and the 11u Girls Williamsport Softball Team brought home the NYS Section 4 Championship. Thank you to the coaches of all our Williamsport teams from this past summer.



 **Senior Division/Cooperstown:** A group of 14/15u players participated in the Nassau County Police Activity League (PAL) summer program and were crowned “Senior Division” champions. A number of players from this group also enjoyed a weekend of play in Cooperstown.



SYOSSET LITTLE LEAGUE SPONSORSHIPS

You might have noticed all the banners hanging on the outfield fences at Syosset-Woodbury Park representing many of our sponsors.



It is with the funds raised through our sponsorship program that we are able to embark on many of the projects mentioned in this newsletter.

SLL sponsorships are also a great way to market your business. We offer various levels of sponsorship to suit a range of budgets. All levels provide advertising opportunities for businesses and are a great way to demonstrate your community involvement.

At the ***Titanium Level*** (only 6 of these exist), a field will be identified by your business (such as ***Orlin & Cohen Stillwell Field #1***) or you may place your logo on the transport vehicle (golf cart) we are in the process of acquiring for use at Stillwell.

A full list of our 2023 sponsors can be found by [clicking here](#). If you are interested in becoming a sponsor or renewing or upgrading your sponsorship, please email us at info@syossetbaseball.org.

SYOSSET LITTLE LEAGUE TEEN UMPIRE PROGRAM

SLL offers a Teen Umpire Program to train responsible teenagers as umpires. After completing mandatory training, eligible teen umpires will be paid to umpire games for our lower divisions. Registration for the Teen Umpire Program is open to boys and girls aged 13 or older (as of May 1, 2024) and who currently play (or have previously played within the last two (2) seasons) in Syosset Little League. Our teen umpires may also be called upon to assist with field preparation or during various SLL events. If your child is interested in participating in the program, please email us at info@syossetbaseball.org.



SYOSSET LITTLE LEAGUE WEBSITE & SOCIAL MEDIA

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- Instagram: [@syossetbaseballassociation](https://www.instagram.com/syossetbaseballassociation)
- Twitter: [@sbalittleleague](https://twitter.com/sbalittleleague)
- Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/syossetbaseball/

You can also send game highlights (videos and photos) to syossetsocialmedia@gmail.com and your submission may be featured in a future post.

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