

2009 WOMEN'S SOFTBALL LEAGUE INFORMATION

Dear Softball Manager:

Welcome to another season of Greenwich Women's Softball. I hope you and your teammates have been enjoying the off-season.

The purpose of this letter is to provide information about our pre-season meeting, entry fee, starting dates and some potential changes that I hope will make this season enjoyable.

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING:

Our organizational meeting is scheduled for THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2009 AT 6:30PM in the Cone Conference Room on the 2nd Floor of Greenwich Town Hall, 101 Field Point Road. All teams will be meeting at this time. Please bring a pen.

Our goal has always been to maintain a competitive balance in the Women's Softball League. As we did last year, I would expect this year's league to have some form of tier scheduling format depending on how many teams enter the League. We will have a mini-playoff for teams in two or three groupings as we did last year, which I think most teams enjoyed. It is likely we will do this right after the Fourth of July, as we have had requests to do this a little earlier so everyone can field a team. We can always add a regular season game and make up rainouts in late July if teams are interested. Please bring any thoughts to the meeting, so they can be discussed. A pre-season roster will be **required** of all teams.

As in the past, we will welcome Industrial and Resident League teams as follows:

Industrial League Teams are company-sponsored teams using female employees. You may supplement your team with Greenwich residents. Teams will be registered Industrial "A" in the A.S.A.

Open League Teams must use Greenwich residents or players with exempt status, only. We will go over this at the meeting. These teams will be registered as Women's "D" SP in the A.S.A.

NOTE:

In recent years players have been allowed to play on an open league team as a resident and an industrial league team as a full time employee of the sponsoring business. This is becoming more difficult because of the number of teams and scheduling problems. We can consider allowing this in 2009, but players will have to make a choice when it comes to tournament time to be fair to everyone. We are unable to make scheduling accommodations around possible conflicts for teams with players playing on two teams.

This year, the League entry fee will be **\$639.00** for all teams. This includes a **\$96.00 returnable forfeit fee**. You may add a **\$288.00 umpires fee** (covers 12 games x \$24.00) that will be refunded by check to the manager at the start of the season. **This will make your total \$927.00**. Checks are made payable to "G.A.A."

Please note that you must mail your entry fee directly to the Greenwich Athletic Association. Their address is: G.A.A., P.O. Box 77, Cos Cob, Ct. 06807-0077. Money is not accepted at the Recreation Division Office. Entry fee is due by 5:00 pm on Wednesday, April 15, 2009. A late fee of \$25.00 will charged to any entry fees received after this date, and there is no guarantee the team can be entered into the League.

STARTING DATE:

League play is scheduled to start the week of May 4, 2009, weather permitting, for ALL TEAMS. Teams will be able to request a one or two week extension if needed due to players attending college.

PLEASE BRING QUESTIONS TO THE MEETING.

BEST WISHES FOR THE 2009 SEASON!

Sincerely,

Donald Mohr
Recreation Supervisor