

2022 – 2023 Off Season Update

Dear Two River Little League (TRLL) Community,

We hope this letter finds you and your families doing well and Happy New Year! **Registration is OPEN in all 5 of our TRLL towns through January 31st, so please sign-up today**! Spring will be here before you know it, and we're all looking forward to another great Little League baseball and softball season in 2023.

I wanted to start off by giving a big "Thank You" to three long-standing TRLL board members and volunteers who will be retiring from the board this upcoming season (their kids are getting older and graduating from little league) – they include:

- Derek Fisher (Vice President, Shrewsbury) Derek was instrumental for so many years on the board (and as a coach in the dugout) and was the point-person for TRLL's annual Jersey Shore BlueClaws night which is always a blast for the kids each year! Derek has also been a mentor to me and was a key advisor to Chuck and previous presidents – he has worked extremely hard for our kids and is known for his reliability and proactiveness!
- Dave Hendrickson (Information Officer, Rumson) Dave was a long-time board member and coach responsible for all of the league's uniforms, awards, equipment, all-star gear, and so much more. Dave dedicated countless hours to the board, coaching teams, running tryouts, and delivering uniforms and 'swag' across our 5 towns for so many years.
- Dan Kilkeary (Umpire Coordinator, Fair Haven) Dan was a key volunteer and coach for our league who was responsible for all umpire related matters and coordination including scheduling, recruiting, budgeting, rules, etc...

Filling these board seats will be three new volunteers who we are very excited and grateful to announce -- Mike Lepore from Shrewsbury, Matt Romanczuk from Rumson, and Mike Bonnano from Fair Haven. We encourage you to visit our website to learn more about these new volunteers and the entire TRLL board (click the 'About Us' tab). As a reminder, we have 10 total board members (2 from each of our 5 towns).

In terms of fun upcoming events in the spring season, please plan on the following:

- Jersey Shore BlueClaws Night -- TRLL is planning to have our 5th annual Two River Little League night at the Jersey Shore BlueClaws in Lakewood, scheduled for Thursday May 18th. No games will be scheduled across TRLL that night. More details will follow.
- *RBR vs. RFH Baseball Game* Following a successful event last year, please have our TRLL kids come out to the RBR vs. RFH Varsity baseball game on Thursday, May 11 at 4pm (@ RBR) where we'll have some fun events for the kids and a chance to watch some great baseball! More details will follow.



Consistent with prior seasons, we love to have our older kids stay in baseball by becoming an umpire, so please encourage your child (typically high school age) to consider trying it out. If you want more info on this, see the flyer at the bottom of this note. It's a fantastic work experience and a good way to earn some extra \$\$.

Some other important dates to be aware of:

- The annual coaches meeting is tentatively scheduled for the week of March 20th, and will take place at the Knights of Columbus in Fair Haven.
- The first games of the 2023 season will begin as early as Monday, April 17th. Practices can begin as early as April 1st (please note, the 2023 Spring Break for our schools is from April 8th – 16th; no baseball / softball activities this week).
- > TRLL playoffs will begin in earnest following Memorial Day (Monday, May 29th), and usually run for about 2 weeks until the middle of June.
- More info will be coming out on All-Star dates (tryouts, eligibility, etc.), but usually plan for tryouts to take place late May and district tournaments to begin mid to late June.

Other than that – please get registered, enjoy the winter, and let us know if you have any questions or concerns!

All the best,

Adam Loucks President, Two River Little League



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