#### Mount Seymour Little League AGM - Oct 23<sup>rd</sup> 2018

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#### Welcome

- Thank you for coming to the MSLL 2018 AGM
- Please ensure that you have signed in and have a door prize ticket
- Draw at end of the meeting for 1 free 2019 registration



#### Presidents Report 2018

Jasmine Barry

- Season HighlightsChallenges of 2018
- Spring Teams
- Summer Teams
  - Fall Teams



## Season Highlights

Registration remained stable just over 600 players

Investments, Upgrades and Gaming Grant

Introduced MSLL mobile app

First annual MSLL Parent "Beer 'n' Burger" Social

Added Majors Dev team for elite player development



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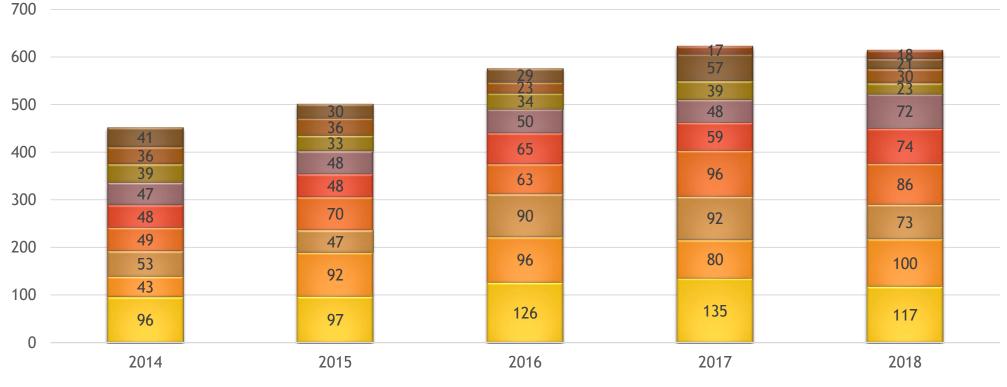
Ongoing partnership with North Shore Adults Challenger Baseball



Continued Candy Cup and Summer Ball

#### **MSLL 2018 Registration Numbers**

Total Registration 614 Players (-1.4% from previous season) 56 Teams (same as previous season)

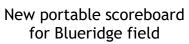


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#### Investments and Upgrades in 2018



Purchased new bats to meet new LL standards





DNV completed Myrtle Majors safety fence



Qualified for BC Gaming Grant



#### Introduced MSLL Mobile App



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| 9:30 AM  | AAA Athletics v AAA Angels<br>Seycove                       | >         |     |
| 9:30 AM  | AA Astros v AA Pirates<br>Blueridge                         | >         |     |
| 9:30 AM  | RS Athletics v RS Angels<br>Myrtle SE Dirt                  | >         |     |
| 10:00 AM | RJ Expos v RJ Twins<br>Myrtle NE Dirt                       | >         |     |
| 10:30 AM | RC Knights / RC Monstars / RC<br>Ninja Catz<br>Myrtle Grass | >         |     |
| 12:30 PM | RS Cubs v RS Diamondback<br>Myrtle SE Dirt                  |           |     |
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- Introduced the MSLL app
- Available for iOS and Android
- App provided by 14 Oranges (www.14oranges.com)
- Includes schedules, weather, volunteer information and many other sections
- Feedback welcome on other items that would be useful in the app

#### MSLL Burger 'n' Beer Parent Social

- Held in late April at Northlands Bar and Grill
- \$25/ticket for a burger and one drink
- \$5/ticket raised for MSLL
- Event sold out (75 people)
- Will look for a bigger venue for 2019







#### North Shore Adults Challenger Baseball

- Second season hosting the North Shore Adults Challenger Baseball
- Challenger registration has remained stable with 2 teams
- Enjoyed much better game weather this season
- Adult volunteer opportunities available to assist as Challenger player buddies

### Candy Cup

- ► Hosted Candy Cup for 2<sup>nd</sup> year
- Eight teams in the Super 8s division
- Six teams in the 11s division
- Looking for a new tournament director for 2019

#### Summer Ball

- One 7/8s team
- One 9/10s teams
- Two Majors teams
- Looking for a Summer Ball Coordinator for 2019



#### Challenges in 2018

- Managing the adjustment to the new Little League bat policy
- Field space is maxed out for current league size causing scheduling issues
- Terrible weather in April resulted in many cancelled games / rescheduling
- Challenges with team formation for the teenage divisions:
  - LL Baseball age change affected many Juniors & Seniors players
  - Relatively low registration numbers across Juniors/Seniors/Babe Ruth
  - Accepted Seniors registrations from with Lynn Valley and West Vancouver
  - Decision to keep Seniors and Babe Ruth separate due to LL age change and choices made by other lower mainland leagues
  - Resulted in more travel for Seniors and BR teams
  - Babe Ruth registration was too small for two teams but too many players for one team

#### **Spring Teams**



AA Champions: Dodgers



D5 Juniors Champions: Pirates



AAA Champions: Athletics



Langley Tournament: Dev Team (3<sup>rd</sup>)



Majors Champions: Royals



Jnrs Wood Bat: Red Sox (1st)



#### 9/10 All Star Team

- Reached semi final in D5 District Tournament
- Lost by 1 run in semi final to White Rock in Burnaby Summer Fun Tournament
- Won the Whistler Sea to Sky Tournament

#### Majors All Star Team

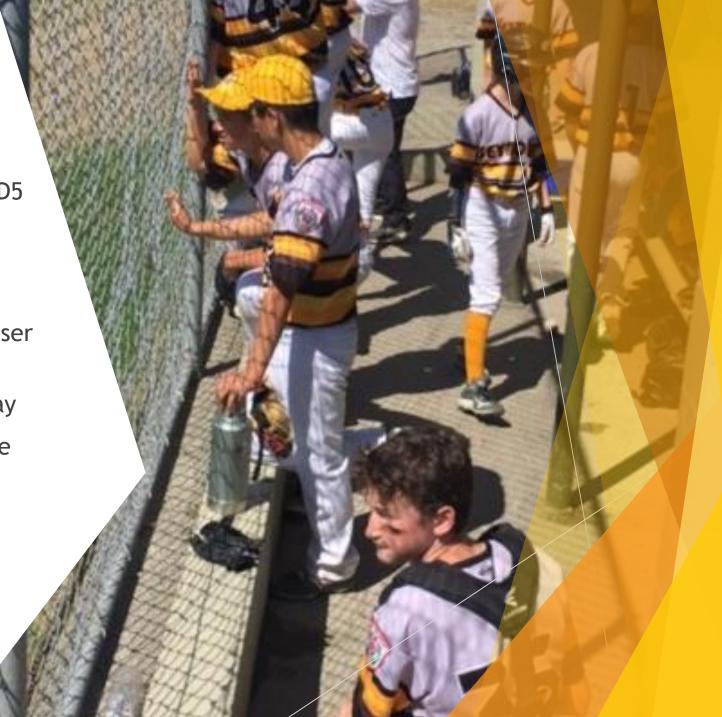


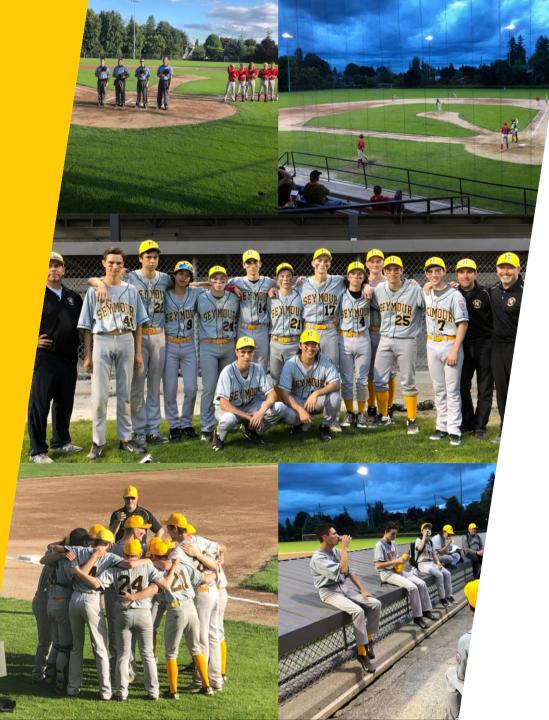


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#### **Juniors All Stars**

- Merged with Howe Sound to form a D5 combined team
- Juniors automatically advance to Provincials
- Three team tournament with D3 Fraser Valley and D7 Vancouver Island
- D5/MSLL went 2-0 in round robin play
- Lost to D3 in the Championship game





#### Seniors All Stars

- D5 combined team (MSLL, LVLL, WVLL)
- Seniors automatically advance to Provincials
- Four team tournament with D3 Fraser Valley, D7 Vancouver Island & D1 New West
- Double knockout format: team eliminated with 1-2 record

#### **Other Post Season Teams**

#### 8/9 All Stars



- Lynn Valley Canada Day Invitational: Champions!
- Burnaby Summer Fun: Runner Up
- Abbotsford Tournament: Runner Up

Super 8s



- White Rock Canada Day Tournament: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place
- MSLL Candy Cup



- MSLL Candy Cup
- Whalley Drew Henderson Invitational Tournament

#### Fall Ball

- One 9/10 team
- One Majors team
- Runs through September and early October
- One game per week against other local Little Leagues

# **Treasurer's Report**

Jennifer Dickson

#### Financial Highlights

- Increased league income:
  - Registration fees were increased \$15 across all divisions (first raise since 2011)
  - Post season fees were increased to better cover post season expenses
  - Significant increase in concession revenue
    - More streamlined purchasing
    - Less wastage
    - Slightly increased product prices
  - Increased Candy Cup tournament fees
- Reduced league expenses
- Overall league made a small profit (~\$2,000)

#### **BC Gaming Grant**

- Applied for BC Gaming Grant
- Awarded \$15,000
- First grant received since 2010 season
- Money can be used towards league operating expenses
- Will be applying again in 2019

#### Plans for 2019

- Registration for Spring 2019 will open on December 1<sup>st</sup>
- Expect league registration to remain around 600 players
- Winter skills training at IP Jan-Mar for AA-Majors players
- Indoor skills training Jan-Mar for RJ-RS players
- Player assessments for AA, AAA and Majors in mid February
- Majors Dev Team tryouts to take place after assessments
- Team formation and drafts in late February and early March
- Season will start around 1st April 2019

#### **2019 Registration Fees**

- > 2019 fees will increase \$5 for all divisions
- Purpose of this increase is to cover:
  - Increase in Little League team charter fees
  - Increase in other expenses such as equipment, insurance and Sport Levy fees

#### Ideas for 2019

- Field improvements at Blueridge Park
  - Rework field drainage
  - Utilize portable pitching mound
- ► Work with DNV for:
  - Bleacher repairs at Myrtle Park
  - Overhang fences at Myrtle to block foul balls going over the backstop
- Move lightly used shipping container (RJ field) from Myrtle to Blueridge

#### **MSLL Board**

- MSLL has a 5 member board
- Board responsible for approving the volunteers for the executive committee
- Board acts as an oversight group to the actions of the executive committee
- Time commitment: approximately 3 board meetings per year
- Nominate board candidates
- Vote for board members

#### **MSLL Executive Committee**

- Returning Exec volunteers:
  - President: Jasmine Barry
  - Past President: Tom Murphy
  - Treasurer: Jennifer Dickson
  - UIC: Todd Dea
  - Secretary: Cathy Brydon
  - Equipment: Pierre Pluff
  - Fields Manager: Geoff Darling

- Retiring Exec volunteers:
  - Bruce Davis
  - Connie Cunningham
  - Steve Armistead
  - Yvonne Leonard
  - Fiona Rouillard

- Names of all Exec volunteers will be provided to the 2018/2019 MSLL board
- All Exec positions are subject to board approval after the AGM

#### **Call for Volunteers**

- Executive Committee positions:
  - Vice President
  - Registrar
  - Coaching Director
  - Safety Officer
  - Player Agent
  - Communications Director\*
- We are also looking for volunteers for non-Exec roles:
  - Game scheduling
  - Practice field scheduling
  - Rally Caps coordinator
  - Candy Cup coordinator
  - Summer Ball coordinator
  - Fall Ball coordinator

\*Board to determine whether this is an Exec or non-Exec role in 2018/19



### Questions

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### Thank-you for Attending