

NEWS ARCHIVE

Last Revised: August 3, 2017

REMINDERS:

Please **complete all score sheets fully** including BOTH team names, DATE/TIME/DIAMOND, and at the bottom, winning team, score and signatures. It is the HOME team's responsibility to ensure the score sheet is fully completed and submitted to the umpire at the end of the game. THANKS!

If an umpire does not show at your game, both teams are expected to manage the umpiring themselves, record the scoring as normal, identify no umpire showed on the score sheet, and deposit the completed score sheet in the shed mail slot. Most teams seem to be aware and are doing this – THANKS! These games will not be rescheduled.

Are you a player looking for a team, or a team looking for players? Make a connection! Post your information on the "[Want Ads](#)" page (just follow the instructions listed at the top of the page).

ALL TEAMS must complete the ONLINE SPN team roster insurance forms by their second game.

(Currently not required) It is the WINNING team's responsibility to drag the shale infield following the last game of the evening. Please encourage one another to get these jobs done so that we can keep the league and playing field in good operating condition. THANKS AGAIN!

Game Day Rain Out Procedure

Rain out decisions will be made by 5:00PM on game day. Information will be transmitted via [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [Remind](#) (see Contact Info). The message applies to both the early and late games unless specified otherwise.

If there is no message that says the games are cancelled, then teams are expected to show and it will then be up to the discretion of the umpire to make the appropriate call.

July 3, 2017

Lost: Men's size eleven Birkenstock sandals from diamond 3 Tuesday June 27 at the 6:30pm game. If anyone found them or knows of their whereabouts, please contact the league.

June 14, 2017

Registration is open for Fall League this year. Returning teams have until July 1 to keep their spot from last year. After that, registration will be open to any teams. Don't miss out! Contact either Dan (780-

905-0088) or Tara (587-986-4550) for more details or if you would like to register.

May 12, 2017

Lost: Pair of women's coach sunglasses at the Dow shelter or parking lot area on Tuesday May 9th. If someone happened to find them please contact Charlene from Open Tryouts div 3 Tuesday/Thursday's, email is casummer@shaw.ca or phone 780-499-7579.

May 4, 2017

Lost: Men's wedding band on diamond 6 Sun April 30 (Early Bird) around 9:30am. If anyone has it please contact the league.

May 1, 2017

Lost: A right hand baseball glove on diamond 2 Sun April 30 (Early Bird) – light tan with dark brown, around 12:00 oclock. If anyone has it please contact the league or better, contact Bill directly through his post on our Facebook page.

April 20, 2017

League Communication to all teams:

SPN Registration

Please ensure all current team members have created an account with SPN and have completed the waiver for this year. We will be checking that all teams have a minimum of ten players with completed waivers prior to their first game. If your team does not meet these requirements, the team will be fined \$100 from their bond for each additional week until the registration is complete (as per our operating guide).

Rainouts

A reminder that rainouts will be communicated by 5pm on game days. Rainouts will be posted to twitter, facebook, and will be sent out via text message using our leagues Remind account. To sign up text [@fsmspa](https://www.remind.com/@fsmspa) to [\(647\)560-1181](tel:6475601181). If you signed up last year, there is no need to resign up. You may be asked whether you are a student, parent, or teacher, any choice should be fine.

April 1, 2017

(Not an April 1st joke!): The Dow ball fields are currently **CLOSED** until further notice. The field condition is still too wet and soft, please do not use the diamonds and if you see someone using them, please (kindly) ask them to stand down. We have a report from our facility maintenance caretaker of a team practicing in the mud!! This is not healthy for our facility. Please use good judgement and common sense, and stay off the diamonds until our facility team deems them suitable for use. Thank-you!

Mar 25, 2017

Thanks to all teams that participated in the Spring AGM on March

22.

Reminder that all team members must (re-)register online with SPN by the start of the season. Click on the SPN Member Login link from the left menu. Hint: for teams previously registered with SPN, team contact can just click on the “Resend Email Notifications” button to send a request to the team members listed to re-register for the new season.

Mar 15, 2017

Online registration is now CLOSED.

2017 fees will be same as 2016, \$1250 plus \$400 bond plus \$50 if playing in Early Bird. One cheque is preferred, payable at the Spring Annual General Meeting **Wednesday March 22 2017, 7pm at DCC Lions Mane.**

Mar 11, 2017

Important dates for 2017:

Wed March 22	Spring Annual General Meeting and Registration
Sat April 15	SPN Umpire Clinic at Fort Sask Legion from 8:30am to 5:00pm. To register please phone Larry at 780-998-5186.
Sat April 22 29	Spring Cleanup (rainout date is Sun April 23 first, or if that doesn't work either, Sat April 29)
Sat Sun April 29 30	Early Bird Tournament, \$50 due with fees if participating (reschedule/rainout date is Sun April 30)
Mon May 1	Summer Regular Season Begins <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reminder: Games will start 15 minutes earlier for the first 2 weeks until May 12, 6:15pm and 7:45pm, to help with darkness.
May 26-28	Andy Polanski Classic Tournament. Tournament is FULL.
July 7-9	FSMSPA Open Tournament – details TBD. Support needed from teams to make this happen.
August 11-13	Year End Tournament
Mon August 14	Fall League Starts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Details: maximum 20 teams, minimum 8, \$500 registration fee plus \$200 bond, ten games per team, two games per week, self umped except for tournament.

September TBD

Fall League Tournament

Feb 15, 2017

New: Team online registration is open from February 15 to March 15 2017!! All teams, new and returning, must register online before the window closes on March 15. Click on Spring Team Registration link from the left menu.

Oct 12, 2016

Thanks to all the teams that came out to the Fall General meeting on Wednesday October 12. For those teams that did not yet receive their bond refund, as per our policy you have 30 days to claim it, otherwise it will be forfeited to the general league funds. Please contact Paul at pkrueger@fsmspa.ca and make arrangements to pick up your cheque BEFORE November 12.

Sept 4, 2016

The Fall General meeting is booked for **Wednesday October 12, 7pm, Dow Centre Lion's Mane Room.**

- Bond refund cheques will be distributed at this meeting.
- We will be soliciting feedback on the 2016 season and looking for suggestions/ideas to work on for next year.
- We will outline a change to the League registration process for 2017 – you don't want to miss this because it will require team registration BEFORE the Spring meeting.
- **Attendance is mandatory – all teams must have a representative in attendance!**

August 8, 2016

Thanks to all the teams that participated in the year end tournament this past weekend, and to team Whatever Walter for providing the concession & beer garden to raise funds for Autism Speaks ...

To all of the teams that supported this weekend, WOW!! We surely surpassed my expectations in our fundraising efforts this weekend! We had great weather and an awesome turn out!! I was a little worried as it didn't seem as busy as it has in the past but I have completed the accounting and we raised around \$5000 this weekend. Thank you all, as it really is a community effort!!

First off I need to send a HUGE THANK YOU to my family Vince, Kayla and Erin for all of the hours worked this weekend and putting up with a cranky wife/mom while getting ready for the event. I could not have done it without you!!

Thank you to the FSMSPA for allowing us to use the facilities as well as the tournament to be able to host this fundraiser.

I do have to send some SHOUT OUTS to a couple of teams: The SILVER STREAKs and WhatEver Walter for their support year

after year, they have mad beer drinking skills, you kept the girls hopping all weekend!! An honorable mention goes to FOR FOX SAKES, I saw many orange shirts in the beer gardens area all weekend!! Thank you for supporting!!

Once again I know its cheaper to sit outside the beer garden gates with your own cooler, drinking your own beer, but for all of the other teams that get off their wallets and support whole heartedly, I thank you. Its with all of your support that make this fundraiser a success. Without all of you buying beer, food and tickets we would not have made the \$5000 to donate on behalf of team STEP by STEPP to Autism Speaks.

I would also like to Thank Larry and the umpire association who donated \$500 to our cause, this is on top of the \$5000 that we raised!! You rock!!

All of the draws were made on Sunday at 5pm and each ticket was pulled by a young volunteer from the team S.O.Bs- just to make sure that there would be no funny stuff!

The liquor basket Donated by Fort Sask Golf and Curling club – Tues Night Ladies League was won by **-Jason Jacobs**

The Golf Watch Package donated by Pius Bender of STAHL PETERBILT was won by – **Jack Wilson**

The 50/50 was carried over from the sat draw (\$69) as no one claimed it and the \$132 was won By **-Cindy Rosychuk**

I also want to thank the other businesses for their support:

Pots bar and Grill for 4/\$50 gift certificates (3 of which were won by WhatEver Walter Jody, Coralie and Kayla. I'm not sure how that happened, but we do eat many wings and drink many jugs of beer over the course of the ball season as you can see in the standings on the wall at POTs. WhatEver Walter is close to winning again this year!!

Another Thank you to- BOSTON PIZZA for their gift box donation, ALL STARRV and IVOR POTTER for the Eskimos RV mat and Jacket, THOMPSON BROS CONSTRUCTION and IAN MCKINLEY for the Waterfall Wine Chiller package and the help, KAL TIRE- JEFF LEYER for their donation of the emergency kit

package, SWEET CIRCUMSTANCE- JODY GREENE for the \$50 gift card towards one of her amazing cakes, OLLIES PIZZA PANTRY for donating the ice to keep the beer cold, MAMOETT- JACK WILSON for the Meccano model set, CECILE SPISAK for making and donating the yummy Peanut butter Confetti Squares they were a huge hit.

If you would like more information on how Autism Speaks supports communities or how to donate to Autism Speaks the information can be found at http://support.autismspeaks.ca/site/TR?fr_id=1302&pg=entry#.V6jrXvkrKUK you can do a general donation or support my Edmonton Walk Team "Step by STEPP" by going to the site and searching for my team. You can also join our walk if you wish, it is free!!

You are welcome to come and walk with us, its a family friendly event.

The walk information is:

When: Sunday, September 11, 2016 Registration Opens: 9:30 am

Where: Rundle Park Opening Ceremonies: 15 minutes before the Walk

Walk Distance: 3 km Walk Begins: 11:00 am

Closing Ceremonies: 12:45 am

Hope to see some of you there!!

And one more time; I can't say thank you enough for all of the support over the weekend it truly is a great community to live in,

Patricia, Vince, Kayla and Erin Ashton

WhatEver Walter Slo pitch team

July 28, 2016

Important note for Year Tourny Beer Garden: We will be issuing a package of wrist bands to each team and the UMPS participating in the year end tourny for the Beer Gardens. We will not be able to sell to those without a wrist band. We will give extras for each team's fans and people they invite. They can pick them up at the concession booth Sat morning.

<p>June 13, 2016</p>	<p>A summary of the 2016 Membership Satisfaction Survey Summary results can be found here. Congratulations to the Ball Busters for winning the prize draw.</p>
<p>June 13, 2016</p>	<p>Volunteer opportunity - sign up to help build Andy's Playground. Volunteers are needed for a number of days in June to help get the playground up and running. Any hours worked will count towards your teams bond hours with FSMSPA.</p> <p>The link for volunteer sign up is http://www.apcf.ca/#!simple-schedule/x2f2o</p> <p>The link for contacting the APCF is http://www.apcf.ca/#!contact/c1z0x (Contact Stacey Walker)</p> <p>Check out the schedule for dates and activities here.</p>
<p>May 30, 2016</p>	<p>We have just learned that the SPN Incident/Injury report forms that were provided in the team packages at the start of the season are not valid. It seems the form has been updated and the Insurers need to have the new form. For any future reports, please use the form dated Jan 1 2016. You can get this from the Alberta SPN website here.</p>
<p>May 12, 2016</p>	<p>The bond hour tally has been posted to include the Spring Clean-up. Select “Bond Program” from the left menu and then “Current Bond Hour Tally”.</p>
<p>May 4, 2016</p>	<p>ANNOUNCEMENT</p> <p>In the wake of the tragedy in Fort McMurray, FSMSPA wants to help those in need by offering an emergency space to park your RVs, Camp Units, or the like. We have coordinated with the City of Fort Saskatchewan and are in the process of designating space in and around our facility.</p> <p>For more information or if you need space, please contact us at:</p> <p>Email: yymmfire@fsmspa.ca Text: Text “YMMFIRE” to 587-400-7756 Phone: 587-400-7SLO (587-400-7756)</p> <p>Depending on the level of response, we will likely be needing numerous volunteers. We encourage both the members of our association as well as the general public to express your interest and availability by sending a quick email with your information to volunteers@fsmspa.ca.</p> <p>On behalf of our board and the members of our association we send out our love and thoughts to all of those affected.</p> <p>Patricia Willerton</p>

April 17, 2016

New Communication Options:

1) Facebook has changed the way that "Pages" work. Currently our posts are not being seen broadly. The reminder post about the Spring Cleanup was only seen by 33 of the 301 followers. Chandra has created a closed group for our association on Facebook. With groups you can receive a notification every time a post is made to the group. The posts will also show up in your newsfeed, which doesn't seem to be the case with the Page. If you would like to join please check out

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1584649395180250/> (note, for this https link to work, it must be opened in a new tab or window).

2) There have been requests in the past for text reminders about rainouts. There is a free service called Remind, on which Chandra has signed up FSMSPA. It allows one way communication between cell phones without having to exchange numbers. Basically a message will be sent to the service, and it will then forward to anyone who has signed up with us. You can also sign up for email reminders if you prefer. To receive messages via text, text @fsmssp to (647) 560-1181. You can opt-out of messages at anytime by replying, 'unsubscribe @fsmssp'. *Standard text message rates apply. Or to receive messages via email, send an email to fsmssp@mail.remind.com. To unsubscribe, reply with 'unsubscribe' in the subject line.

March 23, 2016

Thanks to all the teams that came out for the Spring AGM and Registration on March 22. Our league is now full. As presented at the meeting ...

Online SPN Rosters – Member Registration:

Teams are to register with SPN using the SPN online portal starting this year. This will replace the paper waiver you were previously required to have all team members fill out and sign. This will also allow you to add new players to your own team roster at any point throughout the season. This must be completed by all teams and players as per our Operating Guide, by the end of the week of the team's second game of the season.

To register and manage your team rosters online, pick "SPN Member Login" link from the menu on the left.

The process for registering online is very simple. Each player on your team will need to create an account with SPN and agree to the terms set out in the waiver (as you would when signing the paper form). Then each team rep will need to create their team, and add their players to the team. Alternatively, if you have the email addresses of all of your players,

you can add all of your players to your team and SPN will send them a form with a link to complete their registration process. For the purpose of our league, we are asking teams to register in the “Rec” division, but feel free to register yourself in another division if you regularly play tournaments. Instructions on registering yourself as a player and managing your team can be found here: <http://slo-pitch.com/content/online-registration-guidelines> and pick the “New Member Registration ...” link.

There is no need to make a payment to register your team with SPN, our association will make the payment on your behalf.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your div rep.

Member Online Survey:

WE WANT YOU... to tell us what you think of our association. Please go to <http://goo.gl/forms/KJw7CSVIQm> and complete our Member Satisfaction Survey. The information collected will help guide the executive in future decision making.

Your team will receive one entry into a draw for a gift card to be used towards slo-pitch equipment for each member that completes the survey - so if you have 15 members on your team, and they all complete the survey, your team will be entered into the draw 15 times! **Deadline extended to May 31 2016.**

Important dates for 2016:

Tue March 22	Spring Annual General Meeting and Registration
Sat April 9	SPN Umpire Clinic at Fort Sask Legion from 8:30am to 4:30pm. To register please phone Larry at 780-998-5186.
Sat April 16	Spring Cleanup (alternate date is April 23)
Sun April 24	Early Bird Tournament (\$50 due with fees if participating)
Mon April 25	Regular Season Begins <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · New: Games will start 15 minutes earlier until May 15, 6:15pm and 7:45pm, to help with darkness.
May 14-15	Half Nuts Tournament
May 27-29	Andy Polanski Classic Tournament. Please come out and enjoy the festivities, including a groundbreaking ceremony on the Saturday for

	the Andy Polanski playground where the playground design will be revealed. There will also be bond hour opportunities to support the tournament.
August 5-7	Year End Tournament
Mon August 8	New Fall League Starts <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Proposed: maximum 20 teams, minimum 8, \$500 registration fee plus \$200 bond, ten games per team, two games per week, self umped except for tournament
September 24-25	Fall League Tournament

Sept 24, 2015

Thanks to all teams that came out to the Fall Meeting on Wednesday September 23. For those teams that did not yet receive their bond refunds, as per our policy you have 30 days to claim them, otherwise they will be forfeited to the general league funds. Please contact Paul at pkrueger@fsmspa.ca and make arrangements to pick up your cheque BEFORE October 23.

August 13, 2015

A note from Patricia & Vince from Whatever Walter about the fundraising concession & beer gardens ...

To our supporters, friends, family and members of the FSMSPA,

Once again we would like to thank the FSMSPA for allowing to use the space to run the concession and beer gardens. And to all of the helpers over the weekend, I couldn't have done it without you. **We raised a total of \$4135.00 for AUTISM SPEAKS in two days selling burgers and beer, this is so awesome!!!**

I'd like to send a HUGE Thank You to all of the teams that supported us throughout the weekend. I know that it is cheaper and easier to bring your own beer, but most of you supported us because you wanted to and you could, for that I am truly grateful!!

We had some wonderful raffle prizes donated by local businesses and some not so local. I'd like to give a shout out to Thompson Mechanical, Mammoet and Staal Peterbilt for the items they donated. Thank you. And to the Local businesses- Home Hardware, Hair Mantra, Fort Saskatchewan Golf and

Curling Club, Panago Pizza, Boston Pizza, F.S.C.C Wood Shop and Dale MacMillan for the beautiful picture. Thank you.

The raffle draws raised a total of \$435.00, 50/50 sat draw was worth \$73.00 and \$53.00 donated back. The Sun 50/50 draw was \$27.00.

The WOODEN DUMP TRUCK was won by Robert and Renee Ashton who would like to donate it back. I know there was a lot of interest in that dump truck, let's make this interesting. I will take bids on it and donate the proceeds to Autism Speaks if anyone wants it. Highest bidder gets it!! Email me your bids. I'll contact the winner on Aug 28, 2015. Email to Patricia & Vince at skeash@telus.net.

We are looking forward to next year already!! Have a great winter everyone and see you all in the spring.

**Patricia, Vince, Kayla and Erin Ashton
& WhatEver Walter**

July 16, 2015

Missing out on the year end tournament because your team is not participating? Players in this situation can register as spares for other teams that may need extra players. The caveat is that teams cannot increase the skill level of their team (i.e. create a "super team" just for the year end). Player replacements that do not meet the minimum 6 game rule as per Operating Guide must be of equal or lesser caliber than the players they are taking the place of. Just email your name, current team and contact info to the league (info@fsmspa.ca) and if there is opportunity, you will be contacted by the team in need.

Important: Teams, if you are picking up players for the year end tournament from another team or as spares that have not met the 6 game eligibility rule, these players MUST be registered with and approved by the League Commissioner. Again send an email to info.

April 25, 2015

Reminder, Spring Clean Up is fast approaching. Earn bond hours for your team. It is scheduled for Saturday, April 25 (weather dependant). If the weather is questionable, please check Twitter or the Facebook group for an update on the status of the clean up. You will also pick up your Team Information Package at this time which will include your schedule for the season.

Please arrive for **10:00am**. When you arrive, sign in at the table and you will be assigned a diamond or other task. All members of your team need to sign themselves in for their hours to be counted towards the bond program. There will be team leaders at each diamond to coordinate what needs to be done.

Please bring rakes, shovels, brooms, edgers, wheel barrows and any other landscaping tools that would be useful. If anyone has a quad they are willing to bring, please email us so that information can be passed along to our Maintenance Coordinator.

Oct 20, 2014

The Fall General meeting was held Thursday October 16 2014. For those teams that did not yet receive their bond refunds, as per our policy you have 30 days to claim them, otherwise they will be forfeited to the general league funds. Please email us to make arrangements to pick up your cheque **BEFORE** November 15.

August 1, 2014

LOST: Missing Worth glove from Tuesday July 29, diamond #5, 8pm game. If anyone has it please email the league.

June 17, 2014

A glove was left behind on diamond #1 8:00pm game Wednesday June 11 in the North dugout. If anyone has found it could they please email info@fsmspa.ca so that it can be returned to it's owner.

May 6, 2014

The May 23-25 Andy Polanski Classic Tournament is now full. We are still looking for volunteers to work the beer gardens Saturday Night (8pm-midnight) and all day Sunday (two hour shifts). The hours will count towards your team's bond hours. If interested please contact Alyssa Van Hecke at alyssa.vanhecke@gmail.com.

Apr 27, 2014

A bond hour count for each team, which includes the spring clean up hours, is now available. Click the "Bond Program" link from the menu at the left and then pick "Current Bond Hour Tally".

Apr 18, 2014

Spring Clean Up is now scheduled for Saturday April 26, same times. We still need members to get back to Paul McPherson regarding quads, equipment, etc for the clean up. Season start is still April 28.

Team Packages can be picked up directly from Freeman & Michelle Willerton in the meantime – please call them at 780-886-0462 to make arrangements.

Apr 12, 2014

Spring Clean Up plan details and suggested equipment can be found [here](#). Start Times: Executive 9:15 am, Membership 10:00 am.

Mar 29, 2014

Here is a tournament opportunity in Kelowna on the May long weekend ... some info is posted [here](#).

Mar 1, 2014

Can't wait 😊 !!!? ...

The Spring AGM & Registration is fast approaching on March 26, 7pm, Dow Centre. Attendance is mandatory – all teams must have a rep at the meeting. Fees will be the same as last year, \$1000 for the season plus \$400 bond, and another \$50 if you choose to participate in the Early Bird Tournament April 26, all payable at the meeting (one cheque is preferred). Also, as noted below, we have some vacant executive positions, the key one being Treasurer, which is critical & urgently needed for the operation of our Association.

Nov 17, 2013

Key dates for the **2014** season are as follows ...

- Spring AGM and Team Registration – March 26, 7pm, DCC Lions Pride
- SPN Umpire Clinic – April 5, 8:30am, Fort Legion
- Spring Cleanup – April 19
- Early Bird Tournament – April 26
- League Play Begins – April 28
- Andy Polanski Classic Tournament – May 23-25
- Year End Tournament – August 8-10
- Fall Cleanup – September 13
- Fall AGM – September 24

A few executive positions are still vacant. We will be again asking for nominations at the Spring AGM for the remaining open positions ...

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| Treasurer | Div Rep MW2 |
| Legal Advisor | Div Rep TT1 |
| Grants Coordinator | |

Note, it is critical that we find a qualified candidate for the Treasurer role before next season, preferably someone with a bookkeeping background. If you know of someone that can step up, please have them contact us via email or have them attend the meeting and volunteer.

Sep 25, 2013

The Fall General meeting was held Wednesday September 25. For those teams that did not yet receive their bond refunds, as per our policy you have **30 days** to claim them, otherwise they will be forfeited to the general league funds. Please contact Stephen Crane, 998-9842, to make arrangements to pick up your cheque **BEFORE October 25**.

As well, we were able to fill a number of open exec positions at the meeting – thanks to all those that stepped up and accepted. However, a few are still vacant. We will be again asking for nominations at the Spring AGM for the remaining open positions ...

Treasurer

Legal Coordinator
Grants Coordinator

Note, it is critical that we find a suitable candidate for the Treasurer role before next season, preferably someone with a bookkeeping background. If you know of someone that can step up, please have them contact us via email.

Aug 28, 2013

Some details of the **Sep 7** clean up, which will count towards bond hours ...

Start time: 11:00am

Jobs include (but may not be limited to) ... paint the bleachers, bring in garbage cans, move picnic tables in, take down the snow fence, take down the signs, sweep out the dugouts, pick up garbage, take out bases.

Volunteers should bring appropriate tools for these jobs and dress for the weather and the jobs (especially painters!).

Aug 6, 2013

The Aug 9-11 year end tournament round robin schedule is ...

Please remember that, as in previous years, the Friday night games start **EARLIER**, at 6:15pm and 7:30pm.

Also please remember, if you are picking up spare players for the tournament, you **MUST** register them with the league commissioner by sending an email to info@fsmspa.ca, otherwise you risk forfeiting per the very first rule in our League Operating Guide.

Apr 23, 2013

The **Early Bird** tournament is cancelled due to the weather. We will refund the fee with the bond at the fall meeting.

The **Spring Clean Up** has been moved again and is now **May 4 at 11am**. Teams, please inform your div reps the number attending from your team.

The start of the season (previously April 29) has been delayed due to the weather. Games are now slated to start the week of **May 6th**.

The FSMSPA FUN tournament (May 24-26) registration deadline is May 13. Please sign up ASAP by contacting Alyssa. See details at link below.

Apr 13, 2013

For those at the AGM that were asking for a **Facebook** page as an alternative to Twitter, we have it. Just search for "Fort Sask Mixed Slo Pitch". It should be set up to take the Twitter notification feeds.

<p>March 14, 2013</p>	<p>The Spring Annual General Meeting (AGM) & Registration has been set for Wed March 20 2013, 7pm in the Dow Centennial Centre Lion's Mane room. All teams must have a rep in attendance. A completed team registration form must be handed in at the beginning of the AGM and the season fees must be paid by cheque at the end of the meeting. One cheque covering the combined league fee plus bond deposit is highly preferred, and the full amount will be cashed. Eligible bond refunds will be returned in the fall. If you plan to participate in the Early Bird tournament on April 27, please add \$50 to your registration fees.</p> <p>At our 2012 Fall meeting some changes to season structure were proposed in the spirit of adding more games and/or extending the season. Due to a couple of recent and key resignations from our executive, our default position at this point in time (and probably the easiest path) is to leave pretty much everything the same for the upcoming season as it was in 2012. Once we've filled these positions we can again carry change forward to future years. Still, we have a few small tweaks to our rules/guidelines which will be discussed at the AGM.</p> <p>While the 2013 budget has now been prepared. League fees have been set at \$1000 for the season. The rationale for the \$200 increase will be explained at the AGM. The bond deposit remains the same at \$400.</p> <p>2013 Dates to Remember: Spring Cleanup – April 20-27 May 4, 11am Early Bird Tournament – Cancelled FUNdraising Tournament – May 24-26 Year End Tournament – Aug 9-11</p>
<p>Mar 3, 2013</p>	<p>Here is a tournament opportunity in Kelowna on the May long weekend ... some info is posted here.</p>
<p>Feb 20, 2013</p>	<p>NEW! ... follow us on Twitter! Based on your feedback from our general meetings, we are planning to trial a notification service via Twitter. The intent is to provide you with immediate information to whichever device you choose to keep connected (e.g. directly to your smartphone). We are still working out some of the logistics, but are hopeful we can use this specifically to communicate rainouts and other timely messages. The first thing you need to do if you don't already have one, is to sign up for a twitter account and choose to follow "Fort Sask SloPitch". To turn on notifications from us, go to our Fort Sask SloPitch profile page, click on the profile button (head & shoulders silhouette) and pick "Turn on notifications".</p>
<p>Sept 25, 2012</p>	<p>The Fall meeting was held Monday September 24. For those teams that did not yet receive their bond refunds, as per our policy you have 30 days to claim them, otherwise they will be forfeited to the</p>

general league funds. Please contact Stephen Crane, 998-9842, to make arrangements to pick up your cheque **BEFORE October 24.**

Sept 18,2012

The final bond program numbers have been posted – see Bond Program link on the left, or [click here](#).

Sept 8, 2012

The Fall General meeting is booked for **Monday September 24, 7:30-9pm, Dow Centre, Lion's Mane Room.**

- **Bond refund cheques will be distributed at this meeting.**
- **We will be soliciting feedback on the 2012 season and looking for suggestions/ideas to work on for next year.**
- **Attendance is mandatory – all teams must have a representative in attendance!**

August 18, 2012

Hey everyone,

I would first like to thank the FSMSPA for their continued support in allowing us to raise funds for Autism Speaks by running the year end concession and Beer gardens...We had a great time and raised \$4260.00 on behalf of team STEP by STEPP for Autism Speaks....it was a huge success. Whatever Walter donated ALL of the proceeds from the Beer Gardens to my walk team this year. The concession, raffle draws, 50/50 and beer fridge draw raised \$2300.00. The Beer Gardens raised \$1900.00. The Beer fridge winner was Brenda Smith, the 50/50 winner was Wendy Whitney.

I would also like to send a HUGE thank you to all of the teams that supported us throughout the weekend. I know it's easier and more affordable to sit in the parking lot with your cooler of beer, but many of you came out and supported us regardless, helping with our fundraising efforts, I greatly appreciated it. I work with children and families who are affected by Autism, the money we raise every year goes along way in helping to fund research to hopefully someday find a cure. Come out and walk with us on September 9th at rundle park, it's a 3km walk and its a nice family based activity. You can join our team (it's free) at www.walknowforautismspeaks.org go to the Edmonton walk and look up team STEP by STEPP, that's us.

I'd appreciate any feed back from the teams, is there something that we could add next year? Could we change anything? Again this is a fundraiser so I do try to keep our costs down, but any reasonable request will be considered. The taco in a bag were a big hit this year, as well as the burgers as usual. Please feel free to email. I look forward to an even more successful fundraiser next year.

Sincerely,

Patricia Ashton

&

Whatever Walter

<p>August 13, 2012</p>	<p>Thanks to all teams that participated in the year end tournament. And thanks to team Whatever Walter for providing the beer garden and concession as a fundraiser for Autism Speaks (see above). Results have been posted (see Standings).</p> <p>There are still some bond hour opportunities, please send us an email if your team is interested in more hours.</p> <p>Please stay tuned for the announcement of the Fall General Meeting (date yet to be determined).</p>
<p>July 21, 2012</p>	<p>Year End Tournament Spare Player List – at the fall and spring meetings a need was identified to have a list of spare players at the year end tournament. Any teams NOT participating in the tournament that have players that want to be on this list, or even teams participating that have extra spares not playing who would like to, please submit their names along with the team name and a reliable phone number (preferably cell) to info@fsmspa.ca. While it is possible these spares may be called upon before the tournament weekend to fill in for teams that are short, they must also be prepared to step in at a moments notice any time during the tournament weekend, as the need we are trying to fill here is for teams that suffer injuries and are short (which was the case last year).</p>
<p>June 7, 2012</p>	<p>More specific bond hour opportunities ... please contact the league if you are able to help ...</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Fill the shale boxes with shale from the pile behind the shed. · Trimming - bring your gas powered (preferred) or battery powered weed-eaters and destroy some weeds along fences & structures (where the lawnmower doesn't reach).
<p>June 7, 2012</p>	<p>The team standings at the end of May were checked to determine any inter-divisional moves. It was decided that in most cases we didn't have enough data to be comfortable making the judgment, so we will wait 1 or 2 more weeks to decide those.</p> <p>However, one team was moved from div MW2 to MW1. This has resulted in a number of changes to these schedules. Div reps will be distributing the new schedules for each team and the overall updated division schedules have been posted on our Schedules page. Please see MW1 and MW2 schedules dated June 7 or later.</p>
<p>May 27, 2012</p>	<p>The schedules have been updated for the May 22 & 23 rained out games.</p>
<p>Apr 17, 2012</p>	<p>Spring Clean Up is this Saturday April 21 2012. This is a bondable event and will start at 10:00am in the morning. If you have rakes, shovels, wheelbarrows, gloves, etc., please bring them with you as</p>

they will be needed. We will also be passing out the team packages at this event so please make sure you have a team representative there.

Mar 31 2012

The spring Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday March 28 at the Dow Centennial Centre Lions Pride room. The proposed 26 game season format did not pass the vote hurdle of 60% (came in at 55%).

We have room for a few more teams in the Tues/Thurs divisions. Mon/Wed divisions are full.

The SPN Umpire clinic will be held on Saturday April 14 at the Fort Saskatchewan Legion from 8:30am to 4:30pm. A nominal fee will be charged. For more information, please contact Larry at 780 998 5186.

Upcoming key dates ...

- April 21, Spring Clean-Up and Schedule Hand-Out Event (weather permitting)
- April 28, EarlyBird Tournament – 1 day, first 24 teams (weather permitting)
- April 30, season begins (weather permitting)
- May 25-27, FSMSPA Fundraiser Tournament – click [here](#) for details
- Aug 10-12, Year End Tournament

Feb 11 2012

The spring Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday March 28 at the Dow Centennial Centre Lions Pride room. Start time is 7:00pm sharp. All teams must have a representative in attendance – this is a bondable event. There are a few issues to follow up from last season as well as new decisions to be made for 2012.

New teams are welcome (recreational teams only please). If we have more teams than spots, we will apply a lottery to determine which teams are accepted.

A one page registration form needs to be completed for each team before the meeting starts, so please come early (should take less than 10 minutes to complete and hand in), or click [here](#) to get a copy of the form which you can print and complete before the meeting.

Team fee payment to follow at the end of the meeting – please come

prepared to pay up to \$1500 per team (one cheque preferred) to cover \$1050 season fees (read below) + \$400 performance bond + \$50 EarlyBird fee (if participating).

Division numbers must balance, and if more teams want a particular night than numbers allow, returning teams wanting the same nights as last year are placed first, returning teams wanting to change the nights get next choice (if more than available this will be done by a lottery of those teams), and then new teams (again by lottery if too many). Division placement for each set of nights will be done based on caliber first, while trying to manage team preferences second.

The SPN Umpire clinic will be held on Saturday April 14 at the Fort Saskatchewan Legion from 8:30am to 4:30pm. A nominal fee will be charged. For more information, please contact Larry at 780 998 5186.

Key dates for 2012 ...

- March 28, Spring AGM, 8pm at Dow Centre Lions Pride
- April 14, SPN Umpire Clinic, 8:30am at Legion
- April 21, Spring Clean-Up and Schedule Hand-Out Event (weather permitting)
- April 28, EarlyBird Tournament – 1 day, first 24 teams (weather permitting)
- April 30, season begins (weather permitting)
- May 25-27, FSMSPA Fundraiser Tournament – click [here](#) for details
- Aug 10-12, Year End Tournament

Important League format proposal to be decided at the AGM:

Proposed: To change to a 26 game schedule over 13 weeks, to be structured as follows ...

1. Cost of this format will increase to \$1050 (approx 30% increase for 30% more games)
2. Every team plays twice a week for nominally 13 weeks on their scheduled nights (M&W or T&T)
3. MW schedule will need to be extended due to holidays (Victoria Day, Canada Day, August Civic)
 - we may choose to give TT teams a one night break aligned with the MW stat holiday breaks, which would

extend both schedules equally

4. There will be no game reschedules:

- **all games canceled due to weather will be scored as a 0-0 tie**
- **all games where teams cannot meet the minimum 9 players will be counted as forfeits**
- **forfeit fines will be levied on an escalating scale per forfeit, with the first one being a freebie (only if communicated in advance per League Operating Guidelines), second \$25, third \$50, fourth \$75, etc.**

5. There will be two division realignments of teams, one at the end of May and the other at end of June

6. Some teams may not get their preferred nights or division in order to properly balance the number of teams in each division (this may happen regardless of the acceptance of this proposal)

7. We can accept up to 48 teams, which means every diamond could be fully utilized every night (including 4 & 6)

8. Year End Tournament seeding will be based on season performance of the participating teams in order to balance tournament pool numbers

Aug 25, 2011

The Fall General meeting is booked for **Wednesday September 28, 7-9pm, Dow Centre, Lion's Pride Room.**

- **Bond refund cheques will be distributed at this meeting.**
- **We will also be soliciting feedback on the 2011 season and looking for suggestions/ideas to work on for next year.**

Attendance is mandatory – all teams must have a representative in attendance!

Aug 16, 2011

Thanks to all teams who participated in the year end tournament. Results are posted on the standings page.

The following is a message from Whatever Walter ...

A huge THANK YOU, to the FSMSPA league as well as all the teams, and everyone else who supported us again this year with our Autism Speaks fundraiser. It was a very successful weekend with a total of \$2516.00 donated to Autism research and the burgers were amazing!! The concession/prizes raised

\$2043.00 with Whatever Walter donating half of the Beer sales (\$473.00) brought us up to the \$2516.00.

Also a big thank you to everyone who helped with running the concession especially my kids Erin and Kayla, Erin's friend Maddi and my Cousin Brenna who all worked the concession all day and then got up and did it again on Sunday so we could play ball. The concession made \$1770.00. The girls donated any tips they received \$109.00, the 50/50 draw brought in another \$164.50 with the other half going to Dory Reich from Camel towing. The door prizes were a great fun addition this year with Maddi Darda winning the jean purse and the backpack, Samantha Weber won the lamp, Brian Bird won the platter, Cindy Campbell won the RV mat, T.O.D Filipek won the Golf Shirts, Jamie Marouelli won the Scentsy burner as well as the Oilers apron and Jacob McIntosh won the golf bag!

We look forward to next year and having even more prizes and just as much fun!!!

Vince and Patricia Ashton and WHATEVER WALTER

Aug 10, 2011

Access to the diamonds via Point Aux Pins road is open again, however, there is a new route via a new road (this is the road at the south most traffic light on highway 21).

Aug 2, 2011

The updated bond hour tally for each team based on hours logged can be viewed by clicking [here](#).

July 16, 2011

We are planning a small work event at the diamonds on July 23 starting at 10am to complete a number of little projects. If your team is looking for more volunteer hours, please RSVP how many can attend via your div reps.

June 29, 2011

Playground Update: the city has asked us to remove the playground due to safety concerns and has offered to help us procure a grant for a certified playground system.

June 21, 2011

We have a few bond hour opportunities. Any teams that are looking for more bond hours please email the league (info@fsmspa.ca) and someone will contact you to coordinate the activity.

June 20, 2011

More changes to the schedules for more rainouts and a few more reschedule requests. Please see schedule versions dated June 20 or later.

June 18, 2011

There have been a number of changes that have impacted all schedules due to ...

- **reschedule requests from teams (well in advance of the original date)**
- **Slammers and Landscaping Co swapping divisions as part of the mid-season realignment**

- Helical Hurricanes folding as of mid June, resulting in adjustments so that each of the remaining MW3 teams still have 20 games
- June 16 rainouts.

Please see schedule versions dated June 18 or later.

<p>June 16, 2011</p>	<p>Over the last few years, the Jugsluggers team has volunteered to help out at the annual Fort Sask Canada Day pancake breakfast at the Legion. They are not able to do it this year. If any teams or individuals want to volunteer to support this event, please email the league ASAP.</p> <p>The mid season team adjustments were decided at an exec meeting last night. This will result in some schedule changes. The intent is to have this in place for week 8 (week of June 20). The affected teams will be notified ASAP once the scheduling has been re-balanced.</p>
<p>June 3, 2011</p>	<p>As of today, June 3, the normal access via Pointe Aux Pins road to the Dow diamonds is CLOSED for about 2 weeks. The detour is via township road 542 (about 2 km south of the Fort) – these are gravel roads with low speed limits. Also, be wary of gravel trucks on these roads. Please give yourself 10-15 minutes extra time to get to your games! For a detour map, please click here.</p>
<p>June 2, 2011</p>	<p>The tournament that we had planned for June 11-12 is CANCELLED due to not enough teams.</p>
<p>June 1, 2011</p>	<p>The work event tentatively planned for June 4 has been CANCELLED indefinitely.</p>
<p>May 26, 2011</p>	<p>Rained out games from May 25 have been rescheduled for the MW divs – please see schedules dated May 26 or later.</p>
<p>May 7, 2011</p>	<p>LOST: pair of black Fendi sunglasses, left on diamond #3 during the early bird tournament. Please email info@fsmspa.ca if anyone has found them.</p>
<p>Apr 24, 2011</p>	<p>Schedules for the Sun May 1 Earlybird and for the season can be accessed from the Schedules page.</p>
<p>Apr 17, 2011</p>	<p>The schedule handout and spring work event has been rescheduled Sat April 30, and the work will be scaled down as we do not expect to be able to get any heavy equipment in for our larger ticket items.</p> <p>Weather permitting, we would then run the Earlybird tournament on Sun May 1 – we will be confirming this with every team that has signed up for the Earlybird as we get closer.</p> <p>The season schedules are currently being made up – the intent is to</p>

post them on the web about a week before the season starts rather than making teams wait until April 30, since the games are still scheduled to begin May 2. One other note about the scheduling, there are 3 divisions with only 5 teams – these are MW1, TT1 and TT2. To help increase the variety of teams to play for these divisions, 6 of the 20 games will be inter-divisional between divs 1 & 2 for both M/W and T/T.

Here are some work event details from our project manager ...

BASED ON THE WEATHER AND THE SPRING MELT OUR APRIL 16 CLEANUP AND SEASON PREP WAS POSTPONED AND WILL BE BROKEN INTO TWO CLEANUPS. THE FIRST ONE WILL BE "MINOR" AND THE SECOND ONE PLANNED FOR SATURDAY MAY 14, 2011 AND IS CONSIDERED "MAJOR" WHERE WE HAVE SCHEDULED TO BRING IN SHALE, BLACK DIRT, BOB CAT, QUADS, ETC. THIS DATE IS TENTATIVE DEPENDENT ON SHALE DELIVERY.

FIRST CLEAN UP – SATURDAY APRIL 30, 2011 (10am) – MINOR – 2 people/team REQUIRED

SECOND CLEANUP – SATURDAY MAY 14 Tentative - dependent on Shale delivery - MAJOR – 3 people/team REQUIRED

WE ARE ASKING FOR 2 PEOPLE FROM EACH TEAM IN THE LEAGUE FOR APRIL 30th WHICH SHOULD GIVE US 80 PEOPLE FOR APPROX 1/2 A DAY.

The div reps are contacting teams to confirm that people will attend as the success of the weekend is dependent on 2 people/team showing. Div reps also need to confirm equipment being brought by volunteers. **Teams, please respond to your div reps with this information.**

VOLUNTEERS SHOULD PLAN TO BE AT THE DIAMONDS FROM 10am – 3pm MINIMUM. DRESS FOR AN ALBERTA SPRING AND IN THIS YEARS CASE A 10 MONTH WINTER. BRING FOOD IF YOU CHOOSE, BUT WE WOULD LIKE ALL VOLUNTEERS TO STAY AT THE DIAMONDS UNTIL THE WORK IS COMPLETE.

Ensure the volunteers see our bond coordinator, Gayle Harris, to make sure their bond time is signed in and signed out AFTER the work is complete.

EQUIPMENT REQUIRED

Landscape rakes

Rakes

Shovels

Edgers

Brooms

Hammers

Wheel Barrows

Carpentry Tools (there may be some carpentry work but this is less urgent and only tentative for April 30)

Mar 6, 2011

It's getting to be that time again ...

The Spring Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Registration night is Tuesday March 22 2011 at the Dow Centennial Centre Lions Mane Room. Start time is 7:00pm sharp – please be there on time.

- ⇒ **This is a bondable event – it is mandatory that all teams have a rep in attendance.**
- ⇒ **Fees remain the same as last year, \$800 per team for regular season plus year end tournament.**
- ⇒ **A \$400 bond is also required and will be cashed with the fees. The bond program will be managed the same as previous years – basically if you meet your bond requirements, you will get the bond back at the end of the season.**
- ⇒ **It is easier for the league if you combine your fees and bond into one cheque.**
- ⇒ **The regular season games will commence the week of May 2. The year end tournament will be August 12-14. Earlybird tournament is April 30 – May 1.**

Before the meeting starts, teams must specify on the appropriate sign up sheet:

- **Team name.**
- **A reliable primary contact name & phone number, AND a reliable alternate contact name & number.**
- **Preferred playing nights – Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs (note, in order to balance divisions, this is not guaranteed).**
- **Division that you expect to be most competitive in (nominally where you were last year, unless you dominated or lost badly).**
- **If intending to participate in the Earlybird, sign-up and pay the \$50 fee in addition to your league fees and bond.**

Payment of fees and bond will follow the general meeting.

New teams and players welcome! All you need to do is have a team rep attend the AGM to register your team and pay your fees & bond. We are also looking to start a Masters Division (say 45+), and welcome teams that fit that category to help us kick it off.

Please note, we will have a cap of 40 teams max. There are still lots of vacancies, however, if we get more than 40, new teams may be

subject to a lottery for entry into the league.

Umpires needed for 2011! The yearly SPN umpire clinic is planned for April 9 2011 at the Legion, beginning with registration at 8:00am and going to about 4:00pm. Clinic fee is yet to be determined (2010 fee was \$65). Lunch will be provided and you will get carded as an SPN umpire. For further details, please call Larry at 780-998-5186.

Sep 29, 2010

The Fall meeting was held Tuesday September 28. For those teams that did not receive their bond refunds, as per our policy you have **30 days** to claim them, otherwise they will be forfeited to the general league funds. Please contact Stephen Crane, 998-9842, to make arrangements to pick up your cheque **BEFORE October 28**.

Sep 9, 2010

The Fall meeting is confirmed for **Tuesday September 28, 7pm**, Dow Centre, Lion's Mane Room.

- Bond refund cheques will be distributed at this meeting.
- We will also be soliciting feedback on the 2010 season and looking for suggestions/ideas to work on over the winter for 2011.

Attendance is mandatory – all teams must have a representative in attendance!

Aug 16, 2010

The year end tournament results can be accessed via the Standings page.

Thank-you for supporting the tournament concession which was organized and run by “STEP by STEPP” and “WHATEVER WALTER” in their efforts to raise funds for AUTISM RESEARCH.

Aug 7, 2010

FOUND: A ball glove on diamond 3 Thursday August 5 (this has been claimed).

FOUND: A ladies ring on Wednesday August 4.

FOUND: A single cleat in the parking lot on Thursday July 29.

LOST: Brown Spalding left handed ball glove roughly beginning of June.

If you have any information on the above, please email the league at info@fsmspa.ca and include definitive descriptions to identify the found items as yours.

May 25, 2010

Postponed games from May 20 have been rescheduled. Please check TT-1/TT-2 and TT-3 schedules dated May 25 or later.

May 7, 2010

Postponed games from week 1 have been rescheduled – this impacts ALL divisions. In addition to the rescheduled games, there

are a few other changes to accommodate the moves. Please check schedules dated May 7 or later.

Apr 30, 2010

The Early Bird schedule is **REVISED** due to some teams dropping out – click [here](#).

Apr 24, 2010

A huge thanks to all the volunteers at today's work event – the turnout was overwhelming and the results were fabulous. Thanks for your patience while the executive scrambled to coordinate the activities with a much larger group than expected. With all the help, it did not take long to get it all done, and as such there will be NO further work required on April 25th.

Note: Some teams did not pick up their schedules. Team reps please make arrangements to get them by emailing info@fsmspa.ca.

Same goes for teams that did not receive a rule book, score pad or SPN roster form.

Mar 24, 2010

Masters Division. Anyone interested in starting up a Masters Division to play at the Dow Centennial Diamonds? Depending on turnout, there may only be enough players to put one team in one of the lower Divisions. This should give us an idea as to interest to start up for next year. Masters players will be considered members of the Fort Saskatchewan Mixed Slo-Pitch Association subject to the same rules and operating guidelines. If interested, please email us at info@fsmspa.ca.

Mar 24, 2010

Umpire clinic, Saturday April 24, 8:30am, Fort Legion, \$65 – **new umpires urgently needed!**

Early Bird Tournament, May 1-2, \$50/team, 3 games, just for fun!
Entry deadline April 15th, firm.

Masters Division. Anyone interested in starting up a Masters Division to play at the Dow Centennial Diamonds? Depending on turnout, there may only be enough players to put one team in one of the lower Divisions. This should give us an idea as to interest to start up for next year. Masters players will be considered members of the Fort Saskatchewan Mixed Slo-Pitch Association subject to the same rules and operating guidelines. If interested, please email us at info@fsmspa.ca.

SCHEDULE HAND-OUT AND SPRING CLEANING BONDABLE WORK EVENT:

Please confirm your team's attendance (include numbers and tools bringing) with your div reps, or email info@fsmspa.ca.

DAY: APRIL 24 – 25, 2010

TIME: 10AM SHARP

MEET: AT THE BEER GARDENS SHELTER

- Dress for the weather
- Bring your own gloves
- Bring your own water
- Bring food if you choose
- Plan for a full day
- Its April in Alberta, plan to deal with blazing heat, rain, snow, hail, wind either all at the same time or throughout the day.

Schedules, rule books, roster forms to be handed out at the end of day.

PREPARING THE DIAMONDS/GROUNDS FOR PLAY

- Finish grading the shale
- Edge the shale
- Pick up garbage in fields
- Pick up garbage around grounds
- Sweep out dugouts
- Install hooks in all dugouts
- Install bases and home plates
- Foul lines
- Weed eaters – edge of fences

EQUIPMENT LIST (mark your tools)

- RAKES – PREFERRABLY LANDSCAPING RAKES
- EDGERS
- WHEEL BARROWS
- QUADS & QUAD TRAILERS (coordinate these with the league)
- PUSH BROOMS / DUST PANS
- Teams are strongly encouraged pool their resources and bring their own equipment as much as possible. The league has very limited tools available.

PEOPLE

- 45 people are needed. Kids are a great addition to the day and the work but kids are an addition the 45 we need out there (minimum age for working and counting bond hours is 14).

Feb 28, 2010

It's almost time ... !

The Spring Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Registration night is

Monday March 22 2010 at the Dow Centennial Centre Lions Mane Room. Start time is 6:30pm sharp – please be there on time.

- ⇒ This is a bondable event – all teams must have a rep in attendance.
- ⇒ Fees remain the same as last year, \$800 per team for an 18 game season plus tournament.
- ⇒ A \$400 bond is also required and will be cashed with the fees. The bond program will be managed the same as last year – basically if you meet your bond requirements, you will get the bond back at the end of the season.
- ⇒ It is easier for the league if you combine your fees and bond into one cheque.
- ⇒ The regular season games will commence the week of May 3. The year end tournament will be August 13-15.

At registration, teams must pay their fees & bond and specify:

- Team name.
- A reliable primary contact name & phone number, **AND** a reliable alternate contact name & number.
- Preferred playing nights – Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs.
- Division that you expect to be most competitive in (nominally where you were last year, unless you dominated or lost badly).

New teams and players welcome! All you need to do is have a team rep attend the AGM to register your team and pay your fees & bond. FYI ... games start at 6:30pm and 8:00pm on either Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs. We are affiliated with Slo-Pitch National (SPN) and play SPN rules, coed, 6&4 format.

Feb 20, 2010

Information for a Canadian Cancer Society charity tournament in Morinville June 4-6 can be found by clicking [here](#).

Jan 31, 2010

General info for (new) teams:

Team registration at our Annual General Meeting (AGM) normally occurs at the end of March or early April – it is typically advertised in the Fort Record a few weeks ahead, as well as being announced on this website. We are pleased to accept new teams into our association.

The 2010 fees have not been set yet. Last year the fees were \$800 per team plus a \$300 performance bond, which got you an 18 game schedule plus a weekend tournament at the end (normally the weekend following the August long weekend). As long as you meet your team's bond requirements, you will get the bond back in the fall.

The season normally runs from the start of May to mid August,

about 15 or 16 weeks. Games start at 6:30pm and 8:00pm and teams play on either Mon&Wed or Tues&Thurs. Teams are placed into divisions (as best we can) based on caliber. We are affiliated with Slo-Pitch National (SPN) and play SPN rules, although we use a mat for calling balls and strikes. Format is 6&4. Males get 2nd base on any count of 4 balls if followed by a female, and then the female has to bat. No new innings after 1hr 10min. 7 runs per inning limit except the 7th inning only is unlimited.

Oct 8, 2009

The Fall meeting was held **Tuesday October 6** at the Dow Centre. A number of teams were not present to receive their bond refunds. As per the bond policy, teams have 30 days to pick up their refund cheques from our treasurer, Stephen Crane (phone 998-9842), otherwise the refund will be forfeited to the association general funds.

Sep 30, 2009

The 2009 bond hour tally has been finalized. Results can be viewed by clicking [here](#).

Sep 17, 2009

The work event for **Sat Sept 19** has been **CANCELLED**.

Aug 23, 2009

The Fall meeting is confirmed for **Tuesday October 6, 7pm**, Dow Centre, Lion's Pride Room.

- Bond refund cheques will be distributed at this meeting.
- We will also be soliciting feedback on the 2009 season and looking for suggestions/ideas to work on over the winter for 2010.

Attendance is mandatory – all teams must have a representative in attendance!

Aug 10, 2009

Congratulations to all teams that participated in the year end tournament – the feedback this year was quite positive!

The year end tournament results are posted – please follow the link on the Standings page. The winning ticket for the Easton bat draw was **#541311** and was claimed by a member of Scared Hitless. Thanks for your support!

A number of items were found during the tournament weekend ... please email to claim them ...

- Ladies ring found first thing Saturday morning on diamond #5
- Cleats (perhaps size 6) found at the end of the day Saturday behind diamond #6
- Bat found Saturday behind diamond #5
- A hooded jacket found at diamond #3 late Sunday afternoon
- A ball glove

A couple of ball hats

July 28, 2009

There is still much work to be done on the dugout and shed re-siding projects. In addition, we have ordered 7 truck loads of new shale for September. We need lots of help to get this all done! There is more work here than there is bond money to pay someone to do it. All volunteer hours will contribute to your team's bond tally. Let's all take pride in improving the facility that we all use and enjoy. Teams must coordinate volunteer times and the number of people with the executive - please email. The time commitment must be more than 1 hour (it is not worth it otherwise).

Dugouts:

- In August, there are only weekdays and/or weeknights available due to tournaments on the weekends.
- For installing the sheet metal siding on the dugouts, gloves are a must due to the very sharp edges! Please bring a good pair of leather gloves, safety glasses, power drills/screwdrivers (cordless with an extra battery & charger is best) and step ladders ... and lots of drinking WATER if it is hot! Another useful item is a 3/8" hex head driver bit for a drill – the siding panels are secured with #14 (3/8" hex head) sheet metal screws.

Shale:

- We expect to have the city use their big equipment to do the rough grading of the shale, but we will need to finish off the grade manually.
- Tools for this will include gloves, shovels, wheel barrels & landscape rakes.
- Lawn tractors and/or quads for pulling drags would be an asset as well.
- Dates for this activity will be communicated later after the rough grade is done, but likely weekends in September.

Bond Refunds will be distrub:

- These will be distributed at the Fall meeting, **Tuesday October 6.**

THANKS!

July 20, 2009

If you have not done so already, please inform your div rep ASAP if your team will or will not be participating in the year end tournament to be held on the weekend of August 7-9. If you commit to participate and your team does not show, you forfeit your bond.

July 2, 2009

Bondable work events are planned for the weekends of July 11/12 & 18/19 & 25/26 at the diamonds. In order to better organize this effort, teams need to advise their div reps on what day(s) they are available to work on and the number of people on each day. The primary project is to re-do the dugouts with metal siding.

<p>June 19, 2009</p>	<p>The mid-season team adjustments have now been made. This directly affects AA Bound, Big Things and Fort Legion. All the changes are specifically highlighted – see the new schedules dated June 19 or later. This impacts Div’s MW-1 & MW-2 and TT-2 & TT-3. For Div’s TT-2 and TT-3 this affects all teams to some degree – please check the new schedules carefully for the changes. In addition, there are some other rescheduled games in Div MW-2.</p> <p>You should get confirmation of all these changes from your Div Rep’s by Sunday June 21 since these changes take effect as early as Monday June 22. If not, or if there are any discrepancies, please notify us immediately by email.</p> <p>Player of the Game Note: At the spring meeting it was communicated that we would provide a coupon or gift certificate to a local restaurant or pub to each player of the game. We have not been able to acquire these nearly on the level we had hoped, so as you may have guessed by now, we will not be doing it as such this year. Still, we ask all teams to continue with the positive practice of selecting a player of the game.</p>
<p>May 21, 2009</p>	<p>The postponed games from May 19 have been rescheduled for Divs TT-1, TT-2 & TT-3. Please note again that in order to set up some double-headers for the make up games, the game times for other teams have changed. Please check the schedules dated May 21 or later carefully.</p>
<p>May 18, 2009</p>	<p>The postponed games from May 12 have been rescheduled for Divs TT-1, TT-2 & TT-3. Please note that in order to set up some double-headers for the make up games, the game times for other teams have changed. Please check the schedules dated May 18 or later carefully.</p>
<p>May 2, 2009</p>	<p>FOUND: Prescription glasses on Monday April 27 at the diamonds. Please email if they are yours.</p>
<p>Reminders:</p>	<p>Please complete all score sheets fully, starting with TEAM NAMES. Also at the top – division, date, time & diamond. At the bottom, winning team, score and signatures. THANKS!</p> <p>It is the HOME team’s responsibility to ensure the score sheet is fully completed and submitted to the umpire at the end of the game. It is the VISITING team’s responsibility to drag the shale infield following the last game of the evening. Please encourage one another to get these jobs done so that we can keep the league and playing field in good operating condition. THANKS AGAIN!</p>
<p>April 28, 2009</p>	<p>There will be a work event this Saturday May 2 at the diamonds, starting at 9am. Some people will be needed to rebuild the fallen dugout on diamond #2 (those with some construction skill are</p>

preferred), as well as people are still needed for general clean up and maintenance.

Thanks to all those that volunteered their time following the schedule hand-out. The turn out was great!

Apr 26, 2009

Despite the current weather, the schedule hand-out on Monday April 27 is still ON. Since teams must attend this regardless to get their schedules, the decision to proceed with the planned work event after the schedule hand-out will be made at that time and will depend on the condition of the site.

Apr 10, 2009

There will be a work event following the schedule handout for general facility clean up and diamond maintenance. Please bring square edging shovels, landscape type rakes and gloves. Time put in for this will contribute to your team's bond hours.

Mar 28, 2009

The schedule handout will be at our diamond facility on **Monday April 27 2009, 6:30pm.**

- ⇒ This is a bondable event – all teams must attend.
- ⇒ Meet and get to know your div reps.
- ⇒ Work event to follow handout.

Umpires Needed! If you are interested in becoming an SPN umpire, please contact Larry at 780-998-5186. Deadline for this is April 20.

Mar 8, 2009

The Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Registration night is **CONFIRMED** for **Wednesday March 25 2009** at the **Dow Centennial Centre Lions Mane Room**. Start time is **6:30pm sharp** – please be there on time.

- ⇒ This is a bondable event – all teams must attend.
- ⇒ Fees remain the same as last year, \$800 per team for an 18 game season plus tournament.
- ⇒ A \$300 bond is also required and will be cashed with the fees. The bond program will be managed the same as last year – basically if you meet your bond requirements, you will get the bond back at the end of the season.
- ⇒ It is easier for the league if you combine your fees and bond into one cheque.
- ⇒ Teams are again requested to supply the e-mail addresses of ALL team members. Rather than bringing a hard copy to the meeting, teams are asked to send the list electronically. The purpose is better communication to more people, especially for bondable work events, via a mass distribution list.
- ⇒ The regular season games will commence the week of May 4 and go to July 30. The year end tournament will be August 7-9.
- ⇒ Changes to the season format will be presented at the

meeting.

At registration, teams must pay their fees & bond and specify:

- Team name (please keep it clean!).
- A reliable primary contact name & phone number, **AND** a reliable alternate contact name & number.
- Preferred playing nights – Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs.
- Division that you expect to be most competitive in (nominally where you were last year, unless you dominated or lost badly).

New teams and players welcome! All teams need to do is have a rep attend the AGM to register your team and pay your fees & bond. FYI ... games start at 6:30pm and 8:00pm on either Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs, depending on your division. We are affiliated with Slo-Pitch National (SPN) and play SPN rules, coed, 6&4 format.

Oct 25, 2008

Bond Refunds: Bond refund cheques were distributed at the Fall meeting on October 21. A few teams did not attend to receive their cheques. Please recall that as per the original spring communication for the bond policy, if the refund cheques are not picked up by the teams within 30 days following the Fall meeting – so by Nov 21, 2008 – the bond money will be assigned to the general league fund and the cheques will be canceled.

The additional bond hour projects did not happen this fall. The grant money we were waiting for finally came in but it was later than expected and we only got half of what we requested. So since there were insufficient bond work opportunities, the executive has decided that all teams will be given their full bond back (minus any fines already incurred). We thank those that were able to put in some hours for the league in 2008 – all hours recorded in 2008 will be carried over to next year.

Aug 11, 2008

The 2008 year end tournament results are posted. Go to the Standings page and click on the “Year End Tournament” link.

July 30, 2008

Bond Hours Update: There have been few bond work events this year, mainly because we had been expecting grant money to fund some projects but the grants have not yet gone through (the grant approvers keep delaying the decision). We are still hopeful we can have this in place for September projects, and any work opportunities will be communicated at that time.

Fall Meeting and Bond Refunds: The fall meeting will be delayed this year with the hope that we can provide some more bond work opportunities as noted above, allowing all teams a fair chance to recoup their bond. Bond refund cheques will be distributed at the fall meeting.

	<p>Playoff Tournament August 8-10: The schedule for the tournament is currently being drawn up and will be communicated when finalized.</p> <p>We are still in need of a team (or group of individuals) that would be interested in running the beer gardens for the playoff weekend (note, all proceeds go to whomever runs it) – please contact the league immediately as time is running out.</p>
July 19, 2008	Missing score sheet ... Thursday Jul 17 6:30PM Diamond 1, Angry Pirates & TBA. Please email with results.
July 7, 2008	Bond hour work opportunity – Sat July 12, 9am – maintenance on the diamonds. Please bring flat rakes to rake out the shale “hump” along the edge of the infield grass.
June 29, 2008	Playoff Tournament August 8-10: All teams, please let your div rep know ASAP if you are in or out of the league playoff tournament. We expect the format will be somewhat similar to last year in that there will be a mix of the divisions. The deadline for your reply is July 25. This is bondable – any teams that fail to reply by the deadline or commit and then forfeit, will lose some portion of their bond deposit.
June 5, 2008	Found Glove: Found at the diamonds after the games on Monday June 2. Appears to be a child’s ball glove. Please email if it belongs to you.
June 1, 2008	Missing score sheet: Tuesday, May 20, 6:30 PM, Diamond 3, The Righteous 62's & Pacers. If anyone has the completed game sheet please submit it to the mail slot at the shed and email. The 62’s were the home team (see note below).
May 24, 2008	The rained out games from Wed May 21 and Thurs May 22 have been rescheduled, many of them as double-headers. Please note that some already scheduled games have changed diamonds to accommodate the double-headers. Please check the Schedules pages. Team reps should also get a confirmation call from their div reps regarding these changes.
May 16, 2008	Lost Glove: May 6, 6:30 PM game on Diamond 2. It is a light brown Rawlings glove on the Third base dugout side. Please email if you found it.
May 9, 2008	REMINDER: Please ensure all rosters are submitted to the mail slot in the shed by your second game. Failure to do so will result in the team being suspended from play until the roster is received by the league. These forms are required to protect YOUR team in the event of any claims. As of week 1, we have received 15 of 38 forms – please keep them coming in!

<p>April 30, 2008</p>	<p>Since all teams attended the schedule pick up (good job!), the schedules are now posted on the Schedules page. If there are any discrepancies or issues with the schedule, please contact the league immediately. Good luck and have fun!</p>
<p>April 29, 2008</p>	<p>Bond hour work opportunity – re-construction of the damaged dug out on Diamond #2. Sat May 3 & Sun May 4, 10am both days. Bring “handy-man” skills and building construction tools such as hammers, saws, pry bars, personal protective equipment, etc.</p>
<p>April 27, 2008</p>	<p>UPDATED plan for Tuesday April 29 ... schedule hand out <u>STILL ON</u>, work event <u>CANCELLED</u>.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ The league schedule hand-out for Tuesday April 29, 6:30pm at the Dow diamonds, is STILL ON. At least one team rep must attend, as this will be a bondable event. There will also be a very short meeting, as there is one outstanding item of business that the league needs to address. ⇒ The work event has been CANCELLED because the diamonds are still too snowy & wet to get the pre-work preparations completed on time. ⇒ The start of the season is still the week of May 5. The playoff tournament is still August 8-10.
<p>March 25, 2008</p>	<p>The league schedule hand-out will be Tuesday April 22 at the Dow diamonds, 6:30pm. Meet your division rep. This will be followed by a bondable work event to get the diamonds groomed and ready for playing. Each team is requested to bring a few members with flat shovels, edgers and rakes for this purpose.</p> <p>The league games will commence the week of April 28 and go to July 31. The playoff tournament will be August 8-10.</p> <p>An SPN Umpire Clinic will be held Saturday April 12 at the Fort Sask Legion, 8:30am-4:30pm. Fee is \$65 which gets you SPN certification, umpire cap and rulebook. Please phone 998-5186 to pre-register. The number of umpires has been dropping over recent years – if you are interested, please come out and get carded.</p>
<p>March 9,2008</p>	<p>An executive meeting was held on March 6 to prepare for the Spring Annual General Meeting (AGM) and upcoming season.</p> <p>The AGM and Registration night will be held Tuesday March 25 at the Union Hall, 8302 113 Street in the Fort Sask Industrial Park. Start time is 6:30pm sharp – please be there on time. New teams and players welcome! This is a bondable event – all teams must attend.</p> <p>As a result of feedback at the Fall meeting on the 2007 season, there will be some changes to the league in 2008:</p>

- ⇒ Fees are \$800/team for an 18 game season plus playoffs (this is a compromise to bring the 14 & 21 divisions back together for hopefully better parity). We will still have the set nights – Mon/Wed & Tues/Thurs.
- ⇒ A \$300 bond is also required and will be cashed with the fees. Details on how the bond program will be managed this year will be communicated at the AGM – basically if you meet your bond requirements, you will get the bond back at the end of the season. It would be easier for the league if you combine your fees and bond into one cheque.
- ⇒ Teams are requested to bring a list of the e-mail addresses of ALL team members for a mass distribution list. The purpose is better communication to more people, especially for bondable work events.
- ⇒ The league games will commence the week of April 28 and go to July 31. The playoff tournament will be August 8-10.

At registration, teams must pay their fees and specify:

- Team name (please keep it clean!).
- A reliable primary contact name & phone number, AND a reliable alternate contact name & number.
- Preferred playing nights – Mon/Wed or Tues/Thurs.
- Division that you expect to be most competitive in (nominally where you were last year, unless you dominated or lost badly).
- And the new request this year, a list of E-mail addresses for all of your team members.

Offseason Notes

The sign sales for the 2007 season were non-existent, zero! Selling signs raises money for the league, and for you and/or your team, and allows us to maintain and improve our facility – please help us! For more information click on the [Advertising Opportunities](#) link.

Aug 29, 2007

The Fall General meeting will be held on Wed Sep 12, 6:30pm, at the Union Hall, 8302 - 113 Street in the Fort Sask Industrial Park. All teams are expected to be at this meeting – it will be another bondable event, and all teams must have a representative in attendance!

Over the last few years the number of umpires has been decreasing, to the point where we all may face some tough options on how to manage this. We will need to recruit individuals interested in umpiring (and making some money while doing it). Please consider this during the off-season and look for certification clinics in the spring.

Aug 13, 2007

The 2007 playoff tournament results are posted. Go to the Standings page and click on the Playoff Results link.

Thank-you to all that participated in this year's playoffs. The feedback on the format was generally positive, although there were a few exceptions. Special thanks to Dave Ansell of the Jugsluggers for managing the diamond maintenance over the weekend with help from his family and Jenna.

Aug 8, 2007

The playoff draw has been posted. See the Schedules page, and click on the Playoff links. The final standings have been revised for Div 14-2 due to an error.

July 30, 2007

A big **THANK-YOU** to all the volunteers that made the Alberta Summer games a tremendous success this past weekend. Special thanks to our league president Norm Ziegeman who almost single handedly did all the diamond prep work, including watering every and all day!

July 24, 2007

All teams must confirm participation in the playoffs to their div reps as soon as possible. Any teams not participating will forfeit their performance bond if they have not informed their div rep. The deadline for this is July 31. Div reps either have already or should be contacting all teams this week, but if anyone has been missed, either tell your div rep directly or inform the league via other means.

July 19, 2007

This was found: Lost glove – a beige/tan Mizuno glove was lost at the Monday July 16 6:30pm game on diamond 2. If anyone has found it, please call Richard at 919-6039.

July 16, 2007

Volunteers are still needed to perform various jobs at the diamonds. The league wants to provide ample opportunity for teams that are short on bond volunteer hours to recoup them. Currently there is a watering and clean-up program ongoing to prepare diamonds for the Alberta Seniors games. There will still be jobs to do after the games, but preparations for these games are a priority now. The watering requires about 2-3 people at a time – shift workers are ideal as it needs to be managed through the day, and bringing a quad is an asset – training will be provided. As for other jobs, it is likely something that could be done after a game while you have your team already at the facility. All these volunteer work projects must be coordinated through our league president, Norm. He can be contacted at 998-1184.

July 2, 2007

Div 14-1 schedule changes ... the cancelled games on July 2 have been rescheduled. This again impacts the game on July 18 between Tyco Hustlers & Slammers – it has been moved **back** to 8:00pm. See schedule dated July 2 or later.

Div 21-2 schedule changes ... the cancelled games on July 2 have been rescheduled. This also impacts the game on July 23 between Canadian Tire & Silverstreaks – it has been moved to 8:00pm and diamond 5. See schedule dated July 2 or later.

<p>June 28, 2007</p>	<p>All games on Monday July 2nd are CANCELLED! ... most of the teams playing that day have already called the league within the last week or so and requested that these games be moved. The games will be rescheduled and will be posted once the new dates are available.</p>
<p>June 25, 2007</p>	<p>Div 14-1 schedule changes ... the incomplete game from Jun 18 between Fort Hawks & Lookin To Score has been rescheduled to July 18. This also impacts the game on July 18 between Tyco Hustlers & Slammers – it has been moved ahead from 8:00pm to 6:30pm and to a different diamond. See schedule dated June 25 or later.</p> <p>Div 14-2 schedule changes ... both games on July 2 have been moved to July 9. This also impacts the game on July 9 between Diamond Runners & Busted Nuggets – it has been moved ahead from 8:00pm to 6:30pm and at a different diamond. See schedule dated June 25 or later.</p>
<p>June 19, 2007</p>	<p>Div 21-1 schedule changes ... <u>six</u> games have been changed! Affected dates are June 28 and July 3, 5, 10 & 12 – affected teams are the ½ Sacs, Slackers, TBA, Tu Kewl, Donkeys, Ceda Pirates and Nu Bees. See schedule dated June 19 or later.</p> <p>More volunteers required at the diamonds this Saturday June 23/07 at 9:00 AM ... we have more shale coming in and we need people to come out to assist cleaning up the edges and spreading/leveling the shale. We are expecting 2 or more volunteers from <u>each</u> team to come out to help, especially from the teams who have not volunteered for anything to this point. Tools to bring are edging and/or flat spades and landscaping rakes if they have them. Also, if there is anyone who has a quad that they could bring to haul a small trailer around the diamonds, that would be great. Please note, heavy equipment will already have done most of the work – this is just to do the final grading and clean up the infield area.</p> <p>This is a bondable event and there may not be any other opportunities this year to secure the bond for those teams that have not yet done anything.</p> <p>We are expecting to do diamonds 1, 2 & 3 this time – these diamonds belong to you and are the ones we use most often – please help us with their maintenance. Also, while you are there, thank our league President, Norm, for making this happen!</p>
<p>June 17, 2007</p>	<p>Seniors Games Update ... the process to volunteer is a little more specific. Volunteers need to fill out an application form, which can be accessed from the link below. Please select Slo-Pitch on the back (and any others you'd like to help out with). The forms can be deposited in the mail slot at the Dow Diamonds shed. So far we</p>

have not received any applications, and the games are counting on us. Please support the organizers and our city for this event – they have fronted money to get additional shale for our diamonds because of these games, so let's show our appreciation and return this support by volunteering!

[Volunteer Application Form](#) [Alberta Seniors Games 2007 Official Web Site](#)

If the volunteer form does not load directly, try going to the official site and follow the volunteer links.

June 10, 2007

Volunteers from our Slo-Pitch League are needed to help out at the Dow Diamonds during the Alberta Senior Games July 26th to 29th. We need groundskeepers and scorekeepers. We are asking each team to provide a list of volunteers to their Div Reps. Please contact your Div Rep for more information.

May 18, 2007

SPN has finally provided us with an electronic copy of the team roster insurance form – [click here](#). Teams that have not yet submitted their roster, must do so right away!

May 12, 2007

Attention Div 21-1 teams ... there are a number of changes to the schedule in July due to the Alberta Senior games. Please check the schedule carefully for any changes that may affect your team.

Attention Div 21-3 teams ... a completely new schedule is now posted.

May 10, 2007

It has been brought to the attention of the league commissioner that there are some people playing on more than one team. While we encourage participation and enjoyment of the game, and we want to see more teams and less forfeits, strictly under the first section of our operating guidelines, "player eligibility", this is not allowed.

May 8, 2007

Attention Div 21-3 teams ... we have received notice that the "Dirty Talkers" team has folded, so there will probably be some changes to the schedules. Teams will be contacted once the changes are sorted out. This weeks games vs the "Dirty Talkers" are cancelled.

May 6, 2007

Schedules have been posted with your div rep contact info. For any discrepancies in the schedules or standings please email. For other issues, please contact your div reps.

Score Sheets! Numerous score sheets were received in the first week without team names and/or division, diamond, date & time info. Please make every effort to complete all of this information and ensure you have the correct team names. Also, please include in the division number with either the 14- or 21-. Otherwise, poorly completed sheets will cause delays in posting the results.

<p>April 22, 2007</p>	<p>IMPORTANT! The League needs every team to send out at least four volunteers to the schedule pick up meeting on Wednesday April 25th. The diamonds are in dire need of repairs. Please bring rakes and edging tools (e.g. square or half-moon spades). The fence-lines need to be raked and the grass/shale edging needs to be trimmed. The more help we get the less work it will be for everyone. Please support our facility and make it a better place to play.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Schedule pick-up & meeting, 6:30pm. · Diamond maintenance 7-9pm. <p>This is a BONDABLE event – all teams MUST participate!</p>
<p>April 21, 2007</p>	<p>Please note that schedules will NOT be posted on the web until some time after the hand-out night, Wednesday April 25th, 6:30pm at the diamonds. All teams MUST have a rep to pick up their schedule on the 25th.</p> <p>Also, more players looking for teams have been added to the Want Ads page.</p>
<p>April 16, 2007</p>	<p>The league is again in need of a Facility Maintenance Coordinator. The candidate voted into this role at the General Meeting is no longer able to commit to it. If anyone is able to volunteer for this executive position, please contact the league immediately. It is important that we get a person able to ensure our facilities remain in good playing condition.</p>
<p>April 5, 2007</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> · Thank-you to all teams that attended the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Registration held Wednesday April 4th 2007 at the Union Hall. Minutes of the meeting will be posted when available. · The schedule hand-out and meet your division reps night will be Wednesday April 25th, 6:30pm at the diamonds, again a mandatory and bondable event. Blank league score sheet packages will also be handed out – please use only these score sheets for your games. · There is a one day umpire clinic for anyone interested in becoming an umpire, Sunday April 15th, 8:30am at the Union Hall.
<p>Mar 15, 2007</p>	<p>An executive meeting was held on March 13th to prepare for the Annual General Meeting (AGM) and upcoming season.</p> <p>The AGM and Registration will be held Wednesday April 4th at the Union Hall, 8302 - 113 Street in the Fort Sask Industrial Park.</p>

- Start time is **6:30pm sharp** – please be there on time (and just like league play, forfeit time is 1 minute past the start!).
- New teams and players welcome!
- This is a bondable event – all teams must attend.
- Fees are \$700 for 14 games and \$800 for 21 games (same as 2006 & 2005 – no increase!)
- A \$100 bond is also required, but NOT postdated as in previous years, since it will be cashed. Details on how the bond program will be managed this year will be communicated at the meeting.
- It would be easier for the league if you combine your fees and bond into one cheque.
- Schedule hand-out and meet your division reps night will be Wednesday April 25th at the diamonds, again a mandatory and bondable event.

Feb 17, 2007

An executive meeting was held Feb 13, and there are a few items to highlight ...

- We have lots of space left for advertising signs at the diamonds, so all teams and individuals are encouraged to sell these on behalf of the league – the commission to the seller is **\$200** per contract. Click “Advertising Opportunities” on the left menu to get more details.
- The league will commence play the week of April 30th. The playoff weekend will be August 10th-12th.

Profanity issues from last season were discussed and umpires will be specifically instructed to enforce this rule.

Aug 16, 2006

The playoff results have been added to the standings page. Congratulations to all teams that participated – it was a tremendous weekend. If you have any feedback or suggestions regarding the playoff weekend, please let us know by email or voicemail at **998-0245**.

FOUND: A navy nylon jacket was found hanging in the first base dugout on diamond #6, on Saturday August 12 at 5:00pm. If it is yours, please email.

Aug 8, 2006

Playoff schedules for August 11-13 have been added to the Schedules page (or just click [here](#)). **Note**, there has already been a change – the Div 21-1 Friday night games on diamond 6 are moved to diamond 1 due to the evening sun.

Aug 4, 2006

Final regular season standings are posted. Teams will be phoned with the time of their playoff games once the schedule has been set.

July 30, 2006

The Monday July 17 8pm Div 14-3 game, Team Gong vs Diamond

	Runners, that was called due to weather has been rescheduled. See schedule dated July 30 th or later.
July 21, 2006	The Monday July 10 rain-out games for Div's 21-2, 14-1 & 14-3 have been rescheduled. See schedules dated July 21 st or later.
July 8, 2006	This was FOUND: And another LOST GLOVE – left at the diamonds on Thursday, June 29, a black Rawlings glove, somewhere between the 6:30pm diamond #3 game and the concession shelter. Please contact Dave at 998-0827.
July 2, 2006	Not known if found: Another LOST GLOVE – missing ball glove, Monday June 26th diamond 2, please call Randy with the Whiskey Jacks, 965-8874. Thanks.
June 27, 2006	This was FOUND: LOST GLOVE – on Tuesday June 20th, around 7:45pm on Diamond 2 a glove was left on the bench (1st base side). It is a Reddish-Brown Easton (or Rawlings) newer softball glove. If anyone from the teams that played after us (Brians Brew Crew or Slackers) or anyone else has seen the glove please contact me, Chantelle: (h) 998-0327. Thanks. This was FOUND
June 23, 2006	The rained out June 19 games have been rescheduled for div's 21-2, 14-1 and 14-3, as well as a div 21-1 game from June 15. See schedules dated June 23 rd or later.
June 10, 2006	The rained out June 8 games have been rescheduled for div's 21-1, 21-3 and 14-2. See schedules dated June 10 th or later.
May 30, 2006	The Thursday May 25 div 14-2 game between the Slackers and the Bulls has been rescheduled to July 25 th . See schedule dated May 30 th or later.
May 27, 2006	The rained out May 23 games have been rescheduled for div's 21-1, 21-3 and 14-2. See schedules dated May 27 th or later. IMPORTANT REMINDER! Please ensure score sheets are filled out in FULL – including full div # (i.e. use the 21– or 14– prefix, not just 1, 2 or 3).
May 15, 2006	A few div 21-1 games for Thursday May 18 have been rescheduled – this affects only the Donkeys, Rugrats and ½ Sacs. See schedule dated May 15 th or later.
May 13, 2006	The rained out May 8 games have been rescheduled for div's 21-2, 14-1 and 14-3. See schedules dated May 13 th or later. IMPORTANT REMINDER! Get your SPN rosters handed in to the mail slot at the shed immediately if you have not done so already.

May 6, 2006	The rained out May 2 games have been rescheduled for div's 21-1 and 21-3. See schedules dated May 6 th or later.
Apr 29, 2006	Schedules have been posted. Please note that there are a number of changes to Div 21-3 from what was handed out on April 26 th . These changes are included in the web site copy dated April 29 th (or later).
Apr 19, 2006	WANTED: one Dow employee to accept the Dow Chemical donation to the league. Please contact John Katerenchuk at 998-4431 for details. This has been filled.
Apr 15, 2006	Anyone interested in an Edmonton 2 PITCH Mixed CHARITY Tournament April 28-30 2006, click here for details.
Apr 1, 2006	Next meeting for all teams is Wed April 26th, 6:30pm , at the Dow diamonds. 2006 schedule and scoresheet packages will be distributed. All teams are required to send a rep. Please use only FSMSPA league scoresheets for your games.
Mar 22, 2006	Spring Annual General Meeting , Wednesday March 29, Lions Mane Room, Dow Centre, Fort Sask. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6pm: Team registration and fee payments - \$100 performance bond cheque dated March 29, 2006 - fees same as last year: \$800 for 21 games <u>or</u> \$700 for 14 games - note, there will be no earlybird tournament this year 7pm: Meeting - elections – more people are required for executive positions - advertising signage sales - general meeting business THIS IS A BONDABLE EVENT! All teams are required to send a rep.
Mar 15, 2006	Next Executive Meeting , Tuesday March 21, 6:30pm, Gus's.
Mar 12, 2006	SPN Umpire Clinic , Sunday April 23 rd 2006, 8:30am–4:00pm, at Fort Sask Union Hall. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Anyone interested in umpiring is welcome. ○ Contact John at 998-4431 or email for more details.
Sep 30, 2005	Fall General Meeting, Tuesday October 18, 7pm, Dow Centennial Centre, Lion's Mane Room. THIS IS A BONDABLE EVENT! Each team must send a rep or risk losing part of their team bond.
Sep 2, 2005	An Executive meeting is scheduled for Sep 13 th , 6:30pm, at the diamonds. The possibility of holding a General Fall Meeting will be discussed, so stay tuned.
Aug 30, 2005	There is only one playoff game remaining, Div 21-3 finals game #3, scheduled for Thurs Sep 1, 7:00pm, diamond 1 (or take your pick

since all diamonds are open!).

Aug 25, 2005

The finals for both Div 21-1 and 21-3 will start on Tuesday Aug 30 as double-headers.

The latest 21 game division playoff round-robin results are posted on the Standings page – see revision dated August 25..

Aug 23, 2005

Tuesday Aug 23rd rainout games are moved to Thursday Aug 25th, same times, same diamonds. The finals for both Div 21-1 and 21-3 will start on Tuesday Aug 30 as double-headers.

Aug 21, 2005

IMPORTANT CHANGE: Sorry folks, the umpires could not find enough bodies to fill all the games on Aug 22nd (they had not expected a problem), so there are some changes to the schedule. The Div 21-1 games and the Div 21-3 even pool games have been moved to Aug 23rd, delaying the start of the finals – the finals for both Div 21-1 and 21-3 will start on Thursday Aug 25 as a double-header.

Aug 16, 2005

THE LOST KEYS WERE FOUND AND HAVE BEEN RETURNED! On Sunday, August 14th, during or following the 12:30pm game on diamond 6, a set of keys was lost somewhere between the dugout on diamond 6 facing the parking lot, to the beer gardens and then off to the parking lot. The keys have an Edmonton Grand Prix keychain, the type you could wear around your neck, and the keys consist of a big car key with the Honda emblem on it and about 4 other regular keys. If anyone has found these, please contact Cheryl and Mike Paxton at 992-0094 or 718-4468.

Aug 11, 2005

The 14 game division playoff schedule has now been posted – just click on the link from the Schedules page.

The 21 game division playoff schedule is also posted (it has been there for a while).

Aug 10, 2005

Standings have now been updated. Div 14 results are final and the Div 14 playoff schedule is currently being developed using these standings – if there are any discrepancies please email immediately or it may be too late to change the playoff schedule.

BAT found during Legion tournament, July 22-24 at JP11 Diamond. See Lost and Found page for details.

IMPORTANT NOTE TO TEAM REPS: THANK-YOU! The quality of score sheets has been much better lately! PLEASE CONTINUE TO ENSURE SCORE SHEETS ARE COMPLETED IN FULL, INCLUDING FULL DIVISION NAME. I still get the odd sheet that does not show the 21- or 14- in front of your division number, and some that don't have team names. Please continue to keep up the standard as it

	helps me provide a quicker turnaround on stat updates by getting all the info on the sheet and getting it right.
July 6, 2005	<p>Div 21-1 game on July 7th, 8:00pm, 2@3, is rescheduled to July 28, 6:30pm, diamond #2. See schedule page dated July 6 or later</p> <p>The 21 game divisions' playoff schedule is now posted. Click on the link from the Schedules page.</p>
June 19, 2005	Div 21-1 rainout game from June 14, 8:00pm, 5@7, is rescheduled to July 7, 8:00pm, diamond #5. See schedule page dated June 19 or later
May 27, 2005	Div 14-1 games that were rescheduled to June 22 HAVE BEEN MOVED to July 11 due to a double booking. See schedule page dated May 27 or later.
May 24, 2005	All rained out games up to and including Monday May 23 have been rescheduled and are posted on the schedule pages.
May 21, 2005	Rescheduled games for Tuesday May 17 rainouts are posted on the schedule pages for Div's 21-1, 21-3 and 14-2.
May 13, 2005	<p>IMPORTANT NOTE: Schedule changes have been posted for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Div 21-2 affecting teams 4 & 6 on May 30 ○ Div 21-3 affecting teams 5, 6, 7 & 8 on June 9
April 25, 2005	<p>Division schedules are now posted along with some changes to the Earlybird schedule – follow the links on the Schedules page.</p> <p>Umpires SPN Qualifier Tournament, May 28-29 at the Dow diamonds. 6&4 Coed “D” & “E”, 5 games guaranteed, entry fee \$250, Molson Awards, limited to 24 teams. Contact: John Katerenchuk at 998-4431 or email.</p> <p>IMPORTANT REMINDER! Get your rosters handed in to the mail slot at the shed by your SECOND game.</p>
April 22, 2005	<p>The Earlybird Tournament schedule has now been posted – follow the link on the Schedules page.</p> <p>REMINDER: Schedules to be handed out to team reps on Monday April 25, 7–8pm at Dow Diamonds</p>
April 5, 2005	<p>Executive positions still urgently needed – please canvass your teams for volunteers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ President ○ Vice President ○ Secretary ○ Facility Maintenance

Coordinator

(Click here for [Executive Job Descriptions](#))

SPN Umpires Clinic, April 23, 2005 at the Fort Sask Legion

- **8:30 Registration**
- **9:00 to 4:00 Clinic**
- **Contact John at 998-4431 or email for more details.**

Season starts week of May 2

- **14 game schedule playoff tournament August 13-14**
- **21 game schedule playoffs on weeknights August 15-25**

Earlybird Tournament Saturday April 30, \$100, 3 games

- **first 24 teams to sign up (there are still openings – call the league at 998-0245)**

Mar 31, 2005

Minutes of March 23 Executive Meeting have been added to the Meeting Minutes page.

Mar 26, 2005

Earlybird Tournament Saturday April 30, \$100, 3 games

- **first 24 teams to sign up at registration night**

Schedules to be handed out to team reps on Monday April 25, 7–8pm at Dow Diamonds

Season starts week of May 2

- **14 game schedule playoff tournament August 13-14**
- **21 game schedule playoffs on weeknights August 15-25**

Mar 12, 2005

Annual General Meeting, Monday April 4 at Pioneer House (100 Ave & 101 St in Fort Sask)

6pm: Team registration and fee payments	- \$100 performance bond postdated cheque
7pm: Meeting	- \$800 fees for 21 games or \$700 for 14 games
people are required for executive positions	- elections – more
proposed changes	- longer season –
21games	- general meeting business

Feb 5, 2005

WANTED! Candidates for the position of President of our Slo-Pitch Association. Please contact Norm Ziegeman at 998-1184.

Aug 16, 2004

Thanks to all the teams and umpires that participated in the league playoff tournament – the results are posted on the standings page. For any teams interested in SPN Provincials, the coed tournament

	is September 10-12 in Leduc. Some information is available on the SPN Alberta website (click here).
Aug 8, 2004	The final regular season standings are now posted. The playoff draw should be available shortly – the playoff tournament is scheduled for August 14 & 15.
Aug 4, 2004	Div 3 games on July 29 are re-scheduled to August 5. Please check that the revision date on the web page schedule is August 4 or later to ensure you have the latest updates.
July 15, 2004	A re-scheduling correction that affects only Div 1 & 3 teams 3@5 – the game has been moved from July 15 to August 5. The change is highlighted on Div 1 & 3 schedules. Please check that the revision date on the web page schedule is July 15 or later to ensure you have the latest updates.
July 12, 2004	July 6 & 8 rained out games for Div's 1&3 have been rescheduled. Changes are highlighted on the schedules. Please check that the revision date on the web page schedule is July 12 or later to ensure you have the latest updates.
July 6, 2004	A new link has been added for “Advertising Opportunities” – this is the selling of advertising space on the signs around the diamonds by teams and there is something in it for the team! Click on the link to the left for details.
June 16, 2004	<p>June 10 rained out games for Div's 1&3 have been rescheduled. Changes are highlighted on the schedules. Please check that the revision date on the web page schedule is June 16 to ensure you have the latest updates.</p> <p>IMPORTANT: To all teams that have not yet turned in their SPN rosters. Please do so ASAP by placing the completed form in the shed mail slot at the Dow diamonds.</p>
May 15, 2004	A few schedule changes have been posted for Div's 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6, including the rescheduled games from May 5 th . Changes are highlighted as noted on the schedule. Please compare the revision date on the web page schedule to any printed copy you are working from to ensure you have the latest updates.
May 3, 2004	REVISED Division 1 and 3 schedules are now posted.
April 25, 2004	Earlybird and league schedules have now been added to the Schedules page for each division.
March 29, 2004	2004 SPN Umpire Clinic Saturday April 3 at the Fort Legion - registration 8:30-9:00am ; clinic 9:00am-4:00pm - cost is \$75 for first year umpires and \$65 for previously carded umpires

March 21, 2004	This website has recently been reconstructed under a new format. Please report any problems.
March 13, 2004	Team registration, Thursday April 15th, 6:00pm-7:30pm at Ortona Room, Fort Legion - \$600 for team fees - \$100 playoff/performance bond cheque postdated to July 30, 2004 - \$50 if want to participate in earlybird tournament Sat May 1 - first 24 teams, 3 games each Annual General Meeting, Monday April 26 at Dow Diamonds, 7pm - general meeting business - season and earlybird schedules handed out - meet your division reps and get answers to your questions Season starts week of May 3 – Good luck and have a great season!