

# Pembroke Co-Ed Over 30 Softball League Committee

## 3/27/2023 6:00pm-7:30pm

Attendees	Attendees
Joe Wagner	Mike Guimares
Kerri Drummond	JR Johnson
Mike Hansen	Shelby Riccardi
Russ	Jamie Pritchard Holland
Lauren Vitello	Ryan Fabrizio
Danny O'Leary	

## **Discussion/ Next Steps:**

## Registration:

- Around 57-58 players paid so far.
- Blue 12 (1 shy)
- Grey 8, will need players.
- Green 8 confirmed, 7 unpaid but they previously said they'd join. Will need more if we don't get payments.
- Black Have 4 outstanding prior returns to pay, but not expecting an issue.
- Red- May be shy 1, but don't need to add at this time.

## Adding players:

- Will open up to new players on Saturday 4/1
- Will need to know returning players previous team.
- Teams that need players need to be filled first.
- Advise those registering that we'll try to accommodate team requests, but may not be able to put new players on the team they want if the team is full.
- New registrations will go to the email address.
- Once assigned team, manager will be responsible to collect from the new players on their team.
  - Not enabling link to bank account from site as it'd cost additional money.
- New players will have 3 days to pay via venmo once requested, and then it'll be opened up to next person.

Waiver – Implement signature/finger signature for new play registration

## Google Mailbox:

- Kerri to monitor mailbox.
- Email address is: pembrokeadultsoftball@gmail.com

## **Facebook Monitoring**

- Each committee member will be added as admins.

Action Item: Shelby to update FB page with admins.

### Finances:

- Shelby to primarily manage, and Lauren to support.
- Softballs purchased (2 dozen per team, 12 dozen total)
- Scorecards purchased (1 per team)
- Umps will be paid \$50
- Shelby to order \$12 ump shirts
- Ump clickers \$2 each
- Home plate brushes \$3 each

#### Schedule:

- Regular schedule season is out on the site.
- All Star game is not confirmed yet (6/17 or 6/24). Seem to be waiting for tournaments.
- Otherwise, it'd be June or August nights.

**Action Item:** Shelby to reach out if field can be confirmed for us.

### Make Up Games:

- Mike H/Mike G will let us know if fields are OK to play on each morning

## Umps:

- 2 More umps identified, but couldn't attend tonight.
- Shelby may have 30 minute ump meeting with Russell/Ted and the 2 new umps.
- 1 Ump will get a bye-week if all 4 available.

Action Item: Russ will schedule the umps per field/game ahead of time.

#### Rules:

Rules will be added to the website.

#### **Commitment Line:**

- If removing the commitment line rule, concerns with catchers getting taken out at home by runners.

**Decision:** Approve to keep commitment line and force out at home

Green, Yellow, White/Grey, Blue, Black - Approve to keep commitment line and force out at home

Red – Voted to remove the commitment line and no force out

#### Strike Mat:

- o If it hit the mat it was a strike last season.
- o 6-12' arc with ump to call out when higher than 12'
- o New Umps: 1 wants it and 1 doesn't

**Decision:** No to strike mats for this season

#### Arc:

- Umps wouldn't be able to determine the difference of 4 feet from 8-12'
- Umps responsible to call if the arc is higher than 10'
- Concern last year was specific pitcher

Decision: 6-10' "Low Arc"

#### Out of bounds:

- Move it beyond the fence line or keep it at the fence line

Decision: Keep out of bounds as the fence line

## In Field Fly:

Decision: Keep In field fly rule

#### Mercy Rule:

Going to higher runs or no mercy rule, if 18 after 6 going to play the 7<sup>th</sup> inning

**Decision:** Remove the mercy rule

## Max Runs Per Inning:

- Change the run max per inning as 10 with exception of last inning which will be unlimited.
- Will be capped at 10 runs, regardless of home run which would make it 12 runs.

**Decision:** Max of 10 runs per inning (even if grand slam makes 12) except for last inning which will be unlimited.

## Women Players:

Only 1 woman at game is a forfeit

Only 2 women at game – Play with 9 in the field, not 10 (infield can't be the catcher)

3<sup>rd</sup> girl in the batting order is an automatic out discussed.

More aggressive coed leagues, 5 girls and 5 guys, if only 4 girls it'd be an out

Vote for 3<sup>rd</sup> girl position would be out if only 2 girls at game: (Can't play only 2 girls if more are available)

All teams but black voted no, should not be an out.

Black voted yes, to have 3rd girl up be an out

## **Decisions:**

Only 1 woman at game is a forfeit

Only 2 women at game – Play with 9 in the field, not 10 (infield can't be the catcher)

Only 2 women at game – Will not result in an out each time 3<sup>rd</sup> woman batter should be up (Women will alternate guy quy girl line up)

Guy Guy Girl line up to remain, line up remains the same with the girls running in the same order.

#### Home Runs:

Max 2 home runs an inning, then a double on all fields.

- Exception on last inning can be as many home runs

Middle school field: (chalk line?)

- Chalk line won't be visible really from the ump at home
- When grass line ends and becomes dirt/leaves
- Umps will get agreement on line from coaches at middle school field.

#### **Decisions:**

Max 2 home runs an inning then a double.

Last inning will not have a max home run count.

Middle school field will utilize end of grass line (left center) as home run line.

### Leading:

Group thinks no leading, have to stay on base and wait for contact of ball and bat.

- Would be difficult for the ump at home to see 1st or 3rd lead to call it if leading is happening.

#### **Decision**

No leading. Runners can go once contact is made with the ball.

### Sliding:

**Decision:** Approved to allow sliding

Collision/Blocking - Runner should avoid the fielder/blocking. If runner blocks, then it's an out.

Blocking a base would be awarded to the runner

If fielder hits the runner then it's interference and the runner would be safe

## Walking a guy to get to a girl

Prior rule: If you walk a male in front of a female batter, then female can choose to hit or take first. Male would go to 2<sup>nd</sup> base.

- Don't want to see an accidental walk of a guy and cause this rule.
- Odds of a walk happening is very small anyways.

**Decision:** Approved to keep rule "If you walk a male in front of a female batter, then female can choose to hit or take first. Male would go to 2<sup>nd</sup> base.

## Playing/Batting:

- Issues with players being benched to win games in the past.
- Want each player to have fair time in playing.

### **Decisions:**

Every player in attendance bats

Every player plays atleast 2 innings

## Fill ins for playoffs:

- No fill ins will be allowed at play off games.
- Someone joins later in the season, cost was already paid by the

Decision: Add rule "You must play atleast 3 games to qualify to play in the playoffs."

# **Fouling Out:**

**Decision:** 2 strikes and 2 fouls will be an out.

## **Next Meeting:**

- Reconvene in a couple weeks. 4/10 6-7:30 Joe to send meeting invite out
- Managers to give team updates on registrations
- Mike G to clean up the rules and review next meeting
- Lauren to add password in body of email

# Next Seasons On-Going Parking Lot Items:

- Extend next season with playoffs/championships at night
- Games at mattakeesett fields
- Raise Fees
- Revisit the walking a guy to get to the girl