

# Keep Calm & Baseball On

## Rec World Series

### Opening Day Itinerary, Friday May 30<sup>th</sup>, 20225

---

#### 5:00 – 8:00 PM: **ALL PLAYERS & FANS**

- **FAMILY FUN NIGHT!**
- Gates Officially Open 5:00pm
- Concessions Opens 5:00pm – the GRILL WILL BE FIRED UP!
- Tailgating welcome (there is plenty of grassy area for tents, etc., however no grills on the grass!)
  - Please Note: Opening Ceremonies will take place on Field #5
- **FMFD – Firetruck and Crew from 6:00-7:00 PM TBD**

#### 6:00 – 7:15 PM: **LET THE FUN BEGIN**

- **Various Skill Challenges and Competitions**
  - All Challenges and Competitions are “First Come / First Served.” There is plenty of time for the players to do everything they want, or just pick the things that interest them the most.
  - Many times, we find they just love to hang out at the baseball field with their friends and be a part of a great atmosphere and just roam around and fun together.
- **Exit Velo Challenge** – this fun Skill Challenge lets players see HOW FAST THE BALL exits their bat!
  - This event was the HIT OF WORLD SERIES last year for our select World Series in June, and we are excited to bring it to the Rec World Series!
  - Sponsored by the good folks at D-BAT LEWISVILLE
  - The EXIT VELO CHALLENGE will be set up by the MAIN BASEBALL PAVILION overlooking Field #3!
- **FungoMan Fielding Skill Challenge** – Individual players compete vs. the Fungoman Machine (a pre-programmed, timed routine consisting of ground balls and fly balls, AKA, “**The Fungoman Challenge**”)
  - **Field #1** (Ages 6U & 8U) ([3B Entry](#))
  - **Field #5** (Ages 10U, 12U, 14U) ([3B Entry](#))
- **Fastest Player Skill Competition** – Players compete to see who can round the bases in the fastest time!
  - **Field #6**, 3B Entry
  - All Ages, and 1 (one) winner in each age group: 6U, 8U, 10U, 12U and 14U.
  - **Winner of The Fastest Player (in each age group) receives a [\\$50 Dicks Sporting Goods Gift Certificate](#)**
  - **1 (one) player wins for each participating age group; so, 5 (five) total winners**
- **Fastest Pitch Skill Competition** - Players compete to see who can throw the fastest pitch (proper warm up is required for this event)
  - **Field #7**, 1B Entry (All Ages, winner in each age group: 6U, 8U, 10U, 12U and 14U)
  - **Winner (The Fastest Pitch in each age group) receives a [\\$50 Dicks Sporting Goods Gift Certificate](#)**
  - **(1 player wins for each participating age group, 5 total winners)**
- **Wiffle Ball Challenge** – Can you go yard? Players get to try and smash home runs “over the fence”! Pitcher, wiffleballs, wiffleball bats, provided; just bring your swing!
  - **Field #3**, this event will be located in outfield grass on Field #3.
  - All Ages: Check-in at the Wiffleball Table/Tent, and go SWING FOR THE FENCES!

**7:15 – 7:35 PM – (TIE-BREAKERS IF NEEDED)**

- Tie-Breakers, IF NEEDED, for Fastest Player and Fastest Pitch

**7:35 – 7:45 PM: IT'S TIME TO LINE UP!**

- Line Up for the **PARADE OF TEAMS – ALL TEAMS/ALL PLAYERS & COACHES!**

**Field #5** - Teams start lining up at 7:35pm at the **RIGHT FIELD FOUL POLE on Field 5** (at the double-gates One line, line up order does not matter, as the PA Announcer will get the team's name as the team approaches the Dick's Sporting Goods Inflatable that all teams will walk through as they are announced!

**NOTE:** Most players wear their Uniform Jersey and Shorts for Opening Day activities. You may see some teams in full uniform, but overall, it's a casual atmosphere, focused on FUN.

**7:45 -8:00 PM: PARADE OF TEAMS**

- Parade Starts at 7:45 PM and is lead in by our friends at the **FMPD / FMFD (TBD)**.

**8:00 – 8:15 PM: OPENING CEREMONIES & HAT TOSS**

- Opening Ceremonies begin immediately after the parade!
  - Awards from the Skill Competitions (Fastest Pitch and Fastest Player)
  - Invocation
  - National Anthem
  - HAT TOSS

## **CONCESSIONS**

Bakersfield Park has **AWESOME CONCESSIONS OFFERINGS** and will be OPEN TO SERVE YOU AND YOUR TEAMS on Friday night and throughout the KC&BO – Rec World Series!

- **Proudly Serving:**
  - Fresh Grilled Burgers!
  - Nathans Hot Dogs!
  - Chick-fil-a Sandwiches!
  - Jet's Pizza & so much more!

## **A SPECIAL SHOUT OUT TO OUR SPONSORS:**

- **Dick's Sporting Goods (Title Sponsor & Shop Day Sponsor)**
- **D-BAT LEWISVILLE (Exit Velo & Pro Shop Sponsor)**
- **Home Smiles – Denton (Wiffle Ball Home Run Porch Sponsor)**

**Please start sharing this information with your teams!**

**Let's make Friday night SUPER SPECIAL for the players (and families) of the KC&BO – The Rec World Series!**

Thank you & Play Ball!

Tracy Black

Jeff Nelson

Christian Ross