



Alpharetta Youth Softball Association

www.AlpharettaSoftball.com

North Park
13450 Cogburn Road
Alpharetta, Georgia 30004

Team Parent Meeting Fall 2010

First and foremost, thank you for volunteering! You can make a big difference in the success of your team's season. Our goal is to ensure that every player has an exciting season by improving their skills, participating in some thrilling games, making new friends and having fun! Talk with your team's coach to determine what he or she may need.

Please Sign in and include your email address. We will use this email to send information concerning uniforms/pictures/concession stand duty/etc.

GENERAL:

- Communicate to your parents to use the website: AlpharettaSoftball.com for information about games postponement and cancellations. On the home page updates will be posted by 5pm on weeknights and by 9am on Saturday. Cancelled games will be rescheduled - sometimes with short notice, depending on the number of cancelled games and the amount of time left in the season. Rescheduling of games is dependent on field, umpire, and AYSA board member availability.
- AYSA cannot schedule around individual school activities as we have over 400 players attending over 15 elementary, middle and high schools.

UNIFORMS:

- Coaches/Team Parents will be notified when uniforms are ready for pickup – please coordinate with your coach for pickup. Coaches that ordered additional coaches shirts will need to pay for those shirts when they are picked up. Please arrange to have the money when picking up your items.
- When uniforms are picked up, you will receive a list of the sizes each player ordered – help ensure that players get the sizes ordered. You **cannot** distribute by what number a player may want.
- Nicknames on back of jerseys. As a team parent, you can help by collecting all of the jerseys and taking them to get names put on. Start now – get a list of nicknames from all of the girls – please make sure parents are OK with the nicknames.
 - Suggestions – pin card on each jersey with appropriate nickname to be placed on the jersey. Provide a list with the Jersey number and corresponding nickname.
 - IF shirts are not delivered in time to have nicknames put on prior to 1st game – collect shirts after the game.
 - Costs are typically \$3.00-\$5.00 per shirt. Collect this fee from each parent.

- Lettering: Petey Forgeron [\$3.00] (770.841.3861, peteyf@bellsouth.net) Debbie Armentrout [?] (13185 Bethany Rd. 770.751.6982),Michelle VerSteegh [\$5.00] 678-764-4020

GAMES:

- Recreational Softball – All practices are posted on the website. The first 2 weeks of the season will be posted within the next week . Games are listed Visitor vs. Home

DUGOUTS:

- Home Team – 1st base dugout, Visitor Team – 3rd base dugout
- Get a dugout parent to help keep the dugout organized, players in proper batting order, ensure helmets are on and chin straps snapped.
- Ensure that the players *clean the dugout* after their game.
- Help players quickly move out of the dugout after the game, so next team can begin their warm-ups.

SCOREKEEPER:

- Home team is responsible for keeping the scorebook.
- Visiting team is responsible for maintaining the scoreboard.

SNACK SCHEDULE:

- Make a snack schedule – assign each family to be responsible for bringing drinks/snacks for after the game.

PICTURE DAY:

- Saturday, 10/2 – all teams will play.
- Picture times will be scheduled once the game schedule is posted. Your team's time will be scheduled prior to your game, if at all possible. Be sure to have your team arrive 20 minutes early to get organized and complete paperwork.
- The picture schedule and order form will be posted on the website.
- Pictures will be taken on Field 3.

CONCESSION DUTY:

- Proceeds from the concession stand are one of the ways that AYSA raises funds. Profits go directly to the purchase of equipment and offset registration fees. The AYSA Board, Coaches, and Team Parents volunteer their time; this is a great way other families can give back to the program. Use this time as team building event for the parents, working in the concession stand is fun!
- Every parent acknowledged during the registration process that they would be required to work in the concession stand. If there is a resistant parent/family, please contact the board member for your age group and Kurtis Brown.
- Each team is required to work concession duty during the season.
- Concession schedule can be found on the Alpharetta Softball website once games are posted.
- A Volunteer Board Member will be on-duty for all games and will be available to answer questions concerning running of the concession stand.
- Please pay for all you eat/drink during your volunteer time.
- Regular Season:
 - If you are scheduled for Field 1-4 concessions, your team will play on Field 1 or 4, so you will still be able to enjoy the game. If you are scheduled for Field 6/7 Concessions, your team will play on Field 6 or 7 so you can still enjoy the game.

- Your team will be responsible for 3.5 to 4 hours of concession duty. Split the time into no more than 3 shifts and fill those shifts appropriately (as indicated below).
- You must have a minimum of 4 volunteers (during peak times), 3 volunteers (non-peak times).
- Children under the age of 12 are not allowed in the concession stand.
- An adult (>18) must 'man' the grill and an adult (>18) must be inside the concession stand to oversee any children (12+) working.
- Close supervision of children handling money should be maintained at all times. If a child working in the concession stand is disruptive, they will be asked to leave and will need to be replaced with an adult.
- End-of-Season Tournament:
 - Your team will be asked to have 1 or 2 volunteers to work the concession stand the game either prior to or after your team's game. You will not have to work during your child's game.
- If a team does not adequately staff a shift, that team's next scheduled game will be forfeited.
- Umpires and Volunteer Board Members are provided 1 meal while working.

END OF SEASON:

- TOURNAMENT:
 - Recreational Softball:
 - Each team will participate in the double elimination tournament.
 - 1st and 2nd place teams will receive trophies; all other players will receive medals.
 - Tournament will take approximately 2 weeks to play.
- PARTY:
 - Organize end-of season party
- GIFTS:
 - Collect money and purchase coaches gifts (gift suggestions: ball with player signatures, frame team photo with player signatures, gift certificates, etc.) – Each team will receive an 8X10 team photo for each coach (taken on picture day).

Collection of Money (sample):

Item	Per Team	Per Player
Name on Jersey	-	3.00-5.00
Coaches Gift	-	10.00-15.00
Team Party	\$130 - \$150	12.00 (approx)
Banner	\$50 (?)	4.00
Collect from each player to cover all costs:		30.00 – 40.00

Contact Details:

- Shelly Todd, Team Parent Coordinator, 678-471-5926 (stodd@prudentialgeorgia.com) or (timandshelly@hotmail.com)
- Kim Brown, AYSA Secretary (kim_d_brown@bellsouth.net)