# WHITE BUTTE MINOR BALL ASSOCIATION



# 2018 Annual General Meeting SEASON END REPORTS

### Storm Softball

White Butte Minor Ball Association is a non-profit organization that coordinates Storm Softball and Broncos Baseball in the White Butte Region. The Association is led year round by a volunteer Board of Directors, and is joined by additional volunteers during the ball season to coach and manage the teams. The Board is responsible for the day-to-day operations of Storm Softball within the rules, regulations and policies of Regina Minor Softball League, Softball Saskatchewan and Softball Canada.

Storm Softball is an independent, non-profit branch of White Butte Minor Ball Association. We are committed to providing all girls with an experience that fosters positive self-esteem, team spirit and individual growth through personal achievement and team play.

Our softball program is well received by our community and the families we serve. Those families entrust us to teach their daughters various skills and we accept that honor with great pride. Each participating family plays an important role with countless hours of hard work and commitment, which coupled with your help, makes it possible for our program to instill the importance of integrity, hard work and dedication.

Storm Softball's mission is to develop fast pitch softball players; not only in the terms of their skills, but also build their self-esteem and self-confidences. Our coaches are committed to creating sportsmanship, team work and confidence in each player.

# **PRESIDENT** – submitted by Leigh Fuessel

Storm Softball continued to grow in the 2018 season showing a steady increase in numbers, particularly in the younger divisions. We sent teams to provincials in the U14A, U12A and U12B divisions.

# Season highlights:

- -U12B all-star team making it to the Bronze Final in Provincials
- -U12B Twisters Silver in the Sharron Knotts Memorial Tournament, Regina
- -U10 Twisters 1<sup>st</sup> in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Clash of the Cleats
- -U16B Thunder 1st in City Championships
- -U10 Twisters 1st in the Indian Head Tournament
- -U10 Tornados 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Indian Head Tournament

Storm hosted the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Clash of the Cleats (U10), and the Storm Showcase for U6 and U8 teams.

We continue to work with the towns and communities to grow this great sport and develop a proud softball culture.

Storm Softball is excited to announce that we will be hosting the 2019 U12B Provincials at the Balgonie Diamonds July 12 -14, 2019.

# **SCHEDULER** – submitted by Shelley Stamm

The 2018 Softball Season was another great season from a scheduling perspective. Prior to the season start, I meet with all the Recreation directors from Balgonie, White City and Pilot Butte. We reviewed the previous seasons process and made a few adjustments from the previous season. Electronic calendars were once again provided on a regular basis throughout the season, so that double booking did not occur, and billing would be accurate.

I worked with the softball coaches/ managers and assisted with scheduling of their home games and practices. Once all the schedules were finalized, they were then loaded into each team's webpage on the White Butte website. With the increase in softball teams we also increased diamond

usage once again. To accommodate this increase in diamond usage we utilized the diamonds during the week by scheduling back to back practices. This worked well and allowed most diamond requests to be accommodated.

We hosted a successful tournament "Clash of the Cleats" and plans are on underway to host this tournament again in 2019.

In all, scheduling this season was a success for all teams and communities. 2019 scheduling has already begun and appears it will be another busy season on the diamonds

# **REGISTRAR - Submitted by Amanda Heisler**

Online Registration for the 2018 Softball Season opened January 2, 2018 and closed February 28, 2018.

Registration numbers for the 2018 Season for Storm Softball were as follows:

# **Divisions# of Registrations**

Beginner	27	(3 teams)
Novice	50	(5 teams)
Mites	51	(5 teams)
Squirt	50	(4 teams – A, B, B, B)
Pee Wee	28	(2 teams - A, B)
Bantam	13	(1 team – B)
Midget	14	(1 team)

**Total Registrations 233** (Increase of 4% from 2017 Season)

There was an increase in fees for Storm Softball for the 2018 ball season.

## **Division 2017 Fees Increase 2018 Fees**

Beginner	\$110.00	\$5.00	\$115.00
Novice	\$125.00	no increase	\$125.00
Mites	\$150.00	no increase	\$150.00

Squirt	\$260.00	\$25.00	\$285.00
Pee Wee	\$260.00	\$30.00	\$290.00
Bantam	\$260.00	\$30.00	\$290.00
Midget	\$290.00	-\$20.00	\$270.00

# **CLOTHING/UNIFORMS** - Submitted by Wayne Horvath

The 2018 Storm clothing were purchased through Torchys Sports Imaging and Embroidery. All went very well, with some new items brought out. A big thanks goes out to Torchy and his staff for attending the clothing/sizing nights and preparing all the orders

Plans for the 2019 season will include Torchy for the Super Service he provides the Storm Softball organization.

Kari Griffin will be taking over the Clothing/Uniform Coordinator position in 2019, Thank you Wayne for all your hard work.

# **EQUIPMENT** – Submitted by Chris Ross

This year we went through the equioment bags again and replaced lots of old worn out catchers gear. 11" and 12" game balls were one of our bigger expenses as we are continuously swapping out damaged and lost balls. Our equipment pickup was completed inside the Balgonie rink and was a success as we had room to lay out all of the bags, buckets and jerseys for easy pickup.

# **PLAYER DEVELOPMENT** – Submitted by Leigh Fuessel

Player development sessions were held once again in 2018 as an affordable means of training and skill development. The sessions were held on Sundays from 1:00 pm -3:00pm and ran from January 28<sup>th</sup> – March 25<sup>th</sup>. Cost was kept at \$5.00 / player and included U6-U12 age groups. Each session included either throwing/catching, fielding, hitting.

Multiple pitching clinics were also held starting in February and instruction was provided by RBI.

# **GRANTS AND FUNDRAISING** – Submitted by Jody Nowoselski

The purpose of these initiatives and applications is so we can continue to promote and grow our minor ball program within our communities that is inclusive to everyone, provides the proper safety equipment and facilities required, provides development opportunities for our players and coaches, all while keeping registration fees affordable.

For the 2018 season the following grants were applied for on behalf of Storm Softball.

- Softball Sask Membership Assistance Program (MAP) Equipment Grant. This was applied for in April and Storm Softball received \$800 from this grant in December. This was less than what baseball received for a similar grant and I did follow-up on this. Guy from Softball Sask advised that 2018 was a unique year and there were significant requests for coaching and player development funds (this grant is paid before the equipment/operations grant) as such the pool of funds to pay this was significantly depleted. It should be also noted that Storm Softball has not applied for these grants in the recent past if at all.
- Softball Sask Membership Assistance Program (MAP) Coaching Clinics Grant. This was applied for in April with Storm receiving the full amount requested of \$136.60 for the LTP clinic we hosted. As this was one of the first grants to be paid out, we received the funds in May.

For the 2018 season the following grants were applied for on behalf of WBMB which in turn also benefits Storm Softball.

Sask Lotteries Grant administered by the towns of Balgonie, Pilot Butte and White City.

- Balgonie approved \$700 for the 2017 season.
- Pilot Butte approved \$1,500 for the 2017 season. They changed their processing procedure and we had to also apply for the 2018 season this year for which we were approved in mid October for an additional \$1,500.
- White City approved \$1,000 for the 2017 season.

All the above grant cheques have been received.

Co-op Community Investment grant was applied for requesting proceeds for diamond upgrades along with funds for a batting cage and storage facility for Balgonie – this was declined.

WBMB partnered with the Emerald Park Home Hardware for their rebate plan. An email was sent out to the membership at the start of the season advising that any purchases made under WBMB would result in proceeds of

the sale going back to the association. This wrapped up in September with a cheque for \$218 being given to WBMBA.

In December WBMB partnered with the Ice House on another rebate program. All sales will qualify for 2% back on sales and this will also go back to WBMB.

# **TOURNAMENTS** – Submitted by Nikki Williamson

U10 Clash of the Cleats- May 25-27<sup>th</sup> 2018

- -Five storm teams hosted this tournament with seven out of town teams in attendance for a total of 12 teams.
- -All Star Competition was held following round robin play challenging to see who the best was:
  - Pitching
  - Throwing
  - Base running
  - Hitting
  - In-field throw- 4 players
- -TeamSnap Tournaments App was utilized to organize and schedule the tournament which proved to be a huge success
- -Volunteers from all 5 Storm teams were a requirement to work the canteen, provide announcing and scorekeeping as well as grounds maintenance.
- -The tournament committee was able to gather \$2000.00 in sponsorship dollars which assisted in providing a total profit of \$4,336.99.

Storm Showcase- June 9th 2018

- -combined LTP and U8 softball with RallyCap baseball to utilize all Balgonie ball diamonds.
- -because the canteen was previously booked by soccer the committee organized a food truck to run a canteen out of which was a huge success!
- -the day profited \$819.00 which will be put towards this year's showcase to alleviate the need for sponsorship.

# **Coach Coordinator- Submitted by Shona Elder**

#### March 2018

- Communicated dates of upcoming Coaching clinics offered through Softball Sask (Community Coaching Clinic and NCCP Competition Coaching Clinics)
- Communicated the requirements for the Respect in Sport online course for coaches and Criminal Record Checks

# April 20, 2018

- Held a Pitching clinic at RBI for COACHES –this was an instructional clinic for coaches to learn the proper technique of instructing girls how to pitch (in line with Canpitch)
- Very well attended and feedback was very positive from attendees

#### April 23, 2018

- Learn to Play (LTP) Orientation held at Pilot Butte School for coaches of U6 and U8 divisions (but open to all divisions if an individual was new to coaching)
- Instructed by Softball Sask and LTP handbooks given to all attendees
- Very well attended and feedback was positive
- Will assess what number of new coaches we have for these age groups in 2019 and offer again within our own association if numbers dictate it is needed (otherwise our coaches can attend Regina clinics)

#### Summer 2018

- End of Season Coaches evaluation sent out to all parents via Survey Monkey
- Responses were anonymous, but the response rate was not great
- Survey results collated by Leigh and discussed at Fall Board Meeting

# **TREASURER** – Submitted by Jessica Walker

#### Duties include:

Overseeing the management and reporting of White Butte Minor Baseball's finances which include:

approving and paying invoices in a timely manner;

- approving and paying umpires twice a season;
- depositing cheques and cash;
- providing financial statements to the WBMB board;
- properly documenting the revenue and expenses in the financial tracking sheets; and
- providing a budget for the following year.

Nancee Polley will be taking over the treasurer position for Jessica in 2019.

# **White Butte Minor Ball Association**

#### **Income Statement**

	Budget	1		
REVENUE	2018	2018	2017	2016
Registrations - Baseball	65,000.00	63.598.74	63,629.88	46,057.50
Registrations - Blastball	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Registrations - Softball	50,000.00	48,940.81	46,485.00	43,230.00
Used Equipment Sales	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bronco Baseball Hats	3,200.00	4,175.00	3,165.12	_
Storm Softball Hats	3,500.00	4,970.00	3,770.00	_
Clinic - Baseball	1,200.00	5,609.74	112.00	1,000.00
Clinic - Softball	1,200.00	775.71	0.00	1,000.00
Grants/Donations Baseball	5,000.00	4,048.33	20,370.00	15,000.00
Grants/Donations Softball	,	136.60		
WBMB Grants	2,700.00	2,711.95	710.00	1,000.00
Fundraising	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Clothing Sales	2,000.00	386.26	1,771.54	6,433.00
Baseball Tournament	0.00	1,538.31	2,467.00	0.00
Softball Tournament	0.00	500.00		
Performance Refund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest Revenue	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Late Fees	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Misc Softball	0.00	0.00		
Misc Baseball	0.00	2,140.00	1,760.00	3,850.90
TOTAL REVENUE	137,325.14	139,531.45	144,240.54	117,571.40
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EXPENSES		•		
Registrations - Baseball	14,000.00	5,848.00	12,610.00	12,926.60
Registrations - Blastball	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Registrations - Softball	23,000.00	22,201.00	22,797.00	21,389.61
Tournament Baseball		733.97	0.00	0.00
Tournament Softball	0.00	1,500.00	0.00	0.00
Equipment - Baseball	8,000.00	6,177.13	13,127.79	14,793.36
Equipment - Softball	8,000.00	6,133.72	8,229.72	9,657.33
Uniforms - Baseball	1,500.00	0.00	3,647.46	0.00
Uniforms - Softball	1,500.00	0.00	3,604.65	0.00
Bronco Baseball Hats	3,200.00	0.00	3,465.00	0.00
Storm Softball Hats	3,500.00	6,227.10	4,828.50	0.00
Storm Softball Clothing	0.00	616.05	550.56	0.00
Evaluation Expenses - Baseball	3,000.00	4,490.49	6,975.00	1,352.50
Evaluation Expenses - Softball	2,000.00	1,480.50	2,130.00	1,250.00
First Aid Supplies	0.00	0.00	0.00	455.69
Umpire Fees - Baseball	18,000.00	17,355.76	15,319.35	9,328.10
Coaching/Umpire Clinics	2,000.00	0.00	2,451.48	1,626.20
Baseball Clinic	1,200.00	5,729.68	1,528.15	1,180.00
Softball Clinic	1,200.00	1,541.00	82.50	509.25
Summer Student	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Awards	1,500.00	0.00	1,830.90	1,555.71
BB Ball Diamond Rentals	32,000.00	19,440.05	27,025.95	20,147.85
SB Ball Diamond Rentals	0.00	6,177.00	0.00	0.00
Courier & Postage	30.00	0.00	27.00	26.78
Interest & Bank Charges	35.00	56.00	91.50	45.30
Office Supplies	25.00	0.00	0.00	27.00
Website	0.00	1,995.00	0.00	0.00
Miscellaneous Expenses	3,000.00 10,000.00	1,886.42 3,104.41	2,562.68	1,915.38
Repair & Maintenance - Diamonds PW Playoffs	10,000.00	· ·	14,106.12	2,268.21
TOTAL EXPENSES	136,690.00	0.00	762.55 147,753.86	0.00 100,454.87
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NET INCOME	635.14	26,838.17	-3,513.32	17,116.53
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Notes:

Income Statement is as of Oct 31/18. Approximately \$84,000 in bank account.

Approximately \$1000 in outstanding expenses to clear bank account.

# 2019 Budget - submitted by Nancee Polley

	В	2019 UDGET
REVENUE		
Registration Income		44,425
Storm Softball Hat Sales		2,000
Income from Storm Softball branded items		500
Tournament Profits		5,000
Training Clinics		500
Miscellaneous Income		
TOTAL REVENUE	\$	52,425
EXPENSES		
Regina Minor Softball League Fees		17,826
Softball Saskatchewan Affiliate Fees		1,560
Ball Diamond and Batting Cage Rentals		10,077
Scheduler		2,000
Evaluation Expenses		2,850
Come Try Softball Event		226
Coaching Clinic		315
Reimbursement for Sask Softball Coaching Clinics		2,050
Equipment & Supplies		4,920
Uniform Budget		5,000
Bank Charges & cheque stock		74
Other Costs		2,500
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$	49,397
NET INCOME (LOSS)	\$	3,028