

Berwyn Pony Baseball

Berwyn Recreation Department

Season begins late April through beginning to mid-July depending on the division.

All divisions will participate in the opening day parade and ceremonies on April 26th. Parade begins at 22nd & Elmwood. We line up in the Vacin Fairway (which is the alley north of 22nd St.). The parade continues to Baseball Alley and continues with opening day ceremonies. Baseball picture date to be announced.

1. There are 5 divisions:

- Mighty Mites 3 & 4 years old
 - Shetland 5 & 6 years old
 - Pinto 7 & 8 years old
 - Mustang 9 & 10 years old
 - Bronco 11 & 12 years old
- Birthdates as of April 30, 2014

2. League is open to boys and girls.

3. There are Tournament Teams for Mustang & Bronco Divisions.

4. The League is run by the City of Berwyn Recreation Department Staff.

Mighty Mites Division:

- Season begins with opening day parade and ceremonies and runs through July.
- Standings will not be kept for this division.
- Practices begin in May on Saturdays until the school year ends.
- Games & practices will be on Wednesdays 5:30 to 6:15 p.m. & Saturdays 9:00, 10:00 & 11:00 a.m.
- All practices & games will be at Janura Park (28th & East Ave.).
- Gray baseball pants are required. Spikes are optional but not required at this level. All players will be required to have a baseball glove. Tee Ball bats are optional and must be taped.
- Players will receive a hat & game shirt.
- Volunteer coaches & team sponsors are needed.
- This league is instructional. Games will be played. Standing will not be kept. The children are here to learn the basics of baseball and to have FUN, FUN & MORE FUN!

Shetland Division:

- Season begins with opening day parade and ceremonies and runs through July.
- Players will learn the fundamentals of baseball thru fielding, hitting and throwing drills.
- Fielding positions will be introduced.
- The tee will be used during this league.
- This division is geared for players ages 5 & 6 years old and will prepare the player for the next level of play.
- Standings will not be kept for this division.
- Monday & Thursday games & practices will be at Proksa Park, Wisconsin & 29th.
- Saturday mornings at Janura Park, 28th & East Ave.
- No weekday practices until school is out of session.
- Players hit off tee the entire season.
- League is skill building and fun, fun, fun!

Pinto Division:

- Season begins with opening day parade and ceremonies and runs through July.
- Players will continue to learn and master the skills of fielding the ball, fielding of positions, batting, throwing, catching and the basic knowledge of baseball rules.
- This is a coach pitch division. Each player will have 5 pitches to hit. If the player is unable to hit the ball, the tee is brought back for the player. This teaches the player to keep his eye on the ball and make contact.
- Standings will not be kept for this division.
- Coach pitch the entire season.
- Some Games & practices are on Tuesday & Friday evenings at Proksa Park, Wisconsin & 29th.
- Some Games & practices are on Saturday mornings at Janura Park, 28th & East Ave.
- No weekday practices until school is out of session.
- League is instructional. Children are taught the basics of baseball & will have a lot of fun learning!

Mustang Division:

- Season begins with opening day parade and ceremonies in late April and runs to July.
- All-Star game will be played in July.
- There is a separate Tournament Team.
- Games are played at Baseball Alley.
- Practices can be at any field at a time left up to the volunteer coach.
- During practices, coaches will run drills for throwing, catching, fielding, base running, batting, field positioning and situational play.
- Instructional league where standings are kept and a World Series is played.

Bronco Division:

- Season begins with opening day parade and ceremonies in late April and runs to July.
- All-Star game will be played in July.
- There is a separate Tournament Team.
- Games are played at Baseball Alley.
- Practice can be at any field at a time left up to the volunteer coach.
- During practices, coaches will work on drills to improve and master the basic skills of throwing, catching, base running, field positioning, batting and work on situational plays. This division is Major league baseball at its best!
- Lead-offs are allowed at this level.
- Standings are kept and World Series is held.

Required Equipment

- NO METAL SPIKES for any division.
- Spikes are optional for all divisions. Plastic spikes can be purchased at any sporting goods store.
- Gray Baseball pants are required for all divisions.
- Every player receives a hat and t-shirt.
- Every player must have their own baseball glove & protective gear.
- Players may use their own bat & must be in accordance with pony rules.

The Berwyn Recreation Department will host the World Series games and All-Star games