

NEWS LETTER

SPARKS BABE RUTH

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BOARD POSITIONS AVAILABLE, PLEASE VOLUNTEER!!!

Board meetings are held once a month. Check the web site for time and location

Help Wanted

If you are interested in coaching or managing a Prep or Main Division team, contact Player Agent: Elisha Zayas. You must have your coaching application completed prior to team selection. Coach's forms can be downloaded directly from our website!

NOTE: Babe Ruth Baseball requires all coaches to complete advanced coaching education for certification. For more information please see our website at <http://www.sparksbaberuth.com/>

If you are interested in sponsoring a team, donating your time or have a service you feel the league can benefit from please let Sparks Babe Ruth know. Without volunteers our league wouldn't survive. Please help!

Equipment

Sparks Babe Ruth will provide players a hat, jersey, socks and belt. Players provide glove, bat, cleats (metal cleats are **NOT** ok), cup, pants (color determined by coach), etc.

NOTE: New composite bat restrictions are in place. Please go to www.baberuthleague.org/ and click on "COMPOSITE BATS" on the left side menu of the page for further information.

Registration Information

Registration for the 2012 season starts January 11th. **The final registration date is March 7th!** You must be age 13 by May 1st to be eligible to play Sparks Babe Ruth. Walk-in registration will be held at Round Table Pizza on Baring Blvd. Rd. & at Tommy's Grand Stand located at 830 Meredith Way, at the East end of Glendale in Sparks. Please attend one of the following walk-in registration dates:

- **Wednesday – January 11th** 6p-8p @ Round Table Pizza on Baring Blvd.
- **Saturday – January 21st** 11a-2p @ Tommy's Grand Stand.
- **Wednesday – February 8th** 6p-8p @ Round Table Pizza on Baring Blvd.
- **Saturday – February 18th** 11a-2p @ Tommy's Grand Stand.
- **Wednesday – March 7th** 6 - Close @ Round Table Pizza on Baring Blvd.

The registration fee for the 2012 season is \$155!! There is no sibling or early sign up discount for anyone. If your child is new to Sparks Babe Ruth, you must bring an **original birth certificate** to registration.

Registration will not be accepted without a birth certificate.

New player registration also requires proof of address via utility bill and either a progress report/report card. This requirement is subject to change without notice.

*Returning players (Main Division **ONLY**) do not need to bring original documents for verification.*

Contact Elisha Zayas at ezayas@sparksbaberuth.com if you have any questions.

Senior Babe Ruth

Players born on or before 01/01/1994

Ages 16 thru 18 years old are eligible to play Senior Babe Ruth. For more information, contact Bob Bailey at 849-0949 or via email at bbailey@sparksbaberuth.com.

2012 Tryouts

Once registered, mark your calendar for tryouts. They will be held on Saturday – March 17th at the Golden Eagle Regional Park in Spanish Springs/Sparks. Please make every effort to attend tryouts, as there will not be a make-up date. Tryout times are as follows:

13 Year olds – 10 AM – 2 PM
14/15 Year olds – 3 PM – Finish

In case of inclement weather, check the website for status. If rescheduled, the tryout times will remain the same.

Upon completion of the player draft players will be notified by their Team Manager no later than March 21st

Practices will begin April 2nd

Note: All dates are subject to change without notice. Check website for status.

Scorekeeping

Each team is responsible for providing an official scorekeeper when they are the "home" team during the season. If you are selected as the team scorekeeper and need a refresher, come to our free clinic in April/2012, (date TBA) from 6:00-8:00 pm at Round Table Pizza on Baring Blvd. *Each team needs to keep accurate scorebooks with pitch counts and pitching changes so the more trained scorekeepers are the better.*

NOTE: The regular Babe Ruth baseball season schedule will not interfere with regularly scheduled High School team practices or season. We encourage High School baseball players to register and lengthen their season and experience.