

**Stittsville Minor Softball Association  
2008 Season  
House League**

**Coaches Meeting/Player Draft - April 16, 2008**

1. **Welcome and Introductions**
2. **Code of Conduct** – refer to attached document
3. **Softball Rules Summary** - refer to attached summary
4. **Season Play**

**Game Loops:**

<u>Level</u>	<u>Associations in Loop</u>
Mite Boys & Squirt Boys	Stittsville, Kanata and Richmond/Munster
Mite Girls & Squirt Girls	Stittsville & Kanata
Peewee Boys	Stittsville
Peewee Girls	Stittsville & Kanata
Bantam Boys	Stittsville, ROMSA & Greely
Bantam/Midget Girls	Stittsville, Kanata, ROMSA, Greely & Gloucester
Midget Boys	TBD

**Tentative Game Nights:**

<u>Level</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Girls</u>
Mite	Mon, Tues, Fri	Sun, Tues
Squirt	Sun, Wed	Mon, Thurs
Peewee	Tues, Fri	Sun, Wed
Bantam*	Mon, Thurs	
Bantam/Midget**		Thurs
Midget	Sun, Mon	

\*Sun, Wed at ROMSA & Greely

\*\*TBD at Kanata, ROMSA, Greely & Gloucester

5. **Coach/Assistant Coach List** – refer to attached list

## 6. Key Dates

**Equipment Distribution**      **April 19** - 10 to Noon  
@Sweetnam Drive Storage Locker

**Warm Ups/Pitching Clinics** refer to attached schedule

**Coaching Clinics**                      **House League – April 20**  
Intermediate Coaching  
9:30 to 12:30  
@Glen Cairn Community Centre

Advanced Coaching  
1 to 4  
@Glen Cairn Community Centre

**Learn to Play – April 27**  
Beginning Coaches  
9:30 to 12:30  
@Glen Cairn Community Centre

Returning Coaches  
1 to 4  
@Glen Cairn Community Centre

**Picture Day**                              **May 10**  
@Frederick Banting School  
(Mites and Squirts have times booked;  
Peewees and above need to book times)

**Tournament**                              **End of Season Tournament**  
**July 4, 5 and 6**  
(All levels except Bantam/Midget Girls  
which is to be determined by ROMSA)

## 7. Team Play

- **Season** - runs May 1<sup>st</sup> through July 3<sup>rd</sup> with no games scheduled on May 24<sup>th</sup> and July 1<sup>st</sup> long weekends
- **Game Play** – home team sets up diamond so should arrive at least ½ hour before game time
- **Bases** – are stored in lock boxes at each diamond (combinations will be distributed soon)
- **Line ups** – please have line ups prepared prior to game time
- **Playing Time** – all players should get equal playing time regardless of skill level

- **Call ups** – draw on players from a lower level to fill shortfalls of less than 9 players
- **Schedules** – game schedules will be posted on the website soon
- **Practices** – times will be assigned once game schedules are finalized
- **Batting Cage** – is available for use by players accompanied by a coach. Booking is the responsibility of the Coach and procedures remain the same as last year....visit the website for details.

**8. Select Teams** – will be addressed in a separate short meeting following this one

**9. Player Draft – teams are to be formed to achieve parity across levels.**  
Players should be assigned to teams as follows (in order):

- Coaches child
- Assistant Coaches child(ren)
- Starting pitcher + other pitcher(s)
- Additional players with an attempt to spread skill level equitably across teams (based on knowledge of children and evaluation information)
- Note that achieving **parity across the teams in a level is the top priority.** Player requests are to be considered and accommodated only if it doesn't upset the parity.
- Refer to draft sheets by level