

# Ball & Glove

## Big Foot Ball & Glove General Information

*2011 Season*

This letter is to inform participants regarding the upcoming baseball and softball seasons. Registrants can find forms online at [www.ballandglove.org](http://www.ballandglove.org) or at the Big Foot Recreation District office. A board of directors with representation throughout the community administers the Big Foot Ball & Glove program.

### Important Dates

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| <b>Monday, January 3</b> | <b>Registration Begins</b>   |
| <b>Sunday, March 6</b>   | <b>Big Foot Youth Sports Sign-Up Day</b><br>12:00–3:00 p.m. @ Big Foot High School   |
| <b>Friday, March 18</b>  | <b>Coaching Applications Due</b>   |
| <b>Friday, April 1</b>   | <b>Regular Registration Deadline</b><br>(T-ball & Coach Pitch deadline is Friday, May 20)  |
| <b>Thursday, April 7</b> | <b>Late Registration Deadline</b><br>A \$15 late fee applies to all registration forms 4/1–4/7.  |
| <b>Friday, April 8</b>   | <b>Team Sponsor Forms &amp; Payment Due</b>  |
| <b>Sunday, April 10</b>  | <b>Mandatory Player Evaluation</b><br>12:00–6:00 p.m.<br>Coaches must evaluate all players (except those in T-ball & Coach Pitch) before the draft. The BFB&G board will determine evaluation times based on registration numbers. |



## **Website**

Please visit our website at [www.ballandglove.org](http://www.ballandglove.org). We will update this site with contact information, team schedules, directions, and other helpful information.

## **Volunteers**

The BFB&G requires all parents/guardians to assist with the organization.

## **Coaches**

(T-ball & Coach Pitch—please read your section below.) The BFB&G Board of Directors will choose a head coaches from applications received by the deadline. Each head coach will then choose assistant coaches at the draft by choosing players connected to that assistant coach.

## **Concessions**

The coach or concessions coordinator will contact parents to schedule dates, times, and locations for concessions. This year BFB&G will assign teams' concession dates.

## **Umpires**

The umpire coordinator will contact umpires in mid-May, once each division has finalized game schedules. BFB&G will provide umpires training.

## **Team Sponsor**

Team sponsorship costs \$200. It includes the sponsor's name on the team's shirt. BFB&G will collect sponsor forms to coordinate the process. Sponsors must submit forms by the date on the front so that BFB&G can order uniforms.

## **Levels**

### **T-Ball & Coach Pitch**

T-Ball and Coach Pitch are instructional, in-house programs designed to teach fundamentals and emphasize fun. These programs depend on volunteer parent coaches for success. Volunteers for T-Ball and Coach Pitch differ from the upper levels. They do not require umpires or concession workers, so we expect all parents to assist with their child's team. Parents can assist with drills, get players ready to bat in the correct order during a game, or take attendance at practice. The more assistance each team has, the more attention each player will get. Each parent volunteer must provide a minimum of one hour of service to their team.

BFB&G will divide teams using a blind draft. Coaches will contact players in early June to provide team information. The registration fee covers a shirt and cap. Players must provide their own glove.

A professional photographer will take T-Ball and Coach Pitch pictures in June. Practice times may vary on this day. Parents will receive picture order forms after the first game.

The season runs for five weeks, from June 9 through July 14, 2011, Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 6:00–7:00 p.m.

## **Girls Softball Leagues**

**Levels:** 10 & Under, 12 & Under, and 14 & Under

**Player Evaluation:** Sunday, April 10, 2011 at Big Foot High School

Each division's head coach will watch each player at the evaluation session. Divisional drafts will take place immediately following evaluations. Head coaches will evenly pick teams and assistant coaches. BFB&G will randomly place unevaluated players onto teams. Coaches will contact their players following the draft. Games begin in June and run through July.

## **Boys Baseball Leagues**

**Levels:** 8 & Under, 10 & Under, 12 & Under, and 14 & Under

**Player Evaluation:** Sunday, April 10, 2011 at Big Foot High School

Each division's head coach will watch each player at the evaluation session. Divisional drafts will take place immediately following evaluations. Head coaches will evenly pick teams and assistant coaches. BFB&G will randomly place unevaluated players onto teams. Coaches will contact their players following the draft. Head coaches will determine team practices. Games begin in late May and run through July.

## ***American Legion Baseball***

**Levels:** Junior Legion (15- & 16-year old)

Senior Legion (17- & 18-year old)

These leagues will not participate in player evaluation. The head coaches will contact registered players and assistant coaches after the registration deadline. Head coaches will determine teams. Practices will begin at the discretion of the head coach. Games begin in early June and run through late July.

## **Additional Information**

If you have any questions, contact BFB&G Commissioner, Tony Greco.

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