



# Hampton Little League 2019

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## Tips for Getting Started

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Have a discussion with your team Manager about how they want to work with you; what they need you to manage for the team.

Give an overview to the parents on your team of your role as Team Parent, as well as an overview of upcoming events and expectations

- If it's helpful, use the Parent welcome handout that outlines park info, roles and volunteer expectations
- Let them know Hampton has a biweekly newsletter that will be sent out with information and upcoming events that is distributed electronically via the Team Parents.
- For the older divisions, let the parents know you will be setting up a schedule for field prep/clean up and selling 50/50 tickets and that if they are not able to fulfill their assigned day, it is their responsibility to arrange with another parent from the team to cover their assigned task/date.

Obtain email addresses from the parents on your team to set up a distribution list to make sending out group emails easier

One of the most challenging tasks can be getting parents/guardians to volunteer for tasks such as field prep, field clean up, selling 50/50 tickets and Fun Day. No one wants to chase other parents around trying to get him or her to volunteer. Set up a schedule and assign parents these tasks and let them know if they are not able to fulfill this responsibility, it is Hampton's expectation that they arrange with another parent from team to cover that shift.

# WHERE DO I GO?

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If you have questions, comments, feedback or concerns

1. Team parent or Manager
2. Division Director
3. Player Agent
4. Vice President
5. President

For the most up-to-date information see: <https://hamptonlittleleague.com/board-of-directors/>

## EXECUTIVE

Michelle Peterson	President	Dana Carroll	Vice President
Cathleen Kelly	Secretary	Melissa Kirk	Treasurer
Mike Peterson	Head Coach	Barb Buchan	Player Agent
Curt Waldner	Head Grounkeeper	Cheryl Sanders	Safety Officer

## DIRECTORS

Selena Ordell or Stephanie Grey	Information Officer	Tammy Buchan Grant	Registrar
Alison Ranger	Concession Director	VACANT	Concession Manager

## DIVISIONAL DIRECTORS

Jason Nisula	Director of Baseball	Carrie Dye	Director of Softball
Kristen Kay	Challengers	VACANT	Major Baseball
VACANT	Minor Baseball	VACANT	Rookie Minors
Ashley Ohtsijah Hall	Mini Minors	Ashley Ohtsijah Hall	Blastball and TBall

# **HAMPTON LITTLE LEAGUE CODE OF CONDUCT**

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The objective of our local league is to implant firmly in the youth of our community, the ideals of Good Sportsmanship, Trustworthiness, Responsibility, Caring, Honesty, Loyalty, Courage and Respect, so that they may be well adjusted, stronger and happier children who grow up to be decent, healthy and trustworthy adults and citizens.

Stressing exceptional athletic skills and winning of games is secondary to learning the game and having fun.

Please ensure that each parent/guardian of each player on your team is given and signs a Hampton Little League Code of Conduct. Once you have obtained signed forms, please hand them into the Team Parent Liaison or the Player Agent.

# FAIR PLAY RULES

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## 1. Blastball, Mini Tball, Tball, and Mini Minors

- All players play full games

## 2. Minor Baseball

- All players must play a minimum of 3 innings per game.
- Managers should observe the 3 / 6 rule. 3 innings one game and 6 innings the next game. (Missed games count as 6 innings played). This will ensure by seasons end, players will have a comparable amount of innings played.
- Managers should endeavour to allow players equal playing time in the infield and outfield.
- All players wanting to learn to pitch and catch should be given the opportunity to do so.
- The exception to the infield/outfield playing time, would be if a player was deemed to be a safety risk in the infield. This decision must be supported by the child's guardian and brought to the BOD's attention and approval.
- All players must play a minimum of 3 consecutive innings per game.
- Substitutions should be made at the end of the 3rd inning.
- All players that were introduced in the last half of the game must start the next game.
- In the event that 6 innings were not played, the players must complete their innings in the next consecutive game plus play their minimum 3 innings for that game.
- Continuous batting order must be observed.

## 3. Major Baseball Book Rules

- Players must play a minimum of 6 defensive outs and 1 at bat.
- Park Rules.
- All players must play one full game in every 3 games. (Missed games count as 6 innings played).
- All players must play a minimum of 15 innings in the infield per regular season. The exception to the infield playing time, would be if a player was deemed to be a safety risk in the infield. This decision must be supported by the child's guardian and brought to the BOD's attention and approval.
- Interlocking rules may also involve a 4 run limit per inning with the last inning wide open.

# VOLUNTEERING

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Our organization is entirely run by volunteers. Parents and family members are encouraged to volunteer and contribute to our wonderful community. From beginning to end, Hampton Little League is strictly a volunteer effort. Caring adults dedicate their time, service and often their personal funds, to maintain an exemplary program wherein children develop into young adults.

As a parent of a child in the Little League program, you are our most valuable asset. By understanding how the Little League program operates, you may better understand how to become involved in the league. Be counted as a parent who wants to take an active part in the enrichment of their child's life. As a volunteer program, Hampton Little League baseball cannot survive without your help.

When you reach the fields in the spring, did you ever wonder who mowed the grass, who organized the equipment, or who stocked the concession stand? The answer is.... parents just like you. Volunteers hold all of the positions listed below. Some positions require a continuous commitment over the entire year, and other positions require only a couple of days or a weekend. Hampton Little League very much needs your help to administer the program, and asks that you consider helping in whatever capacity you can. Each and every hour donated contributes to the success of the program and is greatly appreciated. We are all busy but should be able to find some time, no matter how much or how little.

## VOLUNTEERS

**The Executive:** Every year at the Annual General Meeting

Volunteer (not paid) and are elected to sit as the Executive for the upcoming season. These people meet each month for 2-3 hours until the season starts and then they meet 2 times of month totaling no less than 6 hours per month. Their purpose is to conduct the business of the league in the best interest of the players. This includes the daily operations as well as the behind the scenes administrative work.

Total meeting time commitment is approx. 45 hrs.

Every executive member is elected to a position. These positions need extra time dedicated to them.

Total time commitment depends on the position.

Once the season starts, so does the "Daily Park Supervisor" job start. Each Executive member must be "park supervisor" 4 hours per week. This job includes opening and/or closing the park, selling 50/50, safety, ensuring the umpires are there and paid, answering questions, settling disputes, cleaning up (includes washrooms), locking up and whatever else that may come up.

Total time commitment is approx 40 hrs

**CONCESSION** – *parents are required to do 1 shift per child in the concession* working front counter, or prep cook. Each shift is between 3 to 4 hours long and we provide training. We are always looking for Cooks! Once you complete your shift, you are refunded your pre-paid concession fee of \$40 for front counter or prep cooking.

**COOKS** - Can you cook for 1 shift this season, or perhaps commit to the same night each week, or possibly the same time on each weekend? Please contact the concession director at [concession.hamptonll@gmail.com](mailto:concession.hamptonll@gmail.com). Cooks are paid \$60 per shift.

**CONCESSION DIRECTOR** – Oversees the day-to-day management of the Concession.

**MANAGER/COACHES** - Without coaches there will be no baseball/softball programs. Every team should have at least 3 parents who can commit to coaching and managing the team. Hampton can direct you to coaching clinics and we provide hands on help and guidance upon request.

**TEAM PARENT** - Each team needs a person to help liaise between the parents, managers, and ball players to keep you informed of the park happenings.

**HEAD GROUNDSKEEPER** - This position is open to an individual that can coordinate and manage the grounds keeping and maintenance. It involves ensuring that our grounds are maintained and that the weekly cut days are staffed and scheduled around game times. The head grounds keeper would work with Saanich or with the Park Exec to ensure that Saanich Parks is keeping Hampton Park up to standard.

**GROUNDSKEEPER** - This involves only a few hours each week (Saturday mornings and/or every other week) to groom the park and to perform general maintenance.

**PARK SUPERVISORS** - Duties include opening and closing the park, cleaning the restrooms, supervising the general activities, ensuring there are scorekeepers, umpires and teams for games and ensure that 50/50 is sold, etc.

**SCOREKEEPERS** - Each team must have a scorekeeper at each game – Mini Minors and up. Training is provided.

**ADULT SOCIAL AND FUNDRAISING EVENT MEMBERS** – organizing committee for the annual Hampton adult social and fundraising event.

**FUN DAY COMMITTEE MEMBERS** – work on the committee for the annual Hampton Funday. This is a FUN but busy day for the membership of Hampton and a day your kids will remember!

## **ROLE OF THE LITTLE LEAGUE PARENT**

*Parents should accept the fact that they must shoulder the responsibility and take initiative to make the local program successful. Little League is not a club in which membership implies babysitting benefits and entertainment privileges.*

*Practically speaking, Little League is an adult, volunteer work project constructed, supervised, and assisted by parents who want to extend this benefit to their children. The parent who shirks this responsibility cannot, in turn, expect others to assume the burden.*

(Official Regulations and Playing Rules of Little League Baseball)

# HAMPTON EVENTS

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## OPENING CEREMONIES

All players are required to attend in uniform. You will march onto the field with your team and our Hampton Park Group photo will be taken. We have quick opening ceremonies with a few honoured guests and introductions and team pictures take place afterwards by Gordon Lee Photography.

## TEAM PICTURES

Gordon Lee Photography will take the pictures and a schedule will be sent around with your team's time. All players are to be in full uniform. Each player will receive an individual plus team photo with an order sheet for optional additional photos.

## Tournaments/Jamborees

Hampton is planning several different tournaments and Jamborees for different divisions. Check the online calendar at <https://hamptonlittleleague.com/hampton-park-calendar/> for dates, more information to follow.

## ADULT ONLY SLOW PITCH GAMES

This event is for volunteers and/or adults of all levels to come out and play a game and fun and get to know each other. We usually play 3 games per season. It is potluck, and once the game ends, the eating and spirits begin. Come out, bring your significant other and join the Hampton volunteer community.

## PITCH, HIT AND RUN

This is a park participating competition for 7 year olds and up giving the highest scorers of each age category the opportunity to advance to the next level. We ask that all players that qualify by age attend this event.

## FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Bring your blanket, lawn chair and we provide the movie and the popcorn!

## VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION NIGHT

Hampton provides the entrée and volunteers bring dishes to share to recognize those that have given so much of their time to our children and program in 2015. If you coached, ran concession, worked on executive, were a team parent, worked on a committee, this means you.

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## **CLOSING CEREMONIES**

This is the final season event where the volunteers are recognized as well as the player participants, the winning teams, and the raffle is drawn. This is also uniform handing in day. Please plan on attending.

# FUN DAY VOLUNTEER ASSIGNED SHEET



Shift	Who	Phone #
Cake or 24 cupcakes		
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11:30am - 12:30am		
11:30am - 12:30am		
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm		
12:30 pm – 1:30 pm		
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm		
1:30 pm – 2:30 pm		
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm		
2:30 pm – 3:30 pm		
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm		
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm		

When you work the first and last shift, part of your shift will be the set up and clean up of the station.