

2024 PARENT HANDBOOK

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RODEO BASEBALL 2024

CALENDAR

JANUARY

January 26, 2024 COACH, MANAGER & TEAM PARENT MEETING 6:00 PM

FEBRUARY

February 25 2024 FIELD CLEAN UP DAY 09:00 – 1:00 PM

MARCH

MARCH 03, 2024 PICTURE DAY

MARCH 09, 2024 OPENING DAY & PARADE

MARCH 16, 2024 99 PLEDGES FOR HIT-A-THON BEGINS

APRIL

APRIL 07, 2024 99 PLEDGES FOR HIT-A-THON ENDS

APRIL 07, 2024 HIT-A-THON

APRIL 21, 2024 CAL BEARS VS. OREGON STATE GAME 1:05 PM

APRIL 28, 2024 GIANTS LITTLE LEAGUE DAY VS PIRATES 1:05 PM

MAY

MAY 01, 2024 POPCORN FUNDRAISER BEGINS

MAY 05, 2024 POPCORN FUNDRAISER ENDS

MAY 05, 2024 OAKLAND A’S LITTLE LEAGUE DAY (VS MARLINS) 1:07 PM

MAY 18, 2024 CLOSING DAY BBQ

Coach, Manager & Team Parent Meeting

January 26, 2024 – 6:00 PM

All coaches, managers, team parents and board members must attend this meeting. We will go over rules, dates, events and answer any questions.

Field Clean Up Day

Sunday February 25, 2024

9:00 AM to 1:00 PM

Field clean-up day is one of the most important days before our season begins. With all the rain, our fields and surrounding areas need a lot of work. The RBA board cannot do this on our own without the help of the Coaches and families of Rodeo Baseball. We need to pull weeds, paint, clean surrounding areas, hang and replace sponsor banners and lots of other tasks that need to be finished before our season can start. Please pass this on to your families and encourage them to come out. We have a list of items that are always needed on clean up days. If your parents decide to participate ask them if they can bring supplies that we can use.

Tools & Items Needed:

- Gloves
- Garbage Bags
- Weed Eater
- Rake
- Broom
- Shovel

Picture Day

Sunday March 03, 2024

Times TBD & will be posted online

Picture day is a mandatory event. All players, coaches & managers should arrive on time and in full uniform. If you are not on time, the entire team will have to wait for the next available slot. We will not be able to hold up the picture schedule for the late team or players.

- Each player will need to send a text that reads "2024RODEO" to 90738 to opt-in for picture day. If they do not Opt in, they will not receive the order link. By opting in they will receive a text to receive the ordering link and SPECIAL PROMOTIONS from the Photography company.
- ONLY Managers, Coaches, One Team Parent, and Players will be allowed while pictures are being take.
- There will be no makeup picture day so please make sure your child(s) is present

Opening Day Parade

The 2024 Rodeo Baseball Association Spring Season kicks off on **March 09, 2024** with our Opening Day Parade.

The Parade begins at 9:00am sharp at 1st and Parker right next to Rickey's Corner. All teams are to arrive at 8:00am so that we can begin the parade on time. It is mandatory that all teams participate in the parade along with their Managers, Coaches, and Team Moms. Please designate ahead of time who will carry the team banner. Parents are to drop their children off to their Team Mom and find a spot to watch the parade down Parker Ave. Parents are not allowed to walk in the parade but can follow along on the sidewalk.

The Parade will end at Lefty Gomez Front Field. Teams are to lineup along the edge of the grass with Pony starting at 3rd base line followed by Bronco, Mustang, Pinto, Shetland, and Mighty Might's ending at 1st base. At this time the Opening Day Ceremony will begin.

99 Pledges for our Hit-A-Thon

Begins March 16th

Closes on April 6th

- Each Player and/or parent will receive an email. This is the email that will have the link to your personalized pledge website. If you do not receive an email, please contact deschaine@rodeobaseball.org.
- Each Player/Parent goal is \$500. **We need your help.**

Here are some tips for success:

- Make your donation immediately
- Send a personal message to your 10 closest friends & family members
- Post to Facebook, Instagram & Twitter adding a picture or video message. (this works well)

FUNDRAISING TIPS

- Get the ball rolling immediately, March 16th is around the corner!
- Make a personal donation to inspire others to support a great cause.
- Share and send a personal message to close friends and family asking them to donate

Prizes for top sellers include but not limited to: PS5, Oculus VR, Six Flags Season Pass, etc.

ALL PARTICIPATION IS NECESSARY! Thank you for your Support. Go Rodeo!

Hit-A-Thon

April 07, 2024

Schedules will be posted online

Come out and help make this event successful and fun for our families and kids! Our goal is for each player to raise at least \$30 by recruiting sponsors to fund they're at bats. Ask family, neighbors, and friends to donate on behalf of your slugger(s)! Players with the highest donations will be recognized on our website and prizes will be given out on closing day ceremonies, with the exception of the league's BIG STICK AWARD winners. They will receive their bats at the Hit-A-Thon. **Each players 99 Pledge goal is \$500**

- Strongly encourage all your teams to participate in the Hit-A-Thon
- Your participation is very crucial. Funds raised from this will help buy team equipment and help upgrade our playing fields.
- All participants will raise money on the 99 Pledges platform but if you also use the sponsor forms please make sure they are competed with money in hand. Players will not be able to receive a medallion, win individual prizes, or division prizes unless a minimum of \$30 is sponsored.

Purpose

The Hit-A-Thon is RBA's primary fundraiser to support additional improvements to fields, equipment and the general overall experience for players. Registration fees pay a portion of overall expenses; however, in order to continue to make additional improvements throughout Rodeo Baseball, RBA needs additional funding.

Schedule

The Hit-A-Thon Schedule will be posted on our website SOON.

How the Hit-A-Thon Works

Campaign: Each player has their own campaign page that they can share across social media platforms and email. This feature is beneficial as it enables individual players to personalize and promote their fundraising efforts, potentially reaching a wider audience.

Share the Campaign: The players parents, family etc can share the campaign link through social media, email, or other channels to reach a wider audience.

Donations and Tracking: Supporters make donations based on their pledges. The platform provides tools to track progress toward the fundraising goal and showcase the impact of donations. Each player has a \$500 Goal but the minimum to participate in prizes is \$30.

We encourage players & families to acknowledge and thank donors publicly on the platform.

Rules & Rewards for Participating:

- In order to participate in prizes, each player needs a \$30 minimum sponsorship
- Each player has the opportunity for up to five hits (from machine or tee pitches).
- Players obtain sponsors who donate flat donations.
- RBA strongly encourages donations of a flat amount to be paid at the time of the solicitation.
- Each team should wear their jerseys for the event.
- Each team will receive an arrival time and field time.
- Each team must provide three adults: pitcher, dugout/lineup coordinator, and ball collector
- Each team is to bring helmets and bats. The league will provide baseballs
- Keep moving. There are a lot of teams to participate in a short window.
- If you have a player that has decided to use the paper sponsor forms & not participate in 99 Pledges please collect player donations & form and turn it in to the check-in table prior to your scheduled time.

Individual and Team Prizes

- **MVP Award** – The player raising the most money in the whole league will receive \$50 visa gift card and medal
- **League Champion Award** – The team collecting the most money will receive a team pizza party
- **Team Participation Award** – Every Team with 100% participation (Minimum \$30 Pledge Per Player) will receive a Team Meal after one of their games during regular season.
- **Big Stick Award** – Player who hits the longest ball from each division will receive a personalized wooden bat.
- **99 Pledges** – The players that raise the most money have the opportunity to win a PS5, Oculus VR, Six Flags Season passes and much more.

Cal Bear Game Vs. Oregon State

Sunday, April 21, 2024

Game Start Time: 1:05 pm

Ticket Price = \$15

Tickets are sold in the main snack bar ONLY

Join us for an exciting Cal Bears game against Oregon State on a sunny Sunday afternoon! Gather with your baseball families and experience the thrill of the game together. Let's make it a day to remember!

Online Popcorn Fundraiser Begins

Begins May 01, 2024

Ends May 05, 2024

Each team will get their own Pop-Up Store online and a unique link to share with friends and family. Post & Share on your social media pages & Happy Selling!

The Pop-Up Store activates your team's participation through your real-time Leaderboard where everyone can see who has opened up their Pop-Up Store and how much each person is selling. With only 4 days to sell as much ultra-premium gourmet popcorn as they can, participation & competition heat up fast!

The TEAM that sells the most Popcorn will be win a 2 Hour Pizza & Bowling Party. This is not a mandatory fundraiser, however if you think you can sell some popcorn, you would be helping your TEAM out & getting them that much closer to the PIZZA BOWLING PARTY!

Your Team Codes will be sent to your team moms. Once you get the code, you will have to access to post and sells begin on May 1st.

Oakland Athletics Little League Day

Sunday, May 05, 2024

Game Start Time: 1:07 pm

Ticket Price = \$30

Tickets are sold in the snack bar ONLY

Mark your calendars because on May 5, 2024, we're turning the Oakland Coliseum into the ultimate playground for Little League Day! Bring your family and friends for a day filled with fun, laughter, and of course, some fantastic baseball action as our team takes on the Marlins!

The excitement begins in the parking lot with a range of family-friendly activities!

- Pre-Game festival in the B Lot Opens at 8:00 am
- Pre-Game on-field parade for uniformed players and coaches
- Special giveaway (subject to availability)

Don't miss out on this fantastic day!

Ticket Price = \$30

Tickets are sold in the main snack bar ONLY

Giants Little League Day

Sunday April 28 vs Pirates @ 1:05pm

We will provide a link to share with your team so people can purchase their own tickets & pick their own seats. Average Prices Per Ticket are below.

- *View Reserve 332-336 - \$10-\$15/ticket*
- *View Reserve 302-307 and 325-331 - \$12-\$15/ticket*
- *View Reserve 308-324 - \$15-\$20/ticket*
- *Bleachers 137-142 - \$25-\$30/ticket*
- *Lower Box 129-130 (rows 31+) and 131-135 - \$30-\$35/ticket*
- *Arcade 145-146 - \$40-\$45/ticket*
- *Lower Box 101-104 and 127-129 - \$50-\$60/ticket*
- *Lower Box 105-126 - \$55-\$75/ticket (depending on row)*

Texas Hold'em Poker Tournament

Date & Time TBD

More details to follow – Once a date is set, we will send an email out to entire league.

Closing Day BBQ

Saturday, May 18, 2024

Closing day ceremonies begin at 9:00am. Players will receive their trophies, medals, and winners of the Hit-A-Thon will be announced. RBA will provide a BBQ for all the players and families to close out our season. Spring 2025 registrations will be taken at a discount Closing Dy Only.

JACQUES T-SHIRT

ORDER INFORMATION

All orders will be placed by the Team Parent (one order per team). Submit orders using the attached order form to jacquestshirts@comcast.net. A 50% deposit is required at the time of order.

Verify with parents the spelling, numbers and size are correct before placing your order. **No refunds or exchanges after your order is confirmed.**

Description	Price
T-shirt (unisex) – printed 2-color Rodeo logo w/ name and number on the back. Youth S-XL and Adult S-4XL	\$18.00
Women’s v-neck shirt – limited colors	\$20.00
Women’s tank – limited colors Adult S-4XL	\$20.00
Crew neck sweatshirt	\$28.00
Hooded pullover sweatshirt Youth S-L and Adult S-4XL	\$32.00
Zip up hooded sweatshirt	\$36.00
Visor – limited colors	\$18.00
Baseball caps Flex fit S/M, L/XL or adjustable velcro strap <i>Name and number embroidered on back add \$5.00 per cap</i>	\$18.00

Other items available upon request

Rodeo Baseball Contacts

We understand that clear communication is essential for a positive and successful experience for both the players and their families. In case you encounter any issues, have concerns, or need assistance, please feel free to reach out to the following individuals:

Players' Concerns:

If you have any concerns related to your child's participation, well-being, or any other player-specific matters, please contact the player agent in your child's division.

Mighty Rights Player Agent	Adam Alvarez	Adam@RodeoBaseball.org	510-301-3021
Shetland Player Agent	Alex Itziheine	Alex@RodeoBaseball.org	510-882-1140
Pinto Player Agent	Jeff Molina	JeffM@RodeoBaseball.org	510-374-0422
Mustang Player Agent	Grant Crowder	Grant@RodeoBaseball.org	415-320-3761
Bronco Player Agent	Rich Cabrera	RichC@RodeoBaseball.org	510-776-2195
Pony Player Agent	Brandin Finta	Brandin@RodeoBaseball.org	510-776-8347

For questions or concerns related to staff members, coaching staff, or any other staff-related matters, please contact:

Rich Cabrera – RichC@RodeoBaseball.org – 510-776-2195 (Text Only)

Amanda Farmer – Amanda@RodeoBaseball.org – 510-437-7272 (Text Only)

General Assistance:

If you require general assistance, have questions about policies, or need information about upcoming events, please contact:

Heather Farmer – Heather@RodeoBaseball.org – 510-356-7409 (Text Only)

Emergency Situations:

In case of emergencies or urgent matters, please call 911 – Our address is 470 Parker Ave, Rodeo, CA 94572

Your feedback and concerns are important to us, and we are committed to addressing them promptly and effectively.

Thank you for being a valued part of our community.