



## NOTE FROM THE COMMISSIONER

Hello Everyone:

As we hit the homestretch in what has become the Spring of Re-scheduling we have seen some exciting baseball that promises to culminate in a wonderful Championship week when Playoffs begin. I wanted to update everyone on upcoming events from playoffs to All Stars so we are all excited as we reflect and enjoy family this Memorial Day Weekend.

We at Shrewsbury Little League are preparing a wonderful season end celebration as part of Championship Weekend on Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at Dean Park. More to follow as the days and weeks progress but we are looking to have fun activities for all families, food, drink, music, dunk tanks, Home Run Derbies, The Challenger League games finishing up with the Moms Baseball game that evening. If you attended it last year you know it was phenomenal. **(As Always so much work is involved and we need many, many Volunteers to pull this off. Please go on the website to find out where you can sign up to help.)**

Playoffs get under way Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> and Continue Tuesday thru Friday setting up Championship Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup> where Minors play at 1:00pm, Preps at 4:00pm, and Majors at 7:00pm. (Times may change).

All Star season will take center stage as soon as the regular season and playoffs are complete. Coaches in Prep and Majors will be meeting in the next couple of weeks to select All Star teams at the following levels.

12U: Williamsport Teams American League and National League

12U: Tournament Team will play in a local tournament.

11U: AL and NL Teams participate in the District 5 Tournament

10U: AL and NL Teams participate in the Jimmy Fund District 5 Tournament.

Prep: We will field one Prep All Star team this year that participates in a local run tournament.

As most are aware, being selected and playing on our all Star and Tournament teams is a wonderful achievement and allows the kids to continue playing baseball through the end of June and July. (Potentially longer for our Williamsport teams). As such there will be a commitment and dedication needed to succeed from the boys/girls selected to represent SLL. In the next week or so coaches will be nominating players for consideration and each player nominated will be given a Letter of Commitment that spells out the all-star experience including, cost, (\$135 with a possible max of \$150 depending on town fees), commitment to the team for practices and games during specific time frames. I can speak to the honor and excitement my son and I felt last year representing Shrewsbury Little League with 11 other players, 3 coaches and every family as we won the 10U District 5 Jimmy Fund Tournament. The winning was nice but secondary to the camaraderie the boys developed as well as a sense of community and charity we all felt helping to raise money for the Jimmy Fund. (Special thanks to Natasha Colonero for organizing this.) Our win for Max was priceless to everyone on that team.

That's it for now. Good Luck to everyone as Playoff Fever begins to rise!!!

See you all at Dean,

Jim Sacco, SLL

Majors/Prep Commissioner