



## 2014 Halloween Classic Rules and Information Packet

# 1. Your Halloween Tournament Director for the weekend

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## 2. Your Tournament Site Directors

Sully Elementary School 300 Circle Dr., Sterling, VA	Emma Sweeney (10U)	(703) 599-8984
Phillip A. Bolen Memorial Park 42405 Claudia Dr., Leesburg, VA*	Tim Lieb (16U/12U) Chris Mietlicki (12U/16U)	(202) 431-5855 (703) 447-0283
Potomack Lakes Sportsplex 20280 Cascades Pkwy, Sterling, VA	Bryan Blusiewicz (14U)	(703) 906-9386
Claude Moore Recreation Center 46105 Loudoun Park Lane, Sterling, V	Tom Suchoski (14U) VA	(703) 926-2908

\* Note – the ONLY entrance to Bolen park is off of Sycolin Road!!

### 3. The Rules

We will be playing by ASA rules except for the following rules modifications.

### 3.1. General (all games)

- 3.1.1. The following run rules will be in effect: 12 after 3 innings, 10 after 4 innings, 8 after 5 innings.
- 3.1.2. Courtesy runner for pitcher/catcher is a player not in the line-up or the last batted out if there are no players not in the line-up. The same runner cannot run for the pitcher and catcher in the same half-inning.
- 3.1.3. Teams may bat as many players as they choose (minimum 9). Once the lineup card is accepted by the umpire teams must continue to bat that same number of players throughout the game. Any batter failing to bat without an appropriate substitution will result in an out.
- 3.1.4. Unlimited defensive substitution (anyone can play defense at any time regardless of whether or not they are in the current batting order).
- 3.1.5. Pitching distance will be 43' for 14U and 16U, 40' for 12U, 35' for 10U.
- 3.1.6. Metal cleats can be used in 14U and 16U.

- 3.1.7. Home team is the official scorebook.
- 3.1.8. Winning team must report score to the tournament site director. We will have people on-site for the tournament so please report them directly to the site director. If you cannot locate a site director, please report them by phone to the number below for your age group.

10U:	Emma Sweeney	(703) 599-8948
12U:	Chris Mietlicki	(703) 447-0283
14U:	Bryan Blusiewicz (PLS)	(703) 906-9386
14U:	Tom Suchoski (CMP)	(703) 926-2908
16U:	Tim Lieb	(202) 431-5855

3.1.9. Tournament will be under the strict direction of county officials.

### 3.2. Saturday (pool play games)

- 3.2.1. No new inning after 1:15 (75 minutes) finish the inning, no drop dead.
- 3.2.2. Pool play games can end in a tie. Games that are tied after 7 innings but have time remaining will continue play utilizing the international tie-breaker until time expires. Any inning started will be completed.
- 3.2.3. Coin toss for choice of home team at start of each pool play game.

### 3.3. Sunday (elimination games)

- 3.3.1. No new inning after 1:20 (80 minutes) finish the inning.
- 3.3.2. International tie-breaker if the game is tied after 7 innings or after time has expired.
- 3.3.3. Home team is the higher seed. Coin toss for choice of home team if both teams are same seed.
- 3.3.4. International tie-breaker if the game is tied after 7 innings or after time has expired.

### 3.4. Sunday (championship games)

- 3.4.1. No new inning after 1:30 (90 minutes) finish the inning.
- 3.4.2. International tie-breaker if the game is tied after 7 innings or after time has expired.
- 3.4.3. Home team is the higher seed. Coin toss for choice of home team if both teams are same seed.

## 4. Seeding Rules for Sunday Elimination Play

- **4.1.** The seeding for the elimination portion of the tournament will be based on the following:
  - 4.1.1. Overall record
  - 4.1.2. Head to head (where applicable and no 3-way conflict)
  - 4.1.3. Runs allowed
  - 4.1.4. Runs scored
  - 4.1.5. Run differential
  - 4.1.6. Coin Flip

If more than two teams are tied, once the tie is broken seeding continues from the current point for remaining teams.

**4.2.** The final seeding will be posted on the tournament website (see below) and sent out by email.

#### 5. Tournament Communications

### 5.1. Primary Method

5.1.1. Tournament information will be relayed through the tournament website located at the following:

http://www.baseliners.org/halloween-classic-2014-schedule.html

5.1.2. This website will be used for all tournament-related information, weather updates, and seeding results.

### 5.2. Alternative Weather Information

5.2.1. Loudoun County Weather cancellation line will be used as secondary method for weather related announcements: 703 777-0456.

### 5.3. Seeding Results

- 5.3.1. The tournament site directors are not done for the day until the seeding for Sunday is finished and posted. So it will be done as quickly as possible.
- 5.3.2. Sunday seeds will be posted Saturday night by approximately 1 hour after the conclusion of pool play in each division.
- 5.3.3. We will send out an email to the contact list we have been sending

tournament information with the seeding in case you are out dining at one of our fine local establishments, somewhere deep in a local corn maze, or being terrified at one of the area haunted houses.

5.3.4. No one likes to wait around and figure out what time they are getting up on Sunday so please be patient - we want you to know so we can be done for the day.

#### 6. Check in

**6.1.** 45 minutes before your first game begins on Saturday at your game location:

Sully Elementary, Sterling, VA Bolen Park, Leesburg, VA Potomack Lakes Sportsplex, Sterling, VA Claude Moore Recreation Center, Sterling, VA

- **6.2.** Each team must present a Fall 2014 roster.
- **6.3.** Each team must present a valid certificate of insurance with current effective date.
- **6.4.** Each team must possess birth certificates for all players.
- **6.5.** Each team must provide a cell phone number to be contacted in the event of weather delays.

### 7. Miscellaneous Information

- **7.1.** A player can only play for one team in the tournament.
- **7.2.** Players must be age-eligible for the age bracket they are participating in based on the ASA age standard.
- **7.3.** Player additions after checking in for the tournament will not be allowed unless approved by the tournament director and only to enable you to finish competing in the tournament.
- **7.4.** No protests will be permitted.
- **7.5.** All posted scores at the tournament sites will be considered FINAL 30 minutes after the last score is posted.
- **7.6.** Lastly, we reserve the right to modify these rules as needed.