

Quad City Redbirds Baseball Classic 9U

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In association with American Family Insurance, Agent Richell Stock and USSSA Baseball, the Quad City Redbirds Baseball Club will be hosting the Quad City Redbirds Baseball Classic. The tournament will be held at the World Baseball Softball Association (WBSA) Complex in Rock Island, IL.

Tournament format will be as follows:

9U: Two pools of four teams. Three game pool play. The top 2 seeds from each pool will move on to the Championship Round. 1st and 2nd seed pool winners will be based on the following criteria: 1) Record, 2) Head to head outcome

In the event of a 3 way tie (3 teams having a 2-1 pool play record), the winner will be determined by:

1) Runs allowed in the first 3 innings of each pool play game, 2) Runs scored in the first 3 innings of each pool play game, 3) Run Differential with max 8 runs plus or minus per game. If the first criterion does not satisfy, all teams in the pool are eligible for the second criterion. This goes for the 2nd criterion, also.

Seeding for the Championship Round will be based on:

The top seed from Pool A will play the 2nd seed from Pool B. The top seed from Pool B will play the 2nd seed from Pool A.

Each team is guaranteed 3 games, unless the tournament is altered due to weather, or other unforeseen circumstances. Team trophies will be awarded to the top 2 teams. Individual trophies will be awarded to the top 4 places.

There will be a \$3 gate fee per person per day. Kids 10&U are free. Each team will be given 3 coach's passes good for the entire tournament.

The WBSA Complex will have a full service concession stand open. Please, no food, beverage, or coolers are to be brought into the complex. Players are allowed to bring individual jugs of water for their own use. Please comply with these rules. Concession money from this tournament will go back into the complex and youth baseball. Gate and entry fees will go to the fundraising efforts of the Redbirds organization.

PLEASE REVIEW GATE FEES AND CONCESSION INFORMATION WITH YOUR PARENTS BEFORE THE TOURNAMENT STARTS, SO THERE ARE NO SURPRISES FOR YOUR FAMILIES. FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH GATE AND CONCESSIONS RULES COULD RESULT IN GAME FORFEITURE.

Tournament Rules (QCR Classic '06)

- ◆ Play will follow USSSA Rules, except for specific rules listed below.
- ◆ We will play 6 innings, unless run rules or weather alter the game. Run rule below.
- ◆ We will be using Diamond DOLA grade baseballs, provided by the Redbirds Club, throughout the tournament.
- ◆ The 9U tournament will have base lengths of 65' and the pitching distance of 46".
- ◆ 1 hour 40 minute time limit. No inning will start after 1 hour 40 minutes. Time starts for the next inning upon the last out at the bottom of the inning. In the event of a tie game at the end of the time limit, 1 extra inning will be played. If the game is still tied after the extra inning, the winner will be determined by 1) the team with the fewer number of walks allowed in the game, 2) fewest number of walks in the first 3 innings, 3) coin flip.
- ◆ Please be ready to play at least 15 minutes before your scheduled time. In the event that the game in front of you finishes early, we will start your game early.
- ◆ Courtesy runner is allowed for the catcher or pitcher at any time. Courtesy runner must be someone not currently or previously in the game. If all players have been used, the last out from the previous inning should be used. No player can courtesy run more than once in an inning.
- ◆ Run Rule: 15 after 3, 10 after 4, and 8 after 5.
- ◆ The game is official after 4 innings, if called due to weather. If called before that, it will be considered a postponed game and play will resume at that point.
- ◆ In pool play, a coin flip will determine home and visitor teams. In the Championship Round, the higher seed will be home team. Teams listed first in pool play will have the 3rd base dugout.
- ◆ No pitching limitations. However, please use common sense! Counting pitcher's pitches and knowing your pitcher's limitations are highly recommended.
- ◆ 9U Balk Rule: 1 warning per pitcher per inning.
- ◆ The home team will have the official scorebook. Scorekeepers of each team should confirm scores after each inning.
- ◆ **HOME TEAM IS RESPONSIBLE FOR TURNING IN SCORE SHEETS TO TOURNAMENT CENTRAL.**
- ◆ Each team must supply copies of birth certificates for each player, in the event of a request by the Tournament Director. Age cutoff date being used is April 30th.
- ◆ Steel baseball cleats are not allowed.
- ◆ Any team wishing to forfeit a pool play game will not be allowed to participate in the Championship Round.
- ◆ The EH (extra hitter) position will be available. Managers may bat only 9 if they prefer. There is no penalty for batting 9. Teams must bat the same number of players as their opponent, unless a team chooses to bat only 9. For example, both teams can bat 11 players if they choose. However, if one team bats 10, the other team must bat 10, also.
- ◆ Please support the umpires. There will be no protests allowed. All rulings on the field are final.
- ◆ **IN THE SPIRIT OF THE GAME OF BASEBALL, THE REDBIRDS WISH ALL TEAMS, COACHES, FANS, AND PATRONS A WONDERFUL WEEKEND OF COMPETITIVE BASEBALL!!!**

Tournament Rules (QCR Classic '06) continued

TEAM MANAGERS SHOULD CHECK INTO TOURNAMENT CENTRAL UNDER THE BIG TENT, AT LEAST ONE HALF HOUR BEFORE THEIR FIRST GAME WITH THEIR OFFICIAL USSSA TEAM ROSTER/WAIVER FOR THE TOURNAMENT. MANAGERS WILL RECEIVE POOL PLAY SCORESHEETS AT THIS TIME.

OFFICIAL TEAM ROSTER AND WAIVER FORM MUST BE COMPLETED AND HANDED IN BEFORE YOUR TEAM IS ELIGIBLE TO PLAY. PLEASE PRINT OUT YOUR USSSA ONLINE ROSTER AND HAND IN AT CHECK IN TIME.

Every team that participates in a USSSA Sanctioned Tournament MUST have their team's roster on line in the USSSA system. To enter your roster on line, you must have registered your team for the 2006 season. After registering, you receive an ID and password to log in to the USSSA system. You may enter your team's roster on line after logging in. If you do not know your ID and password, go to www.ussa.com and click on the "Lost ID" button and submit your email address and the National Office will email you your ID and password. If you need help, please contact me at jwescom@hotmail.com and I'll run you through the steps.

After completing your team's roster on line, print the roster and have all of your parent's sign the roster. Please turn in completed rosters to the Tournament Director at initial check in. All managers must make player birth certificates immediately available upon request by any tournament director or official.

- ◆ In the unfortunate case of the tournament being rained out or cancelled due to unforeseen causes, the refund schedule is as follows:
 - ◆ No games, full refund minus \$50 administration fee
 - ◆ 1 game finished or 2nd game started but not complete, ½ refund
 - ◆ 2nd game finished, no refund

Facility Rules (per WBSA)

- ◆ Please park in the parking lot located at the end of the driveway at the North end of the facility. Please do not park along the driveway on the west end of the facility, in or around the batting cages, in Lincoln's Trail parking lot, or in posted areas. If you have a special needs parking request or need special assistance please advise us in advance or see a tournament official.
- ◆ We have limited bleacher seating. Please bring lawn chairs for your convenience.
- ◆ Please do not hit or take soft toss on the grass in the outfield. Please stand in the warning track areas to hit. Also no soft toss of any kind into any facility fence. There is plenty of open space around the facility to warm up.
- ◆ No infield or ground ball practice of any kind before the game starts on the infields.
- ◆ No standing or sitting on the helmet/glove racks in the dugouts.
- ◆ Please pickup the dugout after each game.

- ◆ Parents, Grandparents, Relatives, and Fans please pick up your general area after each game. It sure helps us out and keeps the facility nice for everyone the whole tournament. Thanks in advance!!
- ◆ Please throw your trash away in one of the many trash receptacles located throughout the facility and in the parking lot when leaving.
- ◆ Please no coolers or food brought into the parks.
- ◆ Due to the abuse of this policy in past years we are implementing the following procedures:
 - ◆ 1st offense is a warning to the team's Head Coach. The Coach will have to handle the problem to the WBSA's satisfaction before play can start.
 - ◆ 2nd offense will cause the team to forfeit the next game in the tournament
 - ◆ 3rd offense, the team will forfeit all games played in the tournament and will be asked to leave the facility.

Batting Cages

There are 4 batting cages located at the West end of our facility. These cages are open to anyone involved with the tournament. If there is no one using them, they are on a 1st come 1st serve basis. Teams that are getting ready to play have the rights to these cages as follows. Teams preparing to play on Field #1 have batting cage #1 etc. The cages are numbered 1-4 starting with the North cage being #1. Teams listed 1st on the pool play game schedule or the higher seed in the tournament round have the batting cage from 1 1/2 hours before the game to 45 minutes to game time. The teams listed 2nd on the pool play game schedule or the lower seed in the tournament round have the batting cage from 45 minutes before game time to game time. Please use the L screens and use caution while using the cages.

Directions (Maps are on www.wbsaqc.org)

The WBSA Complex is located on Andalusia Road just to the West of the Milan city limits. The address is 1715 - 78th Avenue West, Rock Island, IL.

From the East: From I-280, take Milan Exit (15). Take a right at the stoplight onto East 1st Ave. At the 1st light turn left onto Rte 67 (1st Street East). At the 2nd light turn right onto 78th Ave. (Andalusia Road). Go approx. 1 mile and the WBSA Complex is to the right just past Ridgewood Road.

From Quad City Airport: Follow Airport Road west for approx. 2 miles. Turn left at Milan Beltway. Turn right at first four-way stop. Follow 78th Ave. West through Milan (about 2 miles) just past Ridgewood Road and WBSA complex will be on the right.

From the West: Take I-280 to Andalusia exit (11A). Follow Rte 92 to stop light (Andalusia Road). Turn left. Travel 1.3 miles. WBSA Complex sits on the left just past the campground.

From Hitmen Field : Take a left out of the facility onto Knoxville Road. Go to the 1st light and turn left (West) onto 78th Ave. Go 2 miles and the WBSA Facility will be on the right.

ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT JIM WESCOM AT
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Redbirds Classic 9U Tournament Schedule

9U Team Listing	
Pool A	Pool B
1) Moline Blackhawks Maroon	5) Barnstormer Sluggers
2) Quad City A's	6) Quad City Hitmen
3) Quad City Redbirds	7) Moline Blackhawks Black
4) Ankeny Thunder	8) Romeoville Rattlers

Master Game and Field Schedule				
Saturday May 20				
TIME	D1	D2	D3	D4
8:00am	1 vs. 2	5 vs. 6		
9:45am	7 vs. 8			
11:30am	3 vs. 4			
1:15pm	5 vs. 7	6 vs. 8		
3:00pm	1 vs. 3	2 vs. 4		
4:45pm				

Master Game and Field Schedule				
Sunday May 21				
TIME	D1	D2	D3	D4
8:00am				
9:45am	1 vs. 4	5 vs. 8		
11:30am	2 vs. 3	6 vs. 7		
1:15pm	9U Semi	9U Semi		
3:00pm	9U Champ			

Team Schedule			
Team	Game #1	Game #2	Game #3
1) Moline Blackhawks Maroon	Sat. 8:00a @ D1	Sat. 3:00p @ D1	Sun. 9:45a @ D1
2) Quad City A's	Sat. 8:00a @ D1	Sat. 3:00p @ D2	Sun. 11:30a @ D1
3) Quad City Redbirds	Sat. 11:30a @ D1	Sat. 3:00p @ D1	Sun. 11:30a @ D1
4) Ankeny Thunder	Sat. 11:30a @ D1	Sat. 3:00p @ D2	Sun. 9:45a @ D1
5) Barnstormer Sluggers	Sat. 8:00a @ D2	Sat. 1:15p @ D1	Sun. 9:45a @ D2
6) Quad City Hitmen	Sat. 8:00a @ D2	Sat. 1:15p @ D2	Sun. 11:30a @ D2
7) Moline Blackhawks Black	Sat. 9:45a @ D1	Sat. 1:15p @ D1	Sun. 11:30a @ D2
8) Romeoville Rattlers	Sat. 9:45a @ D1	Sat. 1:15p @ D2	Sun. 9:45a @ D2