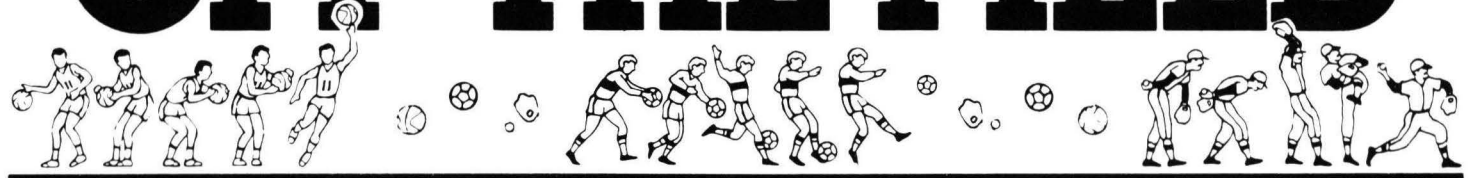


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President's Message

Ed Ducey - 825-3293

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We're back again to bring you up to date on all the Allendale Recreation Commission News.

Field Improvement Update:

The A.R.C. Board has actively pursued negotiations with the Borough Council regarding improvements of the playing fields. You may recall that the Borough hired a consulting firm, Kinsey Associates, to develop a master recreational plan for the town. The A.R.C. Board would like to make it CLEAR that our SOLE INTENT WAS, and STILL IS, to IMPROVE SAFETY and PLAYING conditions. We are NOT advocating a major development plan that would impact on the taxes and related services of the community. Rather, we are proposing that the Brookside and Crestwood playing fields be REMOVED from the master plan at this time so that safety improvements can be made as soon as possible. We had hoped to develop a cooperative, fiscally responsible, long-term program with the Borough utilizing the services of A.R.C. volunteers, the D.P.W., and local contractors. The A.R.C. Board recently offered a donation to improve Field #2 at Brookside which was earmarked for resurfacing, fencing, and dugouts. Jack Kilgallen is in the process of securing quotes for this phase 1 project. We expect completion of all improvements to Field #2 by May 1, 1992.

Baseball Sponsorship / Fundraising:

The Baseball Sponsorship Program, our major fund drive, has gotten off to a very successful start. Thanks to the efforts of Leslie and Don Dinallo, and Kathy Ridkes, we have, to date, exceeded our number of local business, corporate, and individual sponsors obtained in previous years. We are most grateful for their generous support. These funds enable us to upgrade uniforms and equipment, to finance coaches certification programs, and to cover insurance costs.

Fundraising efforts this year will also include Team Picture Day and a Picture Frame Sale on May 2nd. Your support of these projects is appreciated.

COACHES' CERTIFICATION CLINCS

We have been notified by both the Borough of Allendale, the American Amateur Baseball Congress, and the Northwest Bergen Soccer Association that coach certification (N.Y.S.C.A. CLINIC) is now mandatory for anyone coaching baseball, softball, basketball, or soccer. If you have any questions about your certification status, or need information regarding the next available N.Y.S.C.A. Clinic, call Ed Ducey, 825-3293.

THANKS

- to Sallyann Cosgrove, and Kathy Graff for their tireless efforts on the A.R.C. Newsletter.
- to Bob Roth and Rich Brennen for the many hours spent revising the By-Laws of the organization.
- to Lynn Gaydosh for a great Soccer season last year!
- to Ed Lhotak for the outstanding job he did on the Soccer fields.
- to Roger De La Bruyere for a miraculous job on the Soccer equipment and continuous endeavor to replace uniforms.
- To Craig McKim for an outstanding job of obtaining Soccer referees.
- to George Schlavis for volunteering to serve as area registrar for Soccer.
- to George and Helen Schlavis for a total overhaul of the baseball uniforms and equipment.
- to Lou Scipione for undertaking responsibility for the baseball fields.
- to Dan Davis and E.J. Moore for conducting an excellent Umpire Clinic.
- to Scott Michels for taking on the job of Summer Baseball Commissioner.
- to Chuck Dombeck for overseeing another outstanding Basketball Season.
- to John Alsdorf for his cooperation in providing us with the use of the Ambulance Building for our coaches certification program.
- to Bev Mellick's family for allowing her to attend numerous board and committee meetings; to Bev, herself, for her endless typing and schlepping.
- to Lorraine Michels, Kathy Graff, and Randy Canonico for their efforts on special fundraising projects.
- to all the many volunteers for A.R.C. You are great !!!

CONGRATULATIONS to many of our coaches who will be completing their 3rd year of N.Y.S.C.A. Certification this year. These coaches have earned lifetime membership.

I think that covers everything, so let's PLAY BALL !!!!!

**ALLENDALE RECREATION COMMISSION
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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Beverly Mellick - 934-1443

A.R.C. GENERAL MEETINGS 1992:

MAY 20th

SEPTEMBER 16th

ALL MEETINGS ARE AT BOROUGH HALL: 8:00 P.M.

PLEASE ATTEND. THANK YOU.

HELP WANTED

SOCCER

GIRLS COACHES ARE NEEDED
 FOR DIVISION 3 AND DIVISION 5.

PLEASE CALL LYNN GAYDOSH.

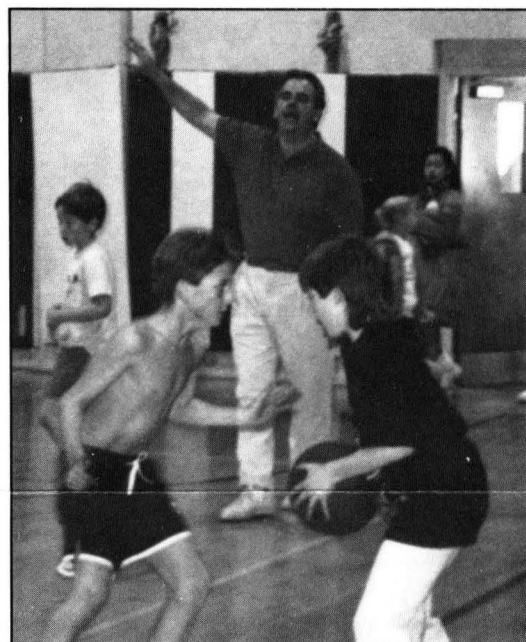
CROWD REACTION

ALSO KNOWN AS LETTERS TO THE EDITOR!



CHILDREN AND PARENTS . . . PLEASE WRITE.
 YOUR THOUGHTS ARE IMPORTANT TO US.

**REMINDER: Instructional Sports Tapes are available
 at Lee Memorial Library to learn from and view.**



NEWS BRIEFS:

SUMMER FUN . . . The Allendale Recreation Commission will be holding an "Introduction to Scholastic Wrestling" program during the months of July and August. This activity will take place on Wednesday evenings in the wrestling room at Northern Highlands High School from 6:00 - 8:00 P.M. The program is open to boys in grades 5 - 8. Grade 4 boys are welcome if accompanied by a parent. The boys involved may participate in any or all of the sessions.

High School wrestling is one of the few interscholastic sports where size is unimportant. Contests are scheduled according to weight class, offering equal opportunity for all to compete.

Instructions and demonstrations will be provided by past and present members of the Northern Highlands Varsity Wrestling Team, under adult supervision. Emphasis will be placed on theory of wrestling, balance training, conditioning, and sportsmanship.

Interested parents may contact Michael Carey at 327-1220.

TEAM PICTURE DAY: May 2, 1992; Brookside Grandstand.

The A.R.C. is again sponsoring a photo session and frame sale for all those playing kickball, softball, and baseball.

Due to numerous requests, the photo size will be 5"x7". We will also be selling a variety of picture frames with sports themes, such as baseball, softball, basketball, soccer, etc.

Your support is appreciated. Thank you.

If you have questions concerning Picture Day, please call Lorraine Michels or Kathy Graff. If you have questions about the Picture Frames, please call Randy Canonico.

YANKEE TICKETS: Join us for a fun day at Yankee Stadium on June 6th **BAT DAY!** Transportation will be provided. Parental supervision is required. We have a limited number of tickets available. For further information and cost, call Jack Killgallen.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

1992 BASKETBALL:

Chuck Dombeck - 327-8317

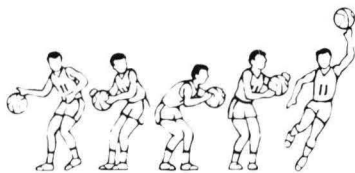


1992 was truly a remarkable year - 750 children, 61 teams, instructional clinics for 3rd and 4th graders, and over 400 basketball games scheduled and played in 7 different gyms.

The program again combined the towns of Allendale, Upper Saddle River, Ho-Ho-Kus, and Saddle River in an effort to foster cooperation, and to provide a spirit of healthy competition while emphasizing skills development and fun for the children.

Each year we build upon our past experience in an effort to improve the program. This year, through the untiring support of Ed Ducey and Jack Kilgallen we had more than 90% of Allendale's coaches certified by the N.Y.S.C.A. New basketballs were distributed across all age groups; games at the Brookside gym were played using the full court; and the quality of referees continued to improve.

Congratulations, not only to the championship teams, but to all of the children whose enthusiasm and love for basketball make the program a success. Special thanks to all the friends and relatives of the players who came to the games to cheer and enjoy - the kids love your participation. Our sincere appreciation to all the referees, especially to Clark Nicholas who was responsible for providing the referees for the 400+ games. Finally, great job -- coaches and league commissioners. The program could not have worked without you. Thanks.



HELP!!!! If you still have basketballs, clipboards, clocks, and first aid kits, please return them to Chuck Dombeck, 30 Oakwood Road, before they are eaten by your baseball and softball equipment.

SOCCER

Lynn Gaydosh - 327-6741



The response to early registration has been wonderful! Thank you all for your cooperation. Those of you who have not yet registered your children, please do so as soon as possible since rosters must be turned in to the Northwest Bergen Soccer Association by April 30, 1992. Forms are available at Lee Memorial Library. Questions - please call me.

I would especially like to thank all the volunteers whose efforts make the program possible. Special thanks to Ed Lhotak, Craig McKim, Roger DeLaBruyere, and George Schlavis.



BASEBALL/SOFTBALL/KICKBALL

LET'S PLAY BALL !!!!!

BASEBALL uniforms and equipment are on their way (including new safety helmets), registrations are flooding in, and the season will kick off the week of April 27th. Mike Healy, Northern Highlands Varsity Baseball Coach, will be conducting an instructional clinic for 3rd and 4th graders on a date to be announced.

WHO'S WHO?

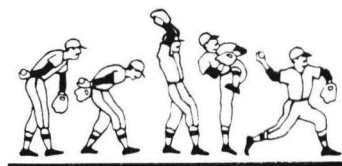
Do you know whose dedication and concern make your children's programs a success? We would like to acknowledge and thank our 1992 Baseball/Softball/Kickball Commissioners and League Directors.

Baseball League Director:		Don Dinallo
Baseball Commissioners:	Grades 1-2:	Howie Ridkes
	Grades 3-4:	Rick Santry
	Grades 5-6:	Bob Corley
	Grades 7-8:	Bob Frei

Softball/Kickball League Director:		Bob Roth
Softball Commissioners:	Grades 1-2:	Peter Piech
	Grades 3-4:	Bob Frueh
	Grades 5-6:	Jeff Farley
	Grades 7-8:	Bob Roth

Kickball Commissioner: Rich Brennen

Summer Baseball Commissioner: Scott Michels



In Appreciation . . .

We would like to open this 1992 Baseball/Softball/Kickball Season by thanking our sponsors (to date) for their contributions which enable the continuance and success of our recreational programs.

The support of our sponsors has allowed us to gradually, yet continuously, improve the quality of our athletic programs.

The Allendale Recreation Commission is appreciative of the support of our sponsors. We ask that you acknowledge their generosity and please . . .



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