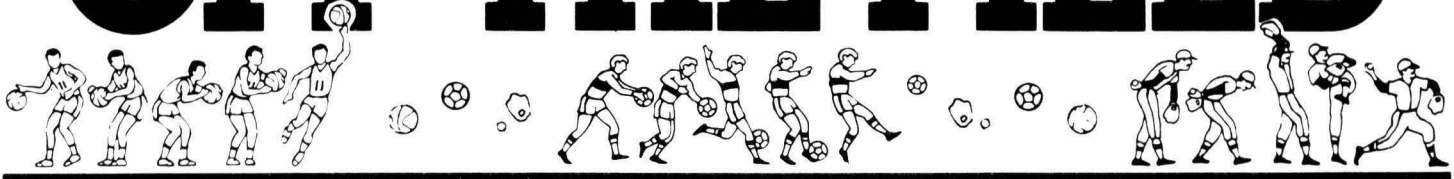


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ALLENDALE RECREATION COMMISSION

WINTER 1992



Happy New Year

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SECRETARY'S REPORT

Beverly Mellick - 934-1443

A.R.C. GENERAL MEETINGS 1993:

JANUARY 20th
 MARCH 16th (note change)
 MAY 12th
 SEPTEMBER 15th

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

We encourage all of you to attend.

A.R.C. Sports Registrations:

Spring Sports: *Baseball/Softball/Kickball*

January 9th and 16th
 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon
 Brookside School Gym

Baseball and Softball are for boys and girls in grades 1-8. Kickball is offered to kindergarten students.

Soccer

March 6th and 13th
 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon
 Brookside School Gym

The Soccer Program is open to all boys and girls between the ages of 6 and 16.

HELP WANTED

Volunteers are needed to chair the
 Picture Day fundraiser that will be held on
 May 1st. Please contact Beverly Mellick 934-1443.
 Thank you.

THANKS . . .

—to Sallyann Cosgrove, Beverly Mellick, and Kathy Graff for their tireless efforts on the A.R.C. newsletter.

—to George Nasata for building the team benches in the dugouts on the newly renovated field #2.

—to Lorraine Michels and Kathy Graff for chairing Picture Day the last two years and to Randy Canonico for her Picture Frame Sale last spring.

—to all the volunteers who make our sports programs possible and fundraising efforts successful.

A.R.C. COMEBACK AWARDS TO . . .

Jerry Crean for an outstanding job coaching division 4 boys soccer.

Bob Blake and Bob Eufers who were great basketball referees.

Thank you — your time and efforts are appreciated!

NOTE: We welcome the return of all parents who wish to be involved in A.R.C. If your children have graduated from the 8th grade you are still encouraged to participate in our sports programs. The other children need you.

COACHES CERTIFICATION

We have been notified by the Borough of Allendale, the American Amateur Baseball Congress, and the Northwest Bergen Soccer Association that the 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.





PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE
Ed Ducey 825-3293

As we begin the final year of our term, I would like to express my appreciation to a dedicated team of individuals who have worked so hard in a most unselfish way to complete the agenda that was established in September of 1989.

This agenda of goals included the establishment of a local chapter of the National Youth Sports Coaches Association to offer certification clinics for coaches. Certification is now mandatory for all coaches in the American Amateur Baseball Congress and the Northwest Bergen Soccer Association.

We have recruited a very special group of volunteers to assist in building a more effective organization in the areas of fields, equipment, NWBSA representation, and fundraising.

We have acquired federal and state status as a tax exempt organization due to the efforts of Jack Kilgallen.

Our editorial team has worked hard to publish a newsletter to better communicate with the K-8 parents of Allendale.

Our working relationship with USR-Hohokus-Saddle River in basketball, baseball, and softball is closely monitored and we have endeavored to iron out problems as they arise.

As stated in our first newsletter the renovation and maintenance of our playing fields was a high priority item. As of today, we can report Field #2 at Brookside has been renovated as a softball field. Jack Kilgallen can take a great deal of credit for the design and supervision of construction during this project which was completed in 5 days at the cost of under \$10,000, all of which was contributed by ARC's sponsor program.

We continue to negotiate with the Borough Council for a fiscally responsible approach to the presentation of other town fields. As meetings went on and on the ARC Board realized that the plans proposed by the Borough consultant were growing way out of proportion to the basic issues of safety and conservative spending that the ARC had originally proposed. The consultant's proposal once reached a high of \$1.4 million. We'd like to thank Richard Furfaro who stepped in, re-wrote the bid specifications and worked with the Council on the final proposal which resulted in the Borough's decision to renovate Fields #1, 3, 4, and 6 for a total of \$54,000. With work soon to begin on these fields, we will turn our attention to the improvements on the Brookside and Crestwood soccer fields.

The term of office of the current ARC Board ends in May of 1993. As stated in the by-laws, the President will appoint a Nominating Committee at the January General Meeting. This committee will present a slate of officers at the March General Meeting to be voted upon at the May General Meeting. Additional nominations of officers from the floor shall be permitted at the March meeting only.

Volunteers of the Allendale Recreation Commission work in many different capacities to serve the children of Allendale: from registration, to equipment distribution, to field maintenance, to the (sometimes impossible) job of collecting uniforms. Each parent volunteer contributes in some way for the betterment of the organization. We are most appreciative of everyone's help.

The objective of the Allendale Recreation Commission is to supervise a recreational sports program for the children of the town as opposed to sponsorship of select, competitive teams. ARC strives to maintain fair and open team selection with equal playing time for all children regardless of their ability. Our aim is to offer the children a meaningful, fair, and safe sports experience.

In Appreciation . . .

We take this opportunity to wish our SPONSORS all the joys of this holiday season. We thank you for your contributions which enable the continuance and success of our recreational programs and remind the rest of us NOT to take your generosity for granted.

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 whenever possible, please *SUPPORT OUR SPONSORS*.

NEWS BRIEFS:

SOCGER . . . Have you seen the great new uniforms the boys and girls in division 5 and older were sporting this fall?

. . . Did you know that there are no longer league standings in soccer?

TOPS IN SAFETY . . . the ARC was ahead of 80% of the towns in implementing the use of safety helmets to prevent injuries during spring sports.

FOOT LOCKERS and **STORAGE BOXES** are new at the ball fields.

BASKETBALL registration is complete and play will soon begin. We encourage you to be active and participate with your children. Times like this are what memories are made of!!!

BASEBALL . . . Opening day will be Monday, April 26th.

SOFTBALL . . . Opening day will be Tuesday, April 27th.

KICKBALL . . . Opening day will be Saturday, May 1st.

PICTURE DAY . . . Saturday, May 1st.

SPRING-SPORTS PICNIC . . . June 27th - mark your calendars - watch for details.

THE ARC strives to enhance the total sports experience for the children of Allendale. Ten new books have been purchased with funds donated by the ARC. Additional books will be purchased with this year's donation.

Sports instructional tapes are also available for your knowledge and enjoyment.

Why Kids Play Sports

The UCLA Sports Psychology Laboratory recently measured attitudes among nearly 2,000 Southern California boys and girls who participate in sports. Here are rankings of the factors they said contributed most to their enjoyment:

1. Positive coach support.
2. Learning-effort.
3. (tie) Positive team interactions.
4. Positive parent interactions.
5. Sports ability.
6. Feeling fit.
7. Winning.

ATTENTION BASEBALL COACHES

Believe it or not, there is still baseball equipment and uniforms that have not been returned, including:

10 batting helmets worth \$500.00

8 catchers masks worth \$190.00

1 complete set of uniforms worth \$275.00

Please check your basements and garages and call George Schlavis - 825-8595.



THE ALLENDALE RECREATION COMMISSION

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